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Special Briefing

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Ambassador Patrick F. Kennedy on the Report of the Secretary of State's Panel on Personal Protective Services in Iraq

[Implementation of Recommendations from the Secretary of State's Report on Personal Protective Service Details](#)

MR. MCCORMACK: Thanks for joining us, everybody. I'll just make a couple brief remarks at the top and then I'll turn it over to Patrick Kennedy and he can talk a little bit about the [report](#) and the recommendations that the Secretary has ordered to be implemented immediately.

I also wanted to draw your attention to an announcement we just put out and that is on an appointment of a Senior Advisor to the Deputy Secretary for Iraq Management Issues. Ambassador Steve Browning is going to fill that job on a temporary basis. He's going to work closely with John Negroponte on management issues related to Iraq. He's also going to be working very closely with David Satterfield.

So let me turn it over to Pat. He is going to, at the top of this, run through the list of recommendations that the Secretary has ordered to be implemented immediately. These are recommendations internal to the State Department that we can act on without regard to any further consultation with outside entities. You'll see in the report that there are some other recommendations. Those, in our judgment, are going to require some further consultation, but the Secretary is committed to acting on these recommendations in some form or fashion in a prompt manner.

So with that, I will turn it over to Pat Kennedy.

AMBASSADOR KENNEDY: Good afternoon. The Secretary has received the report and has decided to move ahead on the recommendations which are, as Sean said, within her purview to act on immediately. And the first is that an Assistant State Department Regional Security Officer will be accompanying every motorcade movement that is -- that contract security personnel are involved in.