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**EVENT:** MBR PRE-TRIP BRIEF **DATE:** 12/21/2004 **TIME:** 10:30 **STATUS:** COMPLETED  
**PLACE:** 7B42 HEADQUARTERS  
**FOR:** HASC  
**SUBJECT:** IRAQ - INSURGENTS AND TERRORISTS

**ATTENDEES:**

ASSOCIATION	NAME	ROLE
DC/OCA	<input type="checkbox"/>	SUPPORT
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DI/CTC	HORACEK, JAMES	BRIEFER
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HASC	MARSHALL (D-GA), JIM	REP

**Executive Summary:**

(C/NF) A team of  and CTC analysts provided Representative Jim Marshall (D/GA), member of the HASC, an analytical, non-oversight briefing to address issues relating to Iraqi insurgents and terrorists.

**Summary Text:**

1. (C/NF) A team of  and CTC analysts provided Representative Jim Marshall (D/GA), member of the HASC, an analytical, non-oversight briefing to address the following issues:

- 1) Iraq -- Insurgents and terrorists: Who are they? How much support do they have?
- 2) How much support is there for the new government? Are Iraqis interested in rebuilding their own society?

By way of additional background, the briefing was arranged to support Rep. Marshall in his planned late December travel with General Schoomaker, Chief of Staff of the US Army, to Afghanistan and Iraq -- however, when the Representative arrived here at Headquarters, he advised that his trip had been postponed.

2. (S/NF) The session was largely give-and-take because Rep. Marshall, a former Army Ranger who studied insurgencies at Princeton, had some strong opinions of his own. The discussion centered around nation-building and reconstruction efforts in Iraq; counter-insurgency efforts by the US Military and Iraqi security forces; the challenge posed by Zarqawi, including his network's killing of 49 Iraqi national guardsmen fresh out of basic training; and the possible ramifications of a pull-out of Coalition troops. Rep. Marshall was very knowledgeable about the subject matter, but expressed surprise over the analysts' estimate of the number of suicide bombers. Toward the end of the session, the DCI stopped in to say hello to the Representative.

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