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----- Original Message -----From: Abbaszadeh, Nima Sent: Saturday, December 24, 2011 02:33 PM To: Hanley, Monica R; Abedin, Huma; Mills, Cheryl D Cc: Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; S_SpecialAssistants Subject: Message from Dan Fried for S and Cheryl on MEK

Following up on yesterday's update, Dan Fried reports that, according to UN Special Representative Martin Kobler, an MOU signing on Ashraf is possible on Christmas day. Maliki today re-accepted the MOU and made constructive suggestions for edits, which Kobler put into the MOU.

If the MOU is signed, the biggest question will be the reaction from MEK/Paris. Kobler is prepared to go there after Christmas.

The UNSC statement and S statements will obviously be delayed, but Fried will work media tomorn 1.4(D) if the signing occurs; if it does, he also will prepare another note to S.

Best, Nima