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Visit to NATO of High Level Opinion Leaders from the Gulf Region

Conference Room BROSIO

Wednesday 10 December 2008

- 08:30 Arrival at NATO Headquarters
- 09:00 Briefing and discussion on *NATO's Transformation and the Outreach to the Mediterranean, the Middle East and the Broader Middle East Region* with **Mr. Nicola de Santis**, Head, Mediterranean Dialogue and Istanbul Cooperation Initiative Countries Section, Public Diplomacy Division.
- 10:00 Coffee break
- 10:15 Briefing and discussion on *Current Political Issues* with **Mr. Jonathan Parish**, Speechwriter, Private Office of the Secretary General .
- 11:00 Briefing and discussion on *NATO's Military Cooperation under the Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI)* with **Colonel Michele Crescenzi**, Head, Mediterranean Dialogue and Istanbul Cooperation Initiative Section, NATO International Military Staff.
- 11:45 Briefing and discussion on *Defense Investment Cooperation under the Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI)* with **Mr. Richard Williams**, Deputy Director Armaments, Defence Investment Division.
- 12:15 Lunch in the Secretary General's Private Dining Room.
- 14:00 Briefing and discussion on *NATO's Public Diplomacy* with **Mr. Jean-François Bureau**, NATO Assistant Secretary General for Public Diplomacy.
- 15:00 Briefing and discussion on *The role of Civil Emergency Planning in NATO and Support for national responses in times of crisis and natural disasters* with **Mr. Günther Bretschneider**, Head, Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre.
- 16:00 Briefing and discussion on *NATO-Russia Relations* with **Mr. Robert Pszczel**, Press Officer, Press and Media Section, Public Diplomacy Division.
- 16:45 Coffee break
- 17:15 Briefing and discussion with **H.E. Ambassador Claudio Bisogniero**, NATO Deputy Secretary General.
- 18:00 Departure from NATO