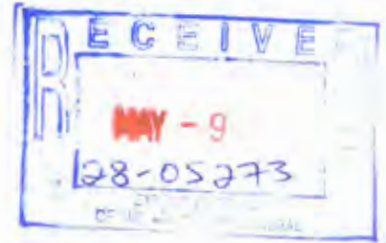


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Note to Mr. Nambiar

**NATO: TELEPHONE CALL**

Please find attached, as requested, talking points for the Secretary-General's telephone conversation with H.E. Mr. Jan de Hoop Scheffer, Secretary General of NATO.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Lynn Pascoe".

B. Lynn Pascoe  
9 May 2008

cc: Ms. Kane  
Ms. Vaccari

**Talking Points for Secretary-General's telephone call with**  
**NATO Secretary General, Mr. Jan de Hoop Scheffer**  
*(re. 7 May discussion on UN/NATO Secretariat Cooperation)*

- I wish to inform you of the outcome of a meeting held with some of my senior advisors concerning the joint declaration on UN/NATO Secretariat Cooperation.
- UN security personnel raised serious concerns about the security implications that publicity surrounding a declaration would have for UN staff working in the field. Al Qaeda propaganda is currently painting the UN as a tool of NATO and the West.
- There was also some sentiment that before any signing takes place we should have the benefit of the recommendations of the Panel chaired by Lakhdar Brahimi on Safety and Security of UN Personnel and Premises worldwide – which I established after the bombing of the UN premises in Algiers last December.
- Given those quite reasonable concerns, I decided it would be useful to take a bit more time to ensure that the security, humanitarian, and political implications for UN work and UN staff worldwide are addressed.
- I have decided, therefore, to postpone the signature until the Fall, during the General Debate.
- We view this document as an important milestone in cooperation between the UN and NATO. I understand it also has serious implications for evolving cooperation with several States that are members of both our organizations. I hope you will understand the need for this brief delay.

9 May 2008