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SECURITY ADVISORY

The Ministry of Rural Reconstruction and Development (MRRD) organizes MRRD Conference on 19-21 October, 2010. The Conference will be held in the Loya Jirga Tent which is located in the Polytechnic University Compound on the western edge of Kabul. It is anticipated that there will be approximately 1200 attendees, including the President of Afghanistan, Ambassadors and senior line of Ministers.

- 2. It may be mentioned here that during the recent Peace Jirga held at the same location in May, one male was detained attempting to enter the compound dressed in a burqa that concealed an Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG). In the past, insurgents (INS) also utilized Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) and International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) uniforms and vehicles to infiltrate secure compounds. Anti Government Elements (AGEs) can fire rockets to different targets in the city, small arms and RPG fire against Peace Jirga compound or use suicide Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) or Improvised Explosive Device (IED) against VIP on roads to the site. However, no specific threats to the MRRD Conference at this time came to notice.
- 3. In view of the above, all Indians staying in Kabul and other parts of Afghanistan are advised to maintain extra vigilance during coming days. As advised earlier, unnecessary movement to the above place, including Government buildings, public places such as bazaars and restaurants, may please be avoided or keep it to the bare minimum. It is also advised to remain alert and aware of the potential for congested traffic in the area.

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