

FACT SHEET

SECRETARY RUMSFELD MEETINGS/CONSULTATIONS WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND JOINT CHIEFS

MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld met with members of congress a total of 79 times during calendar year 2002--

- 14 -- Meetings
- 14 – Lunches
- 12 – Hearings
- 17 – Briefings
- 12 – Breakfasts
- 10 – Others

So far, in calendar year 2003, he has met with members of congress a total of 7 times—

- 1 – Briefing
- 2 – Breakfasts
- 3 – Meeting
- 1 -- Hearing

JOINT CHIEFS

Secretary of Defense meets multiple times daily with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, the Vice Chairman, or both. Collectively, this represents anywhere from 30 minutes to several hours of meetings each day. Additionally, the Secretary of Defense met with service chiefs – individually or collectively – a total of 63 times during calendar year 2002 –

- 43 meetings in 2001 for a total of 43.4 hours
- 63 meetings in 2002 for a total of 54.4 hours
- 5 meetings in 2003 (current as of 22 Jan 03) for a total of 4.5 hours.