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Cc: Subject: Andy_Grove@ccm.sc.intel.com Re; marritz meeting summary

I interepreted our meeting today consistent with Frank's last paragraph. We now have completed our AR and will begin the Java program full force, consistent with the direction to do so without public disclosure.

I take minor exception to the "insurance policy" positioning. I'm OK with that for MS, but Java isn't an insurance policy for us at this time - it's an important component part of a major application strategy. However, I don't think that this needs to be resolved.

I'm assigning about 5 existing ITL people to this, opening regs for another 3-4, and engaging with IAL's media suppliers to budget resources to include support in their media components, all per the GSR outcome.

I take an additional AR to continue to educate Frank on the merits of Java and the position and motivation of Sun.

On other topics, Richmond will get AR to "win" MS for Intercast architecture convergence at (virtually) any cost,

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>From: Frank Gill <Frank_Gill@ccm2.hf.intel.com>
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overall very good but java remains a major controversy. paul really appreciated the spirit of openness and strong desire to cooperate. major points summarized below.

-on intercast and their direct tv program, we both felt we are early enough that we can cooperate to make these programs complementary and even divide up the work. i want to really make this happen and demostrate we can do a successful program together.

-we told them again we are using netscape in first release of our internet-in-a-box and reasons why. while disappointed, they understood and paul told me after "this is how we should handle things with no surprises"

-re java, we told them that we felt java is on the way to becoming an internet std and felt a need to optimize around IA and particulary optimize our media components for the java environment. they see this as supporting their mortal enemy...and argue SUN is our enemy as well. Paul describe to me as "this is equivalent to us optimizing for powerpc". i left it with him that

GOVERNMENT EXHIBIT 284 have not starting anything until we talked today, we will not
publicly endorse java, and i needed internal review before
authorizing this work to commence. So, buttom line, this is BIG
BIG DEAL to them.

i am still pretty dumb in this space, but think we should do the
work quietly as an insurance policy and see a few more cards
before any public disclosure. Lets talk. frank

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