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From: Bishop, Christopher W To: S Cc: Wood, Robert A (PACE) Sent: Mon Mar 30 19:12:55 2009 Subject: FW: second conversation with Mr. Gore re detained Amcits in North Korea Colleagues, FYI: readout of EAP DAS Arvizu's conversation with former VP Gore.

From: Arvizu, Alex A Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 7:11 PM To: Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Abedin, Huma; Crocker, Bathsheba N Cc: Toiv, Nora F; Park, Pamela P; Tesone, Mark; Jacobs, Janice L; Smith, Daniel B; S_SpecialAssistants; Davies, Glyn T; Kim, Sung Y; Tong, Kurt W; Kim, Yuri J; Richardson, Eric N Subject: second conversation with Mr. Gore re detained Amcits in North Korea

I spoke with Mr. Gore a second time today; I called him this afternoon after we had seen some brief wire stories appear, referencing the KCNA report below. Explaining that this was my personal view, I said I was encouraged that the term "espionage" did not appear in the KCNA report. I also mentioned that we were not aware of recent cases where previously detained Amcits in the DPRK were "indicted" and "brought to trial." I said I wouldn't read too much into terms such as "illegal entry" and "suspected hostile acts"; I was still convinced that the track we've been pursuing, i.e. gaining consular access through the Swedish Amb. in Pyongyang, and contact via other diplomatic channels, offered hope for a resolution.

Mr. Gore said he very much appreciated the call. He asked that we convey as much of this information as we could to the family members. I told him we would do so through CA.

From: Hooker, Allison M Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 2:03 PM To: EAP-K-DPRK-UNIT-DL; Kim, Sung Y; Arvizu, Alex A; Kim, Yuri J Subject: OSC: KCNA report on detainees

Here's the KCNA just in from OSC:

Pyongyang, March 31 (KCNA) -- The illegal entry of U.S. reporters into the DPRK and their suspected hostile acts have been confirmed by evidence and their statements, according to the results of intermediary investigation conducted by a competent organ of the DPRK.

The organ is carrying on its investigation and, at the same time, making a preparation for indicting them at a trial on the basis of the already confirmed suspicions. While the investigation is under way consular contact is allowed and the

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treatment of U.S. reporters, etc. are given according to the relevant international laws.