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Fw: IG Report

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From: Lew, Jacob J To: Mills, Cheryl D

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From: Feldman, Daniel F

Sent: Thursday, December 24, 2009 8:47 AM

To: Lew, Jacob J

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Good point. Will do.

From: Lew, Jacob J

Sent: Thursday, December 24, 2009 8:42 AM

To: Feldman, Daniel F **Subject:** RE: IG Report

Given the prominent placement of the story you might get an info note to S who will probably have questions as well. Thx

From: Feldman, Daniel F

Sent: Thursday, December 24, 2009 8:39 AM

To: Lew, Jacob J; Jones, Paul W

Cc: Campbell, Piper; Singh, Vikram J; McKean, Margaret B; Keays, Michael C; Misko, Sean A; Simon, Jessica L; Bommer,

Ashley F

Subject: RE: IG Report

Jack -

Thanks for flagging this. We actually saw this last night, and Vikram and I had a conversation with Richard about it. The report was based on interviews conducted in May-June, before the new policy change was implemented, so much of the report is already OBE. OIG gave us the draft report in October, and SRAP/SCA/INL immediately sent a joint response to OIG (attached), highlighting that we were already working on many of the issues highlighted in the report.

Given the change in policy and our letter to them, we found it pretty egregious that the OIG didn't report on the changes underway or adjustments already made, as the report is being portrayed in the press as currently applicable. Michael Keays on the Afghan desk and Peggy, who both help to oversee CN issues, are already working on a letter to OIG expressing our strong concern about the report and the process which got us to this point, and Vikram and his team are ginning up press points which also note that we have already begun to robustly address many of these points (I've cc'ed them all on this).

If you'd like to talk further, I'm happy to come up to your office at some point this morning to discuss.

Dan

From: Lew, Jacob J

Sent: Thursday, December 24, 2009 8:10 AM

To: Feldman, Daniel F; Jones, Paul W

Cc: Campbell, Piper **Subject:** IG Report

Have you seen the IG report on the counternarcotics program (reported in NYT) this am? We should discuss response.