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FW: Summary of 5/3 0845 and 0915 meetings

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Summary of 8:45 meeting, May 3, 2010:

Cheryl Mills chaired, with D(S) Jim Steinberg, D(L) Jacob Lew, (P) Bill Burns, (M) Pat Kennedy, (H) Rich Verma, (L) Harold Koh, (PA) Gordon Duguid, (S/P) Ann-Marie Slaughter, and (S/ES)Paul Wohlers attending.

M, P, and S/P passed.

D(S):

-- Emilio Estefan would like to speak with the Secretary about possible people-to-people ideas for Cuba.

D(L):

- -- DoD wants to move money (that is actually State money) to State accounts; checking to see what Hill appropriators will say.
- -- From meeting with AIPAC, should not assume they will push for Ros-Lehtinen language in the Russia 123 agreement.
- -- Rep. Norm Dicks wants to discuss civ-mil issues.

H:

- -- A number of Senators have written to President Medvedev asking that adoptions to the US not be halted. It appears that adoptions already in the pipeline have not been halted; unclear about new adoptions.
- -- Preparing for the Karzai visit next week; he will have a number of Hill meetings. Frank Ruggiero meets with SFRC this week; the Secretary will meet with Blue Dogs on the budget on Wednesday; the Secretary and Secretaries Gates and Chu will do an All-Members briefing on START on Thursday afternoon; discussions continue on Iran sanctions legislation, with the Secretary and Susan Rice calling some senators and discussing who else should be called.

PA:

-- No briefing today.

L:

-- L will be meeting with PA to discuss points to use on International Criminal Court policy.

Summary of 9:15 A/S Meeting, May 3, 2010:

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Deputy Secretary Steinberg chaired.

D(L):

- -- Budget process going into high gear in May/June. Will change process from last year; Senior Review process was not that useful. Will start with conversations with A/Ss; also trying to include more inter-agency aspects. Will be more steps this year but better product. Should be done by end of summer.
- -- Evaluation process underway; OPM will use State process as model for civil service reform.

OES (A/S Jones):

-- Discussed the Gulf oil spill, noting 12 foreign offers of assistance so far; US has not accepted any yet. Ops Center is maintaining a matrix of international offers. There will be daily DCs this week. Jim Steinberg noted the need to monitor developments that could affect Mexico, especially as the Calderon visit approaches.

NEA (A/S Feltman):

-- Baghdad recount going well so far. Kurds dropped recount request in Kirkuk; Allawi dropped request for southern Iraq. Bus in Mosul carrying Christians was bombed this morning, several dead.

USUN/W: (Barks-Ruggles)

-- Ahmadinejad speaking this morning at NPT Revcon at UN; the Secretary speaks this afternoon.

SCA: (DAS Krol)

-- In Nepal, Maoist street demonstrations brought tens of thousands out, no violence so far. Embassy closed today but doesn't think situation will deteriorate greatly. Maoist goal is to maintain pressure until PM Nepal resigns.

AF: (A/S Carson)

- -- Weekend attack on Somali mosque believed work of ASJ group is Ethiopia-supported and affiliated with TFG. Targeted senior al-Shabab leaders, at least one killed.
- -- VP Biden going to Egypt, Kenya, and South Africa first week of June; will be at opening US match in soccer World Cup.
- -- From DROC, reports of new LRA massacre in Feb in eastern Congo; details just now coming out, appears over 100 killed
- -- Scott Gration in Khartoum today.

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PM: (A/S Shapiro)

- Sending Note to S about Saudi request for arms sales by US. Don't want publicity now; need to develop Hill strategy.

INL:

-- A/S Johnson is in Iraq this week.

S/SRMC:

-- Farah Pandith thanked all at State involved in last week's Entrepreneurship Summit; said was well done and can be used to encourage young Muslim populations around the world.

S/CT: (Coordinator Benjamin)

-- Times Square bomb incident being classified as possible international incident due to al-Qaida video claiming responsibility.

EUR: (A/S Gordon)

-- Greece came up with improved austerity package; PM Papandreou gave good speech to the country; Germans coming up with support funds; markets mixed today.

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