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Pat chaired today's meeting with the regional bureaus – here are highlights:

E Russians still backtracking on poultry agreement; will recommend S re-engagement with Lavrov. Rich Verma predicted spillover on New START prospects.

NEA Yemen publicly reacted harshly to WP story on prospective use of drones against al-Qaeda operatives. Good Iraq DC (reported separately on high side) – Jeff Feltman will meet with VP Thursday.

EAP Japanese parliamentarian Ozawa making bid for DPJ leadership;

Jim S/Kurt at offsite with Cui Tankai.

S/GC SSCI minority staff is visiting European capitals and warning against accepting Gitmo detainees.

SCA Indian lower house of parliament passed bad nuke liability legislation; goes to upper house Monday. Indigenous producers leading the protest against it; Bob Blake recommends leaving it that way publicly to avoid nationalist backlash.

WHA Moving to adult dependents only at Mexican border posts/Monterrey because of violence.

IO Ban ki-Moon will formally welcome NATO logistical support in Pakistani flood relief.

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