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From: Sent: To: Subject: H <hrod17@clintonemail.com> Thursday, January 6, 2011 6:31 AM 'sullivanjj@state.gov' Re: Japanese FM and UNSC

This reminds me that Yang asked me if we'd support Ban for reelection, and I said we would. He seemed relieved since he said they thought he'd done a good job and wanted to know if we agreed because "if China and the US agreed, then we could work w other members." It's my understanding that we already decided to support Ban and didn't believe there was any opposition.

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Fyi - interesting fact.

From: Brimmer, Esther D To: Sullivan, Jacob J Cc: Macmanus, Joseph E Sent: Wed Jan 05 19:36:16 2011 Subject: Japanese FM and UNSC

Jake,

I understand that S is meeting with Japanese FM Maehara tomorrow, and wanted to make you aware of news reports today indicating that Japan plans to announce shortly its intention to run for a UN Security Council seat for 2012-2013. Having just left the Council after a 2009-2010 term, this would be the earliest opportunity for Japan to seek another seat, and likely represents a strategy of seeking frequent election to a nonpermanent UNSC seat to bolster Japan's credibility in its pursuit of permanent Security Council membership. To date, Fiji, Kyrgyzstan, and Pakistan have announced their candidacy for a single Asia Group seat up in 2012. Japan has served ten times on the Council, tied for the most with Brazil.

Esther