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From: Curtis, Meghann A

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FYI- thought you might want to know this tragic news about one of our Fulbright students.

From: Ives, Donna A

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## Meghann,

We received word today from the post in Rabat about the tragic death of a U.S. Fulbright student from Bahrain who was touring in Morocco after attending a Fulbright enrichment seminar in Rabat. Kelly Dalla Tezza died today after the car that she was driving went off the road, rolled 2-3 times and ejected her from the car.

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Fulbright Commission is assisting them make arrangements to return to Rabat. They are currently in a police station in Rissani where they are completing paperwork about the accident and will travel to Rabat tomorrow by bus.

Kelly's parents have been notified by CONS Casablanca as confirmed by Matt Long. Her remains will be repatriated to the U.S. (Baltimore) through the assistance of CONS Casablanca and Seven Corners, the medical insurer for Fulbright grantees. CONS Casablanca advises that the repatriation will take several weeks and an autopsy is required by the Moroccan authorities.

We have notified the post in Bahrain about Kelly's tragic accident and advised the post about providing grief counseling to the remaining Fulbright students in addition to upon their return.

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Kelly received her BA last year and had been accepted to graduate school at Harvard and SAIS. She had passed the written Foreign Service exam and was to take the oral exam this fall. She was pursuing research on women in politics as a Fulbright grantee in Bahrain.

## Donna Vres

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