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FW: Good Russian News

FYI -- good news.

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Sergey just called to say Lavrov reacted positively to the draft statement. He expected Borodavkin would call the Senator tomorrow or early Monday, or he, Sergey, would call me with the formal go ahead. I stressed the sooner, the better; but Sunday is a problem.

On the latter point, ConGen hears Abbas may be traveling 2nd half of week to East Africa (the aborted trip). We are seeking more details. That would argue for either a Monday evening departure by the Senator for Tuesday evening with Abbas and Weds morning with BN, or a possible delay till next weekend. David

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