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FW: World Pride Award for Secretary Clinton

**Attachments:** 

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Very cool.

From: Rooney, Megan

Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2012 2:59 PM

**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J

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This is kind of neat.

From: Patel, Mira D

Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2012 2:52 PM

To: Russo, Robert V; Rooney, Megan

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Thought you'd both enjoy.

From: Kero-Mentz, Kenneth

Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2012 12:07 PM

To: Patel, Mira D; Sicade, Lynn M (DRL); Baer, Daniel B Cc: Peterson, Lisa; Pierson, Sarah E; Gill, William R Subject: World Pride Award for Secretary Clinton

Dan, Mira, Lynn –

As you'll all recall, in early July the organizers of World Pride presented an award to Secretary Clinton for her work on LGBT human rights globally. S accepted the award via video and Political MC Toby Bradley gave a personal acceptance speech as well.

On top of the award, an American artist made the attached flag in honor of the Secretary. It's a take on the American Flag and has the words of her speech in Geneva sewn in to the flag. Those countries where same-sex relations are criminalized appear as "dark hole" stars, those where criminalization laws have been removed appear as white stars. As countries decriminalize, the dark holes become white stars. There are a lot more details (Clinton and Eleanor Roosevelt's silhouettes, for instance) that make this work of art a really impressive piece.

It is currently hanging in the entrance lobby at Embassy London and is having a dramatic impact there. The hope is that S will be able to be photographed with it hanging there at some point. Further discussions are ongoing about how best to use this artwork, and where is might eventually land (museum, Clinton Library, Art in the Embassy program, etc...).

Happy to talk more about this, if folks have ideas or interest.

Thanks, Ken