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Sounds like a go. Do you agree?	
Also, what happened in Haiti?	
From: Mills, Cheryl D [mailto:Mills Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 02: To: H	
Subject: Fw: Amelia Earhart Proj	ect
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Subject: RE: Amelia Earhart Proj Thank you very much for your no meeting and we have taken your Pacific legacy, and the spirit of ad discussing the expedition – part have recognize and support the position. Again, I want to thank you for be ago. It made a difference then an	>; Lieberman, Evelyn < >; pellej( ) < >; Crouch, Tom ect  te General and we appreciated your time this morning. I think it was a very useful good counsel and will focus on the Amelia Earhart legacy, the 75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary, our liventure all this conjures, in our event next week. We will also take great care when hopeful but also restrained and very realistic about the challenging odds. And we fully on of your institution.
This email is UNCLASSIFIED.	
From: Dailey, John [mailto: Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 1:3 To: Campbell, Kurt M; Lieberman Cc: Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jaco Subject: RE: Amelia Earhart Pro	n, Evelyn; pellej ob J; Loi, James L; Stout, Jennifer P; Jakab, Peter; Crouch, Tom

Kurt,

Thank you for taking the time to meet with us this morning. The information you provided on the planned event to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Amelia's flight clarified several issues for us and I hope I was able to adequately explain the purpose of my E-Mail. For the benefit of those who did not attend the meeting but were included on my original UNCLASSIFIED U.S. Department of State Case No. F-2014-20439 Doc No. C05795253 Date: 11/30/2015

message, I want to restate its purpose. When I received the information that members of our Aeronautics Department were going to be invited to the event I was concerned that it would create an opportunity for the press to interview members of our staff, who have well established levels of skepticism about the probable success of such a venture, which would then detract from the celebration of the anniversary and question the credibility of the expedition. The press will probably contact our folks anyway, but I didn't want it to be at the ceremony which is why I was recommending that we not go. It had nothing to do with the value of the expedition nor did I intend to reflect a lack of support for exploration. There is no organization in the world that would be more pleased than ours if they are successful in solving one of the great mysteries of aviation and we wish them the very best of luck.

We were very impressed with the research that has taken place and the level of preparation and technology that has been applied to the planning. There have been some amazing technological breakthroughs in recent years that have opened up new possibilities and we hope that will be the case with this mission. The Smithsonian serves the Nation by ensuring the highest quality of historical and scientific scholarship. A careful degree of skepticism when evaluating all evidence is a crucial component of fulfilling that responsibility. We'll watch with great interest as this latest effort to find Amelia unfolds.

Best Regards, Jack