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Cheryl,

Just a quick note to let you know that CDC is fully supportive of and committed to accelerating the reduction of maternal mortality worldwide. Reducing maternal mortality is a concrete expression of the Global Health Initiative linked to impact. I believe that real impact is possible and now is the time for concerted USG action.

I am pleased that our staff have been a part of the design team, conceptualizing the implementation model in a way that leverages the strength of the full USG and established USG-supported platforms for efficient results. We have staff from across the agency positioned to fully support this effort as well.

I am prepared to further mobilize significant relevant human and financial resources from across the agency to help support the interagency Saving Mothers effort.

Thank you and I look forward to working with you and others at State on this transformative effort.

I'll email you tomorrow with options for your visit here on the 23rd.

Tom