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Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2012 11:31 PM
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Cc: Sullivan, Jacob J; Schwerin, Daniel B
Subject: CT

Update:

- Spoke to the AP reporter, explained that it was neither an attack nor covert
- Realizing how wrong they got it, reporter freaked
- Spoke to Alberto Fernandez and Danny, got the details
- Poor Danny is in Tunis, 5am his time
- Got the reporter on with Alberto & Danny, walked her through it
- Reporter revising the story to reflect reality; I'll send when updated
- This fire drill will get this initiative some good press, so another case of all's well that ends well

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To: 'Hdr22@clintonemail.com' <Hdr22@clintonemail.com>
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Subject: Re: Mobile POLITICO: Clinton: U.S. hacked Al Qaeda

Short answer is no.

I'll let Jake address in full, but as I understand it we bought web ads that were a play on anti-US ads. It wasn't a "cyberattack" and it wasn't "covert"

I'm reaching out to AP to tone it down.

----- Original Message -----

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]
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To: Reines, Philippe I; Schwerin, Daniel B
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Subject: Mobile POLITICO: Clinton: U.S. hacked Al Qaeda

Does this ring any alarms re disclosure?

<http://mobile.politico.com/story.cfm?id=76699&cat=topnews>