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**Sent:** Tuesday, August 14, 2012 12:16 PM  
**To:** Cheryl Mills  
**Subject:** Re: letter to editor of FP

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what is this?

On 8/13/12, Cheryl Mills [redacted] wrote:

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>> From: Jim Kennedy [redacted]  
>> Date: August 12, 2012 11:08:16 PM EDT  
>> To: Cheryl Mills [redacted]  
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>> Assessing Hillary  
>> Is America's 67th secretary of state a Seward or a Powell?  
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>> SEPT/OCT 2012  
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>> Susan B. Glasser ("Head of State," July/August 2012) does a good job of  
>> chronicling Hillary Clinton's successes and setbacks as U.S. secretary of  
>> state. True, Clinton has been marginalized by her initial diplomatic  
>> inexperience and exclusion from President Barack Obama's inner circle. But  
>> she argued in favor of two key administration initiatives (the 2009  
>> Afghanistan troop surge and the 2011 Osama bin Laden raid), constructed  
>> the NATO coalition that helped the Libyan people overthrow Muammar  
>> al-Qaddafi, and advocated the "pivot" to Asia, which has increased U.S.  
>> popularity in the region.

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>> I argue in a forthcoming essay that there are five types of secretaries of  
>> state. "Prime ministers" such as Martin Van Buren and William H. Seward  
>> are influential in foreign and domestic policy, while "foreign ministers"  
>> such as John Quincy Adams and George C. Marshall control foreign policy in  
>> partnership with the president. "Junior partners" like Thomas Jefferson  
>> and Colin Powell wield some power over foreign policy but are not its  
>> primary architects, whereas "figureheads" like John Sherman and Robert  
>> Lansing have almost no say in foreign policy. "Caretakers" such as Edward  
>> Everett and Robert Bacon only hold office for a short time.

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>> I would characterize Clinton as a junior partner, albeit a high-profile  
>> one. She is the first elected official to transition directly to secretary  
>> of state since Edmund Muskie during the Carter administration. The last  
>> time such a prominent political leader assumed the post was when President  
>> Harry Truman tapped James F. Byrnes in 1945. Byrnes's influence declined  
>> over the course of his brief tenure, however, while Clinton's stature has

>> grown.  
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>> Today, Clinton is one of the most popular politicians in the United States  
>> and once again finds herself responding to speculation that she will run  
>> for president in 2016. That's quite a turnaround for someone whose  
>> appointment was initially greeted with doubts about whether she was up to  
>> the job.  
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