

**Re: T selections**

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**To:** Hillary Clinton hr15@att.blackberry.net

**Subject:** Re: T selections

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Dear Senator Clinton,

Thanks for your note.

On PM, I am a big fan of [redacted]. Elevating the CTR job via [redacted] makes very good sense.

On ISN, I agree with Bob that [redacted] on the 2007 NIE. But that will not stop Bolton or others from making a big deal of this. Bob's package deal, with [redacted], strikes me as the best course. [redacted] would be good as Non-Pro envoy, and Bob is right that it would be well-received by those in the T community who suffered through the Bolton era.

On AC and issue of CFE negotiator, [redacted] is well-qualified and would have instant credibility with Allies. [redacted] I understand that her [redacted] will raise eyebrows, or more, but my only point would be that I'd rather see her at State than the Pentagon if those concerns can be overcome.

Bill

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

From: hr15@att.blackberry.net  
To: Jim Steinberg ; Bill Burns  
Cc: Cheryl Mills ; Bob Einhorn  
Sent: Sat, 17 Jan 2009 10:18 am  
Subject: T selections

Dear Jim and Bill, Bob Einhorn has made the following recommendations. Pls review them and let Bob, Cheryl and me have any reactions. I have added my comments regarding them in CAPS. I've also asked Bob to advise Sen. Lugar, whom he knows well, of the names we are considering. Senator Clinton, Since Tuesday, I've gotten a bunch of emails and phone calls from T family exiles who watched your testimony and say they want to "reenlist." Others from within the T family tell me they were very encouraged by the emphasis you gave their issues and by the interest you showed in rebuilding State's capabilities in the T area. Thank you. Here are some thoughts on further T family appointments: International Security and Nonproliferation (ISN) My first choice for ISN Assistant Secretary is [redacted] [redacted]

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[redacted]. He knows the nuts and bolts like no one else, yet also sees the big picture. He often took issue with the direction John Bolton was taking our policy, and so Bolton essentially reorganized him out of a job. He's an excellent manager and motivator, and places importance on training junior staff. [redacted] in coordinating the 2007 National Intelligence Estimate on Iran (which has been criticized for its misleading unclassified "key judgment" that Iran had halted its nuclear weapons program in 2003). Actually [redacted] had little to do with the version of the NIE that was publicly released, but