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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]
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>> 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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>> 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.

>> 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.

>> 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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