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**From:** Amitabh Desai [redacted] on behalf of Amitabh Desai  
**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2012 1:48 PM  
**To:** jake.sullivan [redacted]  
**Subject:** Re: WJC event tomorrow

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Anything on china and energy / climate issues?

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

From: Jake Sullivan <jake.sullivan [redacted]>  
 To: Amitabh Desai  
 Sent: Mon Mar 26 13:47:11 2012  
 Subject: Re: WJC event tomorrow

the usual mixed bag. Lots of mideast but afpak and china too.

On 3/26/12, Amitabh Desai [redacted] wrote:

> What are you focused on these days? Mideast?

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: Jake Sullivan <jake.sullivan [redacted]>  
 > To: Amitabh Desai  
 > Sent: Mon Mar 26 13:21:28 2012  
 > Subject: Re: WJC event tomorrow

> jon powell is an interesting guy. i want a job like that.

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> On 3/26/12, Amitabh Desai [redacted] wrote:

>> Thanks buddy

>> Hope you're well

>> Saw jon powell last week - he was raving about you

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>> ----- Original Message -----

>> From: Jake Sullivan <jake.sullivan [redacted]>  
 >> To: Cheryl Mills <cheryl.mills [redacted]>  
 >> Cc: Amitabh Desai; huma@clintonemail.com <huma@clintonemail.com>  
 >> Sent: Mon Mar 26 12:58:31 2012  
 >> Subject: Re: WJC event tomorrow

>> i have confidence that he can thread the needle on Iran and MEPP.

>> Arab Spring is sort of an anything-goes deal!

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>> On 3/25/12, Cheryl Mills <cheryl.mills [redacted]> wrote:

>>> [redacted] for anything we'd prefer him to steer clear of

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>>> On Sun, Mar 25, 2012 at 2:22 PM, Amitabh Desai

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>>>> wrote:

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>>>> WJC is doing a closed-press event tomorrow in Palm Beach with Jewish

>>>> Federation of north america. Just learned the organizers are planning

>>>> to

>>>> ask him the questions below. Wanted to be sure you know in advance and

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>>>> we're happy to give him any USG TPs if you'd like. Thanks, Ami  
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>>>> IRAN:  
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>>>> The looming threat of a nuclear Iran is front and center on Israel's  
>>>> agenda, not to mention the U.S. Mideast agenda right now. Do you  
>>>> believe  
>>>> the current economic sanctions can deter Iran from going nuclear, and  
>>>> how  
>>>> long do you believe the U.S. and Israel should allow for sanctions?  
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>>>> As you know there has been intense debate within Israel,  
>>>> the U.S. and Europe about the impacts of a pre-emptive military strike  
>>>> against Iranian nuclear facilities. Do you think a military strike  
>>>> would  
>>>> achieve the desired result of preventing a nuclear Iran? What would be  
>>>> the  
>>>> Iranian response and subsequent implications to a U.S. strike? An  
>>>> Israeli  
>>>> strike?  
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>>>> ISRAEL-PALESTINIAN PEACE:  
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>>>> The current deep impasse between Israel and the Palestinians has left  
>>>> many  
>>>> in our community, across the political spectrum, deeply concerned that  
>>>> there is little hope of achieving a peaceful two-state solution. But to  
>>>> not  
>>>> act is to act, and to risk the hopes of a secure, Jewish, democratic  
>>>> state  
>>>> of Israel living in peace with an independent Palestinian entity. What  
>>>> can  
>>>> the U.S. or other parties do, if anything, to help get the parties back  
>>>> to  
>>>> the negotiating table?  
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>>>> The recent Palestinian attempt to seek a unilateral declaration of  
>>>> independence at the UN, and gain political legitimacy in other venues  
>>>> such  
>>>> as through full UNESCO membership, seems to have done little to advance  
>>>> the  
>>>> Palestinian cause. The U.S. and Israel continue to strongly oppose  
>>>> these  
>>>> initiatives. How do you see that Palestinian strategy affecting  
>>>> long-term  
>>>> prospects for peace  
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>>>> THE ARAB SPRING:  
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>>>> The Arab Spring generated great hopes worldwide for a new wave of  
>>>> freedom  
>>>> and democracy throughout the Arab world. So far the reality has fallen  
>>>> short of that vision. Given the uncertain political gains in Egypt,  
>>>> Gulf  
>>>> States and Tunisia, and the outright bloodbath in Syria, where do you  
>>>> see  
>>>> the Arab Spring leading?  
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>>>> In Egypt, the anti-Israel Muslim Brotherhood looks to gain a real  
>>>> political foothold, while various parties have vowed to break the  
>>>> historic  
>>>> peace treaty with Israel. What can the U.S. and Israel do, if anything,

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>>>> not  
>>>> to "lose" Egypt?  
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