

**FW: Thank you**

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From: Mills, Cheryl D  
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 10:59 AM  
To: Posner, Michael H  
Cc: Laszczyc, Joanne  
Subject: RE: Thank you

You did a great job - I went back and reviewed the outline you provided and this was a very faithful rendition of your thoughts.

I am out this week but let's try for next week.

Copying joanne to find a time.

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From: Posner, Michael H  
Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 10:57 AM  
To: Mills, Cheryl D  
Subject: FW: Thank you

Cheryl

The Secretary's speech in Krakow was a home run. I am getting lots of comments like this one from people in my world. This speech will give us lots of running room to follow up on these issues.

When your schedule permits I would like to come see you. It has been a long time since we've talked and it would be good to catch up on a few things.

Best

Mike

From: Douglas Rutzen [mailto:Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 2010 10:45 AM  
To: Posner, Michael H; A/S Posner  
Cc: Duncan, Dara L; Davidson, Lynne A (DRL)  
Subject: Thank you

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Dear Assistant Secretary Posner:

I am writing to express my deep appreciation to you, Dara, Lynne, and the entire DRL team for your tireless support in connection with the recent Community of Democracies meeting. The Secretary's speech was superb. I was sitting with representatives of "embattled NGOs" in the balcony of the Slowacki Theater, and many were literally awe-struck. They told me that it was the most important, most inspirational speech they had ever heard relating to civil society. I agree.

I realize that considerable behind-the-scenes work goes into a speech like this. While civil society has an important role in critiquing governmental actions, I also think that it's important to recognize the efforts of our remarkable colleagues in government. So please allow me to say "thank you" to you and your team. Please also know that you can count on ICNL to redouble its efforts - within the CD Working Group and otherwise - to advance the objectives set forth in Krakow. Indeed, I've already met with the Working Group and have reached out to other partners to ensure that civil society properly complements the tireless efforts you and your team have displayed in protecting civic space around the world.

With best regards,

Doug

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