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**From:** Jake Sullivan [redacted] on behalf of Jake Sullivan  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2009 11:49 AM  
**To:** williamsbarrett [redacted]  
**Subject:** Re: more...gatekeeper crap (ben smith)

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what was it?

On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 10:36 AM, <williamsbarrett [redacted]> wrote:  
[redacted] idea which i only sent to cheryl

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

**From:** Jake Sullivan <[redacted]>  
**To:** preines [redacted]  
**Cc:** CDM [redacted]; Maggie Williams [redacted]; Evelyn Lieberman [redacted]; Nora Toiv [redacted]; Huma Abedin [redacted]; CPM [redacted]  
**Sent:** Tue, Oct 20, 2009 10:08 am  
**Subject:** Re: more...gatekeeper crap (ben smith)

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i really like the idea [redacted] pir, call me when you have a sec.

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On Tue, Oct 20, 2009 at 6:34 AM, PIR [redacted] wrote:

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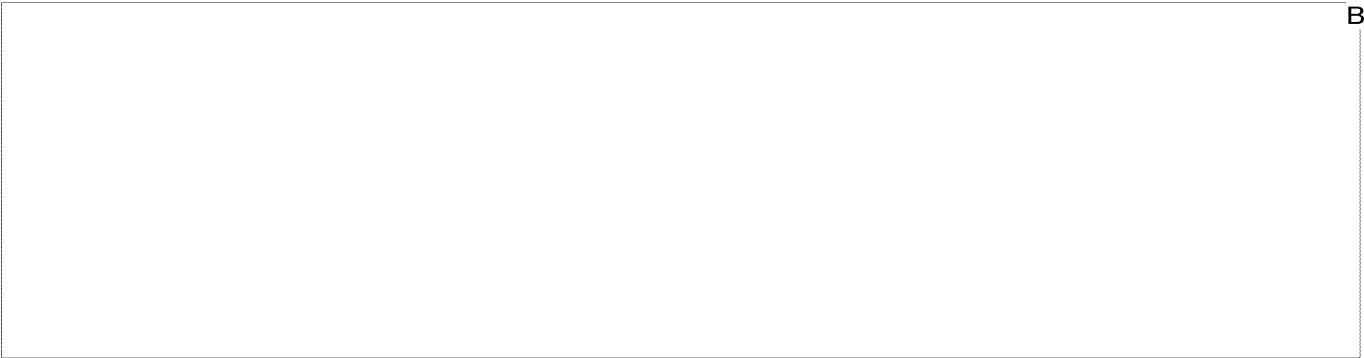
Cheryl, [redacted]

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**From:** cheryl.mills [redacted]  
**Date:** Tue, 20 Oct 2009 02:43:55 +0000  
**To:** Philippe Reines [redacted]  
**Cc:** Maggie Williams [redacted]; Evelyn Lieberman [redacted]; Jake Sullivan [redacted]; Nora Toiv [redacted]; Huma Abedin- personal email [redacted]; Cheryl Mills [redacted]; Capricia Marshall-Gmail [redacted]

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**Subject:** Fw: more...gatekeeper crap (ben smith)



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Cdm  
Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

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**From:** Nora Toiv <>  
**Date:** Mon, 19 Oct 2009 21:52:56 -0400  
**To:** Cheryl Mills <>  
**Subject:** more...gatekeeper crap (ben smith)

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## Clinton's gatekeeper

Al Kamen channels some Foggy Bottom grumbling blaming Cheryl Mills, Hillary Clinton's chief of staff for making Clinton inaccessible to career diplomats.

(Laura has the counter-argument.)

Across town, Mills has also gotten some backs up in the White House during her tenure, as I mentioned in passing a while ago. A top lawyer in the Clinton White House, Mills was been a hard-liner during the Clinton campaign, pushing for sharper-edged attacks on Obama. She brought some of that stance to State, where she fought tooth and nail in the early days of the administration to control mid-level staff jobs, like the agency's White House liaison, and to ensure that those jobs went to "Hillary people" rather than "Obama people," people on both sides has told me.

Mills has shaped a State-Department-as- Hillaryland, where political staffers are loyal to the Secretary, and where I can't think of a single appointee who supported Obama during the campaign. But the power remains in the White House, and the result has been, some Clinton backers worry, a certain marginalization.

Posted by Ben Smith 12:22 PM