

**Re: Budget Schedule**

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

**Subject:** Re: Budget Schedule

Rich and Pat are getting ready for a range of possible responses depending on the passback level. I will stay in touch with them.

There is likely going to need to be an additional supplemental for Gaza as well. Rich reviewed with me the material he is putting into a memo for you tonight.

The SFRC reported Jim and me out this afternoon and a UC was hotlined, but Sen Reid decided to hold the UC until Monday so the R's would not feel jammed. So we are waiting until Monday now.

I have been checking with Cheryl on how visibly engaged to be during this interim period. To the best of my knowledge the MOU to permit nominees to get started as special govt employees was not signed.

I plan to go back to NY tomrw mid day and return to DC on either Sunday or Monday depending on what I am able to actually do.

Congratulations on a great first day.

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From: hr15@att.blackberry.net

To: Lew, Jacob J

Sent: Thu Jan 22 21:20:30 2009

Subject: Re: Budget Schedule

What do you need to be ready to respond? Did the Committee act yet to make you official?

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From: "Lew, Jacob J"

Date: Thu, 22 Jan 2009 18:17:22 -0500

To:

Subject: Budget Schedule

Rich Greene reports that OMB is expected to send a proposed topline 2010 budget level for State and AID on Monday with appeals to be completed by Wed of next week. Wanted to give you a heads up on the schedule. I am hoping that the Senate acts quickly on the nominations so I can be fully involved – but either way we will have a quick turnaround at the beginning of the week. No indication yet of what the number will be.