

CIA OCA

From: CIA OCA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:51 PM
To: DAVIDHP74
Cc: MICHAELJM; CIA FO; DD CIA/OS, ~~CF~~ CIA OPA; CIA OCA
Subject: Hill Talking Points

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USUN

From: USUN
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:21 PM
To: USUN
Subject: Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Please do--I have not reached out.

Best,
USUN

From: USUN
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 02:15 PM
To: USUN
Subject: Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

I'm going to email Jake on the libya points references below unless either of you are linked in to this effort. Pls let me know.

From: USUN
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:23 PM
To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); USUN ; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); USUN
Cc: USUN
Subject: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Libya:

- **HPSCI request:** Late this week, CIA Director Petraeus gave the HPSCI a "hots spots" briefing and was asked for unclassified talking points that its members could use about incident in Benghazi. (Apparently NCTC Director Matt Olson received a similar committee from a congressional committee.) The first draft apparently seemed unsuitable (based on conversations on the SVTS and afterwards) because they seemed to encourage the reader to infer incorrectly that the CIA had warned about a specific attack on our embassy. On the SVTS, Morell noted that these points were not good and he had taken a heavy editing hand to them. He noted that he would be happy to work with Jake Sullivan and Rhodes to develop appropriate talking points. McDonough, on Rhodes's behalf, deferred to Sullivan. It was agreed that Jake would work closely with the intelligence community (within a small group) to finalize points on Saturday that could be shared with HPSCI. I spoke to Jake immediately after the SVTS and noted that you were doing the Sunday morning shows and would need to be aware of the final posture that these points took. He committed to ensure that we were updated in advance of the Sunday shows. I specifically mentioned USUN as the one coordinating your preparations for the shows and also strongly encouraged him to loop in USUN during the process.

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From: DAVIDHP74
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:27 PM
To: CIA OCA
Cc: MICHAELJM; CIA FO DDCIA/EOS, FO CIA-OPA CIA-OCA
Subject: RE: Hill Talking Points.

No mention of the cable to Cairo, either? Frankly, I'd just as soon not use this, then... NSS's call, to be sure; however, this is certainly not what Vice Chairman RUPPERSBERGER was hoping to get for unclas use. Regardless, thx for the great work -

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Sullivan, Jacob J

From: Sullivan, Jacob J
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM
To: USUN
Cc: USUN
Subject: Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Coming your way.

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From: USUN
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 02:33 PM
To: Sullivan, Jacob J
Cc: USUN
Subject: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Jake - understand from USUN that you're working a set of unclass IC pts on libya for the Hill. If these are going to be finalized by Sunday am (or COB today), can we get a copy for Susan to ensure we're on the same msg? Happy to have USUN work with whomever on the State team is handling this, unless it's you - in which case happy to get them directly. Whatever is easiest.

Many thx.

USUN

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From: Sullivan, Jacob J
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM
To: USUN
Subject: Fw:

Check out the below. You and USUN should confirm w Ben that Susan can deploy tomorrow.

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

From: Sullivan, Jacob J
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:26 AM
To: 'Rhodes, Benjamin J.' <Benjamin.J.Rhodes@>; 'michaejm@>
<michaejm@>; Robert.Cardillo@ <Robert.Cardillo>; alanrp@>
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From: Rhodes, Benjamin J. [mailto:Benjamin.J.Rhodes@]
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:12 AM
To: 'michaejm@'; Robert.Cardillo@; alanrp@; matt.olsen@;
Sullivan, Jacob J; mark.giuliano@; jcingli@; lisa.monaco@
CIA OPA CIA OPA FO CIA FO
Subject: RE:

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

From: michaejm@ [mailto:michaejm@]
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:08 AM
To: Robert.Cardillo@; alanrp@; matt.olsen@; sullivanjj@;
mark.giuliano@; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; jcingli@; lisa.monaco@
Cc: CIA OCA CIA OPA FO CIA FO
Subject:

Per the discussion at Deputies, here are the revised TPs for HPSCI. Let me know what you think.

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From: CIA OCA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 3:09 PM
To: MICHAELJ; CIA OPA
Cc: FO CIA FO
Subject: Re:

The email has been sent to the Hill.

V/r

OCA

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

From: MICHAELJ
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:37 PM
To: CIA OPA CIA OCA
Cc: FO CIA FO
Subject: Re:

OCA everyone has coordinated. OPA has captured the changes below. Please run the points by the Director, then get them to HPSCI. I spoke to the Director earlier about State's deep concerns about mentioning the warnings and the other work done on this, but you will want to reemphasize in your note to DCIA. Thanks. Michael

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From: CIA OPA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM
To: CIA OCA MICHAELJ
Cc: FO CIA FO
Subject: RE:

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Subject: Re:

Michael,

USUN

From: Rhodes, Benjamin J. [Benjamin_J._Rhodes@]
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 7:12 PM
To: USUN NSC Deputy Press Secretary
Subject: Re:

Yup

From: USUN
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 05:59 PM
To: Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Vietor, Tommy
Subject: FW:

Is this the final language you want to use on Benghazi? Have short window to get her something on paper soon.

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