

## **United States Department of State**

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2014-04166 Segment: DS-02 & M-01

Mr. Sean A. Dunagan 425 Third St., SW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20024

Dear Mr. Dunagan:

I refer to our letter dated February 12, 2015, regarding the release of certain Department of State records under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

A number of documents were referred to other government offices for inter- or intra-agency coordination for further review to assist us in making a final determination regarding their release under FOIA. The inter- and intra-agency coordination for 42 of these documents has been completed. We have determined that 1 of these 42 documents is non-responsive to the request, 22 must be withheld in part, 19 must be withheld in full pursuant to FOIA exemption 1 and 5, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552 (b)(1) and (b)(5).

Where we have made excisions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. An enclosure explains Freedom of Information Act exemptions and other grounds for withholding material.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, you may contact trial attorney Robert Prince at (202) 305-3654 or Robert.Prince@USDOJ.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number shown above in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

John F. Hackett, Acting Director

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Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

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Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013	1:33 PM
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From: Baldre, Robert J

Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 1:30 PM

To: Harris, Katherine A

Cc: Maier, Christina A; Taylor, Tiffany R; Mencher, Daniel A

Subject: RE: Estimates of damages in Libya HACFO

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### Robert J. Baldré

Chief Financial Officer
Bureau of Diplomatic Security
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Subject: FW: Estimates of damages in Libya HACFO

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From: Pitkin, Douglas A	
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:45 AM  To: Chartrand, Jennifer; Foushee, Christine.T	,
Cc: Jacobs, Christine M; Rayburn, Dorothy J; Bush, Adriel M	
Subject: RE: Estimates of damages	
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From: Chartrand, Jennifer

Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:16 AM To: Foushee, Christine T; Pitkin, Douglas A Cc: Jacobs, Christine M; Rayburn, Dorothy J Subject: RE: Estimates of damages

Doug?

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From: Foushee, Christine T

Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:15 AM To: Chartrand, Jennifer; Pitkin, Douglas A Cc: Jacobs, Christine M; Rayburn, Dorothy J

Subject: RE: Estimates of damages

Thanks, Christy

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From: Chartrand, Jennifer

**Sent:** Monday, January 14, 2013 10:08 AM **To:** Foushee, Christine T; Pitkin, Douglas A

Cc: Jacobs, Christine M

Subject: RE: Estimates of damages

----Original Message-----From: Foushee, Christine T

Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2013 1:11 PM To: Pitkin, Douglas A; Chartrand, Jennifer

Cc: Jacobs, Christine M

Subject: Re: Estimates of damages

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----- Original Message ----From: Pitkin, Douglas A

Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2013 03:09 PM To: Chartrand, Jennifer; Foushee, Christine T

Cc: Jacobs, Christine M

Subject: Re: Estimates of damages

---- Original Message -----From: Chartrand, Jennifer

Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2013 01:08 PM To: Pitkin, Douglas A; Foushee, Christine T

Cc: Jacobs, Christine M

Subject: Fw: Estimates of damages

---- Original Message -----

From: Chotvacs, Anne Marie [mailto: Annemarie.chotvacs@mail.house.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2013 11:46 AM

To: Chartrand, Jennifer

Cc: Higgins, Craig < Craig. Higgins@mail.house.gov>

Subject: Estimates of damages

I don't recall that the recent D/CP CN had a breakout by country of the damages/reimbursements that would be sought. Can you please find out the information by Monday morning? I don't think I ever got the CN electronically. If it's in there, my apologies, just re-send.

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### Harris, Katherine A

From:

Harris, Katherine A

Sent:

Friday, December 14, 2012 1:28 PM

To:

Corso, Timothy E

Cc:

DS CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS; Bultrowicz, Scott P; Hartung, Robert A; Rice, Kurt R;

Boswell, Eric J

Subject:

FW: SSCI Video Presentation -- Monday 12 17 12 @ FBI HQ

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Tim,

I spoke with Josh Blumenfeld, Senate DAS, about the SSCI briefing request and he asked that I reach out to you on the matter. The SSCI briefing will take place at the FBI HQ; it will start at 10 am and possibly go all day.

You'll need to be at the H Front Office around 9:15 to head over to the FBI. Attached is the clearance information if you need to pass it to the FBI.

It is not a briefing. FBI plans to show the raw footage (all nine hours) to the SSCI staff or until the staff ask to stop yiewing the footage.

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Thanks,

Katherine Harris
Legislative Affairs Advisor
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From: Blumenfeld, Joshua R

Sent: Friday, December 14, 2012 1:20 PM

To: Harris, Katherine A

Subject: FW: SSCI Video Presentation

Clearance info for the FBI

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We will need a cleared response by noon tomorrow.

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To: Rademacher, Paul F	R; Maier, Christina A; Jacobs,	Christine M				
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Subject: RE: Sen. Reid	FW: Information regarding t	he cost of security agents				
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From: Herzik, Kevin (R Sent: Monday, Februar	eid) [ <u>mailto:Kevin_Herzik@re</u> γ 04, 2013 12:12 PM	id.senate.gov]				23
To: Hill-Liaison						
Subject: Information r	egarding the cost of security	agents			*2	
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Our office has heard co	omplaints regarding the cost	of providing security at our	diplomatic po	osts. and we v	were ·	

Kevin Herzik | Legislative Correspondent | Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid | Kevin Herzik@reid.senate.gov

information!

wondering if you could provide us with some information. Specifically, we received this: "155 Security Agents for the Diplomatic Corp at @\$800,000 per agent seems excessive cost over run." We were wondering if there is any veracity to these claims, as well as the cost for security agents at our embassies as part of the DS budget. Thank you for the

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Tasker from DS Congressional Affairs based on questions from staff of Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid

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#### STATE DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

Date	Sender	Response
9/13	House Multisigner to S and Panetta	Signed 10/31
9/14	Lieberman and Collins to OIG	OIG response sent 9/18
9/14	Mikulski and Nelson to S	Sent 10/9
9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and	Sent 10/2. Document production
	information	ongoing
9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
9/25	McCain and Graham to Rice	Sent 10/3
9/25	House Chairman to POTUS	Leadership hosted briefing - TBD
9/27	SFRC to Nides	Sent 10/3
10/2	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions	Sent 10/2
10/3	Issa witness invite to Charlene Lamb	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Issa witness invite to Eric Nordstrom	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Corker and Isakson to S, follow up, requesting cables	
10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions and for documents that are responsive to the questions	Sent 10/22
10/11	King to S	In clearance
10/11	Cassidy to S	Sent 10/24
10/15	IRL to S	In draft
10/16	Issa to S requesting transcribed interviews for Dar, Keshap and Polaschik	Sent 10/18. Interview with Dar completed 10/25. Others pending health issues.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting cables and asking questions	Signed 10/26 regarding documents.
10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	
10/31	Wolf to S re: Tunisia	Tasked to NEA
11/1	Issa to S re: docs found in Benghazi	
11/1.	Marchant to S	In draft
11/2	Issa to S re: prior attacks in Benghazi	(dated 10/29) H drafting placeholder
11/2	Corker and Isakson to S renewing request for does	În draft

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# **CONGRESSIONAL LETTERS (includes interagency)**

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9/13	House Multisigner to S and Panetta	Sent 10/31
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9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/19	House Republican Chairman to Holder and S re: blind sheik	Sent 10/5
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and	Sent 10/2. Document production
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9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
9/25	McCain and Graham to Rice	Sent 10/5
9/25	House Chairman to POTUS	Leadership hosted briefing - TBD
9/27	SFRC to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/29	Corker to Clapper	DNI response sent 10/5
10/1	Cassidy to S	Sent 10/24
10/2	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions	Sent 10/2
10/3	Issa witness invite to Charlene Lamb	Witness provided 10/10
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10/3	Corker and Isakson to S, follow up, requesting cables	۰
10/3	SSCI minority to DNI	,
10/3	SSCI Minority to CIA	
10/8	King to DNI, DCIA on Gelb	L .
10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions and for documents that are responsive to the questions	Sent 10/22
10/9	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Chambliss to DNI, DCIA, JOB	Response due 10/26
10/10	McCain and Portman to Panetta	
10/11	King to S	In clearance
10/15	Graham to POTUS on intelligence	
10/15	Graham to TED .	
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10/15	IRL to S	In draft
10/16	Issa to S requesting transcribed interviews for Dar, Keshap and Polaschik	Sent 10/18. Interview with Dar completed 10/25. Others pending health issues.

10/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting	Signed 10/26 regarding
	cables and asking questions	documents. Longer response in
		draft.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to Clapper	
10/18	McKeon to Flynn	T
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10/18	McKeon to McRaven	1
10/18	McKeon to Hamm	
10/19	Issa and Chaffetz to POTUS re: doc release	
10/19	Lieberman and Collins to Panetta	
10/19	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to DNI, DCIA,	
	JOB	
10/19	King to POTUS re: Benghazi docs	
10/19	SSCI Minority to POTUS re: Libya leaks	
10/23	McCain, Ayotte, Graham to POTUS	
10/25	Boehner to POTUS re: addressing the	
	public .	
10/25	Issa, Chaffetz to POTUS re attack cable	
10/26	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to Panetta,	
	Holder, Petraeus re video	
10/27	McCain, Portman to Panetta re: DS	
10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	In draft
10/29	McKeon to POTUS re: military assistance	
	in Benghazi	
10/31	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Johnson to	F
	POTUS re: Benghazi follow up	3
10/31	Wolf to S re: Tunisia	In draft
10/31	Roberts to POTUS re: Benghazi	
11/1	Issa to S re: docs found in Benghazi	
11/1	Marchant to S and POTUS	-In draft
11/2	Issa to S re: prior attacks in Benghazi	(dated 10/29)
11/2	Corker and Isakson to S renewing request	In draft
	for docs	

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:  DAS Lamb would like to know how And, was there a written response	McTigue, Jessica J Tuesday, November 13, 2012 11:50 AM Papanu, Brian Smith, Justin; Stephens, Laureen J RE: OSPB and SECCA meeting  w this meeting went. e? If so, may we obtain that for DAS Lamb?	
Thanks, Jess		
From: Papanu, Brian Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2 To: Smith, Justin; McTigue, Jessi Cc: Stephens, Laureen J Subject: FW: OSPB and SECCA I Importance: High	ca J; Lamb, Charlene R.	Annual Management (Management of Management
All,		
Just an FYi,		Brian .
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From: Papanu, Brian Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2 To: McMurry, Robert C Cc: Stephens, Laureen J; Coordin Subject: OSPB and SECCA meet Importance: High	nation; Gleeson, Kevin M	2
Robert,		
Per our telephone conversation,		
This will help them	prepare M for his 5 congressional briefings	next week.
	g. K	A
Please let me know if you have a	ny questions and who you believe will be ab	ole to attend.
Regards,	*	*

Brian Papanu 202-647-1390

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## Caramelo, Michael D

From:

Johnston, Amy L

Sent:

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 10:34 AM

To:

Coordination

Subject:

For Coordination review: proposed response to HPSCI

All, for Coordination clearance, please see the proposed response to a HPSCI QFR.

## Question:

We understand that the State Department Security Issue is not an issue for our Committee. Our concern revolves around if and when analysts had access to information from people on the ground and how it impacted their assessments. We have been briefed that there was an open line of communication from the TMF [Temporary Mission Facility] TOC from the moment the incident began and our Members want to know how the information from that communication line was shared with analysts.

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From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 12:19 PM

To:

Johnston, Amy L; Coordination

Subject:

RE: For Coordination review: proposed response to HPSCI

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Caramelo, Michael D

From:

Abbaszadeh, Nima

Sent:

Wednesday, November 21, 2012 11:29 AM

To:

Coordination

Subject:

draft SSCI testimony

**Attachments:** 

2012-11-21 Kennedy Testimony.docx

Here's a first cut at Pat's testimony for Tuesday's p	otential SSCI hearing on embassy security.	
	If folks have edits, please send them my way by 2 p.n	m.

Thanks, Nima UNCLASSIFIED U.S. Department of State Case No. F-2014-04166 Doc No. C05673213 Date: 04/10/2015
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From:

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Sent:

Thursday, November 29, 2012 1:01 PM

To: Cc:

Fallon, Robert M Coordination

Subject:

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Minor edits on the reading room draft.

Thanks, De'Ara

From: Fallon, Robert M

Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2012 11:19 AM

To: Coordination-

Subject: Please Clear: AM to P - Tranche 5

Attached is a draft AM to P releasing tranche 5 to the Hill, along w/ outgoing letters to each committee.

Welcome your edits/comments soonest. Thanks!

Rob

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Sent:

Monday, December 03, 2012 9:32 AM

To: Cc: Papanu, Brian Johnston, Amy L

Subject:

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Brian: This answers how info was distro'd that night.

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Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 12:19 PM

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# Answer:

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# **QUESTION:**

We've noted that State/INR has not put out any analysis on the attack but are unaware of what role they have played on coordinating on IC products and what role this information may have played in that coordination process.

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UNCLASSIFIED U.S. Department of State Case No. F-2014-04166 Doc No. C05673250 Date: 04/10/2015

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Reviewer

Caramelo,	Michael	D
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From:

Abbaszadeh, Nima

Sent:

Tuesday, December 04, 2012 9:40 AM

To:

Kennedy, Patrick F; Mills, Cheryl D; Klevorick, Caitlin B; Verma, Richard R; Reines, Philippe

I; Sullivan, Jacob J; Boswell, Eric J; Adams, David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R

Cc:

Coordination; Maier, Christina A; M Staff

Subject:

RE: SSCI testimony

**Attachments:** 

2012-12-04 Kennedy Testimony Final.docx

All: Final testimony attached. Two changes tracked to address IA concerns. Cheryl, these are the same as what you saw

last night, except that

DNI clears otherwise.

If any concerns, please let us know by 10.

Thanks,

Nima

From: Kennedy, Patrick F

Sent: Sunday, December 02, 2012 10:01 AM

To: Abbaszadeh, Nima; Mills, Cheryl D; Klevorick, Caitlin B; Verma, Richard R; Reines, Philippe I; Sullivan, Jacob J;

Boswell, Eric J; Adams, David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R

Cc: Coordination; Maier, Christina A; M\_Staff

Subject: RE: SSCI testimony

Colleagues

**Excellent work** 

Have just one edit, which is shown in TRACK CHANGES in the attacked

Regards

pat

From: Abbaszadeh, Nima

Sent: Friday, November 30, 2012 7:35 PM

To: Mills, Cheryl D; Klevorick, Caitlin B; Verma, Richard R; Reines, Philippe I; Sullivan, Jacob J; Boswell, Eric J; Adams,

David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R; Kennedy, Patrick F

Cc: Coordination

Subject: SSCI testimony

+Pat. Attached is the latest draft of the testimony for Tuesday, which includes Cheryl's input.

From: Mills, Cheryl D

Sent: Friday, November 30, 2012 11:14 AM

To: Abbaszadeh, Nima; Klevorick, Caitlin B; Verma, Richard R; Reines, Philippe I; Sullivan, Jacob J; Boswell, Eric J;

Adams, David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R

Subject: RE: draft SSCI testimony

My comments in text	9 .		
From: Abbaszadeh, Nima Sent: Friday, November 30, 2012 8:45 AM To: Klevorick, Caitlin B; Mills, Cheryl D; Verma, Richard R; I David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R	Reines, Philippe I; Sullivan, Jac	ob J; Boswell, Eric J;	Adams,
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Latest version of Pat's SSCI testimony attached.	e		
From: Klevorick, Caitlin B Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 11:09 AM To: Abbaszadeh, Nima; Mills, Cheryl D; Verma, Richard R; David S; Blumenfeld, Joshua R Cc: Coordination Subject: RE: draft SSCI testimony	Reines, Philippe I; Sullivan, Jac	cob J; Boswell, Eric J;	Adams,
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Recirculating per this morning's call.			
From: Abbaszadeh, Nima Sent: Monday, November 26, 2012 12:10 PM To: Mills, Cheryl D; Verma, Richard R; Reines, Philippe I; Joshua R; Klevorick, Caitlin B Cc: Coordination		]; Adams, David S; B	lumenfeld,
Subject: draft SSCI testimony			
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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

#### Caramelo, Michael D

From:

Gallagher, Nicole A

Sent:

Friday, December 07, 2012 12:41 PM

To:

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Papanu, Brian

Subject:

FW: urgent tasking sent on high side

Attachments:

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Also sent to Rob Fallon per Amy's CLAN email

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From: Gallagher, Nicole A

**Sent:** Friday, December 07, 2012 12:09 PM

To: Johnston, Amy L

Cc: DS CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS

Subject: RE: urgent tasking sent on high side

Amy -

Thanks, Nicole

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

From: Johnston, Amy L

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:53 AM

To: Harris, Katherine A Cc: Gallagher, Nicole A

Subject: RE: urgent tasking sent on high side

This is great, thanks—as discussed, pls confirm that L/AQM cleared.

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From: Harris, Katherine A

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:24 AM

To: Johnston, Amy L

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Katherine Harris
Legislative Affairs Advisor
Office of the Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Diplomatic Security
Office: 202-647-0147
BB:

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From: Johnston, Amy L

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:15 AM

To: Harris, Katherine A; Gallagher, Nicole A; Thompson, Philip A; Sizer, Lydia

Cc: Fallon, Robert M

Subject: urgent tasking sent on high side

Importance: High

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From:

Abbaszadeh, Nima

Sent:

Saturday, December 08, 2012 3:18 PM

To:

Fallon, Robert M; O'Connell, And W M; Papanu, Brian; Johnston, Amy L; Balenger, De'Ara N;

Smilansky, Gene M

Subject:

RE: SSCI OFRS for review

Attachments:

SSCI Questions for the Record (S-NF) NA edits.docx

Some edits.

From: Fallon, Robert M

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 8:10 PM

To: O'Connell, Andrew M; Abbaszadeh, Nima; Papanu, Brian; Johnston, Amy L; Balenger, De'Ara N; Smilansky, Gene M

Subject: SSCI QFRs for review

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Rob

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From:

Fallon, Robert M

Sent:

Subject:

Monday, December 10, 2012 9:59 AM

To:

Coordination AM to p - T6

Attachments:

T6 reading room draft 12.4.docx; Interim House T6 letters.docx; AM to P on tranche

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Importance:

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Please review and clear attached AM to P, and relevant letters, soonest.

Rob

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### Caramelo, Michael D

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Sizer, Lydia C

Sent:

Monday, December 10, 2012 3:04 PM

To: Cc:

Coordination

Subject:

Kiser, Kathryn A; McNicholas, Daniel F; Perina, Alexandra H

**NEA SSCI QFR Responses** 

Colleagues,

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Best regards,

Lydia

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Lydia Sizer Libya Desk Officer. Office of Maghreb Affairs **Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs** 202-647-2581

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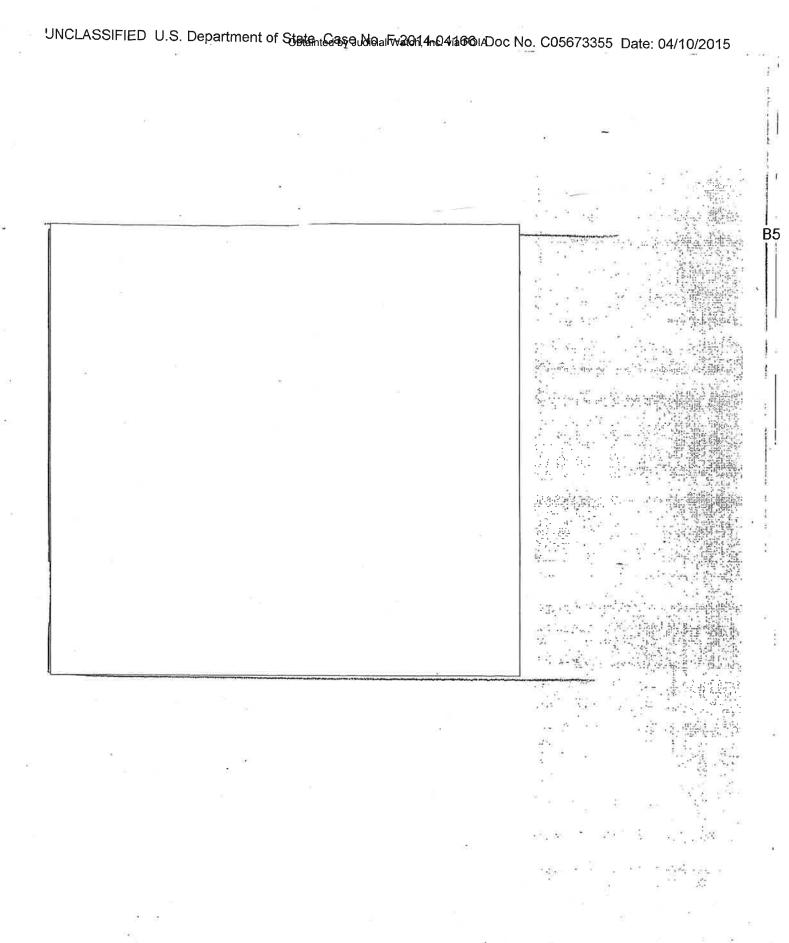
UNCLASSIFIED U.S. Department of States Case No. 12014 100 No. C05673350 Date: 04/10/2015

Classified by: Beth Jones, Acting Assistant Secretary, NEA, State

Reason: 1.4(b), (d) Declassify On: 2022/12/10

**RELEASED IN PART** REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior B1,B5,1.4(G),1.4(C) Reviewer SSCI Questions for the Record -**QUESTION**: (SANF) Did the attackers have access to or remove any sensitive information from either the Consulate or Annex. Answer: 1.4(G) **B**5 **B**5 Classification Extended on: 12/12/2014 ~ Class: SECRET ~ Authority: DSCG 11-1 ~ Declassify on: 09/11/2036

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

## STATE DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

Date	Sender	Response
9/13	House Multisigner to S and Panetta	Sent 10/31
9/14	Lieberman and Collins to OIG	OIG response sent 9/18
9/14	Mikulski and Nelson to S	Sent 10/9
9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and	Sent 10/2. Document production
3,20	information	ongoing
9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
9/25	McCain and Graham to Rice	Sent 10/3
9/25	House Chairman to POTUS	Leadership hosted briefing - TBD
9/27	SFRC to Nides	Sent 10/3
10/2	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional	Sent 10/2
10/3	questions Issa witness invite to Charlene Lamb	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Issa witness invite to Eric Nordstrom	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Corker and Isakson to S, follow up, requesting cables	
10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions and for documents that are responsive to the questions	Sent 10/22
10/11	King to S	Sent 10/26
10/11	Cassidy to S	Sent 10/24
10/15	IRL to S	Sent 11/12
10/16	Issa to S requesting transcribed interviews for Dar, Keshap and Polaschik	Sent 10/18. Interview with Dar completed 10/25. Others pending health issues.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting cables and asking questions	Signed 10/26 regarding documents. Reading room letter sent 11/20. Awaiting "close out" letter from HSGAC.
10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	Sent 1.1/2.1
10/31	Wolf to S re: Tunisia	Sent 11/12
11/1	Issa to S re: docs found in Benghazi	Sent 11/12
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11/2	Issa to S re: prior attacks in Benghazi	
11/2	Corker and Isakson to S renewing request for docs	Response encompassed in 11/7 reply
.11/2	Kelly et al to POTUS and S re: Benghazi	1: 1//0
11/6	IRL to S	Response encompassed in 11/12 reply

11/7	Corker to S re: staff access	No response required
11/16	Issa and Chaffetz to S re: handing over all	Placeholder response sent 11/19
	the documents	(also sent to IRL)
12/4	Feinstein to S re: Pakistan	In draft – DS+SRAP as of 12/11
12/6	Rehberg to Benjamin (CT) re: Emergency	In clearance – DS + CT as of
	Support Teams (EST)	12/11

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9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/19	House Republican Chairman to Holder and S re: blind sheik	Sent 10/5
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and information	Sent 10/2. Document production ongoing
9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
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10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions and for documents that are responsive to the questions	Sent 10/22
10/9	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Chambliss to DNI, DCIA, JOB	Response due 10/26
10/10	McCain and Portman to Panetta	
10/11	King to S	Sent 10/26
10/15	Graham to POTUS on intelligence	Γ.,
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10/15	Graham to JOB	

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10/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting	Signed 10/26 regarding
	cables and asking questions	documents. Longer response in
		draft.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to Clapper	
10/18	McKeon to Flynn	
10/18	McKeon to Tidd	
10/18	McKeon to McRaven	
10/18 -	McKeon to Hamm	
10/19	Issa and Chaffetz to POTUS re: doc release	
10/19	Lieberman and Collins to Panetta	
10/19	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to DNI, DCIA,	
	JOB	
10/19	King to POTUS re: Benghazi docs	
10/19	SSCI Minority to POTUS re: Libya leaks	
10/23	McCain, Ayotte, Graham to POTUS	
10/25	Boehner to POTUS re: addressing the	
	public	
10/25	Issa, Chaffetz to POTUS re attack cable	
10/26	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to Panetta,	
	Holder, Petraeus re video	
10/27	McCain, Portman to Panetta re: DS	
10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	In draft
10/29	McKeon to POTUS re: military assistance	
	in Benghazi	
10/31	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Johnson to	
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Reason: 1.4(C), 1.4(D), B1 ~ Declassify on: 12/03/2037

Reviewer

### Harris, Katherine A

From:

Johnston, Amy L

Sent:

Monday, December 03, 2012 9:18 AM

To:

Harris, Katherine A

Subject:

FW: Additional SSCI q&a in preparation for Monday (S/NF)

Attachments:

12-11-30 SSCI QA Final.docx

I'm printing a copy for him, too, but just in case you see him before I do-

From: Johnston, Amy L

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior

Sent: Monday, December 03, 2012 8:41 AM

To: Kennedy, Patrick F; Boswell, Eric J

Subject: RE: Additional SSCI q&a in preparation for Monday (S/NF)

Additional Q&A are attached for this morning. I'll bring hard copies as well.

From: Johnston, Amy L.

Sent: Saturday, December 01, 2012 10:31 AM

To: Kennedy, Patrick F; Boswell, Eric J

Subject: Additional SSCI q&a in preparation for Monday (S/NF)

U/S Kennedy and Ambassador Boswell,

Through ODNI, SSCI sent us these questions in early November; they came out of a briefing which State didn't attend. We wanted to make sure you had some points before your meeting on Monday in case these questions come up again.

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Best, Amy RELEASE IN PART B5

#### Caramelo, Michael D

From:

Hanson, Kathleen D

Sent:

Sunday, September 16, 2012 7:18 PM

To:

DS-IP-NEA; Townsend, Heather A; Lamb, Charlene R.; Biedlingmaier, Mark J

Cc:

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Subject:

Fw: 12.09.17 TASKER: Urgent Responses: Briefing Q&As for Secretary

**Attachments:** 

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Charlene, Heather,

Have these come to you separately? Will need to consult. Kathleen

From: Arkin, Sarah E

**Sent**: Sunday, September 16, 2012 06:38 PM

To: NEA-LIBYADESK; NEA-Egypt; Slack, Anne; NEA-Yemen Desk-DL; NEA-Syria-DL; NEA-I-OFFICE-DL; Howell, Loye E;

NEA-IPA-DL; NEA-EX-I-WG; NEA-EX-Clearances-DL; Day, Michael C

Cc: NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; Miller, James N; Henzel, Christopher P; Berns, David B; Scovitch, Joseph R

Subject: FW: 12.09.17 TASKER: Urgent Responses: Briefing Q&As for Secretary

Colleagues,

Please see the attached Q and As for the Secretary's Thursday briefing on the Hill regarding recent events in the region. (Obvious apologies for the short-fuse Sunday evening tasker...)

Sarah

Questions 1-7: Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Yemen (some in consultation with EX) please provide country-specific input

8-9: Libya

10-11: EX

12-19: Libya take the pen in consultation with EX where appropriate

19-22: EX on the pen in consultation with Libya where appropriate (Libya and EX for questions 12-22 feel free to swap,

but please let me know who is taking the lead)

24: RMA

The rest of the questions are already broken down by country:

25: Libya

26-29: Egypt

30-31: Yemen

32-36: Syria

37-40: Israel (in consultation with Mike Day on MFO for 37 and Iran desk for 38-40)

40-45: Iraq

46-47: Iran

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Sarah Arkin
Congressional Affairs Officer
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From: Meyers, Faith M

Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2012 4:41 PM

To: NEA-RMA-DL

Cc: NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL

Subject: 12.09.17 TASKER: Urgent Responses: Briefing Q&As for Secretary

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Due: September 17, 2012

From: Plath, Cynthia

Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2012 03:49 PM

To: NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; M\_Staff; DS FRONT OFFICE; EUR-Staff-Assistants-DL; SCA-Staff-Assistants-DL Cc: Avery, Mary R; Canedo, Denese; H\_Egypt; H\_DAS; Wayman, James L; Lang, Alan; Donald, Tiernen M

Subject: Urgent Responses: Briefing Q&As for Secretary

Dear Colleagues,

To prepare for her briefing, attached you will find a set of proposed Q&As on recent topics. We ask that each of you task out as soon as you're able those Q&As for your respective bureau. All responses should be returned to H by COB Monday. We apologize for the short turn-around, but the briefing book will need to be completed on Tuesday and therefore appreciate everyone's quick responses.

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If you have any questions on which section(s) your bureau is responsible for, please contact your H LMO, who will be happy to work with you in turning these around as quickly as possible.

Thank you and enjoy the rest of your weekend.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Plath | Special Assistant | Office of the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of State | 2201 C Street, N.W., Room 7325, Washington, DC 20520

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Date	Sender	Response
9/13	House Multisigner to S and Panetta	Sent 10/31
9/14	Lieberman and Collins to OIG	OIG response sent 9/18
9/14	Mikulski and Nelson to S	Sent 10/9
9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and	Sent 10/2. Document production
	information	ongoing
9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
9/25	McCain and Graham to Rice	Sent 10/3
9/25	House Chairman to POTUS	Leadership hosted briefing - TBD
9/27	SFRC to Nides	Sent 10/3
10/2	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions	Sent 10/2
10/3	Issa witness invite to Charlene Lamb	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Issa witness invite to Eric Nordstrom	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Corker and Isakson to S, follow up, requesting cables	
10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions and for documents that are responsive to the questions	Sent 10/22
10/11	King to S	Sent 10/26
10/11	Cassidy to S	Sent 10/24
10/15	IRL to S	Sent 11/12
10/16	Issa to S requesting transcribed interviews	Sent 10/18. Interview with Dar
	for Dar, Keshap and Polaschik	completed 10/25. Others pending
		health issues.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting	Signed 10/26 regarding
	cables and asking questions	documents.
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10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	
10/31	Wolf to S re: Tunisia	Sent 11/12
11/1	Issa to S re: docs found in Benghazi	Sent 11/12
11/1	Marchant to S	In draft
11/2	Issa to S re: prior attacks in Benghazi	(dated 10/29) Placeholder response
		sent 11/6. More substantive reply
		in draft.
11/2	Corker and Isakson to S renewing request	Response encompassed in 11/7
	for docs	reply
11/2	Kelly et al to POTUS and S re: Benghazi	In draft
11/6	IRL to S	Response encompassed in 11/12 reply
11/7	Corker to S re: staff access	No response required \

11/16	Issa and Chaffetz to S re: handing over all	Placeholder response in draft
	the documents	

# CONGRESSIONAL LETTERS (includes interagency)

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9/14	Mikulski and Nelson to S	Sent 10/9
9/17	Kerry to Nides	Sent 10/3
9/19	House Republican Chairman to Holder and S re: blind sheik	Sent 10/5
9/20	Chaffetz to S requesting documents and	Sent 10/2. Document production
	information	ongoing
9/25	Corker and Isakson to S requesting cables	Sent 10/3
9/25	McCain and Graham to Rice	Sent 10/5
9/25	House Chairman to POTUS	Leadership hosted briefing - TBD
9/27	SFRC to Nides	-Sent 10/3
9/29	Corker to Clapper	DNI response sent 10/5
10/1	Cassidy to S	Sent 10/24
10/2	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional questions	Sent 10/2
10/3	Issa witness invite to Charlene Lamb	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Issa witness invite to Eric Nordstrom	Witness provided 10/10
10/3	Corker and Isakson to S, follow up,	
):	requesting cables	
10/3	SSCI minority to DNI	
10/3	SSCI Minority to CIA	
10/8	King to DNI, DCIA on Gelb	1
10/9	Issa and Chaffetz to S asking additional	Sent 10/22
	questions and for documents that are	3-
	responsive to the questions	
10/9	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Chambliss to DNI, DCIA, JOB	Response due 10/26
10/10	McCain and Portman to Panetta	E .
10/11	King to S	Sent 10/26
10/15	Graham to POTUS on intelligence	
10/15	Graham to TED	1
10/15	Graham to JOB	
10/15	Graham to DNI	
10/15	Graham to DCIA	
10/15	IRL to S	Sent 11/12
10/16	Issa to S requesting transcribed interviews	Sent 10/18. Interview with Dar

	10.5 7 1 15 15	completed 10/25. Others pending
	for Dar, Keshap and Polaschik	health issues.
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0/18	Lieberman and Collins to S requesting	Signed 10/26 regarding
	cables and asking questions	documents. Longer response in draft.
10/18	Lieberman and Collins to Clapper	
10/18	McKeon to Flynn	
10/18	McKeon to Tidd	
10/18	McKeon to McRaven	1
10/18	McKeon to Hamm	
10/19	Issa and Chaffetz to POTUS re: doc release	
10/19	Lieberman and Collins to Panetta	
10/19	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to DNI, DCIA,	*
	JOB	
10/19	King to POTUS re: Benghazi docs	
10/19	SSCI Minority to POTUS re: Libya leaks	
10/23	McCain, Ayotte, Graham to POTUS	
10/25	Boehner to POTUS re: addressing the	€.
	public	
10/25	Issa, Chaffetz to POTUS re attack cable	
10/26	McCain, Graham, Ayotte to Panetta,	190
	Holder, Petraeus re video	2 2
10/27	McCain, Portman to Panetta re: DS	
10/29	Johanns to S and Panetta	In draft
10/29	McKeon to POTUS re: military assistance	
	in Benghazi	
10/31	McCain, Graham, Ayotte and Johnson to	1.04
	POTUS re: Benghazi follow up	
10/31	Wolf to S re: Tunisia	Sent 11/12
10/31	Roberts to POTUS re: Benghazi	
11/1	Issa to S re: docs found in Benghazi	Sent 11/12
11/1	Marchant to S and POTUS	In draft
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		response sent 11/6.
11/2	Corker and Isakson to S renewing request	Response encompassed in 11/7
	for docs	reply
11/2	Kelly et al to POTUS and S re: Benghazi	In draft
11/6	IRL to S	Response encompassed in 11/12
	(A)	reply
11/7	Corker to S re: staff access	No response required
11/16	Issa and Chaffetz re: handing over the docs	Placeholder response in draft