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From: Jeffrey L Farrow [redacted]
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To: Sullivan, Jacob J
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Thanks. [redacted]. I gather neither State nor Interior (which provides the \$) career folk liked the figure (Hill leaders don't) but didn't have political at the time to go to. On the way out Bushies left the issue to this Administration.

On Jun 9, 2009, at 1:25 PM, Sullivan, Jacob J wrote:

> Thanks Jeff. Thanks for this. We are working on the budget issue --
> the Secretary has taken an active interest in it.

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> Was going to write earlier re Palau willingness to take the 17
> Guantanamo Uighurs -- but see the story has now broken. I am now
> representing Palau, primarily re extension of free association w/ the
> U.S. In touch w/Fried's office re Uighurs. Big commitment for Palau
> since Chinese tourism was planned and its close geographically, etc.
> but their premium is on U.S. relations (as sadly demonstrated by the
> loss of a Palauan in the U.S. Army in Afghanistan last week).

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> Also, just FYI now, I've been concerned that the Budget includes a far
> too low placeholder for free association extension aid, \$45-9 m over
> 10 years, although the aid is to be based on a joint review of need
> that will really begin with a Palauan presentation Friday. (I think
> the number didn't reflect any rethinking by this Administration). The
> U.S. is to respond in a month.

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