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Madam Secretary,

Just a quick note before leaving for Moscow, Rome and Central Asia.

Moscow preparations are in reasonable shape. Afghan lethal transit agreement is done, and will be signed on Monday. There's also a broader statement on cooperation on counter-narcotics and reconstruction in Afghanistan. (Bakiyev has now signed the Manas agreement, which is a further boost on Afghanistan.)

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The Presidents will announce the bilateral commission, and your trip to Russia in the fall to launch the process with Lavrov. All in all, a good, measured, realistic step in our effort to rebuild relations --

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I'll be in Rome just for the first, "foreign policy" portion of the G8. We're working on a Leaders' statement that is likely to look a lot like last week's G8 Foreign Ministers statement on most issues, with an update on North Korea, and essentially the same, firm line on Iran.

I leave Rome on July 9 with an interagency delegation for stops in Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Kyrgyzstan, back in DC on July 14.

Hope you had a good Fourth, and all the best,

Bill

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