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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2009 7:38 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Friday Policy Review on Africa

Interesting take on China below.

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**From:** Stremiau, Matthew H  
**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2009 7:21 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Cc:** Toiv, Nora F  
**Subject:** RE: Friday Policy Review

No – I wasn't invited to this. I can't anyway – I need to go over to USAID for an event we're hosting w/ IFPRI. S/P recently drafted a policy paper on Africa and I worked contributed a lot to that paper. I see one big issue missing from those questions – the issue of China in Africa. China is transforming the continent in a way not seen since the days of colonialism. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] We should also think about China in the context of food security. There are one million Chinese farmers currently working in Africa! That's remarkable if you think about it. China has also bought nearly 3 million hectares of land in Africa and could become one of the largest sources of commercial farming on the continent. They are also building many of the roads that will transform transportation and the movement of agriculture products.

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--Matt

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2009 10:19 PM  
**To:** Stremiau, Matthew H  
**Subject:** FW: Friday Policy Review

Are you coming?

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**From:** Smith, Daniel B  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 11, 2009 4:28 PM  
**To:** SES\_DepSecysMeeting  
**Cc:** Mills, Cheryl D; Slaughter, Anne-Marie; Crocker, Bathsheba N; Hembry, Marcella G; Chollet, Derek H; Carson, Johnnie; Carter, Phillip X; Smith, Pamela (AID/ES)  
**Subject:** RE: Friday Policy Review

Attached please find the questions for tomorrow's policy review.

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**From:** Smith, Daniel B

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 2009 3:22 PM

**To:** SES\_DepSecysMeeting

**Cc:** Mills, Cheryl D; Slaughter, Anne-Marie; Crocker, Bathsheba N; Hembry, Marcella G; Chollet, Derek H; Carson, Johnnie; Carter, Phillip X

**Subject:** Friday Policy Review

This Friday's policy review meeting will focus on sub-Saharan Africa. It will be held from 9:15-10:15 in the Deputy's Conference Room. S/P will circulate questions for discussion in advance of the meeting. Those bureaus that have relevant issues/concerns should send an appropriate representative to the meeting. Please do not send more than one representative without prior approval.