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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2009 10:20 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Thank you for meeting on H2B

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**From:** Kennedy, Patrick F  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Mon Jul 13 20:15:41 2009  
**Subject:** FW: Thank you for meeting on H2B

Cheryl

Janice Jacobs and I met with Sen. Mikulski Chief of Staff [Senator was not available] re crab picking

We promised to assist them with DHS and DOL in any way

Regards

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**From:** Corcoran, Erin (Appropriations) [mailto:Erin\_Corcoran@appro.senate.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2009 4:08 PM  
**To:** Jacobs, Janice L; Kennedy, Patrick F; Stout, Jennifer P; Abrams, Ben; Gruenbaum, Ben (Mikulski)  
**Subject:** Thank you for meeting on H2B

Dear Secretary Jacobs, Secretary Kennedy and Ms. Stout,

Thank you so much for taking the time to meet with Julia and I about H2B last week. I can only imagine how busy you are and so we really appreciate the time you gave us. It was very clear you had spent considerable resources trying to address our concerns. I also appreciate your willingness to meet with DHS and DOL folks if necessary as we go forward.

I am including Ben Abrams on this email; he is Representative Kratovil's Legislative Director, as well and Ben Gruenbaum, Senator Mikulski's Floor Director and Econ/Labor LA. Ben Abrams has been working very closely with DHS and DOL to try and find a solution for our Maryland crab industry.

I am going to be on travel for the next two weeks, but Ben Abrams may be reaching out to you all if there is a reason to bring representatives from State, DHS and DOL together to work on a solution for Maryland seafood industry. If I am not around Ben Gruenbaum will attend on behalf of Senator Mikulski. He and I have worked closely together on this issue and is well versed.

Thanks again.

Erin

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