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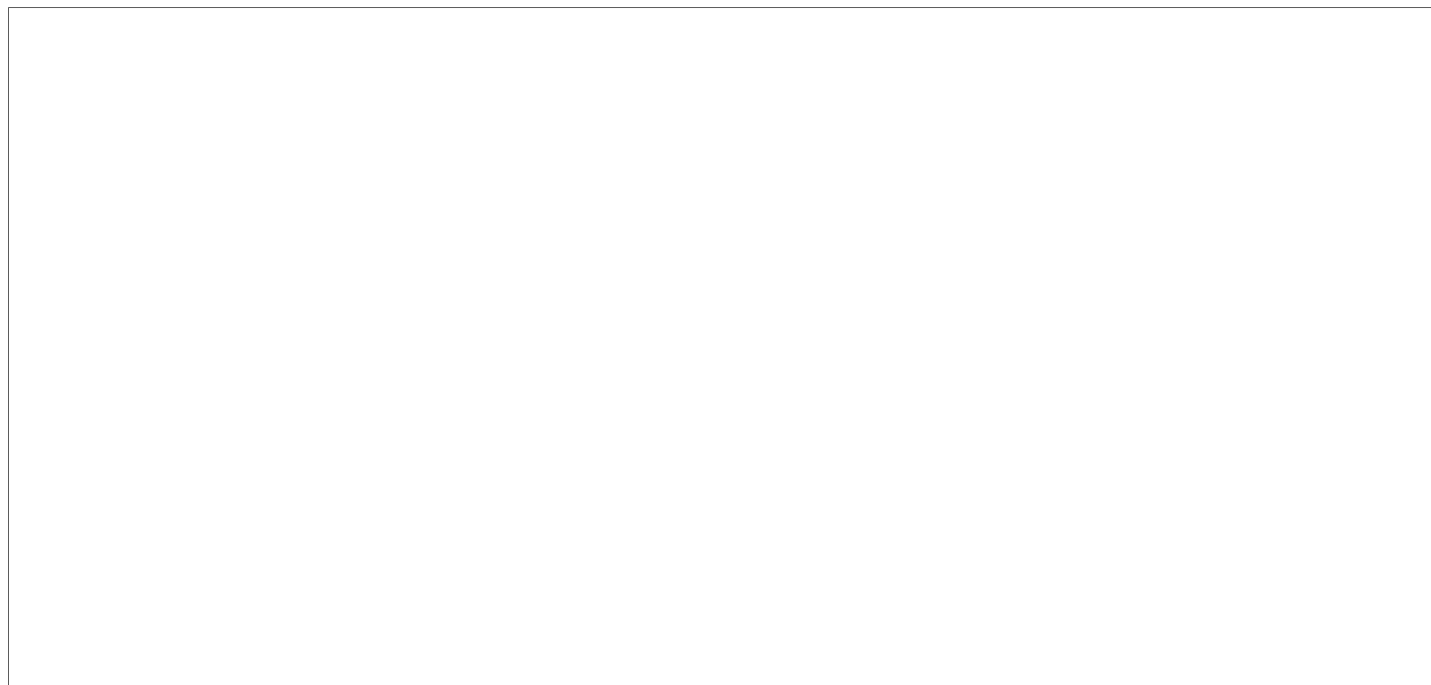
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Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2009 5:21 PM
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Subject: Re: Thai

Oops my email acting up.

Eap is asking you to call Thai foreign minister kasit regarding the case of the russian arms dealer viktor bout. Are you ok doing this call in the next day or so?

Below is call sheet and I also faxed to the house.

Purpose of Call: To underscore the importance we place on a the Royal Thai Government's successful appeal of the court decision rejecting the extradition of Russian arms dealer Viktor Bout to the United States and the importance of his continued detention pending the outcome of the appeal.



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Background: On August 11, 2009, a Thai judge denied a U.S. extradition request of accused arms smuggler Viktor Bout (pron: BOOT) to face trial in New York for conspiracy to kill U.S. nationals and officers; acquire and use anti-aircraft missiles; and provide material support to the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). The Thai Attorney General's Office will appeal the ruling. FM Kasit has been a strong ally on Burma and released a forward-leaning Chairman's statement on behalf of ASEAN following ASSK's conviction.

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