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FYI below – calling you in 5 minutes

From: Gordon, Philip H
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French have clarified that they'd like to invite about 10 key EU FM's, the biggest players in Afghanistan plus the Swedish presidency. [redacted]

[redacted] (Sarko now saying he won't send any new troops while Brown has announced he will, [redacted])

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From: Mills, Cheryl D
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To: Gordon, Philip H; Steinberg, James B; Burns, William J; Sullivan, Jacob J; Abedin, Huma; Holbrooke, Richard C
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Can we invite all and not limit the participation?

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From: Gordon, Philip H
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As some of you know, at lunch with Kouchner in Zurich, S agreed in principle to go to Paris for an informal meeting of some key European players on Afghanistan (on Nov. 8 on the way to Berlin). [redacted]

Welcome thoughts. I expect to hear further from French today what specifically they have in mind. She could still go to Paris, but perhaps better not to let them do the Afpak meeting.