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Subject: Follow up items

Below are a few cats and dogs based on our conversation on the plane home from Paris. Other follow-up is ongoing.

Boeing-Energiya settlement

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Russia bilateral commission

B5

1992 cultural agreement with Russia

MDG summit during UNGA

It is currently scheduled for Monday Sept. 20 to Wednesday Sept. 22. The relevant stakeholders are working on how to make our participation effective.

Hambali

Number of Somalis refugees in Yemen

[REDACTED] is that there are between 500-600,000 Somalis in Yemen, many of whom are refugees, but some of whom have been there for generations. There is only one major refugee camp, with approximately 10,000 inhabitants. Most Somalis in Yemen have more or less blended into society. UNHCR expects between 10,000 and 24,000 Somali refugees this season (through the end of March, when the weather changes and it becomes much more difficult to transit for a few months).

Next friends of Yemen meeting

The chairman's statement called for a meeting at the end of March, but nothing has been arranged yet. In pre-London discussions, the UK noted their desire to have the meeting at the FM-level, however we demurred in agreeing to this.

The Yemenis want to host the next meeting in Sana'a, but security concerns probably preclude that. The UAE and Kuwait have also intimated an interest in hosting the next meeting.

Riyadh is going to host a GCC Secretariat working-level meeting February 27-28 on donor coordination and assistance for Yemen.

Diplomatic pouches/Yemen

At the moment there are no pouches being held at the airport. We've had 3-4 shipments held up during the past year. We won't really know if FM Qirbi's promise to you will be fulfilled until we can observe the process for a while to see if anything new is held up.