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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 4, 2010 3:56 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: A/S for ISN

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**From:** Tauscher, Ellen O  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 04, 2010 3:29 PM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** RE: A/S for ISN



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Best,  
Ellen

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 04, 2010 2:19 PM  
**To:** Tauscher, Ellen O  
**Cc:** Carpenter, Margaret V.W.; Kennedy, Patrick F; Toiv, Nora F  
**Subject:** RE: A/S for ISN

Agree – put him forward.

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**From:** Tauscher, Ellen O  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 04, 2010 10:19 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** RE: A/S for ISN

Cheryl,  
I'm very disappointed to hear of the White House decision but I think we need to move swiftly to decide who we should now nominate. We have received significant criticism from Senator Lugar and others for not having a permanent A/S in ISN and this news means we need to be decisive and get the support of the WH to move a nomination with haste.



I'm leaving Sunday for Geneva to support Rose and frankly don't know when I will return, although I hope it is by end of week. Do you want to get together for 10 minutes today to talk about a way forward?

Best,  
Ellen

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 04, 2010 9:53 AM

**To:** Tauscher, Ellen O  
**Cc:** Mull, Stephen D  
**Subject:** A/S for ISN

Ellen

The White House has decided, [redacted] not to move forward with [redacted] nomination. Their loss will be our gain in another role here for [redacted] but I wanted to apprise you of that officially. [redacted] and I met this morning after I received word.

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Best.

cdm