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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 19, 2010 7:52 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Per governor rendell

For this am meeting - a shout out to him for dealing with orphans yesterday

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Smith, Daniel B  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 19, 2010 6:12 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Cc:** Kennedy, Patrick F  
**Subject:** Re: Per governor rendell

It was a terrific performance by Pat that was the key.

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**To:** Kennedy, Patrick F; Jacobs, Janice L; Smith, Daniel B; Moore, Donald L  
**Cc:** Merten, Kenneth H; Lindwall, David E; Lew, Jacob J; Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Tue Jan 19 03:20:59 2010  
**Subject:** Re: Per governor rendell

In the midst of everything, I want to say thank you for everything you all did today w/ orphans but really with everything since the quake hit.

You make us all stand a little taller and I am grateful.

Cdm

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Kennedy, Patrick F  
**To:** Abedin, Huma; Crowley, Philip J; Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Mon Jan 18 23:06:32 2010  
**Subject:** Fw: Per governor rendell

Colleagues

Bottom of string is email from aide to governor

Says children on board

And offers thanks

Regards

Pat

----- Original Message -----

From: Jacobs, Janice L  
To: Kennedy, Patrick F  
Sent: Mon Jan 18 22:59:24 2010  
Subject: FW: Per governor rendell

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Pat, I'm beginning to wonder about [redacted] He called with a frantic request for assistance because kids had been left behind. Now we hear that they are on the plane.

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From: Cooper, Donna [mailto:[redacted]]  
Sent: Monday, January 18, 2010 10:52 PM  
To: Mills, Cheryl D; Valerie\_Jarrett [redacted]  
Cc: Christina\_Tchen [redacted] Jacobs, Janice L  
Subject: RE: Per governor rendell

The Governor and the children are on their way to the United States. Thank you very much for all of your assistance. I know that this was a huge diversion from an already overwhelming set of circumstances. Your help was invaluable -- these kids will make it because of what you did to help get them out of Haiti.

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From: Mills, Cheryl D [MillsCD@state.gov]  
Sent: Monday, January 18, 2010 2:12 PM  
To: Cooper, Donna; Valerie\_Jarrett [redacted]  
Cc: Christina\_Tchen [redacted] Jacobs, Janice L  
Subject: Re: Per governor rendell

The issue is NOT U.S., contrary to what has been represented. We require some approvals from Haitian govt - am working to try to secure.

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From: Cooper, Donna [redacted]  
To: Mills, Cheryl D; Valerie\_Jarrett [redacted]  
Cc: Christina\_Tchen [redacted]  
Sent: Mon Jan 18 14:01:01 2010  
Subject: RE: Per governor rendell

Cheryl, have you received a response -- is there any update on the whether this is able to be, or is nearly, resolved?

-----Original Message-----

From: Mills, Cheryl D [mailto:MillsCD@state.gov]  
Sent: Monday, January 18, 2010 12:06 PM  
To: Cooper, Donna; Valerie\_Jarrett [redacted]  
Cc: Christina\_Tchen [redacted]  
Subject: Re: Per governor rendell

The last email copied the a/s for consular affairs

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From: Cooper, Donna [redacted]  
To: 'Jarrett, Valerie' [redacted]  
Cc: Mills, Cheryl D; Tchen, Tina [redacted]  
Sent: Mon Jan 18 12:01:15 2010  
Subject: RE: Per governor rendell

thank you - a contact at state who could help resolve the consular general issue would be very very helpful.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jarrett, Valerie [mailto:  
Sent: Monday, January 18, 2010 12:00 PM  
To: Cooper, Donna  
Cc: MillsCD@state.gov; Tchen, Tina  
Subject: RE: Per governor rendell

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Hi Donna-

I am copying Cheryl Mills. Perhaps she can help. Also, Tina in my office.

VJ

From: Cooper, Donna [mailto:  
Sent: Monday, January 18, 2010 11:51 AM  
To: Jarrett, Valerie  
Subject: Per governor rendell  
Importance: High

If you have a moment we have a bit of a urgent matter -- you may know we are attempting to bring about sixty children from Haiti -- they are orphans (per dating the earthquake) that resided in an orphanage managed by two women from Pittsburgh who are affiliated with the Catholic church.

The military has been very helpful and the plane to pick up the children will be landing in Haiti at 5:40 -- the Governor is on that plane because he was told the Haitian officials would not release the children (due to the short notice) without the Governor taking personal responsibility for their well being.

He began this effort by communicating with the state department to ensure their cooperation and in spite of them being very overwhelmed, they have been extremely helpful to our efforts to move this children to safety in the U.S.

However, we just learned via the military that the counsel general in the embassy is not willing to process the paperwork for all the children who have home plans in the U.S. We don't know the exact reasons why. We are attempting to reach Huma at State since she's been involved but we cannot reach her. Our question is whether you have someway to help us reach Huma or anyone else who could help us resolve this matter with the counsel general so the children can be released.

I can be reached at