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**From:** Neera Tanden [redacted]  
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**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: updates

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Sorry to bother you given all the head aches of the world, but on possible speech topics, some of our big areas of focus are:

1. China - how we view the relationship over the long term; how it has grown over just the first year of the Obama admin. As you may know, Rudy DeLeon is our SVP for National Security and he is a former Dep Sec of Defense, so he often sees things from the military's perspective (he said that his friends in the military in the Pacific said you were amazing with the Chinese last week; and that the Chinese military was horrible - not sure what that means, but I'm hoping it will mean something to you.) However, we have also worked on many aspects of the relationship - from trade, to spheres of influence, towards managing China's role on Iran and North Korea.

2. An Integrated National Security Budget is an idea that we have championed for some time.

3. Climate change and its impact on foreign policy decisions. (Working in any reference to BP and how it affects our international relationships - and just making sure it doesn't do so adversely - will make news! :)

4. The rise of India and the unique possibilities of partnership over the long term. John has asked me to strengthen our India program, which I am starting to work on now. CAP has already done extensive work on energy issues, and we're now moving into economic issues, like a shared innovation agenda and will then build up to more direct foreign policy concerns. The Indian Embassy recently reached out to me to have CAP get involved on issues across a range of subjects. My main theory is that if CAP is more pro-India on economic issues for which we can push against the left (like on outsourcing), we may be better positioned as an organization to put some pressure on India (and as a person who gets a fair amount of Indian press on domestic issues, perhaps I can do some good). I know you are having the Strategic Dialog now, and so the timing of this may be better ahead of foreign travel in the fall. (An interesting side note, we're seeing a huge increase in support for economic nationalism across the country - which cascades into Iranian sanctions and punishing corporations that undermine America's interest there, but also is creating stronger opposition to outsourcing, which I think will (unfortunately) be an issue as India comes into focus through a Presidential foreign trip in the fall.)

Of course, we're also happy to host you for any subject you'd like!

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Thanks again for considering the speech and sorry to intrude when the crush of world events is (once again) at your doorstep.

Though, as always, it makes me feel more secure knowing that you are there!

Neera

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Neera---Thx for the updates.

I would welcome the chance to speak at CAP again--I did once last year but it's time to use it as a venue for a big speech again. I'll see what we can plan. Do you have any ideas?

I'll check on [redacted]. Hope you and the family are well--Happy Summer! H

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

**From:** Neera Tanden [redacted]

**To:** H

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**Subject:** updates

I know world events are pressing in, but thought I'd send an update on the health care story, which I promised to do.

I spent a lot of times with Robert Pear about 10 days ago and then checked back in with him a couple of days ago. I gave him everything off the record, with the understanding that he would report out this story in his own voice. I gave him the FEHBP story, in addition to all of the policies in the bill that were in your campaign plan (and that weren't in the Obama campaign plan). He was very interested; in our conversation last week, he indicated that his own reporting preliminarily indicated that the FEHBP idea didn't originate on the Hill. He has a fair amount more work to do on the story, but he seems pretty excited about it, or as excited as Robert gets.

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Also, I meant to tell you this on the phone last week, but I understand [redacted] may be up for an important job at State. I don't know much of anything about it, and the job may have been filled by now, but he was very helpful to the campaign, so I thought I'd send that along.

Finally, I have to put a pitch in for you to speak at CAP. I know John has talked to Cheryl about this a few times, so I don't mean this as overkill, but as Secretary of State you've been to Brookings for a few events, and it would be great if you

could do a speech at CAP. We are pretty good at driving press coverage for our events, though of course, you hardly need that assurance.

Hope you had time to rest over Memorial Day weekend, before the crush of events.

Neera