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From: McHale, Judith A <McHaleJA@state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2011 8:24 AM
To: H
Subject: RE: Arabic speakers

Will do.

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

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2011 8:02 AM
To: McHale, Judith A
Subject: Re: Arabic speakers

I think Dana is great and should be out there. And others should be tried as well.

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From: McHale, Judith A <McHaleJA@state.gov>
To: H; Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>
Sent: Sat Feb 12 06:00:38 2011
Subject: Arabic speakers

I've done some research on our best Arabic speakers and unfortunately we don't have a deep bench at the senior level. [redacted] but not comfortable doing interviews in Arabic on or off air. Same with [redacted]

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I've been told Susan Ziadeh, who is DCM Riyadh and was spokesperson in Baghdad, is excellent. Dana Smith also good. After that we have some terrific mid-level officers:

Ana Escrogima
Lawrence Randolph
Cara Clark
Dan Ernst
Josh Baker
Jared Caplan

Will continue to work on this. Spoke with Cheryl about the PJ situation and am also trying to come up with a list of candidates for spokesperson. Hammer is doing an excellent job on the management side.

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MS -

To follow up on our conversation the other day about doing something webby related to Egypt, we'd like to on Monday set up a session where you answer questions that have been culled through new media (youtube, Twitter, etc). We'd partner with Aljazeera who would solicit, choose and pose the questions to you.

Philippe