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FYI

On 2/25/11, Catherine Rimmer [redacted]

> Hi - we have had further contact with the Libyans - happy to update
> you tomorrow.
> Catherine

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> From: Catherine Rimmer

> Sent: 25 February 2011 16:57

> To: 'jake.sullivan [redacted]'

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> Hi Jake - below is a very quick note of the latest call between Tony
> Blair and Gaddafi. Mr Blair wanted me to let you know that he is
> making these calls very privately and is not briefing the media.

> Catherine

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> Short note of call between Tony Blair and Gaddafi 25 Feb 2011 4pm,
> detailed note to follow.

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> Tony Blair delivered a very strong message to Gaddafi that the
> violence had to end and that he had to stand aside to allow a peaceful
> process to take place. He repeated this several times throughout the
> call. Gaddafi insisted that there is no violence on the streets and that AQ is leading this unrest.

> Gaddafi believes this is an attempt to re-colonise Libya. Tony Blair

> assured him it was not. He repeated that that the violence had to

> stop now and that he must leave the country. Gaddafi asked Tony Blair

> several times to come to Libya to see for himself that there is no

> violence. Tony Blair said he didn't know if he could do that but

> again repeated that the important thing was for the violence to stop.

> Tony Blair concluded that he had tried to relay the message and hoped the leader would reflect on it.

> People would like to offer a way out that is peaceful.

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> "The absolute key thing is that the bloodshed and violence must stop....

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> "If you have a safe place to go then you should go there, because

> this will not end peacefully unless that happens and there has to be

> a process of change. That process of change can be managed and we

> have to find a way of managing it."

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> "I have talked to people and everyone wants a peaceful end to this."

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> "You've got to try to do something to allow this process to happen

> peacefully. The only way of doing that is say to people that you are

> going to engage in a process of change, that you are telling your
> forces not to use violence against people and that this will now be
> managed peacefully and properly, you need to be in a position where
> Libya is prepared to do this peacefully. The US and the EU are in a
> tough position right now and I need to take something back to them which ensures this ends peacefully."

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> "If people saw the leader standing aside they would be content with
> that. If this goes on for another day/two days we will go past the
> point. I'm saying this because I believe it deeply. If we can't get a
> way through/out very quickly this will go past the point of no return."

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