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**From:** Jiloty, Lauren C <JilotyLC@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 6:58 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: Senator Inhofe to defend Gbagbo in public

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**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 06:48 AM  
**To:** Jiloty, Lauren C  
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**From:** Abedin, Huma [mailto:AbedinH@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 10:47 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Senator Inhofe to defend Gbagbo in public

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**From:** Carson, Johnnie  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D; Abedin, Huma  
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**Sent:** Tue Mar 29 20:12:39 2011  
**Subject:** Senator Inhofe to defend Gbagbo in public

Cheryl: This is a heads-up:

Senator Inhofe just called my deputy Don Yamamoto this evening to inform us that:

- 1) He had sent a letter to Secretary Clinton recently and was still awaiting a response. (Comment: We have not seen the letter in the Africa Bureau.)
- 2) The Senator will be sending an editorial or article to the Los Angeles Times as well as other news outlets tonight.
- 3) The Senator's message points are: (a) there is ample evidence of irregularities to demonstrate that opposition candidate Ouattara stole the presidential election; (b) there should be new elections; (c) the increased violence in Cote d'Ivoire is due to OUattara's more violent efforts to

consolidate his position through force. (Comment: all the evidence demonstrates that Ouattara won and Gbagbo lost.)

The Senator concluded by saying that he was giving the Africa Bureau a heads up as a courtesy..

Comment: Senator Inhofe has close ties to President Gbagbo, has criticized our Cote d'Ivoire policy and has resisted our previous efforts to get him to call Gbagbo to step aside.

Johnnie