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Dear QDDR Implementation Leaders:

Here's an update (and action request) on various QDDR Implementation issues:

State-USAID Collaboration

Next week Tom Nides and Cheryl Mills will host a meeting with USAID counterparts to review State-USAID cooperation on QDDR implementation. As you may remember, early in the QDDR process there was a decision that each agency would manage its own implementation process, while cooperating appropriately between agencies as required. The purpose of our meeting next week will be to assess (and address) any issues that are affecting that cooperation. At a minimum, we plan to address these topics:

- Switching representation at regional development Banks from State to USAID
- IT Consolidation
- IORF (and Eric, we look forward to discussing that in detail at our meeting next Wednesday)
- State-USAID roles in crisis management task forces

Please let me know if there are any other issues from your workstream that you would like the meeting to address – ideally by COB Friday, September 30 to allow sufficient time to assemble relevant briefing materials.

Completed Workstream

Congratulations to Carlos Pascual – and a broad supporting cast including M, E, H, RM, HR, OES, SECC and S/EEE – who crossed the finish line this week in creating the Energy Resources Bureau (ENR). While important

tasks remain in getting the bureau fully operational and finalizing its consolidation within the newly reorganized E family of bureaus, Carlos's achievement represented an important Phase I milestone.

QDDR Website

Thank you all for your submissions for the QDDR website, which Secretary Clinton launched on September 14 with a personal message to all employees. The site has proven very popular, getting over 12,000 page views in its first week alone. Stories submitted from the field and from Washington posted later on the site have also gotten thousands of readers. I encourage you to submit additional stories or invite your subordinate offices to do so, to demonstrate what you are doing to "make the QDDR Real" and share your accomplishments with the broader Department community. The strategic communications points of contact in your office can send such input to QDDRStories@state.gov.

Regular Reporting

S/ES will shortly be seeking your help in providing biweekly reports to the Deputy Secretary and Counselor in the form of "stoplight charts" that will highlight the state of play on discreet implementation milestones. To ensure we're working from the same assumptions, your responsible Deputy Executive Secretary will soon contact your office to validate the milestones we're planning to monitor as part of the regular reporting process, and to share with you the suggested format for submissions. We will also seek in these regular reports short synopses of recent progress, with which we will update the QDDR site on the intranet.

Thanks again for your assistance in meeting the Secretary's QDDR priorities, and please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Steve