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From: Abedin, Huma <AbedinH@state.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2012 8:36 AM
To: H
Subject: Fw: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Since you are seeing Susan, sharing her last email. I then took all UN people off email and asked state team what they thought.

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From: Rice, Susan E (USUN)
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 05:31 PM
To: Abedin, Huma; Ryu, Rexon Y; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D; Brimmer, Esther D; Ahmed, Salman (USUN); Valmoro, Lona J
Subject: Re: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

We now think it is firm.

[Redacted]

Many thanks for considering this on such short notice.

Best,

Susan

From: Abedin, Huma
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 05:20 PM
To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); Ryu, Rexon Y; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D; Brimmer, Esther D; Ahmed, Salman (USUN); Valmoro, Lona J
Subject: Re: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Susan - do we feel confident that tues 3pm will stick? She's open to going if you all support but we have a nutty day we'd have to take down with a foreign bilat and a speech. Not even sure people will be ok but before we start calling, want to see how firm this is.

From: Abedin, Huma
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 03:59 PM
To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); Ryu, Rexon Y; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G

Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D; Brimmer, Esther D; Ahmed, Salman (USUN)
Subject: Re: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Tues is tough but might be possible to cancel or re-schedule her bilat and speech to make day trip to ny. Talking to her in a few minutes and be sure she knows everyone supports.

From: Rice, Susan E (USUN)
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 03:25 PM
To: Ryu, Rexon Y; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D; Brimmer, Esther D; Ahmed, Salman (USUN)
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Tues at 3pm is earliest window.

From: Ryu, Rexon Y
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 03:22 PM
To: Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D; Brimmer, Esther D; Rice, Susan E (USUN); Ahmed, Salman (USUN)
Subject: RE: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Update on timing based on Council discussions today –

Tuesday, Jan 31, is now the earliest the Council session (including the el-Araby/HBJ briefing) could be held. Locking in this date is conditioned on getting the AL monitoring report circulated among the Council by tomorrow. It is possible that the session could slip further.

Any sense whether the Secretary is available Tues or Wed of next week?

Many thanks.

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From: Sherman, Wendy R
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 1:04 PM
To: Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Ryu, Rexon Y; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: Re: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Ditto.

From: Burns, William J
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 11:28 AM
To: Feltman, Jeffrey D; Ryu, Rexon Y; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma; Sherman, Wendy R
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: Re: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

Agree

From: Feltman, Jeffrey D
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 11:24 AM

To: Ryu, Rexon Y; Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: RE: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

I think it would be excellent to have her there. Not that Susan Rice can't and wouldn't deliver our message forcefully and effectively. But it would be noticed if S were there.

From: Ryu, Rexon Y
Sent: Thu 1/26/2012 6:09 PM
To: Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: RE: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

We think it would be very good to have her participate, including to help elevate the discussion and reinforce efforts to move toward adopting a resolution as soon as possible.

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From: Sullivan, Jacob J
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 11:01 AM
To: Ryu, Rexon Y; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma; Sherman, Wendy R; Burns, William J; Feltman, Jeffrey D
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: RE: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?

I'll defer to Huma on the scheduling piece, but on the substance, what do you/Susan think? Also adding Wendy and Bill and Jeff for their views.

From: Ryu, Rexon Y
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2012 10:56 AM
To: Sullivan, Jacob J; Wells, Alice G; Abedin, Huma
Cc: Lasensky, Scott B; Zeya, Uzra S; Mull, Stephen D
Subject: UNSC/Syria - S participation in Jan 30 mtg?
Importance: High

On Monday, Jan 30, the UN Security Council will be briefed by Qatari PM/FM HBJ and Arab League Secretary General el-Araby on Syria. This morning in NY, the Qataris asked/urged that ministers attend the meeting. France and Portugal said their ministers are "likely" to come. Others are possible, but uncertain at this point. Syria will also speak, though unclear at what level. This will be a high-profile mtg that we hope will accelerate negotiations on a Syria UNSC resolution.

Amb Rice asked me to inquire whether there is any possibility that the Secretary might be able to attend.

The format likely to be a public briefing followed by either a closed or open UNSC session (the latter is TBD at this point), all beginning at 3pm and likely to last ~2 hours.

I'm happy to discuss further. If possible, it would be helpful to passback an initial indication of the Secretary's availability early this afternoon to help NY shape the discussions.

Rexon