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B1,1.4(B),1.4(D),B5,B6

**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2012 5:02 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Reconciliation Reactions

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05/20/2037

FYI

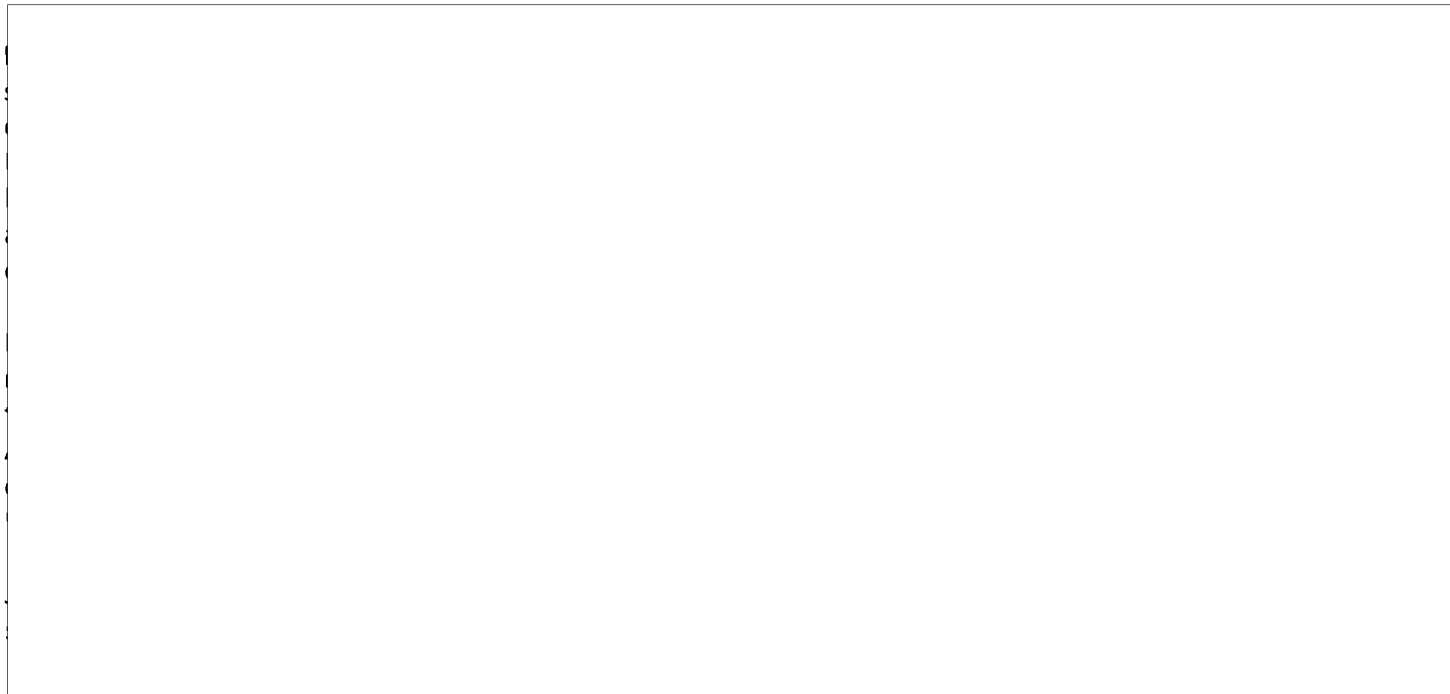
----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hale, David M  
**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2012 04:17 PM  
**To:** Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv); Russell, Melissa H; Buzbee, John R; Bitar, Maher B; Rubinstein, Daniel H; Patterson, Anne W; Sullivan, Jacob J; Sawyer, Julie L; Schwartz, Jonathan B; Jones, Stuart (Amman); Grantham, Chris W; Holtsnider, James W  
**Cc:** Dibble, Elizabeth L; Goldberger, Thomas H; Sievers, Marc J; Lempert, Yael; 'ssimon [redacted]'; 'Waller, Robert' <Robert\_P\_Walle [redacted]>; Feltman, Jeffrey D  
**Subject:** Reconciliation Reactions

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1.4(B)  
1.4(D)  
B1

I spoke with Judeh, Blair and Molho today about this.

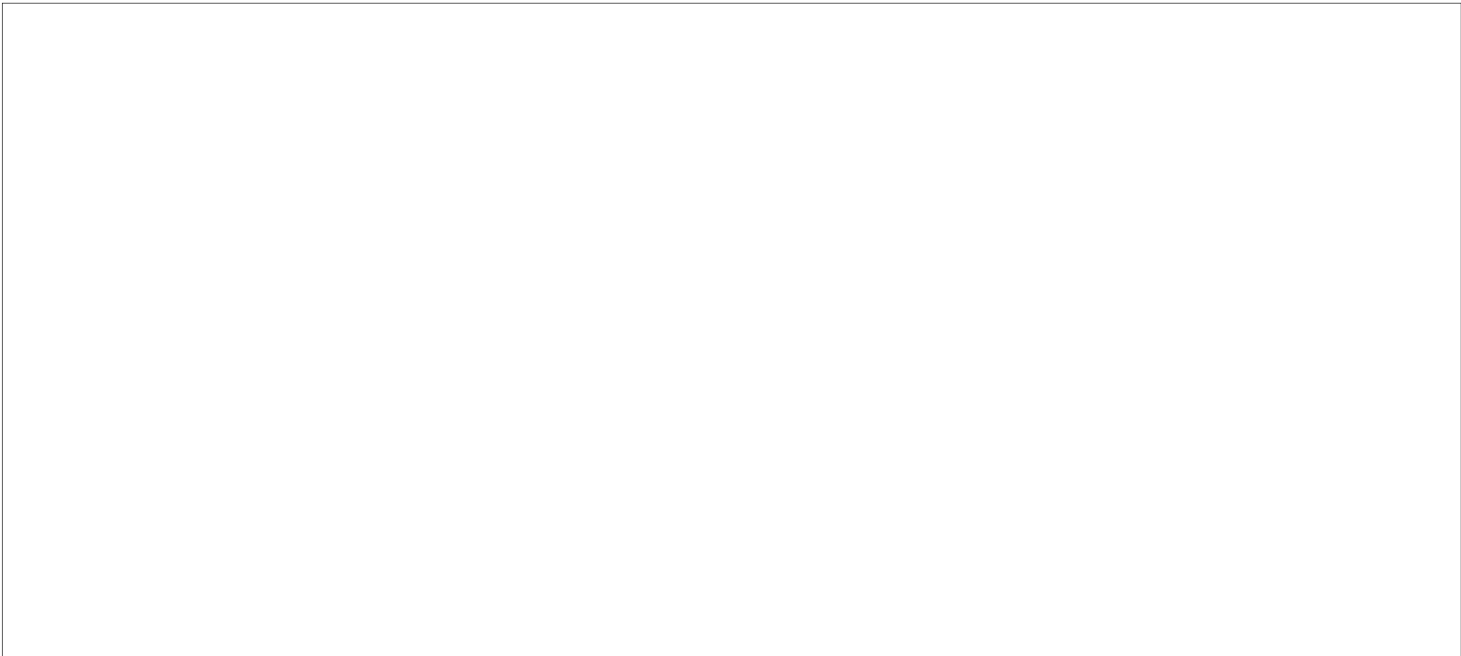


-----Original Message-----

**From:** Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2012 8:07 AM  
**To:** Hale, David M; Russell, Melissa H; Buzbee, John R; Bitar, Maher B; Rubinstein, Daniel H; Patterson, Anne W  
**Cc:** Dibble, Elizabeth L; Goldberger, Thomas H; Sievers, Marc J; Lempert, Yael; 'ssimon [redacted]'; 'Waller, Robert'; Feltman, Jeffrey D  
**Subject:** RE:

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+ A/S Feltman, DCMs, NSS



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

From: Hale, David M  
Sent: Monday, May 21, 2012 2:35 AM  
To: Russell, Melissa H; Buzbee, John R; Bitar, Maher B; Rubinstein, Daniel H; Patterson, Anne W; Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv)  
Cc: Dibble, Elizabeth L  
Subject: Re:

1.4(B)  
1.4(D)  
B1

We'll need something done by 10 am [redacted] B5

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

From: Hale, David M  
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2012 07:01 PM  
To: Russell, Melissa H; Buzbee, John R; Bitar, Maher B  
Subject: Fw:

An early project tomorrow.

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

From: Hale, David M  
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2012 06:55 PM  
To: Feltman, Jeffrey D; Patterson, Anne W; Rubinstein, Daniel H; Dibble, Elizabeth L; Erdman, Richard AMB (USUN); 'Steven\_N\_Simon [redacted]; Sullivan, Jacob J; Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv)  
Subject: Fw:

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Daniel should pursue in Ramallah and Anne with EGIS to get a factual basis as a first step. Also good to know from Dan what the E's are telling the I's.

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

From: McDonough, Denis R. [redacted]  
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2012 06:45 PM  
To: Simon, Steven [redacted]; Rubinstein, Daniel H; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Hale, David M  
Cc: Dibble, Elizabeth L; Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv); Patterson, Anne W; Waller, Robert [redacted]; Pelton, Erin [redacted]; Rhodes, Benjamin J. [redacted]; Canegallo, Kristie A. <[redacted]> Vinograd, Samantha [redacted]

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Subject: Re:

Thanks, Steve.

[Redacted]

B5

Cool?

Thanks,  
DM

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

From: Simon, Steven  
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2012 05:26 PM  
To: 'Rubinstein, Daniel H' <RubinsteinDH@state.gov>; Feltman, Jeffrey D <FeltmanJD@state.gov>; Hale, David M <HaleDM2@state.gov>  
Cc: Dibble, Elizabeth L <DibbleEL@state.gov>; Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv) <ShapiroDB@state.gov>; Patterson, Anne W <pattersonaw@state.gov>; Waller, Robert; Pelton, Erin; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; McDonough, Denis R.; Canegallo, Kristie A.; Vinograd, Samantha  
Subject: RE:

+pelton, Rhodes, McDonough, Canegallo, Vinograd

[Redacted] B5

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

From: Rubinstein, Daniel H [mailto:RubinsteinDH@state.gov]  
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2012 2:21 PM  
To: Feltman, Jeffrey D; Hale, David M; Simon, Steven  
Cc: Dibble, Elizabeth L; Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv); Patterson, Anne W; Waller, Robert  
Subject:

Lead Fatah reconciliation negotiator Azzam al-Ahmed confirmed from Cairo a minute ago that Hamas agreed to allow the Central Elections Commission to begin preparatory work in Gaza on May 27. The shift in Hamas's position removes the most recent brake in the intra-Palestinian reconciliation process; the reasons for Hamas's shift are not yet clear. (We doubt internal Hamas elections played a significant role as they have not yet concluded, so external factors are more likely.)

The move paves the way for consultations to begin on the interim government of technocrats envisioned in the Doha reconciliation deal. EGIS has put out a statement confirming the key points, which should hit the wires soon.