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Madam Secretary,

Cathy Ashton has just left for a bilat with Jallili. We hope that leads to enough clarity to head to another plenary tonight or tomorrow morning that would signal an experts meeting within next two weeks followed by a political directors meeting focused on 20%. There have been a number of formal and informal conversations with the Iranians after the long plenary. It appears there is a basis for discussion around quo but not surprisingly, different quids are desired.

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[Redacted] We expected a bilat with Sergey but that did not happen. Iran met with Ma at lower level. Geoffrey Adams had useful informal talk and I sat down with Shartistani and Zebari at their request with all they have been told all day long. There is an [Redacted]

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[Redacted] Will send update after Cathy bilat but signs we can get far enough

to keep going, difficult as it is.

Wendy

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