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The Secretary's Call Sheet for Senators Kerry, Lugar, McCain, and Graham

(SBU) Purpose of Call: To update Senators Kerry, Lugar, McCain, and Graham on the reopening of the GLOCs and other steps with Pakistan.

- Pakistan has informed the U.S. that the ground lines of communication (GLOCs) are opening, allowing materiel for the U.S., ISAF, and the Afghan National Security Forces to flow through Pakistan into Afghanistan.
- Pakistan will continue with the past practice – there will not be any new transit fees.
- This step will assist the international effort in Afghanistan and continued progress towards a stable Afghanistan able to provide for its own security – a goal that both Pakistan and the United States share.
- I spoke with FM Khar this morning, and we both noted the importance of taking coordinated action against our common terrorist enemy.
- I again expressed condolences for the death of Pakistani soldiers in the November 2011 Salala cross-border incident. I said we are sorry for the losses suffered by the Pakistani military.
- We each acknowledged that mistakes were made, and we both said we were sorry for losses suffered by our countries in the fight against terrorism.
- My phone call with Khar shows that we are taking key steps to get U.S.-Pakistani relations back on track. These will expedite progress towards a successful transition in Afghanistan and facilitate President Obama's goal of drawing down U.S. forces and ending U.S. combat operations in Afghanistan by the end of 2014.
- Additionally, this action by Pakistan on the GLOCs will save the U.S. and ISAF partners many hundreds of millions of dollars.