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From: Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 9:07 AM
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Subject: Fw: Agreement

From: Feldman, Daniel F
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 07:15 AM
To: Nides, Thomas R; Sullivan, Jacob J; Kennedy, Patrick F
Cc: Carland, Raphael
Subject: Fw: Agreement

Good news. Will let you know as soon as we get anything in writing from Ryan.

From: Crocker, Ryan C
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 04:12 AM
To: Feldman, Daniel F
Subject: RE: Agreement

We received written agreement today. Will send an Agreement Channel cable as soon as we have the note translated.

From: Feldman, Daniel F
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 7:19 PM
To: Crocker, Ryan C
Subject: RE: Agreement

Great; many thanks.

From: Crocker, Ryan C
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 10:17 AM
To: Feldman, Daniel F
Subject: RE: Agreement

I called him and explained the urgency. He said Monday at the latest.

From: Feldman, Daniel F
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 6:38 PM
To: Crocker, Ryan C
Subject: Agreement

Ryan – Sorry I didn't get to say bye in Tokyo, but I look forward to celebrating your (re)retirement with you back in DC after your return to the US. I hope you felt positively about the S stops in both Kabul and Tokyo. From our end, both exceeded expectations and were very strong.

I wanted to follow up on the issue of Jim's agreement. I'm not sure if you had the opportunity to speak with the Afghan protocol chief in Tokyo, but I checked with Pat K, and he said that verbal agreement is good enough for State to send the name to the WH, but it would have to be documented in some written form. Pat asked if you could send a cable just saying that verbal agreement was granted by Karzai on x day, or any other specifics you can throw in, and then he would try to move the nomination directly to the WH. We're all feeling constrained by the Senate schedule. so for Jim to get a

confirmation hearing before the August recess, we'll need to get his name announced and up there asap – ideally in the next few days. And in turn, I don't think we can panel a deputy for him until his agreement is announced, he'd like such a person in place by Labor Day, etc etc. So any help you can provide on the logistics of moving this expeditiously would be much appreciated.

Incidentally, we just received the formal Dip Note for Rick's agreement in I'bad, so that nomination will likely move to the WH today. I doubt they'll package the two names together to announce, but the Senate will likely want to have a single confirmation hearing for them later in the month.

Thanks,
Dan

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