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First, sorry I missed the Africa trip meeting; I had a long-scheduled going-away for four of my staffers who have recently left or are leaving shortly. I think we have a pretty good speech for you to give in Dakar, with a positive message on how the American model of partnership works for Africa (and by implied contrast how the Chinese model does not). We're designing it so that you can drive elements of the message at various stops along the way. And I think the South Africa speech will be a strong one; I take your point about moving it to after the dialogue. Otherwise, the speechwriters and the press team and AF and I have spent time thinking through the messaging and themes for each stop to get maximum bang for the buck.

Second, my lunch with Jessica Mathews was not particularly effective. She's a tough nut to crack. More on that later.

Third, and perhaps most importantly, thanks a million for taking a few minutes tomorrow morning to snap a photo with [REDACTED] and meet his parents. A little background that I sent Lona earlier: [REDACTED] are the parents. They are two of [REDACTED]

I gave [REDACTED] one of the SecState atlases as a [REDACTED] gift. I was hoping you could sign it for him. And then I promise to stop bugging you.