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NE coords on the below paper, to include the earlier edits.
We have looped in ODNCS and others to ensure everyone has a chance to review given the urgency at which this is being requested.
For ODNCS - at this morning HPSCI coffee with DCIA, HPSCI members eagerly sought some sort of "white paper" they could use to reply to numerous media requests asking for comments on other inflammatory press articles regarding the Benghazi attacks.
HPSCI has asked for unclassified points immediately that they can use in talking to the media. I have been asked to provide a bit on responsibility. NE is pulling together the final product. In addition to other topics, NE will add material about warnings we gave to Cairo prior to the demonstrations, as well as material on warnings we issued prior to 9/11 anniversary. Please take a quick look to see if you believe that this is A) accurate and B) unclass.
For CTC/Legal, asked that I send this to you and anybody you think needs to see in OGC to make sure that nothing we are saying here is likely to impact any potential future legal prosecution.
Thanks
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Congressional talking points en route this afternoon for coord

Tommy: .

Echoing my voicemail to you:

You should be seeing some "White Paper" talking points from us this afternoon for coordination. They are for Congressional use, per their request, re Benghazi issues.

Thanks, '

Chief, Media Relations

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HPSCI has requested talking points from the DCIA for use with the media.

Please review the below and respond with your comments ASAP.

Thanks very much,

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The White House has reviewed them and wanted to ensure that you saw them - especially the portions highlighted by the White House.

Kindly indicate that you have reviewed these points. We are planning on transmitting them to the Hill tonight.

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Sent:

Friday, September 14, 2012 8:58 PM

To: Subject: Nuland, Victoria J; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; STATE PA

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RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

We will use these too

----Original Message----

From: Nuland, Victoria J [nulandvi@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:55 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: Vietor, Tommy; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; 54-4- PA

Subject: Re: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

These are points for Congress to use w press. Shant they be consistent with our own public lines if we are recommending them?

From: Vietor, Tommy [mailto:Thomas_F._Vietor@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:43 PM

To: Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J. <Benjamin_J._Rhodes@

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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There is massive disinformation out there, in particular with Congress. They all think it was premeditated based on inaccurate assumptions or briefings. So I think this is a response to not only a tasking from the house intel committee but also NSC guidance that we need to brief members/press and correct the record

----Original Message----

From: Sullivan, Jacob J [SullivanJJ@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:40 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Vietor, Tommy; STATE PA Nuland, Victoria J

Subject: FW: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Skinnying list. I do not understand the nature of this exercise. And some of the statements below are new by me. Can we have a conversation before this goes out?

From: Adams, David S

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 8:39 PM

To: Nuland, Victoria J; NSC Deputy Press Secretary; . CIA OPA ; Shawn.Turner@c /; ... (A)

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CC: CIA DEA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

I'm with Toria. The last bullet especially will read to members like we had been repeatedly warned.

From: Nuland, Victoria J

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 7:39 PM

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TO CLA OPA CIA OFA ; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS PRESS, Shawn.Turner@

WH PRESS

Nuland, Victoria J; STATE PA

CC CIA DCA Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review FYI, Brennan will have edits. Im waiting for those.

From:

CIA OPA

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:43 PM

To: Shawn.Turner@

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CC: CIA OCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Looping in State. I think that's a good adjustment.

From: Shawn S Turner

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:41 PM

To: QIA OPA; Vietor, Tommy; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS, WH PRESS

CC: CIA DCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

I've been very careful not to say we issued a warning. Any concerns with adjusting the first highlighted line to say:

 On 10 September we notified Embassy Cairo of social media reports calling for a demonstration and encouraging jihadists to break into the Embassy.

From: CIA OFA

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:24 PM

To: Vietor, Tommy; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS, WH PRESS

Cc: CIA OU Shawn S Turner

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Thanks very much for your prompt response, Tommy.

Will send over to STATE.

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From: Vietor, Tommy [mailto:Thomas F. Vietor@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:21 PM

To: CIA JPA; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS; WH PRESS

Cc: CIA COShawn S Turner

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

I know you're trying to move these fast so here's an initial round of edits. One small tweak in sentence 3 of bullet 1 for added clarity. Denis would also like to make sure the highlighted portions are full coordinated with the State Department in the event that they get inquries.

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Here's where we stand as of this hour.

Everyone has submitted coordination comments.

The State Department had major reservations with much or most of the document. We revised the document with their concerns in mind. The latest version is below, as sent to State.

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notified Embassy Cairo of social media reports calling for a demonstration and encouraging jihadists to break into the Embassy.

- The investigation is on-going as to who is responsible for the violence, although the crowd almost certainly
 was a mix of individuals. That being said, there are indications that Islamic extremists participated in the
 violent demonstrations.
- The wide availability of weapons and experienced fighters in Libya almost certainly contributed to the lethality of the attacks.
- The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qaeda in Benghazi and
 eastern Libya. Since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi
 by unidentified assailants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador's convoy. We cannot
 rule out that individuals had previously surveilled the US facilities, also contributing to the efficacy of the
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- The US Government is working with Libyan authorities and intelligence partners in an effort to help bring to justice those responsible for the deaths of US citizens.

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: Here's a draft note to the DIRECTOR .

Sir - We've tried to work the draft talking points for HPSCI through the coordination process but have run into major problems. Perhaps as a result of the afternoon teleconference, a number of agencies have been looped in. The White House cleared quickly, but State has major concerns. The Bureau cleared with a few comments but asked that Justice, which would handle any criminal prosecution, be brought in. It is evident that will not happen tonight, and Ben Rhodes has asked that this issue be reviewed tomorrow morning at the Deputies' meeting.

Additionally, Eric Schmitt of the NYT contacted us to let us know that he had spoken with Rep. Ruppersberger, who had given him a readout of your session.

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- The investigation is on-going as to who is responsible for the violence, although the crowd almost certainly
 was a mix of individuals. That being said, there are indications that Islamic extremists participated in the
 violent demonstrations.
- The wide availability of weapons and experienced fighters in Libya almost certainly contributed to the lethality of the attacks.
- The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qaeda in Benghazi and
 eastern Libya. Since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi
 by unidentified assailants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador's convoy. We cannot
 rule out that individuals had previously surveilled the US facilities, also contributing to the efficacy of the
 attacks.
- The US Government is working with Libyan authorities and intelligence partners in an effort to help bring to justice those responsible for the deaths of US citizens.

CTA OPA
Chief, Media Relations
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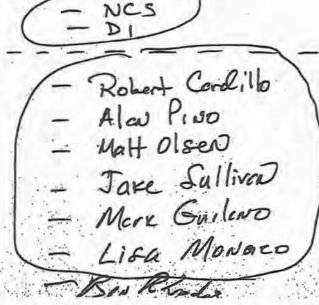
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 - The wide availability of weapons and experienced fighters in Libya almost certainly
 contributed to the lethality of the attacks.
 - The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qaeda in Benghazi and eastern Libya. Since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi by unidentified assailants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador's convoy. We cannot rule out that individuals had previously surveilled the US facilities, also contributing to the efficacy of the attacks.

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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012 11:09 AM To:

Subject: [AIN] FW: Unclassified Talking Points

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Michael -- TPs sent to Ruppersberger from ODNI leg.

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From: NCTC/OLA Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:51 AM To: Nicholas J Rasmussen; Matthew G. Olsen NOTO

Subject: Unclassified Talking Points

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LIA OCA/OPA Cc

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-Matt

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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012 11:16 AM Subject: [AIN] RE:

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Subject: [AIN] RE:

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Michael - DOJ and FBI are ok with these. thanks

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:03 PM

To: JC:

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM

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Before going to the committees, may I please ask you to send these to the Director? He needs to know in advance what is going to the Hill in his name, even if it going with the force of full interagency coordination.

Cheers, CIA FO

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From: Robert Cardillo Date: 09/15/2012 12:24 PM Subject: [AIN] Re:

To: MICHAEJM, Alan R Pino

Please respond to Robert Cardillo

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I am, Michael.

---- Original Message -----

From: MICHARJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:20 PM

To: Robert Cardillo; Alan R Pino

Subject: Fw:

Robert, Alan--Everyone else has coordinated and HPSCI is waiting not so patiently. Are you guys good? Michael

From: CIA OPA

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM To: CEA MICHAEJM

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From: CTA Fo Date: 09/15/2012 12:32 PM Subject: [AIN] RE:

To: MICHAEJM,

CHAOPA CIAOCA

CC: CIA FO

Please respond to

This is to confirm in writing: I just spoke with Alan on the phone. Allen said he concurred with the TPs.

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From: MICHAEJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:19 PM

TO: CEAOPA, CFAOCA

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everyone has coordinated. OPA has captured the changes below. Please run the points by the Director, then get them to HPSCI. I spoke to the Director earlier about State's deep concerns about mentioning the warnings and the other work done on this, but you will want to reemphasize in your note to DCIA. Thanks. Michael

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Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:44 PM

To: Nuland, Victoria J

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CIA OCA Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:51 PM

·o: Cc: DAVIDHP74

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USUN

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:21 PM

To:

USUN

Subject:

Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Please do--I have not reached out.

Best, USUN

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15. 2012 02:15 PM

To: USUN

Subject: Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

I'm going to email Jake on the libya points

references below unless either of you are linked in to this effort. Pls let

me know.

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:23 PM

To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); USUN '; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN);

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3C: USUN

Subject: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Libya:

HPSCI request: Late this week, CIA Director Petraeus gave the HPSCI a "hots spots" briefing and was asked for unclassified talking points that its members could use about incident in Benghazi. (Apparently NCTC Director Matt Olson received a similar committee from a congressional committee.) The first draft apparently seemed unsuitable (based on conversations on the SVTS and afterwards) because they seemed to encourage the reader to infer incorrectly that the CIA had warned about a specific attack on our embassy. On the SVTS, Morell noted that these points were not good and he had taken a heavy editing hand to them. He noted that he would be happy to work with Jake Sullivan and Rhodes to develop appropriate talking points. McDonough, on Rhodes's behalf, deferred to Sullivan. It was agreed that Jake would work closely with the intelligence community (within a small group) to finalize points on Saturday that could be shared with HPSCI. I spoke to Jake immediately after the SVTS and noted that you were doing the Sunday morning shows and would need to be aware of the final posture that these points took. He committed to ensure that we were updated in advance of the Sunday shows. I specifically mentioned USUN as the one coordinating your preparations for the shows and also strongly encouraged him to loop in USUN during the process.

CIAOCA

From:

DAVIDHP74

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:27 PM

Fo: Cc: MICHAEJM; CITA FO

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-OPA CIA-OCA

Subject:

RE: Hill Talking Points

No mention of the cable to Cairo, either? Frankly, I'd just as soon not use this, then...
NSS's call, to be sure; however, this is certainly not what Vice Chairman RUppersberger was hoping to get for unclas use. Regardless, thx for the great work -

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CC: MICHAEJM; CIA-FO DDCIA COS, FO CIA OPA

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Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM

To: Cc: USUN

Subject:

Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Coming your way.

---- Original Message -----

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 02:33 PM

To: Sullivan, Jacob J

CC: USUN

Subject: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Jake - understand from USUN that you re working a set of unclass IC pts on libya for the Hill. If these are going to be finalized by Sunday am (or COB today), can we get a copy for Susan to ensure we're on the same msg? Happy to have USUN work with whomever on the State team is handling this, unless it's you - in which case happy to get them directly. Whatever is easiest.

Many thx.

USUN

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The email has been sent to the Hill.

OCA

From: MICHAEJM

Sent: Saturday Sontambor 15 2012 12:37 PM

To: CIAOPA CIAOCA

CC: PO CIA FO

Subject: Re:

everyone has coordinated. or has captured the changes below. Please run the points by the Director, then get them to HPSCI. I spoke to the Director earlier about State's deep concerns about mentioning the warnings and the other work done on this, but you will want to reemphasize in your note to DCIA. Thanks. Michael

From: CIA OPA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM
To: CIA OCA MICHAEJM
CC: PO CIA FO
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Here's where we are with the tweaks after tweaks from Ben and Jake:

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