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Subject: FW: EXSUM: Meeting with Mark Boal re UBL Movie
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Mike, many thanks. Copying John Kirby, top comms advisor to CJCS, on this. I think this looks very good as a way forward, and agree particularly that we need to be careful here so we don't open the media floodgates on this. I'm going to check with WH to update them on status, and will report back. Geoff or you will be in best position to find out if SD will talk to Boal after he retires, although I understand he liked "The Hurt Locker". At this point, suggest you keep plans to meet with Boal when he returns, and I'll provide any additional context I get from WH. Thanks--Doug

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Doug, I spoke to Michael Morell (DD/CIA) on Friday. At the direction of Director Panetta, CIA is cooperating fully (not, obviously, giving away anything they shouldn't, but answering questions, such as "How did you feel at that point?"). Morell was also asked to offer his assessment of the Director's participation in the operation. Several CIA staff have talked with Mark. For the intelligence case, they are basically using the WH-approved talking points we used the night of the operation. I spoke with ADM Olson and (b)(3):U.S.C. 130 on Friday about DoD participation. They are thinking it over. They would like to shape the story to prevent any gross inaccuracies, but do not want to make it look like the commanders think it's okay to talk to the media. They may want to offer up an O-6 SEAL, who played a key planning role and knows the operators and story well. Would appreciate any guidance on how we should proceed, if at all, i.e., will SD meet with them after he retires? CJCS? (b) would like to talk to me, and perhaps others, the last week of June when he comes back to DC to talk to CIA. I obviously do not want to be out of step with the few other seniors who were involved in the operation. Thanks, Mike

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