

## United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case No. F-2014-08848

Ms. Kate Bailey 425 Third St., SW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20024

Dear Ms. Bailey:

In response to your request dated May 13, 2014 under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, we have initiated a search of the following Department of State record systems: the Office of the Secretary.

The search of the records of the Office of the Secretary has resulted in the retrieval of four documents responsive to your request. We have determined that all four documents have been previously released to you in case number F-2012-38774. Documents C05415288, C05415290, C05415756 and C05415775 were released to you on April 17, 2014. The released documents are enclosed.

If you have any questions, you may contact Assistant United States Attorney Robert Prince at (202) 305-3654 or Robert.Prince@usdoj.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number shown above in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

John F. Hackett, Acting Director

Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures:

As stated.

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currently available information continues to be evaluated.

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 $\mbox{--The investigation}$  is on-going, and the US Government is working with Libyan authorities to bring to justice those responsible for the deaths US citizens.

## Pelofsky, Eric J

RELEASED IN FULL

From:

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Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM

Ryu, Rexon Y

Subject:

Pelofsky, Eric J; Pelton, Erin Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Coming your way.

---- Original Message ----

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

To: Sullivan, Jacob J

Cc: Pelofsky, Eric J; Pelton, Erin Subject: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Jake - understand from Eric 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 Eric/Erin 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.

Rexon

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RELEASED IN PART Din, Susan W 1.4(B),B1,B5,1.4(D)\_ From: DeLaurentis, Jeffrey A Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 6:58 AM Ryu, Rexon Y; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); Rice, Susan E (USUN); Pelofsky, Eric J; To: Ahmed, Salman (USUN) Cc: Singh, Priya (USUN) .Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones BBC, NBC report US sources saying Chris among the dead but USG not confirming. From: Ryu, Rexon Y Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 06:36 AM To: DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); Rice, Susan E (USUN); Pelofsky, Eric J; Ahmed, Salman (USUN); DeLaurentis, Jeffrey A Cc: Singh, Priya (USUN) Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones Libyans are saying publicly he is one of the four dead. Don't have more right now. From: DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN) Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 06:25 AM To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); Ryu, Rexon Y; Pelofsky, Eric J; Ahmed, Salman (US'JN); DeLaurentis, Jeffrey A Cc: Singh, Priya (USUN) Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones | Classified by DAS, A/GIS, DoS 4-9-2014 ~ Class: CONFIDENTIAL ~ Reason: B1 1.4(B), 1.4(D) ~ Declassify on: 09/12/2019 'es I am doing UNSC. From: Rice, Susan E (USUN) Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 06:20 AM To: Ryu, Rexon Y; Pelofsky, Eric J; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); Ahmed, Salman (USUN); DeLaurentis, Jeffrey A Cc: Singh, Priya (USUN) Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones Who are the four dead? Is Chris among them? RDC, are you doing UNSC today? REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior Reviewer From: Ryu, Rexon Y Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 06:01 AM To: Pelofsky, Eric J; Rice, Susan E (USUN); DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); Ahmed, Salman (USUN) 1.4(D) Cc: Singh, Priya (USUN); Oat-Judge, Siobhan **B**1 Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones **B5** 

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Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:53 PM

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ic .igh, Priya (USUN); Oat-Judge, Siobhan Subject: Re: Libya update from Beth Jones

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t's very possible that he is dead. The SWO told me that a senior Libyan official called our DCM to extend his ondolences. We have not seen or recovered a body (resources that flew in from Tripoli are attempting to do that - NFI); owever, there is apparently a photo on twitter of someone carrying a body that resembles Chris over their shoulder. I have not seen the photo myself.

have asked the Ops Center to call me if there are additional developments throughout the night.

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rom: Rice, Susan E (USUN)

ent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 09:05 PM

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All:	
Jones just spoke with DCM Tripoli Greg Hicks, who advised a Libyan militia (we now know this is the 17 <sup>th</sup> brigade, as requested by Emb office) is responding to the attack on the diplomatic mission in Benghazi. The Compound, engaging the attackers, taking fire, and working its way through the compound to get to the villa, Ambassador Stevens is in safe haven for extraction. The ARSO is also there in the compound. Greg spoke with	QRF is in the Where
Stevens by phone 20 minutes before my call (which was about ten minutes aeo:	1.4(B)
embassy is sending medical assistance to Benghazi to be on stand-by.	1.4(D) B1
More updates to follow.	
-Dan	

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## Rangarajan, Taara A

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From:

Rice, Susan E (USUN)

Sent:

Tuesday, September 11, 2012 9:42 PM

Pelofsky, Eric J

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Re: Libya update from Beth Jones

God forbid.

From: Pelofsky, Eric J

Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 09:06 PM

To: Rice, Susan E (USUN)

Cc: Ahmed, Salman (USUN); Ryu, Rexon Y Subject: RE: Libya update from Beth Jones

Yes - I'm very, very worried. In particular, that he is either dead or this was a concerted effort to kidnap him.

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More updates to follow.

-Dan