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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 11:52 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] H  
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**Subject:** Re: Chris Stevens

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To you and all my former colleagues, I'm so terribly sorry. Our FSOs stand on the front lines just as surely and devotedly as our soldiers do. Thinking of you and Pat and everyone this morning.  
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Re: Morsi's private conversations & coordination with Magariaf

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1. Late in the day on September 14, 2012, Egyptian President Mohamad Morsi told senior European diplomats that he is increasingly concerned the current anti-U.S. and anti-Western violence spreading through Cairo and into the rest of Egypt may be part of an effort by his Salafist political rivals to destabilize his government, which many of them believe is too moderate in its positions regarding Islam, Israel, and the non-Muslim world. According to this source, Morsi, who is in Brussels for meetings with the European Union (EU), was particularly concerned over a message from Army commander General Abdel Fatah al-Sissi, that Islamist guerrillas, believed to be drawn primarily from the Sawarki Bedouin tribe, had launched an attack on a base of the International Peacekeeping Force (IPF) in the Sinai. The General reported that the 1500 United Nations troops at the base, including some U.S. forces, were under heavy attack and casualty figures were not yet known. Morsi stated that this fight was an example of radical anti-government forces and Salafist Islamist dissidents taking advantage of the current situation to carry out attacks that demonstrate his government is unable to protect Western personnel and facilities in Egypt. Morsi stated that the success or failure of his regime is directly tied to his ability to establish a moderate Islamic state that can work with western business interests.

2. (Source Comment: In the opinion of this individual, the current wave of violence is related to an ongoing struggle between Salafist and Sufi Muslims throughout Egypt. What makes it more frustrating for Morsi is that much of the violence appears to be inspired by members of the Salafist al Nour Party, the coalition partner of Morsi's Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) in the new Egyptian Parliament. According to this individual, Morsi delayed condemning the initial attacks on the U.S.

Embassy out of concern that his opponents would use such a statement to move against his government. Late on the evening of September 13, 2012, Mohammed Badie, the Supreme Guide of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood (MB), sent a message to Morsi warning that he and the Supreme Guidance Council were concerned that the situation around the U.S. Embassy was getting out of control and that, difficult as it might seem, he had to take tough measures against the demonstrators, and protect the interests of the U.S. and other Western Governments. In a telephone discussion with Saad al-Katany, the MB/Freedom and Justice Party (MB/FJP) Speaker of the lower house of parliament, Morsi admitted that he had felt constrained from acting, given his past history of poor personal relations with the leaders of al Nour. Al-Katany urged him to gain control of the situation.)

3. On September 14, Morsi also stated to an EU official that he had received extremely forceful messages from both the U.S. State Department and the Office of the U.S. President, leaving no doubt in his mind that the U.S. -Egyptian relations and more than \$1billion in U.S. aid were at stake in this matter. Morsi added that since much of this aid goes to the Egyptian Army, he and al-Katany agreed that actions that put it in jeopardy would also damage the new Egyptian administration's current good relationship with the Army. Accordingly, Morsi instructed the military and security forces to use all necessary force short of lethal measures to protect U.S. and Western facilities. In a private conversation, Morsi stated that he felt he is losing control of the political situation and fears that if the current fighting results in deaths, either of demonstrators, U.S. diplomats, Egyptian security personnel, or UN peacekeepers, the situation may spin out of control and his government could fall. Al-Katany agreed, but said that taking no action would guarantee disaster. They agreed that when the situation calms down they will have to deal with the al Nour party, which they fear will, in the future, take advantage of circumstances to try to destabilize Morsi's administration. With this in mind, Morsi ordered al-Sissi to direct the commanders of Military Intelligence (MI -Mukhabarat el-Khabeya) to step up operations collecting information on the activities of the al Nour leadership, focusing on any contacts with potentially violent Salafist dissidents.

4. (Source Comment: A separate sensitive source also noted that General al-Sissi is warning Morsi about press reports that the person who made the controversial internet film at the heart of this situation is an Egyptian Coptic Christian. The General cautioned that as this report gains wider circulation, the government and the Army must prepare for violent attacks by Islamists against that community, which makes up ten (10) percent of the Egyptian population.)

5. A separate sensitive source noted that for his part, al-Sissi is prepared to to have his troops take harsh measures against any demonstrators who attack Western personnel and facilities. The General is also concerned that the al Nour leaders are even more dangerous than Morsi realizes, and he has ordered the MI to increase technical and physical surveillance of these individuals. In addition, he stated in private that Morsi and al-Katany spoke with Libyan President Mohammed Yussef el Magariaf, and they had all agreed that military and security officials in Egypt and Libya will cooperate in an effort to track links between the violence in Cairo and Benghazi. Al-Sissi has ordered Special Forces units to step up patrols in the Egypt-Libya border region, while the MI will monitor communications between dissidents; primarily Salafists, in both countries. According to this source the General is convinced that these dissidents are seizing the opportunity presented by the current unrest to move against the governments of Morsi and al-Magariaf. He also received permission from Morsi to step up cooperation with his counterparts in the U.S. and Western Europe to deal with this situation and al-Sissi believes al-Magariaf has given similar instructions to Libyan military and security officials.

6. (Source Comment: According to a separate sensitive source, al-Sissi believes that, given his new orders from Morsi, the Army can, for the most part, protect Western facilities and personnel in Egypt. But the General is concerned that the security services can never completely eliminate the

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1. Late in the day on September 14, 2012, Egyptian President Mohamad Morsi told senior European diplomats that he is increasingly concerned the current anti-U.S. and anti-Western violence spreading through Cairo and into the rest of Egypt may be part of an effort by his Salafist political rivals to destabilize his government, which many of them believe is too moderate in its positions regarding Islam, Israel, and the non-Muslim world. According to this source, Morsi, who is in Brussels for meetings with the European Union (EU), was particularly concerned over a message from Army commander General Abdel Fatah al-Sissi, that Islamist guerrillas, believed to be drawn primarily from the Sawarki Bedouin tribe, had launched an attack on a base of the International Peacekeeping Force (IPF) in the Sinai. The General reported that the 1500 United Nations troops at the base, including some U.S. forces, were under heavy attack and casualty figures were not yet known. Morsi stated that this fight was an example of radical anti-government forces and Salafist Islamist dissidents taking advantage of the current situation to carry out attacks that demonstrate his government is unable to protect Western personnel and facilities in Egypt. Morsi stated that the success or failure of his regime is directly tied to his ability to establish a moderate Islamic state that can work with western business interests.

2. (Source Comment: In the opinion of this individual, the current wave of violence is related to an ongoing struggle between Salafist and Sufi Muslims throughout Egypt. What makes it more frustrating for Morsi is that much of the violence appears to be inspired by members of the Salafist al Nour Party, the coalition partner of Morsi's Freedom and Justice Party (FJP) in the new Egyptian Parliament. According to this individual, Morsi delayed condemning the initial attacks on the U.S. Embassy out of concern that his opponents would use such a statement to move against his government. Late on the evening of September 13, 2012, Mohammed Badie, the Supreme Guide of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood (MB), sent a message to Morsi warning that he and the Supreme Guidance Council were concerned that the

situation around the U.S. Embassy was getting out of control and that, difficult as it might seem, he had to take tough measures against the demonstrators, and protect the interests of the U.S. and other Western Governments. In a telephone discussion with Saad al-Katany, the MB/Freedom and Justice Party (MB/FJP) Speaker of the lower house of parliament, Morsi admitted that he had felt constrained from acting, given his past history of poor personal relations with the leaders of al Nour. Al-Katany urged him to gain control of the situation.)

3. On September 14, Morsi also stated to an EU official that he had received extremely forceful messages from both the U.S. State Department and the Office of the U.S. President, leaving no doubt in his mind that the U.S. -Egyptian relations and more than \$1 billion in U.S. aid were at stake in this matter. Morsi added that since much of this aid goes to the Egyptian Army, he and al-Katany agreed that actions that put it in jeopardy would also damage the new Egyptian administration's current good relationship with the Army. Accordingly, Morsi instructed the military and security forces to use all necessary force short of lethal measures to protect U.S. and Western facilities. In a private conversation, Morsi stated that he felt he is losing control of the political situation and fears that if the current fighting results in deaths, either of demonstrators, U.S. diplomats, Egyptian security personnel, or UN peacekeepers, the situation may spin out of control and his government could fall. Al-Katany agreed, but said that taking no action would guarantee disaster. They agreed that when the situation calms down they will have to deal with the al Nour party, which they fear will, in the future, take advantage of circumstances to try to destabilize Morsi's administration. With this in mind, Morsi ordered al-Sissi to direct the commanders of Military Intelligence (MI -Mukhabarat el-Khabeya) to step up operations collecting information on the activities of the al Nour leadership, focusing on any contacts with potentially violent Salafist dissidents.

4. (Source Comment: A separate sensitive source also noted that General al-Sissi is warning Morsi about press reports that the person who made the controversial internet film at the heart of this situation is an Egyptian Coptic Christian. The General cautioned that as this report gains wider circulation, the government and the Army must prepare for violent attacks by Islamists against that community, which makes up ten (10) percent of the Egyptian population.)

5. A separate sensitive source noted that for his part, al-Sissi is prepared to have his troops take harsh measures against any demonstrators who attack Western personnel and facilities. The General is also concerned that the al Nour leaders are even more dangerous than Morsi realizes, and he has ordered the MI to increase technical and physical surveillance of these individuals. In addition, he stated in private that Morsi and al-Katany spoke with Libyan President Mohammed Yusef el Magariaf, and they had all agreed that military and security officials in Egypt and Libya will cooperate in an effort to track links between the violence in Cairo and Benghazi. Al-Sissi has ordered Special Forces units to step up patrols in the Egypt-Libya border region, while the MI will monitor communications between dissidents; primarily Salafists, in both countries. According to this source the General is convinced that these dissidents are seizing the opportunity presented by the current unrest to move against the governments of Morsi and al-Magariaf. He also received permission from Morsi to step up cooperation with his counterparts in the U.S. and Western Europe to deal with this situation and

al-Sissi believes al-Magariaf has given similar instructions to Libyan military and security officials.

6. (Source Comment: According to a separate sensitive source, al-Sissi believes that, given his new orders from Morsi, the Army can, for the most part, protect Western facilities and personnel in Egypt. But the General is concerned that the security services can never completely eliminate the threat from small well organized bands looking to carry out terrorist attacks. Following discussion with Libyan security officials he believes they have the same concerns.)



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**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 12:29 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** H: More Magariaf privat reax (sent now as memo). Sid  
**Attachments:** hrc memo more magariaf private reax 091312.docx

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September 13, 2012

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**Attachments:** Libya 37 sept 12 12.docx

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Good evening.

First, amazing service today. Many thanks to you and everyone at your Department -- beginning with the Secretary -- for working so incredibly hard to make such a difficult ceremony so dignified for everyone involved. The Director and I are truly grateful.

Second, we are now in the process of sending you the classified cables the Secretary and/or you requested. We are sending them to your Ops Center. Thanks.

Cheers, RS

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**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Subject:** hey

] – for S’s awareness – we have proposed the calls to Libyan and Egyptian Presidents. Early AM EDT.

Samantha Vinograd  
Senior Advisor to the National Security Advisor  
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**From:** McDonough, Denis R. [mailto: ]  
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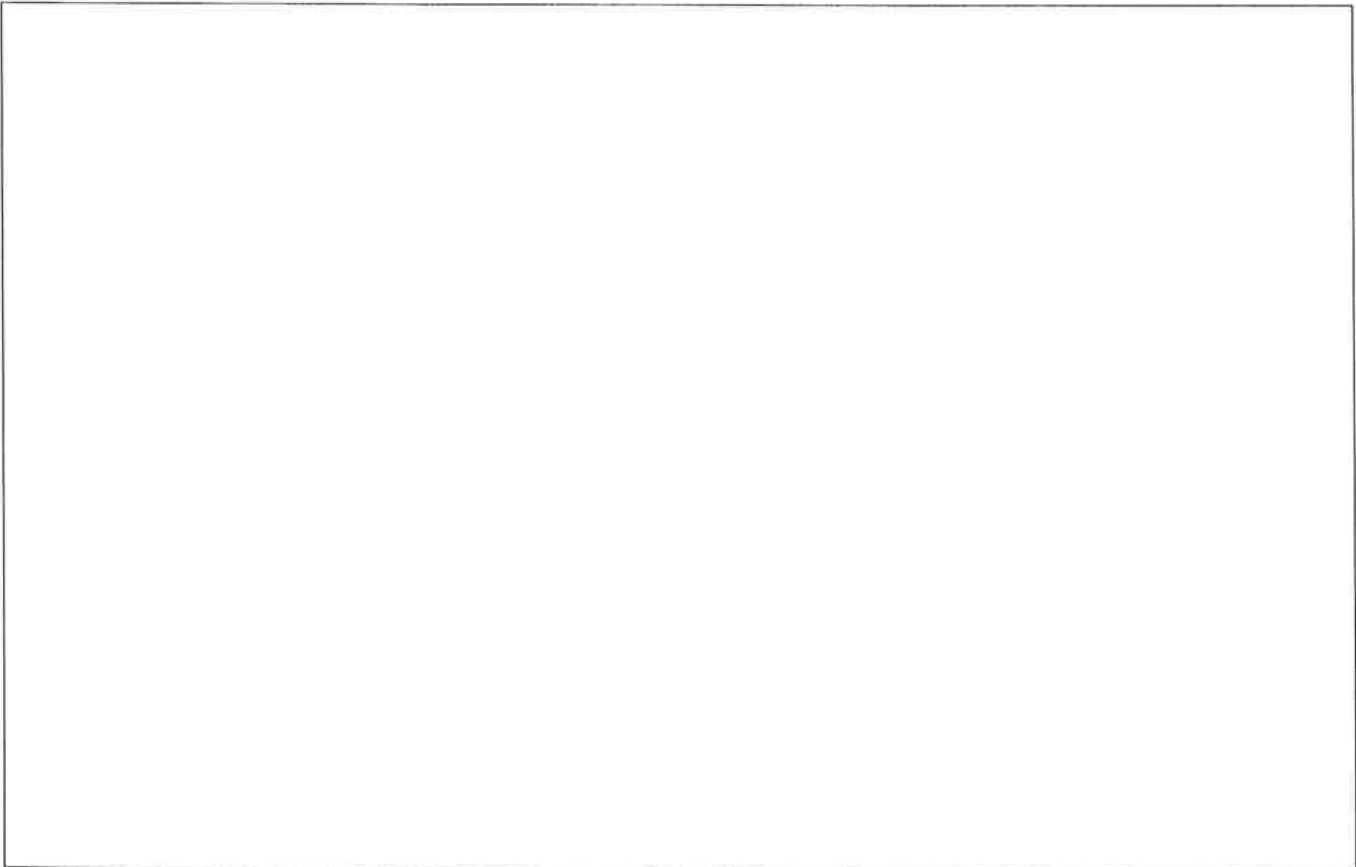
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**Subject:** FW: American Killed in Libya Was on Intel Mission to Track Weapons

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<http://abcnews.go.com/Blotter/glen-doherty-navy-seal-killed-libya-intel-mission/story?id=17229037>  
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## American Killed in Libya Was on Intel Mission to Track Weapons Before Death, Ex-SEAL Glen Doherty Told ABC News He Helped Round Up Dangerous Shoulder-Fired Rockets

By LEE FERRAN  
Sept. 13, 2012

One of the Americans killed alongside Ambassador Christopher Stevens in an attack on a U.S. diplomatic mission in Libya Tuesday told ABC News before his death that he was working with the State Department on an intelligence mission to round up dangerous weapons in the war-torn nation.

In an interview with ABC News last month, Glen Doherty, a 42-year-old former Navy SEAL who worked as a contractor with the State Department, said he personally went into the field to track down so-called MANPADS, shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles, and destroy them. After the fall of dictator Moammar Gadhafi last year, the State Department launched a mission to round up thousands of MANPADS that may have been looted from military installations across the country. U.S. officials previously told ABC News they were concerned the MANPADS could fall into the hands of terrorists, creating a threat to commercial airliners.

### READ: Nightmare in Libya: Thousands of Surface-to-Air Missiles Unaccounted For

Doherty said that he traveled throughout Libya chasing reports of the weapons and once they were found, his team would destroy them on the spot by bashing them with hammers or repeatedly running them over with their vehicles. When ABC News spoke to Doherty in late August, he was enjoying a short time off in California before heading back to Libya just days ago.

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**To:** Marshall, Capricia P; Kennedy, Patrick F  
**Cc:** H  
**Subject:** You do great work - thanks for making our heros have the homecoming they deserved.



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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 6:36 PM  
**To:** 'hanleymr@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: Question and update

--I approved. Will it be picked up?

--call w King should be scheduled so keep working w Huma

--I will speak to Holder. Does he need to speak secure? I can do either.

----- Original Message -----

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**To:** H  
**Cc:** Huma Abedin  
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- do you approve the War Powers Act action memo?

- The King of Morocco has not gotten back to us with a time but ops will try again when its a reasonable hour for the Moroccans.

- Attorney General Holder has requested to speak with you regarding the Department of Justice's Libya investigation. He is standing by. Would you like to take this tonight?

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**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 2:02 PM  
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**Subject:** FW: Wash Post: Hillary Clinton tries to calm anti-U.S. sentiment as protesters storm embassy in Yemen

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**From:** Nuland, Victoria J  
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# Hillary Clinton tries to calm anti-U.S. sentiment as protesters storm embassy in Yemen

By Debbi Wilgoren and Michael Birnbaum, Updated: Thursday,  
September 13, 11:06 AM

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton on Thursday tried to distance the U.S. government from a movie that has sparked protests throughout the Muslim world, calling it "disgusting and reprehensible" but also condemning efforts to avenge the movie through bloodshed.

**“The U.S. government has absolutely nothing to do with this video. We absolutely reject its content and messages,” Clinton said. “But there is no justification — none at all — for responding to this video with violence.”**

Clinton spoke two days after U.S. Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and three other Americans were killed at the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, an attack that analysts was staged by militants to coincide with a demonstration against the controversial movie. Protests denouncing the film have raged outside the U.S. Embassy in Egypt for three days, and demonstrators on Tuesday breached the walls of that heavily guarded compound, pulled down an American flag and destroyed it.

In Sanaa, Yemen, hundreds of demonstrators converged on a usually-sealed-off street in front of the embassy on Thursday for a protest that also turned violent, witnesses said. Protesters stormed a wall, set fire to a building inside the compound, broke windows and carried away office supplies and other souvenirs before being pushed back and dispersed by Yemeni security forces.

**“We want to expel the American ambassador,”** said Abdelwadood al-Mutawa, a protester who was walking out of the embassy compound. He said he was motivated by reports of the movie mocking the prophet Muhammad. **“We cannot accept any insult to our prophet,”** Mutawa said. **“It’s a red line.”**

Another protester said that some of the security forces protecting the building appeared sympathetic to the demonstrators’ cause. **“Some soldiers were telling me, ‘These are dogs, and we cannot accept insulting our prophet,’ ”** said Yusef Mohammad.

Smaller protests were reported in front of diplomatic offices in Iran and outside a mosque in Bangladesh.

Yemen’s president, Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi, quickly issued an apology to the United States, and ordered an investigation into incident.

**“The Government of Yemen condemns any and all acts of violence against diplomatic personnel and facilities,”** a statement from Yemen’s government said. **“We strongly urge all those that would wish to incite others to violence to cease immediately.”**

But the violence in Yemen again raised questions about whether vulnerable Middle East governments are willing or even able to protect American targets in their

countries. It was a further measure of the depth of anger about the film insulting the prophet Muhammad, which was reportedly made in California, although much about its origins remains unknown.

President Obama spoke by phone with Libyan President Mohamed Yusuf al-Magariaf late Wednesday, accepting condolences for the American deaths in Benghazi and expressing appreciation for the cooperation between the United States and the people and government of Libya in the wake of the attack, the White House said.

In Brussels, meanwhile, Egyptian President Mohamed Morsi on Thursday gave his strongest condemnation yet of the attack on the Cairo embassy. He had issued only tepid statements on Wednesday, and his Muslim Brotherhood organization had called for further protests in front of the diplomatic compound.

Morsi said he condemned the security breach "in the clearest terms."

"I assured Barack Obama that we will not permit any attacks" on U.S. diplomatic compounds across Egypt, said Morsi, who is in Belgium for a visit to the European Union.

But Morsi also denounced the anti-Islamic film that appears to have sparked many of the protests, adding that he had spoken to Obama about it. "I called him to ask him to put an end to such behavior," Morsi said, referring to the making of the film.

In her remarks, made in Washington during an appearance with the Moroccan foreign minister, Clinton said the United States cannot and should not prevent people from making films that express their opinions. Doing so, she emphasized, would violate the country's staunch commitment to free and open speech.

"Now I know it is hard for some people to understand why the United States cannot or does not just prevent these kinds of reprehensible videos from ever seeing the light of day," Clinton said. "... Even if it were possible, our country does have a long tradition of free expression, which is enshrined in our Constitution and our law. And we do not stop individual citizens from expressing their views, no matter how distasteful they may be."

Noting that countless generations of immigrants, including "millions of Muslims" have left other countries for the United States in order to enjoy those same

freedoms, Clinton repeatedly denounced violent responses to offensive speech. She called on other world leaders to do the same.

“We all -- whether we are leaders in government, leaders in civil society or religious leaders -- must draw the line at violence,” Clinton said. “And any responsible leader should be standing up now and drawing that line.”

In Cairo on Thursday, security forces eventually pushed the demonstrators away from the U.S. Embassy onto Tahrir Square – the crucial site of Egypt’s 2011 revolution.

In Dhaka, the Bangladeshi capital, about 100 demonstrators burned an American flag and chanted slogans on Thursday, including “We won’t accept mocking of Prophet Muhammad” and “Down with American imperialism,” Agence France Press reported.

The news agency said the protesters were mostly seminary student. They gathered outside the Baitul Mokarram Mosque, the largest in the country, but called for more protests Friday and said the U.S. embassy could be the target. Bangladeshi police told AFP that security at the embassy was being enhanced.

In Tehran, anti-American protesters gathered outside the Swiss Embassy, which represents U.S. interests in Iran, CNN reported. The United States does not have an embassy in Iran.

Birnbaum reported from Cairo. Karen DeYoung in Washington and Mohammad al-Qadhi in Sanaa, Yemen contributed to this report.

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:14 PM  
**To:** 'abedinh@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: Saudi Grand Mufti calls attacks on foreign embassies un-Islamic (Reuters)

I thanked Prince Saud.

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**From:** Abedin, Huma [mailto:AbedinH@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:17 PM  
**To:** H; Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Saudi Grand Mufti calls attacks on foreign embassies un-Islamic (Reuters)

There is probably no greater islamic authority for sunni muslims than him (there are actually a few of them, but he's the oldest). And they don't do this often.

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**From:** OpsNewsTicker@state.gov [mailto:OpsNewsTicker@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:10 AM  
**To:** NEWS-Mahogany  
**Subject:** Saudi Grand Mufti calls attacks on foreign embassies un-Islamic (Reuters)

RIYADH (Reuters) - Saudi Arabia's Grand Mufti, the highest religious authority in the birthplace of Islam, on Saturday denounced attacks on diplomats and embassies as un-Islamic after deadly protests against a U.S.-made film mocking Islam's founder.

Sheikh Abdulaziz bin Abdullah Al al-Sheikh also called on governments and international bodies to criminalise insults against prophets and excoriated the film that has prompted a wave of fury across the Middle East.

"It is forbidden to punish the innocent for the wicked crimes of the guilty, or to attack those who have been granted protection of their lives and property, or to expose public buildings to fire or destruction," he said in a speech carried by state news agency SPA.

Describing the release of the crudely made short film as "miserable" and "criminal", he added that attacks on the innocent and diplomats "are also a distortion of the Islamic religion and are not accepted by God".

At least nine people were killed after noon prayers on Friday in demonstrations across the Middle East.

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 2:11 PM  
**To:** 'Russorv@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Fw: Meet The Right-Wing Extremist Behind Anti-Muslim Film That Sparked Deadly Riots

Pls print.

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**From:** [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 01:00 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Meet The Right-Wing Extremist Behind Anti-Muslim Film That Sparked Deadly Riots

<http://maxblumenthal.com/2012/09/meet-the-right-wing-extremist-behind-anti-muslim-film-that-sparked-deadly-riots/>

*Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID*

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**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 6:08 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Secretary's remarks

**FYI**

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**From:** Walsh, Matthew P  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 5:37 PM  
**To:** Daniel, Joshua J; Benaim, Daniel; Rooney, Megan; Schwerin, Daniel B  
**Subject:** FW: Secretary's remarks

Don't know if you guys have seen this, but there is an article on Slate right now that describes the below as "her most eloquent news conference as Secretary of State." Really nice work guys.

[http://www.slate.com/articles/news\\_and\\_politics/war\\_stories/2012/09/libya\\_u\\_s\\_embassy\\_attack\\_hillary\\_clinton\\_was\\_eloquent\\_regarding\\_ambassador\\_stevens\\_mitt\\_romney\\_smirked\\_.htm](http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/war_stories/2012/09/libya_u_s_embassy_attack_hillary_clinton_was_eloquent_regarding_ambassador_stevens_mitt_romney_smirked_.htm)

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**From:** McAuliffe, Marisa S  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 5:31 PM  
**To:** SP\_Expanded  
**Subject:** Secretary's remarks

For anyone who missed the Secretary's remarks this morning, they are worth a read:

<http://www.state.gov/secretary/rm/2012/09/197654.htm>

Remarks on the Deaths of American Personnel in Benghazi, Libya  
Remarks  
**Hillary Rodham Clinton**  
Secretary of State  
Treaty Room  
Washington, DC  
September 12, 2012

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Yesterday, our U.S. diplomatic post in Benghazi, Libya was attacked. Heavily armed militants assaulted the compound and set fire to our buildings. American and Libyan security personnel battled the attackers together. Four Americans were killed. They included Sean Smith, a Foreign Service information management officer, and our Ambassador to Libya Chris Stevens. We are still making next of kin notifications for the other two individuals.

This is an attack that should shock the conscience of people of all faiths around the world. We condemn in the strongest terms this senseless act of violence, and we send our prayers to the families, friends, and colleagues of those we've lost.

All over the world, every day, America's diplomats and development experts risk their lives in the service of our country and our values, because they believe that the United States must be a force for peace and progress in the world, that

these aspirations are worth striving and sacrificing for. Alongside our men and women in uniform, they represent the best traditions of a bold and generous nation.

In the lobby of this building, the State Department, the names of those who have fallen in the line of duty are inscribed in marble. Our hearts break over each one. And now, because of this tragedy, we have new heroes to honor and more friends to mourn.

Chris Stevens fell in love with the Middle East as a young Peace Corps volunteer teaching English in Morocco. He joined the Foreign Service, learned languages, won friends for America in distant places, and made other people's hopes his own.

In the early days of the Libyan revolution, I asked Chris to be our envoy to the rebel opposition. He arrived on a cargo ship in the port of Benghazi and began building our relationships with Libya's revolutionaries. He risked his life to stop a tyrant, then gave his life trying to help build a better Libya. The world needs more Chris Stevenses. I spoke with his sister, Ann, this morning, and told her that he will be remembered as a hero by many nations.

Sean Smith was an Air Force veteran. He spent 10 years as an information management officer in the State Department, he was posted at The Hague, and was in Libya on a brief temporary assignment. He was a husband to his wife Heather, with whom I spoke this morning. He was a father to two young children, Samantha and Nathan. They will grow up being proud of the service their father gave to our country, service that took him from Pretoria to Baghdad, and finally to Benghazi.

The mission that drew Chris and Sean and their colleagues to Libya is both noble and necessary, and we and the people of Libya honor their memory by carrying it forward. This is not easy. Today, many Americans are asking – indeed, I asked myself – how could this happen? How could this happen in a country we helped liberate, in a city we helped save from destruction? This question reflects just how complicated and, at times, how confounding the world can be.

But we must be clear-eyed, even in our grief. This was an attack by a small and savage group – not the people or Government of Libya. Everywhere Chris and his team went in Libya, in a country scarred by war and tyranny, they were hailed as friends and partners. And when the attack came yesterday, Libyans stood and fought to defend our post. Some were wounded. Libyans carried Chris' body to the hospital, and they helped rescue and lead other Americans to safety. And last night, when I spoke with the President of Libya, he strongly condemned the violence and pledged every effort to protect our people and pursue those responsible.

The friendship between our countries, borne out of shared struggle, will not be another casualty of this attack. A free and stable Libya is still in America's interest and security, and we will not turn our back on that, nor will we rest until those responsible for these attacks are found and brought to justice. We are working closely with the Libyan authorities to move swiftly and surely. We are also working with partners around the world to safeguard other American embassies, consulates, and citizens.

There will be more time later to reflect, but today, we have work to do. There is no higher priority than protecting our men and women wherever they serve. We are working to determine the precise motivations and methods of those who carried out this assault. Some have sought to justify this vicious behavior, along with the protest that took place at our Embassy in Cairo yesterday, as a response to inflammatory material posted on the internet. America's commitment to religious tolerance goes back to the very beginning of our nation. But let me be clear – there is no justification for this, none. Violence like this is no way to honor religion or faith. And as long as there are those who would take innocent life in the name of God, the world will never know a true and lasting peace.

**It is especially difficult that this happened on September 11<sup>th</sup>. It's an anniversary that means a great deal to all Americans. Every year on that day, we are reminded that our work is not yet finished, that the job of putting an end to violent extremism and building a safe and stable world continues. But September 11<sup>th</sup> means even more than that. It is a day on which we remember thousands of American heroes, the bonds that connect all Americans, wherever we are on this Earth, and the values that see us through every storm. And now it is a day on which we will remember Sean, Chris, and their colleagues.**

**May God bless them, and may God bless the thousands of Americans working in every corner of the world who make this country the greatest force for peace, prosperity, and progress, and a force that has always stood for human dignity – the greatest force the world has ever known. And may God continue to bless the United States of America.**

**Thank you.**

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**From:** Hanley, Monica R <HanleyMR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 6:33 PM  
**To:** H  
**Cc:** Huma Abedin  
**Subject:** Question and update

- do you approve the War Powers Act action memo?

- The King of Morocco has not gotten back to us with a time but ops will try again when its a reasonable hour for the Moroccans.

- Attorney General Holder has requested to speak with you regarding the Department of Justice's Libya investigation. He is standing by. Would you like to take this tonight?

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 3:50 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: US intelligence warned embassy in Egypt of concern about anti-Muslim film

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**From:** Nuland, Victoria J  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 03:48 PM  
**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J; Kennedy, Patrick F; Boswell, Eric J; Mills, Cheryl D; Goldberg, Philip S; Jones, Beth E  
**Subject:** Fw: US intelligence warned embassy in Egypt of concern about anti-Muslim film

Here we go...

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**From:** Pelton, Erin  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 03:37 PM  
**To:** Nuland, Victoria J  
**Subject:** CNN: US intelligence warned embassy in Egypt of concern about anti-Muslim film

Hey, have you had any Q's on this? If so, what are you saying? -E

## **US intelligence warned embassy in Egypt of concern about anti-Muslim film**

By Suzanne Kelly

Concerned about the reaction to an anti-Muslim film that was gaining attention online, the U.S. intelligence community sent a cable to the embassy in Egypt warning of the concern, a U.S. official told CNN. It was sent 48 hours before the protests in Cairo and Benghazi in Libya, the official said.

The cable did not discuss any specific threat, the official said. It warned instead about the existence of the movie being posted on the internet and the fact that it was gaining attention. A seven minute portion of the movie aired on an Egyptian TV talk show the weekend before the protests started, according to a Department of Homeland Security/Federal Bureau of Intelligence memo obtained by CNN on Thursday.

The cable was not sent to the embassy in Tripoli, Libya or the consulate in Benghazi. US officials have said there was no intelligence ahead of the attack in Benghazi, which intelligence officials still believe was not planned. The White House spokesman Jay Carney said Friday there was no "actionable intelligence" indicating an attack was being planned.

There are hundreds if not thousands of cables sent each day, the official said, and there was no specific threat attached to this one, because a specific threat was not known

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:36 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Not a dry eye in NEA

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**From:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 04:33 PM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** RE: Not a dry eye in NEA

Including mine. Her remarks were really moving. Chris was an amazing man. Such a huge loss. You know, I was in Libya before coming here and in my almost ten years, I have never worked with such a calm, cool headed, funny diplomat. Made it all seem really easy- even in one of the hardest places to work in the world.

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:56 AM  
**To:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Subject:** Re: Not a dry eye in NEA

Thx

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**From:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:09 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Cc:** S\_SpecialAssistants  
**Subject:** FW: Not a dry eye in NEA

This is from the spokesperson in NEA. It's true.

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**From:** Snipe, Aaron D  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:07 AM  
**To:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Subject:** Not a dry eye in NEA

Please tell the Secretary how much her words meant to us down here. The statement was amazing and the delivery was so heartfelt and genuine.

We're really blown away.

Please thank her for us.

**Aaron D. Snipe**  
Spokesperson | Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs | U.S. Department of State  
2201 C Street NW | Room 6250 | Washington, DC, 20520  
Office: +1 202-647-9533 | Email: [snipead@state.gov](mailto:snipead@state.gov)

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 6:38 PM  
**To:** 'hanleymr@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Yes. I'll give memo to Service downstairs.

What about Holder? And the King?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:36 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Yes, just confirmed that Dan will come at 9am tomorrow.

Ops can pick up the pouch in about 30 minutes. Does that work for you? Secret Service can grab it from the bench if you'd like.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:30 PM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Is Dan coming at 9?

Also, I signed the action memo. Will it be picked up?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:29 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Have not heard from Dan yet.

We are planning for a drop tomorrow at 9am, but we are not sure if he will have read and return. Will get back to you as soon as we know.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:10 PM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Did you hear back from Dan?

----- Original Message -----



From: Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:10 AM  
To: H  
Subject: Re: PDB

Checking now

----- Original Message -----

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:06 AM  
To: Hanley, Monica R  
Subject: Re: PDB

If he can't come today, how about 9am tomorrow?

----- Original Message -----

From: Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:59 AM  
To: H  
Subject: Re: PDB

Checking now. He left a pouch at your residence of the items you can keep.

You'll notice on the schedule in your pouch from the office, that the Somali president is listed at 2:45. We are hoping to move that to 3pm in case Dav goes long. Is that OK with you?

----- Original Message -----

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:56 AM  
To: Hanley, Monica R  
Subject: Re: PDB

Could Dan come back at 3?

----- Original Message -----

From: Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:51 AM  
To: H  
Subject: Re: PDB

A pouch with all of your call sheets and the schedule in en route to you. Here it is below as well.

Also in the pouch are a few read items, and an action memo authorizing the War Powers resolution for Tunisia that the office would like you to approve today. Ops can send a courier over to pick up the action memo later today.

12:00 UK FM Hague  
12:15 Egyptian FM Amr  
12:30 Israeli PM Netanyahu  
1:15 French FM Fabius  
1:30 Saudi FM Saud al-Faisal  
2:00 Somali Former Transitional President Sharif  
2:15 Libyan PM-elect Abu-Shakour  
2:30 Turkish FM Davutoglu

3:00 Somali President Mohamoud (T)

- Moroccan King is still pending.
- NEW CALL: King Juan Carlos of Spain called today and offered anytime today or tomorrow. His office relayed that it is a personal call inquiring after the status of the Embassies in the Middle East. We are working on a call sheet

----- Original Message -----

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:43 AM  
To: Hanley, Monica R  
Subject: Re: PDB

I just woke up so I missed Dan. Could he come back after I finish my calls? But I don't have the call schedule yet so I don't know when that would be. Do you?

----- Original Message -----

From: Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 09:35 AM  
To: H  
Cc: Huma Abedin  
Subject: Re: PDB

He will be ready closer to 10am.

----- Original Message -----

From: Hanley, Monica R  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 09:17 AM  
To: 'HDR22@clintonemail.com' <HDR22@clintonemail.com>  
Cc: 'huma@clintonemail.com' <huma@clintonemail.com>  
Subject: PDB

Dan will be at Whitehaven with the PDB at 9:30am this morning.

He has some sensitive items that he would like to personally show you when he arrives.

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 7:13 PM  
**To:** 'hanleymr@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: Holder

Ok.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 07:01 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: Holder

No I'm sorry  
I'm actually in Florida for the weekend.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:53 PM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Subject:** Re: Holder

Ok. Thx.

Also, are you in DC?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:52 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Holder

He can speak at 7pm. He said that it does not have to be secure. Ops will connect to your residence.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:41 PM  
**To:** 'HDR22@clintonemail.com' <HDR22@clintonemail.com>  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Thank you.

We are offering 7pm to Holder and waiting to hear if he would like to speak secure.

We likely won't hear from the King for several hours but will keep you posted as soon as we do.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:38 PM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R

Subject: Re: PDB

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He has some sensitive items that he would like to personally show you when he arrives.

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**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 7:29 AM  
**To:** H  
**Cc:** Huma Abedin; Abedin, Huma; Hanley, Monica R; Valmoro, Lona J; Coleman, Claire L  
**Subject:** Mini for Today - Friday, September 14, 2012

8:25 am **DEPART** Private Residence \* En route State Department

8:35 am **ARRIVE** State Department

8:35 am **PRESIDENTIAL DAILY BRIEFING**

8:40 am Secretary's Office

8:45 am **DAILY SENIOR STAFF MEETING**

9:15 am Secretary's Conference Room

9:20 am **GROUP PHOTO w/FEMALE MILITARY OFFICERS FROM AFRICA**

9:25 am Treaty Room, 7<sup>TH</sup> Floor

Closed Press (Official Photographer Only), Staff: Monica, A/S Carson will greet and escort to the Treaty Room

-Approx. 25-30 people attending; consecutive French and Portuguese interpretation

9:30 am **WEEKLY MEETING w/UN AMBASSADOR SUSAN RICE**

10:00 am Secretary's Office

10:05 am **AWARD PRESENTATION TO DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

10:10 am **PAM QUANRUD**

Secretary's Outer Office

Closed Press (Official Photographer only), Staff: Rob and Lona

-15 people expected, YOU present the Superior Honor Award to Pam

10:15 am **MEETING w/ASSISTANT SECRETARY MIKE POSNER AND CHERYL**

10:45 am Secretary's Outer Office

10:45 am **PRE-BRIEF w/WENDY AND JAKE FOR WH MEETING**

11:15 am Secretary's Outer Office

11:20 am **DEPART** State Department \* En Route White House

11:25 am **ARRIVE** White House

11:30 am **MEETING**

1:00 pm White House Situation Room

1:00 pm **DEPART** White House \* En Route Andrews Air Force Base

1:30 pm **ARRIVE** Andrews Air Force Base

2:15 pm **CEREMONY FOR RETURN OF THE REMAINS OF DEPARTMENT**

2:45 pm **COLLEAGUES FROM BENGHAZI, LIBYA**

Andrews Air Force Base

Press TBD, Scenario TBD, Staff: Monica

3:00 pm (t)**DEPART** Andrews Air Force Base \* En Route State Department

3:30 pm(t)**ARRIVE** State Department

3:30 pm **OFFICE TIME**

TBD Secretary's Office

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TBD **ARRIVE** Andrews Air Force Base

TBD **DEPART** Andrews Air Force Base via Air Force Aircraft Tail #60204

En route White Plains, NY

TBD **ARRIVE** Westchester County Airport

TBD DEPART Westchester County Airport \* En route Private Residence

TBD ARRIVE Private Residence

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**From:** Burns, William J <BurnsWJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 6:37 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Thanks

Your remarks this afternoon at Andrews were wonderful. Thanks for doing so much for our institution on such a sad day.

Just sent you a hi side note on visits to Jordan and Iraq, and look forward to catching up. Enjoy the weekend in the meantime.

Bill

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 1:20 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Item

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**From:** Kennedy, Patrick F  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 1:08 PM  
**To:** Reines, Philippe I  
**Cc:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** Item

Philippe

Beth Jones has confirmed that Chris's notebook is in the hands of the Italian CG.

The plan is for the CG to travel on Sat (in one week) to Tripoli and give the notebook to the Italian Amb who will get it to Greg. In the meantime, the Italians will secure it in Benghazi.

Regards

pat

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**From:** Sherman, Wendy R <ShermanWR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:03 PM  
**To:** H; Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Nuland, Victoria J; Reines, Philippe I  
**Subject:** Fw: One More Photo

Another photo.

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**From:** Lakhdir, Kamala S  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 09:59 PM  
**To:** Sherman, Wendy R  
**Cc:** Escrogima, Ana A  
**Subject:** One More Photo



*Kamala Lakhdir*  
*P Executive Assistant*  
*202-647-1598*

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**Cc:** H  
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By leadership - let me be clear - meant the 3 of you -- especially our Secretary- lovely speech!

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**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: thanks

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**From:** Barton, Rick (CSO)  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 6:15 PM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** thanks

Cheryl, Please extend our thanks to the Secretary for today's moving event. As always, her remarks (the President's and the chaplain's) were just right. I will also send a note to Pat and Capricia to thank them for a well led day that helped build solidarity, despite the sorrow.

Thanks also for Cindy and Yael – they are a pleasure to work with every day.

We are making real progress.

Best, Rick

Rick Barton  
Ambassador  
Assistant Secretary  
Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations  
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**Subject:** FW: SITUATION REPORT No. 1 09/14/I (SBU)

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**From:** OpsAlert  
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EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
*Operations Center*

***SITUATION REPORT No. 1***  
**Middle East Protests Monitoring Group MGMEP01**  
Friday, September 14, 2012  
0600 EDT

**EGYPT**

- (U) Riot police used tear gas in an attempt to disperse demonstrators. Egyptian authorities erected large concrete barriers to block the route to the embassy and deployed approximately 4000 security personnel to the area. *(Ops/DS Command Center telcon, Reuters)*
- (U) Embassy Cairo reported the Muslim Brotherhood cancelled earlier calls for nationwide demonstrations at major mosques, but supported symbolic demonstrations at Tahrir Square. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Cairo telcon)*

**LIBYA**

- (U) Air traffic in Benghazi was suspended September 13 due to security reasons. *(AFP)*

**YEMEN**

- (SBU) Embassy Sana'a reported increased security presence but no apparent protests at the Sheraton hotel. *(Ops/Embassy Sana'a telcon)*
- (U) Yemeni security forces blocked streets surrounding the U.S. Embassy, where approximately 30 protesters gathered. *(Reuters)*

**KUWAIT**

- (SBU) Around 400 protesters, including parliament members and prominent Sunni Islamists, congregated peacefully for nearly two hours in front of the Embassy September 13. Police arrested several youth who tried to jump the compounds outermost perimeter. *(GMPEP01/Embassy Kuwait City e-mail)*
- (SBU) Embassy Kuwait City reported another demonstration is planned for 1200 EDT/1900 Kuwait City. The embassy and the government added extra security around the compound and received security reinforcements from the government. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Kuwait City telcon)*

## PAKISTAN

- (SBU) Consulate General Lahore reported calls for nationwide protests, including large demonstrations at the consulate's press club. Authorities deployed riot police to the consulate and limited access to the road. Consulate General Lahore dismissed all employees at 0300 EDT/1200 Lahore. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Lahore e-mail)*
- (SBU) Embassy Islamabad reported police are preparing to prevent demonstrators from approaching diplomatic enclaves and police reserves are on stand-by. Embassy Islamabad dismissed non-emergency personnel. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Islamabad e-mail)*
- (SBU) Consulate General Peshawar reported two protests were scheduled to take place approximately four kilometers from the consulate. Additional police was assigned to reinforce security. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Peshawar e-mail)*
- (SBU) Consulate General Karachi reported riot police were deployed to the compound, with more on standby. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Karachi e-mail)*

## INDONESIA

- (SBU) Embassy Jakarta reported a peaceful demonstration of approximately 300 people. *(Embassy Jakarta Emergency Message)*
- (U) Over 250 riot police were put on alert ahead of the demonstrations. Indonesian leaders urged calm. *(AP)*

## MALAYSIA

- (SBU) Police said they are prepared for demonstrations near the U.S. Embassy and mosques in various cities. *(Embassy Kuala Lumpur Emergency Message)*
- (U) Around 30 people gathered peacefully outside the Embassy and submitted a memorandum demanding an apology and action from the U.S. government against the filmmakers. *(The Star)*

## SUDAN

(U) Islamic scholars called for the expulsion of the U.S. and German Ambassadors and for peaceful mass protests at their embassies in Khartoum. *(Reuters)*

## INDIA

(U) A small group of protesters gathered peacefully September 13 in Kashmir. The most senior Islamic cleric in Kashmir told U.S. citizens to "immediately leave" the region. *(AFP)*

## IRAN

(SBU) The Swiss Embassy in Tehran will be closed in anticipation of planned demonstrations. *(MGMEP01/Iran desk e-mail)*

## INTERNATIONAL REACTION

- (U) Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov said the Benghazi attack confirms "the need for the joint efforts of our countries, as well as the global community in combating the evil of terrorism." *(Russia Today)*
- (U) The Arab League condemned the Benghazi attack and called on the U.S. government to take a serious position against the film producers. *(MENA)*
- (SBU) The Bahamas, Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Panama, Peru, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, and Venezuela have also issued condemnations and condolences, bringing to 26 the number of countries in the western hemisphere condemning the attacks in Benghazi. *(MGMEP01/Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs Office of Policy Planning and Coordination e-mail)*
- (U) Libyan Prime Minister Abu Shagour said he will work "vigorously" to improve security by boosting the national police force and army as well as implementing programs to collect and regulate weapons. *(Reuters)*





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**Subject:** FW: Anti-Muslim film director in hiding, following Libya, Egypt violence

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**From:** Toiv, Nora F  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 1:48 PM  
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## The Washington Post

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# Anti-Muslim film director in hiding, following Libya, Egypt violence

By **Nia-Malika Henderson** and **Michelle Boorstein**, Updated: Wednesday, September 12,  
1:30 PM

The director of a controversial anti-Islam film has gone into hiding, according to reports, fearing reprisals over a work that has sparked violence in Egypt and Libya and led to the deaths of four Americans.

Sam Bacile, a California real estate developer, posted a 13-minute clip of "The Innocence of Muslims," in July, and the film became a lightning rod after the Egyptian media began showing parts of it on air and dubbed versions of the English-language film appeared on the Internet.

It depicts the Prophet Muhammad as a bumbling idiot, born out of wedlock and making up verses to the Islamic holy book to suit his purposes and desires. The film also shows him as having intimate relations with women and suggests that he was gay.

Any flesh-and-blood depiction of Muhammad is offensive to Muslims.

"This is a political movie," Bacile, 56, told the Associated Press, adding that he didn't expect the film to spark such fury. "The U.S. lost a lot of money and a lot of people in wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, but we're fighting with ideas."

Bacile identified himself to several news organizations as an Israeli-born Jew who works as a real estate developer in California. Yet his identity remains something of a mystery--Bacile is not listed in any directories or incorporations or real estate deeds and is not licensed in California as a real estate broker. And Israeli authorities told the Associated Press that they don't have any records of Bacile.

There are also questions about whether the film sparked the violence in Libya, which according to some reports seemed to be more coordinated than the protests in Egypt where some 2,000 gathered outside the U.S. Embassy in Cairo.

The eruption of violence came around the 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terror attacks, as Americans paused to remember the 3,000 people who lost their lives.

Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and three others were killed after protesters attacked the U.S. consulate in Benghazi.

Nihad Awad, national executive director of the Washington-based Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), condemned both the killings and the film. Awad said in a statement:

"We urge that this ignorant attempt to provoke the religious feelings of Muslims in the Arabic-speaking world be ignored and that its extremist producers not be given the cheap publicity they so desperately seek.

"Those who created this trashy film do not represent the people of America or the Christian faith. The only proper response to intentional provocations such as this film is to redouble efforts to promote mutual understanding between faiths and to marginalize extremists of all stripes."

A controversial Florida pastor was among those promoting "The Innocence of Muslims," which cost \$5 million to make and stars amateur actors, some of whom appear to be wearing make-up to darken their faces.

Bacile said that the film was backed by 100 Jewish donors, according to Bacile.

Among the promoters is Morris Sadek, who heads the National American Coptic Assembly and the Rev. Terry Jones, leader of a small group that holds virulently anti-Islam events.

Tuesday evening, Jones sent out a press release blaming the Muslim faith for the protests and saying the group would be running a trailer later in the evening for the film.

The trailer was part of a one-to-two hour "live event" that Jones was doing from his Gainesville center for Sept. 11, said Fran Ingram, a spokeswoman for his group, Stand Up America. The whole broadcast included the handlebar-moustached pastor in a black "infidel" t-shirt standing in front of a fabric lynched devil dressed in a white turban for what they group dubbed "International Judge Muhammed Day."

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Asked if Jones was connected in any way with the making of the film, Ingram said she couldn't comment.

Alice Crites contributed to this story.

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**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:38 PM  
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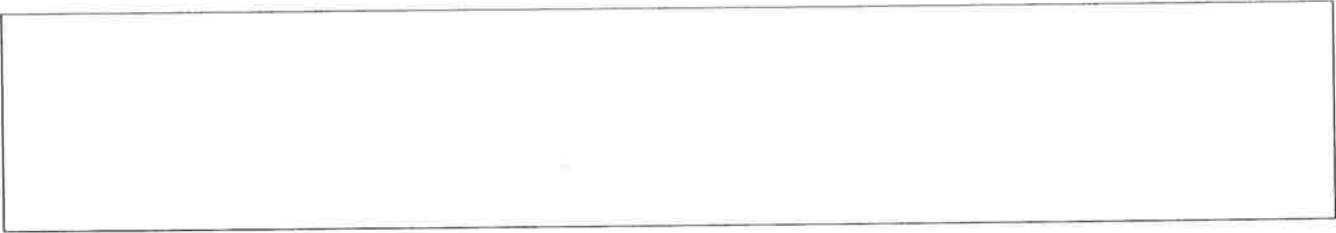
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**Cc:** Mitchell, Andrew B  
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**Importance:** High



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**From:** Koh, Harold Hongju <KohHH@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 9:12 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Thank you

I asked to attend your svtc today with Embassy Tripoli, because I had first met so many of that staff when I went with you from Malta to Tripoli for the reopening of our Embassy.

Today's deaths hit me much harder than I would have guessed. I am always proud to serve under you, but never have your words been more meaningful than on today's svtc. Every day of your tenure has been extraordinary, but none more so than today. Thank you again for your inspirational leadership and example.

As ever,  
Harold



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**To:** Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** Re:

Cheryl, I can't imagine what this week has been like for you but wanted to write after attending the Andrews ceremony today. I was with some NEA hands who knew Chris well and they all noted the Secretary's visit to their offices earlier in the week and how pitch-perfect this has been handled. The remarks today were beautiful and moving. I did not have a personal connection to the four lost this week but the President and Secretary seemed to be speaking as well to those I did know and still mourn. So I wanted to write to say thank you. This is among the most challenging and uncertain periods in our history -- and our nation is more fortunate than it knows to have such a steady team at the helm.  
Brett

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 6:09 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Amb Stevens [redacted]

Remind me to discuss

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**From:** Coleman, Claire L  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 04:09 PM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D; Jones, Beth E  
**Cc:** Macmanus, Joseph E (S); S\_SpecialAssistants; Abbaszadeh, Nima; Coleman, Claire L  
**Subject:** RE: Amb Stevens [redacted]

I just wanted to let all of you know that [redacted] called back at 3:40pm today to thank the Secretary for her condolence call earlier today. [redacted]  
[redacted] I did tell her that the Secretary spoke with [redacted] She was aware of that.

FYI – the Secretary has not yet spoken with [redacted] I have the name and number on the call grid.

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**From:** Abbaszadeh, Nima  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:52 AM  
**To:** Coleman, Claire L  
**Cc:** Macmanus, Joseph E (S); S\_SpecialAssistants  
**Subject:** FW: Amb Stevens [redacted]

NEA says [redacted] he told Beth Jones [redacted]  
[redacted]

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**From:** Jamjoom, Kareem N  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:50 AM  
**To:** Randolph, Lawrence M; Sidereas, Evyenia  
**Cc:** NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; S\_SpecialAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: Amb Stevens [redacted]

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**From:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:38 AM  
**To:** Sidereas, Evyenia  
**Cc:** NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL  
**Subject:** RE: Amb Stevens [redacted]  
**Importance:** High

Can we get the right number?

[Redacted]

Thanks,

L

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**From:** Cline, Dwayne L  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:25 AM  
**To:** S\_SpecialAssistants  
**Cc:** SES-O\_SWO; SES-O; SES\_DutyDeputies  
**Subject:** Amb Stevens [Redacted]

S Specials, per your request:

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Dwayne L. Cline  
Senior Watch Officer  
State Department Operations Center  
(202) 647-1512

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**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:16 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Wow

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**From:** Brose, Christian (Armed Services) [mailto:Christian\_Brose@armed-services.senate.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:09 AM  
**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Subject:** Wow

What a wonderful, strong and moving statement by your boss. please tell her how much Sen. McCain appreciated it. Me too

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**From:** Sherman, Wendy R <ShermanWR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 9:57 PM  
**To:** H; Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Nuland, Victoria J; Reines, Philippe I  
**Subject:** Fw: The Youth of Libya

Hope. See picture below Kamala sent.

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**From:** Lakhdir, Kamala S  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 09:47 PM  
**To:** Sherman, Wendy R  
**Cc:** Escrogima, Ana A; Grantham, Chris W  
**Subject:** The Youth of Libya



Libya Alhurra TV via Facebook

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**From:** Abedin, Huma <AbedinH@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 9:21 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: SITUATION REPORT No. 1 09/14/I (SBU)

I'm giving you credit for inspiring the "peaceful" protests.

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**From:** OpsAlert  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 06:53 AM  
**Subject:** SITUATION REPORT No. 1 09/14/I (SBU)

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**EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT**  
*Operations Center*

***SITUATION REPORT No. 1***  
**Middle East Protests Monitoring Group MGMEP01**  
Friday, September 14, 2012  
0600 EDT

**EGYPT**

- (U) Riot police used tear gas in an attempt to disperse demonstrators. Egyptian authorities erected large concrete barriers to block the route to the embassy and deployed approximately 4000 security personnel to the area. *(Ops/DS Command Center telcon, Reuters)*
- (U) Embassy Cairo reported the Muslim Brotherhood cancelled earlier calls for nationwide demonstrations at major mosques, but supported symbolic demonstrations at Tahrir Square. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Cairo telcon)*

**LIBYA**

- (U) Air traffic in Benghazi was suspended September 13 due to security reasons. *(AFP)*

**YEMEN**

- (SBU) Embassy Sana'a reported increased security presence but no apparent protests at the Sheraton hotel. *(Ops/Embassy Sana'a telcon)*
- (U) Yemeni security forces blocked streets surrounding the U.S. Embassy, where approximately 30 protesters gathered. *(Reuters)*

**KUWAIT**

- (SBU) Around 400 protesters, including parliament members and prominent Sunni Islamists, congregated peacefully for nearly two hours in front of the Embassy September 13. Police arrested several youth who tried to jump the compounds outermost perimeter. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Kuwait City e-mail)*
- (SBU) Embassy Kuwait City reported another demonstration is planned for 1200 EDT/1900 Kuwait City. The embassy and the government added extra security around the compound and received security reinforcements from the government. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Kuwait City telcon)*



## PAKISTAN

- (SBU) Consulate General Lahore reported calls for nationwide protests, including large demonstrations at the consulate's press club. Authorities deployed riot police to the consulate and limited access to the road. Consulate General Lahore dismissed all employees at 0300 EDT/1200 Lahore. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Lahore e-mail)*
- (SBU) Embassy Islamabad reported police are preparing to prevent demonstrators from approaching diplomatic enclaves and police reserves are on stand-by. Embassy Islamabad dismissed non-emergency personnel. *(MGMEP01/Embassy Islamabad e-mail)*
- (SBU) Consulate General Peshawar reported two protests were scheduled to take place approximately four kilometers from the consulate. Additional police was assigned to reinforce security. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Peshawar e-mail)*
- (SBU) Consulate General Karachi reported riot police were deployed to the compound, with more on standby. *(MGMEP01/Consulate General Karachi e-mail)*

## INDONESIA

- (SBU) Embassy Jakarta reported a peaceful demonstration of approximately 300 people. *(Embassy Jakarta Emergency Message)*
- (U) Over 250 riot police were put on alert ahead of the demonstrations. Indonesian leaders urged calm. *(AP)*

## MALAYSIA

- (SBU) Police said they are prepared for demonstrations near the U.S. Embassy and mosques in various cities. *(Embassy Kuala Lumpur Emergency Message)*
- (U) Around 30 people gathered peacefully outside the Embassy and submitted a memorandum demanding an apology and action from the U.S. government against the filmmakers. *(The Star)*

## SUDAN

(U) Islamic scholars called for the expulsion of the U.S. and German Ambassadors and for peaceful mass protests at their embassies in Khartoum. *(Reuters)*

## INDIA

(U) A small group of protesters gathered peacefully September 13 in Kashmir. The most senior Islamic cleric in Kashmir told U.S. citizens to "immediately leave" the region. *(AFP)*

## IRAN

(SBU) The Swiss Embassy in Tehran will be closed in anticipation of planned demonstrations. *(MGMEP01/Iran desk e-mail)*

## INTERNATIONAL REACTION

- (U) Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov said the Benghazi attack confirms "the need for the joint efforts of our countries, as well as the global community in combating the evil of terrorism." *(Russia Today)*
- (U) The Arab League condemned the Benghazi attack and called on the U.S. government to take a serious position against the film producers. *(MENA)*
- (SBU) The Bahamas, Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Panama, Peru, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, and Venezuela have also issued condemnations and condolences, bringing to 26 the number of countries in the western hemisphere condemning the attacks in Benghazi. *(MGMEP01/Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs Office of Policy Planning and Coordination e-mail)*
- (U) Libyan Prime Minister Abu Shagour said he will work "vigorously" to improve security by boosting the national police force and army as well as implementing programs to collect and regulate weapons. *(Reuters)*

- (U) Yemeni President Hadi apologized for the attack September 13, and ordered an expeditious and thorough investigation. (*Embassy of Yemen Statement*)

Additional updates on events in LIBYA are available through our classified website  
at <http://ses.state.sgov.gov>

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**From:** Hanley, Monica R <HanleyMR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:52 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

A pouch with all of your call sheets and the schedule is en route to you. Here it is below as well.

Also in the pouch are a few read items, and an action memo authorizing the War Powers resolution for Tunisia that the office would like you to approve today. Ops can send a courier over to pick up the action memo later today.

12:00 UK FM Hague  
12:15 Egyptian FM Amr  
12:30 Israeli PM Netanyahu  
1:15 French FM Fabius  
1:30 Saudi FM Saud al-Faisal  
2:00 Somali Former Transitional President Sharif  
2:15 Libyan PM-elect Abu-Shakour  
2:30 Turkish FM Davutoglu  
3:00 Somali President Mohamoud (T)

- Moroccan King is still pending.  
- NEW CALL: King Juan Carlos of Spain called today and offered anytime today or tomorrow. His office relayed that it is a personal call inquiring after the status of the Embassies in the Middle East. We are working on a call sheet

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:43 AM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

I just woke up so I missed Dan. Could he come back after I finish my calls? But I don't have the call schedule yet so I don't know when that would be. Do you?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 09:35 AM  
**To:** H  
**Cc:** Huma Abedin  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

He will be ready closer to 10am.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 09:17 AM  
**To:** 'HDR22@clintonemail.com' <HDR22@clintonemail.com>  
**Cc:** 'huma@clintonemail.com' <huma@clintonemail.com>  
**Subject:** PDB

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**Dan will be at Whitehaven with the PDB at 9:30am this morning.**

**He has some sensitive items that he would like to personally show you when he arrives.**

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**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 5:41 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Condolences from PM Netanyahu

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**From:** Shapiro, Daniel B (Tel Aviv)  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 5:37 PM  
**To:** Jones, Beth E; Dibble, Elizabeth L; Hale, David M; Sullivan, Jacob J; simon, steven N; Abell, J Andrew  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] Goldberger, Thomas H; Gardner, Rebecca V  
**Subject:** Condolences from PM Netanyahu

Prime Minister Netanyahu called me tonight and asked me to pass on to President Obama, Secretary Clinton, and the families of those we lost in Libya his and the Israeli people's most profound condolences. He said Israelis know too well how difficult these moments are, and he wanted us all to know that Israelis stand shoulder-to-shoulder with us at such a difficult time.

Please pass this up your chains of command. Thank you.

Dan

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 8:56 PM  
**To:** 'Russorv@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Fw: CNN Belief Blog. Prothero

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**From:** Burns Strider [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 12:40 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** CNN Belief Blog. Prothero

<http://religion.blogs.cnn.com/2012/09/13/my-take-a-deadly-link-between-islamic-and-anti-islamic-extremists/>

*Editor's Note: Stephen Prothero, a Boston University religion scholar and author of "The American Bible: How Our Words Unite, Divide, and Define a Nation," is a regular CNN Belief Blog contributor.*

By **Stephen Prothero**, Special to CNN

What should we make of the attacks on the U.S. consulates in Egypt, Libya and Yemen, and the deaths of four Americans, including U.S. ambassador to Libya Chris Stevens?

It depends on who you mean by "we."

From the perspective of those who stormed the embassies, taking down the American flag in Egypt and replacing it with a black flag reading, "There is no God but Allah and Mohammed is his messenger," theirs was an act of justice on behalf of the One True Faith.

The Americans had it coming, according to this view, because Americans are on the wrong side in the clash of civilizations between the Judeo-Christian West and the Muslim world. And the creation of an anti-Islamic video (ironically entitled "Innocence of Muslims") by a producer thought to be an American provided the catalyst (or excuse) for the protests.

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Most Americans operate by a different "we." From our perspective, the assault was an unjust and cowardly attack on (among other things) the rule of law, the institution of diplomacy and the right of free speech.

Libyan Deputy Prime Minister Mustafa Abushagur gave voice to this perspective when he said on Twitter, "I condemn these barbaric attacks in the strongest possible terms. This is an attack on America, Libya and free people everywhere."

"Some have sought to justify this vicious behavior as a response to inflammatory material posted on the Internet," Secretary of State Hillary Clinton added. "The United States deplores any intentional effort to denigrate the religious beliefs of others. Our commitment to religious tolerance goes back to the very beginning of our nation."

In a **commencement speech** at Kenyon College in 2005, later published as "*This Is Water*," novelist David Foster Wallace urged student to scrutinize the "natural, basic self-centeredness" that puts "me" at the center of the world.

This unconscious "default setting" fosters the sort of "blind certainty" that manifests as arrogant atheism and fundamentalism alike, Wallace said. And the point of education is to shake us out of that "default setting" — to begin to see things from the perspectives of others.

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Wallace focused in his speech on the individual "I." But his critique can be applied as well to another "default setting" (this one more cultural than natural): our tendency to understand the world from the perspective of "we."

According to those who stormed the embassies, "Innocence of Muslims" was not made by an individual (whoever the shadowy "Sam Bacile" may — or may not — be). It was made by an *American*.

Moreover, according to this groupthink, Americans as a group are responsible for the sins of individual Americans, so it makes perfect sense to strike out at embassy personnel who issued a statement before the protests turned deadly, condemning "the continuing efforts by misguided individuals to hurt the religious feelings of Muslims, as we condemn efforts to offend believers of all religions."

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Meanwhile, the shadowy figures who produced and distributed "Innocence of Muslims" are imprisoned in some groupthink of their own, which gathers all the world's Muslims under the category of an evil Islamic empire. Their film doesn't just depict Mohammed as a con man, philanderer, and pedophile. It portrays his followers as dupes.

Unfortunately, the events of recent days have done nothing to jar the alleged producer out of this default setting. When questioned about his film in the aftermath of the Libyan and Egyptian attacks, a man identifying himself as "Sam Bacile" reportedly told the Wall Street Journal that "Islam is a cancer."

You don't need a Kenyon college degree to see how this vicious cycle of provocation and violence is fueled, and you don't need to be a moral relativist to see that it takes two sides to keep it running.

I am an American who is justly proud of the First Amendment and its protections of freedom of speech and religion. And I believe that killing your opponents in the name of God or nation is a far greater offense than offending them with an ignorant movie.

Nonetheless, the root problem on display here is in my view what Wallace denounced as "blind certainty."

Our world is not divided first and foremost along religious or national lines, into Muslims and Christians and Hindus or Israelis and Americans and Egyptians.

Neither is it divided into secularists and people of faith — the New Atheists and partisans of old-time religion.

The real "red line" in the modern world divides the certain from the uncertain. And in the tragic events of recent days, those who produced and distributed this hateful movie stand on the same side of this line as the killers of innocents in Libya and Egypt.

Both groups are possessed by the unholy spirit of "blind certainty," unacquainted with both the complexity and contradictions of life on Earth and the "cloud of unknowing" that hovers over every major religion.

The great religious thinkers in Judaism, Christianity and Islam always knew enough to know that they did not know everything.

They knew the difference between the eternal decrees of the God of Abraham and the all-too-flawed thoughts of ordinary people. They knew, in short, that they are not God, who alone is charged with creating and destroying the world and discriminating along the way between the real and the illusory.

The killers in Libya have forgotten that. So have the not-so-innocent producers and distributors of "Innocence of Islam."

*The opinions expressed in this commentary are solely those of Stephen Prothero.*

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**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:26 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: S today

This is nice.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Sherwood-Randall, Liz [mailto:[\[REDACTED\]](#)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:08 PM  
**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Subject:** S today

Jake -- I was so moved by Hillary's powerful presence today on the screen as I watched along with millions in America and around the world. She was emphathetic and unflinching and inspiring; she was wise and steady and strong. My 80 year old mother called from LA to say "She was like our rock of Gibraltar". What greater compliment for the Secretary of State on such an awful day? I salute her as well as you and your colleagues who crafted her remarks under tremendous time and factual constraints. It really showed everyone the stuff of which she's made. With admiration and affection --  
Liz

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 5:59 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Fw: Pretty powerful piece on standing up for diplomats

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Klevorick, Caitlin B  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2012 04:18 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D; Kennedy, Patrick F  
**Subject:** Pretty powerful piece on standing up for diplomats

OP-ED CONTRIBUTOR

In Libya and Elsewhere, Our Diplomats Deserve Better

By PRUDENCE BUSHNELL

Published: September 14, 2012

Falls Church, Va.

THERE is a black wall in a State Department lobby inscribed with the names of those who died while serving overseas. Every time I passed that wall after Al Qaeda blew up two American Embassies in East Africa in 1998, I thought of the 12 American and 32 Kenyan friends and colleagues who died on my watch as ambassador. I thought of my own journey that day down flights of stairs in the building next door to the embassy, after having been knocked out by the blast, of the people who risked their lives to save others, and of how we carried on under horrendous circumstances. Now every time I pass the black marble wall, I will think of Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and his colleagues who died after an attack on our consulate in Benghazi, Libya, this week.

Diplomats don't often make headlines until something horrible happens. Even then, it is policy and politics that get the attention. We had barely learned of the attack before talking heads began to expound on Middle East policies and the words administration officials used, or should have used, to uphold our national dignity. Where were the conversations about the diplomats who were actually carrying out those policies in faraway, often dangerous places, the people who take care of us despite the hardship and risk? Imagine what it must have been like trying to escape the raging fire in the Benghazi consulate or enduring hours of assault in the nearby annex waiting for relief from the Libyan government. Diplomacy is a dangerous profession. You cannot exert influence by whispering in diplomatic code to your government counterparts behind closed doors. You do not spread American values - especially in places where passions are high, governments fragile and guns plentiful - by remote control from Washington. You have to get out from behind the walls and engage with people. We know this can put us in harm's way; our people in the Benghazi consulate knew it. And they did their jobs anyway.

That is because, hokey as it sounds, the people who represent us overseas really do believe they can make a difference. They confront violent behavior and strong passions with American leadership, smart power and peaceful means. We must make that work safer. The reasons for violence change with time and place but the human effects are the same. For two years before we were blown up in Nairobi, Kenya, my team and I fought ("nagged" was the word State Department colleagues used) to have security threats and vulnerabilities addressed. We were too close to the street, an easy target. Washington's assessment was that things were O.K. Anyway, I was told, there was no money for a more secure embassy. What was Washington's assessment of our consulate in Benghazi? We may not like the image of American diplomats working out of fortified boxes, but we cannot let them work in buildings that can be overrun by attackers. This is a lesson our government still hasn't learned since 1979 in Tehran.

If the Benghazi tragedy traces the same journey we made from the rubble in Nairobi, heartfelt pronouncements will be made; the dead will be given due homage and then they will be buried. The press will alight on other stories. A Congressionally mandated accountability review board will determine what happened and what needs to be done to

avoid such tragedies in the future. Easy fixes - changes to emergency action plans, minor security upgrades - will be made; expensive and hard ones will not.

The Foreign Service is short on people, and those people are rushed into the field short on training. We build concrete fortresses when we have to, but we don't invest in the mobile communications and security technology that would protect diplomats when they leave the embassy, as they must. What kinds of technology, systems, training and deployment do we need to get results through diplomacy in the 21st century? These are the difficult questions that will remain unanswered, while diplomats disappear from public view once again. Until the next time someone dies - then we see the same sorry response all over again.

But we can give meaning to this tragedy. What if President Obama and Mitt Romney exercised true leadership by explaining to Americans, including the families and friends of those who died in Benghazi, what diplomacy is all about? Why using words and deeds for peace is as important as using weapons. Why we value our diplomats and what we will do to make their jobs easier, if we cannot guarantee their absolute security.

It is a stretch, I know. Far easier to add some more concrete, declare our responsibilities to diplomats complete and move back to the fun stuff of making and debating policy, most of it domestic. The black wall will continue to accumulate names, diplomats will continue to represent our country on the cheap and nothing much will change. Like that scenario? If not, start demanding leadership. That is what Chris Stevens and his team were providing. Let's think about them and reciprocate.

Prudence Bushnell is a former United States ambassador to Kenya and Guatemala

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 6:53 PM  
**To:** 'hanleymr@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: Holder

Ok. Thx.

Also, are you in DC?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:52 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Holder

He can speak at 7pm. He said that it does not have to be secure. Ops will connect to your residence.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:41 PM  
**To:** 'HDR22@clintonemail.com' <HDR22@clintonemail.com>  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Thank you.

We are offering 7pm to Holder and waiting to hear if he would like to speak secure.

We likely won't hear from the King for several hours but will keep you posted as soon as we do.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:38 PM  
**To:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Yes. I'll give memo to Service downstairs.

What about Holder? And the King?

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R [mailto:HanleyMR@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:36 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Re: PDB

Yes, just confirmed that Dan will come at 9am tomorrow.

Ops can pick up the pouch in about 30 minutes. Does that work for you? Secret Service can grab it from the bench if you'd like.

----- Original Message -----

From: H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 06:30 PM  
To: Hanley, Monica R  
Subject: Re: PDB

Is Dan coming at 9?

Also, I signed the action memo. Will it be picked up?

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Also, are you in DC?

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**Sent:** Thursday, September 13, 2012 12:41 PM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** CNN Belief Blog. Prothero

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<http://religion.blogs.cnn.com/2012/09/13/my-take-a-deadly-link-between-islamic-and-anti-islamic-extremists/>

*Editor's Note: Stephen Prothero, a Boston University religion scholar and author of "The American Bible: How Our Words Unite, Divide, and Define a Nation," is a regular CNN Belief Blog contributor.*

By **Stephen Prothero**, Special to CNN

What should we make of the attacks on the U.S. consulates in Egypt, Libya and Yemen, and the deaths of four Americans, including U.S. ambassador to Libya Chris Stevens?

It depends on who you mean by "we."

From the perspective of those who stormed the embassies, taking down the American flag in Egypt and replacing it with a black flag reading, "There is no God but Allah and Mohammed is his messenger," theirs was an act of justice on behalf of the One True Faith.

The Americans had it coming, according to this view, because Americans are on the wrong side in the clash of civilizations between the Judeo-Christian West and the Muslim world. And the creation of an anti-Islamic video (ironically entitled "Innocence of Muslims") by a producer thought to be an American provided the catalyst (or excuse) for the protests.

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Most Americans operate by a different "we." From our perspective, the assault was an unjust and cowardly attack on (among other things) the rule of law, the institution of diplomacy and the right of free speech.

Libyan Deputy Prime Minister Mustafa Abushagur gave voice to this perspective when he said on Twitter, "I condemn these barbaric attacks in the strongest possible terms. This is an attack on America, Libya and free people everywhere."

"Some have sought to justify this vicious behavior as a response to inflammatory material posted on the Internet," Secretary of State Hillary Clinton added. "The United States deplores any intentional effort to denigrate the religious beliefs of others. Our commitment to religious tolerance goes back to the very beginning of our nation."

In a commencement speech at Kenyon College in 2005, later published as "*This Is Water*," novelist David Foster Wallace urged student to scrutinize the "natural, basic self-centeredness" that puts "me" at the center of the world.

This unconscious "default setting" fosters the sort of "blind certainty" that manifests as arrogant atheism and fundamentalism alike, Wallace said. And the point of education is to shake us out of that "default setting" — to begin to see things from the perspectives of others.

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Wallace focused in his speech on the individual "I." But his critique can be applied as well to another "default setting" (this one more cultural than natural): our tendency to understand the world from the perspective of "we."

According to those who stormed the embassies, "Innocence of Muslims" was not made by an individual (whoever the shadowy "Sam Bacile" may — or may not — be). It was made by an *American*.

Moreover, according to this groupthink, Americans as a group are responsible for the sins of individual Americans, so it makes perfect sense to strike out at embassy personnel who issued a statement before the protests turned deadly, condemning "the continuing efforts by misguided individuals to hurt the religious feelings of Muslims, as we condemn efforts to offend believers of all religions."

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Meanwhile, the shadowy figures who produced and distributed "Innocence of Muslims" are imprisoned in some groupthink of their own, which gathers all the world's Muslims under the category of an evil Islamic empire. Their film doesn't just depict Mohammed as a con man, philanderer, and pedophile. It portrays his followers as dupes.

Unfortunately, the events of recent days have done nothing to jar the alleged producer out of this default setting. When questioned about his film in the aftermath of the Libyan and Egyptian attacks, a man identifying himself as "Sam Bacile" reportedly told the Wall Street Journal that "Islam is a cancer."

You don't need a Kenyon college degree to see how this vicious cycle of provocation and violence is fueled, and you don't need to be a moral relativist to see that it takes two sides to keep it running.

I am an American who is justly proud of the First Amendment and its protections of freedom of speech and religion. And I believe that killing your opponents in the name of God or nation is a far greater offense than offending them with an ignorant movie.

Nonetheless, the root problem on display here is in my view what Wallace denounced as "blind certainty."

Our world is not divided first and foremost along religious or national lines, into Muslims and Christians and Hindus or Israelis and Americans and Egyptians.

Neither is it divided into secularists and people of faith — the New Atheists and partisans of old-time religion.

The real "red line" in the modern world divides the certain from the uncertain. And in the tragic events of recent days, those who produced and distributed this hateful movie stand on the same side of this line as the killers of innocents in Libya and Egypt.

Both groups are possessed by the unholy spirit of "blind certainty," unacquainted with both the complexity and contradictions of life on Earth and the "cloud of unknowing" that hovers over every major religion.

The great religious thinkers in Judaism, Christianity and Islam always knew enough to know that they did not know everything.

They knew the difference between the eternal decrees of the God of Abraham and the all-too-flawed thoughts of ordinary people. They knew, in short, that they are not God, who alone is charged with creating and destroying the world and discriminating along the way between the real and the illusory.

The killers in Libya have forgotten that. So have the not-so-innocent producers and distributors of "Innocence of Islam."

*The opinions expressed in this commentary are solely those of Stephen Prothero.*



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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 10:34 PM  
**To:** Sherman, Wendy R; H; Mills, Cheryl D; Nuland, Victoria J; Reines, Philippe I  
**Subject:** Re: The Youth of Libya

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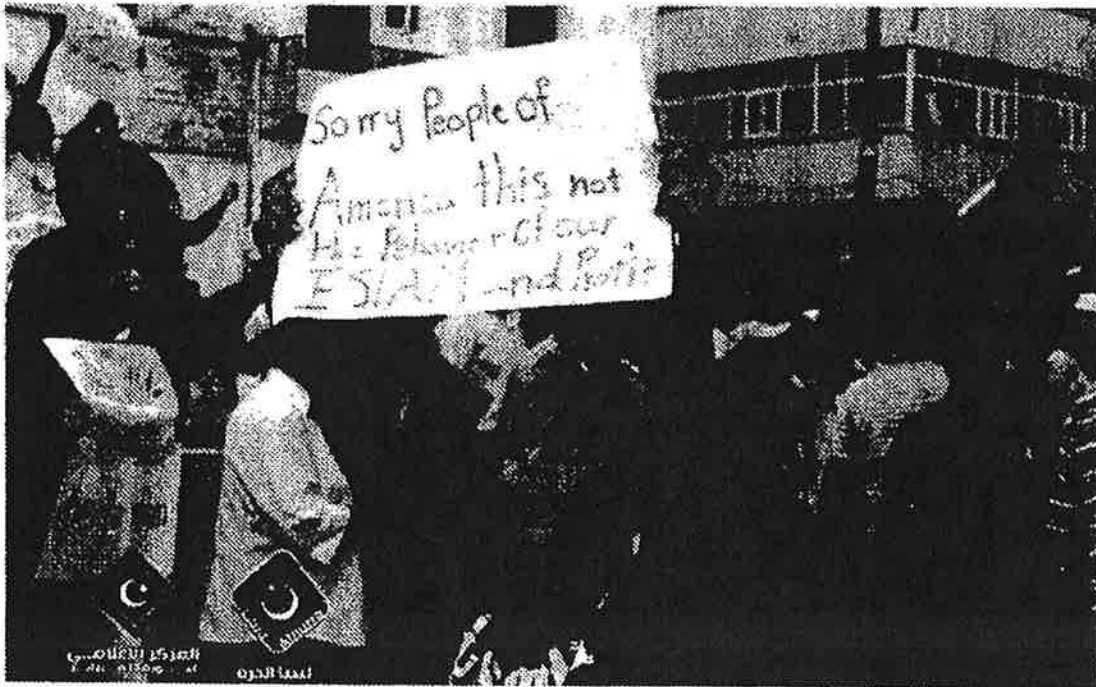
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Libya Alhurra TV via Facebook

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Hillary,

I just want to offer my personal condolences over the loss of four fine foreign service officers. The Ambassador was a perfect role model of the kind of person we need representing us around the world, and the others had so much to give -- and already had given so much.

I know it has been a hard week for you, and I wanted simply to express my sympathy and tell you I was thinking of you.

Bob Gates

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 12:50 AM  
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**For:** Hillary  
**From:** Sid  
**Re:** Magariaf and the attack on US in Libya

**SOURCE:** Sources with direct access to the Libyan National Transitional Council, as well as the highest levels of European Governments, and Western Intelligence and security services.

1. During the afternoon of September 11, 2012 new interim President of Libya Mohammed Yusef el Magariaf spoke in private with senior advisors, including the members of the Libyan Muslim Brotherhood, to discuss the attacks by demonstrators on U.S. missions in Tripoli and Benghazi. According to a sensitive source, el Magariaf was shaken by the attacks, and gave permission to commanders on the ground for security forces to open fire over the heads of the crowds in an effort to break up mobs attacking the missions. During this session, a senior security officer told el Magariaf that the attacks on that day were inspired by what many devout Libyan viewed as a sacrilegious internet video on the prophet Mohammed originating in America. The Libyan attacks were also inspired by and linked to an attack on the U.S. mission in Egypt on the same day. At the same time, el Magariaf noted in strong terms that the atmosphere that made fostered these incidents in Libya is the product of widespread publicity regarding the security situation in the country between 2004 and 2010 and

the cooperation that developed between a number of Western Intelligence services and the regime of former dictator Muammar al Qaddafi.

2. This source added that el Magariaf's advisors believe that this situation adds to the President's growing concern over the unpredictable effects that will follow current covert efforts by his political opponents to link him directly to foreign intelligence services. According to a separate sensitive source, el Magariaf noted that his opponents had often tried to connect him to the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through the National Front for the Salvation of Libya (NFSL), a group established in opposition to former dictator Muammar al Qaddafi, which el Magariaf led in the 1980s. In the opinion of this individual el Magariaf believes that he can survive potential negative publicity in this regard, but if this situation continues to develop in this manner it will complicate his efforts to establish an orderly administration in the country. Again, he stated that the attacks on the U.S. missions were as much a result of the atmosphere created by this campaign, as the controversial internet video.

3. At the same time, this individual noted that several of el Magariaf's advisors share his concerns in this matter, pointing out that the return of Qaddafi's intelligence chief Abdullah al-Senoussi for trial in Libya has heightened public interest in the liaison relationships conducted by the CIA and British Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) with Qaddafi's intelligence and security services. These same individuals note that they believe Islamist militia forces under the command of General Abdelhakim Belhaj captured files and documents describing this relationship from Qaddafi's offices in Tripoli. This fascination with Western intelligence operations in Qaddafi's Libya is also driven by Human Rights Watch (HRW) and its efforts to tie Western governments to human rights violations committed under Qaddafi. In this regard HRW has interviewed at least fourteen (14) individuals claiming that they were turned over to Qaddafi's forces by the Western powers. Belhaj is included in this group.

4. (Source Comment: In the opinion of a very sensitive source, el Magariaf's enemies are working to take advantage of his suspected links to the CIA at a time when Western intelligence services are under scrutiny in Libya. They also fear that this situation will only grow more complex as Qaddafi's son Saif al Islam Qaddafi and al Senoussi are brought before Libyan courts to answer for their crimes under the old regime, particularly during the 2011 revolution. These individuals believe both men will be linked to Western Intelligence during their trials. )

5. According to this individual, el Magariaf is working with the Muslim Brotherhood and other Islamist groups to defuse this situation. He is particularly concerned by the level of violence between Sufi Muslims and Salafists, and believes he must maintain his reputation for impartiality if he is to defuse this growing problem. As he works to organize the government, and disarm the militias, he cannot afford to lose the respect and trust of the Libyan people, especially at a time when cultural clashes between followers of the mystical Sufi tradition and ultra-conservative Salafis

have taken central stage in the new Libya. This source adds that these religious conflicts were largely unknown during Qaddafi's rule.

6. (Source Comment: This source added that the individuals interviewed for the HRW report were former members of the Libyan Islamist Fighting Group (LIFG), an Islamist group formed in opposition to Gaddafi's controversial interpretations of Islam. These LIFG fighters fled the country in the late 1980s and went to Afghanistan to join the fight against the Soviet Union while also gaining training and experience for their own struggle. A separate source adds that messages to Libya from the CIA and SIS were found among the Tripoli Documents published by HRW, indicating that the United States and Britain were eager to help Libya capture several senior LIFG figures, including its co-founders, Belhaj and Sami al-Saadi.)

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September 12, 2012

For: Hillary  
From: Sid  
Re: Magariaf and the attack on US in Libya

**SOURCE:** Sources with direct access to the Libyan National Transitional Council, as well as the highest levels of European Governments, and Western Intelligence and security services.

1. During the afternoon of September 11, 2012 new interim President of Libya Mohammed Youssef el Magariaf spoke in private with senior advisors, including the members of the Libyan Muslim Brotherhood, to discuss the attacks by demonstrators on U.S. missions in Tripoli and Benghazi. According to a sensitive source, el Magariaf was shaken by the attacks, and gave permission to commanders on the ground for security forces to open fire over the heads of the crowds in an effort to break up mobs attacking the missions. During this session, a senior security officer told el Magariaf that the attacks on that day were inspired by what many devout Libyan viewed as a sacrilegious internet video on the prophet Mohammed originating in America. The Libyan attacks were also inspired by and linked to an attack on the U.S. mission in Egypt on the same day. At the same time, el Magariaf noted in strong terms that the atmosphere that made fostered these incidents in Libya is the product of widespread publicity regarding the security situation in the country between 2004 and 2010 and the cooperation that developed between a number of Western Intelligence services and the regime of former dictator Muammar al Qaddafi.

2. This source added that el Magariaf's advisors believe that this situation adds to the President's growing concern over the unpredictable effects that will follow current covert efforts by his political opponents to link him directly to foreign intelligence services. According to a separate sensitive source, el Magariaf noted that his opponents had often tried to connect him to the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through the National Front for the Salvation of Libya (NFSL), a group established in opposition to former dictator Muammar al Qaddafi, which el Magariaf led in the 1980s. In the opinion of this individual el Magariaf believes that he can survive potential negative publicity in this regard, but if this situation continues to develop in this manner it will complicate his efforts to establish an orderly administration in the country. Again, he stated that the attacks on the U.S. missions were as much a result of the atmosphere created by this campaign, as the controversial internet video.

3. At the same time, this individual noted that several of el Magariaf's advisors share his concerns in this matter, pointing out that the return of Qaddafi's intelligence chief Abdullah al-Senoussi for trial in Libya has heightened public interest in the liaison relationships conducted by the CIA and British Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) with Qaddafi's intelligence and security services. These same individuals note that they believe Islamist militia forces under the command of General Abdelhakim Belhaj captured files and documents describing this relationship from Qaddafi's offices in Tripoli. This fascination with Western intelligence operations in Qaddafi's Libya is also driven by Human Rights Watch (HRW) and its efforts to tie Western governments to human rights violations committed under Qaddafi. In this regard HRW has interviewed at least fourteen (14) individuals claiming that they were turned over to Qaddafi's forces by the Western powers. Belhaj is included in this group.

4. (Source Comment: In the opinion of a very sensitive source, el Magariaf's enemies are working to take advantage of his suspected links to the CIA at a time when Western intelligence services are under scrutiny in Libya. They also fear that this situation will only grow more complex as Qaddafi's son Saif al Islam Qaddafi and al Senousi are brought before Libyan courts to answer for their crimes under the old regime, particularly during the 2011 revolution. These individuals believe both men will be linked to Western Intelligence during their trials. )

5. According to this individual, el Magariaf is working with the Muslim Brotherhood and other Islamist groups to defuse this situation. He is particularly concerned by the level of violence between Sufi Muslims and Salafists, and



believes he must maintain his reputation for impartiality if he is to defuse this growing problem. As he works to organize the government, and disarm the militias, he cannot afford to lose the respect and trust of the Libyan people, especially at a time when cultural clashes between followers of the mystical Sufi tradition and ultra-conservative Salafis have taken central stage in the new Libya. This source adds that these religious conflicts were largely unknown during Qaddafi's rule.

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 12:14 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: (SBU) UPDATE: Benghazi

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**From:** Mull, Stephen D  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:54 PM  
**To:** Kennedy, Patrick F; Jones, Beth E; Dibble, Elizabeth L; Mills, Cheryl D; Nuland, Victoria J; Sullivan, Stephanie S; Sullivan, Jacob J; Zeya, Uzra S; Sherman, Wendy R; Austin-Ferguson, Kathleen T  
**Subject:** FW: (SBU) UPDATE: Benghazi

FYI, fresh attacks on Benghazi

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**From:** Fullerton, T Barry  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 23:51 PM  
**To:** SES\_DutyDeputies  
**Cc:** SES-O\_SWO  
**Subject:** FW: (SBU) UPDATE: Benghazi

Ambassador Mull: Please see update from RSO Benghazi below. We are also preparing an alert now.

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**From:** DS Command Center  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:41 PM  
**To:** SES-O  
**Cc:** DS Command Center; DSCC\_Management\_Team  
**Subject:** (SBU) UPDATE: Benghazi

ALCON:

*The DS Command Center is sharing the following event information for your situational awareness. Please contact the DS Command Center directly for any follow-up requests for information.*

**Per TelCall with RSO in Benghazi. Their current shelter location is now under attack by mortar fire. Three to four rounds have impacted on their location. There are new injuries to COM staff. Update to follow.**

*This is an initial incident report from the DS Command Center. The information contained in this report is provided only for immediate situational awareness. Additional reports may follow, updating and correcting information, if necessary. Please protect accordingly.*

*DS Command Center*

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:40 PM  
**To:** 'millscd@state.gov'; 'sullivanjj@state.gov'; 'nulandvj@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Re: Chris Smith

Ok.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Mills, Cheryl D [mailto:MillsCD@state.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:38 PM  
**To:** H; Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>; Nuland, Victoria J <nulandvj@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Chris Smith

We are awaiting formal confirmation from our team. We are drafting a statement while we wait.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:38 PM  
**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J; Mills, Cheryl D; Nuland, Victoria J  
**Subject:** Chris Smith

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**From:** H <hrod17@clintonemail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 5:50 AM  
**To:**  Humà Abedin  
**Subject:** Request

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Can you get us a copy of Bernard Henri-Levi's film about Libya? I think Harvey made it and showed it at Cannes last spring.

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**From:** Otero, Maria <OteroM2@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 6:46 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** I am so sorry

Hillary:  
I'm just boarding plane to Honduras and thinking of you especially with this painful tragedy in Libya.  
Warmest,  
Maria

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**From:** Judith McHale [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 8:54 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** Libya

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The news from Libya is truly shocking. Just wanted you to know that you, all my colleagues at State and the Stevens family are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Tough world we live in my friend.

Take care of yourself.

Judith

### VIRTUAL READING ROOM DOCUMENTS SEARCH RESULTS

Case# F-2015-04841 returned 68 results  
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CHRIS SMITH	9/11/2012	Milroy, Vict...	H	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
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GEN DEMPSKY CALLED	9/12/2012	Coleman, Cl...	H	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
WE RECOGNIZED BOTH WORDS OVERNITE AND ARE LOOKING AT GETTING	9/12/2012	Mills, Cheryl D	H	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
TOM DOWNUM	9/11/2012	Honley, Mari...	H	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
CHRIS STANWIS	9/12/2012	Staugher, A...	H	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
CHRIS SMITH	9/11/2012	H	ballhang@...	5/22/2015	E-2015-04841
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**From:** Nuland, Victoria J <nulandvj@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:44 PM  
**To:** H; Sullivan, Jacob J; Mills, Cheryl D  
**Subject:** Re: Chris Smith

We need to ck family's druthers. If they are OK, we should put something out from you tonight.

Also, everyone will assume the first statement was about Chris so we need to make clear this is a second death and/or name both.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** H [mailto:HDR22@clintonemail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:37 PM  
**To:** Sullivan, Jacob J; Mills, Cheryl D; Nuland, Victoria J  
**Subject:** Chris Smith

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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 11:39 PM  
**To:** H; Sullivan, Jacob J; Nuland, Victoria J  
**Subject:** RE: Chris Smith

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**From:** Coleman, Claire L <ColemanCl@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 7:29 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** FW: Gen Dempsey called.

Just wanted you to be aware that he called for you on the secure line.

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**From:** Randolph, Lawrence M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 7:22 AM  
**To:** Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J; Hanley, Monica R; Coleman, Claire L  
**Cc:** S\_SpecialAssistants  
**Subject:** Gen Dempsey called.

General Dempsey just called to speak to S. He would like to speak to the Secretary around 8 if she is available. He said the two topics he would like to discuss are Benghazi and Afghanistan.

Thanks,  
L

**Lawrence Randolph**  
Special Assistant  
Office of the Secretary of State  
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**From:** Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 6:23 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** We recovered both bodies overnite and are looking at getting at statement out at 7am

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**From:** Hanley, Monica R <HanleyMR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 10:41 PM  
**To:** H  
**Cc:** Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Subject:** Tom Donilon

Its Tom Donilon who wants to speak with you secure. Ops was mistaken. He would like to speak with you asap as he is leaving shortly.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Hanley, Monica R  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 10:37 PM  
**To:** 'HDR22@clintonemail.com' <HDR22@clintonemail.com>  
**Cc:** Mills, Cheryl D; Sullivan, Jacob J  
**Subject:** Charge Nolan

Would like to speak with you secure. We are waiting to hear back on his availability.

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**From:** Anne-Marie Slaughter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 7:47 AM  
**To:** H  
**Cc:** 'AbedinH@state.gov'; 'MillsCD@state.gov'  
**Subject:** Chris Stevens

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To you and all my former colleagues, I'm so terribly sorry. Our FSOs stand on the front lines just as surely and devotedly as our soldiers do. Thinking of you and Pat and everyone this morning.  
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**From:** PIR [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 12, 2012 7:29 AM  
**To:** H  
**Subject:** STATEMENT

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**Statement on the Death of American Personnel in Benghazi, Libya**

It is with profound sadness that I share the news of the death of four American personnel in Benghazi, Libya yesterday. Among them were United States Ambassador to Libya Chris Stevens and Foreign Service Information Management Officer, Sean Smith. We are still making next of kin notifications for the other two individuals. Our hearts go out to all their families and colleagues.

A 21 year veteran of the Foreign Service, Ambassador Stevens died last night from injuries he sustained in the attack on our office in Benghazi.

I had the privilege of swearing in Chris for his post in Libya only a few months ago. He spoke eloquently about his passion for service, for diplomacy and for the Libyan people. This assignment was only the latest in his more than two decades of dedication to advancing closer ties with the people of the Middle East and North Africa which began as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Morocco. As the conflict in Libya unfolded, Chris was one of the first Americans on the ground in Benghazi. He risked his own life to lend the Libyan people a helping hand to build the foundation for a new, free nation. He spent every day since helping to finish the work that he started. Chris was committed to advancing America's values and interests, even when that meant putting himself in danger.

Sean was a husband and a father of two, who joined the Department ten years ago. Like Chris, Sean was one of our best. All the Americans we lost in yesterday's attacks made the ultimate sacrifice. We condemn this vicious and violent attack that took their lives, which they had committed to helping the Libyan people reach for a better future.

America's diplomats and development experts stand on the front lines every day for our country. We are honored by the service of each and every one of them.

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