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Subject: Re: SBU Libya Update From Tunis

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Not sure jw preference based on the latest.

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From: Patterson, Anne W
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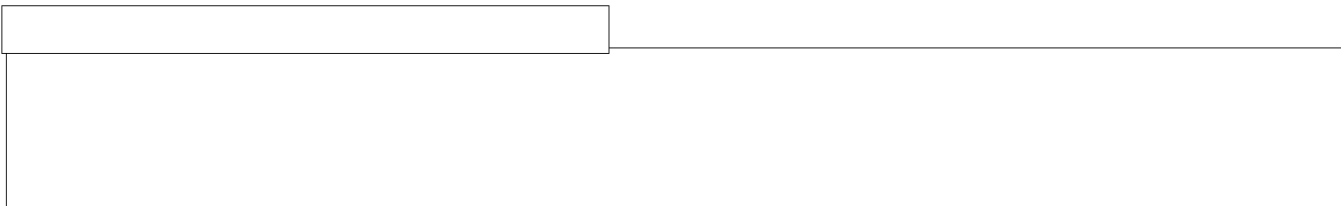
As far as I am concerned, Jonathan is the final word on this. Finer reported back that Euros think things are going bad but most aren't informed either

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Right.



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From: Patterson, Anne W
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To: LoGerfo, Gregory D; Bodde, Peter W (LEO); Stubbs, John D; NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; Winer, Jonathan
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Much back and forth about the invites.



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From: LoGerfo, Gregory D
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Subject: Re: SBU Libya Update From Tunis

The meeting is June 20 at 1600 in Washington. Lisa wrote us last week protocol was doing the invites. We sent a concept note last week outlining the agenda. The italians are aware this meeting is in train. Jon Fischer and co can do whatever paper is needed once the line tasks us.

Jonathan will attend.

Gregory LoGerfo

From: Patterson, Anne W
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 02:57
To: Bodde, Peter W (LEO); LoGerfo, Gregory D; Stubbs, John D; NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; Winer, Jonathan
Subject: Fw: SBU Libya Update From Tunis

I was only vaguely aware of this. Assume Jonathan and Ambassador Bodde are attending?

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From: Finer, Jonathan J <FinerJJ@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 8:50 AM
To: Kenna, Lisa D; Winer, Jonathan; Sullivan, Thomas D; Miller, Andrea R; Wirkkala, Julie A; S_SpecialAssistants; Rubin, Joshua A; Patterson, Anne W; Ziadeh, Susan L
Subject: Re: SBU Libya Update From Tunis

Is there a plan for this? Have invitations gone out? Has anyone communicated with the Italians? Agenda? Participants list? Thanks.

From: Kenna, Lisa D
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 2:41 PM
To: Winer, Jonathan; Finer, Jonathan J; Sullivan, Thomas D; Miller, Andrea R; Wirkkala, Julie A; S_SpecialAssistants; Rubin, Joshua A; Patterson, Anne W; Ziadeh, Susan L
Subject: Re: SBU Libya Update From Tunis

Jonathan, Protocol is drafting an invitation for the ministerial to occur July 20 4-5:30.

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From: Winer, Jonathan
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 3:25 PM
To: Finer, Jonathan J; Kenna, Lisa D; Sullivan, Thomas D
Cc: Patterson, Anne W; Bodde, Peter W (LEO); Sison, Michele J; Crocker, Bathsheba N; Rangaswamy, Roopa; Desrocher, John P; Nuland, Victoria J; Kim, Yuri J; Kenney, Kristie A; McGurk, Brett H; Shannon, Thomas A; Blinken, Antony J; Siberell, Justin H; Kaidanow, Tina S; Ziadeh, Susan L
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~~(SBU)~~ To update Secretary Kerry and for broader 7th floor and leadership awareness, here's where things

currently stand on Libya following meetings in Rome yesterday with P 3+Italy, Egypt, and UAE senior officials meeting (SOM) focused on supporting the GNA on security, and just ahead of UN-convened meetings in Tunis of the Libyan Political Dialogue and then, for the first time, of a diverse group of security leaders with the Presidency Council (PC).

TOP LINES

- ~~(SBU)~~ **IS TRIPOLI FALLING? NOT CURRENTLY.** The young people who vandalized PM al-Sarraj's former office at the Tripoli naval base Monday and Tuesday were posturing rather than presenting a real security threat. No one was injured, let alone killed. The incident was a warning, however, that the GNA needs to get moving on service delivery and show leadership on security.
- ~~(SBU)~~ **IS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE COMING TOGETHER?** The Rome meetings yesterday advanced the US, UK, and likely Italy readying to move together to offer complementary military train and equip through arms embargo exception. France appears more likely to provide non-lethal equipment only through diplomatic channels, although some French security forces might continue operating under-the-radar elsewhere (as publicly described in French press accounts). UAE visibly happy with the approach we are taking given our position that we won't train militias, only forces under national command of GNA

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- ~~(SBU)~~ **ITALIANS ARE EXPECTING A LIBYA MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE FOUR (Italy, US, UAE, Egypt) NEXT WEEK IN WASHINGTON.** In Rome, we discussed exploring having this group, plus the UK and France, brokering a meeting among relevant Libyan security players to see if they can build a modus vivendi amongst one another against Daesh in Sirte, and avoid fighting over territory in that region. Such a sponsored meeting would not initially seek to address broader issues, just this narrower scope, but it could be an important beginning. We'll make more developed recommendations on a US-Italy-UK-France-UAE-Egypt sponsored security track early next week ahead of the CSIL Ministerial, based on what happens in Tunis in the UN security track meetings first.
- ~~(SBU)~~ **WILL UN PULL OFF FIRST EVER LIBYA SECURITY TRACK MEETINGS IN TUNIS?** Following meetings in

[Redacted]

- ~~(SBU)~~ **THE POLITICS WITHIN LIBYA ARE STILL A MESS.**

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- ~~(SBU)~~ **PC NEEDS STRENGTHENING, FAST.**

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- ~~(SBU)~~ **EFFORTS TO GET US PRESENCE ONGOING.**

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 [redacted] n still hoping to get there before I take my annual leave B7(F)
 second week of August, and conditions permitting to go back multiple times during the second half
 of August and early September.

BACKGROUND

- ~~(SBU)~~ **Blowing Off Steam at the Naval Base:** At the beginning of this week, al-Sarraj finally moved off the naval base to the Prime Minister's Office Building. He held a cabinet meeting and projected a good image of increased government functionality. Yesterday, the image was less positive. Guards allowed a group of about 100 armed young people onto the naval base, where they expressed their frustration with electricity outages by trashing al-Sarraj's former office. Al-Sarraj was not there, and we have heard no reports that anyone was endangered or injured. With help from [redacted] we are closely monitoring the situation, of course, but for n 1.4(D)
 risk is less that security will break down in the capital than that the GNA's popular support wi B1
 erode due to legitimate grievances over basic services. To help the GNA with this, we've continued to [redacted]
 [redacted] If they can finalize this, it should give the GNA some tools to get projects going and start delivering the bread-and-butter results it needs to get the public behind it. As in the past, we will prod the GNA to take the decisions and administrative actions necessary to move forward.

- ~~(SBU)~~ **Building Out Security Architecture and Train and Equip Options with UAE, UK, Italy, Maybe France:** [redacted] 1.4(D)
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- ~~(SBU)~~ **Activating Dialogue in Tunis:** [redacted] 1.4(D)
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NEXT STEPS

~~(SBU)~~ The best opportunity to build on it and on the SOM in Rome would be the small group Libya ministerial that the Secretary discussed with [REDACTED] if the Secretary decides to go forward with it. To outline 1.4(D) thinking, we have sent up a concept note, which we can update as meetings in Tunis unfold. I also plan to B1 pursue diplomatic engagement with LNA leadership via [REDACTED] as soon as this is possible. We will incorporate any changes needed in light of any other initiatives that come to fruition over the next few days.

Jonathan

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