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

Tommy: .

Echoing my voicemail to you:

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

Thanks,

Chief, Media Relations CIA Office of Public Affairs

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Please review the below and respond with your comments ASAP.

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HPSCI White Paper Talking Points for Use with the Media

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- •The crowd almost certainly was a mix of individuals from across many sectors of Libyan society. The investigation is on-going as to who is responsible. That being said, we do know that Islamic extremists participated in the violent demonstrations.
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- The wide availability of weapons and experienced fighters in Libya, almost certainly contributed to the lethality of the attacks.
- The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qaeda in Benghazi and eastern
 Libya. These noted that, since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi
 by unidentified assallants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador's convoy. We cannot rule out
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- The US Government is working with Libyan authorities and intelligence partners in an effort to help bring to justice those responsible for the deaths of US citizens.

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- The investigation is on-going as to who is responsible for the violence, although the crowd almost certainly was a mix of individuals. We do know that Islamic extremists participated in the violent demonstrations.
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To:

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

Subject:

RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

We will use these too

----Original Message----

From: Nuland, Victoria J [nulandvj@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:55 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Vietor, Tommy; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; State PA

Subject: Re: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

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

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

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

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

----Original Message----

From: Sullivan, Jacob J [SullivanJJ@

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

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

Subject: FW: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

From: Adams, David S

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 8:39 PM To: Nuland, Victoria J; NSC Deputy Press Secretary; . CA OPA ; Shawn.Turner@c ; STATE PA : Sullivan, Jacob J

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CC: CIA DEA Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

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CIA OPA , Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS PRESS, Sent: Friday. September 14, 2012 6:48 PM To UN OPA Shawn.Turner@ Nuland, Victoria J; STATE PA

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

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

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cc: CIA OCA Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

From: Shawn S Turner

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

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

CC: CIA OCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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

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From: CIR OFA

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

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

Cc: CIA COShawn S Turner

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Thanks very much for your prompt response, Tommy.

Will send over to STATE:

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

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

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

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

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Here's where we stand as of this hour.

Everyone has submitted coordination comments.

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



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Friday, September 14, 2012 9:32 PM

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Re: Revised HPSCI taking points

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HPSCI White Paper Talking Points for Use with the Media 14 September 2012

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Here's a draft note to the DIRECTOR .

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

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From: CIA OF A Sent: Friday, Sentember 14, 2012 8:59 PM To: nulandvil c: State PA CIA OF A/OCA subject: Revised HPSCI taking points	

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We further discussed the HPSCI talking points with your comments and concerns in mind.

the FBI did not have major concerns with the points and offered only a couple of minor suggestions.

Here's the latest version of the points. Please let us know your thoughts ASAP.

Thanks,

CIA OPA

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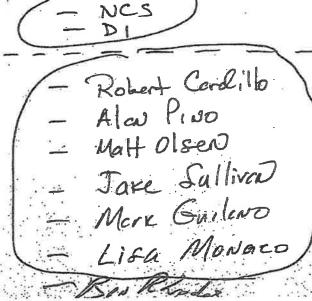
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Subject: [AIN] FW: Unclassified Talking Points

: MICHAEJM

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Michael -- TPs sent to Ruppersberger from ODNI leg.

From: ANCTCOLA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:51 AM
To: Nicholas J Rasmussen; Matthew G. Olsen
Cc: NCTC
Subject: Unclassified Talking Points

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As time progresses, we are learning more, but we still don't have a complete picture of what happened. Fortunately we have the FBI leading the investigation of the attack. Regrettably they have all too much experience in these matters.

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Unrest in the Middle East creates a permissive environment for terrorists. In the days and weeks ahead, we need to be especially vigilant in protecting our people.

Legislative Liaison
Office of the Director
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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012 11:15 AM To:

Subject: [AIN] RE:

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Michael - DOJ and FBI are ok with these. thanks

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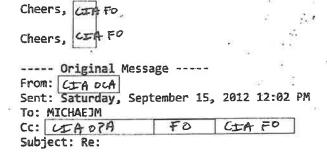
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From: Robert Cardillo Date: 09/15/2012 12:24 PM Subject: [AIN] Re:

MICHAEJM, Alan R Pino.

Please respond to Robert Cardillo

I am, Michael.

---- Original Message -----

From: MICHAEJM

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

To: Robert Cardillo; Alan R Pino

Subject: Fw:

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To:

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

----Original Message----

From: MICHAEJM

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

TO: CEAOPA, CFROCA

CC: CEA FO

Subject: Re:

Thanks. I will bug Robert and Alan.

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From: CFAOCA Date: 09/15/2012 12:43 PM

Subject: [AIN] Re: MICHAEJM

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CC: CIAOCA, CIAOPA,

Michael,
Looks like just about everyone has concurred. I am standing by to forward
the latest version to the committees.

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USUN

Sent:

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To:

Subject:

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

Please do-I have not reached out.

Best, USUN

From: USUN

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

USUN

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

I'm going to email Jake on the libya points

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

me know.

From: USUN

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

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

JC: USUN

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

Libya:

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

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CEAOCA

From:

DAVIDHP74

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:27 PM

Fo: Cc: MICHAEJM; CIA FO

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CIA-OCA

Subject:

RE: Hill Talking Points.

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

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM

To: Cc: NUSLI USUN

Subject:

Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Coming your way.

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From: USUN

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

To: Sullivan, Jacob J

CC: USUN

Subject: Libya - Unclass IC pts

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

Many thx.

USUN

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:44 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Sent:

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NSC Deputy Press Secretary USUN

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From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 05:59 PM To: Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Vietor, Tommy

Subject: FW:

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