United States Department of State

Washington, D.C.  20520

September 30, 2019

Case No. F-2019-04373
Segment: IPS-0002

Katie Townsend
Reporters Committee For
Freedom of the Press
1156 15th St. NW, Suite 1020

Dear Ms. Townsend:

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Sincerely,

Susan C. Weetman
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
Office of Information Programs and Services

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Hey Aaron:

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Thanks for you help,

Andy

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To: Conn, Laura L
Cc: Chiu, Elliot Y
Subject: RE: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets

+ Elliot (FYSA since this involves the press)

From: Conn, Laura L <ConnLL@state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2019 2:33 PM
To: Shah, Meha A <Shahma@state.gov>
Subject: Fw: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets

Hi Meha,
I wanted to send this along in case you hadn’t seen. I’ll give a call later to provide a bit more info in case helpful.
Best,
Laura

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Conn, Laura L <ConnLL@state.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 17:30
To: Sanford, Christina
Subject: FW: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets

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To:  
Subject: FW: Senior Watch Officer Afternoon Brief to the ExecSec - 03/18 (S//NF)  

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03/18 1600 Afternoon Notes

Whereabouts: (SBU) The Secretary is in Overland Park, Kansas.

Calls: (SBU) The Secretary spoke with Attorney General Barr, Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, NSA Bolton, Special Representative Jeffrey, KFDI News, WIBW NewsDay Now, KQAM The Voice of Reason, The B98 Morning Show, Bott Radio Network, KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News, and The KCMO Morning Show. He has a confirmed call with Reverend O’Callaghan. He has confirmed media roundtable calls with student journalists and faith-based organizations. He has pending calls with Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, President Trump and French President Macron, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, Nigerian President Buhari, and Turkish FM Cavusoglu.
The Netherlands
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Turkey/Iran
(SBU) The Turkey desk reports Turkey's Interior Minister announced a joint military operation with Iran against Iraq-based PKK targets March 18. The Desk comments timing of the strikes could be part of an effort to generate support in advance of March 31 elections, adding Turkey may want to show force following the March 16 loss of troops in Iraq.

Senior Watch Officer
State Department Operations Center
202-647-1512

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03/19 0815 Morning Notes

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Venezuela
(U) Interim President Guaido's U.S. Envoy said he expects to take control of Venezuela's embassy in Washington "in the days to come," media report. This follows Guaido's representatives taking control of three Venezuelan diplomatic properties in the United States, including two belonging to the defense ministry in Washington and one consular building in New York.

Haiti
(SBU) The Chamber of Deputies voted 93-6 to remove PM Ceant, media report. Embassy Port-au-Prince reports Ceant and the cabinet are expected to serve in a caretaker status until President Moise forms a new government confirmed by parliament. Moise informed Ambassador Sison he hopes to form the new government within the coming weeks. There have been no reports of large scale protests following the vote.
Briefs & Alerts
(SBU) The Secretary is Wheels Up
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From: Cormack, Maureen E
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 17:26:02 +0000
To: Benhabib, Moises I; Enstrom, Karen L; Talbot, Nancy E; Brunson, Anya Y
Cc: Brown, Kelly E
Subject: RE: Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

Thank you!

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From: Benhabib, Moises I
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Enstrom, Karen L; Talbot, Nancy E; Brunson, Anya Y
Cc: Cormack, Maureen E; Brown, Kelly E; SES-Line_Trip Team 2
Subject: RE: Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

This is complete. It can take about an hour to replicate.

Moises

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From: Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:10 PM
To: Talbot, Nancy E <TalbotNE2@state.gov>; Benhabib, Moises I <BenhabibMI@state.gov>; Brunson, Anya Y <BrunsonAY@state.gov>
Cc: Cormack, Maureen E <CormackM@state.gov>; Brown, Kelly E <BrownKE@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

Moises, please add.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2019, at 12:07 PM, Talbot, Nancy E <TalbotNE2@state.gov> wrote:

Hello Karen,
Can you please add Ambassador Maureen Cormack and Kelly Brown to the SES-Kansas distro list?
Thank you,
Nancy

Nancy Talbot
Special Assistant
Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2019, at 8:46 PM, Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov> wrote:

Dear Colleagues:

Attached is an updated trip schedule for the Secretary’s Kansas “Road to GES” Trip.

A thumbnail of tomorrow’s schedule is provided below:

**Monday, March 18 – Overland Park, Shannon**

TBD S Exec Time  
0650 S Arrive InterCon Hotel  
0705 S Interview Fox 4 News Morning  
0715 S Interview Jake Bowles  
0725 S Interview Nick Gosnell, WIBW Newsday Now  
0735 S Interview KQAM Voice of Reason w/ Andy Hooser  
0745 S Interview KRBB-FM Lukas & Careth in The Morning  
0755 S Interview Andrew Yates, Bott Radio Network  
0805 S Interview E.J. and Ellen, KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News  
0815 S Interview KCMO Pete Mundo Morning  
0825 S Interview Jace Mills, KSNT NBC News  
0845 S Exec Time  
1030 Depart enr Sheraton Hotel  
1055 Arrive Sheraton  
1100 S Discussion w/ Bus Leaders  
1140 S Teleprompter Run Thru  
1215 S Lunch  
1215 S Exec Time  
1330 S Coffee event  
1500 S Welcome/Keynote Address  
1520 S Fireside Chat w/ Lily Wu  
1545 S Interview w/ Lily Wu  
1600 S Pull-aside w/ Minister Kaag  
1615 S Conf Call w/ Univ Students  
1635 S Conf Call w/ Faith Based Media  
1655 Photo w/ Sheraton Gen Mgr & Overland Park Mayor Gerlach  
1700 Depart enr KC Stadium  
1735 Arrive KC Stadium  
1800 S Remarks Welcome Reception  
1910 Depart enr Kansas City Int'l Airport
1940 Arrive Kansas City Int'l Airport
1945 S Photo w/ Local Police
1955 Depart enr Shannon

Please protect and contact me with any questions.

Best, Karen
From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 21:33:58 +0000
To: Operations Center
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: Re: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Carol Zimmermann just updated her number

Kuros Ghaffari  
Office of Press Relations  
U.S. Department of State  
202-485-2853 | m

From: Operations Center  
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 5:26:35 PM  
To: Ghaffari, Kuras  
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls  
Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18  

Dear Kuros,
Understood. Ops will add her to the call.
Regards,
Watch Officer  
State Department Operations Center
+1-202-647-1512  

From: Ghaffari, Kuros  
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 5:23 PM  
To: Operations Center  
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls  
Subject: Re: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18  

Ops Colleagues- We have one addition to the second roundtable with faith-based media:
Carol Zimmermann, Catholic News Service,  

Thank you!!  
Kuros Ghaffari  
Office of Press Relations  
U.S. Department of State  
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From: Operations Center  
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 3:11:04 PM  
To: Ghaffari, Kuros  
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos;
Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18
Dear Kuros,
Per our conversation, Ops is requesting for the number to reach the Secretary for the roundtables.
Regards,
Watch Officer
State Department Operations Center
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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 2:52 PM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineA@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; PA Press Stenos <PAPressStenos@state.gov>; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>; del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18
I forgot to include in my previous email - I will be online and would appreciate the usual IM chat to confirm/trouble shoot as needed. Thanks so much as usual!!
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Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
202-485-2853

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:32 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18
Dear Kuros,
Understood. Ops will be ready to connect at 1715 ET/1615 CT.
Ops will wait for the final World Magazine number to be confirmed.
Regards,
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State Department Operations Center
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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:10 PM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
del Castillo, Daniel A <delcastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>

Subject: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Ops Colleagues:
Below are the details for this afternoon's media calls. We are confirming the telephone that will be available in the interview room, and whether we will do the call on speaker (in which case you would not need to dial DAS Martin in separately).

We are still waiting on one phone number, we will send updates as soon as we have them. As before, all times listed below are local CT (-1).

For the first call, I would note that the student journalists have been a tad trickier to get a hold of, so it might be worth dialing them in a little earlier than normal.

4:15-4:30pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with university student media

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- PA DAS Martin at 202.341.3175
- The Secretary
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Matthew Kelly
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Audrey Korte
- The Oklahoma Daily (University of Oklahoma), Storme Jones
- The Bulletin (Emporia State University), Sarah Spoon
- The Kansas State Collegian (Kansas State University), Pete Loganbill
- The Arrow (Southeast Missouri State University), Matthew Dollard

4:35pm-4:55pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with faith-based media

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Christianity Today, Jeremy Weber, 5743613814
- WORLD Magazine, Mindy Belz, 828-242-0336
- The Algemeiner, Dovid Efune, 347 741 7830
- Religion News Service, Emily McFarlan Miller, 217-725-8035
- Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Ron Kampeas, 571-723-2027
- The Leaven, Joe Bollig, 913-647-0302 (official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Kansas City)
- America Media, Michael O'Loughlin, 978-761-8019 (Jesuit)
- PA DAS Martin at 202.341.3175
- The Secretary

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Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
202-485-2853

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 7:26 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos;
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

To confirm, we tested the line and the receptionist at the hotel indicated the number rings back to the front desk. Thank you for providing a direct number to the room or confirming if we can reach out to S directly on his mobile number.

Regards,

Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 7:13 AM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineA@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; PA Press Stenos <PAPressStenos@state.gov>; 'DRS - State Dept Staff' <DRS.State.Dept.Staff@DiversifiedReporting.com>; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>; del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>

Subject: Re: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Thank you. I'll send those details as soon as I can this morning.

For the morning's calls, we just arrived to the space in which the Secretary will take the calls. He will be using the hotel's landline phone. Would you be able to test it now to make sure the connection works ok? We are at the InterContinental Kansas City At The Plaza (816.756.1500) in Suite 211. Thank you!!

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U.S. Department of State
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From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:51:33 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls

Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Thank you. Understood. Please advise on the details of the conference calls as soon as they are available. Please confirm the topic of each conference call.

Regards,

Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:45 AM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Separately, we will not/not be using the AT&T Teleconference Service for the two small telephonic roundtables in the afternoon. We'd request your support building those calls as we have done in the past when several reporters have been on the line at the same time. I'll send you the reporters and their numbers as soon as I can, likely late morning/midday (apologies for the short turnaround, we really appreciate your flexibility!).

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 00:32
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Please advise whether _____ should be included on any of the calls.

Regards,

Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariKq.state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 8:17 PM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenterq.state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Understood. We will connect the calls as outlined below.

Regards,

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Subject: Full lineup: Support for S media calls March 17 and 18

Ops Colleagues:

Below is the full lineup of telephone interviews for the Secretary tomorrow, Sunday, March 17 and Monday, March 18. A few highlighted details are TBD. I will send updates as soon as I have them. I will be online for all these, would you mind confirming in an IM chat that the calls are up?

I informed all the reporters that you would call them a few minutes early to establish the connection. For the radio interviews I included the reporters' office landline/cell numbers as a backup in case you have difficulty connecting via the call-in numbers. I also would note that all times listed below are local CT (-1).

Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you!!

Sunday, March 17

11:00-11:30am CT, Telephonic roundtable via AT&T Teleconference Service

- PA DAS Martin TBD
- The Secretary via the AT&T Teleconference Service Host Dial-In Number: B2 B7(E)
- PA Press Stenos will dial into the AT&T Teleconference Service directly and will not need to be dialed in separately by Ops

11:45am CT, Lily Wu of KAKE News

- Lily Wu at 316-990-8882
- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos will not participate

Monday, March 18

7:15-7:20am CT, Jake Bowles of KFDI News

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Jake Bowles of KFDI News at 316-838-3931
- PA DAS Martin at, on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:25-7:30am CT, Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now, Cell: B6

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now at (785) 272-9429
- PA DAS Martin at, on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:35-7:40am CT, KQAM The Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser, Office: 316-721-8484, Cell: B6
• PA Press Stenos, ________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
• Andy Hooser of KQAM The Voice of Reason at 316.721.8255
• PA DAS Martin at ________ on mute, she will be listening in only
• The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:45-7:50am CT, B98 FM Lukas & Careth In The Morning, Program Director: Dave Wilson, Office: 316-494-6660, Cell: ________
• PA Press Stenos, ________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
• Lukas & Careth of The B98 Morning Show at 316-494-6633
• PA DAS Martin at ________ on mute, she will be listening in only
• The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:55-8:00am CT, Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network, Cell: ________
• PA Press Stenos, ________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
• Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network at 913-693-5820
• PA DAS Martin at ________ on mute, she will be listening in only
• The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

8:05-8:10am CT, E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News, E.J. Becker Cell: ________, Ellen Schenk Cell: ________
• PA Press Stenos, ________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
• E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News at 913-744-3977
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• PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos TBD
• The Secretary via TBD
From: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 21:26:35 +0000
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Dear Kuros,

Understood. Ops will add her to the call.

Regards,

Watch Officer
State Department Operations Center
+1-202-647-1512

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 5:23 PM
To: Operations Center
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: Re: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Ops Colleagues- We have one addition to the second roundtable with faith-based media:

Carol Zimmermann, Catholic News Service, 202.541.3277

Thank you!!

Kuros Ghaffari
Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
202-485-2853 | m

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 3:11:04 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Dear Kuros,

Per our conversation, Ops is requesting the number to reach the Secretary for the roundtables.
Regards,
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Subject: Re: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Phone number added below!
I forgot to include in my previous email- I will be online and would appreciate the usual IM chat to confirm/trouble shoot as needed. Thanks so much as usual!!

Kuros Ghaffari
Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
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Understood. Ops will be ready to connect at 1715 ET/1615 CT.

Regards,
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Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
202-485-2853 | m [___________]
To confirm, we tested the line and the receptionist at the hotel indicated the number rings back to the front desk. Thank you for providing a direct number to the room or confirming if we can reach out to S directly on his mobile number.

Regards,
Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
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Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Thank you. Understood. Please advise on the details of the conference calls as soon as they are available.

Please confirm the topic of each conference call.

Regards,
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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.
Subject: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Ops Colleagues:

Below is the full lineup of telephone interviews for the Secretary tomorrow, Sunday, March 17 and Monday, March 18. A few highlighted details are TBD. I will send updates as soon as I have them. I will be online for all these, would you mind confirming in an IM chat that the calls are up?

I informed all the reporters that you would call them a few minutes early to establish the connection. For the radio interviews I included the reporters’ office landline/cell numbers as a backup in case you have difficulty connecting via the call-in numbers. I also would note that all times listed below are local CT (-1).

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11:45am CT, Lily Wu of KAKE News

- Lily Wu at 316-990-8882
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Monday, March 18

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- PA Press Stenos on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes B2 B7(E)
• PA Press Stenos, ________— on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes

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Dear Kuros,

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Subject: RE: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18
Dear Kuros,
Understood. Ops will be ready to connect at 1715 ET/1615 CT.
Ops will wait for the final World Magazine number to be confirmed.
Regards,
Watch Officer
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Please advise whether ______ should be included on any of the calls. B5

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Understood. We will connect the calls as outlined below.

Regards,

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Subject: RE: Updated March 18 Schedule Card

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Many thanks,

Anya

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1330-1430 ATTEND: Coffee [Leatherwood Room 1]
1440-1500 Speech Prep [Linden Room]
1500-1520 SPKG: Official Welcome/Keynote [Cottonwood Ballroom]
1520-1540 SPKG: Fireside Chat with Lily Wu [Cottonwood Ballroom]
1540-1545 ENR: Walk to Linden room
1545-1555 INTERVIEW: Lily Wu [Linden Room]
1600-1615 MTG: Dutch Trade Minister Kaag [Redbud Room]
1615-1635 INTERVIEW: Conference Call Roundtable with Faith Based Media [Linden Room]
1640-1655 INTERVIEW: Conference Call Roundtable with University Students [Linden Room]
1655-1755 TAKE: Photo with Sheraton GM Bruce Boettcher and Overland Park Mayor Carl Gerlach
1700-1730 ENR Drive to Children’s Mercy Park/Sporting KC Stadium
1745-1800 Executive Time/Speech Prep [Room 409]
1800-1805 SPEECH: Remarks at Welcome Reception [Children’s Mercy Park Stadium]
1910-1940 ENR Drive to Kansas City International Airport
1945-1950 TAKE: Photo with Local Police/Security
1955 ENR Fly to Shannon
From: Brunson, Anya Y
Sent: Sun, 17 Mar 2019 12:53:19 +0000
To: Enstrom, Karen L
Subject: Re: Updating the schedule

Karen,

Everything works.

Thanks!

Anya

Get Outlook for iOS

From: Enstrom, Karen L
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 3:45 PM
To: Brunson, Anya Y
Subject: RE: Updating the schedule

Anya,
I was able to get access to FAN from the office. Not certain why not from my EMD and iPhone. Were you able to resolve your problem?
Best, Karen

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From: Enstrom, Karen L
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 11:44 AM
To: del Castillo, Daniel A ; Brunson, Anya Y ; Benhabib, Moises I
Subject: Updating the schedule

I am having problems logging into FAN and plan to go into the office to ensure I have access. We should plan to send out an updated schedule NLT 1230 today. Anja/Moises, will you be able to help?
Best, Karen

From: del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 11:35 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; Gowa, Timothy M <GowaTM@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>; Brunson, Anya Y <BrunsonAY@state.gov>; Benhabib, Moises I <BenhabibMI@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Intv lineup

Kuros,
We are just updating the schedule now. Are these final and confirmed?

Daniel del Castillo
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On Mar 16, 2019, at 10:32 AM, Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov> wrote:

Sunday, March 17
11:00-11:30 Kansas print roundtable
Monday, March 18
7:00-7:05 Prep
7:05-7:10 FOX 4 News Mornings (Kansas City)
7:10-7:15 Prep
7:15-7:20 Jake Bowles or Wil Day of KFDI News (Wichita)
7:20-7:25 Prep
7:25-7:30 Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now (Topeka)
7:30-7:35 Prep
7:36-7:41 KQAM The Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser (Wichita)
7:40-7:45 Prep
7:45-7:50 B98 FM Lukas & Careth In The Morning (Wichita)
7:50-7:55 Prep
7:55-8:00 Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network (nationwide)
8:00-8:05 Prep
8:05-8:10 E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News (Kansas City)
8:10-8:15 Prep
8:15-8:20 KCMO Pete Mundo Morning Show (Kansas City)
8:20-8:25 Prep
8:25-8:40 Jace Mills of KSNT NBC News (Topeka-based but will share with stations in Topeka, Wichita, and Joplin and make available for 150 stations nationwide)
15:45-15:55 Lily Wu of KAKE ABC News
16:20-16:40
Faith-based media roundtable
16:40-16:45 Prep
16:45-17:00
University student journalist roundtable
From: Wills, Laura B  
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 12:39:36 +0000  
To: Lawler, Sean P; Henderson, Cam  
Cc: Watson, Brooke; Fisher, Mary-Kate  
Subject: Road to GES  

Attach: Skinny Sked _ Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Kansas.pdf, 2019 R2GES Plenary Run of Show Day 1.pdf, Run of Show - March 18, 2019 V6.docx, 3.18.19 Road to GES 19 Master Schedule v10 with S movements.docx

Importance: High

Amb/Cam,
I’m sure Mary-Kate has filled you in, but I can report that we’re set for today. Major Events and Ceremonials have worked well together and our teams are supporting each other. Attached are the final versions of the schedules in case you want to follow.

Best,
Laura

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Room 1052 HST | 202-647-9285 office | cell | Email: WillsLB@State.Gov

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Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Overland Park, Kansas  
Road to the Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES): Heartland  
March 15-18, 2019  
As of March 17, 2019, at 2030 Central Standard Time

**Monday, March 18 – Overland Park, Shannon**

TBD  
**Executive Time**  
- Location: Private Location

0645  
Depart from Private Location en route InterContinental Hotel Kansas City (5 mins)

0650  
Arrive InterContinental Hotel Kansas City  
- Press: Official Photographer

0700  
**Press Prep** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0705  
**Interview with Fox 4 News Morning (KC)** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0710  
**Press Prep** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0715  
**Interview with Jake Bowles KFDI (Topeka)** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0720  
**Press Prep** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0725  
**Interview with Nick Gosnell of WIBW Newsday Now (Wichita)** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0730  
**Press Prep** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0735  
**Interview with KQAM Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser (Wichita)** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0740  
**Press Prep** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0745  
**Interview with KRBB-FM Lukas & Careth in The Morning (Wichita)** (5 mins)  
- Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217
0750  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0755  Interview with Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network (Nationwide) (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0800  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0805  Interview with E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News (KC) (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0810  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0815  Interview with KCMO Pete Mundo Morning Show (KC) (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0820  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0825  Interview with Jace Mills of KSNT NBC News (Topeka based, will share Kansas wide) (15 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0845  Executive Time (1 hr 45 mins)
   • Location: Mobile Comms Suite

1030  Depart from InterContinental Hotel Kansas City enr Sheraton Overland Park Hotel (25 mins)

1055  Arrive Sheraton Overland Park Hotel
   • Greeted by: Acting U/S Singh
   • Press: Official Photographer

1100  Discussion with Regional Business Leaders (40 mins)
   • Press: Official Photographer

1140  Teleprompter Run Through (30 mins)
   • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Cottonwood Ballroom

1215  Lunch (1 hr 15 mins)
• Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel, Linden Room

1300  
**Road to GES general registration opens and hotel check-in at Sheraton Overland Park Hotel**

1330  
**Coffee** (1 hr)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Leatherwood Room 1
- Press: Official Photographer

1440  
**Speech Prep** (20 mins)

1500  
**Official Welcome/Keynote Address** (20 mins)
- Press: Open Press

1520  
**Fireside Chat with Lily Wu** (20 mins)
- Press: Open Press

1540  
Depart Cottonwood Ballroom enr Linden Room

1540  
**Dutch Trade Minister Kaag makes her remarks**

1545  
**Interview with Lily Wu** (10 mins)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room

1600  
**Pull-aside with Dutch Trade Minister Kaag** (15 mins)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Redbud Room
- Press: Official Photographer

1600  
**Road to GES Rising Entrepreneur Showcase**

1615  
**Conference Call Roundtable with University Students** (15 mins)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room
- Notes: Statewide university student media roundtable

1635  
**Conference Call Roundtable with Faith Based Media** (20 mins)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room
- Notes: Statewide/national non-traditional media roundtable

1655  
**Photo with Sheraton Overland Park General Manager and Mayor of Overland Park Carl R. Gerlach** (2 mins)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Redbud Room
- Press: Official Photographer

1700  
Depart Sheraton Overland Park enr Children’s Mercy Park/ Sporting KC Stadium (30 mins)
1735 Arrive Sporting KC Stadium
  • Greeted by: Mayor of Kansas City, Kansas, David Alvey
  • Press: Official Photographer

1745 Remarks Prep & Executive Time (15 mins)

1800 Remarks at Welcome Reception (5 mins)
  • Press: Open Press
  • Notes: 1 hour for mingling

1910 Depart Stadium enr Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) (30 mins)

1940 Arrive Kansas City International Airport (KCMI)
  • Press: Official Photographer

1945 Photo with Local Police
  • Press: Official Photographer

1955 Depart Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) enr Shannon
  Flight Time: Approx. 7 hrs, 40 mins; TC: (+ 6 hours)

TBD Arrive Shannon
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Subject: S Calls Update 03/17

Confirmed Sunday 03/17
S 4 Print Reporters Conference Call 1100 CT/1200 ET
S 4 Ms. Lily Wu 1145 CT/1245 ET

Pending Sunday 03/17
Confined Monday 03/18
S 4 Mr. Jake Bowles 0715 CT/0815 ET
S 4 Mr. Nick Gosnell 0725 CT/0825 ET
S 4 Mr. Andy Hooser 0735 CT/0835 ET
S 4 Lukas & Careth 0745 CT/0845 ET
S 4 Mr. Andrew Yates 0755 CT/0855 ET
S 4 KMBZ Morning News 0805 CT/0905 ET
S 4 Mr. Pete Mundo 0815 CT/0915 ET

Pending Monday 03/18

Pending Tuesday 03/19

Confirmed Thursday 03/28
S 4 Reverend P. O’Callaghan 1030 ET

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Subject: S Calls Update 03/18

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S 4 Mr. Nick Gosnell 0725 CT/0825 ET  
S 4 Mr. Andy Hooser 0735 CT/0835 ET  
S 4 Lukas & Careth 0745 CT/0845 ET  
S 4 Mr. Andrew Yates 0755 CT/0855 ET  
S 4 KMBZ Morning News 0805 CT/0905 ET  
S 4 Mr. Pete Mundo 0815 CT/0915 ET  
S 4 Attorney General Barr (SECURE) 0910 CT/1010 ET  
S 4 Treasury Secretary Mnuchin (SECURE) 0930 CT/1030 ET

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Subject: S conference call roundtable w faith based media concludes 1703

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Subject: S is speaking with Faith-Based Organizations

Call up: 1749 ET
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From: Enstrom, Karen L  
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 01:46:15 +0000  
To: SES-Kansas Trip  
Subject: Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

Dear Colleagues:

Attached is an updated trip schedule for the Secretary’s Kansas “Road to GES” Trip.

A thumbnail of tomorrow’s schedule is provided below:

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1910 Depart enr Kansas City Int’l Airport  
1940 Arrive Kansas City Int’l Airport
1945 S Photo w/ Local Police
1955 Depart enr Shannon

Please protect and contact me with any questions.

Best, Karen
Monday, March 18 – Overland Park, Shannon

TBD

Executive Time
• Location: Private Location

0645
Depart from Private Location en route InterContinental Hotel Kansas City (5 mins)

0650
Arrive InterContinental Hotel Kansas City
• Press: Official Photographer

0700
Press Prep (5 mins)
• Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0705
Interview with Fox 4 News Morning (KC) (5 mins)
• Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0710
Press Prep (5 mins)
• Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

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0755  Interview with Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network (Nationwide) (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0800  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0805  Interview with E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News (KC) (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0810  Press Prep (5 mins)
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   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0820  Press Prep (5 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0825  Interview with Jace Mills of KSNT NBC News (Topeka based, will share Kansas wide) (15 mins)
   • Location: InterContinental Hotel Kansas City Rooms 211 & 217

0845  Executive Time (1 hr 45 mins)
   • Location: Mobile Comms Suite

1030  Depart from InterContinental Hotel Kansas City enr Sheraton Overland Park Hotel (25 mins)

1055  Arrive Sheraton Overland Park Hotel
   • Greeted by: Acting U/S Singh
   • Press: Official Photographer

1100  Discussion with Regional Business Leaders (40 mins)
   • Press: Official Photographer

1140  Teleprompter Run Through (30 mins)
   • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Cottonwood Ballroom

1215  Lunch (1 hr 15 mins)
• Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel, Linden Room

1300  *Road to GES general registration opens and hotel check-in at Sheraton Overland Park Hotel*

1330  **Coffee** (1 hr)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Leatherwood Room 1
  • Press: Official Photographer

1440  **Speech Prep** (20 mins)

1500  **Official Welcome/Keynote Address** (20 mins)
  • Press: Open Press

1520  **Fireside Chat with Lily Wu** (20 mins)
  • Press: Open Press

1540  Depart Cottonwood Ballroom enr Linden Room

1540  **Dutch Trade Minister Kaag makes her remarks**

1545  **Interview with Lily Wu** (10 mins)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room

1600  **Pull-aside with Dutch Trade Minister Kaag** (15 mins)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Redbud Room
  • Press: Official Photographer

1600  *Road to GES Rising Entrepreneur Showcase*

1615  **Conference Call Roundtable with University Students** (15 mins)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room
  • Notes: Statewide university student media roundtable

1635  **Conference Call Roundtable with Faith Based Media** (20 mins)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Linden Room
  • Notes: Statewide/national non-traditional media roundtable

1655  **Photo with Sheraton Overland Park General Manager and Mayor of Overland Park Carl R. Gerlach** (2 mins)
  • Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Redbud Room
  • Press: Official Photographer

1700  Depart Sheraton Overland Park enr Children’s Mercy Park/ Sporting KC Stadium (30 mins)
1735 Arrive Sporting KC Stadium
   ● Greeted by: Mayor of Kansas City, Kansas, David Alvey
   ● Press: Official Photographer

1745 Remarks Prep & Executive Time (15 mins)

1800 Remarks at Welcome Reception (5 mins)
   ● Press: Open Press
   ● Notes: 1 hour for mingling

1910 Depart Stadium enr Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) (30 mins)

1940 Arrive Kansas City International Airport (KCMI)
   ● Press: Official Photographer

1945 Photo with Local Police
   ● Press: Official Photographer

1955 Depart Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) enr Shannon
   Flight Time: Approx. 7 hrs, 40 mins; TC: (+ 6 hours)

TBD Arrive Shannon
From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 17:10:13 +0000
To: Operations Center
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; DRS - State Dept Staff; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Ops Colleagues:

Below are the details for this afternoon’s media calls. We are confirming the telephone that will be available in the interview room, and whether we will do the call on speaker (in which case you would not need to dial DAS Martin in separately).

We are still waiting on one phone number, we will send updates as soon as we have them. As before, all times listed below are local CT (-1).

For the first call, I would note that the student journalists have been a tad trickier to get a hold of, so it might be worth dialing them in a little earlier than normal.

4:15-4:30pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with university student media
- PA Press Stenos on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- PA DAS Martin at 202.341.3175
- The Secretary
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Matthew Kelly
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Audrey Korte
- The Oklahoma Daily (University of Oklahoma), Storme Jones
- The Bulletin (Emporia State University), Sarah Spoon
- The Kansas State Collegian (Kansas State University), Pete Loganbill
- The Arrow (Southeast Missouri State University), Matthew Dollard

4:30pm-4:55pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with faith-based media
- PA Press Stenos on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Christianity Today, Jeremy Weber, 5743613814
- WORLD Magazine, Mindy Belz
- The Algemeiner, Dovid Efune, 347 741 7830
- Religion News Service, Emily McFarlan Miller, 217-725-8035
- Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Ron Kampeas, 571-723-2027
- The Leaven, Joe Bollig, 913-647-0302 (official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Kansas City)
• America Media, Michael O'Loughlin, 978-761-8019 (Jesuit)
• PA DAS Martin at 202.341.3175
• The Secretary

Kuros Ghaffari
Office of Press Relations
U.S. Department of State
202-485-2853

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 7:26 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS -
State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,
To confirm, we tested the line and the receptionist at the hotel indicated the number rings back to the
front desk. Thank you for providing a direct number to the room or confirming if we can reach out to S
directly on his mobile number.
Regards,
Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

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State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: Re: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Thank you. I’ll send those details as soon as I can this morning.

For the morning’s calls, we just arrived to the space in which the Secretary will take the calls. He
will be using the hotel’s landline phone. Would you be able to test it now to make sure the
connection works ok? We are at the InterContinental Kansas City At The Plaza (816.756.1500) in
Suite 211. Thank you!!

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Office of Press Relations
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202-485-2853
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Dear Kuros,

Thank you. Understood. Please advise on the details of the conference calls as soon as they are available. Please confirm the topic of each conference call.

Regards,
Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:45 AM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAj@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; PA Press Stenos <PAPressStenos@state.gov>; 'DRS - State Dept Staff' <DRS.State.Dept.Employees@DiversifiedReporting.com>; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>; del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Separately, we will not/not be using the AT&T Teleconference Service for the two small telephonic roundtables in the afternoon. We’d request your support building those calls as we have done in the past when several reporters have been on the line at the same time. I’ll send you the reporters and their numbers as soon as I can, likely late morning/midday (apologies for the short turnaround, we really appreciate your flexibility!).

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Operations Center
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 8:26 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Please advise whether should be included on any of the calls.

Regards,
Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

From: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 00:32
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

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Regards,
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Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuras,

Understood. We will connect the calls as outlined below.

Regards,

Watch Officer

Operations Center

U.S. Department of State

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Official - SBU

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Ops Colleagues:

Below is the full lineup of telephone interviews for the Secretary tomorrow, Sunday, March 17 and Monday, March 18. A few highlighted details are TBD. I will send updates as soon as I have them. I will be online for all these, would you mind confirming in an IM chat that the calls are up?

I informed all the reporters that you would call them a few minutes early to establish the connection. For the radio interviews I included the reporters' office landline/cell numbers as a backup in case you have difficulty connecting via the call-in numbers. I also would note that all times listed below are local CT (-1).

Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you!!

Sunday, March 17

11:00-11:30am CT, Telephonic roundtable via AT&T Teleconference Service

- PA DAS Martin TBD
- The Secretary via the AT&T Teleconference Service Host Dial-In Number: [redacted]
- PA Press Stenos will dial into the AT&T Teleconference Service directly and will not need to be dialed in separately by Ops

11:45am CT, Lily Wu of KAKE News

- Lily Wu at 316-990-8882
- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos will not participate
Monday, March 18

7:15-7:20am CT, Jake Bowles of KFDI News
- PA Press Stenos, ____________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Jake Bowles of KFDI News at 316-838-3931
- PA DAS Martin at ____________ on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:25-7:30am CT, Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now, Cell: ____________
- PA Press Stenos, (___________) on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now at (785) 272-9429
- PA DAS Martin at ____________ on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:35-7:40am CT, KQAM The Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser, Office: 316-721-8484, Cell: ____________
- PA Press Stenos, ____________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Andy Hooser of KQAM The Voice of Reason at 316.721.8255
- PA DAS Martin at ____________ on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:45-7:50am CT, B98 FM Lukas & Careth In The Morning, Program Director: Dave Wilson, Office: 316-494-6660, Cell: 316-253-4811
- PA Press Stenos, ____________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Lukas & Careth of The B98 Morning Show at 316-494-6633
- PA DAS Martin at ____________ on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:55-8:00am CT, Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network, Cell: ____________
- PA Press Stenos, ____________ on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network at 913-693-5820
- PA DAS Martin at ____________ on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview
8:05-8:10am CT, E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News, E.J. Becker Cell

Ellen Schenk Cell:
- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News at 913-744-3977
- PA DAS Martin at on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

8:15-8:20am CT, KCMO Pete Mundo Morning Show, Office: 913-514-3108, Cell:

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Pete Mundo of The KCMO Morning Show at 913-514-3060
- PA DAS Martin at on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

4:15-4:35pm CT, Telephonic roundtable via TBD

- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos TBD
- The Secretary via TBD

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Road to the Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES): Heartland
March 15-18, 2019
As of March 17, 2019, at 2030 Central Standard Time

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January 17, 2020

Case No. F-2019-04373
Segment: S-0002

Katie Townsend
Reporters Committee For
Freedom of the Press
1156 15th St. NW, Suite 1020

Dear Ms. Townsend:

I refer to our letter dated December 16, 2019, regarding the release of certain Department of State material under the Freedom of Information Act (the “FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department located 48 additional documents responsive to your request. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that 20 may be released in full and 28 may be released in part. We have also enclosed one document that was previously released in part, with some redactions removed.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made excisions, the applicable exemptions are marked on each document. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released and is enclosed.

This completes the processing of your request. If you have any questions, you may contact Assistant United States Attorney Jeremy Simon at (202) 252-2528 or jeremy.simon@usdoj.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number, F-2019-04373, and the civil action number, 19-cv-02125, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Weetman
Deputy Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated
The Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
1.4(b) Foreign government information
1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US; including confidential sources
1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
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(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

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| CIA PERS/ORG | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) |
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(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

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(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:
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(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

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To: SCCl; Ruppel, Emily A
Subject: CNN: State Department bars press corps from Pompeo briefing, won't release list of attendees

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Michelle Kosinski-Profile-Image1Jennifer Hansler
By Michelle Kosinski and Jennifer Hansler, CNN

Updated 2:13 PM ET, Tue March 19, 2019

(CNN) The State Department on Monday said it would not be distributing a transcript or list of attendees from a briefing call with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo held that evening -- a call from which the department's press corps was excluded and only "faith-based media" allowed.

The afternoon phone briefing was to discuss "international religious freedom" with the secretary -- who rarely participates in such calls -- ahead of his trip to the Middle East. One member of the State Department press corps was invited, only to be un-invited after RSVPing. That reporter was told that the call was for "faith-based media only."

CNN also RSVP'd to organizers, asking to be included, but received no reply.

Despite repeated inquiries and complaints from members of the press corps who are based at the department, the State Department on Monday night said they would not be providing a transcript of the call, a list of faith-based media outlets who were allowed to participate or the criteria to be invited.

Officials would not answer questions about whether a range of faiths was included.

A reporter with EWTN Global Catholic Television told CNN they were not originally invited but had asked the State Department if they could take part and were allowed.

An article from Religion News Service -- which notes that it "is not a faith-based media organization, but rather a secular news service that covers religion, spirituality and ethics" -- said participants in the Pompeo briefing "were not told that the call was limited to faith-based media."

"While it was not clear which outlets were part of the call, questions were asked by Religion News Service, Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Algemeiner, World Magazine and The Leaven, the newspaper of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. America Magazine also participated in the call," according to RNS.

Pompeo did take part in an on-the-record briefing with the traveling press en route to the Middle East.

The State Department told the press traveling with Pompeo that the department does not release transcripts for print roundtables. However, they typically release transcripts for all of the secretary's public press engagements.
Former State Department spokesperson John Kirby, who is a CNN Global Affairs analyst, said "it is typical practice that any on the record interview in which a Cabinet official participates is transcribed and published at the earliest appropriate opportunity."

"These officials are public servants. What they say — in its entirety — is inherently of public interest. It's inappropriate and irresponsible not to observe that obligation," he told CNN.

Kirby said he has "certainly seen times when particular journalists or columnists have been targeted for inclusion on given topics."

However, "to exclude beat reporters from something as universally relevant as religious freedom in the Middle East strikes me as not only self-defeating but incredibly small-minded," he said.

"It's perfectly fine to ensure faith-based media have a seat at such a table. But it's PR malpractice to cut off access to the broader press corps. I wish I could say I expected more from this crowd," Kirby said.

A State Department spokesperson said in a statement that some press engagements - "Department press briefings, teleconferences on a myriad of policy issues, briefings and sprays by the Secretary of State and other officials — are open to any interested domestic or international press."

"Other engagements are more targeted or designed for topic, region, or audience-specific media. This has always been the case," they said.


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Sent: Sun, 17 Mar 2019 20:07:43 +0000
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Boggs, Gladys D
Subject: Conference call roundtables / faith based + u students

Kuros,

Are the two conference call roundtables confirmed?

Daniel del Castillo
Executive Secretariat (S/ES-S)
U.S. Department of State

Sent from my iPhone
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    • Other Participation:
      o Alan Cobb, President, Chamber of Commerce (Kansas)
      o Clare Fairfield, President, Venture Capital Institute (Iowa)
      o Kerri Thurston, Chief Financial Officer, C2FO (Missouri)
E. Laverne Epp, Executive Chairman, Bioscience and Technology Business Center (Kansas)
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Redbud Room
- Press: Official Photographer
- Notional Scenario: Introduced by Acting U/S Manisha Singh, who will moderate.
- Notes: Discussion focused on how we can do more together with the private sector to support entrepreneurs in the U.S. heartland to gain investment and operate internationally.

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- U.S. Participation: The Secretary
- Location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel Cottonwood Ballroom
- Press: Open Press
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Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 02:33:30 +0000
To: Enstrom, Karen L
Subject: Detailed Sked: Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Kansas

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From: del Castillo, Daniel A
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Subject: Final Sked: Secretary Pompeo’s Visit to Kansas

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Sent: Sun, 17 Mar 2019 11:49:59 +0000  
To: del Castillo, Daniel A  
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Subject: Fw: Detailed Sked Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Kansas.pdf  

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.  

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Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 11:45 AM  
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V/r,

Aakash Bhatt
Bureau of Legislative Affairs (H)
Department of State
Cell: 202-251-5738
Desk: 202-647-8759

Sajit Gandhi | Senior Professional Staff Member | House Committee on Foreign Affairs | 202.225.5021
From: Davis, Stacy Bernard  
To: Cadieux, Andre L; Barnes, Riley M; Walsh, Pauletta M; Whitaker, Chelsea M  
Subject: FW: Press Clips March 20, 2019  

Attach: U.S. Department of State Daily Digest Bulletin

Thought these might also be of interest to you

Stacy Bernard Davis  
Senior Advisor for Combating Anti-Semitism and Unit Chief, Europe  
Office of International Religious Freedom (DRL/IRF)  
Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor  
U.S. Department of State  
202-647-1212

Claudette

Good morning everyone,

Just flagging a few a few Press clips from this morning and yesterday. Thought you might be interested to see what's in the news.

PA Press Clips:

- U.S. Department of State Daily Digest Bulletin: S received a question on anti-Semitism from a member of the traveling press team. S gave a broad general response.

- Catholic News Service: Before Middle East trip, Pompeo briefs religion reporters

- Religion News Service: Pompeo: All faiths will have 'something to say' on forthcoming peace plan

Morning Twitter Roundup

DEPARTMENT  
Washington ExaminerVerified account @dcexaminer 8:38 AM - 19 Mar 2019

Nahal Toosi Verified account @nahaltoosi 1:00 PM - 19 Mar 2019
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Michele Kelemen Verified account @michelekelemen 9:50 AM - 19 Mar 2019
Re Pompeo's faith-based media news conference yesterday, the State Dept says some of its media engagements are "targeted or designed for topic, region, or audience-specific media." True, but usually we see a transcript or at least know who was invited. Why not this time?
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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Date: March 17, 2019 at 9:46:15 PM EDT
To: SES-Kansas Trip <SES-KansasTrip@state.gov>
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  • Press: Official Photographer

1700 Depart Sheraton Overland Park enr Children’s Mercy Park/ Sporting KC Stadium (30 mins)
1735  
Arrive Sporting KC Stadium
  - Greeted by: Mayor of Kansas City, Kansas, David Alvey
  - Press: Official Photographer

1745  
Remarks Prep & Executive Time (15 mins)

1800  
Remarks at Welcome Reception (5 mins)
  - Press: Open Press
  - Notes: 1 hour for mingling

1910  
Depart Stadium enr Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) (30 mins)

1940  
Arrive Kansas City International Airport (KCMI)
  - Press: Official Photographer

1945  
Photo with Local Police
  - Press: Official Photographer

1955  
Depart Kansas City International Airport (KCMI) enr Shannon
  Flight Time: Approx. 7 hrs, 40 mins; TC: (1.6 hours)

TBD  
Arrive Shannon
From: del Castillo, Daniel A
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 01:18:55 +0000
To: delcastillod
Subject: Fwd: Secretary’s March 15-18 Trip to Kansas

Daniel del Castillo
Executive Secretariat (S/ES-S)
U.S. Department of State
Line:
Worldwide Mobile:
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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Enstrom, Karen L" <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Date: March 17, 2019 at 8:18:39 PM CDT
To: "del Castillo, Daniel A" <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Secretary’s March 15-18 Trip to Kansas

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Enstrom, Karen L" <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Date: March 16, 2019 at 3:42:02 PM CDT
To: "Enstrom, Karen L" <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Subject: Secretary’s March 15-18 Trip to Kansas

Dear Colleagues:

Attached is an updated trip schedule for the Secretary’s Kansas “Road to GES” Trip.

A thumbnail of tomorrow’s schedule is provided below:

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1700 Depart enr KC Stadium
1735 Arrive KC Stadium
1800 5 Remarks Welcome Reception
1910 Depart enr New Century Aircenter
1940 Arrive Aircenter
1945 S Photo w/ Local Police
1955 Depart enr Shannon

Please protect and contact me with any questions.

Best, Karen

Karen Enstrom
Deputy Executive Secretary
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(w) 202-647-5302
EnstromKL@state.gov
From: Martinez, Juan D  
Sent: Tue, 19 Mar 2019 21:04:40 +0000  
To: Snyder, Margaret C  
Subject: RE: CNN: State Department bars press corps from Pompeo briefing, won't release list of attendees

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Personal  
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From: Snyder, Margaret C  
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 5:04 PM  
To: Martinez, Juan D  
Subject: RE: CNN: State Department bars press corps from Pompeo briefing, won't release list of attendees

Oh.

Best,

Maggie

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From: Martinez, Juan D <MartinezJD2@state.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 3:45 PM  
To: SCCL <SCCI@state.gov>; Ruppel, Emily A <RuppleEA@state.gov>  
Subject: CNN: State Department bars press corps from Pompeo briefing, won't release list of attendees

State Department bars press corps from Pompeo briefing, won't release list of attendees  
Michelle Kosinski-Profile-Image1Jennifer Hansler  
By Michelle Kosinski and Jennifer Hansler, CNN

Updated 2:13 PM ET, Tue March 19, 2019

(CNN) The State Department on Monday said it would not be distributing a transcript or list of attendees from a briefing call with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo held that evening -- a call from which the department's press corps was excluded and only "faith-based media" allowed.

The afternoon phone briefing was to discuss "international religious freedom" with the secretary -- who rarely participates in such calls -- ahead of his trip to the Middle East. One member of the State Department press corps was invited, only to be un-invited after RSVPing. That reporter was told that the call was for "faith-based media only."
CNN also RSVP'd to organizers, asking to be included, but received no reply.

Despite repeated inquiries and complaints from members of the press corps who are based at the department, the State Department on Monday night said they would not be providing a transcript of the call, a list of faith-based media outlets who were allowed to participate or the criteria to be invited.

Officials would not answer questions about whether a range of faiths was included.
A reporter with EWTN Global Catholic Television told CNN they were not originally invited but had asked the State Department if they could take part and were allowed.

An article from Religion News Service -- which notes that it "is not a faith-based media organization, but rather a secular news service that covers religion, spirituality and ethics" -- said participants in the Pompeo briefing "were not told that the call was limited to faith-based media."

"While it was not clear which outlets were part of the call, questions were asked by Religion News Service, Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Algemeiner, World Magazine and The Leaven, the newspaper of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. America Magazine also participated in the call," according to RNS.

Pompeo did take part in an on-the-record briefing with the traveling press en route to the Middle East.

The State Department told the press traveling with Pompeo that the department does not release transcripts for print roundtables. However, they typically release transcripts for all of the secretary's public press engagements.

Former State Department spokesperson John Kirby, who is a CNN Global Affairs analyst, said "It is typical practice that any on the record interview in which a Cabinet official participates is transcribed and published at the earliest appropriate opportunity."

"These officials are public servants. What they say — in its entirety — is inherently of public interest. It's inappropriate and irresponsible not to observe that obligation," he told CNN.

Kirby said he has "certainly seen times when particular journalists or columnists have been targeted for inclusion on given topics."

However, "to exclude beat reporters from something as universally relevant as religious freedom in the Middle East strikes me as not only self-defeating but incredibly small-minded," he said.

"It's perfectly fine to ensure faith-based media have a seat at such a table. But it's PR malpractice to cut off access to the broader press corps. I wish I could say I expected more from this crowd," Kirby said.

A State Department spokesperson said in a statement that some press engagements -- "Department press briefings, teleconferences on a myriad of policy issues, briefings and sprays by the Secretary of State and other officials— are open to any interested domestic or international press."

"Other engagements are more targeted or designed for topic, region, or audience-specific media. This has always been the case," they said.

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From: Nathan, Jeremy P  
Sent: Tue, 19 Mar 2019 15:11:37 +0000  
To: Lavallee, Michael P  
Subject: RE: Faith Based Media Briefing?

Mike – thank you. Nothing further from me but I’ll keep scratching my head.

V/R,

--Jeremy

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From: Lavallee, Michael P  
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 9:59 AM  
To: Nathan, Jeremy P  
Subject: RE: Faith Based Media Briefing?

Jeremy – I also thought it was but I heard about it the same way you did. At this point I have no insight to offer why they decided to conduct this engagement in this highly unusual manner.

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From: Nathan, Jeremy P <NathanJP@state.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 8:25 AM  
To: Lavallee, Michael P <LavalleeMP@state.gov>  
Subject: Faith Based Media Briefing?  
Importance: Low

Hi Mike –

Do you have any info about this? I’m reading about this on Twitter and it seems somewhat strange. Would appreciate any context you have.

Thanks,

--Jeremy

Jeremy Nathan  
Deputy Director, S/SECI/GNP  
Office of the Special Envoy to the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS
Secretary Pompeo's Schedule
Monday, March 18, 2019
Kansas City, KS (-1 Hour)

S Arrives InterContinental Hotel Kansas City enr Media Interviews 0646
S  preps for media interviews 0649
S begins long round of media interviews 0705
S is speaking with Mr. J. Bowles
S is speaking with Mr. N. Gosnell
S is speaking with Mr. A. Hauger
S is speaking with Mr. L. Cox and Mrs. C. Beard
S is speaking with Mr. A. Yates
S is speaking with Mr. B. Backer
S is speaking with Mr. P. Murphy
S media interviews end; executive time begins 0841
S is speaking with NSA Bolton (SECURE)
S is speaking with ExecSecKenny
S is speaking with Attorney General Barr (SECURE)
S is speaking with Secretary Mnuchin and NSA Bolton
S executive time ends 0945
S departs InterCon enr private residence 0948
S arrives private residence 0952
S departs private residence 1030
S arrives Sheraton 1050
S arrives Sheraton 1051
S begins roundtable with business leaders 1053
S roundtable with business leaders concludes 1141
S begins teleprompter practice 1143
S teleprompter practice ends 1151
S begins lunch / exec time in hold room 1154
S is speaking with Special Representative Jeffries
S lunch / exec time ends; coffee begins 1323
S coffee ends 1432
S speech prep begins 1435
S speech prep ends; proceeds to ballroom for speech 1458
S begins Road to GES speech 1501  
S Road to GES speech ends 1528  
S fireside chat with Lily Wu begins 1529  
S fireside chat with Lily Wu concludes 1551  
S begins separate interview with Lily Wu 1554  
S interview with Lily Wu concludes 1610  
S pull aside with Dutch Trade Minister begins 1610  
S pull aside with Dutch Trade Minister Kaag concludes 1631  
S begins conference call roundtable with U students 1633  
S is speaking with Student Journalists  
S is speaking with Faith-Based Organizations  
S begins conference call roundtable with Faith based media 1650  
S conference call roundtable w faith based media concludes 1703  
S pauses for photo w Sheraton manager & Mayor of Overland Park enr motorcade 1704  
S departs Sheraton Overland Park enr KC Stadium 1708  
S arrives Kansas City Stadium 1740  
S begins speech prep 1742  
S speech prep ends; proceeds to reception at KC Sporting Stadium 1800  
S begins remarks at reception at KC Sporting Stadium 1806  
S remarks conclude; mingling at reception commences at KC Sporting Stadium 1812  
S shoots “Miles w Mike” at KC Sporting Stadium 1850  
S departs KC Sporting Stadium enr Kansas City International Airport 1855  
S arrives Kansas City International Airport 1916  
S is wheels up from Kansas City International Airport enr Shannon 1940  
The Secretary is Wheels Up (SBU)
From: Erickson, Christopher B
Sent: Tue, 19 Mar 2019 09:07:01 -0400
To: _____
Subject: FW: Senior Watch Officer Morning Brief to the ExecSec - 03/19 (SBU)

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From: Operations Center
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 8:21 AM
To: SES-O_ExecSecBrief
Subject: Senior Watch Officer Morning Brief to the ExecSec - 03/19 (SBU)

Below are the Senior Watch Officer’s notes for the Executive Secretariat. Ops shares these notes only with the recipients of this email to facilitate deliberative discussion; they are not intended for publication. Please do not redistribute this email.

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STATE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER
The Watch | Crisis Management and Strategy
03/19 0815 Morning Notes

Whereabouts: (SBU) The Secretary is en route to Kuwait City.

Calls: (SBU) The Secretary spoke with student journalists, faith-based organizations, and Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. He has confirmed calls with Ambassador McCourt, Senior Advisor Kushner, Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, and Reverend O'Callaghan. He has pending calls with [______]?

Venezuela
(U) Interim President Guaido's U.S. Envoy said he expects to take control of Venezuela's embassy in Washington "in the days to come," media report. This follows Guaido's representatives taking control of three Venezuelan diplomatic properties in the United States, including two belonging to the defense ministry in Washington and one consular building in New York.

Haiti
(SBU) The Chamber of Deputies voted 93-6 to remove PM Ceant, media report

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UNCLASSIFIED U.S. Department of State Case No. F-2019-04618 Doc No. C06827750 Date: 01/15/2020
Briefs & Alerts
(SBU) The Secretary is Wheels Up
(SBU) The Secretary is Wheels Down
(SBU) The Secretary is Wheels Up
(SBU) UPDATE 3: THE NETHERLANDS: COM Accountability Complete

Senior Watch Officer
State Department Operations Center
From: Bruce, Aaron C  
Sent: Tue, 19 Mar 2019 13:33:13 +0000  
To: Willoughby, Melika M; Nadel, Daniel L; Barnes, Riley M; Ghashghai, Khashayar M  
Subject: RE: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets  

Melika is correct – this was in Kansas previewing his NEA trip.

The briefing happened via phone yesterday and S discussed international religious freedom as it related to his upcoming trip. PA asked Melika to provide them with local Kansas based outlets to join the call, and from me, a list of faith-based journalists who could join. One of the names I gave them, Jessica Donati of the WSJ journal was extended an invitation and then someone in Kansas asked that the invitation be rescinded. It is unclear to me who made the decision and why it was made, but Jessica stirred up the entire bullpen (State Dept. press corps) arguing that there was some sort of collusion involved in the selection process. Someone affiliated with CAIR was also rescinded an invite.

The fallout was great. Jessica threatened to write an article on her exclusion from the call and PA/Press was seized with inquiries yesterday about their selection process. She also finds it odd that her invite was rescinded five minutes after she sent the tweet below and believes that the two events are linked.

@SecPompeo tells McClatchy "The Lord will get me to the right place" when asked about a run for office in 2020 and beyond.

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Thanks,  
Aaron

From: Willoughby, Melika M  
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 8:33 AM  
To: Nadel, Daniel L; Barnes, Riley M; Bruce, Aaron C; Ghashghai, Khashayar M  
Subject: RE: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets  

My understanding is that this was in Kansas previewing his NEA trip. The State Department hosted this call—Aaron is fully aware of the situation and briefed me yesterday.

Riley is right—NRB hosts our calls.

Happy to share more thoughts off line.

Melika M. Willoughby  
U.S. Department of State  
202-647-4097 office | | cell
From: Nadel, Daniel L <NadelDL@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:08 PM
To: Barnes, Riley M <BarnesRM@state.gov>; Willoughby, Melika M <WilloughbyMM@state.gov>
Bruce, Aaron C <BruceA2@state.gov>; Ghashghai, Khashayar M <GhashghaiKM@state.gov>
Subject: Michelle Kozinski CNN tweets

Best,
Dan
From: Ellington, Victoria L  
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 03:19:15 +0000  
To: [email protected]  
Cc: Kenna, Lisa D  
Subject: RE: Monday, 3/18 Schedule

Sir,

Yes, there are the calls added into your Executive Time block. Apologies, I only meant that there were no significant movement changes.

Please let us know if there is anything else.

Best,
Victoria

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From: [email protected]  
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 10:17 PM  
To: Ellington, Victoria L  
Cc: Kenna, Lisa D  
Subject: Re: Monday, 3/18 Schedule

There are at least two significant changes: the two phone calls. Right?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2019, at 10:14 PM, Ellington, Victoria L <EllingtonVL@state.gov> wrote:

Sir,

Below is your schedule for tomorrow. Please note, there are no significant changes from the schedule passed on Friday.

Best,
Victoria
18 March 2019 SecState Pompeo

All times are reflected in local time zones.

0645-0650 ENR Drive to InterContinental Hotel Kansas City
0650-0700 MTG: Prep with Katie Martin (MC Suite)
0705-0710 INTERVIEW: Fox 4 News Morning (KC) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0710-0715 Press Prep [Hotel Rooms 211 & 217]
0715-0720 INTERVIEW: Jake Bowles KFDI (Topeka) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0720-0725 Press Prep [Hotel Rooms 211 & 217]
0725-0730 INTERVIEW: Nick Gosnell of WIBW Newsday Now (Wichita) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0730-0735 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0735-0740 INTERVIEW: KQAM Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser (Wichita) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0740-0745 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0745-0750 INTERVIEW: KRBB-FM Lukas & Careth in The Morning (Wichita) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0750-0755 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0755-0800 INTERVIEW: Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network (Nationwide) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0800-0805 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0805-0810 INTERVIEW: E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News [Rooms 211 & 217]
0810-0815 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0815-0820 INTERVIEW: KCNO Pete Mundo Morning Show (KC) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0820-0825 Press Prep [Rooms 211 & 217]
0825-0840 INTERVIEW: Jace Mills of KSNT NBC News (Kansas-wide) [Rooms 211 & 217]
0845-0910 Executive Time [MC Suite]
0910-0930 CALL: AG Barr (SECURE) [MC Suite]
0930-0950 CALL: Secretary Mnuchin (SECURE) [MC Suite]
0950-1030 Executive Time [MC Suite; option to return to Private Residence]
1030-1055 ENR Drive to Sheraton Overland Park Hotel
1100-1140 ATTEND: Discussion with Regional Leaders [Redbud Room]
1140-1210 Teleprompter Run Through [Cottonwood Ballroom]
1215-1330 ATTEND: LUNCH [Linden Room]
1330-1340 ATTEND: Coffee [Leatherwood Room 1]
1440-1500 Speech Prep [Linden Room]
1500-1520 SPKG: Official Welcome/Keynote [Cottonwood Ballroom]
1520-1540 SPKG: Fireside Chat with Lily Wu [Cottonwood Ballroom]
1540-1545 ENR: Walk to Linden room
1545-1555 INTERVIEW: Lily Wu [Linden Room]
1600-1615 MTG: Dutch Trade Minister Kaag [Redbud Room]
1615-1630 INTERVIEW: Conference Call Roundtable with University Students [Linden Room]
1630-1650 INTERVIEW: Conference Call Roundtable with Faith Based Media [Linden Room]
1655-1657 TAKE: Photo with Sheraton GM Bruce Boettcher and Overland Park Mayor Carl Gerlach
1700-1730 ENR Drive to Children’s Mercy Park/Sporting KC Stadium
1745-1800 Executive Time/Speech Prep [Room 409]
1800-1805 SPEECH: Remarks at Welcome Reception [Children's Mercy Park Stadium]
1910-1940 ENR Drive to Kansas City International Airport
1945-1950 TAKE: Photo with Local Police/Security
1955 ENR Fly to Shannon
From: Cormack, Maureen E
Sent: Mon, 18 Mar 2019 17:26:02 +0000
To: Benhabib, Moises I; Enstrom, Karen L; Talbot, Nancy E; Brunson, Anya Y
Cc: Brown, Kelly E
Subject: RE: Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

Thank you!

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From: Benhabib, Moises I
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Enstrom, Karen L; Talbot, Nancy E; Brunson, Anya Y
Cc: Cormack, Maureen E; Brown, Kelly E; SES-Line_Trip Team 2
Subject: RE: Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

This is complete. It can take about an hour to replicate.

Moises

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From: Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:10 PM
To: Talbot, Nancy E <TalbotNE2@state.gov>; Benhabib, Moises I <BenhabibMI@state.gov>; Brunson, Anya Y <BrunsonAY@state.gov>
Cc: Cormack, Maureen E <CormackM@state.gov>; Brown, Kelly E <BrownKE@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Secretary Pompeo's Visit to Overland Park, Kansas

Moises, please add.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2019, at 12:07 PM, Talbot, Nancy E <TalbotNE2@state.gov> wrote:

Hello Karen,
Can you please add Ambassador Maureen Cormack and Kelly Brown to the SES-Kansas distro list?
Thank you,
Nancy

Nancy Talbot
Special Assistant
On Mar 17, 2019, at 8:46 PM, Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov> wrote:

Dear Colleagues:

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Please protect and contact me with any questions.  

Best, Karen
Starr, Katherine L

From: Ghaffari, Kuros
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 9:11 PM
To: (U) Schachter, Andrew N; Andy Schachter (DRS-State Dept); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J
Cc: ANDY: Flagging dial-in for tmrw's roundtable
Subject: (U) Schachter, Andrew N; Andy Schachter (DRS-State Dept); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J

Hi Stenos- see below, they're all interviews except for the three "Remarks". Please note the dial-in for tomorrow's roundtable and my note about whether the first two Remarks should be a single transcript. Let us know if you have any questions, thank you!!

Sunday, March 17

11:00-11:30am CT, Telephonic roundtable with Kansas media via AT&T Teleconference Service - internal/unedited
  - Teleconference Dial-In Number: (800) 230-1074, ask for State Department Call

Monday, March 18

7:05-7:10am CT, FOX 4 News Mornings - audio TBD, edit/release
7:15-7:20am CT, Jake Bowles of KFDI News via Ops call - edit/hold
7:25-7:30am CT, Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now via Ops call - edit/release
7:35-7:40am CT, KQAM The Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser via Ops call - edit/release
7:45-7:50am CT, B98 FM Lukas & Careth In The Morning via Ops call - edit/release
7:55-8:00am CT, Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network via Ops call - edit/hold
8:05-8:10am CT, E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City’s Morning News via Ops call - edit/release
8:15-8:20am CT, KCMO Pete Mundo Morning Show via Ops call - edit/release
8:25-8:40am CT, Jace Mills of KSNT NBC News - we'll send audio, edit/hold
3:00-3:20pm CT, Remarks: The Road to GES Heartland Event Official Welcome and Keynote Address, location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel at the Convention Center - audio via livestream on www.state.gov/BNET, edit/release
3:20-3:40pm CT, Remarks: Fireside Chat with Lily Wu of KAKE ABC News, location: Sheraton Overland Park Hotel at the Convention Center - audio via livestream on www.state.gov/BNET, edit/release

- Note: The Fireside Chat occurs on the same stage immediately following the welcome/keynote, defer to Kate/others if these should be a single transcript similar to the keynote/on-stage Interview in Houston (https://www.state.gov/secretary/remarks/2019/03/290303.htm)

3:45-3:55pm CT, Lily Wu of KAKE ABC News - we'll send audio, edit/hold

4:15-4:35pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with faith-based media via TBD - internal/unedited

4:40-4:55pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with university student media via TBD - internal/unedited

6:00-6:05pm CT, Remarks: The Road to GES Heartland Event Welcome Reception, location: Children's Mercy Park Stadium - audio via livestream on www.state.gov/BNET, edit/release
Good morning,

Would it be possible to get assistance with the Kansas roundtables, while I keep working on the broadcast hits? We're looking at three roundtables, all by phone, with the first likely on Sunday and the other two on Monday. I was thinking Emily might be able to help, especially with the third. First priority is coming up with media lists, and as soon as we've firmed timing we can send out invites.

Kansas statewide papers:

Nontraditional outlets- National and local religious outlets, I've attached some recommendations from Melika, but Katie flagged that there are additional local outlets like the KS Jewish Chronicle.

Topics: Previewing NEA trip, in particular religious freedom themes

Student newspapers:

Thank you!!
Starr, Katherine L

From: Carl Duzett (DRS-State Dept) <Carl.Duzett@DiversifiedReporting.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 8:52 PM
To: (U) Davis, Hugh B; PA Press Stenos; PA Press; DRS - State Dept Staff
Subject: INTERNAL TRANSCRIPT: S roundtable with faith-based media
Attachments: Pompeo (03-18-2019) INTERVIEW Roundtable with Faith-Based Media.doc

Please find attached the internal, unedited transcript of the Secretary's phone roundtable with faith-based media. Thank you.

**UNCLASSIFIED ONLY**

Carl Duzett
State Department Stenographer
Contractor
Diversified Reporting Services, Inc.
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INTERVIEW OF SECRETARY OF STATE MICHAEL R. POMPEO WITH FAITH-BASED MEDIA

March 18, 2019
Via Teleconference

SECRETARY POMPEO: Great. I'll be very quick, and then I'll take as many questions as I can. First, thanks for joining me on the phone call. I'm happy to talk about whatever's on your mind. I'm here in Kansas today working on an entrepreneur, freedom and liberty. I'm in Kansas, so I'm home, so I'm in a really good space, a good mood. And then I head out here in just a few hours. I'll take a trip where the first stop is in Kuwait to meet with their leadership, traveling then to Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, and then on to Beirut. Different missions, different places, but in each place very focused on not only the security aspects of the relationship between our countries and the economic aspects, but also the challenges we face from radical Islamic terrorism in the region, and working to promote religious tolerance in each of those places as well.

And with that, I'm happy to take questions.

QUESTION: Yeah, this is Ron Kampeas from the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. How are you?

SECRETARY POMPEO: Hi Ron, I'm good. How are you?

QUESTION: I'm good. So in 2016, right before the U.S. elections when Benjamin Netanyahu was here, he took pains to meet with both nominees in order to show that he doesn't favor one or the other. You're going to be hard by the Israeli elections, like just barely two weeks before them. Are you going to be meeting with the Israeli opposition leader, Benny Gantz? Are you going to - are you concerned at all that you're giving the impression that you're giving Netanyahu a boost in these elections?

SECRETARY POMPEO: We haven't released my full schedule yet and we don't intend to for a bit. But I - my travel is something that has been long planned. I had to wave off a previous trip because of a personal commitment that I had to fulfill back here in the United States. And so I'm not worried about what someone may say. I'm going there to meet with the leadership in Israel on a set of incredibly important issues that are time sensitive. The threats in the region are real. There - radical Islamic terrorism, the threat from the Islamic Republic of Iran, are something that we work closely with our Israeli partners. That's the focus of my visit, it's what we'll talk about, and it's the work that I'll do while I'm on the ground there.

QUESTION: Okay. Are you going to be mentioning the Golan or seeing the Golan Heights at all?

SECRETARY POMPEO: I'm not going to foreshadow the remarks that I'll make while I'm there.
QUESTION: Okay. Thank you.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Thank you, sir.

QUESTION: Hi, this is Emily McFarlan Miller from Religion News Service. I was wondering about the State Department report that was released last week that no longer uses the word “occupation” in regards to the Golan Heights, the West Bank, and Gaza. I was wondering if you can talk about what prompted this change, and if this is a hint at what we can expect in the upcoming peace plan from the White House.

SECRETARY POMPEO: So that - the language that we use we think most accurately reflects the facts. The Human Rights Report itself, as you well know, is a congressionally mandated document. Its mission set is to lay out facts. It is to lay out what’s going on. It’s not a policy document, it doesn’t intend to be; it simply documents human rights abuses around the world and attempts to provide a baseline upon which not only here in the United States but countries all around the world can measure their own performance, the performance of others. And so the language we chose to use there was the result of our determination that that most factually represented the reality on the ground.

QUESTION: Okay. And I know that the White House recently hosted a meeting with Evangelical leaders about this peace plan. I was wondering if you could talk about why that constituency is important to this process.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Well, I’ll leave to the White House to talk about their meeting, and I’ll say only this: As an Evangelical Christian myself, I have - I’ve always understood the centrality of that place. I think many Evangelical leaders believe that as well. We know that the Abrahamic traditions all value Jerusalem, and so I’m confident that when the administration is thinking about how it is we might finally achieve the Middle East peace that the world has been demanding for decades, I think persons of all faiths who live today in Israel and can worship freely – I think persons of all faiths will have something to say about the plan and if it makes sense. So we’re doing our best to make sure and have a broad base of people have an understanding of the plan as we will present it.

QUESTION: Thank you.

SECRETARY POMPEO: I think it’s that straightforward.

MODERATOR: Do we have a next question?

QUESTION: Yeah, hi. This is Dovid Efune from Algemeiner. I’ll jump in here.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Yes, of course, sir.

QUESTION: Thank you. So question about under your direction, the State Department has taken a number of steps to try and convince the Palestinian leadership to stop the funding for
terror groups or those that have committed terror acts and their families, those that are – some in Israeli prisons, (inaudible) the Taylor Force Act, and some other steps that the State Department took. Reported late last month that the Palestinian Authority sent a letter directly to you rejecting U.S. aid and also stressing in a meeting with congressional leaders, it was reported, that if they had – if we only had 20 or 30 million shekels, which is what is paid monthly to families of martyrs, we will give that money to the families of martyrs. So considering the steps that have been taken, and so the lack of progress in this area, are there further steps the United States or the State Department is considering taking, taking, or could take to try and end this practice, which I understand is ultimately the goal, of incentivizing terrorism against Israelis?

SECRETARY POMPEO: Well, it is certainly our objective. It is a legal requirement as well, with the Taylor Force Act and other requirements. We – it's also the case that we're focused not only in that theater but all around the world doing all that we can to reduce terrorism. It's pretty straightforward. And so I'm not going to foreshadow what other actions we might take in this particular matter, but know this: We're determined to get every country to cease underwriting terrorist acts. We’re – we want every peoples to live in freedom without fear of having terror rained down upon them. That's certainly the case of Palestinian terror into Israel. It's the case of terror all around the world. I work on it all around the world nearly every day, and it often is the case that one of the best ways to get at a problem, the problem of terrorism, is to stop the money, stop the resources from flowing towards those who are engaged in those terror acts.

QUESTION: Thank you.

MODERATOR: And next question, please. Do we have another question for the Secretary?

QUESTION: Yes, Joe Bollig from The Leaven, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. Some commentators have said when it comes to the issue of Islamic radicalism that of course we're opposed to that ideology and the violence that results from it. But there seems to be a kind of a lacking of an ideological fight against this sort of thing, like we did against Nazism during World War II or communism during the Cold War. We have introduced troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, and in other places we have our troops advising and supporting. But there doesn't seem to be a comprehensive and coordinated opposition to Islamic radicalism on at least an ideological level as far as I can tell. I could be wrong, but please tell me what's happening in that regard.

SECRETARY POMPEO: So it is, in the end, an important part of being successful. We can take down caliphates, we can just take away resources, all of those are good steps. In the end, one has to get to the prime driver, which is this idea of extremism as a way to achieve a political ends. That certainly extends to radical Islamic terrorism in particular, but it’s broader than that. The administration has a number of programs aimed at just that.

We also know that it often is the case that we’re going to have to turn to other nations to do that, that operate in that space inside of their cultures, inside of their religions. We’re going to depend on those countries to cease allowing radicalism to take place in their mosques or elsewhere in madrasas. It is an imperative that this not be taught, no be fomented, and not be tolerated in each of those countries as well. And we have a very robust effort to work with other countries to
ensure that they understand that that is part of the relationship between our nation and theirs, which is our understanding that they will not themselves promote or permit extremism inside of their country. To get at that extremist ideology is a central understanding of what we’re trying to do. It is a difficult problem, but one that we are incredibly focused on.

QUESTION: Thank you.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Thank you, sir.

MODERATOR: And with that, it looks like we have time for one more question.

QUESTION: Secretary Pompeo, this is Mindy Belz from WORLD Magazine.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Hi, Mindy.

QUESTION: And I want to ask you about Syria. Hi. I know that you won’t actually be there, but you’ll certainly, I imagine, be having discussions. The State Department announced I believe close to 400 million in additional humanitarian aid to the region. I’m just curious what some of your conversations — what you anticipate will be. Will you be focused on the area of northeastern Syria, where we’ve seen so much fighting recently? Are you going to be speaking more broadly? How is the U.S., and particularly from the diplomatic, humanitarian side, going to be engaging on the question of Syria at this juncture?

SECRETARY POMPEO: So we have many elements of our diplomatic policy on the Middle East and in Syria in particular. You asked even more specifically with respect to humanitarian assistance in Syria. So it’ll be broadly aimed — that is, not just in the east or just in the northeast. We’re going to try and reach all of those places which require humanitarian assistance, where there is a need for food, medicine, and often water. And it’s not just the material; they often need docs and medical care as well, expertise and training. But — and we aim to deliver that more broadly.

It is still the case that there are many pockets which are difficult for us to reach, places that have regime control that getting humanitarian assistance is incredibly difficult, and so much harder for us to do that. We are determined to use the taxpayer-provided resources for humanitarian assistance in a way that actually delivers good outcomes, but you should know we remain in step, as are our European partners, that until such time as the political process moves forward, until such time as the political fault lines, divides can be hashed out and discussed, money for reconstruction of Syria simply is not going to be made available.

QUESTION: Would that include support for the Syrian Democratic Forces in the northeast and more support for that particular entity there? There’s been a question about that.
SECRETARY POMPEO: So we have teams working on that issue as well. We're trying to make sure that we have a stable outcome as between the Turks and the forces in Syria along the Syrian-Turkish border. It's an important political, diplomatic outcome. There'll be a military component to that as well. And then at the end, the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2254 must be implemented. For large-scale reconstruction to come into the country, to begin to rebuild what has caused over 6 million Syrians to be displaced from their homes is going to require the Assad regime to engage in a political resolution of that conflict. There's just -- there's simply no other way that the Western world is going to be able to move forward there.

QUESTION: Okay. Thank you.

SECRETARY POMPEO: Thank you, ma'am.

MODERATOR: And thank you, everyone, for your time today. Secretary Pompeo, any last words?

SECRETARY POMPEO: Great. No, nothing left. Thank you all for spending time with me. I look forward to talking to you upon my return from the trip as well. Thank you all.

QUESTION: Thank you.
Starr, Katherine L

From: Laine, Andrew J
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 1:00 PM
To: Starr, Katherine L
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Fingers crossed - but I can't remember any time where no one has called in. Drew sent two notifications and no one.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Starr, Katherine L
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 12:56 PM
To: Laine, Andrew J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

And hopefully it'll be Deaner's problem soon enough.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Starr, Katherine L
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 12:50 PM
To: Laine, Andrew J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Oh brother... God love Kuros and Drew.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Laine, Andrew J
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 12:22 PM
To: Starr, Katherine L
Subject: Fw: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Another nail in my coffin.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Ghaffari, Kuros <Ghaffarik@state.gov>
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 12:04 PM
To: Bailey, Drew C; Greenan, Robert J; Laine, Andrew J
Subject: RE: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

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From: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 10:58 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>; Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Subject: RE: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Okay, is this how the invitation should look?

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 10:43 AM
To: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Yes I'm with her now

Drew: for faith based call, tmrw at 1635 CT (1735 ET)n on record, no embargo. We might do Ops if it's smaller, so I guess at this point just get RSVPs and their #s. Thank you!!

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Greenan, Robert J
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 09:31
To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Bailey, Drew C; Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Starr, Katherine L
A suspenseful morning all around.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Ghaffari, Kuros
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 10:12 AM
To: Bailey, Drew C; Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J
Cc: Greenan, Robert J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Thank you, Drew! For some levity in all this, apparently Hannah sent Katie to the Marriott on the MO side of KC, about half an hour from the rest of us!

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 08:57
To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J
Cc: Greenan, Robert J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Will confirm faith based roundtable details asap

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Date: March 17, 2019 at 9:48:09 AM EDT
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>, Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Cc: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Will do. Still no confirmations from the big list.

From: Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Date: March 17, 2019 at 9:19:42 AM EDT
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>, Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>

Starr, Katherine L
Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2019 1:42 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J
Cc: Greenan, Robert J
Subject: RE: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 9:34 PM
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Cc: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 19:39
To: Laine, Andrew J; Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Greenan, Robert J

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

From: Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Date: March 16, 2019 at 7:33:08 PM EDT
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>, Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Cc: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 7:24 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J
Cc: Greenan, Robert J
Subject: Re: ANDY/DREW: Roundtables

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Thank you!!

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Date: March 16, 2019 at 5:53:10 PM EDT
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>, Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Cc: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>
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To: Bailey, Drew C; Greenan, Robert J; Starr, Katherine L; Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J  
Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

Thank you!!!

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Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

Sure, sending now

From: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>  
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 5:44 PM  
To: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>; Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>  
Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

All good and thank you for guidance. Like that idea. Drew – could you make sure that is clear in the email to these reporters?

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Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

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Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 4:11 PM
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Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

And Stenos are on call to do an internal/unedited transcript of the Sun 12 noon ET roundtable. They await specific instructions/dial in from Kuros.

From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 4:07 PM
To: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>; Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>
Cc: Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Sunday roundtable

THANK YOU DREW!!!

Time is correct (11:00am CT/12:00pm ET).

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From: Bailey, Drew C
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To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J; Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Greenan, Robert J

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Cc: Starr, Katherine L
Subject: RE: Sunday roundtable

I can contact ATT and send out the invite once they give us the call info.

Can someone re-confirm that the GES call is:

On Sunday, March 17
At 11am Central Time
On the record
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Thanks!

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From: Willoughby, Melika M
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:10 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Subject: RE: Kansas media recs

With that said, a few options to think about.

Hope that helps. Happy to answer any questions.

Best,
Melika

Melika M. Willoughby
U.S. Department of State
202-647-4097 office

Starr, Katherine L

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:25 AM
To: Willoughby, Melika M <WilloughbyMM@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Kansas media recs

Thank you, Melika, very helpful!

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From: Willoughby, Melika M
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:47:17 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Subject: RE: Kansas media recs

Kuros—

So sorry to just getting to this now. Sharing a list despite being later than you outlined:

**Local Kansas**

Can push into more local options, different mediums, etc. Just let me know.

Best,
Melika

Starr, Katherine L

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Hi Melika,

Hope all is well. I was hoping to pick your brain ahead of the Secretary's upcoming visit to Kansas. We have a good lineup of morning TV/radio shows we want to target, along with the major papers, but we were hoping to tap into religious media to preview religious freedom themes of his NEA trip (since he's going straight from Kansas).

Could you recommend offhand religious outlets we could consider inviting to a roundtable? We're under a bit of a time crunch to send our proposals up, so would be grateful for any ideas you could share by tomorrow morning.

Thanks so much!!

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Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 3:03 PM
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To: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Subject: RE: ANDY/DREW: Confirming participants

I want to make sure I haven’t missed anyone who confirmed with you, does the following look right?

Christianity Today, Jeremy Weber
WORLD Magazine, Mindy Belz,
The Algemeiner, Dovid Efune, Religion News Service, Emily McFarlan Miller, Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Ron Kampeas, The Leaven, Joe Bollig, (official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Kansas City) America Media, Michael O'Loughlin, (Jesuit) CAIR, Hassan Shibly,
Laine, Andrew J

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 10:05 AM
Subject: INVITATION - TODAY - Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo and International Religious Freedom

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Laine, Andrew J

From: Greenan, Robert J
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 2:29 PM
To: Laine, Andrew J; Starr, Katherine L
Cc: Bailey, Drew C; Ghaffari, Kuros
Subject: RE: Call Today

The invite says conf call.

Laine, Andrew J

From: Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 2:12 PM
To: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>
Cc: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>; Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Subject: Call Today
From: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:28 PM
To: Greenan, Robert J <GreenanRJ@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>
Cc: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Subject: Carol Morello: Is there a backgrounder coming up?

Hi Robert, Andy, please see below.

From: Morello, Carol <Carol.Morello@washpost.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:26 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>; Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>
Subject: Is there a backgrounder coming up?

Hi, Kuros and Drew, I understand there's a backgrounder this afternoon with Pompeo talking on religious freedom. I didn't get an invitation to RSVP. Can I call in?

Carol Morello
Diplomatic correspondent
Washington Post
202-334-6042
Cell: [phone number]
Thank you Michael. We look forward to your participation in today's call.

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Hello, I'll plan to join today's conference call. Thank you.

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Michael J. O'Loughlin
National Correspondent, America Media
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Instagram: mjowrites

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Hi all-

I'd like the call in information -- thanks

Ron

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Ron Kampeas
Washington bureau chief
Jewish Telegraphic Agency
PO Box 5401
Arlington VA 22205
USA
Office: 646-778-5536
Cell:
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Donati, Jessica <jessica.donati@wsj.com>

Monday, March 18, 2019 11:20 AM

Bailey, Drew C; Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J

Re: INVITATION - TODAY - Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo and International Religious Freedom

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I'll do this one.

On Mon, Mar 18, 2019 at 10:47 AM Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov> wrote:

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Laine, Andrew J

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Laine, Andrew J

From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 11:46 AM
To: Shibly Law
Cc: Laine, Andrew J; Ghaffari, Kuro; Bruce, Aaron C
Subject: RE: INVITATION - TODAY - Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo and International Religious Freedom

Thank you Hassan. We look forward to your participation today. The State Department operator will call you at

From: Shibly Law
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 11:21 AM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov>
Subject: Re: INVITATION - TODAY - Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo and International Religious Freedom

Thank you Suroosh.

Drew I would like to RSVP if possible. Thank you,

Hassan

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2019, at 11:12 AM, [Redacted] wrote:

Hi Drew,

Thanks for the invite it looks very interesting. I can’t join but I’ve copied my friend and colleague Hassan Shibly, he is the executive director of CAIR Florida and expressed interest in listening in. Hope that’s okay. Thanks.

Best,

S.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2019, at 10:04 AM, Bailey, Drew C <BaileyDC2@state.gov> wrote:

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Hi Jessica, I looked into this and the email was indeed an error on our part. I double checked with the Secretary’s staff. The roundtable invite list is set; it is not an open press event. I am sorry about the confusion.

Best,
Robert

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On Mon, Mar 18, 2019 at 12:56 PM Donati, Jessica <jessica.donati@wsj.com> wrote:

Why is it restricted to faith based media? We have been covering religious freedom at State as closely as any other outlet.

On Mon, Mar 18, 2019 at 12:53 PM Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov> wrote:

Dear Jessica:

My sincerest apologies – we sent this invitation to you in error. This call is for faith-based media only.

Our Deputy Assistant Secretary Katie Martin will contact you when she returns from the Middle East to look for other opportunities for you and WSJ.

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Laine, Andrew J

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Laine, Andrew J
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From: Bailey, Drew C
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 12:04 PM
To: PA Press Duty
Subject: RE: Relig. Liberty Conf. Call today RSVP

Got it

From: Joe Bollig <joe.bollig@theleaven.org>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 11:16 AM
To: PA Press Duty <PAPressDuty@state.gov>
Subject: Relig. Liberty Conf. Call today RSVP

Dear Mr. Drew Bailey:
I would like to RSVP for the 4:45 p.m. Conference Call today about Religious Liberty.
With regards,
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Joe Bollig
Leaven Senior Reporter

joe.bollig@theleaven.org
Hi, I didn't get an invite but I'm sure it was unintentional -- would love to join the call. Thanks

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Nick Wadhams
Bloomberg News
Foreign Policy Reporter
work: 202-807-2438, nwadhams@gmail.com
Hi, I'd like to RSVP for this call please?

Thanks, Lesley

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Lesley Wroughton
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Twitter: @LesleyWroughton

Reuters journalists report from over 1500 locations worldwide, reaching more than one billion people a day
Hi all,

Could I please RSVP for this evening’s call with Sec. Pompeo?

Thank you.

Best,

Jennifer

Jennifer Hansler
CNN State Department producer
Cell/WhatsApp/SIGNAL: +1-202-398-7647
Office: +1-202-898-7647
@jmhansler
Hi Kuros, Andy and Drew,

Just spotted the information on the Secretary's call on religious freedom this afternoon. I'd like to RSVP for it. Thanks.

All the best,
Shaun

Shaun Tandon
State Department Correspondent
Office: 202-414-0699 Cell: _______

Join us on:

facebook twitter afp.com
Good afternoon —

I would like to RSVP for the event below with on the record remarks from Sec. Pompeo on International Religious freedom ahead of his trip to the middle east where NBC will be accompanying him.

Thanks so very much!!

-Abigail

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Abigail Williams
NBC NEWS WASHINGTON
state dept. 202.885.4359
mobile: 443.293.6956
Laine, Andrew J

From: Kosinski, Michelle <Michelle.Kosinski@cnn.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:59 PM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros; Laine, Andrew J; Bailey, Drew C
Subject: RSVP to Pompeo call today

Yes please

RELEASE IN FULL
I am RSVPing for the afternoon call with Pompeo on religious freedom. Only RSVPing now because I—and numerous others—did not get the invitation. I would like to call in.

Carol Morello
Diplomatic correspondent
Washington Post
202-334-6042
Cell: [redacted]
Laine, Andrew J

From: Ghaffari, Kuros
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 1:10 PM
To: Operations Center
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls

Subject: Support for S afternoon roundtables - today, March 18

Ops Colleagues:

Below are the details for this afternoon's media calls. We are confirming the telephone that will be available in the interview room, and whether we will do the call on speaker (in which case you would not need to dial DAS Martin in separately).

We are still waiting on one phone number, we will send updates as soon as we have them. As before, all times listed below are local CT (-1).

For the first call, I would note that the student journalists have been a tad trickier to get a hold of, so it might be worth dialing them in a little earlier than normal.

4:15-4:30pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with university student media

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- PA DAS Martin at
- The Secretary
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Matthew Kelly
- The Sunflower (Wichita State University), Audrey Korte
- The Oklahoma Daily (University of Oklahoma), Storme Jones
- The Bulletin (Emporia State University), Sarah Spoon
- The Kansas State Collegian (Kansas State University), Pete Loganbill
- The Arrow (Southeast Missouri State University), Matthew Dollard

4:35pm-4:55pm CT, Telephonic roundtable with faith-based media

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Christianity Today, Jeremy Weber
- WORLD Magazine, Mindy Belz, TBD
- The Algemeiner, Dovid Efune
- Religion News Service, Emily McFarlan Miller
- The Leaven, Joe Bollig, (official newspaper of the Archdiocese of Kansas City)
- America Media, Michael O'Loughlin, (Jesuit)
- PA DAS Martin at

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From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 7:26 AM
To: Ghaffari, Kuros
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie); Starr, Katherine L; Laine, Andrew J; Boggs, Gladys D; PA Press Stenos; 'DRS - State Dept Staff'; Enstrom, Karen L; del Castillo, Daniel A; SES-O_S-Calls
Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

To confirm, we tested the line and the receptionist at the hotel indicated the number rings back to the front desk. Thank you for providing a direct number to the room or confirming if we can reach out to S directly on his mobile number.

Regards,

Watch Officer
Department of State Operations Center
202.647.1512

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 7:13 AM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAL@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; PA Press Stenos <PAPressStenos@state.gov>; 'DRS - State Dept Staff' <DRS.State.Dept.Employees@DiversifiedReporting.com>; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>; del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Thank you. I'll send those details as soon as I can this morning.

For the morning's calls, we just arrived to the space in which the Secretary will take the calls. He will be using the hotel's landline phone. Would you be able to test it now to make sure the connection works ok? We are at the InterContinental Kansas City At The Plaza (816.756.1500) in.

Thank you!!

Kuros Ghaffari
Laine, Andrew J
Dear Kuros,

Thank you. Understood. Please advise on the details of the conference calls as soon as they are available. Please confirm the topic of each conference call.

Regards,

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From: Ghaffari, Kuros <GhaffariK@state.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 6:45 AM
To: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
Cc: Martin, Kathryn (Katie) <MartinK@state.gov>; Starr, Katherine L <StarrKL@state.gov>; Laine, Andrew J <LaineAJ@state.gov>; Boggs, Gladys D <BoggsGD2@state.gov>; PA Press Stenos <PAPressStenos@state.gov>; 'DRS - State Dept Staff' <Drs.State.Dept.Employees@DiversifiedReporting.com>; Enstrom, Karen L <EnstromKL@state.gov>; del Castillo, Daniel A <DelCastilloDA@state.gov>; SES-O_S-Calls <SES-O_S-Calls@state.gov>
Subject: Re: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

[do not need to be included on any of the calls.]

Separately, we will [not] be using the AT&T Teleconference Service for the two small telephonic roundtables in the afternoon. We'd request your support building those calls as we have done in the past when several reporters have been on the line at the same time. I'll send you the reporters and their numbers as soon as I can, likely late morning/midday (apologies for the short turnaround, we really appreciate your flexibility!).

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Operations Center
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 00:32
To: Ghaffari, Kuros

Laine, Andrew J
Dear Kuros,

Please advise whether you should be included on any of the calls.

Regards,

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From: Operations Center <OperationsCenter@state.gov>
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Subject: RE: Full lineup: Support for S media calls - March 17 and 18

Dear Kuros,

Understood. We will connect the calls as outlined below.

Regards,

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Ops Colleagues:

Below is the full lineup of telephone interviews for the Secretary tomorrow, Sunday, March 17 and Monday, March 18. A few highlighted details are TBD. I will send updates as soon as I have them. I will be online for all these, would you mind confirming in an IM chat that the calls are up?

I informed all the reporters that you would call them a few minutes early to establish the connection. For the radio interviews I included the reporters’ office landline/cell numbers as a backup in case you have difficulty connecting via the call-in numbers. I also would note that all times listed below are local CT (-1).

Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you!!

Sunday, March 17

11:00-11:30am CT, Telephonic roundtable via AT&T Teleconference Service

- PA DAS Martin TBD
- The Secretary via the AT&T Teleconference Service Host Dial-In Number
- PA Press Stenos will dial into the AT&T Teleconference Service directly and will not need to be dialed in separately by Ops

11:45am CT, Lily Wu of KAKE News

- Lily Wu at
- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos will not participate

Monday, March 18

7:15-7:20am CT, Jake Bowles of KFDI News

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Jake Bowles of KFDI News at 316-838-3931
- PA DAS Martin on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:25-7:30am CT, Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now, Cell

- PA Press Stenos, on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Nick Gosnell of WIBW NewsDay Now at (785) 272-9429
- PA DAS Martin on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview
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7:35-7:40am CT, KQAM The Voice of Reason with Andy Hooser, Office: 316-721-8484, Cell:

- PA Press Stenos, — on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Andy Hooser of KQAM The Voice of Reason at 316.721.8255
- PA DAS Martin at — on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:45-7:50am CT, B98 FM Lukas & Careth In The Morning, Program Director: Dave Wilson, Office: 316-494-6660, Cell:

- PA Press Stenos, — on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Lukas & Careth of The B98 Morning Show at 316-494-6633
- PA DAS Martin at — on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

7:55-8:00am CT, Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network, Cell:

- PA Press Stenos, — on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Andrew Yates of Bott Radio Network at 913-693-5820
- PA DAS Martin at — on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

8:05-8:10am CT, E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News, E.J. Becker Cell: — Ellen Schenk Cell: —

- PA Press Stenos, — on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- E.J. and Ellen of KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News at 913-744-3977
- PA DAS Martin at — on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

8:15-8:20am CT, KCMO Pete Mundo Morning Show, Office: 913-514-3108, Cell:

- PA Press Stenos, — on mute, they will be recording for transcription purposes
- Pete Mundo of The KCMO Morning Show at 913-514-3060
- PA DAS Martin at — on mute, she will be listening in only
- The Secretary if and only if the reporter is connected and acknowledges that you are connecting the Secretary, to avoid any delay in commencing the interview

4:15-4:35pm CT, Telephonic roundtable via TBD

Laine, Andrew J  

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- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos TBD
- The Secretary via TBD

4:40-4:55pm CT, Telephonic roundtable via TBD

- PA DAS Martin and PA Press Stenos TBD
- The Secretary via TBD
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Whereabouts: (SBU) The Secretary is in Overland Park, Kansas.

Calls: (SBU) The Secretary spoke with Attorney General Barr, Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, NSA Bolton, Special Representative Jeffrey, KFDI News, WIBW NewsDay Now, KQAM The Voice of Reason, The B98 Morning Show, Bott Radio Network, KMBZ Kansas City's Morning News, and The KCMO Morning Show. He has a confirmed call with Reverend O'Callaghan. He has confirmed media roundtable calls with student journalists and faith-based organizations. He has pending calls with Treasury Secretary Mnuchin, President Trump and French President Macron, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, Nigerian President Buhari, and Turkish FM Cavusoglu.
The Netherlands
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(SBU) Embassy The Hague reports it is still accounting for two short-term TDYers. Utrecht police report three individuals killed, including a Dutch national, and five wounded in the attack. A local police contact reports the suspect had a police record and was monitored for counterterrorism purposes.

(SBU) UPDATE 2: THE NETHERLANDS: Tram Shooting Suspect Arrested; COM Accountability Nearly Complete
(SBU) SPOT REPORT: Tram Shooting in Utrecht
(SBU) SPOT REPORT No. 2: Tram Shooting in Utrecht
**Turkey/Iran**

(SBU) The Turkey desk reports Turkey’s Interior Minister announced a joint military operation with Iran against Iraq-based PKK targets March 18. The Desk comments timing of the strikes could be part of an effort to generate support in advance of March 31 elections, adding Turkey may want to show force following the March 16 loss of troops in Iraq.

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