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Thu, Apr 2, 2015 at 6:30 PM

To: Julie Reaves <julie.reaves@nara.gov>, Donald Rosen <donald.rosen@nara.gov>, Gary Rauchfuss <gary.rauchfuss@nara.gov>, "Brewer, Laurence" <laurence.brewer@nara.gov>, Margaret Hawkins <margaret.hawkins@nara.gov>, "Clavelli, Lisa" <lisa.clavelli@nara.gov>, Lisa Haralampus <lisa.haralampus@nara.gov>, Arian Ravanbakhsh <Arian.Ravanbakhsh@nara.gov>

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Peggy and I spoke for about 30 minutes this afternoon and then she sent the message below, with attachments.

The presentation is pretty straightforward, but I am not sure it addresses everything we require from the CFR. Specifically, the letter does not clearly provide a plan for how to make sure this sort of thing doesn't happen again. There may be other issues.

My next steps include:

- (1) Getting clearer with State what our next move is with the release of the letter, as we already have at least three press inquiries this afternoon.
- (2) Figuring out what our response is, and how the case will be closed out vis-a-vis the CFR.
- (3) Getting a copy of the letter State sent to David Kendall (Secretary Clinton's counsel), which was attached to what Kendall sent to Chairman Gowdy, which may have commentary on whether or not State wants the emails electronically and has some language about our partnership with State on RM issues.
- (4) Arranging a meeting with State late next week or the week of April 13th to plot a way forward on answering ancillary questions they have about dealing with personal emails that may be in the collection that Secretary Clinton's representatives provided State. (Gary and I are meeting with Jay B early next week to sort out this issue.)

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns, or see other items that jump out at you when you read all of this.

Thanks again, Paul

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From: **Grafeld, Margaret P** <GrafeldMP@state.gov>

Date: Thu, Apr 2, 2015 at 5:13 PM

Subject: State Department Response to NARA letter regarding State Department emails

To: Paul Wester <paul.wester@nara.gov>

Dear Paul,

As discussed, attached is the scanned copy of the Department's response to your letter of March 3rd. We will

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send the paper copy to you at College Park via express mail tomorrow.

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards,

Peggy

From: Paul Wester [mailto:paul.wester@nara.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2015 6:38 PM

To: Grafeld, Margaret P

Subject: NARA letter regarding State Department emails

Peggy,

Attached is the scanned copy of the letter that I am sending to you, with a courtesy copy to Ambassador Kennedy.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or if you or your staff would like to meet with me on the next steps.

Thanks again for your time this morning.

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Fri, Apr 3, 2015 at 9:39 AM

To: Julie Reaves <julie.reaves@nara.gov>, "Stern, GaryM" <garym.stern@nara.gov>, "Brewer, Laurence" <laurence.brewer@nara.gov>

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Peggy,

Thanks for sending along the electronic version last night. We are reviewing the materials and will be working up our response. We look forward to the official package either today or early next week.

I had two questions or issues to raise, that I did not get to last night in our conversation:

(1) We already have several media inquiries for State's response to NARA.

The questions I have are: (a) has State received similar media requests for the letter and how does State plan to respond to them, and (b) would State have an issue with NARA sharing the response (either only the letter from you to me, or the letter and the attachments, after we do a review) with the press?

(2) With whom on your staff should we work to identify a date to meet between April 13th and May 1st? The group coming from NARA would likely be me, Laurence Brewer (the head of our National Records Management Program - manages our records appraisal operation) and Gary Stern.

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I defer to you on who we should meet with from your staff (in addition to you), but we will need to visit with Richard Visek as part of the visit, too, since he has been communicating with Gary on this issue.

I will be in-and-out of the office today, but will check emails through the day as I run errands. If we don't catch up today, we can catch up next week.

Thanks again, Paul

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