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Subject: RE: Libya Vote: Nigeria and South Africa Outreach

And Johnnie and Don are my heroes (along with Jake, Jeff Feltman and Secretary Clinton). The South Africa calls made a big difference at the last minute

[Redacted] We very very much appreciate all the efforts made from DC and on the ground by the Africa team. Thank you!!!

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From: Carson, Johnnie
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Erica, Sam, Jake:

The Africa Bureau has taken the following steps in the past three hours to win support for the Libya vote in the UN Security Council.

Nigeria

We attempted to reach Foreign Minister Ajumogobia, but Embassy Abuja informed us he is in transit in Asia and was unavailable. Our Chargé reached out to Nigerian MFA Permanent Secretary Uhomoibhi, the number two at the Foreign Ministry and President Jonathan's point-man for UN Security Council coordination. Uhomoibhi hedged ultimately but said his government would decide its position at the highest levels and expressed hope that the decision would be the "right one."

South Africa

I reached out to South Africa's National Security Special Advisor to Zuma Welile Nhlapo, detailed the four parts of the draft resolution, and underscored the importance of standing up for liberty and democracy in Libya and pressuring Qaddafi to forestall further violent retribution against people seeking greater freedom. Although it was well after midnight in Pretoria, Nhlapo pledged to pass the message to colleagues working the issue. I underscored the urgency.

Separately, PDAS Yamamoto discussed our outreach strategy with Ambassador Gips in Pretoria, who told us that Minister of the Department of International Relations and Cooperation Mashabane could not be easily reached, as she was at the airport seeing off Aristide;

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[REDACTED] The South African Embassy in New York told USUN, we understand, that South Africa would vote with us.

Regards, Johnnie

Ambassador Johnnie Carson
Assistant Secretary for African Affairs

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