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Iran

• Bill reported P5+1 consensus on an Iran resolution at the IAEA Board of Governors meeting this Thursday and Friday. We are coordinating within the interagency community to make sure we pull out all the stops with respect to other Board members in order to build a solid majority in favor. The last IAEA Iran resolution was in 2006.

India

 There was a brief discussion of a last-minute issue with the Energy MOU the Secretary is supposed to sign today. Bill said he would run that down.

Congressional Issues

- Raj Shah's Hill meetings have gone well and there is another murder board scheduled for Monday.
- On Afghanistan/Pakistan rollout, H anticipates SASC and HFAC hearings next Wednesday, followed by SFRC and HASC on Thursday.

Public Affairs

- PJ noted ABC is following up on a recent Washington Post story on PEPFAR funding leveling off as the need increases. We will push back.
- Senator Mitchell will brief the press following the expected Israeli announcement later today of the terms of their settlement "moratorium."

Assistant Secretaries - Highlights

H1N1

OES noted that the provision of H1N1 vaccine to developing countries is going slowly as a result of two factors –
1) concern over liability issues, and, 2) slow delivery of supplies.

Libya

• Russians will send Qaddafi a letter today that hopefully will resolve the HEU issue. If not, NEA may ask the Secretary to call the Libyan FM.

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Honduras

• Arturo said he would speak to Zelaya later today and would send to the Secretary a joint memo with S/P on the way forward. He reported that he had participated in a closed OAS session yesterday, and noted we need to strengthen consensus that the elections are an important precondition, but insufficient by themselves to return Honduras to the OAS democratic fold.

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