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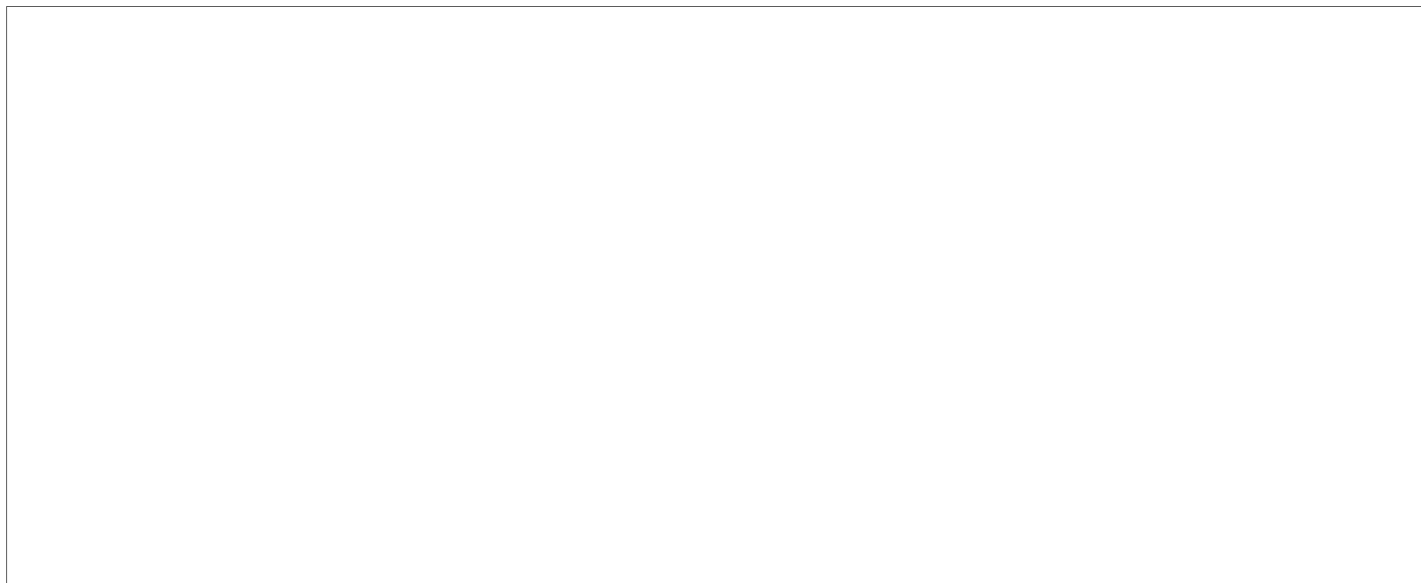
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BUDGET

- Jack reported that Senator Kerry is optimistic that if the budget resolution comes to the floor, he will succeed in rolling back most of the cuts.
- We face a substantial challenge with respect to the proposal to retain additional consular fees. There is a meeting [redacted] but the general feeling is that given the current fiscal challenge, there will be little appetite for this. It will mean a [redacted] shortfall if we don't succeed.

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LEGAL ISSUES



DEPUTIES MEETING – HIGHLIGHTS

SECURITY ASSISTANCE

- Coming out of the Secretary's lunch with Secretary Gates, Jack noted we would be setting up a group to work on a proposals for joint security assistance.

EAP

- Standoff continues in Bangkok, though low-level discussions between the government and the opposition appear to be ongoing.
- China has presented us with a list of 25 items that they would appreciate receiving in response to the recent earthquake in Qinghai. OFDA believes it can only supply water purification systems and that the remainder of the items are not emergency assistance. Jim said he understands their position, [redacted]  
[redacted] Both Jim and Jack are engaged.

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IO

- Tony Lake will take over as head of UNICEF on May 1.

USUN/W

- Erica reported that [redacted]

B3 INA

PM

- Following the Secretary's lunch with Gates, DoD has agreed to send someone to the briefing for Lowey and Granger on Merida assistance to Mexico.

EEB

- Transportation has a proposal and rollout strategy on Mexican Trucking. Idea is to [redacted]  
[redacted]
- American Airlines cancelled their inaugural Chicago-Beijing flight because they cannot secure the right landing slot in Beijing. Chinese appear to be using this as leverage to get a better slot for China East in the New York region.

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