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Secretary Clinton,

I just had a good conversation with General Honore. Call notes below are FYI only, but I hope they are helpful.

His advice:

- Specify technical problems and communicate widely so the private sector can bring the best technology to bear against problems (eg building the port, logistics, etc.)
- The Comfort will fill quickly so will need a plan B for overflow. Medical needs will go on for months and it is not possible to build local capacity to meet needs.
- Focus security efforts on security for the distribution network
- I shared our thinking on jobs programs and he felt this was critical
- Felt Pres Preval needed to be more visible as the leader. We should get him a helicopter so he can be seen as surveying his country.
- Create a rule that 60-70 percent of reconstruction is done by Haitians
- Task DOD to build the toilets / keep pushing military and be specific

Very good conversation and I found it helpful. I also described our approach and felt he was quite supportive.

Thanks,

Raj