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UPDATES FOR THE SECRETARY

- Cheryl noted that the Secretary had asked for updates on where we are with respect to the proposed Entrepreneurs Summit in late April (we have tasked a memo from EEB and others) and the Nuclear Summit (we have tasked T; M noted we are all set on the logistics side for this event).

SOMALIA

- Secretary would welcome analysis on the impact of food/humanitarian assistance on other insurgencies. Jack suggested he meet with INR to see what they have. AF and S/CT will be included.

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- Pat reported that the Chancery survived the earthquake in good shape, though pipes had burst and this has interrupted some communications.

NSS

- Anne-Marie is preparing a memo for the Secretary on the draft National Security Strategy. but we have stressed that the Secretary is out of the country this week.

CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS

- House Foreign Affairs Committee will take up the Armenia Genocide Resolution on Thursday.

- Judith McHale testifies in front of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (closed) on Thursday on strategic communications.
- Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will issue its report on the Christmas Day terror plot this week. Do not believe it will call for any change in DHS role in the visa process.
- Bill Burns has a closed hearing on Iran in front of HFAC on Thursday.

LEGAL ISSUES

- Issue of KSD trial venue still up in the air. Justice hinting they would welcome help from the Secretary.
- Harold is sending a memo to the Secretary on the issue of corporate liability (Alien Torts Statute) for "aiding and abetting" human rights violations abroad.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

- INL will brief the press on the rollout of the International Narcotics Control Strategy Report today.

ASSISTANT SECRETARIES MEETING – HIGHLIGHTS

WHA

- Colombian Constitutional Court ruling against a third term for Uribe; good news for democracy.

IO

- IAEA Board of Governors meeting opens in Vienna today.
- Human Rights Council session opens in Geneva today; Maria Otero is there for the beginning.
- Goldstone Report resolution passed the General Assembly on Friday – vote was 98 in favor, 7 against (including us) and 31 abstentions.
- Gabon takes over presidency of SY Council this month.

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- Long-delayed export initiative may be rolled out this week.
- At a meeting of the National Advisory Council on funding for international development banks, main issue of contention was the Inter-American Development Bank whose management has come under criticism for lack of reforms and poor investment decisions. They will likely receive a funding increase, but not as much as requested.

DRL

- Just back from Indonesia.

