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From: Mills, Cheryl D <MillsCD@state.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2011 3:42 AM
To: H
Subject: Fw: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Fyi traffic from bottom to top

From: Sullivan, Jacob J
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 10:41 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D; Mills, Cheryl D
Cc: Toiv, Nora F; Feltman, Jeffrey D
Subject: Re: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

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From: Mull, Stephen D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 10:25 PM
To: Mills, Cheryl D
Cc: Toiv, Nora F; Sullivan, Jacob J; Feltman, Jeffrey D
Subject: Re: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

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Please let me know if you need more. Adding Jake, and Jeff for further comment for when he becomes available.

Steve

From: Mills, Cheryl D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 09:42 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D
Cc: Toiv, Nora F
Subject: Re: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

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From: Mull, Stephen D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 09:15 PM
To: Mills, Cheryl D
Cc: Toiv, Nora F
Subject: Re: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Sure, by address, do you mean get back to the group tonight, provide us a recommendation on how to answer, or provide us a draft response?

Thanks,
Steve

From: Mills, Cheryl D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 08:55 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D
Cc: Toiv, Nora F
Subject: Fw: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

See b/l - we need someone other than jeff to address today

From: Toiv, Nora F
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 08:50 PM
To: Mills, Cheryl D
Subject: Fw: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

From: Mull, Stephen D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 06:02 PM
To: Toiv, Nora F
Subject: FW: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Nora, FYI

From: Finney, Clarence N
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 15:28 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D
Cc: Banks, Dana; Libby, Mark W; SES_4; Moy, Kin W; Finney, Clarence N; Stroh, Mark E
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Steve,

NEA awaiting clarification of recommendation from A/S Jeff Feltman— currently traveling and want be in contact until tomorrow. NEA expects to have answer from A/S Feltman first thing tomorrow morning.

Clarence

From: Finney, Clarence N
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 12:50 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D
Cc: Banks, Dana; Libby, Mark W; SES_4; Moy, Kin W; Finney, Clarence N
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Steve,

Just spoke to Amy Norris (NEA) ---awaiting clarification of recommendation. Will keep you posted.

Clarence

From: Mull, Stephen D
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 12:45 PM
To: Finney, Clarence N
Cc: Banks, Dana; Libby, Mark W; SES_4; Moy, Kin W
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Clarence, I don't see an NEA recommendation on how to handle the letter – am I missing something?

Thanks,

Steve

From: Finney, Clarence N
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 12:39 PM
To: Mull, Stephen D
Cc: Finney, Clarence N; Banks, Dana; Libby, Mark W; SES_4
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Steve,

Below you will find NEA response. How would you like for us to proceed?

Clarence

From: Bondy, Steven C
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 12:27 PM
To: Norris, Amy B; Finney, Clarence N
Cc: Walsh, Melissa D; NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Amy,



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Regards, Steve

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From: Finney, Clarence N
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 12:11 PM
To: Norris, Amy B
Cc: Botti, Anita L; NEA-ARP-DL; Finney, Clarence N; Banks, Dana; Libby, Mark W; Mull, Stephen D; SES_4; Walsh, Melissa D; NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL; Keene, Debra S; Nightengale, Corey X
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Amy,

It appears the department never received the letter. The organization apparently posted it on change.org, and then issued a press release that it had published the letter.

Attach you will find the letter that was posted to chang.org. It appears Counselor Mills asked NEA A/S Jeff Feltman to make a recommendation on how to respond--will need this recommendation from NEA today on how the Department should respond.

Thanks for your support.

Clarence

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Watch your **Thoughts**, they become words.
Watch your **Words**, they become actions.
Watch your **Actions**, they become habits.
Watch your **Habits**, they become character.
Watch your **Character**, for it becomes your Destiny...

From: Norris, Amy B
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 11:27 AM
To: Finney, Clarence N; NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL
Cc: Botti, Anita L; NEA-ARP-DL
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton--Saudi Women for Driving

Clarence, Thanks for checking in on this. I'm copying the relevant offices to see if they have received this letter. I've also included S/GWI colleagues.

Thanks,
Amy Norris
NEA/FO

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From: Finney, Clarence N
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 11:24 AM
To: NEA-Staff-Assistants-DL
Cc: Finney, Clarence N
Subject: RE: Letter to Sec Clinton

Dear NEA Colleagues,

Please confirm if you have received letter mentioned in email below from the Saudi Women for Driving. Thanks for your support.

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From: Saudi Women for Driving بالقيادة يطالبن سعوديات [mailto:saudiwomenfordriving@change.org]
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 8:43 AM
To: Reines, Philippe I; (U) Toner, Mark C; Mills, Cheryl D; radeletsc@state.gov; colemanci@state.gov; diminucosi@state.gov; Steinberg, James B; A/S Posner; Feltman, Jeffrey D; Verveer, Melanne S; Kelly, Diane E; Conn, Nicole R; steinse@state.gov; Keitt, Valerie P; slaughter@state.gov; cholletdh@state.gov; Lacey, Edward; Wright, Janey F; danielj@state.gov; Enav, Carl R; duncan-liradl@state.gov; Lum, Linda L; Sanderson, Janet A; Steinfeld, Andrew W; specht@state.gov; Harris, Joshua M (Baghdad)
Cc: Saudi Women for Driving بالقيادة يطالبن سعوديات بالقيادة; Benjamin Joffe-Walt
Subject: Letter to Sec Clinton

Dear Secretary Clinton,

On June 3 we wrote a letter asking you, our friend, to make a public statement supporting our right to drive. More than 20,000 Americans in all 50 states have expressed support for that call.

Many of us have met you personally during your decades-long journey as a champion of women's rights all over the world, and we expected our call to be met with a warm, supportive response.

Unfortunately, that has not happened, and we write to express our deep concern over the US government's public silence on the issue of Saudi women's right to drive.

Three days ago, on June 17, more Saudi women drove a car than ever before. But as we launch the largest women's rights movement in Saudi history, where are you when we need you most? In the context of the Arab Spring and US commitments to support women's rights, is this not something the United States' top diplomat would want to publicly support?

We were encouraged to see public statements of support from more than half a dozen Congresswomen, including House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi. But we believe that you personally making a public statement of support for Saudi Arabia opening the country's roads to women would be a game changing moment.

Women remain barred from driving in Saudi Arabia, one of the strongest and longest standing US allies in the Middle East. This has gone on for way too long and now, this week, we really need you to speak up about it.

God bless you.
 Saudi Women for Driving (بالقيادة يطالبن سعوديات)

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Saudi Women for Driving is a coalition of Saudi women's rights activists pulled together after the arrest of Manal al-Sharif, a Saudi mother jailed for driving her car. We seek to use online campaigning to build international support for Saudi women's right to drive. More than 100,000 people in all 50 states have joined Saudi Women for Driving campaigns over the last month.