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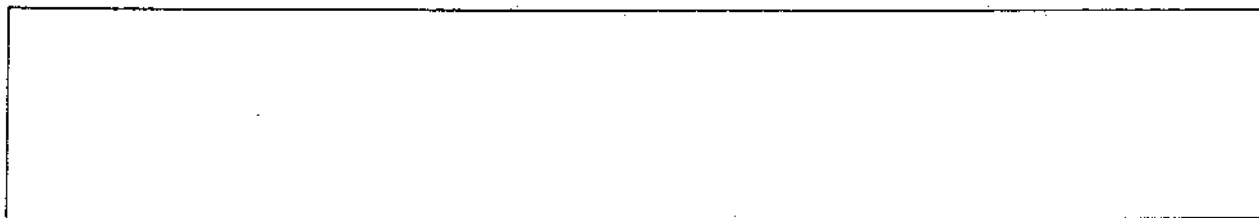
From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 5:34 PM
To: 'Raj Fernando'
Subject: RE:

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

Raj,



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Thelma informs me that you received a call from an ABC news investigative journalist. I doubt that his call has anything to do with these proceedings but I don't have any special knowledge of that either. I do know that at least one other ISAB member, Joe Cirincione, also received a call from Matthew Mosk asking about qualifications for ISAB membership. Mr. Cirincione gave him no comment and suggested that he contact the Department of State for any information related to the ISAB.

I think you and Mr. Cirincione handled his call correctly. There was a media note released on 12 July that may have prompted his interest. It can be found at the following link: <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/prs/ps/2011/07/168130.htm>. If he calls me, I will refer him to the public affairs officers here at State.

Best wishes,
Chip Hartman

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From: Raj Fernando [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 9:39 AM

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From: Mosk, Matthew [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 5:38 PM
To: Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: Raj Fernando

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Hi Jamie,

Per our conversation, looking for background/bio information about Mr. Fernando relative to his appointment to the ISAB.

Thanks so much for your quick return call and willingness to help.

All the best,

Matt

Matthew Mosk
Producer, ABC News

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From: Mannina, Jamie F
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 5:41 PM
To: Hartman, Richard W
Subject: FW: Raj Fernando

You're correct on your suspicion. He's working on something where Raj Fernando came up, and he's trying to figure out how/what led to him being placed on the ISAB.

He is requesting his Biography, prepared for the ISAB. Can we dig up a short paragraph about his distinguished career, and a sentence about our selection and approval process? I told him we should be able to get him a response.

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Hartman, Richard W

From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 5:57 PM
To: Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: Bio and Selection for ISAB
Attachments: ISAB membership balance plan (3).docx; Fernando-Rajiv.docx

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Jamie,

Attached, per your request, is the bio of Raj Fernando that we put in the members' books for the first meeting of the ISAB. Mr. Fernando has not cleared it for public release and I don't think we should release it without his permission/agreement.

Also attached is a draft Membership Balance Plan that has been sent out within the department for clearance as part of the process of renewing the ISAB Charter, which expires in a few months. Section 5(b)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act requires "...the membership of the advisory committee to be fairly balanced in terms of the points of view represented and the functions to be performed by the advisory committee." The corresponding regulations require the Balance Plan to ensure (1) "that, in the selection of members for the advisory committee, the agency will consider a cross-section of those directly affected, interested, and qualified, as appropriate to the nature and functions of the advisory committee;" and (2) "[a]dvisory committees requiring technical expertise should include persons with demonstrated professional or personal qualifications and experience relevant to the functions and tasks to be performed."

While the Balance Plan may have some words about the selection process that might be useful for your purpose, it was not in place when this Board was selected. The selection process occurred prior to my involvement, so I am not well versed in how it was done. We should talk before you get back to Mr. Mosk.

Thanks,
Chip

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From: Mannina, Jamie F
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 06:41 PM
To: Boese, Wade; Hartman, Richard W
Subject: FW: Raj Fernando

Wade,

ABC news producer Matthew Mosk is fishing all the ISAB members about what led to Raj Fernando being appointed to the Secretary's International Security Advisory Board. It appears when he called me over the phone that his ISAB came up while he was working on something else.

Chip and I have notified press officers and ISAB membership to refer to us at the State Department at this point for any media queries on Mr. Fernando. He is asking for a short bio or description on our selection of Mr. Fernando. I have spoken to Chip privately, and it appears there is much more to this story that we're unaware of.

We must protect the Secretary's and Under Secretary's name, as well as the integrity of the Board. I think it's important to get down to the bottom of this before there's any response. I'll be happy to loop in my PA counterpart in OS and the Inspector General's office, once you advise course of action.

As you can see from the attached, it's natural to ask how he got onto the board when compared to the rest of the esteemed list of members.

Jamie

From: Boese, Wade
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 09:48 PM
To: Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: Re: Raj Fernando

Jamie,

I will discuss with Chip tomorrow. The true answer is simply that S staff (Cheryl Mills) added him. The board's membership preceded me. Raj was not on the list sent to S; he was added at their insistence.

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Great way to get back from vacation.

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Wade

From: Boese, Wade
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 9:52 PM
To: Hartman, Richard W
Subject: Fw: Raj Fernando

Chip,

My response to Jamie. Ellen is meeting with Cheryl Mills on another issue tmrw and is meeting with the Secretary as well. Perhaps it would be appropriate for Ellen to raise at first meeting. I will call you tmrw morning.

Sorry this has become a headache.

Wade

Hartman, Richard W.

From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 7:57 AM
To: Gottemoeller, Rose E
Subject: ISAB-related Press Inquiry

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Rose,

ABC news producer Matthew Mosk called me late yesterday and I immediately referred him to Jamie Mannina. He has also called at least three members of the ISAB – Raj Fernando, Terry Everett, and Joe Cirincione. He is asking questions about what led to Raj Fernando being appointed to the Secretary's International Security Advisory Board. It appears from his call to Jamie that his interest in the ISAB came up while he was working on something else.

Jamie and I have notified press officers and ISAB membership to refer to us at the State Department at this point for any media queries on Mr. Fernando. Mr. Mosk is asking for a short bio and a description of the process that led to our selection of Mr. Fernando for ISAB membership. It appears there is much more to this story and I would like just a few minutes of your time to brief you on what I know.

Jamie is rightly concerned that we must protect the Secretary's and Under Secretary's name, as well as the integrity of the Board. I will be meeting with Wade Boese this morning to bring him up to speed. U/S Tauscher is meeting on a different topic later today with Cheryl Mills, who added Mr. Fernando's name to the list of ISAB nominees when it went to S. and Secretary Clinton.

V/R,
Chip Hartman

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From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 8:11 AM
To: Boese, Wade
Subject: RE: Raj Fernando

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Wade,

Welcome back. Sorry about all the phone messages last week - I didn't realize you were on vacation. I am standing by to come up and brief you and Kevin, if he is available, on what I know about where Raj Fernando stands and the ABC News investigative journalist inquiries. You do need to hear about it.

Thanks,
Chip

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From: Mosk, Matthew [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 10:57 AM
To: Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: checking in

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Hi Jamie,

Just wanted to see if you had any success grabbing some background or a CV on Raj Fernando?

Many thanks,

Matt

Matthew Mosk
Producer, ABC News



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From: Mannina, Jamie F [mailto:M]@state.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 11:00 AM
To: Mosk, Matthew
Subject: RE: checking in

Crashing this morning. What's the timing for your piece? Not knowing much on it when you called, but now after focusing on it a little - I will need time to work it.

From: Mosk, Matthew [mailto:]
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 11:04 AM
To: Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: RE: checking in

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This is a detail we'd like to sew up fairly soon... If you can even get me *some* background today, that would help. Right now, the only thing put out on him is that he is CEO of a Chicago trading firm, which doesn't exactly explain how he fits into a board of renowned experts on military, diplomatic, and political matters. But I assume there's lots about him I don't know.

From: Mannina, Jamie F
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 11:05 AM
To: Hartman, Richard W; Boese, Wade
Subject: Raj Fernando - Matthew Mosk from ABC News

He's pushing...

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From: Boese, Wade
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 12:00 PM
To: Mannina, Jamie F; Hartman, Richard W
Subject: RE: Raj Fernando - Matthew Mosk from ABC News

I've alerted Heather Samuelson, who said she will work on getting some points. U/S Tauscher also will note issue with Cheryl Mills this afternoon.

Regardless, we need to hold off on responding until at least tomorrow afternoon when we learn

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Thanks,
Wade

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From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 1:31 PM
To: Boese, Wade; Samuelson, Heather F
Subject: Matthew Mosk from ABC News

Wade and Heather,

In Mr. Mosk's most recent e-mail to Jamie Mannina (AVC's special assistant for public affairs) he expressed interest in also knowing how Rep. Harold Naughton Jr. was selected for the International Security Advisory Board and what expertise qualifies him. Jamie will continue to hold Mr. Mosk at bay until tomorrow. [REDACTED]

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While Mr. Fernando brings relative youth, enthusiasm, a business perspective, and expertise in cyber security to the Board, it should be easier to answer the mail regarding Rep. Naughton, who has been in the Mass. House of Representatives since 1995. He is Chairman of the Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security and previously served on the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. He is a U.S. Army veteran of the Iraq War (2005 and 2006) and continues to serve in the U.S. Army Reserves JAG Corps. His BA is in Political Science and his JD includes study at Notre Dame Law School in England on the topics of International Human Rights, European Law, and Soviet Law. He has been a commentator on 'Fox and Friends' morning TV show regarding the Afghanistan War and has appeared on the TODAY show and other media in regard to national security and veterans issues.

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I will let you know if anything new develops.

Regards,
Chip

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From: Boese, Wade
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 2:31 PM
To: Hartman, Richard W; Samuelson, Heather F
Subject: RE: Matthew Mosk from ABC News

The case for Rep. Naughton is an easy one. We are on solid ground.

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Thanks,
Wade

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Hartman, Richard W

From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 5:09 PM
To: Boese, Wade
Cc: Samuelson, Heather F
Subject: RE: Matthew Mosk from ABC News

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Wade,

Sorry, but I don't know the answer and was unable to reach Marquita Randolph in HR-ER, who works with the personnel review panel.

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I will let you know as soon as I find anything out tomorrow and I'm on the ground so I can communicate.

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Thanks,
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Hartman, Richard W

From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 5:32 PM
To: Look, Karin L
Subject: Rajiv Fernando

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Archie Bolster, Senior Reviewer

Karin,

I just wanted to let you know that I briefed Wade in full this morning. The two of us briefed Heather Samuelson, the White House liaison officer who works directly for Cheryl Mills. Heather already knew about [redacted] (we had talked last week) but did not know about the press inquiry. U/S Tauscher discussed the topic directly with Cheryl Mills this afternoon. Cheryl Mills has asked that Jamie stall for 24 hours [redacted] Jamie and I briefed Rose at about 4:45 pm.

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FYI, Mr. Mosk is now also asking about what Rep. Harold Naughton's qualifications are to be on the Board. I think Rep. Naughton's case for being on the ISAB is pretty easy to defend. He has been in the Mass. House of Representatives since 1995. He is Chairman of the Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security and previously served on the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. He is a U.S. Army veteran of the Iraq War (2005 and 2006) and continues to serve in the U.S. Army Reserves JAG Corps. His BA is in Political Science and his JD includes study at Notre Dame Law School in England on the topics of International Human Rights, European Law, and Soviet Law. He has been a commentator on 'Fox and Friends' morning TV show regarding the Afghanistan War and has appeared on the TODAY show and other media in regard to national security and veterans issues.

Thanks for the guidance and help.

V/R,
Chip

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Rajiv Fernando

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The Honorable Hillary Clinton
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Dear Secretary Clinton:

I am writing to submit to you my resignation from the International Security Advisory Board (ISAB).

I intended to devote a substantial amount of time to the work of ISAB in furtherance of its objectives. However, the unique, unexpected, and excessive volatility in the international markets these last few weeks and months require me to focus my energy on the operations of my company.

I greatly appreciate the privilege of serving with you and the other ISAB members. I wish the Board the best in its efforts and look forward to future opportunities to contribute to U.S. national security policy.

Sincerely,

Rajiv Fernando

From: Mannina, Jamie F
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 3:01 PM
To: Boese, Wade; Hartman, Richard W
Subject: RE: Raj Fernando - Matthew Mosk from ABC News

Matthew called me after I was unresponsive to his morning emails. He said it was fine for me to get back to him tomorrow. He confirmed he's not interested in the ISAB, but a separate story and was doing his investigating journalism and connecting all his dots.

Also spoke to Heather yesterday and assured that will hold until guidance is clear.

Any update from your ends?

Jamie

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From: Boese, Wade
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 03:08 PM
To: Mannina, Jamie F; Hartman, Richard W
Subject: RE: Raj Fernando - Matthew Mosk from ABC News

[REDACTED] Reines is aware of this inquiry and working it.

Apparently, Philippe

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Hartman, Richard W

From: Hartman, Richard W
Sent: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 3:30 PM
To: Boese, Wade; Mannina, Jamie F
Subject: Re: Raj Fernando - Matthew Mosk from ABC News

Wade,

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I have been trying but unsuccessful in reaching Marquita Randolph to find out the results [REDACTED] I will keep trying and let you know when I reach her.

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Chip

From: Mannina, Jamie F
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 10:15 AM
To: Boese, Wade; Hartman, Richard W
Cc: Gottemoeller, Rose E
Subject: ISAB Response to ABC

The following statement from Cheryl Mills' office (and cleared w/ Mike Hammer, who is now handling) was sent to Matthew Mosk:

"Per your request, here is background on the Board and two candidates. Mr. Fernando chose to resign from the Board earlier this month citing additional time needed to devote to his business.

The International Security Advisory Board (ISAB) provides the Department with independent insight and advice on all aspects of arms control, disarmament, international security, and related aspects of public diplomacy. In selecting members, ISAB seeks to follow the guidelines set forth in the Federal Advisory Committee Act requiring "the membership of the advisory committee to be fairly balanced in terms of the points of view represented and the functions to be performed by the advisory committee." As such, ISAB ensures consideration of a cross-section individuals directly affected, interested, and qualified to serve on issues raised before the committee.

As President and CEO of Chopper Trading, Mr. Fernando brought a unique perspective to ISAB. He has years of experience in the private sector in implementing sophisticated risk management tools, information technology, and international finance.

Rep. Naughton has served in Massachusetts House of Representatives since 1995. As a U.S. Army veteran of the Iraq War and Chairman of Massachusetts Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security; he brings a state and local perspective to ISAB as well as military experience."



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