



**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

August 26, 2019

Case No.: F-2018-01189

Sean Dunagan  
Judicial Watch, Inc.  
425 Third St., SW, Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Mr. Dunagan:

I refer you to our letter dated July 26, 2019, regarding the release of certain Department of State material under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. §552. The processing of records is ongoing and has, thus far, yielded an additional 55 records responsive to your request. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that 25 may be released to you in full, 19 may be released in part, and 11 must be withheld in full. All released material is enclosed.

The documents that were withheld in full were withheld under FOIA Exemptions 1 and 5, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1) and (b)(5). All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from exempt material has been released in the enclosed pages. Where we have made excisions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material.

If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Joshua Rogers, Assistant U.S. Attorney, at [Joshua.Rogers3@usdoj.gov](mailto:Joshua.Rogers3@usdoj.gov). Please refer to the request case number, F-2018-01189, and the civil action number, 18-cv-01381, in all correspondence about this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan C. Weetman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Susan C. Weetman  
Deputy Director  
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosure: As stated.

## The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

### FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:
- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
  - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
  - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
  - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
  - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
  - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
  - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
  - 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction
- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:
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|----------------|---|
| ARMSEXP        | Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)                    |
| CIA PERS/ORG   | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)      |
| EXPORT CONTROL | Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c) |
| FS ACT         | Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004                    |
| INA            | Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f) |
| IRAN           | Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505      |
- (b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information
- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product
- (b)(6) Personal privacy information
- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:
- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
  - (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
  - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
  - (D) disclose confidential sources
  - (E) disclose investigation techniques
  - (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual
- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions
- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

### Other Grounds for Withholding

- NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

**From:** Johnson, Hilary R  
**To:** Johnston, Amy L  
**Subject:** Fw: ACTION ITEM for tomorrow morning -- Investigation Letters  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 25, 2017 3:57:39 PM  
**Attachments:** Correspondence 1-25.xlsx  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Barnett, James R <BarnettJR@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2017 3:56 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Hilary R; Sandel, Jessika S  
**Subject:** ACTION ITEM for tomorrow morning -- Investigation Letters

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Please take a look at the list of outstanding investigation letters:

1) What's the status?

**General status updates** from the bureaus, are due by **3pm tomorrow**.

I'll be doing this weekly. (FYI, ignore the non-investigatory letters at the bottom).

James

James Barnett | OMS | Bureau of Legislative Affairs (H) | Work: 202-647-1048

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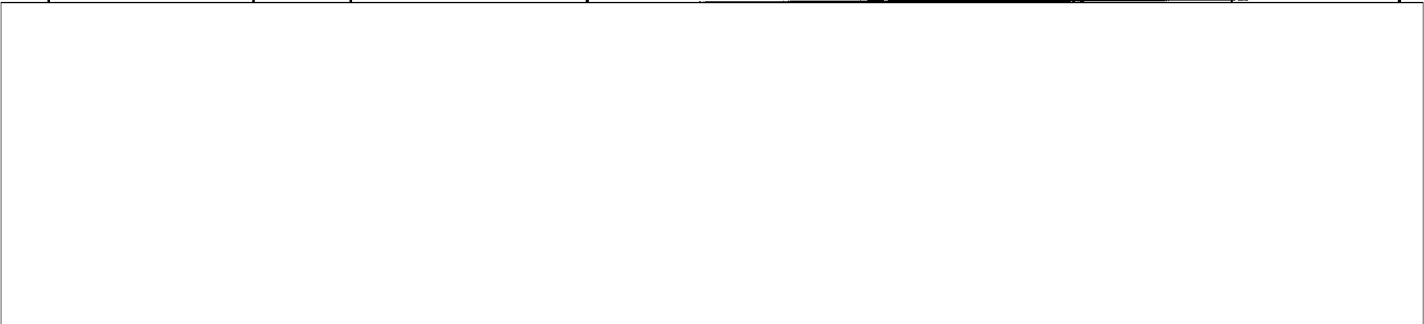
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55	H20161221=000	H	Cardin, Benjamin L.	Document Request requesting all cable traffic detailing Russian cyber attacks, malign influence, and disinformation campaigns worldwide; in particular, documents associated with and in response to requests regarding the Russian Malign Influence Group.	34
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**FROM:** FEB 21 2017  
**Acting A/S Joseph E Macmanus (H)**

**Congressional Correspondence  
Recommendation**

\_\_\_ **For Signature by Secretary**  
**For draft by \_\_\_ Bureau**

\_\_\_ **For Signature by Deputy Secretary**  
**For draft by \_\_\_ Bureau**

**Tasked to the INR Bureau for  
Signature by Joseph E. Macmanus  
Acting Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs**

\_\_\_ **Tasked to \_\_\_ Bureau for signature by  
Post or Bureau**

\_\_\_ **FYI Only—No Reply Necessary**  
**For \_\_\_ Bureau**

**Special Actions:**

**Multi-signer letters** *Warner*

**Special Clearances** *L and IRM*

\_\_\_ **For S Staff Review (H Only)**

\_\_\_ **Everest Tasker#** \_\_\_\_\_

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONGRESSIONAL  
CORRESPONDENCE TASKER



IPS CONTROL# H2017 0221=007 ACTION BUREAU: INR

DATE: FEB 21 2017

**IPS:**

- SUBSTANTIVE
- IMAGE ENTIRE DOCUMENT

**BUREAU:**

BUREAU ACTION REQUESTED: RESPOND TO CCU **2** DAYS FROM:

REPLY FOR SIGNATURE BY Joseph E. Macmanus Acting Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs

ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO DISTRICT OFFICE

DIRECT REPLY TO CONSTITUENT BY OFFICE DIRECTOR WITH COPY TO  
CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE. PHONE 7-1608 WHEN COMPLETED

FYI ONLY/NO RESPONSE NECESSARY

REPLY FOR SIGNATURE DIRECTLY BY BUREAU

OTHER ACTION: Please Clear with L and ERM

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FOR GUIDANCE/INFORMATION ON FORMATTING CONGRESSIONALS SEE:  
[http://www.diplomedia.state.gov/index.php?title=Bureau\\_of\\_Legislative\\_Affairs\\_Reference\\_Documents#Yellow\\_Boarder](http://www.diplomedia.state.gov/index.php?title=Bureau_of_Legislative_Affairs_Reference_Documents#Yellow_Boarder)

\*\*\*\*BUREAUS MUST MAKE TRANSFERS OF ACTION DIRECTLY WITH RECEIVING BUREAU'S FRONT  
OFFICE. PLEASE NOTIFY CCU VIA UNCLASS EMAIL OF ALL TRANSFERS OF ACTION\*\*\*\*

DUE DATE: FEB 27 2017

**ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

Multi-Signer Letter: Warner

Please clear with NSC prior to submission to H

For S Staff Review (H only)

**From:** Johnson, Hilary R  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Subject:** FW: For Immediate Review - Call Sheet for S Call with Senator Warner  
**Date:** Thursday, January 5, 2017 9:52:53 AM  
**Attachments:** 170104 Letter to Secretary of State Kerry re Russian Efforts to Influen...

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Here's the letter, came in last night.

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**From:** Frifield, Julia E  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 9:52 AM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A; Wier, Anthony D; Kramer, Rori A; Gillis, Lauren M; Schram, Zachary I  
**Cc:** Dueholm, Katherine O; Bulgrin, Julie K; Lawrence, Elizabeth; Johnson, Hilary R  
**Subject:** RE: For Immediate Review - Call Sheet for S Call with Senator Warner

Adding Zack who can help us figure out best way to get these to the Hill (will need to go through formal process, Zach can tell us how to do that) -- thanks

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 9:47 AM  
**To:** Wier, Anthony D; Frifield, Julia E; Kramer, Rori A; Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Dueholm, Katherine O; Bulgrin, Julie K; Lawrence, Elizabeth; Johnson, Hilary R  
**Subject:** RE: For Immediate Review - Call Sheet for S Call with Senator Warner

+ Hilary

Yes, EUR is absolutely willing to provide the docs asap.

I told Cardin's folks (including Jessica L.) a few weeks ago that the process is long. Can we ensure that there are no holdups on our end?

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**From:** Wier, Anthony D  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 9:31 AM  
**To:** Frifield, Julia E; Kramer, Rori A; Gillis, Lauren M; Abbasi, Hera A  
**Cc:** Dueholm, Katherine O; Bulgrin, Julie K; Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** FW: For Immediate Review - Call Sheet for S Call with Senator Warner

This just came across my transom. I gather this resembles a similar Cardin request. Naz just called and said that EUR does not see special difficulties in providing the Malign Influence Working Group documents—they have them gathered—though I would note that they are in the form of cables, so there is that potential precedent complication.

More concerning to me is whether you all knew about a call sheet request for Senator Warner...

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**From:** Pitterle, Elissa G  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 05, 2017 9:01 AM  
**To:** H\_Staffers; EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Gillis, Lauren M; Wier, Anthony D; Green, Eric F; Bilge; Kerem S  
**Subject:** For Immediate Review - Call Sheet for S Call with Senator Warner

Colleagues: S Specials have asked for a call sheet as soon as possible for an S call with Senator Warner to discuss the attached letter that we received yesterday evening. Senator Warner is asking the Department to produce intelligence reports and other documents related to Russian efforts to influence the recent U.S. election. Please review and provide clearance/comments as soon as possible.

H, can you add a bio sheet?

Elissa Pitterle, Director  
INR/OPS  
202-647-1463

# United States Senate

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6475

RELEASE IN FULL

January 4, 2017

The Honorable John Kerry  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of State  
2201 C Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Secretary Kerry,

Given the immense importance of understanding Russian efforts to influence the recent US election, and given the need for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence to fully perform its oversight duties, we request that you provide the following:

- Any finished intelligence products produced by your agency on the topic of Russian involvement in the 2016 US elections;
- All raw intelligence collected by your agency that supports the finished intelligence products referenced above;
- All cables or serialized reporting produced by the Malign Influence Working Group.

We ask that the requested items be submitted to the Committee no later than January 19, 2017. For questions, please contact Mr. Mike Casey of the Committee staff at 202-224-1700.

Sincerely,



Mark R. Warner  
Vice Chairman

cc: Chairman Richard Burr  
Assistant Secretary Victoria Nuland  
Ambassador Daniel Smith

**From:** Abbasi, Hera A <AbbasiHA@state.sgov.gov> **RELEASE IN PART B1,1.4(D); B5**  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 11:27 AM  
**To:** Prosser, Sarah E <ProsserSE@state.sgov.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>; Harris, Katherine A <harriskal@state.sgov.gov>; Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.sgov.gov>; Johnson, Hilary R <JohnsonHR@state.sgov.gov>; Sandel, Jessika <SandelJ@state.sgov.gov>; Lorman, Amanda L <LormanAL@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2  
**Attach:** [Redacted]

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Thanks!  
Hera

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
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If there are other people who need to clear on the package, let me know.

The ToC is also being sent to DAS Kavalec on the road – she saw it in hard copy before leaving.

Thanks.

KSB

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**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>; Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.sgov.gov>; Johnson, Hilary R <JohnsonHR@state.sgov.gov>; Harris, Katherine A <harriskal@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** Here's a sample Action Memo  
**Attach:** AM\_P GAO Russia Cables 12 2016 rev2.docx

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Best,  
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**Subject:** RE: Here's a sample Action Memo

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Yes, that is correct. Warner/raw intel stuff is going thru IC channels.

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**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 1:54 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz; Schram, Zachary I; Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A  
**Subject:** RE: Here's a sample Action Memo

Great, working on it.

To be clear – I am only doing the Russian Malign Influence part of the request. Senator Warner, in his letter, also wanted raw and finished intel on Russian involvement in the U.S. election. Senator Cardin, in his letter, only wanted material on Russian Malign Influence.

KSB

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Adding in Ken Thomas for L/M and will forward the other emails and attachments separately.

Sarah

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Resending to include Greg Stanford from M to ensure M sees these.

Please stand by for email 2 of 2 w/ the rest of the attachments.

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KSB

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Cody,

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Best,  
-Zack-

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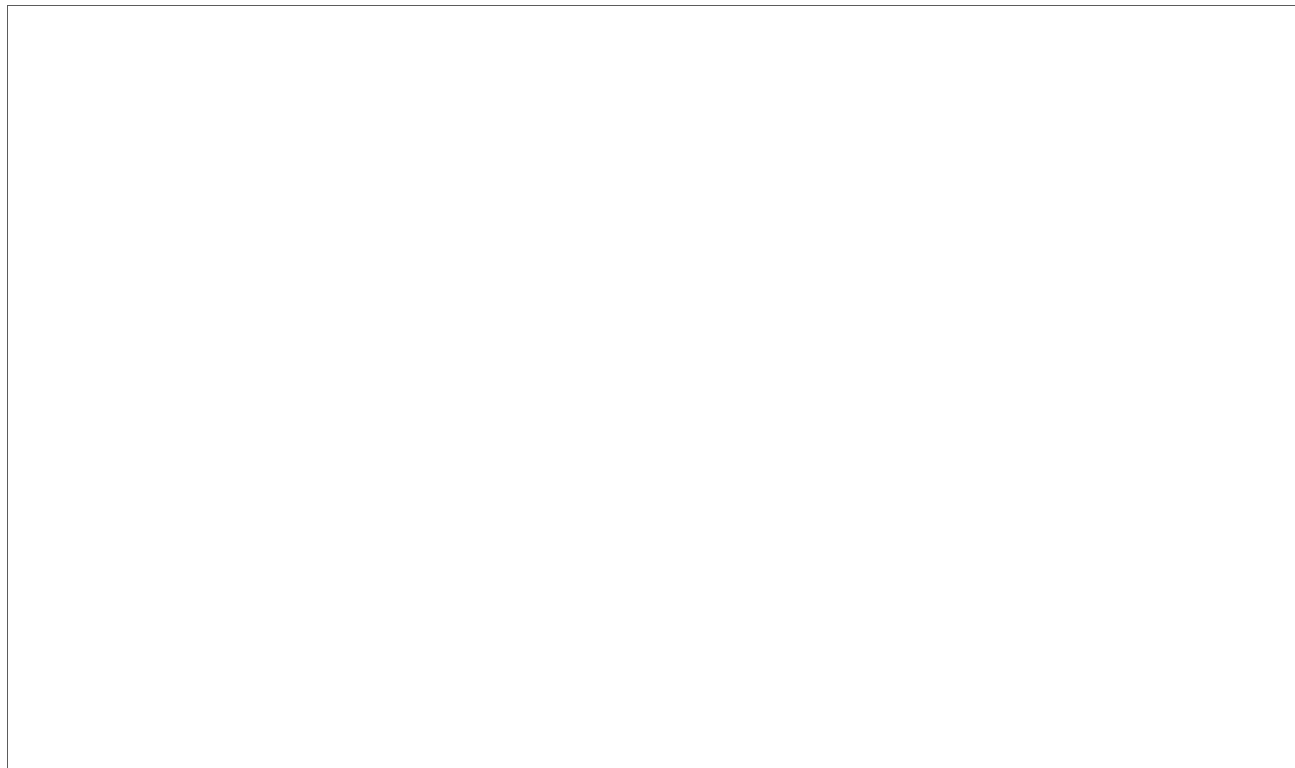
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**Cc:** Gillis, Lauren M <GillisLM@state.sgov.gov>; Abbasi, Hera A. <AbbasiHA@state.sgov.gov>  
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Thanks, Zack. I sent a note to [redacted] at ODNI with your list from Sen. Cardin as well as the list forwarded by Nick Basciano (SSCI staffer). I copied Lauren on the email as well so that any response from ODNI is immediately available to H. B3

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**Subject:** FW: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

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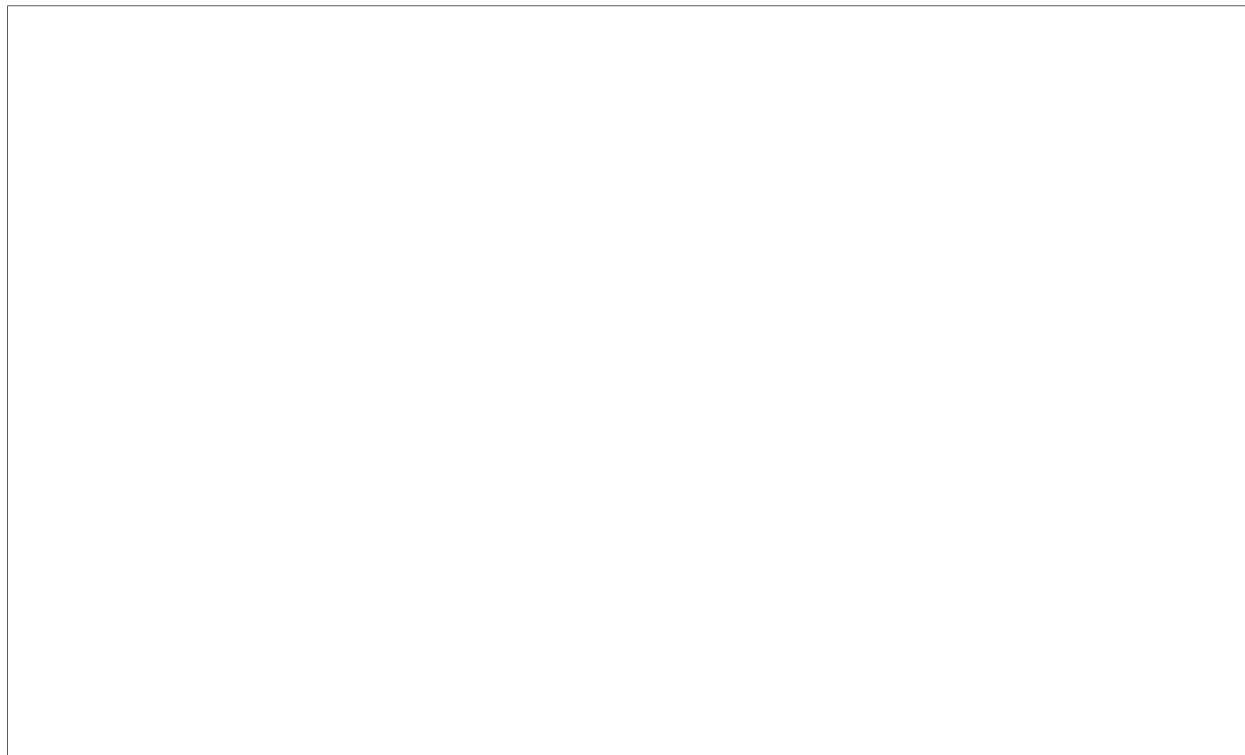
**From:** Bilge, Kerem S

**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:28 PM

**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Gresser, James A; Romano, Alicia; Salvo, David V

**Subject:** \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

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Thanks.

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**Procedures for Transmitting Classified Material to Congress**

Last Updated: January 2017

The Bureau of Legislative Affairs (H) has couriers who deliver materials to Congress twice every business day. If you are preparing classified packages for delivery to the Hill, please consult the guidance below. This guidance should be read in conjunction with Department guidelines for processing correspondence, reports, and other materials for Congress.

When submitting paper to *H\_Staffers* that includes letters for the H Assistant Secretary to sign, please provide addressed envelopes to the H Staffers in Room 7531. All envelopes must have the Member of Congress' name and a room number and should feature the State Department address in the upper left corner of the envelope (*Please Note: committee and personal members' mailing labels are available on the H Diplopedia site*). In addition, a completed Classified Material Receipt should be affixed to each envelope (see below for more information). Please contact the H Staff Assistants at x71807, x72651 or x71712 in advance if more than 25 pieces of mail or very large packages are to be delivered.

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**Standard Classified Disclaimer**

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“Under Executive Order 13526, the Department of State may not disseminate classified information outside the Executive Branch except under conditions that ensure that the information will be given protection equivalent to that afforded such information within the Executive Branch. Classified and other sensitive information may not be publicly disclosed or handled in such a manner that might lead to public disclosure. We ask that you and your staff protect the classified information you are receiving by applying standards at least as stringent as E.O. 13526 on the handling of classified information. Sensitive documents must be

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with Part I as proof of delivery.

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#### Office of Senate Security

*SVC-217; 224-5632*

Mike DiSilvestro; Ronny Howard; Emily Dolph; Dekisha Williams; Stephanie Wright

The *only* exceptions to this policy are the following committee offices. Packages for these offices may be addressed to the staffers noted below.

#### Committee on Foreign Relations (Corker and Cardin) (Front office: 721 Hart)

*H-721; 224-4651; fax 228-2255*

Samantha Hamilton, John Dutton

*Note: SCR, RD, or FRD material must be delivered to the Office of Senate Security in SVC 217 for storage.*

#### Committee on Armed Services (McCain and Reed)

*SR-228; 224-3871; fax 224-9085; Monday – Friday, 0900-1700*

Barry Walker; Leah Brewer; Greg Lilly

*Note: May receive TS, SCI, RD, FRD*

#### Committee on Appropriations (Cochran and Leahy)

*SD-118 224-7363; Monday – Friday, 0900-1700*

Debbie Chiarello; Erik Raven

May receive TS, SCI, RD, FRD

*Note: No deliveries between 11:30am and 1:00pm; email prior to delivery:*

*DebbieChiarello@appropriations.senate.gov*

#### Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs (Graham and TBD)

*118 Dirksen; 224-7256*

Debbie Chiarello; Erik Raven

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Select Committee on Intelligence (Burr and Warner)

*SH-211; 224-1700; fax 224-1772; Monday Friday, 0900-1700*

*Jim Wolfe; Nicolette Llewellyn*

Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs (Johnson and Carper)

*224-2627*

*To Senate Security SVC 217*

Committee on the Judiciary (Chairman: Chuck Grassley)

*224 Dirksen; 224-7703*

*To Senate Security SVC 217*

Committee on the Judiciary (Ranking Member: Feinstein)

*152 Dirksen: 224-5225*

*To Senate Security SVC 217*

Orrin Hatch

President Pro Tempore of the Senate

S-125 The Capitol Building

*To Senate Security SVC 217*

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## **Authorized Recipients of Classified Documents: House of Representatives**

### Speaker of the House (Paul Ryan)

*HVC -304; 225-4121; fax 225-5117*

Kristin Jepson, Brandon Smith, or Kevin Kline to receive for Jonathan Banks

### Majority Leader (Kevin McCarthy)

*H-107 The Capitol; 225-4000; fax 226-1715*

Tim Berry

*Note: Classified documents should be delivered to the Office of House Security, HVC 301.*

### Minority Leader (Nancy Pelosi)

*H-204; 225-0100; fax 225-4188*

Wyndee Parker; Jaime Lizarraga

### Committee on Foreign Affairs (Royce and Engel)

*G324 Rayburn; 225-5021; fax 225-2035*

George Ritchey @ 202-226-8969

### Committee on Appropriations (Majority) (Chairman Rodney Frelinghuysen)

*307 Capitol Building; 225-2771; fax 225-5078*

William Smith; Tammy Hughes

### Committee on Appropriations (Minority) (Nita Lowey)

*1040A Longworth; 225-3481; 225-9476*

Steve Marchese; Erin Kolodjeski

### Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies (Majority) (Chairman Harold D. Rogers)

*HT-2 Capitol Building; 225-2041; fax 226-7922*

Craig Higgins; Susan Adams; Jaime Guinn; Alice Hogans;

David Bortnick

### Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies (Minority) (Nita Lowey)

*1016 Longworth; 226-7133; 225-9476*

Steve Marchese; Erin Kolodjeski

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense (Majority) (Chairman:Frelinghuysen)  
*H405 Capitol Building; 225-284; they can receive SCI*  
Sherry Young; Adrienne Ramsey

Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense (Minority) (Peter J."Pete" Visclosky)  
*1016 Longworth; 225-3481*  
Chris Bigelow; Rebecca Leggieri

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (Chairman:Devin Nunes and  
Minority Adam Schiff)  
*HVC-304; 225-4121*  
Kristin Jepson; Brandon Smith; Kevin Klein; Nick Ciarlante (all staff have  
clearances)

Committee on Armed Services (Chairman Thornberry and Smith)  
*2216 Rayburn; 225-4151; fax 225-9077*  
Cindy Howard, Betty Gray; Rebecca Ross; Kathryn Thompson

Committee on the Judiciary (Majority) (Chairman Goodlatte)  
*Suite 6340 O'Neill Federal Office Bldg*  
*200 C St. SW; 225-5727;*  
Caroline Lynch; Robert Parmiter

Committee on the Judiciary (Minority) (John Conyers, Jr.)  
*B-351 Rayburn HOB; 225-5126; fax 225-7682*  
Aaron Hiller B336; or  
Perry Apelbaum 2142 Rayburn

Committee on Homeland Security (McCaul and Thompson)  
*HVC-302; 226-8417; fax 226-3399*  
Kyle McFarland (can receive for both Majority and Minority) can receive SCI  
*Note: Minority staff is located in 117 Ford; 226-2616*



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Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (Majority) (Chairman Chaffetz)  
*2157 Rayburn; 225-5074; fax 225-3974*  
Rachel Weaver; Laura Rush

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (Minority) (Elijah Cummings)  
*2471 Rayburn; 225-5051*  
Krista Boyd; Eddie Walker (with advanced notice via phone call; can receive up to Top Secret)

Committee on Ways and Means (Majority) (Chairman Kevin Brady)  
*1102 Longworth; 225-3625 (call first please) (no SCI yet)*  
Angela Ellard; in 1104 Longworth

Committee on Ways and Means (Minority) (Richard Neal)  
*1106 Longworth; 225-4021*  
Jason Kearns; Carrie Breidenbach; Janice Mays

Committee on Financial Services (Majority) (Chairman Jeb Hensarling)  
*2129 Rayburn; 225-7502*  
Al Pinder (SCI); James Clinger

Committee on Financial Services (Minority) (Maxine Waters)  
*Suite 4320 O'Neill Federal Office Building, 200 C St. SW; 225-6964*  
Kirk Schwarzbach

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(Office Symbol) (Room No.) (Bldg.)

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A <AbbasiHA@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 13, 2016 2:06 PM  
**To:** Reks, Ariana E <ReksAE@state.gov>; Frifield, Julia E <FrifieldJ@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Dueholm, Katherine O <DueholmKO@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Toria/Cardin

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**From:** Reks, Ariana E  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 13, 2016 2:06 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A; Frifield, Julia E  
**Cc:** Dueholm, Katherine O  
**Subject:** RE: Toria/Cardin

What is she going to say about the Russia hearing/closed briefing request that's pending?

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 13, 2016 2:00 PM  
**To:** Frifield, Julia E  
**Cc:** Reks, Ariana E; Dueholm, Katherine O  
**Subject:** Toria/Cardin

Meeting tomorrow. I'll staff. FYSA.

He requested; this is on Russia. Will be in SCIF.

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**From:** Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 10:33 AM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A <AbbasiHA@state.gov>; Gillis, Lauren M <GillisLM@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Harris, Katherine A <HarrisKA2@state.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

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Hera,

We were deconflicting to make sure that we weren't producing documents to Cardin that we we're requiring others to view offsite, in camera.

Cody, correct me if I'm wrong, but this does NOT mean the cables are in route, we still have to complete our ordinary clearance and production process.

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-Zack-

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 10:27 AM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I; Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Harris, Katherine A; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** Fw: update to ODNI

Not sure why IC would sign off on EUR products, but does this mean the EUR cables are en route to Cardin?

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**From:** Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 10:23 AM  
**To:** Walsh, Cody C; Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Thanks Cody.

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**From:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 10:18 AM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I; Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

FYI- Received confirmation from ODNI that they are fine with us sharing both the Basciano cables and the Cardin cables with the Hill.

This email is UNCLASSIFIED.

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**From:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 3:08 PM  
**To:** Walsh, Cody C; Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Perfect

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**From:** Walsh, Cody C <WalshCC1@state.gov>  
**Date:** January 13, 2017 at 3:06:50 PM EST  
**To:** Gillis, Lauren M <GillisLM@state.gov>, Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A <AbbasiHA@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Thanks for joining the SVTC, Zack. Just received confirmation from our Foreign Disclosures office that we have all the clearances in the Department for the 3 cables requested by ONDI NIO [redacted] in the original tasking so we're all set.

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As mentioned during the call, there are a few additional cables flagged by Nick Basciano on SSCI staff. ODNI Leg would like us to pass the cables to the NIO before we reach back out to staff. I'll send a note to [redacted] with the list of cables that Nick is asking about as well as the list requested by Sen. Cardin so that they can deconflict. Sound good?

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**From:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 1:16 PM  
**To:** Gillis, Lauren M; Schram, Zachary I  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Zack, I'll meet you in the entry area of room 6510 just before 2PM.

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**From:** Gillis, Lauren M  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 12:57 PM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I; Walsh, Cody C  
**Cc:** Abbasi, Hera A  
**Subject:** Re: update to ODNI

Great. I have a call and won't be able to make it.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

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**From:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 11:16 AM  
**To:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Cc:** Gillis, Lauren M; Abbasi, Hera A

**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

I can join.

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**From:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 8:42 AM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Cc:** Gillis, Lauren M  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Thanks again for your help yesterday.

FYI- We have a SVTC with IC Leg Affairs at 2PM in HST 6510 that will be led by [redacted] (ODNI). We will likely discuss the Russia sourcing documents issue so please let me know if you're available to join. Thanks! B3

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**From:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 5:11 PM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Cc:** Gillis, Lauren M  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

Thanks, Zack. [redacted] (ODNI Leg) sent a summary of the path forward on how to engage with SSCI on the request on JWICS. They're still asking for us to follow up with the original tasker on State cables today. B3

[redacted] in DS is asking for a green light from H before they give the OK on releasing the DS cable, which I sent to you on ClassNet. Can you take a look and let us and/or [redacted] know if you have any concerns with clearing this for SSCI staff release? B6  
B7(C)

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**From:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:12 PM  
**To:** Gillis, Lauren M  
**Cc:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Subject:** RE: update to ODNI

No objection

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**From:** Gillis, Lauren M  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:11 PM  
**To:** Schram, Zachary I  
**Cc:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Subject:** update to ODNI

Hey Zack – do you have any objection to letting ODNI leg know that the SSCI staff request for cables was separate from the tasker that they sent out and that we are reviewing them and will let them know what we find?

Thanks,

Lauren

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S <bilgeks@state.sgov.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:31 PM **DECONTROLLED**  
**To:** Green, Eric F <greenef@state.sgov.gov>; Germano, Maria L <GermanoML@state.sgov.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 2 of 2

FYI – this is the second e-mail I sent for clearances on the Cardin-Warner package. I deleted the attachments to spare your inboxes!

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:29 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Gresser, James A; Romano, Alicia; Salvo, David V  
**Subject:** Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 2 of 2

This is the second of two e-mails.

These are the 34 cables we propose to release in responding to the Cardin-Warner inquiry. They are attached here in the order they appear in the ToC in my earlier e-mail.



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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S <bilgeks@state.sgov.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 11:48 AM  
**To:** Green, Eric F <greenef@state.sgov.gov>; Germano, Maria L <GermanoML@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

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FYI, I spoke to Naz. I am getting a template from Hera and will do the AM as described below. The package is being cleared with D, P, M, and L.

H will prepare the package now so it can go as soon as the clearances are obtained – if D, P, M, and/or L decide a certain cable should NOT be released, we can just pull it from the package. Both Senators want the package by Thursday Jan 19.

Neither INR nor the interagency are involved with this project. All products are State products.

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by Donald K.  
Holm, Senior  
Reviewer, on  
8/26/19

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 10:56 AM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; Green, Eric F; Germano, Maria L  
**Subject:** RE: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

Is there anyway to quickly draft an AM to M? Two of the H PoCs that supposedly need to clear are not even here this week.

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 10:29 AM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; Green, Eric F; Germano, Maria L  
**Subject:** RE: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

Thanks, Kerem. Where are we on clearances? Do I need to ask Toria to raise with Julia? The clock is ticking. 😊

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:32 PM  
**To:** Green, Eric F; Germano, Maria L; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** FW: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

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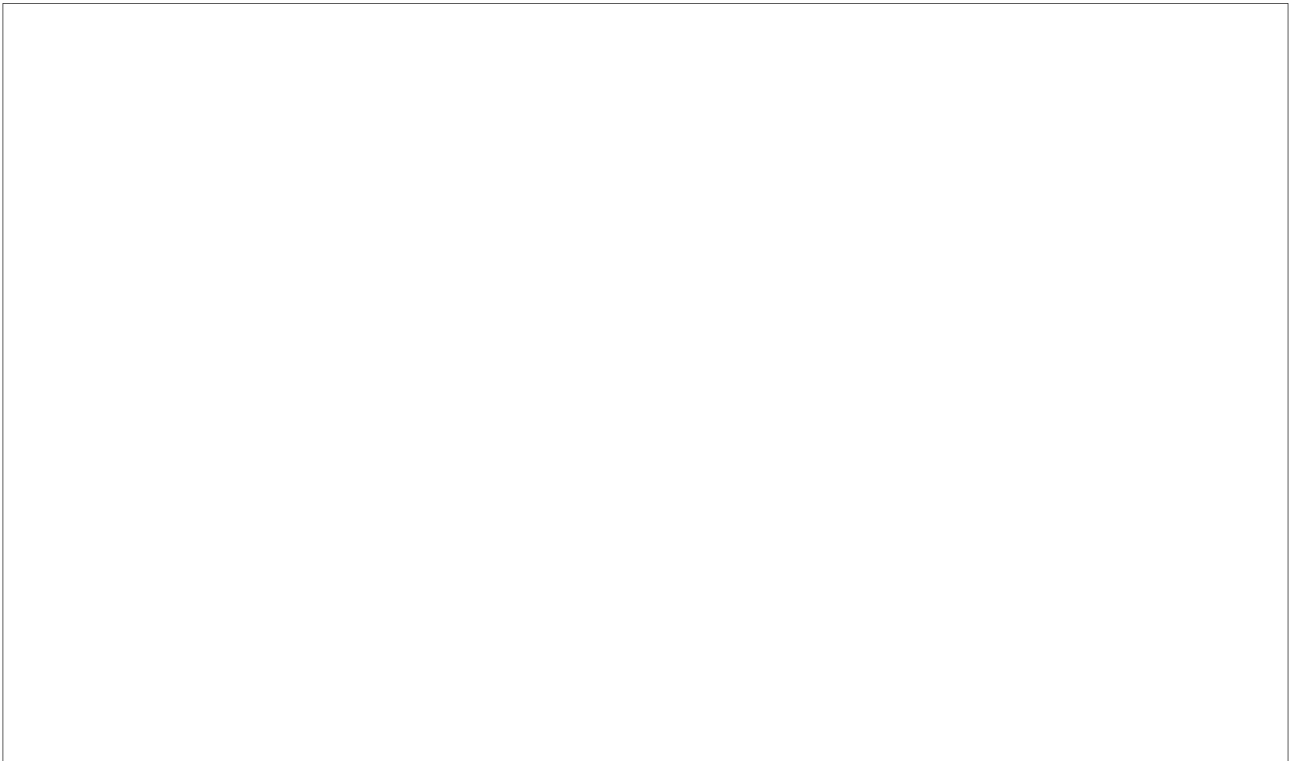
**From:** Bilge, Kerem S

**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:28 PM

**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Gresser, James A; Romano, Alicia; Salvo, David V

**Subject:** \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

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**From:** Stanford, Gregory S <StanfordGS@state.sgov.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 7:53 AM  
**To:** Harris, Katherine A <harriska1@state.sgov.gov>; Abbasi, Hera A. <AbbasiHA@state.sgov.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>; Kavalec, Kathleen A <KavalecKA@state.sgov.gov>; Green, Eric F <greenef@state.sgov.gov>; Bilge, Kerem S <bilgeks@state.sgov.gov>  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R <JohnsonHR@state.sgov.gov>; Schram, Zachary I <SchramZI@state.sgov.gov>; Germano, Maria L <GermanoML@state.sgov.gov>; Robinson, Christopher T <RobinsonCT@state.sgov.gov>; Prosser, Sarah E <ProsserSE@state.sgov.gov>; Thomas, Kenneth A <xThomasKA@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

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M is happy to review docs, as necessary.

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**From:** Harris, Katherine A  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 6:28 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Prosser, Sarah E; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S  
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Best,  
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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S <bilgeks@state.sgov.gov> **RELEASE IN PART B5**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 6:51 PM  
**To:** Green, Eric F <greenef@state.sgov.gov>; Robinson, Christopher T <RobinsonCT@state.sgov.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

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P.S. Naz is fine with this approach.

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Agree this is a priority. For the most part, these are reporting cables and I don't see why lengthy reviews are required. I would suggest we send up the things that can go immediately, and if there is any concern about specific internal documents, those be adjudicated separately and sent up as a follow-on.

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+ Amanda & Jessika, who are covering for Hilary & Katherine; also adding Julia & Amy for SA

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**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Hi All,

This is a priority for our Assistant Secretary. I believe Kerem has asked for clearance on a separate chain. Is there anything we can do to better facilitate the process?

Best,  
Naz

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**From:** Prosser, Sarah E  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 10:52 AM  
**To:** Harris, Katherine A; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Thanks. L/FO has requested that L review before the documents go out.

Best wishes,  
Sarah

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**From:** Harris, Katherine A



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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S <bilgeks@state.sgov.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 10:16 AM  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants <EUR-StaffAssistants@state.sgov.gov>; H\_Staffers <H\_Staffers@state.sgov.gov>; Durakoglu, Naz <DurakogluN@state.sgov.gov>; Alto, Hayward M <AltoHM@state.sgov.gov>; Thomas, Kenneth A <xThomasKA@state.sgov.gov>  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F <greenef@state.sgov.gov>; Robinson, Christopher T <RobinsonCT@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** updated TOC for Cardin-Warner (for record purposes)  
**Attach:** (~~S-351251~~) (~~S-NE~~) [redacted] docx

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A printout of this TOC, plus printed copies of all 30 post cables and the three Washington cables, are in a folder in DAS Kavalec's safe, should we need to reproduce the package in hard copy in the future or should anyone want to browse the cables.

KSB

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Declassify On: 1/18/2042  
Reasons: Derived Per DSCG.

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**by Donald K.**  
**Holm, Senior**  
**Reviewer, on**  
**8/26/19**

**From:** Prosser, Sarah E </O=CLASSSTATE/OU=CBPC ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=PROSSERSE>

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**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 3:25 PM

**To:** Thomas, Kenneth A <xThomasKA@state.sgov.gov>

**Subject:** FW: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

**Attach:**



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**To:** Prosser, Sarah E; Durakoglu, Naz; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Johnson, Hilary R; Sandel, Jessika; Lorman, Amanda L; Stanford, Gregory S

**Subject:** RE: \*\*\*for clearance -- Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 1 of 2

Resending to include Greg Stanford from M to ensure M sees these.

Please stand by for email 2 of 2 w/ the rest of the attachments.

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Folks,

Per various discussions, here is 1 of 2 emails with EUR product only, no higher than SECRET.

What can we do to 1) separate this issue from the larger batch and 2) get these to Cardin staff (and Warner staff, if applicable)?

Please stand by for batch 2 of 2 in next email.

Thanks!  
Hera

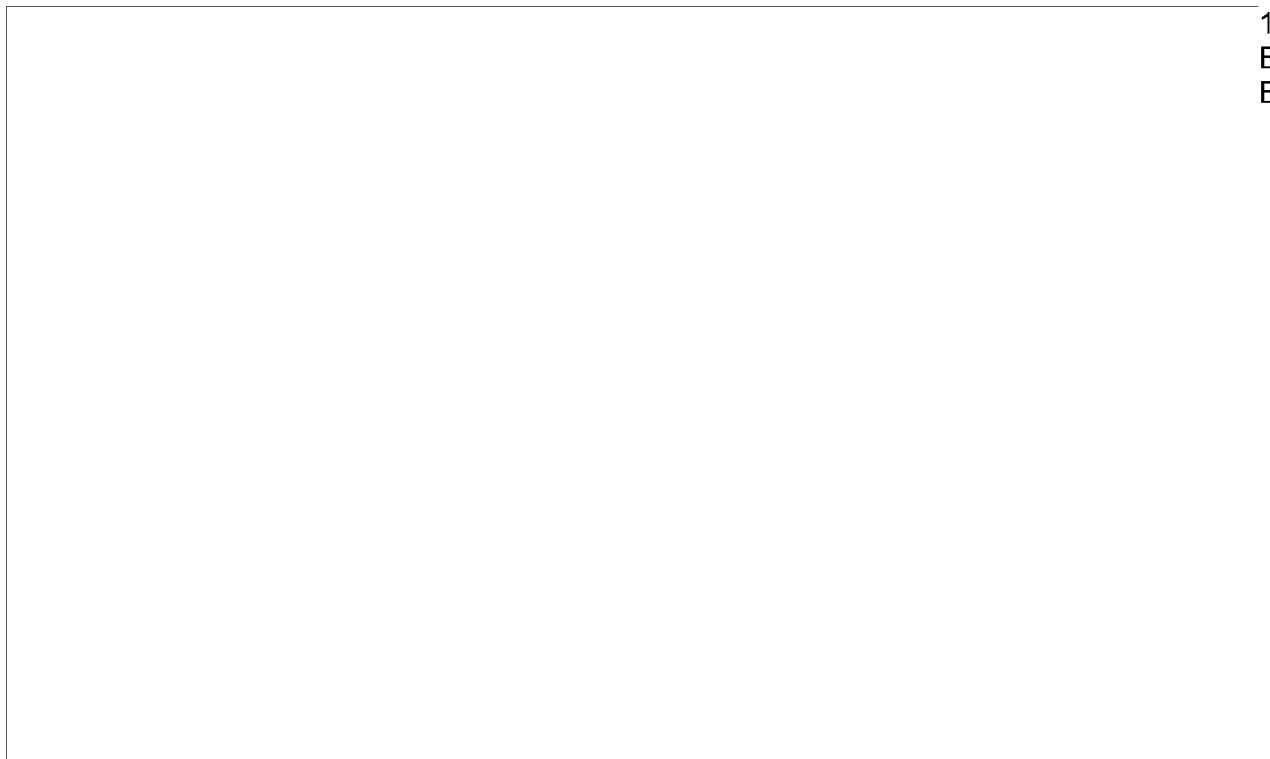
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Thanks.

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**From:** Thomas, Kenneth A <xThomasKA@state.sgov.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 6:58 PM  
**To:** Prosser, Sarah E <ProsserSE@state.sgov.gov>  
**Subject:** M ACTION MEMO FOR Clearance: Cardin-Warner Russian Productions  
**Attach:** ~~(S-NT)~~ A-Memo to M authorizing release of MIG documents.docx

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Mystery solved. L/M was not/not on clearance lines for M Memo. KAT

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A/GIS/IPS,  
8/26/19

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 1:48 PM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; Romano, Alicia; Salvo, David V; Sanford, Gregory E; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Thomas, Kenneth A  
**Subject:** RE: \*\*\*for clearance: Cardin-Warner

Kerem:

Thanks for speaking with me earlier, and please see a few suggested edits in the attached.

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I'm adding Ken Thomas (L/M) to this exchange.

Again, many thanks.

Jim

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 8:47 PM  
**To:** Romano, Alicia; Salvo, David V; Sanford, Gregory E; Gresser, James A; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** \*\*\*for clearance: Cardin-Warner  
**Importance:** High

As a cover memo for the package we will send in response to the Cardin-Warner inquiry, I prepared the attached action memo from EUR to M requesting the package be released. Per the template, the action memo lists each document individually, allowing M to approve or disapprove the release of each. Note that I have placed the documents in alphabetical order, and also deleted [Redacted]

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I'm also including an updated ToC, with the documents alphabetized.

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**\*\*\*\*Please clear the action memo by noon TUESDAY.**

**\*\*\*\*Please clear on the actual package of documents, if you have not done so already, by noon TUESDAY.**

I want to get the whole package into the EUR front office today. This means we can get it out of EUR and to M on Wednesday, then H can courier it to the Hill on Thursday.

Thank you.

KSB

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**From:** EverestMail@state.sgov.gov **RELEASE IN FULL**  
**Sent:** Tue, 24 Jan 2017 15:54:53 -0500  
**To:** Everest\_C;Everest\_D;Everest\_D-  
MR;Everest\_E;Everest\_EUR;Everest\_H;Everest\_J;Everest\_L;Everest\_M;Everest\_P;Everest\_R;Everest\_S;SE  
S-Line\_Only;Everest\_T;SES\_FrontOfficeOnly;Everest E-Mail  
**Subject:** Final: H/AM/M - Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to  
Classified Information 201700482 SECRET

FINAL ACTION has been taken on Package 201700482 Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information

**FOR:** M  
**ORGANIZATION:** H  
**CO-DRAFTER BUREAU:** EUR  
**PACKAGE SUBJECT:** Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to  
Classified Information  
**DOCTYPE:** Action Memo

**LINK:** [201700482 FINAL DOCUMENT \(READ-ONLY\)](#)

**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Wed, 11 Jan 2017 15:44:53 -0500  
**To:** Robinson, Christopher T; Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

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Correct.

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**To:** Durakoglu, Naz; Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Naz/Hera

Forgive me for asking an obvious question. I assume these cables will be held in a classified container/skiff and will only be accessed by those with SECRET or higher clearances, correct?

Chris

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**To:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A  
**Subject:** FW: Cardin-Warner Inquiry -- e-mail 2 of 2

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These are the 34 cables we propose to release in responding to the Cardin-Warner inquiry. They are attached here in the order they appear in the ToC in my earlier e-mail.



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**From:** Wier, Anthony D  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 16:38:54 -0500  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth; Kramer, Rori A; Dueholm, Katherine O  
**Cc:** H\_Staffers; Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Subject:** RE: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 4:36 PM  
**To:** Wier, Anthony D; Kramer, Rori A; Dueholm, Katherine O  
**Cc:** H\_Staffers; Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Subject:** FW: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

All- This is an urgent package from EUR that they're trying to get to the Hill ASAP. Please review so we can get it up to M.

Thanks,  
Elizabeth

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 4:28 PM  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Cc:** EUR-StaffAssistants; Bilge, Kerem S; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

Please find the Action Memo to M as approved by Toria. One of my colleagues is walking over the other attachments -- two letters and 34 cables. Please let us know if you need them in soft copy as well.

Many thanks,  
Lisa

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth **RELEASE IN FULL**  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 17:58:03 -0500  
**To:** Harris, Brenda P;Durakoglu, Naz;Bilge, Kerem S;Abbasi, Hera A.;EUR-  
StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** H\_Staffers  
**Subject:** FW: New S/ES 201700482 Voluntary Package for M delivered on 18-Jan-2017  
06:00:00 PM

FYI- this package was just submitted

**From:** EverestMail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 5:56 PM  
**To:** Everest\_H  
**Cc:** Everest\_EUR  
**Subject:** New S/ES 201700482 Voluntary Package for M delivered on 18-Jan-2017 06:00:00 PM

A new H Package has been submitted.

**CLASSIFICATION:** S – Secret  
**FOR:** M  
**ORGANIZATION:** H  
**CO-DRAFTER BUREAU:** EUR  
**SUBJECT:** Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information  
**DOCTYPE:** Action Memo  
**DELIVERY DATE:** 18-Jan-2017 06:00:00 PM  
**EVENT DATE:**  
**NOTES:**  
**DESCRIPTION:** Requesting approval to provide Senators Cardin and Warner with access to classified information and reporting on Russian malign influence.

**CREATED BY:** H

**LINK:** [201700482 Package](#)

*Please note that this link will expire 2 weeks after the e-mail is sent, for security reasons. If this link is expired, please use the **Advanced Search** to find the package by typing in the S/ES ID number.*

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S RELEASE IN PART B1,1.4(D)  
**Sent:** Fri, 13 Jan 2017 11:32:24 -0500  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.;Romano, Alicia;Salvo, David V;Gresser, James A;Sanford, Gregory E  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** \*\*\*UPDATE: Cardin-Warner documents and clearance DECONTROLLED

Folks, two updates:

1. We have added one more cable to the mix (sorry) – about the  1.4(D)  
B1  
That cable is attached along with a revised ToC. Note that this cable is a Washington cable, not one from post, so I have added it to the category at the start of the ToC.
2. Also, FYSA, here are copies of the letters from Senator Cardin and Senator Warner. I have them on the unclass side but flipped them to this side so we can keep everything together.

Please advise me on your progress with clearing. Senator Warner's letter asks for the package by Thursday January 19.

Thanks.

KSB

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by Donald  
K. Holm,  
Senior  
Reviewer,  
8/26/19

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Reasons: Derived Per DSCG.

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Tue, 17 Jan 2017 10:26:16 -0500  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Cc:** Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** FW: Warner/Cardin request

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Update: Alicia has cleared for P, Dave promises clearance by noon for D, have not heard back from Jim Gresser yet; I was late getting material to Greg because I sent to Greg Sanford vice Greg Stanford originally, but have talked to the "real" Greg and he is working on it. Have to go to IT Service Center right now but will call Jim again in a half-hour or so.

KSB

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**From:** Kavalec, Kathleen A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 3:44 AM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Prosser, Sarah E; Harris, Katherine A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S; Frifield, Julia E; Johnston, Amy L; Lorman, Amanda L; Sandel, Jessika  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Agree this is a priority. For the most part, these are reporting cables and I don't see why lengthy reviews are required. I would suggest we send up the things that can go immediately, and if there is any concern about specific internal documents, those be adjudicated separately and sent up as a follow-on.

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 5:02 PM  
**To:** Durakoglu, Naz; Prosser, Sarah E; Harris, Katherine A; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S; Frifield, Julia E; Johnston, Amy L; Lorman, Amanda L; Sandel, Jessika  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

+ Amanda & Jessika, who are covering for Hilary & Katherine; also adding Julia & Amy for SA

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Friday, January 13, 2017 10:27 AM  
**To:** Prosser, Sarah E; Harris, Katherine A; Abbasi, Hera A.; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Hi All,

This is a priority for our Assistant Secretary. I believe Kerem has asked for clearance on a separate chain. Is there anything we can do to better facilitate the process?

Best,  
Naz

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**From:** Prosser, Sarah E  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 12, 2017 10:52 AM  
**To:** Harris, Katherine A; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Thanks. L/FO has requested that L review before the documents go out.

Best wishes,  
Sarah

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**From:** Harris, Katherine A  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 6:28 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T; Prosser, Sarah E; Thomas, Kenneth A; Stanford, Gregory S  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Adding in L who is part of the review process and Greg Stanford from M.

If we are not going through our standard CDP process, others in H need to weigh in on how to move these to the Hill.

Typically, there needs to be an AM to M approving the release of docs.

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 3:34 PM  
**To:** Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

H colleagues—thoughts?

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 3:32 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Hera,

We have it, and of course, we will have you all see it. Who on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor needs to review? I think the best way to do this is to have us clear in EUR (I'm the only one left), and then to have RUS do laterals with H and 7<sup>th</sup> floor principals. Then like all other docs, we would rely on H to send it over to the Hill by courier.

Sound good?

Best,  
Naz

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 2:11 PM  
**To:** Kavalec, Kathleen A; Green, Eric F; Durakoglu, Naz; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

H needs to see the docs; how do we arrange for folks here to see them? Need to do this asap for process purposes.

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**From:** Kavalec, Kathleen A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 2:16 PM  
**To:** Green, Eric F; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Thanks. But for the sake of my inbox, please don't e-mail it!

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**From:** Green, Eric F  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 2:13 PM  
**To:** Kavalec, Kathleen A; Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Kerem pulled together a large cache of docs and can share it with everyone.

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**From:** Kavalec, Kathleen A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 1:49 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I; Germano, Maria L; Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Warner/Cardin request

Adding RUS, which has been doing the collecting.

RUS, I would like to see the packet too. Thanks.

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017 10:40 AM  
**To:** Durakoglu, Naz; Kavalec, Kathleen A  
**Cc:** Johnson, Hilary R; Harris, Katherine A; Schram, Zachary I  
**Subject:** Warner/Cardin request

Hi,

Checking in on Warner/Cardin request for docs. Need to get them ASAP for 7<sup>th</sup> floor review. Possible to pull them together by COB tomorrow?

My understanding is the EUR docs are the only ones outstanding.

Thanks!  
Hera  
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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 15:46:33 -0500  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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This is the first of two e-mails for the Cardin-Warner inquiry.

Attached are the action memo, the list of items to be provided, and the letters from the two senators. The letters were flipped from the low side so the actual letter is on the second page.

My second e-mail will be all of the cables (which I will bring up in hard copy)

KSB

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Reasons: Derived Per DSCG.

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on 8/26/19**

**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Tue, 24 Jan 2017 20:57:16 +0000 **RELEASE IN FULL**  
**To:** EUR-RUS-DL;EUR-PGI-DL  
**Cc:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** FINAL ACTION has been taken on Package 201700482 Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information

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**FOR:** M  
**ORGANIZATION:** H  
**CO-DRAFTER BUREAU:** EUR  
**PACKAGE SUBJECT:** Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information  
**DOCTYPE:** Action Memo

**LINK:** [201700482 FINAL DOCUMENT \(READ-ONLY\)](#)

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Thu, 19 Jan 2017 10:35:56 -0500  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz;EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: updated TOC for Cardin-Warner (for record purposes)

Kerem,  
Can you please bring copies of these to the staffers' office for packaging?  
Thanks!

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Reviewer, on  
8/26/19

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 10:16 AM  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants; H\_Staffers; Durakoglu, Naz; Alto, Hayward M; Thomas, Kenneth A  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** updated TOC for Cardin-Warner (for record purposes)



1.4(D)  
B1  
B5

A printout of this TOC, plus printed copies of all 30 post cables and the three Washington cables, are in a folder in DAS Kavalec's safe, should we need to reproduce the package in hard copy in the future or should anyone want to browse the cables.

KSB

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Thu, 19 Jan 2017 00:34:49 +0000  
**To:** EUR-DeskOfficers-DL;EUR-Directors-DL;EUR-DAS-DL  
**Cc:** Romano, Alicia;Rubin, Eric S (Sofia);Bauer, Jen M;Salvo, David V;Weathers, Kamala N;EUR-StaffAssistants (EUR-StaffAssistants@state.sgov.gov)  
**Subject:** EUR Final Papers for Jan 18, 2017

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Colleagues,

Please see hyperlinked EUR final papers for Jan 18 below. Papers can be found at:  
<http://eur.p.state.class/paperqueue/default.aspx>.

Action Memo (AM)	<a href="#">EUR, H/AM/M - Request to Provide Senator Cardin and Senator Warner with Access to Classified Information and Reporting on Russian Malign Influence</a> <small>NEW</small>	M	RUS	1/18/2017	
Action Memo (AM)	<a href="#">PM, EUR/AM/T - Request for Circular: 175 Authorization to Negotiate and Conclude a Bilateral Agreement with the Government of Iceland in support of the European Reassurance Initiative and Other Department of Defense Activities</a> <small>NEW</small>	T	NB, RPM	1/18/2017	
Action Memo (AM)	<a href="#">AM/S - Farewell message from Secretary Kerry to the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I</a> <small>NEW</small>	S	SE	1/18/2017	

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Thu, 19 Jan 2017 15:27:02 +0000  
**To:** Walsh, Cody C  
**Subject:** FW: updated TOC for Cardin-Warner (for record purposes)

Updated TOC for ODNI contact

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2017 10:25 AM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; EUR-StaffAssistants; H\_Staffers; Alto, Hayward M; Thomas, Kenneth A  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; Abbasi, Hera A.; Schram, Zachary I; Johnson, Hilary R  
**Subject:** RE: updated TOC for Cardin-Warner (for record purposes)

Correction made to TOC. Please use this version in our package to the Hill.

EUR Staffers- Please begin to package this TOC, 3 Washington cables, and 31 post cables.

Zach/Hilary- Do we need to include a letter to Cardin and Corker? 2 packages?

H Staffers- Our PDAS talked to Julia, we are waiting for either an example of the receipt to the Hill by 11 am or an actual receipt by 12 PM today. If it is an example, please let us know who to address the receipt to on the Hill.

I will pick everything up from the EUR staffers at 12:10 as per PDAS.

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**From:** Hardiman, Matthew X  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 16:33:23 -0500  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: For FO clearance ASAP today: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 4:08 PM  
**To:** Hardiman, Matthew X  
**Cc:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: For FO clearance ASAP today: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

Do you want to see the cables?

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**Subject:** For FO clearance ASAP today: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

Matt,  
Please see attached draft Action Memo to M for your review/clearance as A/DAS, before moving to PDAS. Let us know if you would also like to see the 34 cables listed.

Many thanks,  
Lisa

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 17:08:28 -0500  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth;EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** RE: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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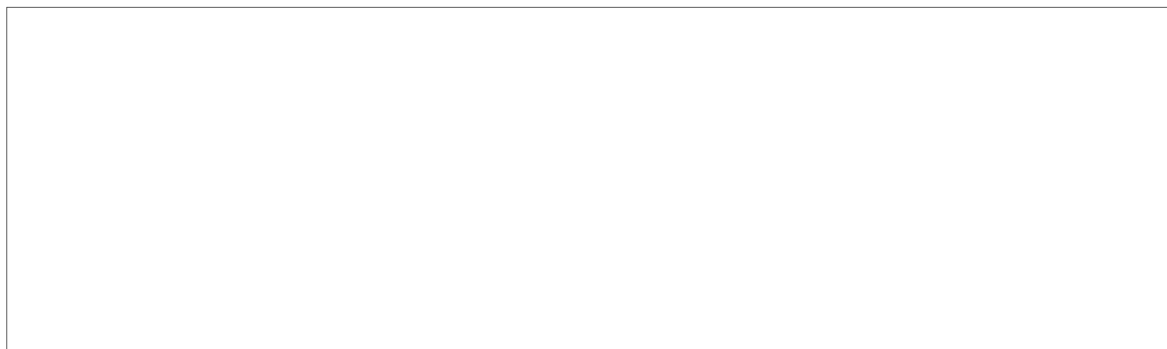
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KSB

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 5:05 PM  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** RE: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

All- Please advise as to what the rest of the last sentence in this paragraph should say. This is the last paragraph on page one of the AM.



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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 15:50:03 -0500  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** \*\*\*e-mail 2 of 2 for Cardin-Werner tasker

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This is the second of two e-mails.

Attached are the cables to be passed to Congress per the Cardin-Warner inquiry: three cables from the State Dept, and the rest (34) from post.

I am bringing up hard copies of all of these cables.

KSB

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 15:10:32 -0500  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth; Abbasi, Hera A.; Bilge, Kerem S; Harris, Katherine A  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; H\_Staffers; EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

Is it possible for me to act as the courier and drop it off to the Hill tomorrow? There is a time sensitivity to these docs.

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 2:32 PM  
**To:** Durakoglu, Naz; Abbasi, Hera A.; Bilge, Kerem S; Harris, Katherine A  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; H\_Staffers; EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

Naz,

We always remove clearance pages, those are never sent to the Hill but they should be in the package when it's sent to us so we have it for our internal H review. Once our A/S "oks" the AM, our staffers are the ones who put it into Everest. Our staffers need to send us the package electronically.

Also for awareness, due to access issues on the Hill tomorrow, we will not have a courier run tomorrow. After today, our next run is Monday morning.

Thanks,  
Elizabeth

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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 2:01 PM  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth; Abbasi, Hera A.; Bilge, Kerem S; Harris, Katherine A  
**Cc:** Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; H\_Staffers; EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

Elizabeth- Process question for you: Kerem is redacting a few items. Does H remove the clearance pages, "printed by" notes, etc.? Should our staffers put it into Everest first or submit hard copies?

Just let us know how you want to proceed. Our A/S is adamant that this make its way to the Hill ASAP.

Thank you,  
Naz

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:56 AM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Bilge, Kerem S; Harris, Katherine A

**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz; Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; H\_Staffers  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

Kerem- Once your FO has signed off, please work with your staff assistants to have them send the complete package to H\_Staffers. We will review it in H and then submit it into Everest.

Thanks,  
Elizabeth

*Elizabeth Lawrence*  
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[LawrenceE2@state.sgov.gov](mailto:LawrenceE2@state.sgov.gov)

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:50 AM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; Harris, Katherine A  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz; Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T; H\_Staffers; Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

+ H staffers to outline their preferences

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:49 AM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Harris, Katherine A  
**Cc:** Durakoglu, Naz; Green, Eric F; Robinson, Christopher T  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

Thank you, I will work with Sarah Prosser.

Mechanics question -- when I have the final clearance, what I will have is an action memo and the cables. How do we get that package from EUR into H for actual packaging? What should I tell the EUR staff assistants?

KSB

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**From:** Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:47 AM

**To:** Harris, Katherine A; Bilge, Kerem S  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

I clear

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**From:** Harris, Katherine A  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 11:46 AM  
**To:** Bilge, Kerem S; Abbasi, Hera A.  
**Subject:** RE: Cardin-Warner clearance?

As long as L/M clears, I clear.

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**From:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 17, 2017 6:49 PM  
**To:** Abbasi, Hera A.; Harris, Katherine A  
**Subject:** Cardin-Warner clearance?

Guys, M has cleared on the package for Cardin-Warner. L, P, and D have also cleared. If you give me a clearance, I can get this package upstairs in the AM and we can meet the deadline. Thanks.

KSB

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 16:12:11 -0500  
**To:** Hardiman, Matthew X;EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S  
**Subject:** RE: For FO clearance ASAP today: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 23:16:00 +0000 **RELEASE IN FULL**  
**To:** EUR-RUS-DL  
**Cc:** EUR-StaffAssistants;EUR-PGI-CONGRESSIONAL-DL  
**Subject:** FW: 201700482: Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to  
Classified Information

Package 201700482 Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information has been forwarded on to M on 18-Jan-2017 06:03:18 PM.

**FOR:** M  
**ORGANIZATION:** H  
**CO-DRAFTER BUREAU:** EUR  
**PACKAGE SUBJECT:** Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to  
Classified Information  
**DOCTYPE:** Action Memo

**LINK:** [201700482 Package](#)

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**From:** EverestMail@state.sgov.gov  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 18:03:21 -0500 **RELEASE IN FULL**  
**To:** Everest\_H  
**Cc:** Everest\_EUR;Everest\_C;Everest\_S;Everest\_D;Everest\_D-  
MR;Everest\_P;Everest\_L;Everest\_EUR;Everest\_H;SES-Line\_Only;Everest E-Mail  
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**From:** Durakoglu, Naz  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 21:46:50 +0000  
**To:** 'Lawrence, Elizabeth';EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S;H\_Staffers  
**Subject:** RE: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

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Thank you!

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**From:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 4:34 PM  
**To:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Cc:** Bilge, Kerem S; Durakoglu, Naz; H\_Staffers  
**Subject:** RE: AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

Received- Sending out for H review now

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**From:** EUR-StaffAssistants  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017 4:28 PM  
**To:** Lawrence, Elizabeth  
**Cc:** EUR-StaffAssistants; Bilge, Kerem S; Durakoglu, Naz  
**Subject:** AM to M for Senators + cables \*\*\*e-mail 1 of 2 for Cardin-Warner tasker

Please find the Action Memo to M as approved by Toria. One of my colleagues is walking over the other attachments -- two letters and 34 cables. Please let us know if you need them in soft copy as well.

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**From:** EverestMail@state.sgov.gov  
**Sent:** Wed, 18 Jan 2017 17:56:21 -0500  
**To:** Everest\_H  
**Cc:** Everest\_EUR  
**Subject:** New S/ES 201700482 Voluntary Package for M delivered on 18-Jan-2017  
06:00:00 PM

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A new H Package has been submitted.

**CLASSIFICATION:** S – Secret

**FOR:** M

**ORGANIZATION:** H

**CO-DRAFTER BUREAU:** EUR

**SUBJECT:** Request to provide Senators Cardin and Warner With Access to Classified Information

**DOCTYPE:** Action Memo

**DELIVERY DATE:** 18-Jan-2017 06:00:00 PM

**EVENT DATE:**

**NOTES:**

**DESCRIPTION:** Requesting approval to provide Senators Cardin and Warner with access to classified information and reporting on Russian malign influence.

**CREATED BY:** H

**LINK:** [201700482 Package](#)

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