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Subject: Return Call From Mrdeza On Our Appropriation Situation

Michelle Mrdeza from our House Appropriations Subcommittee called me back today. She informed me of the following:1. She has not talked to the Chairman about our situation since our last conversation. We are in the bill and there is language in the bill report that commends us as an agency created for a specific purpose, will complete its mandate and shut down. The bill report mentions that some of the funds for the final year will be used for writing the final report and for termination. Mrdeza plans on speaking with the Chairman on several matters, including the ARRB, on Wednesday and Thursday.2. She asked again about whether or not we can give her a specific number on the cost that we will devote to closing down. I don't know where David left this with her, but it seems to be of some importance. She does not know whether the number will be needed, but it seems she would like to have one anyway. We need to talk about it this week. I told Michelle I would call her early next week.3. She has heard nothing from Ishtook. Apparently, he has some other, larger targets for possible cutting, beyond the ARRB. Michelle is hoping that the bill report language on us will satisfy Ishtook.4. Her recommendation is that we "hold tight" for now and not contact any Subcommittee members. She may know more next week when I call her.5. We are putting together a package of clips on the Veazey film acquisition for her. Michelle was aware of the coverage on the film and at my suggestion thought that videotapes of the coverage could come in handy with Ishtook if he was looking at cutting us. I suggested that it could impress upon him that we are working hard to fulfill the Congressional mandate. She agreed.

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