

WikiLeaks update

The following is intended to provide an update on the WikiLeaks situation and to clarify the Service's response.

Intelligence Assessments Branch (IAB), is working with the DFAIT task force on this issue and will be flagging any cables which are Service specific.

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 1

Date: 27Nov10

Time: 13:00 PM

Summary Update

The DFAIT Wikileaks Task Force is up and running with an Operations Centre established and a stand-by roster of up to 18 analysts available today to begin processing the documents should they be uploaded to the Wikileaks site.

Communications

Number of new media calls today on Wikileaks: 0

#### Media Summary:

Of the news organizations with advance copies, only the Guardian editor acknowledged that the paper has reviewed the material. The UK has also issued a Defence Advisory to the press and requested that news organizations brief the government if they plan to publish sensitive diplomatic files.

Anticipation of the release of the newest documents is being widely discussed and analysed. From a Canadian context, commentators referred to the damage caused during Naftagate as a possible reference point for damage control but also noted that previously-leaked information from Wikileaks generally had little consequence for Canada.

Generally, commentators agree it is valid to be concerned for the safety of foreigners and people at risk who are named in cables.

Speculation about what's in the documents ranges from allegations of corruption against foreign governments and reports on politicians in Russia and Afghanistan, to notes exposing behind-the-scenes Canada-U.S. diplomacy over Omar Khadr.

CBC reader survey: "Should WikiLeaks publish sensitive U.S. diplomatic files?", 85% in favour, 11% against out of 57,000 votes. Comments online range from calling the wikileaks a form of terrorism to others encouraging as much exposure as possible.

Twittersphere following closely with many urging a quick release of information before a war breaks out between North and South Korea and steals the headlines.

#### Next Steps

A message providing additional guidance, communication and additional tasking is being prepared for consideration by USS and DMA for onward transmission to Heads of Mission this weekend.

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WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE  
SITUATION REPORT (Truncated)

SitRep Nbr. 3

Date: 28 Nov

Time: 10:45 PM

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed: 220 (Wikileaks added one more document to the original 219 released at approx 4:30)

Total number of files of interest: 2 (1 high interest, 1 low interest)

Key Issues and Findings:

- \* Task Force has now completed a review of all 220 documents released by Wikileaks today. Key word searches were performed using terms provided by relevant geographic and functional DFAIT bureaux.
- \* Only 2 documents appear to be of direct interest to Canada,

\* Wikileaks Twitter posted the following this evening - "Tomorrow we will provide information on how other media groups can apply for embargo access to cablegate info."

Task Force War Room is now closed.

Shawn Barber

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11/28/2010  
Fwd: Wikileaks Task Force

Here you go.

>>> "Glauser, Mark" <glauserm@fac-aec.gc.ca> 11/28/2010 3:53 pm >>>  
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DFAIT - For USS, DMT, DMA

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Comments welcome.

On behalf of DFAIT Wikileaks Taskforce

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**Date:** January 22, 2009, written by then Chargé d'Affaires, Terry A. Breese

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(Richard FADDEN)

11/28/2010

Fwd: Wikileaks Task Force - For meeting at 10:30 following EXEC.

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 4

Date: 29Nov

Time: 2:30 PM

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 243

Total number of files of interest to date: 2

New Files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Key Issues and Findings:

- \* Wikileaks uploaded 23 new documents today - none were relevant to Canada.
- \* Minister Cannon had a media availability at noon today where he commented on the Wikileaks situation.
- \* US Secretary of State Hilary Clinton had told reporters today "our

official foreign policy is not set through these messages but here in Washington..."

\* Multiple sources are reporting that the Wikileaks documents will come out in the press in the following order: Tuesday - Koreas and Guantanamo, Wednesday - Pakistan, Thursday - Canada, Friday - Afghanistan, Saturday - Yemen, Sunday - China.

International Developments / Implications:

Summary of reports to date from Canadian Missions:

Berlin

\* According to DIE WELT, the German government was informed a few days ago by American officials of the leak and had prepared a "Three-Point Plan" on how to react.

\* Steffen Seibert, Chancellor Merkel's Press Secretary, told the media that the German government will not comment on the content of the WikiLeaks documents. He simply stated that the German and US government were united in their regret over the publication of confidential documents. Sources from the Foreign Ministry said that they do not publicly comment on known confidential information.

\* There was no specific mention or relevance to Canada coming from Germany.

London

\* In the UK, the WikiLeaks stories first started emerging Sunday at about 6.30 p.m., when the Guardian and four other global news outlets began publishing online.

\* The FCO, through a media spokesperson, said: "We condemn any unauthorized release of this classified information, just as we condemn leaks of classified material in the UK. They can damage national security, are not in the national interest and, as the US has said, may put lives at risk. We have a very strong relationship with the US government. That will continue."

\* Former senior UK diplomats are reporting that while the leaks are very unfortunate, they will have little impact on diplomatic behaviour, nor will

they constrain diplomats' candour in their reporting. "But people will be looking at the security of electronic communications and archives."

\* None of today's stories are about Canada, however in a broader piece entitled, "Let's Make a Deal" with foreign governments over Guantanamo prisoners, the Daily Mail notes that there, "had been fears that the documents would also detail the pressure put on Canada to repatriate Guantanamo detainee Omar Khadr..."

Delhi

Media coverage of Wikileaks "cable-gate" reflected the fact that the Indian Ministry of External Affairs and the Indian press have not fully processed the information in yesterday's first release.

\* Indian analysts are also following cables related to Pakistan, particularly when they impact India. The Times of India semi-gleefully reports "Pakistan, the world's nightmare," referencing cables that show US officials to be sceptical of Pakistani leadership.

Yesterday, in anticipation of the launch, Minister of External Affairs Krishna is quoted as saying "The Indian Government is not really concerned. But we are certainly interested in finding out what this WikiLeaks are all about because they say that they are going to put on the web 4 million documents. So we will watch with interest."

\* No specific mention of Canada

Madrid

\* El Pais reported today on the 3,620 alleged cables from the US Embassy in Madrid to which they have had access (103 reportedly were secret, taken together the alleged cables were produced under three Ambassadors, from 2004 to this year).

\* Public and media reaction has been muted. The Spanish Government has said little and, barring shocking revelations over the next days, it is expected that Zapatero's administration will say little more.

\* At this point, there are no direct implications for Canadian interests from any of the reported alleged cables from the US Embassy in Madrid.

Ankara

\* Today's papers give extensive front-page coverage to the scandal but so far there has been no official Turkish reaction to the leaks. Akşam daily newspaper notes that the leak was "the "9/11 of world diplomacy."

\* Many of the leaks are critical of Turkish politicians with the assessments of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan and Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoğlu expected to cause the biggest trouble in Turkish ties with the US.

\* The documents show that the Americans don't view the government in Ankara as a real ally and have concerns about the reliability of Turkish politicians. The writer says that the secret cables were expected to rock Turkish politics. The cables will boost mistrust between Turkey and the US, the writer notes.

\* No specific mention of Canada

Reykjavik

\* Initial reaction from Iceland has been very low key, in part because Wikileaks servers have been so busy that Icelandic journalists have not been able to get access to the 290 documents relating to Iceland. Given preoccupations with the Sunday's election to the special assembly to draft a new Icelandic constitution, the issue has not been given much prominence locally.

\* No mention of Canada.

Wellington

\* In his regular Monday morning appearance on TVNZ's Breakfast show, NZ PM Key downplayed the gravity of the leaks for NZ by noting, "We don't know all of the details in them, but there's bound to be one or two comments in there that might lead to embarrassment at most, but nothing more serious than that". He added that the cables need to be put into context, and reiterated the US State Department's concern that the release of information will put lives at risk. He asserted that NZ's position is to "deal with whatever comes out".

\* The Pacific Island country of Kiribati (to which WLGTV is cross-accredited) was apparently offered incentives worth millions to take in Chinese Uighur detainees.

\* At this stage WLGTV is not aware of anything directly relevant to Canada's interests in this part of the world

Communications

Significant coverage in national print dailies highlighted Minister Cannon's condemnation of WikiLeaks' release of sensitive U.S. State Department cables. According to the dailies, Canada is mentioned in over 2,000 diplomatic cables leaked from the U.S. embassy and various consulates in Canada. Several articles report the documents indicate Afghan President Hamid Karzai's brother, Ahmed Wali Karzai, lobbied Canada "aggressively" to obtain a contract to provide private security for aid projects to rebuild the Dhala Dam in southern Afghanistan. The dailies note the documents show American and Canadian diplomats met with Karzai and felt wary of what U.S. diplomats viewed as his "malign" influence. According to the articles, documents further implicating Canada, including documents on Omar Khadr, would be potentially released this week. La couverture médiatique des quotidiens francophones et anglophones se concentrent sur les mêmes éléments.

Throughout the day, websites and broadcast media focussed on Canada's reaction to the leaked documents. The pieces explain the Canadian government downplayed the importance of the documents, nothing that according to Minister Cannon

<<http://www.nationalpost.com/news/Canada+relations+strong+despite+WikiLeak+s+Cannon+says/3900258/story.html>> , the leaks would not harm relations between Canada and the U.S.

Articles on Minister Cannon's statements were widely distributed through Twitter. CBC News published a link explaining how to search Wikileaks for specific cables

<<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/story/2010/11/29/f-database-wikileaks-canada-cables.html>> along with a list of the most commonly used tags in Canadian cables. Several broadcast news stations carried live Minister Cannon's statements on the leaks, followed closely by those of U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. The National Post's Lorne Gunter published a piece stating the Wikileaks documents are "underwhelming

<<http://fullcomment.nationalpost.com/2010/11/29/lorne-gunter-excuse-me-yawn-while-i-ignore-stretch-the-unremarkable-wikileaks-postings/>> ."

Next Steps / Action

Deputies call at 4 pm.

Approved: Chair of Task Force/ Roxanne Dube

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 5

Date: 29Nov

Time: 10:00 PM

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 278

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 1

Total number of files of interest to date: 3

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep 35 new cables were uploaded to the Wikileaks site including the CSIS/Judd report (see previous update).

International Developments / Implications:

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## Summary of new reports from Canadian Missions:

### WSHDC

U.S. media was not at all focussed on the Canadian angle, as they have focussed on some of the colourful language used to describe some world leaders as well as focussing on the more problematic relationships in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkey, Arab states and Russia. The only Canadian coverage was references in some articles (including in the Washington Post) that Canada was one of the countries that Secretary Clinton had contacted and some references to Ambassador Jacobson's call to Minister Cannon with speculation that the conversation might have included discussion regarding Omar Khadr. There have been no references to Canadian political leadership or Canada-U.S. issues. Although the Canadian press has reported on the Canadian angle in two of the Afghan reports, there has been no reference here.

### Communications

During the afternoon, the Canadian media continued to focus on statements by both Minister Cannon and U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton regarding the effect of the leaked documents on U.S. relations with other countries.

In the early evening, several media sources discuss documents revealed by the New York Times pertaining to the case of Omar Khadr. The pieces focus on comments by former CSIS director Jim Judd, who reportedly described Canadians as having an "Alice in Wonderland" worldview. Judd commented on the videotaped interrogations by Canadian agents of Omar Khadr, saying it

could trigger "knee-jerk anti-Americanism" and "paroxysms of moral outrage." The former spy chief reportedly claimed the video would add pressure on Ottawa to seek Khadr's repatriation. The Globe and Mail also discussed other CSIS actions around the world, and cited Judd's reported comments about CSIS operations against Hezbollah supporters in Canada.

Twitter comments on the issue mainly posted links to articles discussing the leaked documents. Of note, several tweets linked to a GeoNewBlog post explaining several world governments

<[http://www.geonewsblog.com/2010/11/30/aus-canada-iraq-condemn-wikileaks/?utm\\_source=geonewsblog.com&utm\\_medium=twitter](http://www.geonewsblog.com/2010/11/30/aus-canada-iraq-condemn-wikileaks/?utm_source=geonewsblog.com&utm_medium=twitter)

<[http://www.geonewsblog.com/2010/11/30/aus-canada-iraq-condemn-wikileaks/?utm\\_source=geonewsblog.com&utm\\_medium=twitter](http://www.geonewsblog.com/2010/11/30/aus-canada-iraq-condemn-wikileaks/?utm_source=geonewsblog.com&utm_medium=twitter)> > , including Canada, condemned the leaked documents.

A report on Connect with Mark Kelley stated the US is downplaying the impact of the cables on diplomatic relations. US officials are taking a different stance this evening with Hillary Clinton saying foreign political leaders understand that "without the ability to speak frankly, diplomacy can't work."

Task Force War Room is now closed.

Drafted/Released: Shawn Barber

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FYI - just to flag if you haven't already seen it that the CSIS/Judd cable is now on the New York times website (see CBC story below).

Moments ago another 29 docs (including the CSIS/Judd cable) were downloaded to the Wikileaks website - three referenced Canada.

1 was the Judd tel

1 was a tel in which Canada is referenced with a group other countries including Mexico, the Gulf Cooperation Council, Australia, NZ, and Peru as being in negotiations with South Korea on a free trade agreement.

1 reported on a luncheon briefing with Prince Andrew, hosted by the UK Amb to Kyrgystan at which a Canadian run mine was discussed.

Shawn Barber  
Manager/War Room

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Transcript (closed captioning)

Breaking news on new WikiLeaks documents concerning Canada and Omar Khadr

CBC - NN

November 29, 2010, 16h53

Carole: All right, breaking news on our top story this hour. "The New York times" has released new leaked documents from wikileaks. The documents refer to Canada and Canadian diplomats. Rosemary barton has the story. Rosemary?

Rosemary: Carole, this is a document pertaining to Guantanamo detainees, and we were expecting that Canada might be mentioned in this exchange of diplomatic cables. It dates back to July of 2008, and it's a conversation, an exchange between a counsellor at the state department and the former head of c.S.I.S., Jim Judd. As you can well imagine, most of the exchange deals with Omar Khadr. They talk about that infamous video, you'll remember now, that was released by the Supreme Court of Canada showing Omar Khadr being interrogated by c.S.I.S. officers, and they're trying to gauge really Canada's reaction to that dvd. Judd tells us the state department official that he believes there will be heightened pressure on the Canadian government for the return of Omar Khadr once Canadians have seen the video. He talks about "an Alice in Wonderland" world view of Canadians and their courts that is tying c.S.I.S. in knots. He derides the Canadian courts for undermining foreign intelligence gathering at c.S.I.S. And he talks very positively about Stephen Harper and the conservative government's ability to "take it on the chin" when it comes to how the courts are trying to put pressure on Harper and the opposition parties are trying to put pressure on Harper to have Omar Khadr repatriated. He talks about how sections of that dvd that Canadians may well be familiar with now would trigger a knee-jerk anti-Americanism and would result in paroxysms of moral outrage, a Canadian specialty. A very frank assessment from the former head of c.S.I.S. who subsequently resigned in 2009 in reaction to Omar Khadr, this video being released, and how it should be interpreted by the US State Department.

Carole: As we say, we're expecting a couple of thousand anyway documents pertaining to Canada and our relationship with the United States which mentioned a number of things. We're getting the headlines now. That's one of them. Rosemary, thank you very much.

Rosemary: You're welcome.

Carole: We are expecting the others sometime this week. That's the CBC's Rosemary Barton in Ottawa.

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## DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

### SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 6

Date: 30Nov

Time: 14:05

#### Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 295

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 3

#### Key Issues and Findings:

- \* Since last SitRep 17 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site including the CSIS/Judd report (see previous update).
- \* The Associated Press is reporting that France will change the way it sends diplomatic cables.
- \*

Agence France Press reported today that a group has splintered from WikiLeaks, and will reportedly set up another site to upload documents. We are monitoring developments.

#### International Developments / Implications:

## Summary of new reports from Canadian Missions:

### BEIJING

Despite coverage in foreign media regarding China-related content of WikiLeaks documents (particularly regarding China's views on North Korea), the only public statement from Chinese authorities has come from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs spokesperson Hong Lei in the regular press conference today who said, "China takes note of the government reports. We hope the U.S. side will handle the relevant issues. As for the content of the documents, we will not comment on that." Access in China to the WikiLeaks website has been blocked.

### Communications

A significant number of dailies reported Minister Cannon downplayed the effects of the release of U.S. diplomatic cables by website WikiLeaks on Canada-U.S. relations. The articles noted that while condemning the release of documents by WikiLeaks, Minister Cannon touted the strength of the relationship between Canada and the U.S. Most articles focused on comments made in 2008 by Jim Judd, former head of the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service (CSIS), to U.S. counterpart Eliot Cohen, stating Canadians have an "Alice in Wonderland" approach toward terrorism. The dailies noted Judd criticised Canadian courts for making it difficult for CSIS to identify and prevent terror attacks and discussed the leadership of Afghan President Hamid Karzai and video footage of the interrogations of Omar Khadr. News coverage reported Judd expressed concerns regarding Iran and stated CSIS was "vigorously harassing" known Hezbollah members in Canada. Some articles note a large number of cables involving Canada are expected to discuss terrorism.

Canadian broadcast featured brief analyses on the content of the documents, notably comments made by then CSIS director Jim Judd discussing funding for Hezbollah, Omar Khadr, as well as the apology on the leak issued by U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. Several reports continued to note documents concerning Canada would be released sometime this week.

News websites did not cover any new angles during the morning hours, most merely providing minor updates to the CSIS angle of the leaked documents. Certain journalists published blog posts on the topic, one which is critical of Wikileaks for publishing the documents

<blocked::http://www2.lactualite.com/blogue-monde/2010/11/30/wikileaks-et-le-fantasme-de-la-transparence/> while another states the documents show "diplomats get it right

<blocked::http://fullcomment.nationalpost.com/2010/11/30/wikileaks-shows-diplomats-gt-it-right/> ." No major developments occurred on Twitter.

International:

UK:

Anticipating that the cables will disclose how US commanders expressed contempt for the failure of British Forces to impose security in Sanguin, Afghanistan, the families of fallen servicemen are speaking out to media. At least one mentions Canadian troops  
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newstopics/politics/defence/8169104/WikiLeaks-bereaved-families-fury-at-US-insult-over-Afghanistan.html> : "When we went there in May and June 2006, the Americans and Canadians had been there for some years and had been banned from going into the centre of Sanguin the whole time because it was too dangerous and too provocative, they never took charge of the place. It was a dangerous place that the Americans never took care of. It still is, after four and a half years, the most dangerous place in Helmand, we lost a third of our casualties there. I

Drafted: Ian McKinley

Approved: Shawn Barber

11/30/2010  
Re: Wikileaks

Yes we'll certainly assist. I'll get back to you shortly with the name(s) of who we can provide to support.

11/30/2010

this is further to my voice message yesterday. Thought I would send along an email to simplify contact, and give you time to think about the following request. I will also give you a call:

The Canada portion of the Wikileaks will apparently be released on Thursday. DFAIT has struck up a War Room Task Force to triage and assess material coming out for Canadian impact.

My request is twofold - one for any assistance you think IAB can provide for search strings and potentially an assessment of documents.

Secondly, DFAIT has requested a 'liaison officer' from each department to assist in a review of the documents. This person would be over at DFAIT HQ in the War Room starting tomorrow afternoon, and being there on Thursday. This person would have to be someone who can quickly review and synthesize documents for a Canadian impact. I am waiting for full details from DFAIT on their requirements (and I can also put this question to the other branches) which will assist in any selection.

Tks

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 8

Date: 01DEC

Time: 15:15

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 488

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 3

Total number of files of interest to date: 6

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 193 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site, three of particular importance to Canadian interests.

\* Further to the above, the WikiLeaks Task Force has sent copies of these three cables and a preliminary summary of each to Ministers' Offices, DFAIT Deputies and PCO. The cables refer to a French representation to US Sec State Clinton on Omar Kadhre, the views of foreign ambassadors regarding the likelihood of torture in Tunisia including that of Canada's ambassador, and on Canadian engagement with Pakistan on cross-border issues affecting Afghanistan.

\* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents report today on Canada's relationship with the US. The NY Times notes the perceived Canadian inferiority complex. Particular reference is made to Canada being excluded from intelligence sharing on Iraq following the invasion in 2003. The Guardian is reporting also on US assessments of Sri Lanka's leadership and possible responsibility for war crimes. Le Monde is reporting on the comments of foreign views on the likelihood of torture in Tunisia as well as on Russia's PM Putin's angry reaction to US analysis.

Communications

DFAIT personnel now named in Wikileaks: Bruno Picard is quoted on Tunisian prisons <blocked::http://www.afrol.com/articles/36989> . "Canadian Ambassador Bruno Picard several times during the conversation made it clear he placed no trust in the Tunisian government. Commenting on Tunisian "evidence" that an earlier prisoner repatriated from Canada to Tunis had not been mistreated, Ambassador Picard called the comparison "crap", as the prisoner had been "a petty criminal and not accused of terrorism." The Canadian Ambassador further said the Tunisian government statements that it does not torture were "bullshit." Ambassador Picard added that he had "direct, first hand evidence of torture/mistreatment of a prisoner that lasted several months," according to the US embassy document."

Coverage of cables also notes that Prime Minister Harper was expected to gain politically from association with U.S. President Barack Obama. The Toronto Star and Globe and Mail reported Prime Minister Harper and his former British counterpart Gordon Brown were invited to D-Day ceremonies because political troubles in their respective countries were threatening their governments. (Toronto Star <blocked::http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int20101279703684\_25.htm> ; Globe and Mail <blocked::http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int20101247103789\_68.htm> ) Online articles indicate that this

was done out of "pity."

<blocked::http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/sarkozy-took-pity-on-harper-wikileaks-dump-shows/article1819851/>

International:

UK:

Prof. Tom Flanagan, described by both the Guardian and The Telegraph as an "advisor to the Canadian prime minister," is reported to have called for the assassination of Julian Assange. The Daily Telegraph devotes an entire story to the topic and online <blocked::http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/northamerica/canada/8172920/Julian-Assange-should-be-assassinated-Canadian-official-claims.html>, the story is linked off the front page and includes the video exchange. The exchange is also referenced in Guardian <blocked::http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/dec/01/us-embassy-cables-executed-mike-huckabee> and Telegraph <blocked::http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/wikileaks/8172916/WikiLeaks-guilty-parties-should-face-death-penalty.html> stories which focus on calls by US politicians for the death penalty to the "guilty party" who leaked the documents.

The Guardian featured a blog post <blocked::http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/julian-borger-global-security-blog/2010/nov/30/iaca-wikileaks> from security correspondent Julian Borger on the WikiLeaks documents which mention Canadian Tariq Rauf, who worked in the IAEA's external relations and policy department, EXPO. An American diplomat notes Rauf is helpful on routine matters but "not wholly trustworthy and is viewed as close to Russian interests. Also, he has been an unhelpful presence on Iran."

France

Le Monde publie un article

<blocked::http://www.lemonde.fr/international/article/2010/11/29/l-embarras-de-washington-au-sujet-des-anciens-detenus-de-guantanamo\_1446634\_3210.html> concernant « l'embarras de Washington au sujet des anciens détenus de Guantanamo. » L'article mentionne que le 22 juin 2009, le chef de la mission américaine en Tunisie a reçu ses homologues canadien et européens. L'ambassadeur du Canada, soutenu par celui du Royaume-Uni, ont déclaré que les dénégations tunisiennes sur la pratique de la torture sont « des conneries ». Selon l'article, il a y des preuves directes de mauvais traitements et de tortures pratiquées, pendant des mois sur un détenu.

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will prepare another SitRep before close of business.

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 9

Date: 01DEC

Time: 21:00

#### Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 593  
New files received since last SitRep: 105  
New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0  
Total number of files of interest to date: 6

#### Key Issues and Findings:

- \* Since last SitRep, 105 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site, none of particular importance to Canadian interests.
- \* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents continue to focus on US cables about Russia, including some asserting that Russia provided arms to rebels in South Ossetia and Abkhazia in order to undermine Georgia. The NY Times and Al Jazeera are reporting that Amazon stopped allowing WikiLeaks to use its servers today, forcing the website to shift its services to Europe. The site was unavailable for several hours before it moved back to its previous Swedish host, Bahnhof.
- \* Al Jazeera is also reporting that President Obama has named an "anti-terrorism" expert to lead US efforts to mitigate the damage of the WikiLeaks breach and prevent future illegal data disclosures. Russell Travers, Deputy Director of Information Sharing at the National Counter-Terrorism Centre, "will lead a comprehensive effort to identify and develop the structural reforms needed in light of the WikiLeaks breach," the White House said in a statement.
- \* Minister Baird fielded one question in Question Period (see attached transcript).

#### Communications

John Ivison's National Post column

<blocked::http://fullcomment.nationalpost.com/2010/12/01/john-ivison-leaked-memo-could-spark-afghan-canadian-diplomatic-storm/#ixzz16tfhiN5H> discusses comments made by Ambassador William Crosbie in a leaked memo regarding the Wikileaks documents.

Several websites reported on France's involvement

<blocked::http://www.cyberpresse.ca/international/dossiers/fuites-de-wikileaks/201012/01/4348280-kouchner-a-demande-a-clinton-dexamine-r-le-cas-khadr.php?utm\_categorieinterne=traffiddrivers&utm\_contenuinterne=cyberpresse\_B12\_en-manchette\_254\_section\_POS1> in the Omar Khadr case

<blocked::http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/france-pressed-us-on-khadr-as-ottawa-stood-silent-wikileaks/article1820952/>

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Cables regarding the portrayal of Americans on fictional CBC programs generated several  
<blocked::http://www.cbc.ca/politics/story/2010/12/01/wikileaks-cbc.html> posts  
<blocked::http://blogues.cyberpresse.ca/hetu/2010/12/01/wikileaks-de-lantiamericanisme-a-cbc/> on websites and on Twitter.

The New York Times <blocked::http://www.nytimes.com/2010/12/02/world/americas/02wikileaks-canada.html?partner=rss&emc=rss> states  
U.S. diplomats said Canadians mistrusted the U.S.

Embassy Magazine published an article entitled "The Wikileaks Cables: What's really new and what will be their impact  
<blocked::http://www.embassymag.ca/page/view/wikileaks-12-01-2010>."

The Globe and Mail  
<blocked::http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/canada-rebuffed-by-pakistan-during-afghan-border-talks-wikileaks/article1820965/>  
covered Canada's discussions with Pakistan during Afghan-border talks.

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will close at 21:15.

Drafted: Ian McKinley

Approved: Shawn Barber

12/1/2010  
Re: Potential requirement to assist DFAIT

We'll put up \_\_\_\_\_ as the FAC candidate.

Cheers

11/30/2010

just a head's up, I may need a resource to assist DFAIT with this Wikileaks issue. They have a Task Force running that is reviewing the leaked material for Canadian content/impact. The major release of Canada specific documentation is supposed to occur on Thursday. I may require someone who can assist over at DFAIT in reviewing material. Need someone who is good at reviewing and synthesizing material. At this point I am just collecting names. Please provide me with 1 recommendation.

IAB has already provided my primary person, but on the offhand chance that this goes beyond regular working hours, I will have to slide other people over to assist and want to develop a hit list.

Tks.

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 10

Date: 02DEC

Time: 14:00

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 627

New files received since last SitRep: 34

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 6

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 34 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks

site, none of particular importance to Canadian interests.

\* Based on an analysis of available metadata (the document headers that are already available to us), the WikiLeaks Task Force has identified 40 potentially priority cables and passed that information to PCO.

\* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents continue to focus on US cables about Russia, including its relationship with Italy.

#### Communications

During a media availability, Prime Minister Harper responded to a question regarding Ambassador Crosbie's comments as follows, "I haven't seen, as I said earlier, I haven't seen all of his comments and all of the documents cited in various newspaper articles. I say this, that the Ambassador, Canada's Ambassadors and high commissioners, their primary responsibility is to represent Canada. Ambassador Crosbie doesn't represent the Government of Afghanistan, he represents the Government of Canada in Afghanistan. And the Government of Canada has been outspoken about some aspects of governance in Afghanistan and we will continue to express those concerns quite emphatically to our counterparts in Afghanistan."

#### The Globe and Mail

<[http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012713544742\\_68.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012713544742_68.htm)> and National Post

<[http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012272856944\\_1.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012272856944_1.htm)> featured A1 reports on Ambassador Crosbie's leaked memo. Substantial coverage on both CBC NN and CTV NC discussed Ambassador Crosbie's reported offer to resign his post. Afghanistan's ambassador to Canada, Jawed Ludin, says William Crosbie's comments will not affect relations between the two countries

<<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/story/2010/12/02/crosbie-ambassador-resign-wikileaks.html>>

#### El Pais

<[http://www.elpais.com/articulo/internacional/Secuestros/fianza/elpepuint/20101202elpepuint\\_8/Tes](http://www.elpais.com/articulo/internacional/Secuestros/fianza/elpepuint/20101202elpepuint_8/Tes)> briefly mentions Canada in an article on individuals who were tortured after being detained by the CIA and transferred to prisons overseas, noting the U.K. and Canada granted torture victims millions of dollars in compensation.

CBC's Power Panel condemned Wikileaks for alleged geopolitical destabilization. Former Canadian diplomat Colin Robertson called Julian

Assange a "vandal" and described the leaks as "disruptive". Vladimir Putin, interviewed on CNN's Larry King Live, minimized the importance of Wikileaks, noting "this is not a catastrophe". In a CBC interview, Afghan ambassador to Canada Jawed Ludin condemned Wikileaks as damaging. CTV interviewed American ambassador to Canada David Jacobson. He both condemns wikileaks as "shameful", and re-affirmed Canada's strong relationship with the United States.

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The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will send another SitRep this evening.

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 11

Date: 02DEC

Time: 17:30

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 633

New files received since last SitRep: 6

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 6

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 6 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site, none of particular importance to Canadian interests.

\* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents have posted new cables on Afghanistan that have not yet been uploaded to the WikiLeaks site. The WikiLeaks task force and FTAG are reviewing the documents. The stories focus on US assessments of Afghani President Karzai and corruption in Afghanistan but make reference to Canada. In reference to Ahmed Wali (Karzai's brother) and his suspected connection to the opium trade, Der Spiegel writes, "Canada, which has troops stationed in Kandahar, would prefer simply to strip Karzai's brother of power, according to a dispatch concerning the visit of the Canadian ambassador to the US. Canada, the ambassador made clear, believes this is the only way to establish law and order in the region."

\* Ministers Cannon and Baird each fielded one question in Question Period (see attached transcript).

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 12

Date: 02DEC

Time: 19:40

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 633

New files received since last SitRep: 0

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 6

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 0 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks

site.

\* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents continue to feature cables on Afghanistan that have not yet been uploaded to the WikiLeaks site (and that the WikiLeaks task force and FTAG continue to review).

\* The WikiLeaks Task Force reminds the SitRep distribution - as reported in SitRep 7

## Communications

Ambassador Crosbie's offer to resign, and Prime Minister Harper's support of Crosbie, were the most reported on WikiLeaks-related stories. Some broadcast reports and Twitter posts note the RCMP is investigating the leak of Ambassador Crosbie's secret memo. Some Twitter posts suggest the memo could have been leaked to Ivison by the government. John Ivison's blog post on the National Post <blocked::http://fullcomment.nationalpost.com/2010/12/02/john-ivison-sometimes-the-people-should-hear-the-states-secrets/#ixzz16zuTFgBF> explains why it was important to report on the leaked memo. Andrew Potter's post on Maclean's <blocked::http://www2.macleans.ca/2010/12/02/afghanistan-the-leak-isnt-the-story/#more-162086> says it is more important to look at what prompted Ambassador Crosbie's "outburst".

## Cyberpresse

<blocked::http://www.cyberpresse.ca/international/dossiers/fuites-de-wikileaks/201012/02/01-4348573-un-ambassadeur-canadien-critique-la-torture-en-tunisie.php?utm\_categorieinterne=trafficdrivers&utm\_contenuinterne=cyberpresse\_B13b\_politique-canadienne\_560\_section\_P> et CBC <blocked::http://www.cbc.ca/canada/story/2010/12/02/wikileaks-tunisia002.html> ont traité des propos de l'ex-ambassadeur Bruno Picard sur le gouvernement tunisien.

## The National Post

<blocked::http://www.nationalpost.com/news/Cables+could+hurt+diplomacy+former+ambassador/3919279/story.html> reports that according to former U.S. ambassador David Wilkins, the leaked cables could hurt U.S. diplomacy.

Time Magazine published a light-hearted column by James Pniewozik  
<blocked::http://tunedin.blogs.time.com/2010/12/02/wikileaks-and-the-canadian-t  
v-menace/> discussing the portrayal of Americans on Canadian television.

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will close at 21:00.

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12/2/2010  
Re: Fwd: WikiLeaks

Hi

We are providing updated data daily to IAB. I have been directing folks who are looking for searching on specific items to IAB. The is working with the DFAIT task force on this issue and we will be flagging any cables which are Service specific.

We are also looking at uploading the released material and updating it on

If Internal wants - we can provide you your own dump and updates of the data (like IAB).

Cheers

12/2/2010

Hi

As per DG IS request, IS will prepare a message for "what is doing" ref. WikiLeaks. She is asking for it asap.

As such, I need you to provide me with

Thanks in advance.

Chief,

12/2/2010

Could you please work with in preparing a message, to be sent to HQ and RDGs, outlining what we are doing ref. WikiLeaks.

can speak to their role.

It will go out under both my and

Let's get this done asap.

Thanks,

DG Sécurité interne/  
DG Internal Security

name but I will show it to the CFO first.

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12/2/2010

and Wikileaks....maybe not..

ADT:

Best laid plans,  
update tomorrow.

updated data daily to IAB  
looking for searching on specific items to IAB.

and the

has also been directing individuals who are

will provide an

They are providing

implementing  
tomorrow.

our gal at DFAIT, has been told to go and she is now on "call back" with DFAIT. We are

will start providing a brief on what is transpiring.

This will be in place

12/2/2010

We will let you know if it is possible tomorrow.

Cheers

12/2/2010

12/2/2010

info

12/2/2010

This will be something the branches will have to manage. Please let me know what is occurring.

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ADT: There are a couple of solutions for permitting other Branches to access the information from Wikileaks and to do their own searches. (IAB) was designated to assist in searches

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or two people to do the searches if this option is pursued.

The Branches may wish to designate one

As an update from our person over at DFAIT....there seems to be some disorganization within the Task Force for what to do with the LOs. Not sure what to give them access to or what their role will be.

(IAB) is currently over there and will advise throughout the day of what is transpiring and if there is a need for another individual for this evening (is on stand by for this).

12/2/2010

Hi

I think option 2 may be a good one to mitigate that risk.

Cheers

12/2/2010

Hi appreciate the help last night. Please ensure you put in for OT for this.

I have a couple of questions to get us through the next few days and the weekend.

Secondly, will need someone identified

as "on call" for the weekend.

Friday afternoon of expectations.

I will have a better sense by

And my last question pertains to

That is it for now.

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 13

Date: 03DEC

Time: 14:45

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 688

New files received since last SitRep: 55

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 1 (medium priority)

Total number of files of interest to date: 7

## Key Issues and Findings:

- \* Since last SitRep, 55 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site, one rated as medium importance to Canadian interests.
- \* Further to the above, the WikiLeaks Task Force has sent a copy of this cable and a preliminary summary to Ministers' Offices, DFAIT Deputies, PCO and DND. The cable refers to a now dated US & Afghan assessment of the likelihood of Canadian troops remaining in Kandahar beyond 2007 and theoretically linking that assessment to Canadian troop casualties.
- \* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents continue to feature cables on Afghanistan as well as on US assessments of former UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown.
- \* WikiLeaks is reportedly having difficulty finding a domain to host its website, causing delays in the uploading of its documents.
- \* Question Period in the House of Commons saw three questions asked that related to the WikiLeaks issue (please see attachment).

## Communications

Early this morning, Afghanistan's ambassador to Canada, Jawed Ludin, appeared on CTV-NC calling Ambassador Crosbie's comments "reckless," also noting WikiLeaks is "undermining the essence of diplomacy."

Seulement un journal francophone

<[http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int20101236295191\\_30.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int20101236295191_30.htm)> a rapporté que l'ambassadeur de l'Afghanistan au Canada, Jawed Ludin, a affirmé que: « Personne ne devrait permettre à ces commentaires de nuire aux relations entre nos deux pays [...] et (M. Crosbie) devrait prendre la responsabilité de ce qu'il a dit, peu importe ce que ça implique. »

Der Spiegel reports

<<http://www.spiegel.de/international/world/0,1518,732470,00.html>> Canadian troops stationed in Kandahar would prefer simply to strip Karzai's brother of power, according to a dispatch concerning the visit of the Canadian ambassador

to the US.

The Guardian published the full version of the leaked cable mentioning Ambassador Crosbie's meeting with U.S. Ambassador Karl Eikenberry.

Last night, the CBC website published a poll <http://www.cbc.ca/politics/insidepolitics/2010/12/question-of-the-day-245.html> asking "Should the WikiLeaks document release be treated as a threat to national security or legitimate journalism?" 70.9 percent of respondents said it was "legitimate journalism."

The Globe and Mail published an op-ed supporting Ambassador Crosbie <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/second-reading/silver-powers/outr-man-in-kabul-does-the-right-thing/article1823567/>. This article was posted and re-tweeted several times on Twitter.

Melissa Lantsman, Minister Cannon's Director of Communications, confirmed the RCMP is investigating [http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012718313257\\_25.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012718313257_25.htm) who leaked a memo sent by Ambassador Crosbie to DFAIT headquarters.

Regarding his comments in WikiLeaks documents, Liberal [http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012734911993\\_27.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int201012734911993_27.htm) and NDP [http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int2010121750685678\\_13.htm](http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/international/articles/unrestricted/2010/12/int2010121750685678_13.htm) MPs publicly defended and reiterated their support for Ambassador Crosbie.

No new information concerning Canada was published on the WikiLeaks main site.

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will produce another SitRep prior to closing.

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Task Force Weekend Schedule:

The Task Force Ops Centre will be closed, but the Task Force will actively monitor WikiLeaks. Should cables of relevance to Canada or Canadian interests be uploaded, Task Force managers will call in appropriate DFAIT personnel and OGD Liaison Officers if required.

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**Update Brief 1**  
**2010 12 03**

**SECRET**

**SUBJECT :** WIKI LEAKS TASK FORCE - Service Participation

**BACKGROUND:**

As part of the DFAIT Wikileaks Task Force, the Service and other government departments (OGD) were asked to supply liaison officers to facilitate the assessment and delivery of documents considered to have possible implications for Canada. (IAB) was identified as the Service Liaison office.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Capturing and Assessing Documents**

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The task force has assumed that higher level managers at DFAIT will determine if a document is of interest to another government department, and disseminate it further. To date, no documents or assessments have been disseminated beyond DFAIT and PCO.

### **Service Liaison Officer**

On 2010 12 02, [redacted] reported to DFAIT as the Service Liaison Officer on the Task Force. Key departments including the Service, PCO, DND, CSEC, CIC and Public Safety formed the initial augmentation to the Task Force. However, other departments of possible interest, RCMP, CBSA, CIDA etc. have been placed on stand-by for on-call consultations. The Liaison Officers were briefed on the War Room functions and processes as well as the role of the Liaison Officers.

To date, DFAIT has been the sole assessors of all released documents. With the engagement now of Liaison Officers, DFAIT has advised that any documents released of potential interest to other government departments will be brought to the attention of the Liaison Officer, who will be responsible for assessing the document, preparing the assessment if desired and identifying a distribution list for the cable and assessment. Liaison Officer will be able to provide department specific insight, and contribute to a more accurate assessment of the implications. In addition, Liaison Officers will be able to get high impact information to senior managers immediately, rather than after processing through DFAIT.

In anticipation of the release of a large number of documents possibly related to Canada, on 2010 12 02, DFAIT requested department Liaison Officers to be present at DFAIT. It has now been agreed that depending on the volume of documenting being released, Liaison Officers will either be available on-call or work directly in the War Room.

### **Canada Day**

Various media outlets have access to all cables possessed by Wikileaks and have released metadata of cable titles and coding, for all diplomatic cables. Based on an assessment of this data, DFAIT predicted that of the more than 250,000 cables, some 2600 could related to Canada.

Based on media reporting, it was anticipated that 2010 12 02 would be "Canada Day", during which most if not all of the Canada related documents would be released by Wikileaks. It is unclear why this large release did not occur as anticipated, however speculation suggests that the server problems on 2010 12 01, as well as infighting between Wikileaks leaders may have impacted the release.

An agreement has been made between these outlets and Wikileaks to the extent that the media has

agreed not to report on documents not yet released by the site. It is anticipated that this agreement will be upheld as long as Wikileaks continues to release documents on a regular basis.

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**CHALLENGES:**

The integration of Liaison Officers into the Task Force is developing.

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**CONCLUSION:**

will serve on-call or at the DFAIT War Room as required. will be  
augmented by as necessary.

As documents of interest come to light, will communicate with to have the  
document retrieved and provide along with an assessment to the Director and senior managers as  
required.

will continue to provide regular briefings to both verbally  
and in the form of Update Briefs.

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IAB - Head,  
2010 12 03

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The attached was prepared by the IAB employee who was assigned as our LO at the DFAIT Task Force. She has compiled a good summary of the first day. As noted, she is now on "on call status" for the Task Force rather than just sitting over at DFAIT waiting for something to happen.

is the point of contact and will carry on as the "on call" LO.

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WikiLeaks SitRep No. 9.rtf; WIKILEAKS SITREP NBR. 1.rtf; Wikileaks SitRep No. 3.rtf; Wikileaks SitRep No. 4.rtf; Wikileaks SitRep No. 5.rtf; Wikileaks SitRep No. 6.rtf; Wikileaks SitRep No. 8.rtf

Attached are some DFAIT SITREPS to bring you up to date. I had previously sent these along to via BB, and will do the same with you as they are sent to me.

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Update Brief 1 - Wiki Task Force  
Wikileaks Task Force - Brief 1 - 20101203.WPD

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Please find attached my update from the Wikileaks Task Force from yesterday.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

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## DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

### SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 14

Date: 06DEC

Time: 17:30

### Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 953

New files received since last SitRep: 265

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 1

Total number of files of interest to date: 8

### Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 1 new cable uploaded to Wikileaks has been of interest. This deals with a Feb09 request by the State Dept to all US missions to report on critical infrastructure and resources in their countries of accreditation that are important to US interests. (Note - from the tel it appears that this is a routine updating of an existing database). See list below\*. (Responsible Dept - Public Safety)

\* Wikileaks site continues to be subjected to cyber attacks compromising its ability to post new documents (no new postings happened today).

\* Information on the cables continues to come out on various media sites. NY Times is reporting on US efforts to stem the flow of weapons to groups such as Hezbollah in Lebanon and Hamas in Gaza.

\*Key Infrastructure and Resource sites Identified by US Embassy in Canada (09STATE15113)

- Hibernia Atlantic undersea cable landing Halifax , Nova Scotia
- Canada James Bay Power Project, Quebec: monumental hydroelectric power development
- Mica Dam, British Columbia: Failure would impact the Columbia River Basin.
- Hydro Quebec, Quebec: Critical irreplaceable source of power to portions of Northeast U. S.
- Robert Moses/Robert H. Saunders Power, Ontario: Part of the St. Lawrence Power Project, between Barnhart Island, New York, and Cornwall, Ontario
- Seven Mile Dam, British Columbia: Concrete gravity dam between two other hydropower dams along the Pend d'Oreille River
- Pickering Nuclear Power Plant, Ontario,
- Chalk River Nuclear Facility, Ontario: Largest supplier of medical radioisotopes in the world
- Hydrofluoric Acid Production Facility, Allied Signal, Amherstburg, Ontario
- Enbridge Pipeline Alliance Pipeline: Natural gas transmission from Canada
  - Maritime and Northeast Pipeline: Natural gas transmission from Canada
- Transcanada Gas: Natural gas transmission from Canada Alexandria Bay POE, Ontario:
- Northern border crossing Ambassador Bridge POE, Ontario:
- Northern border crossing Blaine POE, British Columbia: Northern border crossing Blaine Washington Rail Crossing, British Columbia
- Blue Water Bridge POE, Ontario:
- Northern border crossing Champlain POE, Quebec:
- Northern border crossing CPR Tunnel Rail Crossing, Ontario (Michigan Central Rail Crossing)

- International Bridge Rail Crossing, Ontario International Railway Bridge Rail Crossing Lewiston-Queenstown POE, Ontario:
- Northern border crossing Peace Bridge POE, Ontario:
- Northern border crossing Pembina POE, Manitoba:
- Northern border crossing North Portal Rail Crossing, Saskatchewan
- St. Claire Tunnel Rail Crossing, Ontario
- Waneta Dam, British Columbia: Earthfill/concrete hydropower dam
- Darlington Nuclear Power Plant, Ontario, Canada.
- E-ONE Moli Energy, Maple Ridge, Canada: Critical to production of various military application electronics
- General Dynamics Land Systems - Canada, London Ontario, Canada: Critical to the production of the Stryker/USMC LAV Vehicle Integration
- Raytheon Systems Canada Ltd. ELCAN Optical Technologies Division, Midland, Ontario, Canada: Critical to the production of the AGM-130 Missile Thales
- Optronique Canada, Inc., Montreal, Quebec: Critical optical systems for ground combat vehicles
- Germanium Mine Graphite Mine Iron Ore Mine Nickel Mine Niobec Mine, Quebec, Canada:
- Niobium Cangene, Winnipeg, Manitoba: Plasma Sanofi Pasteur Ltd., Toronto, Canada:
- Polio virus vaccine GlaxoSmithKile Biologicals, North America, Quebec, Canada: Pre-pandemic influenza vaccines

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will close at 18:00 and re-open at 08:30 tomorrow.

The Task Force continues a 24/7 monitoring of the Wikileaks site with automatic alerts for documents uploaded with key Canadian content.

Drafted/Released: Shawn Barber

The following document were received from DFAIT's Task Force on Wikileaks and provided to the Service via open email.

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**Subject:** WikiLeaks SitRep No. 15

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 15

Date: 07DEC

Time: 17:00

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 1064

New files received since last SitRep: 111

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 8

Key Issues and Findings:

\* No documents of relevance to Canada are included in those

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uploaded to the Wikileaks site since the last SitRep.

\* The site itself remains the target of unrelenting cyber attacks hindering its ability to post new material. It's ability to accept donations necessary to finance its activities has also been constrained as some online payment services have stopped Wikileaks from accessing their site.

\* Julian Assange, remains in a British jail awaiting a decision on whether or not he will be extradited to Sweden to face criminal charges. A Wikileaks spokesman was quoted today as saying that the document uploads will continue despite Assange's arrest.

\* Assange himself has indicated several times over the course of the last few days that many thousands of people have downloaded from the Wikileaks site an encrypted file containing some of the most explosive and politically damaging US documents. He is calling this his "Insurance file" and is threatening to send out the password to unlock the contents of the file should the authorities succeed in shutting down Wikileaks site. The cache of documents is rumoured to include materials on BP and Guantanamo.

#### Key Highlights of Cables Released over the Past 24 Hours by Various Media Outlets

##### The Guardian

\* Nato has drawn up a secret military plan to defend Poland and the Baltic States from Russia.

\* Intelligence co-operation has improved so much that the US now considers Algeria the key player in the fight against al-Qaida in the Maghreb region.

\* US embassy cables revealed America's ongoing battle to stem the flow of arms from eastern Europe to the Middle East.

##### New York Times

\* A week after Syria's president, Bashar al-Assad, assured a top US state department official that his country was not sending weapons to Hezbollah in Lebanon, the Obama Administration lodged a confidential protest accusing Damascus of doing precisely that.

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US diplomats expressed concern that huge cargo planes operated by Badr Airlines of Sudan were flying weapons from Tehran to Khartoum, from where they were shipped to Hamas in Gaza. The US asked countries in the region to deny overflight rights to the airlines. Jordan and several other countries agreed, but Yemen declined, a February 2009 cable reported.

El Pais (Spain)

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Spain is worried by the prospect of Mauritania becoming a failed state, a "second Somalia".

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The US Embassy in Nicaragua describes the country as a corrupt criminal state financed by drugs and "suitcases full of money sent by President Hugo Chávez of Venezuela. President Daniel Ortega is seen as unhinged and obsessed by his own security.

The Wikileaks Task Force Operations Centre will close at 6 pm and re-open at 8:30 am tomorrow. The Task Force continues a 24/7 monitoring of the Wikileaks site with automatic alerts for documents uploaded with key Canadian content.

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Hi

I received one SITREP last night which I will forward. Nothing came in over the weekend. What I do need to know is your continued availability to be 'on call'. At the rate Wikileaks is releasing material this can go on for a long time. Are both of you in town for the next couple of weeks? If you are going away, please let me know. I will look to build in continuity to relieve you of this duty as well.

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- No calls, contact or updates from Task Force
- No SITREPS
- Communications systems functioning fine

Thanks

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## DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

### SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 16

Date: 08DEC

Time: 17:00

#### Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 1149

New files received since last SitRep: 85

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 1

Total number of files of interest to date: 9

#### Key Issues and Findings:

- \* 85 new cables posted to Wikileaks since last SitRep - 1 of low relevance to Canada.
- \* Cable in question is from US Embassy in Asmara, Eritrea (05Mar09) and makes judgements about the role of Canadian mining company Nevsun in the fate of the Eritrean economy and regime in the short to medium term. Forwarded to relevant DFAIT divisions and PCO by C-5.
- \* Media reports indicate a series of protests and petitions currently being organized around the world including Canada (so far Turkey, Australia, US, various European capitals) by supporters of Wikileaks and its founder Julian Assange. A protest is planned at the US Consulate in Montreal on Sunday, Dec. 12th from 1-2 pm.

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## DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

### SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 17

Date: 09DEC

Time: 17:30

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 1149

New files received since last SitRep: 90

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 9

#### Key Issues and Findings:

- \* 90 new cables posted to Wikileaks since last SitRep - none of any relevance to Canada.
- \* The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Navi Pillay, expressed concern at a press conference today over political pressure aiming to discourage provision of hosting and other services to WikiLeaks.
- \* Agence France Presse reported today that Brazilian President Inácio Lula da Silva on Thursday expressed solidarity with Julian Assange, criticising his arrest as a blow against freedom of expression.
- \* Reuters reports that Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said, also on Thursday, that the arrest of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange showed the West was

hypocritical in its criticism of Russia's record on democracy.

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12/14/2010  
All quiet on the Wikileaks front

Nothing new to provide any updates on. Have not received any DFAIT SITREPS since the last one. I have a call into DFAIT to determine their stance over the next few weeks. Will keep you apprised of any changes. I am also looking to have other individuals available over the Xmas period to respond should the Canada documents ever emerge. If you have any questions/concerns, please give me a call or send along an email. I am in and out of the office this week, but will get back to you.

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ALL: I had queried DFAIT on their stance for the upcoming weeks regarding Wikileaks. They will be sending a more fulsome email either today or tomorrow, but essentially will be looking for a point of contact who can be reached if necessary. I and will remain as the POC, but will still require assistance should there be a large dump of Canada emails.

For the past few weeks, I have had each one of your employees assisting on this by being nominated as an "on call" person. There has been little required to date for DFAIT. Can you confirm if there will be any changes to your nominated individual or if you have other suggestions as a response to DFAIT.

Thank you for your ongoing assistance.

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**Attachments:** WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE LO Contact List.doc

Colleagues,

The Wikileaks Task Force continues to monitor all documents uploaded to the Wikileaks site for content that is relevant to Canada. As of this morning basic key word searches have been completed on all the 1634 documents that Wikileaks has released. We remain at 9 as the number that are of interest from a Canadian perspective with all of those having been released in the early stages of this process. Short summaries/analyses have been done on these documents and forwarded to the responsible DFAIT divisions and OGDs.

Given that the pace at which Wikileaks has been releasing the documents to their site is far below what was originally anticipated we have re-sized the Task Force accordingly. We have moved from the A2-217 Task Force Ops Centre where we had 15 stand-alone work stations and dedicated IM/IT staff, to D1-600 with 3 work stations and staff on standby.

So as not to add to unnecessary e-mail traffic we have decided that Situation Reports will now only be issued on an as needed basis defined as when there is something directly relevant to Canada and Canadian interests to report.

Over the course of the holidays and into January the Task Force will continue to review Wikileaks documents as required. If specific subject matter assistance is required we will contact the appropriate DFAIT division(s) and or Points of Contact in OGD(s). For OGDs please ensure your POC is correct - see attached list. Any changes should be sent to the Wikileaks Task Force e-mail address.

For February and beyond our IM/IT officials are currently looking at longer term, more sustainable solutions should that be necessary. More on that in January.

Thank you for your cooperation and happy holidays.

Shawn Barber  
DFAIT Wikileaks Task Force  
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Chers collègues,

Le Groupe de travail sur Wikileaks continue d'examiner tous les documents qui sont téléchargés sur le site Wikileaks afin de déterminer s'ils contiennent des renseignements sur le Canada. En date de ce matin, les recherches de base par mots-clés ont été effectuées dans chacun des 1634 documents publiés par Wikileaks. Le nombre de documents qui présentent un intérêt pour le Canada demeure inchangé. Il s'agit de 9 documents qui ont été publiés au tout début de ce processus. De courts sommaires/courtes analyses de ces documents ont été préparés et transmis aux directions responsables du MAECI et d'autres ministères.

Compte tenu du fait que Wikileaks affiche des documents sur son site beaucoup plus lentement que nous anticipions, nous avons remanié la composition du Groupe de travail en conséquence. Nous avons transféré le centre des opérations du Groupe de travail de la pièce A2-217, qui est doté de 15 postes de travail et où du personnel en GI/TI travaillent à temps plein, à la pièce D1-600, qui est dotée de 3 postes de travail et où le personnel est sur appel.

Afin de ne pas congestionner inutilement le réseau des courriels, nous avons décidé d'envoyer les rapports de situation au besoin seulement, à savoir quand il y aura des renseignements portant directement sur le Canada ou présentant un intérêt pour le Canada.

Pendant le temps des Fêtes et en janvier, le Groupe de travail continuera de vérifier les documents publiés sur Wikileaks, au besoin. Si nous avons besoin d'aide par rapport à un sujet précis, nous communiquerons avec les directions concernées du MAECI ou nos points de contact dans les autres ministères. Nous prions les autres ministères de vérifier l'exactitude de

l'information sur leur point de contact figurant dans la liste ci-jointe. Veuillez faire parvenir tout changement à l'adresse courriel du Groupe de travail sur Wikileaks.

Pour ce qui est du mois de février et au-delà, les fonctionnaires du GI/TI examinent actuellement des solutions durables à plus long terme, le cas échéant. De plus amples renseignements à cet égard vous seront communiqués en janvier.

Je vous remercie de votre coopération et vous souhaite un joyeux temps des Fêtes!

Shawn Barber

Groupe de travail du MAECI sur Wikileaks

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1. The Guardian has released a US diplomatic cable dated 24Nov2009 written by the Head of the US Interest Section in Havana (Jonathan Jarrar) which criticizes, inter alia, Canadian, Australian and Swiss human rights policy towards Cuba. (See [www.guardian.co.uk/us-embassy-cables-documents/236391](http://www.guardian.co.uk/us-embassy-cables-documents/236391)). This document has not yet been uploaded to the Wikileaks site.
2. Suggesting that the three countries have adopted a 'friends at all costs' approach, the cable notes that during a visit by Minister Kent in Nov2009 he failed to meet with any civil society representatives or to issue any public statement critical of Cuba. Jarrar expresses some surprise at these developments given what he describes as Minister Kent's and PM Harper's public criticism of Cuban human rights policy which had led to the cancellation of a previously scheduled visit to Havana by Minister Kent the previous April. Jarrar's report does acknowledge that Minister Kent did raise human rights concerns with his Cuban interlocutors but that these interventions were met with the usual Cuban retort that they imprison only criminals and have no prisoners of conscience.
3. The report suggests that four different approaches (or 'camps') to the question of human rights in Cuba are evident. The first is the 'Best Friends Forever' which is characterized by doing and saying nothing. According to Jarrar, into this camp fall the LATAMS, Russians, Africans, Chinese, Australians and many Europeans. The second is the 'Keep It Private' approach which requires that nothing be said publicly. Jarrar suggests that Canada falls into this category. There is the 'We Respectfully Disagree' approach where some countries chose to air their human rights concerns publicly when their officials visit Cuba. For Jarrar this characterizes the policy of the Vatican and the European Union. Finally, there is the 'Take-Your-Visit-and-Shove-It'(sic) approach in which countries refuse to let the Cuban government dictate to them who their officials may meet during visits. According to Jarrar, in this camp stands the UK, Sweden, Germany, the Czech Republic and Poland.
4. The report concludes with the observation that most of the 100 countries that have missions in Havana don't face a human rights policy dilemma with Cuba because for them it is a non-issue. Others (including Canada) employ different approaches but most simply 'do not press the issue.' Jarrar ends with the ironic observation that with respect to 'substance or economic benefits' those that 'acquiesce' on human rights 'fare little better' than those who chose to stand up to the Cuban government.
5. In response to media inquiries about the Guardian story Minister Cannon's office has refused comment.

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 18

Date: 20DEC

Time: 14:30

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 1824

New files received since last SitRep: 675

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 2

Total number of files of interest to date: 11

Key Issues and Findings:

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In a cable written by the senior official at the US Interests Section in Havana dated Nov2009 and released by The Guardian and New York Times on Friday, Canada is criticised (among others) for not publicly rebuking the Cuban government's human rights record. Minister Cannon's spokesperson refused to comment on the substance of the report when contacted by the media.

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This morning Wikileaks uploaded a report which contained extensive references to Canada. The cable, dated May2009, reports on a series of meetings held by US Asst. Secty of State Gottemoeller on the margins of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Review Conference last year. Included in the document is a report on a conversation with Canadian Conference on Disarmament Ambassador Marius Grinius. A preliminary analysis was done by DFAIT/IDA which deemed the report of 'Medium' interest. Today's Guardian carries a story on the document which also contains a suggestion by an Egyptian Ambassador that his country turned down offers of nuclear scientists, material and even weapons after the collapse of the Soviet Union.

Highlights of Other Recent Wikileaks Stories

\* In Sept2000, former UN SecGen Kofi Annan offered Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe a safe haven and a retirement package if he stepped down.

\* US Vice-President Joe Biden referred to Wikileaks leader Julian Assange today as like a "high-tech terrorist".

\* A Yemeni official told US diplomats in January of this year that Yemen's nuclear material's storage facility is very unsafe and could be easily attacked by Al Qaeda and the materials stolen.

\* US fears that Barcelona has become a key hub for terrorist activity in the Mediterranean.

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I have attached a couple of Wikileaks updates which came in over the weekend, one of which includes the DFAIT Wikileaks Task Force stance for over Xmas and a contact list. I will advise DFAIT that I will be the POC for any requirements and from there will reach out to yourselves, or others, if required for assistance. I do not expect you to be on call for months on end nor should you change any plans over Xmas. and the

for the Wikileaks material and which may be in place by Christmas. If so, this will remove much of the burden from anyone to have to go to DFAIT.

If I do not speak to you (or email you) by the end of the week, have a safe and quiet holiday season.

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### SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 20

Date: 28April2011

Time: 18:00

#### Summary Update

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attached is the SITREP from DFAIT. As discussed, please have do initial triage of recent release for any possible Service impact

There is a Wikileaks file that was opened for PA purposes.

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DFAIT WIKILEAKS TASK FORCE

SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 21

Date: 30April2011

Time: 11:00

Summary Update

The Aboriginal People's Television Network (APTN) has obtained advanced copies of approximately 800 Canada-related diplomatic cables that we expect to be shortly uploaded to the Wikileaks website. Two of the documents currently featured on the APTN website are the 2005 and 2009 US Embassy 'Security Environmental Profile' for Canada.

The cables provide a general assessment of potential security threats to the US originating in Canada and the Canadian government's ability to address these challenges. The cables enumerate several of the more well known legal actions taken against certain extremist groups and or individuals in Canada as well as their links with international terrorist networks. There are several comments made about CSIS and the RCMP as well as Canadian capabilities in border patrol.

These cables have not yet been uploaded to the Wikileaks website. They will be available for review on C5 within 60 mins after this upload takes place using the search engine that we have available.

As we noted in the previous SitRep, the media lines approved for responding to any queries on Wikileaks remain the same.

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there apparently was another release of Canada related documents on the weekend. See attached. DFAIT advised that the cables can be found on C5 - please explore this option, it may save us some pain.

I went through the zip files you provided on Friday - there was nothing of note - other than diplomats report on strange things and do a lot of cut and paste of news articles! I would like to send an update email to ADT at the end of the day on what we are doing. Let me know what we can do via C5 option

Given the lack of media reporting, I am of the belief that there is nothing outrageous in the latest release.

Tks.

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 7

Date: 30Nov

Time: 20:25

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 295

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 0

Total number of files of interest to date: 3

Key Issues and Findings:

\* Since last SitRep, 0/0 new cables were uploaded to the WikiLeaks site.

\* Although December 1 is expected to focus on Pakistan, stories appeared in the international media today reporting on Pakistan's commitment to counter-Taliban efforts and nuclear non-proliferation. The notional schedule for the release of documents in the press that concern Canada's interests may come earlier than December 2.

\* The media with advance access to the WikiLeaks documents also reported today on NATO nuclear weapons deployed in Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and Turkey. Der Spiegel and Le Monde are reporting also on US views of Turkey. The NY Times and Le Monde are reporting on US views on French President Sarkozy.

\* A search of tags (key words included in the document header to which we have access) reveals a minimum of 2,648 documents referencing Canada, including:

\* The WikiLeaks Taskforce has analysed 75 key words identified on the CBC website for the number of meetings and key subjects discussed. Interested Departments should contact the WikiLeaks Task Force.

\* MINA fielded two questions in Question Period (see attached transcript).

#### Communications

New information about Canada in the media this evening was included in the Manchester Guardian

<<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/nov/30/gordon-brown-the-us-embassy-cables>  
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> . The note explains both Prime Ministers Harper and Gordon Brown were invited to a D-Day celebration in Paris because they were in "political trouble at home." Canadian news aggregator website National Newswatch linked to this article the moment it was

released.

There was little new WikiLeaks-related information discussed by the media. Articles discussing the topic tended to report on relations between China and North Korea, U.S. and UK fears over Pakistan nuclear arms and the fate of WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange. There were no new Canada-related WikiLeaks developments on Twitter.

The WikiLeaks Task Force Operations Centre will close at 21:00.

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SITUATION REPORT

SitRep Nbr. 19

Date: 22DEC

Time: 17:00

Summary Update

Total number of files reviewed to date: 1862

New files received since last SitRep: 38

New files of Interest since last SitRep: 2

Total number of files of interest to date: 13

Key Issues and Findings:

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The Canadian Mission in Oslo has reported that a diplomatic cable was released today by a Norwegian newspaper which reports on a meeting between US Ambassador Jacobsen and former Environment Minister Jim Prentice on 05Nov09 (the document has not yet been uploaded to the Wikileaks website). Full report is reproduced below (note unclass security designation)

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Highlights of the report include:

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Prentice saying he was "shocked" by the negative public perception of the oilsands during a visit to Norway;

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That if the provincial government didn't set more stringent regulations on the oilsands the federal government would "step in and press federal environmental regulation".

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There is a need for an integrated North American carbon market.

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Environment Canada declined comment on a request by the Norwegian newspaper for an interview with Minister Baird. Their news story contained a quote from a spokesman for the the Norwegian state oil company (Statoil) suggesting that "the public debate in Norway has been one-sided against the oilsands investment" but that Statoil has had excellent relations with Canadian authorities and they feel Statoil is a welcome investor in Canada.

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Environment Canada will use responsive media lines developed for the release of yesterday's Advisory Panel on the Oilsands.

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The Guardian released a report today written by the US Consulate in Vancouver on 12Feb09 commenting on preparations for the 2010 Winter Olympics. Overall the report suggested that the security strategy being put in place for the Games was "excellent" however it was coming at a cost to other RCMP operations in BC. As the report notes, "A DEA agent was told by one of his RCMP counterparts that by September all regional drug agents could be working on Olympics, with no investigations ongoing until March 2010. Already the RCMP has all but stopped marijuana-related investigations." The full report has been passed to Public Safety.

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SUBJECT: Ottawa: Ambassador Jacobson and Environment Minister

Prentice discuss continental carbon market and oil sands

1) Summary: During an engaging introductory lunch on November 5, 2009, Ambassador Jacobson and Canadian Minister of the Environment Jim Prentice covered a wide variety of issues, ranging from Canada's international reputation and potential damage from oil sands coverage to exploring the possibility of a harmonized continental carbon market and collaborating on the Great Lakes. Minister Prentice clearly indicated his interest in working closely with the Obama Administration and both parties stressed the importance of the environment globally, but also as a key component of our bilateral agenda. As an immediate follow-up, Minister Prentice asked for assistance in setting up a conversation with Senator Kerry to discuss some key issues of concern to Canada in

regard to potential Senate climate legislation. The Ambassador also agreed to assess interest in Washington on further exploring the benefits of a continental carbon market. Based on the breadth and scope of their discussion, the meeting established common interest and a mutual intention to push forward a strong environmental dialogue. End Summary.

2) From the onset of lunch, Minister Prentice was clearly making every effort to establish a connection with Ambassador Jacobson, outlining his respect for the Administration and his interest in President Obama's "back story", persona, and goals. The tone was very collegial and Prentice appeared unrushed, focused, and interested in getting to know the Ambassador on a personal level, sharing stories about his daughter, life in Alberta, and his love for the outdoors. Prentice appeared keen to forge a personal relationship with Ambassador Jacobson - to the mutual benefit of both countries. Note: Prentice is widely-considered to be the most respected member of Prime Minister Harper's inner circle and enjoys Harper's complete trust. He is the lead Minister for climate change, as well as the lead on the Clean Energy Dialogue and Northern Gas pipelines.

3) During a discussion of the Ambassador's travels, Prentice

asked for his views on the oil sands. Prentice shared that he was concerned about the media focus on the sands and the possible impact on Canada's international reputation. He recalled that he was first concerned about oil sands coverage during a trip to Norway where the public was debating whether or not Norway should be investing public funds (Statoil) in 'dirty oil'. As Prentice relayed it, the public sentiment in Norway shocked him and has heightened his awareness of the negative consequences to Canada's historically 'green' standing on the world stage. Calling himself "conservationist-minded", Prentice said he would step in and regulate the sands if Canada's image in the world gets further tarnished by negative coverage. Although he never mentioned Natural Resources Minister Raitt by name (perhaps, an indication of the rumored tensions between the two Ministries), Prentice did say that he felt that Government of Canada's reaction to the dirty oil label was 'too slow' and failed to grasp the magnitude of the situation. As the Minister representing Alberta and one of the most senior Ministers in the Cabinet, Prentice made clear that he was constantly monitoring the situation. He noted that if industry did not take voluntary measures and if the provincial government did not set more stringent regulations, he would step in and press federal environmental legislation. In response to the Ambassador's inquiry about a possible moratorium on further

expansion in the oil sands, Prentice didn't think it was necessary at this time and felt growth to the 3-4 m/b/d was sustainable. He agreed that the province should be looking at cumulative environmental impacts and addressing long-term sustainability concerns. At the end of the day, Prentice wants Canada to be billed as the most environmentally-conscious energy superpower.

4) As the topic turned to climate change, Minister Prentice highlighted a number of concerns that he was interested in discussing further, preferably with Senator Kerry prior to the passage of legislation in the Senate. These issues include: the need for an integrated carbon market, necessitated by the integrated nature of our economies and energy markets; a harmonized approach to a low-carbon fuel standard; further discussion of renewable portfolio standards; an assessment of the impact/nature of border adjustment measures; and a general increase in

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understanding to avoid inadvertent/unintended consequences of U.S. legislation on Canada. The Ambassador offered to assist in setting up a conversation with Senator Kerry, as well as exploring the possibility of initiating a dialogue on a harmonized continental carbon market.

5) The last major topic of discussion was a mutual interest in the protection of and long-term health of the Great Lakes. Both parties expressed a desire to work collaboratively on such efforts. Overall, the lunch was a success and laid a number of markers for further cooperation. Minister Prentice and Ambassador Jacobson will be meeting again for dinner on November 9, building further on their relationship. End Cable.

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