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To:	Moore, Jessica L [redacted] (b)(6)
Subject:	FW: Response to Hoyer/Engel Letter on Ambassador Yovanovitch
Date:	Mon, 6 May 2019 22:10:18 +0000

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Subject:	RE: Foreign Service Caucus Follow Up
Date:	Tue, 14 May 2019 18:59:26 +0000

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Subject: Foreign Service Caucus Follow Up

Mary Elizabeth -

Thank you to [REDACTED] (b)(6) and the team for putting on a successful Foreign Service Caucus event this morning. It was good to connect with Senators Sullivan and Van Hollen and to reiterate the Secretary's focus on developing our people, including through the Ethos Initiative. During a Q&A with the State fellows and congressional staffers there, I got a couple trickier questions:

On Ambassador Yovanovitch's departure, I said she was leaving at the end of her assignment with her head held high and the support of State leadership. I was also asked about accusation of politically-motivated retribution of career officers. I said we took those very seriously, some of the allegations pointed to possible violations of the law, and therefore were under OIG investigation. I pointed to the ethos initiative as one of our tools to prevent this kind of behavior.

On my recent visit to Burma, I said I gained a better understanding of the country's complicated challenges but the Rohingya crisis still had to be effectively addressed. U.S. actions should aim at driving constructive outcomes, I noted. On a drawdown of Embassy Kabul, I said Embassy staffing was being adjusted to match our current operational demands and explained our diplomatic strategy and goals. I said we will reevaluate our posture for a post-reconciliation Afghanistan if we reach an agreement.

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