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19:03:10 >>> FOR ALL OF OUR PARTICIPANTS ON THE LINE

19:03:13 WE WILL GET STARTED AS SOON AS

19:03:18 UNDERSECRETARY ZAYA JOINS US.

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19:04:08 >>> GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE.

KOURTNEY, I'M GOING

19:04:11 TO HAND OFF TO YOU TO OPEN, BUT REALLY DELIGHTED TO BE

19:04:14 HERE.

>> THANK YOU, UNDERSECRETARY

19:04:17 ZEYA.

>> I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME EVERYBODY.

I THINK WE'LL GET

19:04:21 STARTED, TO START THINGS OFF, I WOULD LIKE

19:04:24 TO PASS THE MIC TO ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY LISA PETERSON.

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>>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SORRY TO BE SLOW ON THE DRAW ON

19:04:38 UNMUTING.

MY JOB HERE IS

19:04:41 SIMPLY TO WELCOME OUR UNDER SECRETARY

19:04:44 UZRA ZEYA, FOR A FEW OPENING WORDS

19:04:48 ON WHAT WE EXPECT TO BE THE FIRST OF MANY CONVERSATIONS GOING

19:04:51 FORWARD.

UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA.

>> THANKS,

19:04:54 LISA.

GOOD AFTERNOON.

GOOD

19:04:57 MORNING.

GOOD EVENING, EVERYONE.

I HOPE WE

19:05:01 HAVE A TRULY GLOBAL GATHERING HERE.

I'M EXCITED TO SEE

19:05:04 WE HAVE OVER 200 PARTICIPANTS.

AND I JUST WANT

19:05:07 TO TELL YOU, THIS IS JUST SUCH A PLEASURE

19:05:11 FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO BE HERE, WITH YOU TODAY, TO

19:05:14 LAUNCH OUR FORMAL ENGAGEMENT WITH CIVIL

19:05:17 SOCIETY FOR THE DECEMBER 9th AND

19:05:20 10th SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY.

AND I

19:05:23 CANNOT THINK OF A BETTER WAY TO DO THIS THAN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF

19:05:27 DEMOCRACY, A DAY IN WHICH WE ALL

19:05:30 REAFFIRM THE RIGHT OF EVERY CITIZEN TO TAKE PART IN

19:05:34 DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE.

AS YOU ALL ARE WELL AWARE,

19:05:37 AUGUST 11th, PRESIDENT BIDEN FORMALLY

19:05:40 ANNOUNCED HIS PLANS TO CONVENE THIS VIRTUAL SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY IN DECEMBER.

19:05:46

THIS FLAGSHIP EVENT REFLECTS THE

19:05:49 PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL, DEEPLY HELD BELIEF THAT TO

19:05:53 TACKLE THE WORLD'S MOST PRESSING

19:05:56 CHALLENGES, DEMOCRACIES MUST COME TOGETHER,

19:05:59 LEARN TOGETHER, STAND TOGETHER, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY ACT TOGETHER.

19:06:05 THE SUMMIT IS ENVISIONED AS A

19:06:09 MULTISTAKEHOLDER INITIATIVE THAT BRINGS TOGETHER

19:06:12 GOVERNMENTS, CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

19:06:15

AND FOR THIS EFFORT TO BE A SUCCESS,

19:06:18 WE NEED TO HAVE INCLUSIVE AND

19:06:22 MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION FROM CIVIL SOCIETY, TO HIGHLIGHT

19:06:25 WHERE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS BOTH

19:06:28 SUCCEEDING AND WHERE WE ARE FALLING SHORT.

AND WE

19:06:31 NEED TO COME TOGETHER TO ENGAGE AND LISTEN TO ALL OF

19:06:35 YOU SO WE CAN SHARE INNOVATIVE APPROACHES ON HOW

19:06:38 WE CAN DO BETTER IN THE FUTURE.

SO, FOR

19:06:41 MY PART AND THAT OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND ALL OF

19:06:45 MY INNER AGENCY COLLEAGUES REPRESENTED, WE

19:06:48 ARE ABSOLUTELY COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT

19:06:51 CIVIL SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

19:06:54 WITH US AND OTHER SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS BEFORE,

19:06:58 DURING AND AFTER THE DECEMBER VIRTUAL GATHERING.

19:07:02 NOW, BEFORE WE GET INTO THE FINER POINTS AND

19:07:05 THE NITTY-GRITTY OF SUMMIT PLANNING, I JUST WANT

19:07:08 TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK ALL OF

19:07:11 YOU FOR THE

19:07:14 INDEFENSIBLE WORK THAT YOU DO DAY IN AND DAY OUT.

19:07:18

ADVANCING DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES AND

19:07:21 PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS.

I HAVE TO SAY A SPECIAL WORD OF

19:07:26 THANKS FOR THE UNPRECEDENTED AND HEROIC LIFT

19:07:29 THAT SO MANY OF YOU HAVE DONE TO PROTECT VULNERABLE

19:07:32 AFGHANS AND TO PARTNER WITH US IN CONTINUING TO ASSIST

19:07:35 AND PROTECT THOSE WHO HAVE WORKED

19:07:38 FOR SO LONG ON THE FRONT LINES TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT HUMAN

19:07:42 RIGHTS, PROMOTE DEMOCRACY AND COUNTER CORRUPTION

19:07:45 IN AFGHANISTAN.

NOW, ON A GLOBAL

19:07:48 LEVEL, WE ALL RECOGNIZE THE VITAL WORK

19:07:51 OF CIVIL SOCIETY, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS

19:07:55 DEFENDERS, GENDER EQUALITY ACTIVISTS, ADVOCATES

19:07:58 AND MANY OTHERS

19:08:02 TO TRANSPARENT EQUITABLE AND RESPONSIVE

19:08:05 GOVERNANCE.

YOUR EXPERIENCE WILL BE CRITICAL

19:08:08 TO CATALYZING GLOBAL DIMENSION

19:08:12 TO RENEW DEMOCRACY BY DEVELOPING AND EXECUTING WORK STREAMS

19:08:15 IN EACH OF THE SUMMIT'S THREE PILLARS.

THESE ARE

19:08:20 COUNTERING AUTHORITARIANISM, ADVANCING

19:08:23 RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND COMBATTING CORRUPTION.

19:08:26 THIS IS WHY WE ARE SO THRILLED TO BE WITH YOU HERE

19:08:30 TODAY.

WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOU, AND WE ASK THAT YOU

19:08:33 WORK WITH US, TO HELP PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES TO

19:08:36 MAKE AND EXECUTE MEANINGFUL, DOMESTIC AND

19:08:39 INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE SUMMIT'S COURSE.

19:08:43

NOW, I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

19:08:46 ABOUT THE AGENDA.

WHO THE PARTICIPANTS

19:08:49 WILL BE AND HOW YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ENGAGE DIRECTLY

19:08:52 GIVEN THIS NEW NORMAL OF THE VIRTUAL

19:08:56 ENVIRONMENT.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR TEAMS ARE WORKING LITERALLY

19:08:59 DAY AND NIGHT TO FINALIZE ALL OF THESE

19:09:02 DETAILS, AND I KNOW THAT THEY'RE GOING TO STAY IN REGULAR TOUCH WITH ALL

19:09:05 OF YOU IN THE COMING WEEKS TO SHARE OUR PLANS.

19:09:08

SO, WITH THAT OPENING, I WANT TO HAND

19:09:13 THE MIC BACK TO LISA AND THE TEAM.

AND

19:09:16 LET'S GET THIS CONVERSATION STARTED.

>> THANK YOU VERY

19:09:19 MUCH, UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA.

I FEEL THE NEED FOR ONE

19:09:23 TINY BIT OF HOUSE KEEPING UP FRONT.

SOME OF YOU MAY

19:09:26 SEE THE LITTLE RED RECORD LIGHT GOING ON IN THE

19:09:30 UPPER LEFT-HAND CORNER.

WE DID WANT TO RECORD THE

19:09:33 OPENING PORTION OF THIS, SO THAT OTHERS WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS

19:09:36 IT IN THE FUTURE.

ONCE WE GET TO THE QUESTION AND

19:09:40 ANSWER PART, WE ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO STOP THE RECORDING

19:09:43 BECAUSE WE WANT ALL POTENTIAL QUESTIONERS TO FEEL

19:09:47 COMFORTABLE AND BE ABLE TO SPEAK FREELY WITHOUT BASICALLY

19:09:50 SWITCH

19:09:55 TO THE CHAT RULE.

SO, I WILL SORT OF

19:09:58 DOUBLE-DOWN ON UNDERSECRETARY

19:10:01 ZEYA'S REMARKS ABOUT OUR HEARTFELT WELCOME

19:10:04 TO CIVIL SOCIETY.

WE

19:10:07 SEE A TREMENDOUS BREADTH OF

19:10:11 EXPERTISE, COURAGE AND DEVOTION THAT YOU ALL BRING TO

19:10:14 THE WORK THAT WE'RE ALL ENGAGED IN.

AND THIS IS

19:10:17 REALLY REMARKABLE.

AND IT SERVES AS AN INSPIRATION,

19:10:20 AND A DRIVING FORCE FOR THE WORK THAT WE DO EVERY DAY.

19:10:24

SO, I JUST WANT TO OPEN WITH THAT LITTLE BIT OF A NOTE

19:10:26 OF ADMIRATION.

SO, THE

19:10:30 SUMMIT, AGAIN, AS THE

19:10:33 UNDERSECRETARY MENTIONED

19:10:37 HAS THREE PRINCIPAL THEMES SUPPORTING

19:10:41 DEMOCRACY AND 20ING AGAINST SONG

19:10:45 AUTHORITARIANISM, FIGHTING CORRUPTION AND FIGHTING

19:10:49 DOMESTICALLY AND ABROAD.

WE VIEW THIS SUMMIT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO

19:10:52 ENGAGE AND SPEAK HONESTLY ABOUT THE CHALLENGES

19:10:55 FACING DEMOCRACY WITHIN THE UNITED STATES AND ABROAD, TO WORK TOGETHER WITH

19:10:59 PARTNER GOVERNMENTS, CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO

19:11:02 CRAFT MEANINGFUL NEW COMMITMENTS AND INITIATIVES.

AND

19:11:05 TO COOPERATIVELY STRENGTHEN THE FOUNDATION FOR

19:11:09 DEMOCRATIC RENEWAL GLOBALLY.

SO, TODAY, WE WANT TO

19:11:12 DISCUSS WITH YOU OUR SHARED VISION FOR OUR MUTUAL

19:11:16 ENGAGEMENT.

UNFORTUNATELY, BECAUSE IT'S THE FIRST

19:11:19 SESSION, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF TALK COMING FROM OUR SIDE.

19:11:22

WE WILL TRY TO SPEED IT UP SO WE CAN GET TO THAT

19:11:25 QUESTION PART.

BUT WE ALSO INTEND TO HAVE MANY MORE

19:11:28 OF THESE ENGAGEMENTS GOING FORWARD.

IN SUPPORT

19:11:32 OF THE PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVE, THE

19:11:35 NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL AT THE WHITE HOUSE IS COORDINATING

19:11:38 SUMMIT EFFORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES ACROSS THE U.S.

19:11:40

GOVERNMENT.

AMONG OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES, THE

19:11:44 DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND USAID ARE JOINTLY LEADING

19:11:47 THE EFFORT TO ENSURE CIVIL SOCIETY HAS

19:11:51 MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE, INCLUDING BY CONTRIBUTING TO

19:11:54 SUMMIT DELIVERABLES.

SO, I JUST WANT TO QUICKLY INTRODUCE THE

19:11:57 STATE DEPARTMENT TEAM.

WE ARE FROM ALL DIFFERENT

19:12:00 OFFICES ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT.

AND OUR CORE GROUP

19:12:03 FROM UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA'S OFFICE, WE HAVE

19:12:06 COORDINATOR FOR GLOBAL DEMOCRATIC

19:12:11 RENEWAL, AARON BARKLEY.

FROM THE BUREAU OF HUMAN RIGHTS

19:12:14 AND LABOR WE HAVE DEPUTY ASSISTANT KARA

19:12:18 McDONALD,

19:12:21 CHRISTINA,

19:12:25 KOURTNEY POMPI, ERIN WHITE.

AND FROM THE BUREAU OF

19:12:28 INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT, SHAWNA WILSON,

19:12:32 CHRISTINE KLINE, DANIELLE ANGEL

19:12:35 AND SKYLAR MILLER.

AND I'M TURN IT OVER TO

19:12:39 MY USAID COLLEAGUE JOHNNY WALSH DISPUTE

19:12:42 ADMINISTRATOR, FOR HIS REMARKS AND TO INTRODUCE THE

19:12:45 USAID SUMMIT TEAM.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH,

19:12:48 LISA.

I'M JOHNNY, I STARTED ABOUT FOUR MONTHS AGO HERE

19:12:52 AS THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR DEMOCRACY RIGHTS

19:12:55 AND GOVERNANCE.

IT'S SUCH AN HONOR TO BE HERE, MOST

19:12:58 KNOW MY BACKGROUND.

BUT I SPENT MANY YEARS AT THE STATE

19:13:01 DEPARTMENT.

ONE WOULD NOT HAVE TO DIG VERY MUCH TO SEE

19:13:04 I SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME ON THE AFGHANISTAN

19:13:08 PEACE PROCESS.

AND IT'S PART OF

19:13:11 THE SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY NOW.

I WOULD

19:13:14 SAY FIRST OF ALL THAT REVITALIZING

19:13:17 DEMOCRACY IS JUST ESSENTIAL TO MEETING SO MANY OTHER GLOBAL

19:13:21 CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME.

AND I THINK THIS SUMMIT IS SUCH

19:13:24 A HUGE MOMENT OF OPPORTUNITY.

I DON'T

19:13:27 HAVE TO TELL THIS CROWD THAT DEMOCRATIC

19:13:31 BACKSLIDING IS AN ENORMOUS CHALLENGE IN EVEN THE MOST

19:13:34 ESTABLISHED DEMOCRACIES, TOUCHING EVERY REGION OF THE

19:13:37 WORLD.

BUT I THINK OF THIS SUMMIT MORE AS

19:13:41 A MOMENT OF OPPORTUNITY, THAN SAY MOMENT OF PERIL.

THOUGH

19:13:44 IT HAS ELEMENTS OF BOTH, WHICH IS TO

19:13:47 SAY THAT I THINK THE VERY FORCES THAT HAVE SO

19:13:50 CHALLENGED DEMOCRACY IN RECENT YEARS HAVE ALSO GALVANIZED

19:13:53 ALL OF US THAT BELIEVE DEEPLY IN DEMOCRACY,

19:13:56 DEMOCRATIC ACTORS IN EVERY PART OF THE WORLD,

19:14:00 GOVERNMENTS, NONGOVERNMENTS.

AND I FEEL, I

19:14:03 DON'T THINK I'M HALLUCINATING THIS A

19:14:07 GROUND SWELL OF ENERGY THAT HAS BEEN EXISTED FIVE OR

19:14:11 TEN YEARS AGO TO DEFEND DEMOCRACY TO

19:14:15 REINVIGORATE IT AND FIGHT CORRUPTION THAT ARE DEEPLY

19:14:18 INTERTWINED WITH THIS SUMMIT.

SO, WHEN I SEE, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE

19:14:22 A PRESIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES, EVERY TIME HE OPENS

19:14:26 HIS MOUTH DEMOCRACY IS IN THE FIRST

19:14:30 SENTENCE THAT HE SPEAKS, AT

19:14:34 USAID, SOMEONE IN POWER WHO HAS A LOT OF HISTORY IS ONE

19:14:37 OF THE MOST PASSIONATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS

19:14:41 IN THE WORLD.

I WOULD BE

19:14:44 BIASED I WOULD VENTURE TO SAY AND I THINK AS DISCUSSION FOR THIS

19:14:48 SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY HAS GOTTEN OUT THERE IN RECENT

19:14:51 MONTHS, WE'VE HEARD WHAT I THINK, WHAT I

19:14:54 HOPE IS THIS KIND OF ORGANIC

19:14:57 ENTHUSIASM FOR IT FROM

19:15:01 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE YOUR OWN, OTHER GOVERNMENTS AROUND THE

19:15:04 WORLD, DEMOCRATIC STATES AND

19:15:07 DEVELOPMENT.

FROM ACTORS IN THE STREET TRYING TO DEFEND

19:15:10 DEMOCRACY.

SO THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH THE SUMMIT CAN DO.

19:15:14

WE OF COURSE, UNDERSTAND THAT, IT'S A

19:15:17 DIPLOMATIC EVENT.

BUT IT CAN BE

19:15:21 A

19:15:26 CATALYTIC EVENT.

SO I'D

19:15:29 REITERATE WHAT LISA AND OTHERS HAVE SAID WE

19:15:33 SEE IT AS AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME BUT

19:15:36 FOR MOMENTUM FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY AROUND THE WORLD.

19:15:39

WE KNOW, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE COMMITMENTS THAT WE ARE ASKING ALL

19:15:42 OF THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS MAKE COULD NOT POSSIBLY

19:15:45 BE FULLY EXECUTED WITHOUT THE SUPPORT AND INDEED THE

19:15:49 WATCHFUL EYE OF A BROAD

19:15:54 RANGE OF CIVIC ACTORS.

WE ALL FIGURE TO BE

19:15:58 ENGAGED IN THAT PROCESS BECAUSE OF WHAT GOVERNMENTS HAVE

19:16:01 DO.

AND WHAT PEOPLE HAVE CHOSE AS A

19:16:04 PRIORITY TO DO.

AND OUR PRIORITY, IN ENGAGING IN THAT

19:16:07 PROCESS, IS TO MAKE SURE OUR DEALINGS WITH YOU ALL

19:16:10 ARE GENUINE.

AND I WOULD SAY,

19:16:14 CONFIDENTLY, THAT WE ARE AWARE AT TIMES THE WAY THE

19:16:18 USG HAS ENGAGED WITH CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE PAST TEN YEARS

19:16:21 TOWARDS RUBBER STAMPED OR CHECK BOX EXERCISE, THAT IS

19:16:24 REALLY NOT WHAT WILL WE WANT THIS TO BECOME.

AND

19:16:27 SO, WE'RE HOPING TO REACH OUT TO YOU,

19:16:31 RELATIVELY EARLY, IN WHAT WE HOPE IS

19:16:34 A MUCH LONGER PROCESS IN NEARLY THREE MONTHS LEADING

19:16:37 UP TO THE SUMMIT, TO HELP US DESIGN WHAT ARE THE

19:16:41 PRIORITIES, WHAT CAN EVERY ACTOR DO.

19:16:44

CERTAINLY FOR SUMMIT IN DECEMBER, YOU'LL GET MORE ON THE

19:16:47 CALENDAR LATER, BUT ALSO FOR THE FOLLOW-ON SUMMIT

19:16:51 THAT WE HOPE WILL HAPPEN A YEAR DOWN THE ROAD.

SO, WE

19:16:54 WILL WORK HARD TO ENABLE A RANGE OF TOUCH POINTS SO

19:16:57 YOU CAN LET US KNOW, ANY OF US, HOW BEST

19:17:00 TO SUPPORT YOUR EFFORT.

WE KNOW WELL, MANY OF THE CONSTRAINTS

19:17:03 YOU'RE OPERATING UNDER FROM OUR SIDE,

19:17:07 THERE ARE ALSO SECURITY CONCERNS, EVEN A VIRTUAL

19:17:11 SUMMIT CAN BE A TREMENDOUSLY DIFFICULT LOGISTICAL THING,

19:17:14 ESPECIALLY IN THE TIME THAT WE HAVE.

BUT WE WILL DO EVERYTHING

19:17:17 WE CAN TO ACCOMMODATE EVERY ONE OF

19:17:21 YOU.

AND FINALLY, I SHOULD SAY, WE WILL WORK HARD

19:17:24 TO ENSURE A DIVERSE REPRESENTATION OF CIVIC

19:17:27 ACTORS AT EVERY STAGE OF THIS PROCESS.

19:17:31

SO, INCLUSIVITY IS OUR

19:17:34 CORE PRINCIPLE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY HERE SAND

19:17:37 ELSEWHERE.

WE INTEND TO INCLUDE ORGANIZATIONS FROM EVERY PART OF THE

19:17:41 WORLD, DIVERSE SIZE, REPRESENTING DIVERSE INTERESTS BOTH

19:17:46 FROM COUNTRIES AND GOVERNMENTS INVITED TO THE SUMMITS AND THOSE

19:17:49 WHO ARE NOT, RESPECTING EVERY SECTOR OF HUMANITY.

19:17:52

SO THERE WILL BE MUCH MORE SPECIFICS TO DIG

19:17:55 INTO.

BUT I HOPE YOU HEAR THE

19:17:59 SINCERITY OF OUR OVERTURE HERE.

AND WE DEPEND ON YOU

19:18:02 TO MAKE THIS SUMMIT LIKE A MEANINGFUL WAY

19:18:05 TO SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY AT THE MOMENT.

WITH US ON THE

19:18:08 CALL FROM USAID ARE

19:18:11 -- WE HAVE SHANNON GREEN, THE

19:18:15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE

19:18:21 BRAND-NEW ANTI-TRANSPORT PASSPORT.

WE HAVE THE

19:18:24 DIRECTOR OF DEMOCRACY

19:18:27 RIGHTS, SHARON CARTER, THE SENIOR ADVISOR TO

19:18:31 THAT CENTER.

AND TWO BRILLIAN

19:18:34 OFFICERS ANDREW FREEMAN AND RONALD

19:18:37 HECKMAN.

WE'RE EAGER TO HAVE YOUR THOUGHTS NOW AND CONTINUE

19:18:40 TO ENGAGE WITH YOU OVER THE COMING YEAR AND BEYOND.

19:18:44 >> THANKS VERY MUCH, JOHNNY.

I'D

19:18:47 LIKE TO TURN

19:18:50 BRIEFLY TO AARON BARKLEY TO TALK A LITTLE

19:18:53 BIT ABOUT PRESIDENT BIDEN'S NATIONAL SECURITY STUDY

19:18:56 MEMORANDUM WHICH ESTABLISHES THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION AS A

19:18:59 CORE NATIONAL SECURITY INTEREST OF THE

19:19:02 UNITED STATES.

AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE SUMMIT FOR

19:19:06 DEMOCRACY'S ANTI-CORRUPTION PILLAR.

>> THANKS,

19:19:09 LISA.

GOOD MORNING, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY.

19:19:12

THANKS AGAIN FOR JOINING US.

AND THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO

19:19:15 IS PUTTING THIS IN THE CHAT.

WE'RE

19:19:19 CAPTURING ALL OF THAT, AND AS WE SAID, AS WE CONTINUE

19:19:22 TO TALK, WE REALLY APPRECIATE IDENTIFYING OTHER

19:19:25 ORGANIZATIONS AND HOW YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO

19:19:29 HELP.

AS THE ACTING SECRETARY SAID, LET ME JUST

19:19:32 SAY A FEW THINGS ABOUT THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION'S

19:19:35 EFFORTS AND PRIORITY OF PUTTING

19:19:39 FIGHTING CORRUPTION AT THE CENTER OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

IT IS ONE OF

19:19:42 THE THREE PILLARS OF THE SUMMIT.

AND

19:19:45 SO, YOU HAVE ALREADY BEEN HEARING MUCH FROM

19:19:48 THE ADMINISTRATION, BUT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO HEAR MUCH FROM

19:19:52 US, BOTH THROUGH THE SUMMIT, BUT THROUGH MANY OTHER

19:19:55 AVENUES OF BOTH OUR POLICY WORK

19:19:58 AND OUR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

19:20:01

AND IN OUR OBJECTIVES TO PUT

19:20:05 CORRUPTION VERY MUCH AT THE CENTER OF OUR

19:20:08 CONVERSATION AND OUR WORK TOGETHER WITH YOU

19:20:12 AND WITH OUR LATERAL AND MULTILATERAL

19:20:15 PARTNERS.

IN JUNE, SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW THE PRESIDENT LAUNCHED

19:20:19 A NATIONAL SECURITY STUDY MEMORANDUM ON

19:20:22 FIGHTING CORRUPTION.

AND THIS IS A MECHANISM IN

19:20:26 OUR GOVERNMENT THAT SETS FORWARD A

19:20:30 PROCESS ACROSS OUR INTERAGENCY, TO LOOK AT HOW WE BRING

19:20:33 RESOURCES, THINKING, PROCESSES

19:20:37 TOGETHER.

TO ELEVATE CORRUPTION IN EVERYTHING THAT WE DO ACROSS THE GOVERNMENT.

19:20:44 THIS WILL RESULT

19:20:47 IN A PAPER TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR THAT WILL LAY

19:20:52 OUT HOW THE U.S.

GOVERNMENT

19:20:53 INTENDS TO MODERNIZE, COORDINATE AND RESOURCE THESE

19:20:57 EFFORTS ACROSS OUR GOVERNMENT.

GOING FORWARD.

SO

19:21:00 STAY

19:21:04 TUNED.

MORE WILL COME OUT OF THAT.

INFORMED

19:21:07 BY THIS INTERAGENCY

19:21:10 PROCESS THAT WE'RE DOING, WE'RE ALSO ADVANCING.

19:21:13

OF THE ANTI-CORRUPTION PRIORITIES THAT WE WILL TALK MORE ABOUT IN

19:21:17 THE CONTEXT OF THE SUMMIT AND IN

19:21:20 OTHER VENUES MULTILATERALLY.

IT'S

19:21:23 A BIG YEAR FOR CORRUPTION IN THE MULTILATERAL WORLD.

19:21:26

WE RECENTLY CAME OFF A U.N.

19:21:29

GENERAL ASSEMBLY SPECIAL QUESTION ON CORRUPTION.

19:21:33 WE ARE LOOKING DOWN INTO DECEMBER FOR THE U.N.

19:21:37 CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION ON PARTIES.

AND

19:21:40 OF YOU MAY KNOW, THE U.S.

19:21:44 IS PUTTING IN TO HOST A

19:21:49 2023 CONFERENCE ON CORRUPTION.

FOR US, THIS IS

19:21:52 THE BEGINNING OF WHAT WE EXPECT TO BE A LONG-TERM ENGAGEMENT

19:21:56 IN ELEVATING CORRUPTION ACROSS

19:21:59 BILATERAL, MULTILATERAL, AND ALL OF THE

19:22:02 STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIPS VERY IMPORTANT TO YOU ALL IN CIVIL SOCIETY AS

19:22:06 WELL.

SO, JUST A FEW WORDS, YOU'LL HEAR MORE

19:22:09 ABOUT THIS, AS WE TALK FURTHER OVER THE COMING

19:22:12 MONTHS.

AND INTO THE NEXT YEAR, ABOUT SPECIFIC

19:22:15 PLANS AROUND OUR CORRUPTION AGENDA.

BUT FOR NOW,

19:22:19 THANK YOU ALL, AGAIN, VERY MUCH FOR JOINING US, AND WE LOOK

19:22:20 FORWARD TO THE QUESTIONS AND THE CONVERSATION.

BACK TO YOU, LISA.

19:22:28 >> THANKS VERY MUCH.

OKAY.

THIS IS WHERE WE GET INTO

19:22:31 A LITTLE BIT OF THE NUTS AND BOLTS.

SO, JUST

19:22:34 TO REITERATE, THE SUMMIT IS

19:22:38 DIVIDED INTO TWO HIGH-LEVEL EVENTS.

THE FIRST WILL

19:22:41 TAKE PLACE VIRTUALLY ON DECEMBER 9th AND 10th,

19:22:44 2021.

THE SECOND WHICH WE INTEND TO BE

19:22:49 IN PERSON, IF PUBLIC HEALTH

19:22:52 CONDITIONS PERMIT, WILL BE HELD APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR LATER.

AND IN

19:22:55 THAT YEAR, WE EXPECT THERE COULD BE CONSULTATION,

19:22:58 COORDINATION, ACTION AND DELIVERY.

19:23:01

AND WE CAN ASK THE PERIODS LEADING UP TO

19:23:05 BOTH SUMMIT EVENTS TO BE CRITICAL MOMENTS OF

19:23:08 ENGAGEMENT.

AND WE WELCOME COLLABORATION

19:23:11 WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE PHILANTHROPIC

19:23:15 COMMUNITY TO HELP SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF

19:23:18 PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS COMMITMENTS TO HELP FIND NEW

19:23:22 AREAS FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN CIVIL SOCIETY AND GOVERNMENT AT THE LOCAL

19:23:25 LEVEL.

AND TO EXCHANGE

19:23:28 IDEAS ON GOOD GOVERNANCE, BASED ON LESSONS

19:23:31 LEARNED.

SO, WE THINK THAT CIVIL SOCIETY

19:23:34 ENGAGEMENT WITH PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS IS KEY IN

19:23:38 PARTICULAR TO ENSURING THAT

19:23:41 THEIR SUMMIT DELIVERABLES MEET LOCAL NEEDS

19:23:44 AND THAT THEY ARE SUSTAINABLE.

19:23:47

AS ERIN MENTIONED IN THE CORRUPTION FRONT, THE

19:23:50 SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY WILL BE ONE OF SEVERAL MAJOR

19:23:53 DEMOCRACY-RELATED MULTINATIONAL EVENTS IN

19:23:56 2021 AND '22, INCLUDING

19:24:00 G7, COMMUNITY OF DEMOCRACY

19:24:04 MINISTERIAL.

THE GLOBAL FORUM, THE MEDIA

19:24:07 GLOBAL CONFERENCE, HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL SESSIONS AND

19:24:10 THE U.N.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SO, THESE EVENTS COMBINED

19:24:14 WITH THE ANTI-CORRUPTION EVENTS THAT ERIN MENTIONED,

19:24:17 THESE ARE ALL DIFFERENT

19:24:21 FOUR THAT DIFFERENT PLATFORMS ESPECIALLY REINFORCE AND

19:24:25 INTENSIFY OUR EFFORTS TO ADDRESS DEMOCRATIC

19:24:28 CHALLENGES, COMBAT CORRUPTION AND PROMOTE RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS BOTH AT

19:24:31 HOME AND ABROAD.

WE THINK

19:24:35 THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS

19:24:38 FOR -- THAT -- FOR A CIVIL SOCIETY

19:24:42 ENGAGEMENT.

OR IT'S GOING TO LOOK LIKE A LOT OF DIFFERENT

19:24:45 THINGS.

AND THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES BEFORE THIS YEAR'S SUMMIT, FOR

19:24:49 ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO SUMMITS, AND PARTICULARLY, FOLLOWING UP ON SUMMIT EFFORTS.

19:24:54 SO, I WANT TO SAY, FIRST OF ALL, WE APPRECIATE THE IDEAS THAT

19:24:57 MANY OF YOU HAVE ALREADY SHARED WITH SUMMIT

19:25:01 PARTNERS.

AND I SEE MORE COMING IN ON THE CHAT EVEN AS

19:25:04 WE'RE SPEAKING.

SO, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONNECT

19:25:07 WITH ONE ANOTHER, AFTER THIS CALL.

AND ENSURE THAT THE

19:25:10 RECOMMENDATIONS OF SMALLER GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATIONS ARE

19:25:14 REFLECTED AS PART OF THE SUMMIT'S CIVIL

19:25:18 SOCIETY CONSTITUENCY PERSPECTIVE.

WE ALSO URGE

19:25:21 YOU TO HELP THESE SMALLER

19:25:24 ORGANIZATIONS CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUMMIT GOALS.

19:25:27 WE WILL WELCOME YOUR VIEWS AND INPUTS

19:25:31 ON PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS COMMITMENTS, WHAT'S WORKING,

19:25:34 WHAT'S NOT WORKING, IN TERMS OF ENGAGING THEM

19:25:37 ON SUMMIT THEMES WRIT LARGE.

19:25:41

AND WHERE YOU THINK WE CAN PUSH FOR REFORM

19:25:44 ABROAD.

I UNDERSTAND MANY OF YOU ARE ALREADY THINKING ABOUT WHAT COMMITMENTS

19:25:47 YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE PARTICIPANT COUNTRIES MAKE.

AND HOW

19:25:50 YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO COLLABORATE WITH THEM.

WE ALSO WELCOME

19:25:54 YOUR VIEWS ABOUT HOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN

19:25:57 THIS SUMMIT.

WHERE WE ENVISION CIVIL SOCIETY

19:26:00 TO HAVE AN ACTIVE ROLE.

WE HAVE A

19:26:03 FEW IDEAS INFORMED BY WHAT SUMMIT

19:26:06 PLANNERS HAVE HEARD ALREADY DIRECTLY FROM MANY OF YOU.

19:26:10 WE'RE EAGER TO CONTINUE TO HEAR HOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO

19:26:13 ENGAGE IN PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS DEVELOPMENT

19:26:16 OF MEANINGFUL COMMITMENTS AND INITIATIVES THAT MEET THE

19:26:20 GOALS OF THE SUMMIT.

DURING THE SUMMIT, WE

19:26:23 EXPECT CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION TO BE WOVEN INTO THE

19:26:27 AGENDA.

WE WOULD LOOK TO YOU FOR SUGGESTIONS

19:26:30 ABOUT WHO FROM YOUR SECTOR IS BEST POSITIONED

19:26:34 TO HOST AND CHAIR PANEL

19:26:37 DISCUSSIONS.

PARTICIPATE IN PLENARY SESSIONS AND PARTICIPATE IN

19:26:40 OPEN AND CLOSED-DOOR

19:26:43 ROUNDTABLES.

WE ALSO ENCOURAGE YOU TO HOST AND PARTICIPATE IN

19:26:46 RELEVANT SIDE EVENTS AND VIEWING PARTIES.

19:26:51 WE WOULD WELCOME THE FORMATION OF AN ONLINE

19:26:54 NETWORK TO FORMALIZE AND CONTINUE ENGAGEMENT.

19:27:00 WE WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO INCLUDE IN THIS

19:27:03 EFFORT, IF SOMEONE IS ABLE TO TAKE THIS ON,

19:27:07 SMALLER GRASSROOTS AND INFORMAL ISSUE-BASED

19:27:10 GROUPS THAT MAY BE UNABLE TO ENGAGE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE SUMMIT.

19:27:14 FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE LARGER AND HAVE A BIT

19:27:19 MORE CAPACITY, LET US KNOW HOW WE

19:27:22 CAN HELP YOU HOST

19:27:26 STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS AND

19:27:30 OPEN MEETINGS TO ADVANCE ACROSS THE TEAMS BOTH IN THE U.S.

19:27:33 AND SUMMIT PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES.

IN COLLABORATION WITH

19:27:37 U.S.

MISSIONS, OR MULTILATERAL PLATFORMS LIKE THE

19:27:40 OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP, PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW

19:27:43 BEST WE CAN SUPPORT YOU, TO HOST LISTENING

19:27:46 SESSIONS, AND PLAN MEETINGS WITH GOVERNMENTS, TO ENSURE

19:27:50 VIEWS FROM A DIVERSE RANGE OF CIVIL SOCIETY.

ARE

19:27:53 REFLECTED IN THEIR PRESUMMIT COMMITMENTS.

19:27:56 WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO MONITOR IMPLEMENTATION OF

19:28:01 PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENTS AND HOLD THEM AND US, ACCOUNTABLE.

19:28:05 SOME OF YOU HAVE PROPOSED CREATING A PUBLIC REGISTRY

19:28:09 OF SUMMIT-RELATED COMMITMENTS TO

19:28:12 FACILITATE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION.

WE THINK THIS IS A GREAT

19:28:15 IDEA.

AND WE WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING HOW

19:28:19 THIS IDEA DEVELOPS, INCLUDING HOW PEOPLE

19:28:23 MIGHT PROMOTE ITS VISIBILITY AND ITS USE.

AS SOME OF YOU

19:28:26 HAVE SUGGESTED, THERE'S GREAT VALUE IN DEVELOPING

19:28:29 AN ACTION PLAN TO PROMOTE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION

19:28:32 OF SUMMIT COMMITMENTS.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO

19:28:36 HEARING MORE ABOUT PLANS IN THIS SPACE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH INCLUDE

19:28:39 MUTUALLY AGREED UPON

19:28:43 MONITORING IN THE THEATERS, EVALUATION AND

19:28:46 ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTION AT

19:28:49 FUTURE, MULTILATERAL OR REGIONAL EVENTS.

19:28:52

WITHIN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, WE ARE

19:28:55 ALSO IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING

19:28:58 OUR OWN COMMITMENTS TO THE SUMMIT IN ADDITION TO

19:29:01 COMMITMENTS REFORMED AND INITIATIVES THAT WE

19:29:05 INTEND TO MAKE DOMESTICALLY, THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND

19:29:09 USAID ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH PARTNERS TO

19:29:12 DEVELOP HIGH-IMPACT MARQUEE

19:29:15 INITIATIVES AND WE HOPE TO SHARE THE PLANS WITHIN THE COMING

19:29:18 WEEKS.

THE INTERAGENCY DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAVE

19:29:22 UNDER WAY AT THE MOMENT ARE LOOKING AT

19:29:25 INITIATIVES IN SUCH AREAS

19:29:28 AS ADDRESSING THE INTERSECTION OF TECHNOLOGY AND

19:29:31 DEMOCRACY, BOLSTERING FREE AND INDEPENDENT

19:29:35 MEDIA.

FIGHTING CORRUPTION.

STRENGTHENING

19:29:39 CIVIC CAPACITY AND PROMOTING ELECTORAL INTEGRITY.

SO,

19:29:42 WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR CIVIL SOCIETY PARTNERSHIP

19:29:45 AND SUPPORT ON THESE POTENTIAL HIGH-IMPACT MARQUEE DELIVERABLES.

19:29:51 I'M GOING TO WRAP UP SHORTLY HERE.

SORRY TO GO ON SO LONG.

19:29:57 IN TERMS

19:30:00 OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS, TO

19:30:03 ENSURE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO GET INPUT FROM A FULL RANGE OF

19:30:08 STAKEHOLDERS, WE ENCOURAGE CIVIL SOCIETY TO

19:30:11 SELF-ORGANIZE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUMMIT.

WE'D LIKE TO SUGGEST

19:30:14 A FRAMEWORK TO FACILITATE ENGAGEMENT WITH

19:30:18 SUMMIT PLANNERS, PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS, OTHER CIVIL SOCIETY

19:30:22 ACTORS, THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND

19:30:26 PHILANTHROPIES.

WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT

19:30:28 GROUPS, COALITIONS AND ALLIANCES WITH DIFFERENT

19:30:32 INSIGHTS, IMPORTANT INSIGHTS.

SO, WE'D LIKE

19:30:35 TO ESTABLISH A SUMMIT FOR DEMOCRACY,

19:30:39 CIVIL SOCIETY ADVISORY COUNCIL.

OUR WISH

19:30:42 IS FOR THIS COUNCIL TO BE REPRESENTATIVE AND

19:30:47 INCLUSIVE WITH INTERNATIONAL, REGIONAL AND LOCAL CIVIL SOCIETY

19:30:50 MEMBERS.

THIS ADVISORY COUNCIL

19:30:53 WILL PROVIDE A DIRECT LINK TO SUMMIT PLANNERS TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND CONCERNS.

19:30:59 WE ALSO ENVISION WORKING GROUPS,

19:31:02 COORDINATED AND ORGANIZED BY STEERING

19:31:05 COMMITTEES COMPOSED OF CIVIL SOCIETY

19:31:09 FOR EACH OF THE SUMMIT THEMES.

SO, AGAIN,

19:31:13 COMBATTING AUTHORITARIANISM AND DEFENDING

19:31:18 DEMOCRACY.

COMBATTING DEMOCRACY AND PROTECTING

19:31:21 HUMAN RIGHTS.

THESE REGULATORY GROUPS WOULD REGULARLY MEET

19:31:25 WITH THEMSELVES AND ALSO MEET DIRECTLY WITH SUMMIT

19:31:28 PLANNERS ON A REGULAR FREQUENT SCHEDULE.

WE'RE ON

19:31:31 A VERY TIGHT TIME LINE BEFORE THE FIRST SUMMIT ON DECEMBER

19:31:34 21, WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE WORKING

19:31:38 GROUPS LAUNCH IN THE NEAR TERM TO RAMP-UP IN

19:31:41 ADVANCE OF THAT DECEMBER LAUNCH.

AND CONTINUE BETWEEN THE VIRTUAL

19:31:44 AND IN-PERSON SUMMIT, ENGAGING MORE

19:31:47 DIRECTLY FOR THAT FOLLOW-ON IN-PERSON

19:31:51 SUMMIT.

SO, AFTER THIS CALL, WE WILL BE SENDING OUT

19:31:54 A SURVEY TO GAUGE YOUR INTEREST IN JOINING THE COUNCIL

19:31:57 AND ASK YOU TO IDENTIFY THE SUMMIT TEAM THAT YOU WOULD LIKE

19:32:02 TO WORK ON.

SURVEY RESULTS WILL

19:32:06 ALLOW US TO DEVELOP WORKING GROUPS

19:32:10 LED BY THE CIVIL SOCIETY STEERING

19:32:14 COMMITTEE.

THE STEER COMMITTEES WILL SERVE AS PRIMARY

19:32:17 POINT OF CONTACT BETWEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL,

19:32:20 CIVIL SOCIETY AT LARGE AND ENGAGEMENT

19:32:23 TEAMS.

FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES, WE'LL HAVE TO LIMIT

19:32:26 THE NUMBER WHO CAN BE IN THE STEERING COMMITTEE,

19:32:30 BUT WE BELIEVE THERE'S NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF THOSE WHO CAN

19:32:33 CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUMMIT AND WORKING GROUPS.

I THINK I HAVE

19:32:37 SAID MORE THAN ENOUGH.

I'D LIKE TO PASS OVER TO

19:32:40 MODERATOR KOURTNEY POMPI TO CARRY US FORWARD

19:32:43 FROM HERE.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19:32:46 I WOULD LIKE TO, FIRST, MENTION AS

19:32:51 ASSISTANCE SECRETARY --

SECRETARY PETERSON

19:32:54 MENTIONED AT THE TOP OF THE CALL THAT WE ARE GOING TO TURN OFF THE

19:32:57 RECORDING NOW, SO THAT WE CREATE MORE OF AN

19:33:00 OPEN, COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE, AND

19:33:03 CONTINUING TO PROVIDE WONDERFUL QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT BOX FOR US TO

19:33:06 ANSWER.

A NUMBER OF YOU SENT IN

19:33:10 QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE.

WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

WE

19:33:13 HAVE -- WE'VE SELECTED A FEW TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER AT THE TOP

19:33:16 OF THIS Q AND A.

SO, I WILL READ OUT SOME OF THE QUESTION THAT IS WE

19:33:20 RECEIVED IN MULTIPLES AND PROVIDE SOME ANSWERS.

AND THEN WE

19:33:23 WILL GO TO THE LIVE CHAT BOX AS WELL.

19:33:26 SO, FIRST, WE RECEIVED A QUESTION, HOW WOULD

19:33:30 WE DEFINE SUCCESS?

OUR ANSWER WOULD BE, THAT THE

19:33:33 SUMMIT WILL BE A SUCCESS IF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES TAKE THE

19:33:36 CALL TO ACTION SERIOUSLY, BY DEMONSTRATING

19:33:39 POLITICAL WILL TO UPHOLD THE GOALS OF THE

19:33:42 SUMMIT BY COMING TO THE TABLE WITH BOLD,

19:33:46 INNOVATIVE AND MEANINGFUL COMMITMENTS BY

19:33:49 INNOVATING SOCIETY ON DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

19:33:53 OF COMMITMENTS AND FULFILLING THOSE

19:33:56 COMMITMENTS.

WORDS MAY BE FULFILLED BY ACTION.

THE

19:33:59 NEXT QUESTION WE RECEIVED HOW ARE INVITATIONS TO THE

19:34:02 SUMMIT DETERMINED?

WE HAVE NOT ACTUALLY INTENDED

19:34:06 INVITATIONS YET.

WE'RE STARTING TO DISCUSS THE GOALS

19:34:09 OF THE SUMMIT WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE THAT THE SUMMIT

19:34:13 CAPTURES AS MANY VIEWPOINTS AS POSSIBLE THE UNITED STATES HAS

19:34:16 REACHED

19:34:20 OUT

19:34:23 LY

19:34:27 DIVERSE SET OF COUNTRIES.

AND TO FIGHT

19:34:31 CORRUPTION AND PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS BOTH IN THEIR NATIONS AND

19:34:34 ABROAD.

AND AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED THE UNITED STATES WILL MAKE

19:34:37 SIMILAR COMMITMENTS.

WE RECEIVED A QUESTION ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

19:34:40

WHAT ROLE WILL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE

19:34:43 UNITED NATIONS AND REGIONAL BODIES SUCH AS THE

19:34:47 EU, OSCE,

19:34:50 EU OR

19:34:53 O

19:34:59 SE.

INTERNATIONAL BODIES AND MULTILATERAL

19:35:03 ORGANIZATIONS CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PLATFORMS FOR

19:35:06 PROMOTING COUNTRY COMMITMENTS, AND DRIVING RESPECT FOR DEMOCRATIC

19:35:10 GOVERNMENTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS, GIVEN LOGISTICAL

19:35:13 CONSTRAINTS, HOWEVER, WE ARE LIMITED IN THE NUMBER OF

19:35:16 MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS WE CAN INVITE TO THE SUMMIT.

THE

19:35:19 INVITATION LIST IS CURRENTLY BEING DETERMINED BY THE WHITE HOUSE.

AND

19:35:22 FINALLY, HOW DOES PRESIDENT BIDEN PLAN TO INCLUDE PEOPLE WITH

19:35:28 DISABILITIES ESPECIALLY PEOPLE

19:35:31 FROM COMMUNITY AND CENTERS FOR DEMOCRACY?

THE PRESIDENT IS

19:35:35 COMMITTED TO INCLUSION AND ACCESSIBILITY.

ONLY WHEN ALL

19:35:38 PERSONS ARE FULLY INCLUDED CAN A

19:35:41 DEMOCRACY BE FULLY REPRESENTED.

HAVING

19:35:45 A DIVERSE SET OF PANELISTS REPRESENTING

19:35:48 GOVERNMENTS, CIVIL SERVICE AND PRIVATE SECTOR

19:35:51 INCLUDING COMMUNITIES AND ULF ITS

19:35:55 DIVERSITY.

WE EXPECT TO ADDRESS RACIAL JUSTICE AND SOCIAL

19:35:58 COHESION.

TWO ISSUES THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED TO HAVE A WELL FUNCTIONING

19:36:02 DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY FOR ALL.

AND LOGISTICALLY, THE SUMMIT

19:36:05 WILL BE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL.

NOW, WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM

19:36:08 YOU.

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT BOX.

19:36:11 I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER A FEW PROBING QUESTIONS FOR

19:36:14 YOU THAT WE ARE VERY INTERESTING IN KNOWING.

SO

19:36:17 IF THESE HAVEN'T COME THROUGH IN THE QUESTIONS I'M ABOUT TO READ

19:36:20 OUT THAT HAVE ALREADY COME IN I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU SOME

19:36:23 THOUGHTS THAT WE WOULD WELCOME QUESTIONS FROM YOU IT ON.

19:36:26

SO, IF YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ON THE

19:36:29 LOGISTICS OF THE SUMMIT, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THOSE QUESTIONS

19:36:32 ARE.

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON THE PROCESS OF PROVIDING FEEDBACK

19:36:35 OR ENGAGING TOGETHER OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS?

AND

19:36:39 DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW YOU'RE ALREADY

19:36:43 ENGAGING OR PLANNING TO CONNECT WITH EACH OTHER OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS ON THE

19:36:46 SUMMIT?

I LEAVE THOSE TO YOU TO THINK ABOUT AND PERHAPS MAYBE PROVIDE

19:36:50 RESPONSES OR FURTHER QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT BOX.

I WOULD LIKE TO READ

19:36:53 OFF A COUPLE QUESTIONS.

I'LL DO TWO TO THREE QUESTION FOR

19:36:56 THE PANEL AND ALLOW YOU ALL TO ANSWER.

I'M GOING TO TAKE

19:37:01 A FEW QUESTIONS THAT CAME IN OVERNIGHT THAT ACCOMPANIED SOME OF THE

19:37:05 RSVPs WHICH I THINK ARE A QUITE FITTING WAY

19:37:08 TO START THE SESSION.

SO, THE FIRST OF THESE

19:37:11 QUESTION WILL BE, COULD YOU PLEASE PROVIDE AN UPDATE

19:37:14 ON PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT INCLUDING

19:37:17 TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES IN THE SUMMIT?

19:37:22 THE NEXT QUESTION IS, IS THERE A SCOPE FOR STATEMENTS OR

19:37:26 RECOMMENDATIONS BY CIVIL SOCIETY, INDEPENDENT OF

19:37:30 POSITIONS THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS

19:37:33 MAY TAKE?

AND FINALLY, IS THERE

19:37:36 SCOPE FOR PARTICIPATION BY CIVIL SOCIETY

19:37:40 FROM COUNTRIES WHOSE GOVERNMENTS SUCH

19:37:43 AS THOSE LESS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE?

PRIVATE

19:37:47 SECTOR, CIVIL SOCIETY RECOMMENDATIONS AND

19:37:50 RECOMMENDATIONS BY CIVIL SOCIETIES THAT MIGHT NOT BE INVITED TO THE SUMMIT ITSELF.

19:37:59 THANK YOU.

SO, IT'S OPEN TO YOU ALL FOR ANSWERING.

19:38:02 I DON'T KNOW WHO WOULD LIKE TO START, MAYBE LISA.

19:38:10 >> SO, IN TERMS -- I'M GOING TO TAKE

19:38:13 GRABBING RIGHTS AND TAKE THE SCOPE FOR PARTICIPATION

19:38:16 BY CIVIL SOCIETY FROM COUNTRIES WHOSE GOVERNMENTS

19:38:19 EITHER WILL NOT BE

19:38:23 INVITED OR ARE -- OR WOULD NOT BE

19:38:27 ATTENDING.

WE HAVE, FROM THE VERY

19:38:30 BEGINNING, BEEN THINKING THROUGH WAYS THAT WE CAN ENSURE

19:38:33 THAT CIVIL SOCIETY FROM

19:38:36 THE MOST DIFFICULT AND MOST

19:38:40 RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENTS CAN HAVE A ROLE IN THE

19:38:43 SUMMIT, BECAUSE WE DO THINK THAT IT IS

19:38:46 CRITICAL THAT WE HEAR FROM THE PEOPLE WHO ARE WORKING IN THOSE ENVIRONMENTS.

19:38:51 THIS IS NOT GOING TO BE A DISCUSSION SOLELY

19:38:54 ABOUT THOSE MOST DIFFICULT ENVIRONMENTS.

19:38:58 BUT WE ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WAYS TO MAKE

19:39:01 SURE THAT THOSE PEOPLE CAN HAVE A VOICE AT THE

19:39:05 SUMMIT.

AND, AGAIN, SINCE MANY OF YOU ARE ON THE

19:39:08 GROUND, I THINK THIS IS AN AREA

19:39:11 THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS

19:39:15 THAT WE CAN BEST INCORPORATE THOSE VOICES TO THE

19:39:18 SUMMIT.

AND I WILL

19:39:25 SET

19:39:28 CAR KARA AND JOHNNY

19:39:31 TAKE WHAT THEY WANT.

>> THANKS,

19:39:34 LISA.

ON PRIVATE SECTOR, IT'S IMPORTANT TO

19:39:37 NOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF SUMMIT TO TAKE A

19:39:41 HOLISTIC APPROACH ON THE QUESTION OF

19:39:44 DEMOCRATIC RENEWAL, WE VERY MUCH SEE THE SUMMIT

19:39:47 AS THAT KIND OF OPPORTUNITY.

AND THE QUESTION

19:39:51 I THINK FOCUSED SPECIFICALLY ON THE TECHNOLOGY SIDE, SOME OF THE COMPANIES AND

19:39:54 PRIVATE SECTOR THAT'S INVOLVED IN SOME OF THAT SIDE.

19:39:58

I THINK YOU REFERRED IN SOME OF THE OPENING REMARKS,

19:40:01 THE FOCUS THAT CERTAINLY, THE U.S.

GOVERNMENT IS

19:40:04 LOOKING AT FOR OUR PART IN TERMS SOME OF THE

19:40:08 DELIVERABLES IN THE TECHNOLOGICAL SIDE.

THE TECHNICIAN

19:40:11 OF THE IMPORTANCE OF DIGITAL FREEDOMS AND WHAT THAT

19:40:14 MEANS IN MODERN SOCIETY AND FOR DEMOCRATIC

19:40:17 RENEWAL.

SO, WE ENVISION,

19:40:21 CERTAINLY FROM LARGE CORPORATIONS TO SMALL

19:40:24 STARTUPS, ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND

19:40:27 PHILANTHROPY, REALLY A WHOLE APPROACH.

AND WE SEE THAT AS

19:40:31 PLAYING A CENTRAL ROLE IN PROMOTING

19:40:34 ETHICS AND PROMOTING INTEGRITY AND THEN ON THE TECHNOLOGY

19:40:37 PIECE.

SO, WE'RE VERY MUCH STILL IN A LOT OF PLANNING PHASES

19:40:40 WITH REGARDS TO THESE LINES OF EFFORT.

BUT I WANT TO SEIZE ON

19:40:43 THAT QUESTION TO AMPLIFY IT AND TO RECOGNIZE

19:40:47 IT AND TO NOTE THAT WE ARE VERY MUCH WORKING

19:40:50 ON THAT LINE OF EFFORT AND EAGER TO

19:40:53 ENGAGE.

MAYBE I CAN JUST QUICKLY, TOO,

19:40:56 ADDRESS THE COUNTRY -- THE QUESTION ABOUT CIVIL SOCIETY FROM

19:40:59 COUNTRIES THAT MAY NOT

19:41:02 BE PARTICIPATING IN

19:41:08 GOVERNMENTS.

AGAIN, PLANNING IS VERY MUCH IN PLANNING PHASE

19:41:11 OR DELIBERATIVE PHASE.

BUT WHAT I

19:41:14 WOULD SAY WE VERY MUCH ANTICIPATE THE PARTICIPATION OF CIVIL SOCIETY

19:41:17 FROM COUNTRIES AND SOCIETIES WHERE SPACE

19:41:22 MAY NOT BE PARTICIPATING, WHERE GOVERNMENTS

19:41:25 MAY NOT BE PARTICIPATING FOR A PLETHORA OF

19:41:28 REASONS.

CERTAINLY, WE WANT TO -- AS JOHNNY WELL STATED, THE

19:41:31 PRINCIPLE HERE IS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION.

AND

19:41:35 WE VERY MUCH WANT TO INCLUDE THOSE VOICES ESPECIALLY FROM

19:41:38 THE UNIQUE BEST PRACTICES, I THINK, FROM CIVIL SOCIETY THAT ARE

19:41:39 WORKING PARTICULARLY IN VERY CLOSE SPACES.

OVER.

19:41:45 >> AND THEN ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR PIECE, I MIGHT

19:41:48 JUST ADD THAT IN THE COMING MONTHS

19:41:51 I THINK YOU'LL HEAR ABOUT A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT

19:41:54 WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR SAY VARIETY OF DONORS TO CONTRIBUTE TO,

19:41:57 NOT JUST GOVERNMENTS, BUT

19:42:01 PHILANTHROPIES, OR IN SOME CASES PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES.

THAT CAN

19:42:04 TAKE THE FORM OF FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO, SAY, YOU KNOW,

19:42:07 A PROGRAM THAT WE ARE PUTTING FORWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES, TO A

19:42:10 MULTILATERAL EFFORT, TO SOME OF THE INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY

19:42:14 COMMITMENT THAT WE HOPE WILL BE FORTHCOMING AS WE ENGAGE

19:42:17 IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE

19:42:22 PERSPECTIVE INVITEE.

AND THE PRIVATE

19:42:25 SECTOR IN A GREAT MANY PLACES CAN OFFER EXPERTISE THAT IS

19:42:28 NOT AS STRAIGHTFORWARD AS ASKING THEM TO INVITE A

19:42:31 CHAT TO HELP GOVERNMENTS FULFILL THEIR

19:42:34 DEMOCRATIC COMMITMENTS.

JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT

19:42:37 ONE.

KOURTNEY, YOU CAN FORGIVE ME AND

19:42:42 REMIND ME WHICH QUESTION IT WAS THAT WE MISSED AND

19:42:45 I WILL LEAD WITH MY CHIN

19:42:48 AND TRY TO ANSWER.

>>

19:42:51 ALSO, I THINK WE TALKED ABOUT PARTICIPATION BY

19:42:54 CIVIL SOCIETY NOT INCLUDED.

OH, THE SCOPE -- THE QUESTION IS

19:42:59 WRITTEN AS IS THERE A SCOPE FOR STATEMENTS OR RECOMMENDATIONS BY CIVIL SOCIETY INDEPENDENT

19:43:02 OF POSITIONS FROM THEIR GOVERNMENT TO TAKE?

SO, HOW

19:43:06 DO YOU ALL ENVISION CIVIL SOCIETY BEING ABLE TO WORK, IN ADDITION TO THE

19:43:09 SUGGESTION THAT WE'VE MADE ABOUT WORKING WITH THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO SHAPE

19:43:13 THE COMMITMENTS THE GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE?

WHAT OTHER ROLE DO

19:43:16 YOU SEE CIVIL SOCIETY PLAYING FOR MAKING

19:43:19 THEIR OWN COMMITMENTS

19:43:28 FOR INNER VENTIONS.

>> OTHERS WAY WANT TO JUMP

19:43:31 IN, WE ASSUME THE INDEPENDENCE OF YOUR

19:43:34 GOVERNMENTS.

AND I WOULD SAY THERE'S NO EXPECTATION THAT CIVIL SOCIETY

19:43:37 MUST ALIGN WITH THE GOVERNMENT

19:43:41 IN WHATEVER COUNTRY.

SO, I THINK, YES, THERE IS A LOT

19:43:44 OF SCOPE FOR THAT, THERE WILL BE A LOT OF DETAILS THAT WE

19:43:47 SHOULD TALK ABOUT AS THE GROUPS STAND

19:43:51 UP.

SAND I THINK WHETHER THAT MEANS YOUR ORGANIZATION'S

19:43:55 INTERVENTIONS IN SUCH PLATFORMS, AT THE

19:43:58 SUMMIT, I THINK THERE CAN BE SCOPE FOR A COMBINED STATEMENT OF CIVIL

19:44:01 SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS THAT CAN BE PUT FORWARD AS PART OF THE SUMMIT

19:44:05 OVERALL.

WE'VE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THAT.

19:44:08

AND, CERTAINLY, OFTEN WHAT YOU DO BEST IS RAISE

19:44:11 YOUR VOICE INDEPENDENTLY, ACROSS A FULL RANGE OF SPECIFIC

19:44:14 INITIATIVES THAT THE SUMMIT IS GOING TO, WE HOPE,

19:44:18 TRIGGER FROM ANY GIVEN COUNTRY.

AND FOR

19:44:22 YOUR INDEPENDENCE, I THINK THE CONCEPT

19:44:25 DOESN'T WORK WITHOUT THAT.

OTHERS MAY WISH TO PILE ON TO THAT.

19:44:32 >> LET ME -- OH --

>> SURE.

I'D

19:44:35 BE HAPPY TO JUST WEIGH IN ON JOHNNY'S EXCELLENT

19:44:38 POINTS ON CIVIL SOCIETY HAVING AN INDEPENDENT VOICE FROM

19:44:43 GOVERNMENTS.

THAT IS A

19:44:48 SINA QUA NON FOR THIS.

I SEE THIS

19:44:51 COMING IN THREE PHASES, ONE, I WANT EVERYONE TO UNDERSTAND

19:44:54 IN THE APPROACHES THAT

19:44:57 WE'VE MADE FOR

19:45:01 PROSPECTIVE GOVERNMENT

19:45:04 INVITEES THAT INCLUDES CIVIL

19:45:07 SOCIETIES IN THE COUNTRIES IN QUESTION.

I THINK THE WORKING GROUP AND

19:45:11 ADVISORY

19:45:14 COUNCIL FRAME THAT LISA LAID OUT OFFERS AN INDEPENDENT TRACK FOR CIVIL

19:45:18 SOCIETIES ACROSS THE WORLD WITH COMMON THREADS AND COMMON CAUSE, TO

19:45:21 COME TOGETHER.

AND THE SUMMIT

19:45:24 ITSELF, BOTH ITS VIRTUAL

19:45:27 ITERATION AND IN PERSON WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ACTORS TO SPEAK

19:45:31 INDEPENDENTLY AND ASSESS AND ADD THEIR VOICE.

BECAUSE THE COMMITMENTS, IN THE

19:45:34 END, WE WANT THEM TO BE SHARED IN COLLECTIVE,

19:45:37 BUT OUR VIEW IS IT SHOULD NOT

19:45:40 BE SOLELY GOVERNMENTAL COMMITMENTS.

AND CERTAINLY NOT

19:45:43 GOVERNMENTS HOLDING EACH OTHER TO ACCOUNT.

YOUR

19:45:46 VOICE AS CIVIL SOCIETY

19:45:49 LEADERS AND ACTIVISTS IS GOING TO BE CRITICAL.

19:45:53

>> THANK YOU,

19:45:56 UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA.

 I'M GOING TO ASK A FEW MORE QUESTIONS.

19:45:58

WE'RE GETTING CLOSE TO THE TOP OF THE HOUR.

19:46:02 I WANT TO RESPECT EVERYONE'S TIME AND NOT GO

19:46:05 OVER TIME.

LET ME ASK THREE OR FOUR MORE

19:46:08 QUESTIONS.

I WOULD LIKE EVERYBODY TO KNOW WE HAVE RECEIVED

19:46:11 ABOUT 50 TO 60 QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT BOX IN MY ROUGH ESTIMATE.

19:46:14

AT THE END OF THIS SESSION, WE WILL SAVE THE CHAT,

19:46:17 AND WE ARE GOING TO DO A SUMMARY OF ALL OF THE QUESTIONS THAT ARE

19:46:21 ASKED AND SORT OF DO

19:46:24 AFREQUENTLY ASKED

19:46:27 QUESTIONS DOCUMENT.

TO SHARE.

IF WE DON'T GET TO YOUR

19:46:31 QUESTION SPECIFICALLY, KNOW THAT WE'LL ENDEAVOR TO

19:46:34 ANSWER IT IN SOME OTHER FORMAT IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

LET ME ASK

19:46:37 A FEW MORE QUESTIONS OF OUR PANEL.

HERE WE GO.

YOU CAN

19:46:40 PROVIDE MORE DETAILS ON HOW THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION IS

19:46:44 ENGAGING DOMESTIC CIVIL SOCIETY

19:46:48 ON OUR OWN USS COMMITMENTS

19:46:51 INCLUDING STATE AND LOCALLY BASED ORGANIZATIONS?

WILL THE

19:46:54 SUMMIT DEVICE

19:46:57 AN EXPLICIT YOUTH STRATEGY THAT WOULD HELP

19:47:00 TO WIN OVER

19:47:04 YOUNGER GENERATIONS?

>> WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO

19:47:07 REACH OUT TO OTHER COUNTRIES TO SHARE IDEAS ON THE

19:47:10 SUMMIT?

>> FINALLY, I'M GOING TO TAKE LIBERTY IN THIS QUESTION, I

19:47:13 SAW IT IN A NUMBER OF ITERATIONS IN THE CHAT

19:47:16 I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE A NICE WAY TO END THE DISCUSSION TODAY

19:47:19 IS HOW WILL THE SUMMIT ITSELF ACKNOWLEDGE THE

19:47:24 PUSH AND PULL THAT BANS

19:47:27 A COMPROMISE THAT HAPPENS IN A FUNCTIONING

19:47:31 DEMOCRACY, SO WHAT WILL THE SUMMIT DO?

HOW

19:47:34 WILL THAT MANIFEST IN THE AGENDA, AND HOW DOES

19:47:37 THE SUMMIT PLAY

19:47:41 OUT, WHETHER IT'S SUMMIT 1 IN BETWEEN

19:47:44 THE PERIOD OF SUMMIT 2, A COUPLE OF EASY QUESTIONS

19:47:47 AND ONE THAT IS AN INTELLECTUAL CHALLENGE FOR

19:47:49 US.

SO, OVER TO YOU ALL TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS.

19:47:55 >> FOR STARTERS, WAITED TO THE END

19:47:58 THE LAST TIME, ON DOMESTIC CIVIL SOCIETY, THE

19:48:01 BAD NEWS IS YOU THAT KIND OF HAVE THE WRONG GROUP IN FRONT

19:48:04 OF YOU TO ANSWER THAT.

BUT THE GOOD NEWS IS THE

19:48:08 DOMESTIC POLICY COUNCIL, THE BODY WITHIN THE

19:48:11 WHITE HOUSE HAS BEEN DOING EXTENSIVE WORK ON THE DOMESTIC PORTION OF

19:48:14 THIS SUMMIT AND ONE THAT THEY TAKE QUIETS

19:48:18 SERIOUSLY IS THAT THIS

19:48:23 IS NOT A SUMMIT FOR THAT THE UNITED STATES FOR

19:48:27 DEMOCRACY AND WE RECOGNIZE THERE ARE MAJOR DEMOCRATIC CHALLENGES

19:48:30 IN THIS COUNTRY AS EVERYWHERE.

AND THAT'S WHY YOU DO A SUMMIT LIKE

19:48:33 THIS.

SO THE

19:48:37 DPC HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN A WIDE RANGE OF

19:48:40 ORGANIZATIONS.

I COULDN'T QUOTE CHAPTER

19:48:43 AND VERSE, BUT IT'S A MAJOR

19:48:47 POLICY.

AND QUITE HOPEFULLY, WE

19:48:50 CAN DELIVER THAT IN TERMS OF THE DOMESTIC SIDE.

>> THIS IS

19:48:54 KARA McDONALD FROM STATE DLR

19:48:57 BUREAU, I NOTICED THE COMMENT IN THE CHAT ON

19:49:00 ACCESSIBILITY.

SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE DO TAKE THAT

19:49:03 SUGGESTION, FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO SEE THE CLOSED

19:49:06 CAPTIONING.

I JUST WANTED TO RESPOND

19:49:10 QUICKLY TO THE LAST QUESTION REGARDING THE OUTREACH TO

19:49:13 EMBASSIES.

YES, WE WOULD

19:49:16 VERY MUCH ENCOURAGE, AT A COUNTRY LEVEL, ENGAGEMENT.

OUR

19:49:20 EMBASSIES ARE ENGAGED IN THIS PROCESS AND HAVE BEEN REACHING OUT.

19:49:25 TO HOST GOVERNMENTS.

BUT ALSO WITH THE

19:49:29 NOTION THAT THOSE

19:49:33 -- AND

19:49:38 UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA APPROPRIATELY POINTED OUT, IN

19:49:41 TANDEM AND IN CONSULTATION

19:49:44 WITH LOCAL CIVIL SOCIETY, WE COULD DEFINITELY

19:49:47 ENCOURAGE THAT.

SO I THINK EVEN THOUGH UNTIL

19:49:51 COUNTRIES WHERE WE MAY NOT BE OUTREACHING

19:49:53 WITH GOVERNMENTS FOR WHATEVER REASON, THERE IS, AGAIN, AN

19:49:56 OPPORTUNITY, I WOULD STILL SAY, TO REACH OUT, TO MAKE CONTACT

19:49:59 AT A COUNTRY LEVEL.

OUR EMBASSIES ARE CERTAINLY

19:50:03 ENGAGED AND HAVE POINTS AND ARE THERE TO

19:50:07 RESPOND ON THAT.

AND THEN ONE QUICK

19:50:10 QUESTION, I WANTED TO ANSWER JUST BECAUSE I THINK IT'S

19:50:15 AN EASY ONE AND I CAN MAYBE

19:50:18 HIT THIS BALL BACK.

A COUPLE QUESTIONS WERE ASKED ABOUT THE

19:50:21 TYPES OF COMMITMENTS AS EXAMPLES.

AND WHETHER WE WOULD

19:50:24 ENCOURAGE THE FULFILLMENT OF COMMITMENTS ALREADY

19:50:28 MADE, RIGHT?

I THINK, DEFINITELY, THAT HAS BEEN WORKED INTO OUR

19:50:31 PLANNING AND OUR STRATEGY AND CERTAINLY OUR OUTREACH

19:50:34 HERE.

THAT THE IDEA HERE IS

19:50:38 NOT MORE AND NEW WORDS, IT IS REALLY ACTION.

THE IDEA

19:50:41 IS TO REALLY MOVE FORWARD TO BUILD THIS MOMENTUM.

AND THAT DOES

19:50:44 MEAN, OF COURSE, THAT WHERE COMMITMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE

19:50:47 IN PRIOR INTERNATIONAL SETTINGS

19:50:51 OR MULTILATERAL

19:50:54 SETTINGS, ABSOLUTELY TO BUILD ON

19:50:57 ROME, RIGHT.

WE'RE BUILDING ON SO MANY DISCUSSIONS THAT

19:51:00 HAVE OCCURRED TODAY.

IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE

19:51:04 KINDS OF COMMITMENTS, LET ME JUST

19:51:07 QUICKLY SAY UNDER ACCOUNTABILITY AND CORRUPTION PROCESSES,

19:51:10 ENHANCING TRANSPARENCY, ISSUES OF REAL ESTATE

19:51:13 OWNERSHIP, OF COURSE, BANS ON FOREIGN BRIBERY.

IN TERMS

19:51:16 OF DEFENDING AGAINST

19:51:19 AUTHORITARIANISM PILLAR WE'RE LOOKING.

AND THESE ARE JUST

19:51:22 EXAMPLES.

THESE ARE JUST EXAMPLES BUT INCREASING

19:51:25 SUPPORT TO PUBLIC INTEREST MEDIA AND INDEPENDENT MEDIA.

EASING

19:51:29 RESTRICTIONS ABOUT THAT ENACTED ON MEDIA, BE IT DUE TO

19:51:33 COVID OR OTHER REASONS.

COMBATTING ELECTORAL

19:51:36 INTERFERENCE, ADHERING TO TERM LIMITS.

I MEAN THERE ARE JUST

19:51:40 SO MANY ANGLES OF THIS THAT CAN BE GOTTEN

19:51:43 AT.

ON PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

THINGS LIKE

19:51:46 ENACTING EXPERT CONTROL REGIMES.

19:51:50

LOOKING AT PROMULGATING BEST PRACTICES AND BUSINESS

19:51:53 CONDUCT.

I SAW A COMMENT IN THE CHAT ALSO ABOUT

19:51:56 THIS, FROM INTERACTION, THANK YOU.

SO THESE ARE SOME OF THE

19:51:59 EXAMPLES, OBVIOUSLY, THERE ARE MANY, WE DON'T WANT TO TAKE

19:52:02 UP THE TIME GOING THROUGH THOSE.

BUT I JUST WANTED TO PUT THOSE OUT, THANK YOU.

19:52:07 >> OKAY.

AND THIS IS LISA PETERSON FROM

19:52:10 DRL.

AND YOU LEFT ONE EASY ONE AND ONE RATHER MORE COMPLEX ONE.

19:52:18 SO, THE EXPLICIT USE STRATEGY.

19:52:21 WE DON'T HAVE A

19:52:27 STAND-ALONE YOUTH LINE

19:52:31 OF EFFORT.

WE DON'T HAVE A

19:52:34 STAND-ALONE GENDER LINE OF EFFORT.

WE HAVE REACHED A

19:52:38 POINT IN OUR INTERNAL DISCUSSIONS WHERE WE'VE

19:52:43 ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE ARE MANY GROUPS THAT WE

19:52:47 HAVE TO BE SPECIFICALLY GEARING

19:52:50 TOWARDS, BUT WE CAN'T CAN'T

19:52:54 NECESSARILY MAKE THAT INDIVIDUALLY APPEAR AT EACH

19:52:58 POINT OR AS STAND-ALONE PILLARS WITHIN OUR PLANNING ACTIVITIES.

19:53:05 THAT SAID, YOU KNOW, WE

19:53:10 ALL RECOGNIZE TREMENDOUS YOUTH

19:53:13 BULGE IN MANY PLACES

19:53:16 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

YOUTH WAVE, I PREFER TO CALL IT.

19:53:19

AND THE REAL NEED

19:53:23 TO TAP INTO

19:53:26 THE ENERGY AND THE NEW IDEAS THAT ARE THERE, AMONG THE YOUTH.

19:53:32 CERTAINLY, FROM THE U.S.

19:53:36

GOVERNMENT SIDE, WE HAVE HAD A

19:53:41 NUMBER OF PROGRAMS THAT HAVE INVESTED IN YOUNG PEOPLE

19:53:44 OVER THE LAST DECADE OR MORE.

AND ARE ALREADY

19:53:47 TALKING ABOUT HOW WE TAP INTO THOSE NETWORKS THAT

19:53:50 WE'VE ALREADY DEVELOPED RELATIONSHIPS WITH.

AND LOOKING

19:53:53 AT WAYS THAT

19:53:57 WE THINK ABOUT CREATING NEW NETWORKS

19:54:00 OR REFINING THOSE EXISTING NETWORKS.

19:54:04 AND LOOKING AT WAYS

19:54:07 IN WHICH BOTH THE LEADUP TO THE SUMMIT

19:54:10 AND IN THAT INTERVENING

19:54:14 YEAR, TO SPECIFICALLY TRY TO CAPTURE THE ATTENTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

19:54:19 AND I WILL STAY,

19:54:22 AGAIN, THAT PARTICULARLY GIVEN YOUR

19:54:25 POSITIONS ON THE GROUND, YOU ARE

19:54:28 IN AN IDEAL POSITION TO HELP GUIDE US ON

19:54:32 WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BEST WAYS TO GO ABOUT THAT.

19:54:38 ON SORT OF ACKNOWLEDGING THE

19:54:41 PUSH AND PULL INHERENT IN

19:54:44 DEMOCRACIES, YOU KNOW, THAT'S A FANTASTIC POINT.

19:54:47

AND I THINK IT IS

19:54:51 SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO BE MINDFUL OF, THAT

19:54:55 DEMOCRACY IS NOT ABOUT ALL

19:54:57 AGREEING ON ONE THING.

IT'S ABOUT TAKING A VARIETY OF VIEWS TOGETHER.

19:55:03 AND MOVING FORWARD WITH THE

19:55:07 SOLUTION THAT CAPTURES AS MANY OF THOSE VIEWS AS POSSIBLE.

19:55:14 AND I -- I THINK IT'S REALLY

19:55:17 UPON US TO CONSIDER HOW WE ARE

19:55:22 KEEPING THAT CENTRAL -- THAT SORT

19:55:25 OF CENTRAL POINT, IN ALL OF OUR THINKING

19:55:28 AS WELL MOVE FORWARD ON

19:55:31 THIS.

NOT TOTAL SAY THAT THERE ARE

19:55:34 NOT GUARD RAILS THAT WE SHOULD ALL BE PAYING ATTENTION TO.

AND THINGS

19:55:38 THAT GOVERNMENTS REALLY SHOULD BE COMMITTING TO.

19:55:41

BUT ALSO RECOGNIZING THAT WITHIN A COUNTRY, THERE ARE GOING TO BE

19:55:44 A VARIETY OF OPINIONS ABOUT HOW A GOVERNMENT GETS TO THAT

19:55:48 POINT.

AND HOW DO WE

19:55:51 SORT OF SQUARE THE CIRCLE ON GETTING THOSE OPINIONS TO MESH.

19:55:59 IF UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA IS STILL ON THE LINE, I WOULD BE

19:56:03 CURIOUS IF SHE HAS ANY THOUGHTS ON THAT.

19:56:09 >> I'M SORRY, LISA, THIS IS WITH RESPECT TO

19:56:12 HOLDING GOVERNMENTS TO ACCOUNT?

>> WELL,

19:56:15 NO, WITH THE INHERENT PUSH AND PULL

19:56:18 WITHIN DEMOCRATIC SYSTEMS THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE A

19:56:22 DIVERSITY OF OPINIONS AND YOU'RE JUST

19:56:25 NOT ALWAYS GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE AGREEING ON A WAY FORWARD.

19:56:28

>> ABSOLUTELY.

>> AND HOW DO WE AT THE

19:56:31 SUMMIT DEAL WITH THAT.

>>

19:56:34 SO, I THINK THAT IS AN INHERENT CHALLENGE

19:56:38 TO DEMOCRACIES LARGE AND SMALL.

LET'S START AT

19:56:41 HOME AND LOOK AT ISSUES OF HYPER

19:56:45 PARTISANSHIP AND GRIDLOCK.

I THINK WHAT IS IMPORTANT, THOUGH, IN THIS

19:56:49 FORUM, IS NOT TO SEEK A LOWEST

19:56:52 COMMON DENOMINATOR, OR FALSE

19:56:55 CONSENSUS, BUT TO REALLY FOSTER

19:56:59 A ROBUST AND PASSIONATE EXCHANGE

19:57:02 OF IDEAS THAT CAN HOPEFULLY GET

19:57:05 US TO MORE EFFECTIVE COLLECTIVE ACTION,

19:57:08 RECOGNIZING, THOUGH, THAT THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE

19:57:12 UNANIMITY AMONG THIS, NOR SHOULD THERE

19:57:16 BE.

THAT WOULD MEAN THAT WE HAVEN'T DONE OUR JOB IN TRULY

19:57:19 BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE AND

19:57:23 INTERNATIONAL GATHERING.

SO I THINK GETTING TO

19:57:26 THE QUESTIONS OF RESPONSIBILITIES ON US IS

19:57:29 ORGANIZERS TO THE GREATEST EXTENT WE CAN

19:57:33 OFFER A PLATFORM FOR DIVERSE AND

19:57:36 DYNAMIC VOICES TO COME FORWARD, TO RECOGNIZE THAT THERE'S

19:57:39 NEVER GOING TO BE A PERFECT SOLUTION HERE.

YOU KNOW, IN

19:57:43 TERMS OF INCLUSIVITY

19:57:47 AND REPRESENT

19:57:51 REPRESENTATION, BUT THAT HAS TO BE -- PRESENTING THE DIFFERENCE OF

19:57:54 USE IS THE ELEMENTS TO IDENTIFY THE

19:57:57 COMMONALITIES.

LEARN FROM ONE ANOTHER, MOVE TOGETHER

19:58:01 AND BASICALLY MAKE CONNECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT

19:58:04 EXISTED BEFORE ON THIS INCREDIBLY DAUNTING AGENDA AHEAD OF US.

19:58:11 >> GREAT, THANK YOU ALL.

I WAS MISTAKEN ON

19:58:14 THE TIME AND GAVE US A HALF HOUR LESS.

AND WE

19:58:17 ACTUALLY HAVE A HALF HOUR MORE.

I HAVE A FEW MORE

19:58:20 QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE THAT I WOULD LIKE TO POSE TO

19:58:25 YOU.

AGAIN, TO THE

19:58:28 THREE.

WILL THERE BE OPPORTUNITIES TO TALK AND ENGAGE ON ISSUES

19:58:34 RELATED TO IN INFLUENCE

19:58:37 TO CORRUPTION?

THERE'S A NUMBER OF QUESTION ON TECHNOLOGY,

19:58:40 MISINFORMATION, DISINFORMATION, IF ANY

19:58:43 PANELIST WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THAT IN RELATIONSHIP

19:58:46 TO THE SUMMIT, WHETHER

19:58:50 DELIVERABLES, AND THE AMOUNT THAT MIGHT TAKE PLACE.

I THINK

19:58:53 YOU'RE INTERESTED IN HEARING THAT.

AND ALSO THE SUMMIT,

19:58:56 THERE'S BEEN A NUMBER OF TOPICS THAT

19:58:59 CROPPED UP ON LABOR

19:59:02 RIGHTS, CLIMATE CHANGE, OTHER ISSUES, HOW WILL THE SUMMIT

19:59:06 INTERACT ON THOSE CRITICAL ISSUES FACING EVERYONE TODAY?

19:59:14 >> I'LL TAKE AN INITIAL STAB.

ON THE FIRST TWO IN

19:59:19 PARTICULAR, I WOULD SAY YOU'RE IDENTIFYING -- OR THOSE TWO

19:59:22 QUESTIONS EACH IDENTIFY, LET'S SAY, SUBTHEMES OF THE

19:59:26 SUMMIT THAT WE

19:59:30 CONSIDER AND HOPE AND THERE'S NO FULLY LOCKED

19:59:33 AGENDA.

I CAN'T GET AHEAD

19:59:36 TO WORKING ON THE AGENDA, I FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE

19:59:39 TO HAVE A SUMMIT THAT WOULD NOT

19:59:42 HAVE SIGNIFICANT DEDICATION TO TACKLE DEMOCRACY ISSUES.

19:59:45

YOU MENTIONED MISINFORMATION, DISINFORMATION,

19:59:48 BY SURVEILLANCE, TECHNOLOGY, EVERYTHING, CYBER.

I

19:59:52 MEAN, IT IS EVERYTHING THAT WE'VE SEEN ABOUT

19:59:55 CYBERINTRUSION TOOLS IN RECENT DAYS.

I MEAN, THERE ARE SO MANY

19:59:59 POINTS THAT THIS TOUCHES.

SO, THAT, AND

20:00:04 I WOULD SAY I'M GOING TO STICK WITH

20:00:07 THE TECH PART FOR A MOMENT.

AS WE HAVE HELD

20:00:13 DISCUSSIONS WITH PERSPECTIVE

20:00:16 INVITEE COUNTRIES PART OF THE FOLLOW TO THE LAST

20:00:19 QUESTION, IT'S NOT ON US TO DECIDE IF

20:00:22 EVERY COUNTRY IS TO COMMIT.

BUT

20:00:25 WE CAN TRY TO WHERE HELPFUL

20:00:28 PUT FORWARD AN MENU OF

20:00:32 IDEAS.

AND WHETHER INWARD FACING THINGS OR

20:00:35 OUTWARD FACING THINGS FOR COUNTRIES TO

20:00:38 DO.

SUFFICED TO SAY, DEMOCRATIC MOVES ON

20:00:41 THE TECH FRONT ARE MAJOR CATEGORY THINGS THAT MANY

20:00:45 COUNTRIES CAN DO, INCLUDING OUR OWN, TO TRY HELP TO GET

20:00:48 TO A BETTER PLACE.

WE'RE ALL GRAPPLING WITH DIFFERENT

20:00:52 VERSIONS OF THIS SPRAWLING PROBLEM.

20:00:56

SIMILARLY ON THE INFLUENCE ON CORRUPTION, I THINK IN

20:01:00 PARTICULAR, THE CORRUPTION PART,

20:01:04 SIMILARLY, IMAGINE A VERSION OF THIS SUMMIT THAT

20:01:07 DID NOT INCLUDE A

20:01:12 DEDICATED SEGMENT OF CORRUPTION AND

20:01:16 TECH CORRUPTION, SOMETIMES, THE SAME ISSUES, SO I

20:01:19 WOULD EXPECT AT THE EVENT ITSELF TO HEAR QUITE A

20:01:22 LOT.

BUT BY THE SAME

20:01:26 TOKEN, SIMILAR TO, DEPENDING

20:01:29 ON THE COUNTRY AND WHERE A MOVE

20:01:33 TO GUARD AGAINST WHAT IS MOST IMPACTFUL, YOU

20:01:37 KNOW, WE REALLY ENCOURAGE COUNTRIES TO TAKE MEANINGFUL

20:01:40 STEPS AND COMMITMENTS TO COUNTER

20:01:45 IT.

CERTAINLY ON CORRUPTION AND FOREIGN.

THAT CAN APPLY

20:01:49 TO COUNTRIES OF TOTALLY DIFFERENT LEVELS OF DEVELOPMENT,

20:01:52 OR DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT.

SO WE'RE TALKING

20:01:57 HIGHLY ADVANCED MARKETS AND THEY OFTEN

20:02:00 HAVE A GOOD IDEA WHAT TO DO.

SO I THINK WE'VE

20:02:03 CENTERED ON SOME REALLY IMPORTANT THINGS.

20:02:09 >> SORRY, UNDERSECRETARY ZEYA, GO AHEAD.

20:02:12

>> YEAH.

I WOULD

20:02:16 JUST ADD A TWO FINGER ON

20:02:20 JOHNNY'S EXCELLENT POINTS.

I SAW SPEED READING THE QUESTIONS COMING

20:02:24 IN ON CHAT.

WE ABSOLUTELY NEED TECH

20:02:28 AND DEMOCRACY ACROSS THE THREE PILLARS TO MAKE THAT CLEAR.

20:02:31

BUT I THINK WE ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE TWO

20:02:34 SIDES OF THE COIN.

AND TECHNOLOGY CERTAINLY HAS OPENED TREMENDOUS

20:02:39 AVENUES FOR PARTICIPATORY GOVERNMENT UNANIMOUS,

20:02:43 TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY.

AND THEN THERE ARE

20:02:46 THE DISRUPTIVE ASPECTS TO

20:02:50 DEMOCRACY, WITH RESPECT TO

20:02:53 WEBBENITES TO DISINFORMATION

20:02:56 AND THOSE SUGGESTING TO DISRUPT ELECTORAL OR OTHER

20:03:00 DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES.

WE HAVE HAD GOOD

20:03:03 CONVERSATIONS WITH PRIVATE SECTOR STAKEHOLDERS WHO SHOULD

20:03:06 BE ABSOLUTELY PART OF THIS GATHERING.

AND I THINK WHEN WE TALK

20:03:09 ABOUT COMMITMENTS, COMMITMENTS BY GOVERNMENTS AND COMMITMENTS BY

20:03:12 CIVIL SOCIETY, WE WILL BE LOOKING AND FOSTERING PRIVATE

20:03:15 SECTOR COMMITMENTS FOR WHICH WE'LL NEED CIVIL SOCIETY

20:03:18 PARTNERS TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE IN THAT EFFORT.

20:03:25 >> AND THIS IS LISA PETERSON FROM

20:03:29 DRL.

I'M GOING TO JUST JUMP ON THE

20:03:32 LABOR RIGHTS AND

20:03:36 CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE INTERSECTION

20:03:40 ISSUES.

SO, COMING FROM THE BUREAU OF

20:03:43 DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOR, AND

20:03:46 HAVING HAD THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR ON A CALL THAT WE WERE ON

20:03:49 YESTERDAY, WE ARE CERTAINLY MINDFUL OF THE

20:03:53 WAYS IN WHICH LABOR

20:03:56 ISSUES WILL OFTEN BLEED THROUGH THE

20:04:00 CONVERSATIONS THAT WE'RE HAVING HERE.

OR THAT WE WILL BE

20:04:03 HAVING AS PART OF BOTH THE SUMMIT AND THAT IMPLEMENTATION YEAR IN BETWEEN.

20:04:08 LABOR IN PARTICULAR, GIVEN THE

20:04:13 WAYS IN WHICH LABOR HAS HISTORICALLY OFTEN BEEN ABLE

20:04:16 TO FILL A SPACE THAT POLITICAL PARTIES HAVE NOT BEEN

20:04:20 ALLOWED TO OCCUPY.

I THINK THAT'S A

20:04:24 LESSON THAT IS OUT THERE FOR MANY

20:04:27 OF US TO DRAW FROM AND BE MINDFUL

20:04:31 OF, AS WE'RE LOOKING AT THE DIFFERENT LEVELS OF

20:04:34 DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT FROM THE COUNTRIES THAT MAY BE PART OF THIS SUMMIT.

20:04:44 AS WE MOVE FURTHER AFIELD ON

20:04:48 ISSUES, ON THINGS LIKE CLIMATE CHANGE, YOU

20:04:51 KNOW, WE CLEARLY RECOGNIZE WHERE THAT THERE IS THAT

20:04:54 INTERSECTION BETWEEN PEOPLE'S ABILITY TO ADVOCATE FOR

20:04:58 THEIR BEST INTERESTS AND WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THE CLIMATE.

20:05:02 I DON'T KNOW THAT WE WILL NECESSARILY

20:05:06 HAVE A SPECIFIC CONVERSATION AROUND SOMETHING LIKE THAT

20:05:09 AT THE SUMMIT.

BUT I DO THINK,

20:05:12 AGAIN, THAT IT'S -- WE'RE AWARE OF THE FRAME.

20:05:15

AND I THINK THAT IT IS UPON ALL OF US TO MAKE SURE THAT

20:05:19 WE'RE KEEPING THAT FRAME OF

20:05:23 THE CONNECTION OF ADVOCACY AND RESPONSIVENESS AND HOW

20:05:26 IT GETS US TO A BETTER PLACE ON THESE ISSUES THAT REALLY ARE GOING TO AFFECT US ALL.

20:05:37 >> THANK YOU.

WE'VE HAD ANOTHER INFLUX OF SOME

20:05:40 AMAZING QUESTIONS.

I'M TRYING TO GET THROUGH ALL OF

20:05:44 THEM, BECAUSE ACTUALLY THEY'RE VERY MUCH WORTHY OF OUR DISCUSSION

20:05:47 HERE TODAY.

BUT I'M GOING TO CONTINUE TO JUST

20:05:50 PICK OUT A FEW.

I THINK SOME PRACTICAL

20:05:54 QUESTIONS WOULD BE -- ARE GOING TO COME AND A

20:05:57 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INVITATION LIST, WHO WILL

20:06:00 ACTUALLY BE A PART OF THE SUMMIT.

MANY ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE WITH

20:06:03 US TODAY ARE INTERESTED WHEN THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO KNOW

20:06:06 MORE ABOUT WHO WILL BE HERE SO THEY CAN PROPERLY ENGAGE WITH

20:06:09 THOSE COUNTRIES OR ON ISSUES RELATED TO THOSE

20:06:12 COUNTRIES.

THAT'S ONE QUESTION.

ANOTHER QUESTION IS,

20:06:16 HOW CAN WE TRULY ENGAGE A GROUP -- AS

20:06:19 A GROUP OF

20:06:23 CSOs ESPECIALLY MORE ACCOUNTABILITY IN A CONTEXT WHERE

20:06:26 A GOVERNMENT IS MAKING SIMILAR COMMITMENTS TO PROGRESS?

MAKE SURE

20:06:29 I GOT ALL OF THAT QUESTION.

YEP.

AND THEN

20:06:32 SO, AGAIN, HOW CAN CSOs

20:06:36 ENGAGE MORE ON GOVERNMENT OPENING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

20:06:41 ISSUES?

AND ANOTHER QUESTION IS, WHAT CONCRETE

20:06:44 MEANS WILL THE U.S.

GOVERNMENT USE TO ENCOURAGE

20:06:47 COUNTRIES MAKING SUMMIT COMMITMENTS AND TO

20:06:50 UPHOLD THOSE COMMITMENTS?

FOR EXAMPLE, WOULD U.S. FOREIGN

20:06:54 ASSISTANCE BE CONTINGENT ON ANY OF THOSE COMMITMENTS BEING

20:06:57 MADE?

I'LL LEAVE THOSE THREE QUESTIONS TO YOU ALL, AND CONTINUE

20:07:00 TO FILTER THROUGH ALL OF THE WONDERFUL QUESTIONS

20:07:03 THAT ARE COMING.

OVER TO YOU ALL.

20:07:13 >> I'LL BE HAPPY TO GO FIRST BUT NOT INSISTENT ON

20:07:15 IT.

>> WE'LL GO.

WE'LL TAKE THE FIRST CUT.

20:07:22 >> A COUPLE THINGS ON THE

20:07:26 QUESTIONS.

FIRST OF ALL,

20:07:29 WE HEAR YOU GUYS LOUD AND CLEAR ABOUT

20:07:33 THE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE PARTICIPATION LOOKS LIKE, IN

20:07:36 PARTICULAR, SO THAT AS THE COUNTRY LEVEL TOGETHER

20:07:39 AND WITH OTHER

20:07:43 PARTNERS MORE ORGANIZING CAN HAPPEN MORE

20:07:46 QUICKLY.

SO, I DON'T HAVE A SPECIFIC ANSWER WITH

20:07:49 A DATE FOR YOU, BUT JUST KNOW THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT

20:07:52 IS UNDER IS VERY ACTIVE CONVERSATION WITHIN OUR GOVERNMENT.

20:07:55

AND WE'RE VERY MUCH AWARE OF THE FACT

20:07:59 THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.

ON THE SECOND

20:08:02 ISSUE ABOUT ASSISTANCE, IT'S A VERY GOOD POINT.

20:08:06 AS I'M SURE MANY OF YOU KNOW,

20:08:10 DECISIONS ABOUT FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FROM THE

20:08:13 U.S.

GOVERNMENT ALWAYS TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE TOTALITY OF OUR

20:08:16 RELATIONSHIP.

AND THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION CERTAINLY

20:08:19 SEES THE OBJECT TIFF

20:08:23 ES OF THIS SUMMIT

20:08:26 AS FOUNDATIONAL TO THE FOREIGN POLICY OVER THE COURSE OF

20:08:29 ITS TENURE.

AND

20:08:32 HOPEFULLY BEYOND THAT, GIVEN HOW CORE THEY ARE TO

20:08:35 SECURITY AND PROSPERITY FOR ALL OF OUR COUNTRIES.

SO, AGAIN,

20:08:38 I DON'T HAVE -- I COME OUT OF THE

20:08:42 CIVIL SOCIETY WORLD MYSELF, SO, I UNDERSTAND WE LIKE SPECIFIC

20:08:45 ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS.

AND I DON'T HAVE THE

20:08:48 TYPE OF SPECIFICITY THAT IS GOING TO BE FULLY SATISFYING

20:08:51 FOR YOU AT THIS POINT.

EXCEPT TO

20:08:54 SAY THAT CERTAINLY WHEN IT COMES TO DECISIONS ABOUT

20:08:58 ASSISTANCE, WHAT COUNTRIES SAY AND WHAT THEY DO

20:09:01 OUT OF THIS PROCESS WILL BE

20:09:04 PART OF THE CONVERSATION FOR HOW WE CAN CONSIDER THE

20:09:10 TOTALITY OF THE PACKAGES IN FUTURE.

>> AND I

20:09:13 WOULD JUST ADD TO ERIN COMMENTS ON

20:09:16 ASSISTANCE.

I THINK PART OF THIS GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT AND

20:09:19 CONVERSATION WE WANT TO HAVE IS ABOUT BEING

20:09:22 SELF-CRITICAL.

AND

20:09:26 REFLECTING ON OUR PRACTICES AND I THINK

20:09:29 THERE HAS TO BE AN OPENNESS TO DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY,

20:09:32 PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES TO ACCOUNTABILITY AND LOOKING

20:09:35 AT THE ROLE AND THE INTERSECTION BETWEEN FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND CORRUPTION.

20:09:45 >> IF I COULD JUST ADD

20:09:48 TO THE ASSISTANCE PART OF THE CONVERSATION THAT, I

20:09:51 MEAN, COULD THERE BE SOME PART WHERE ASSISTANCE IS

20:09:56 IMPLICATED BY THE COLLEAGUES

20:09:59 OR LACK OF COMPLETION OF A PLEDGE.

BUT IF WE'RE AT

20:10:03 THAT POINT THAT'S ALREADY REALLY NOT AT THE SPIRIT OF THE

20:10:06 SUMMIT.

LIKE I MENTIONED EARLIER.

THE IDEA

20:10:09 IS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THE UNITED STATES BROW BEATING OTHER

20:10:12 COUNTRIES TO MAKE DEMOCRATIC REFORMS THAT WE THINK THEY NEED.

20:10:15

SO I DON'T WANT TO BE TOO

20:10:18 ROSY-EYED ABOUT THIS, BUT THE IDEA IS TO GATHER A LOT OF

20:10:22 BASICALLY DEMOCRATIC ACTORS, MOST OF THEM VERY DEMOCRATIC

20:10:26 ACTORS, TO VOLUNTARILY MAKE THE REFORMS THAT THEIR

20:10:29 OWN DEMOCRACIES NEED OR WOULD BENEFIT

20:10:32 DEMOCRACIES, GENERALLY, SO, WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT THERE'S

20:10:35 A MUCH MORE LIKE LOCALLY

20:10:39 ROOTED GRASSROOTS DESIGN TO PUSH THESE CHANGES

20:10:42 FORWARD, CERTAINLY PRESSED FORTH WHEN IT'S DIFFICULT BY CIVIL

20:10:45 SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS IN THAT COUNTRY, ALSO CERTAINLY

20:10:48 PRESSED FORWARD BY SOME OF THE TOOLS THAT THE

20:10:51 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DOES HAVE LIKE THE TWO-SUMMIT STRUCTURE

20:10:54 TOOLS, FOR EXAMPLE.

SAND IF WOULD BE BEST IF WE'RE

20:10:58 NOT IN THE POSITION TO HAVING TO PULL OUT THE

20:11:01 BIGGEST HAMMERS WE'VE GOT TO

20:11:04 MAKE COUNTRIES CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUMMIT.

THAT

20:11:07 DOESN'T BLEND ITSELF TO THE MOST SINCERE AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS THAT

20:11:10 THEY COULD MAKE.

I THINK

20:11:13 ERIN COVERED THE INVITE LIST PRETTY WELL.

I WOULD JUST

20:11:17 SAY THERE ARE A LOT OF CONSULTATIONS GOING WITH THE

20:11:20 LIKELY INVITEES.

AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US

20:11:23 TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNTRIES THEMSELVES ARE

20:11:26 INTERESTED IN COMING AND INTERESTED IN THE

20:11:29 COMMITMENTS PROCESS AND BEING PART OF ALL OF THE LARGER THING THAT THE

20:11:33 SUMMIT IMPLICATES, BEFORE WE GO CHARGING OUT

20:11:36 IN THE PUBLIC AND SAYING WHICH COUNTRIES ARE

20:11:40 IN, OR PARTICIPATING HERE.

BUT DECEMBER IS SOON,

20:11:43 LIKES WEEKS

20:11:46 COUNT, WE FEEL WE'RE VERY WITH YOU IN SPIRIT ON THAT, AND

20:11:50 WE WILL TRY VERY HARD TO GET WORD OUT WITHIN -- VERY SOON.

20:11:57 >> GO AHEAD, KARA.

>> I'M

20:12:00 SORRY, I WAITED UNTIL I

20:12:04 SAW YOU UNDO YOUR MIC AS

20:12:08 WELL.

SORRY, LISA.

TWO VERY QUICK COMMENTS

20:12:12 ON THE COMMENTS ALREADY MADE.

I THINK ON THE IMPLEMENTATION

20:12:15 QUESTION AND SORT OF HOW DO YOU GET AN ENFORCEMENT

20:12:18 OF COMMITMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE.

JUST PROCEDURALLY,

20:12:21 I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE REASONS, TOO, THAT WE

20:12:24 LOOKED AT THIS MODEL OF A VIRTUAL SUMMIT IN

20:12:27 DECEMBER, KNOWING THAT WE DID WANT TO HAVE SOMETHING IN

20:12:30 PERSON, OF COURSE, THE COVID ENVIRONMENT.

BUT REALLY,

20:12:33 THE OPPORTUNITY BETWEEN THE YEAR IN DECEMBER AND THE FOLLOW-ON

20:12:36 SUMMIT, I THINK WHAT'S UNIQUE ABOUT

20:12:40 THAT, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT YEAR TO BECOME A YEAR

20:12:43 OF ACTION, RIGHT?

AND IMPLEMENTATION.

AND THAT

20:12:46 IS, TOO, WHERE I THINK IT WILL BE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR

20:12:49 US TO SEW TOGETHER THESE PROCESSES OF CIVIL SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT

20:12:52 AND THE BUSINESS SIDE AND GOVERNMENT SIDE ON

20:12:56 SOME OF THESE COMMITMENTS BECAUSE IT WILL BE VERY MUCH AND

20:12:59 I THINK IT'S BEEN REINFORCED LOUD AND CLEAR

20:13:03 THAT TREMENDOUS AND CIVIL SOCIETY AND HELPING TO HOLD TO THOSE

20:13:06 COMMITMENTS OF OUR OWN GOVERNMENTS AND OTHERS THAT PARTICIPATE AT THE

20:13:10 SUMMIT.

AND ON THE INVITE LIST, THE ONLY THING I WOULD

20:13:13 ADD TO THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION IS, OF COURSE, WE HAVE ENGAGED A

20:13:16 NUMBER OF GOVERNMENTS.

I WANT TO JUST NOTE, BECAUSE THERE ARE

20:13:19 QUESTIONS ABOUT CRITERIA AND WHATNOT.

WE LOOK TO

20:13:22 ENGAGE BOTH EMERGING AND

20:13:27 ESTABLISHED

20:13:30 DEMOCRACIES, UNDERSTANDING, OF COURSE THAT NO

20:13:33 DEMOCRACY IS PERFECT, INCLUDING OUR OWN.

WE ALSO

20:13:37 LOOK TO ENGAGE AS WIDE A SWATH, AS

20:13:41 INCLUSIVE A SWATH AND DIVERSITY, AS

20:13:44 DIVERSE IN THEIR EXPERIENCE AS POSSIBLE.

SO, WE REALLY TOOK INTO

20:13:47 ACCOUNT A NUMBER OF ASPECTS.

AND, OF

20:13:51 COURSE, LOOKED ALSO AT A NUMBER OF CIVIL SOCIETY

20:13:54 ORGANIZATIONS AND THE WORK THEY HAVE DONE, CERTAINLY, ON

20:13:57 INDICES AND OTHER THINGS TO KIND OF LOOK AT THESE QUESTIONS OF CRITERIA, OVER.

20:14:03 >> AND THIS IS LISA, I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE

20:14:06 ONE LAST POINT SON THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

20:14:11 QUESTION.

THERE ARE STICKS AND THERE ARE CARROTS IN FOREIGN

20:14:15 ASSISTANCE.

AND, YOU KNOW, IF YOU

20:14:18 LOOK AT THE KINDS OF COMMITMENTS THAT WE ARE ASKING

20:14:21 OF GOVERNMENTS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE

20:14:26 MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION, THERE ARE

20:14:30 SPECIFIC DEMOCRACY GOVERNANCE

20:14:33 AND CIVIC ACCOUNTABILITY CRITERIA BUILT INTO

20:14:37 THAT.

GOVERNMENTS -- SOME GOVERNMENTS,

20:14:40 ANYWAY, ARE KEEN TO BE ABLE TO TAP INTO

20:14:43 THAT.

THAT IS A DRAWING TOOL.

20:14:47

AND SOME OF THE SORT OF MORE

20:14:50 NASCENT DEMOCRACIES ON THE LIST, THAT MCC

20:14:54 CARROT MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT REALLY PULLS THEM INTO THE

20:14:57 KINDS OF COMMITMENTS THAT WE WANT TO SEE COMING

20:15:00 OUTSIDE OF THIS SUMMIT.

SO, YOU

20:15:03 KNOW, I THINK

20:15:06 BEYOND DIRECT FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

20:15:10 TOOLS, THERE'S ALSO THE

20:15:13 CONNECTION THAT PEOPLE DON'T ALWAYS SEE.

BUT I THINK IT

20:15:16 IS INCUMBENT UPON OUR EMBASSIES IN THE

20:15:20 FIELD.

AND CERTAINLY CIVIL SOCIETY AS WELL.

TO REMIND

20:15:23 GOVERNMENTS THAT IF THEY'RE INTERESTED IN PULLING FOREIGN

20:15:26 DIRECT INVESTMENT, THINGS

20:15:30 -- THERE WILL BE LAWS ON THEIR BOOKS THAT ARE BAD FOR

20:15:33 DEMOCRATIC PRACTICE.

BAD FOR CIVIL SOCIETY.

AND THOSE ARE THE

20:15:36 KINDS OF THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE A LOT OF

20:15:39 INVESTORS SAY, SORRY, NOT INTERESTED.

SO, THERE ARE OTHER

20:15:43 WAYS THAT WE CAN CARROT GOVERNMENTS TO

20:15:46 LOOKING AT THE COMMITMENTS THAT THEY WANT TO MAKE IN THIS SPACE.

20:15:53 >> GREAT.

LET'S GO WITH THE NEXT SET OF

20:15:56 QUESTIONS.

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE OFTEN PUSHING

20:16:00 NATION STATE TOWARDS MORE ROBUST DEMOCRATIC PROTECTIONS.

20:16:03

IS THERE ANY ROLE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE SUMMIT

20:16:06 OR WAY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ROLE OR DIFFERENT LAYERS OF

20:16:09 GOVERNMENT?

HOW WILL THIS WORK LINK UP TO AND

20:16:12 HOPEFULLY NOT DISPLACE THE WORK OF THE

20:16:16 INTERAMERICAN AND U.N. HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEMS?

AND

20:16:19 IF ANSWERING THAT, PLEASE BE SPECIFIC.

I WILL ADD ON TO

20:16:22 THAT ANOTHER QUESTION VERY SIMILAR WHICH IS HOW DO YOU SEE THE

20:16:26 SUMMIT DIFFERENT FROM OTHER

20:16:29 INTERNATIONAL, WHEN IT COMES TO HAVING SERIOUS AND IMPACTFUL

20:16:32 DISCUSSIONS ABOUT IMPLEMENTING AND ENFORCING COMMITMENTS?

20:16:38 SO, MORE GOOD QUESTIONS FOR YOU ALL.

20:16:44 >> I WILL GO FIRST ON THIS ONE BECAUSE I THINK

20:16:48 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT LANDS SQUARELY WITH USAID.

I'D

20:16:51 LIKE TO THANK THE QUESTIONER FOR MORE OR LESS

20:16:54 DESCRIBING MY LAST 24 HOURS OF WORK.

THAT, ALONE, YES,

20:16:57 ABSOLUTELY, WE THINK IT'S CRUCIAL THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BE

20:17:01 HIGHLIGHTED, REPRESENTED AT THE

20:17:04 SUMMIT.

AND STILL CONSIDERING A FEW DIFFERENT WAYS TO DO

20:17:07 THAT.

AND WHAT'S THE BEST LOOK AND

20:17:10 IMPACTFUL WAY TO HIGHLIGHT WHAT'S HAPPENING.

BUT I

20:17:13 WOULD SAY A FEW OF THE KEY WAYS THAT WE THINK ABOUT HOW

20:17:16 TO REPRESENT THIS COMING IN ARE, NUMBER

20:17:19 ONE, THE FACT THAT THERE ARE SO MANY

20:17:23 CASES OF, IN THE UNITED STATES,

20:17:28 WE USE THE TERM

20:17:31 LABORATORY OF DEMOCRACY TO DESCRIBE OUR STATE.

THERE ARE INSTANCES OF

20:17:34 INNOVATIVE MAYORS, LOCAL ASSEMBLIES,

20:17:38 TRYING SOMETHING ON DEMOCRACY THAT MIGHT BE

20:17:41 REPUTABLE OR AT LEAST SHOWING REMARKABLE RESULTS OR SHOULD GET

20:17:44 OUR CREATIVITY GOING ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS FOR

20:17:48 DEMOCRACY FOR ALL IN THE 21st CENTURY.

SECOND, THERE ARE SO MANY

20:17:51 EXAMPLES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ON THEIR OWN, WITH OR WITHOUT

20:17:54 SUPPORT FROM THEIR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS TAKING ON THE

20:17:58 WORLD'S BIGGEST PROBLEMS.

AND THIS IS ONE AREA

20:18:01 WHERE, YOU SPOKE ABOUT THE ROLE

20:18:04 OF CLIMATE, WHETHER OR NOT WE HAVE A

20:18:07 DEDICATED CLIMATE SESSION EMBEDDED WITHIN THE DEMOCRACY

20:18:11 SUMMIT.

LIKE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISCUSSION, THE WAY TO

20:18:14 HARNESS BIG IMPACTS ON THE DEFINING CHALLENGES OF OUR

20:18:19 TIME LIKE THE CLIMATE CRISIS, THAT MIGHT BE

20:18:22 SOMETHING TO HIGHLIGHT AND PULL OUT INTERESTING SUCCESS STORIES THAT WE SHOULD

20:18:25 ALL LEARN FROM.

AND OBVIOUSLY, COVID IS A GREAT

20:18:28 EXAMPLE OF THAT, TOO.

20:18:31

THERE ARE MANY OTHERS.

AND THEN, THIRD,

20:18:35 IN THE CHAT BOX AS I SEE AS WE

20:18:38 SPEAK, IS LIKE THERE ARE SO MANY -- HOW CAN WE

20:18:41 REPRESENT DEMOCRATIC ACTORS

20:18:45 IN UNDEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES OR IN

20:18:48 BACKSLIDING COUNTRIES?

AND I THINK THERE ARE

20:18:52 OPPORTUNITIES IN SOME CASES TO HIGHLIGHT THOSE

20:18:55 FOLKS THROUGH DEMOCRATIC LOCAL OFFICIALS WHO ARE CARRYING THE

20:18:58 TORCH IN A DIFFICULT ENVIRONMENT.

SO

20:19:01 THERE'S A LOT MORE SPECIFICITY THAT WE OURSELVES HAVE TO

20:19:05 BATTEN DOWN THE HATCHES A LITTLE BIT BUT I'M QUITE CONFIDENT

20:19:08 IN THE FUTURE THAT WILL

20:19:11 COME.

>> THIS IS KARA.

I'M

20:19:14 HAPPY TO JUMP IN ON THE U.N.

AND MULTILATERAL

20:19:17 QUESTIONS.

OF COURSE, WE DO VERY MUCH SEE MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS,

20:19:20 A NUMBER OF THEM, AS CRITICAL ALLIES AND

20:19:24 PARTNERS IN THIS.

I THINK AS LISA AND OTHERS

20:19:27 NOTED, AS WE LOOK TO CRAFT PARTICIPATION AND SOME OF THE

20:19:30 LOGISTICS ISSUES AND WHATNOT, WE ARE, OF COURSE,

20:19:33 WORKING IN HOW WE ENCAPSULATE AND HOW

20:19:37 WE CAPTURE AND BRING IN THOSE PIECES, UNDERSTANDING, OF

20:19:40 COURSE, TOO, SOME OF THE LOGISTIC CONSTRAINTS THAT THE

20:19:44 WHITE HOUSE AND THAT OTHERS HAVE TO CONSIDER.

HAVING SAID THAT, I THINK

20:19:47 I WANT TO ADDRESS THIS QUESTION ABOUT HOW IT'S DIFFERENT -- HOW

20:19:51 THE SUMMIT IS DIFFERENT FROM SO MANY OF THESE U.N. PLATFORMS.

20:19:54

I THINK THE FIRST THING I WOULD SAY OFF THE BAT IS THE SUMMIT FOR

20:19:57 DEMOCRACY IS NOT MEANT TO BE A NEW ARCHITECTURE OF SETTING

20:20:00 UP A BUREAUCRACY OR AN INSTITUTION.

THIS

20:20:03 IS AN A MOMENTUM-DRIVING EVENT THAT IS

20:20:06 MEANT TO NOT JUST BE ABOUT WORDS.

THAT IS MEANT

20:20:09 TO BE ABOUT BUILDING AND PROPELLING FORWARD

20:20:13 ACTIONS THAT CAN VERY MUCH BE PROPELLING FORWARD

20:20:16 ACTION SON U.N. COMMITMENTS, THAT CAN BE VERY MUCH

20:20:20 PROPELLING ACTIONS ON COMMITMENTS MADE IN OTHER

20:20:24 MULTILATERAL AND MULTISTAKEHOLDER INITIATIVES.

SO,

20:20:27 IT'S REALLY MEANT TO BE A FOURTH MULTIPLIER.

20:20:30

TO AMPLIFY AND TO RAISE UP

20:20:33 AND BUILD AWARENESS FOR.

IN ORDER TO GET AT THIS QUESTION

20:20:36 OF RENEWAL AND

20:20:40 REVITALIZATION OF DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES.

20:20:46 >> AND THIS IS LISA AND,

20:20:49 KOURTNEY, I WAS TRYING TO SCRIBBLE THE LAST QUESTION DOWN.

I'M

20:20:52 NOT SURE I GOT THE WHOLE THING.

BUT THE GIST THAT I GOT HERE

20:20:55 IS HOW WILL THIS BE

20:21:00 DIFFERENT FROM OTHER HIGH-LEVEL

20:21:03 CONVENINGS?

AND, YOU

20:21:08 KNOW, I THINK SEVERAL OF US ON THE TEAM HAVE

20:21:10 HAD EXPERIENCE WITH VARIOUS OTHER, YOU KNOW, OGPs

20:21:14 SITTING IN THE CHAT RIGHT NOW.

SOME OF US WERE

20:21:17 INVOLVED WITH THAT AT THE LAUNCH.

OR AT THE IMPLEMENTATION.

20:21:24 WE'VE -- WE'RE TRYING TO LEARN FROM OUR

20:21:28 EXPERIENCES WITH EITHER THINGS THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS DONE

20:21:29 PREVIOUSLY.

OR THINGS THAT WE HAVE SEEN OTHER GOVERNMENTS DO.

20:21:34 I ALSO THINK THAT

20:21:37 WE ARE INTERESTED IN TRYING TO FIND

20:21:41 THE BEST WAYS TO TAP INTO

20:21:44 THOSE EXISTING LINES OF EFFORT.

20:21:47 TO KARA'S EARLIER POINT ABOUT WE DON'T

20:21:50 WANT TO STAND UP SOMETHING NEW, WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE

20:21:53 A NEW BUREAUCRACY THAT GROWS UP AROUND THIS.

20:21:57 THERE'S A LOT OF HAPPENING HERE IN A LOT OF

20:22:01 SPACES, AND OBVIOUSLY, THIS IS TERRAIN THAT

20:22:04 IS INCREDIBLY EXPANSIVE.

20:22:08 AND ONE MULTIYEAR SUMMIT IS NEVER

20:22:12 GOING TO HIT EVERYTHING THAT WE ALL FEEL NEEDS TO BE IN

20:22:16 THERE.

I THINK IF WE ARE SMART

20:22:19 ABOUT IT AND FIND THE RIGHT

20:22:23 WAYS TO CONTINUE TAPPING INTO THE

20:22:27 MECHANISMS THAT ARE ALREADY THERE, CONTINUE, YOU

20:22:30 KNOW, STRENGTHEN WHAT'S ALREADY STRONG.

20:22:33

ADJUST WHAT MIGHT NEED SOME ADJUSTMENT.

20:22:37 BUT LOOK AT THAT AS PART OF HOW WE'RE APPROACHING THE

20:22:40 OVERALL PROBLEM-SET.

RATHER THAN KIND OF

20:22:43 SAYING, OH, WE'VE GOT THIS SUMMIT, WE'RE

20:22:47 GOING TO START SOMETHING NEW.

I THINK THAT'S HOW

20:22:49 WE SORT OF BUILD ON THE PRIOR INVESTMENTS THAT HAVE COME IN THIS SPACE.

20:22:56 SO, OUR OBJECTIVE IS NOT TO

20:22:59 DISPLACE, BUT TO BUILD AND STRENGTHEN.

20:23:08 >> THANK YOU, I WANT TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS THAT

20:23:11 HAVE COME INTO THE CHAT ABOUT THE

20:23:15 FRAMEWORK, OR THE STRUCTURE THAT WE OFFERED, BUT BEFORE

20:23:18 WE GET TO THAT, I WANT TO ASK TWO

20:23:21 QUESTIONS.

ONE, JOHNNY, I THINK

20:23:25 THIS WILL BE PRIME FOR YOU.

IT'S ABOUT HOW

20:23:28 WILL PARLIAMENTS BE

20:23:31 INCLUDED.

I PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE FRAMED THAT ALONGSIDE THE

20:23:34 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS QUESTION.

I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN WORKING ON THAT.

THE LAST

20:23:37 QUESTION IS A BIT OF A MASHUP OF QUESTIONS WE'VE

20:23:40 RECEIVED.

WE TOUCHED ON IT A LITTLE

20:23:43 EARLIER.

BUT WILL THE SUMMIT --

20:23:47 BEING THAT BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL WILL BE COVERED IN THE

20:23:50 SUMMIT, THERE'S A NUMBER OF TOPICS THAT

20:23:53 INTERSECT BOTH ACROSS THOSE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL

20:23:57 PILLARS AND SPACES.

AND HOW WILL THE SUMMIT ITSELF LOOK TO

20:24:00 ENSURING THAT TOPICS AREN'T LOST?

A NUMBER OF

20:24:04 CROSS-CUTTING THEMES, INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, WE MENTIONED LABOR

20:24:09 RIGHTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE.

BUT HOW DO OTHERS

20:24:13 OF THOSE, TECHNOLOGY BEING ONE OF THOSE, HOW

20:24:16 DO THOSE INTERSECT ACROSS THE DRAMATIC

20:24:20 PILLARS AND HOW DOES IT INTERSECT

20:24:23 WITH ANY OF THE

20:24:27 OSG'S DOMESTIC FACING DELIVERABLES.

THAT WOULD BE THE LAST QUESTION

20:24:30 ASK IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO ANSWER THE TECHNICAL

20:24:33 QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FRAMEWORK WE'VE PROVIDED, I'M HAPPY

20:24:36 TO DO THAT, AS WELL, IF YOU CHOOSE.

THANK YOU.

20:24:40

>> I GOT IT BY NAME

20:24:43 THERE.

ON PARLIAMENT, IT'S QUITE SIMILAR ANSWERS ON

20:24:46 BOTH OF THEM.

WE FULLY

20:24:49 EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE A DEDICATED CONVERSATION

20:24:55 ON LEGISLATURES AND CHECKING EXECUTIVES ON

20:24:58 UPHOLDING THE SEPARATION OF POWERS.

WE'VE PUT A FEW

20:25:01 IDEAS TOGETHER AND WE THINK WE HAVE SOME GREAT

20:25:04 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS TO HELP US PULL TOGETHER A

20:25:08 MEANINGFUL EVENT.

I AM LOATHE TO SPECIFY THE EXACT

20:25:11 DETAILS UNLESS AND UNTIL THE IMPORTANT PEOPLE ACTUALLY

20:25:14 AGREE TO DO IT.

BUT WE ARE ATTEMPTING

20:25:17 TO CONVENE, YOU KNOW, IMPORTANT LEGISLATORS

20:25:20 AROUND THE WORLD FOR A DISCUSSION ALONG THOSE

20:25:23 LINES AND HAVE SOMETHING MEANINGFUL COME OUT OF IT.

20:25:26

AND I THINK WE ALL, THIS COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE,

20:25:30 FULLY UNDERSTANDS THAT LIKE EITHER

20:25:33 THE GOVERNMENTAL PART OF DEMOCRACY IS NOT JUST ABOUT

20:25:38 THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, EVEN THOUGH IT'S AN EXECUTIVE BRANCH

20:25:42 I FIRST RECOGNIZED THE ULTIMATE IMPORTANCE OF SEPARATION OF

20:25:46 POWERS AND OVERSIGHT DIRECTLY FROM THE

20:25:49 LEGISLATIVE.

AND FOR THAT MATTER, HOW THE ROLE OF

20:25:53 LEGISLATURES INTERSECT WITH OTHER TEAMS THAT WE'RE

20:25:56 TALKING ABOUT IN REGULATING

20:25:59 TECHNOLOGY SUCH AS DEMOCRATIC AND

20:26:02 PRESERVING STATES FOR INDEPENDENT MEDIA, FOR

20:26:05 ACTIVISTS, ET CETERA, ET CETERA.

AND I

20:26:09 GUESS -- WE KEEP MENTIONING

20:26:12 LABOR, AND I THINK IT'S ABSOLUTELY RIGHT THAT WE DO, THAT IS

20:26:15 SUCH A FOCUS FOR USAID AS WELL, AND OUR

20:26:18 GLOBAL LEADERS PROGRAM.

JUST LIKE IT IS FOR

20:26:21 DRL.

AND I WOULD JUST

20:26:25 SAY LABOR AND UNIONS IS ONE OF

20:26:28 THE CORE CATEGORIES THAT WE THINK ABOUT WHEN WE

20:26:32 TALK ABOUT SUPPORTING LOCAL DEMOCRATIC ACTORS.

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AND ESPECIALLY IN THE PART OF THIS

20:26:38 SUMMIT EFFORT THAT IS ABOUT WHAT ARE

20:26:41 THE U.S.' MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS, LIKE OUR MARQUEE

20:26:44 DELIVERABLES.

A BIG PART OF IT IS WHAT CAN WE

20:26:48 DO TO SUPPORT JOURNALISTS,

20:26:51 ACTIVISTS, LABOR ON THE GROUND.

SO, I DON'T

20:26:54 WANT IT TO BE LOST LIKE THAT'S A VERY CENTRAL

20:26:58 PILLAR THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING A LOT AND SEEING WHAT MORE WE

20:27:01 CAN DO TO BE HELPFUL ON.

THERE'S A SIREN THERE.

20:27:08 >> SO, THIS IS LISA, I'LL TRY TO

20:27:12 TAKE A CRACK AT THE INTERSECTION QUESTION.

20:27:21 IN TERMS OF MAKING SURE THAT TOPICS AREN'T LOST,

20:27:27 EVEN AS WE HAVE AREAS OF FOCUS FOR

20:27:30 THE SUMMIT ITSELF, EVERY ONE

20:27:33 OF THE TOPICS RAISED TODAY IS SOMETHING THAT

20:27:36 IS ALREADY BEING WORKED BY SOME COMPONENT OF THE U.S.

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GOVERNMENT.

AND CERTAINLY, FOR THE STATE

20:27:43 DEPARTMENT, I KNOW WE'RE ALREADY WORKING WITH A LOT OF NEW, A

20:27:47 LOT OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY COMMUNITY ON THE

20:27:50 ISSUES.

AND I'M SURE DEPARTMENT OF

20:27:54 LABOR, THERE ARE OTHER PARTS OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENTS

20:27:57 ARE ALSO DOING SIMILAR WITH THEIR

20:28:00 LINES OF EFFORTS.

SO, JUST BECAUSE SOMETHING IS NOT

20:28:03 NECESSARILY ON THE SUMMIT AGENDA DOES NOT

20:28:07 MEAN THAT WE'RE IGNORING IT.

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AND PARTICULARLY, THINGS

20:28:13 LIKE THE MISINFORMATION AND

20:28:17 DISINFORMATION.

THIS PROBABLY SHOULD NOT BE A NEW TOPIC FOR US TO BE

20:28:20 DEALING WITH, BUT IT IS SOMETHING THAT HAS DEFINITELY

20:28:22 GOTTEN A LOT OF ATTENTION, CERTAINLY, IN THE TIME THAT I HAVE BEEN BACK IN WASHINGTON.

20:28:31 I THINK THERE IS VALUE IN US THINKING ABOUT HOW

20:28:35 THINGS INTERSECT ACROSS THE SUMMIT

20:28:38 THEMES.

I DON'T HAVE A VISUALIZATION IN

20:28:41 MY HEAD OF, YOU KNOW, AS WE'RE THINKING ABOUT

20:28:44 WHAT WILL INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS MAY LOOK LIKE, HOW WE'RE CONNECTING THE

20:28:48 DOTS THERE.

BUT I THINK AS WE TEASE THAT

20:28:51 SCOUT, THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO KEEP IN OUR

20:28:54 MINDS.

ON THE INTERSECTION ACROSS FOREIGN

20:28:59 AND DOMESTIC POLICY, YOU KNOW, THIS IS A HARD ONE.

20:29:04 AND I WILL SAY, ON OUR

20:29:07 UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW SEVERAL

20:29:11 YEARS AGO, I THINK WE HAVE GOOD INTENTIONS

20:29:15 OF HOW WE LASH UP THOSE TWO

20:29:20 SIDES.

BUT THE STRUCTURES IN OUR GOVERNMENT JUST HAVE NOT BEEN

20:29:23 SET UP THAT WAY, HISTORICALLY.

AND I THINK THERE ARE A

20:29:26 NUMBER OF US WHO ARE THINKING, GEE, WOULDN'T IT

20:29:29 BE GREAT IF WE DID A BETTER JOB OF

20:29:33 THIS, BUT WE HAVEN'T ACTUALIZED IT YET.

AND I THINK

20:29:36 THAT IS A REALLY GOOD POINT FOR US TO FOLLOW-UP ON.

20:29:46 >> THANKS SO MUCH.

FOR BOTH OF

20:29:50 YOU.

I JUST WANTED TO ANSWER A FEW OF THE

20:29:53 QUESTIONS THAT CAME UNTIL, IN A VARIETY OF WAYS FROM THE

20:29:57 AUDIENCE ABOUT OUR PROPOSED FRAMEWORK ON CIVIL SOCIETY

20:30:00 INTERACTION.

I JUST WANT TO LET EVERYBODY KNOW WE WILL BE

20:30:05 SENDING OUT A SURVEY TO EVERYBODY ON

20:30:09 OUR CONTRACT LIST IN THE COMING DAYS WHICH WILL

20:30:12 ALLOW YOU TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN JOINING THE STRUCTURE

20:30:16 OUTLINED.

THAT SURVEY ITSELF WILL HAVE INFORMATION

20:30:19 ON WHAT WE ENVISION.

WE'RE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN HEARING FROM

20:30:23 YOU IF THIS STRUCTURE WORKS FOR YOU,

20:30:26 OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

WE'RE VERY MUCH

20:30:30 OPEN TO HEARING YOUR THOUGHTS HOW TO INTERACT WITH US IN

20:30:33 BOTH THE LEADERSHIP TEAM AND THOSE OF US BEHIND

20:30:36 THE SCENES DOING A LOT OF THE WORK.

TO MAKE

20:30:39 SURE WE'RE HEARING FROM YOU AND INCLUDING YOUR IDEAS,

20:30:42 YOUR CONCERNS, YOUR QUESTIONS ARE GETTING ANSWERED,

20:30:45 AS WE MOVE ALL OF THIS FORWARD.

WE ARE ANTICIPATING

20:30:50 HAVING SOME ADDITIONAL PHONE CALLS SIMILAR TO THIS.

BUT I THINK MUCH MORE

20:30:53 IN THE WEEDS ON EACH OF THE PILLARS IN THE COMING

20:30:56 WEEKS AND MONTHS, TO BE ABLE TO DIVE A LITTLE BIT

20:31:00 DEEPER INTO THESE TOPICS AND HOW WE'LL BE

20:31:03 ABLE TO COOPERATE FOR THE SUMMIT COMING FORWARD.

SO,

20:31:06 THAT INFORMATION WILL ALL BE OUTLINED IN THE

20:31:10 SURVEY AND FOLLOW-UP DOCUMENTATION AND EMAILS THAT WE WILL

20:31:13 SEND YOU.

BUT THE BIG PIECES, WE REALLY ARE

20:31:16 EAGER FOR YOUR FEEDBACK AND TO HEAR HOW YOU WANT

20:31:19 TO BE A PART OF THIS.

AND THAT'S WHAT THE

20:31:22 SURVEY WILL HELP ELICIT.

I

20:31:25 JUST WANTED TO MENTION THAT.

HOPEFULLY, WE'LL GO THROUGH ALL OF THE

20:31:29 QUESTIONS.

THERE'S MORE THAN 100 QUESTIONS COMING IN

20:31:32 THAT WE'VE ALL BEEN TRYING TO READ AS THIS CONVERSATION IS GOING

20:31:35 ON.

ANY SPECIFICS THAT WE'RE ABLE TO ANSWER AND

20:31:39 COMPILE INTO

20:31:45 THE EPIC Q, WE'LL DO THAT FAR AND SUMMARIZE

20:31:48 THAT.

AND HOPEFULLY, WE WON'T LEAVE OUT

20:31:51 QUESTIONS.

WITH THAT WE'RE AT THE END OF THE TIME, LISA, I'D LIKE TO

20:31:55 HAND IT OVER TO YOU FOR OPENING COMMENTS.

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20:31:58 THANKS, KOURTNEY, I THINK DOUG

20:32:02 GETS IN THE LAST QUESTION ON THE COMMENT SESSION, THANK YOU,

20:32:05 DOUG.

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME

20:32:09 AND REALLY PARTICIPATING ROBUSTLY IN THIS DISCUSSION.

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IT'S BEEN INCREDIBLY HELPFUL FOR ME.

I CAN'T

20:32:15 WAIT TO

20:32:18 HAVE MORE TIME TO POUR OVER THE COMMENTS AND

20:32:21 QUESTIONS.

I HOPE IT WAS AS HELPFUL FOR YOU

20:32:24 ALL, AS IT HAS BEEN FOR US.

WE DO HOPE

20:32:28 TO SCHEDULE A SECOND CALL SOON.

AND DURING THAT

20:32:31 CALL, WE HOPE TO HAVE SOME MORE UPDATES ON WHERE WE ARE

20:32:34 IN THE PLANNING.

AND WANT

20:32:37 TO HEAR WHAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO HAPPEN IN

20:32:41 THE SORT OF SELF-ORGANIZING SPACE.

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AND WE REALLY DO WANT TO

20:32:47 TAKE SOME SOMETIME TO TALK ABOUT WHAT

20:32:51 IDEAS ARE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY INVOLVEMENT IN THAT

20:32:54 YEAR BETWEEN THE TWO SUMMITS.

SO ON BEHALF OF THE

20:32:57 NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, STATE DEPARTMENT,

20:33:00 USAID, WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE TIME AND COMMITMENT TO THIS

20:33:03 EFFORT.

AND REALLY APPRECIATE THE ENERGY AND

20:33:07 EAGERNESS TO ENGAGE WITH US ON THIS IMPORTANT

20:33:11 ENDEAVOR.

I THINK I SPEAK FOR EVERYBODY UP TO

20:33:15 OUR HIGHEST LEVELS, WHEN I SAY HOW

20:33:18 EXCITED WE ARE TO BE COLLABORATING WITH YOU ON THIS, ON A SHARED

20:33:21 VISION FOR THE AMAZING WORK AHEAD.

20:33:24 SO, WE DO HAVE THE QUESTIONS IN THE CHAT.

20:33:29 IF OTHER THINGS OCCUR TO YOU AS YOU GO ALONG, WE

20:33:32 ACTUALLY HAVE AN SEE MAIL

20:33:36 ADDRESS.

DEMOCRACYSUMMIT -- ALL

20:33:41 ONE WORD

20:33:47 --@STATE.GOV.

G-O-V, AS IN GOVERNMENT.

THAT

20:33:50 CAN BE THE COLLECTING POINT FOR ADDITIONAL

20:33:54 QUESTIONS IN ADDITION TO WHAT'S IN THE CHAT TODAY.

THANKS.

20:33:57 KOURTNEY JUST PUT IT IN THE CHAT.

SO, THANK YOU