



United States Department of State

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The Honorable
Michael McCaul
House Foreign Affairs Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter serves as an interim response to your May 5, 2023 letter regarding the Committee's March 28, 2023 subpoena, which concerns a Dissent Channel cable on Afghanistan policy and its response. The Department remains committed to both accommodating your need for information regarding the Afghanistan withdrawal and protecting the Dissent Channel and the personnel who choose to use it.

The Department requires additional time to carefully consider the requests made in your letter, and will respond further on or before May 18, 2023. We look forward to continuing to work with you and the Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Naz Durakoglu".

Naz Durakoglu
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cc: The Honorable Gregory Meeks, Ranking Member
House Foreign Affairs Committee