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Subject:	RE: WH CVE Event
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Hi John and Nate-

Per Quintan's request in the email below, the following is background and TP's for him for the White House CVE conference. Let me know if you have edits before I send to him.

Background

The White House, in conjunction with DHS, NCTC, DOJ, and the FBI have organized this CVE conference for law enforcement officials to initiate the implementation of the Obama Administration's recently released Strategic Implementation Plan for Empowering Local Partners to Prevent Violent Extremism in the United States. Over 35 senior and front line law enforcement officials from across the country will attend the event to learn about the Administration's approach to countering violent extremism and to provide feedback on how the federal government can best support local law enforcement efforts to implement this initiative. Secretary Napolitano and AG Holder are planning to provide welcoming remarks during the afternoon session and John Brennan is also planning to attend (and possibly provide remarks?). Dan Sutherland from NCTC, and Sean Joyce from the FBI will also be in attendance.

Talking Points

- The White House CVE strategy was released in August, 2011 and the Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP) for the Administration's CVE Strategy was released on December 8, 2011.
- This CVE strategy was heavily informed by State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial law enforcement and community member organizations.
- The SIP underscores the strength of community-based problem solving, local partnerships, and community-oriented policing. The SIP lists the current and future actions the USG will take in support of a locally-focused, community-based approach, in three broad areas:
 - **Enhancing Engagement with and support to local communities:** Our aims in engaging with communities to discuss violent extremism are to (1) share sound, meaningful, and timely information about the threat of radicalization to violence with a wide range of groups and organizations; (2) respond to concerns about government policies and actions; and (3) better understand how we can effectively support community-based solutions.
 - **Building Government and Law Enforcement Expertise:** We are building robust training programs to ensure that communities, government, and law

enforcement receive accurate, intelligence-based information about the dynamics of violent extremism. Misinformation about the threat and poor training harms our security by sending stakeholders in the wrong direction and creating tensions with communities.

- **Countering Violent Extremist Propaganda while Promoting our Ideals:** We will aggressively counter violent extremist ideologies – including on the Internet – by educating and empowering communities and promoting our ideals. In the case of our current priority, we will, through our words and deeds, rebut al-Qa’ida’s lie that the United States is somehow at war with Islam.
- With the release of the SIP we are again seeking guidance from State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial law enforcement on how the SIP can be implemented locally and how the Administration can support local efforts. We look forward to hearing from your feedback throughout the day and to continuing to partner with you on implementing the SIP and building safety and resiliency among our communities.

From: Snyder, Nathaniel
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2012 9:30 AM
To: Simmons, Caroline
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See below.

Quintan is asking for bullets on the event and I think will use this to brief Brennan (John).

Can you take crack at this?

May want to shoot to John and me a draft.

From: Wiktorowicz, Quintan (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2012 6:58 AM
To: Snyder, Nathaniel
Subject: Re: WH CVE Event

Will (b)(6) be coming as well? I think the plan right now, pending change, is for John to join them at 1pm.

Can you send me background on the event as well as some TPs you would like to use with this particular audience sometime this morning? Thanks!

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From: Snyder, Nathaniel (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2012 11:47 PM
To: Wiktorowicz, Quintan
Subject: WH CVE Event

Hi Quintan – attached is the latest agenda for the event along with current attendee list. Our hard count is at 41 participants.

Do you have a sense when (b)(6) will be dropping by? We have not mentioned his potential drop-by.

Also, AG Holder will be attending along with the Secretary. Both are scheduled for 1pm-1:45pm.

Thanks,

-Nate

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