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Deconstruction of US diplomatic cables relating to Sweden

Cable Reference Number: 07STOCKHOLM506

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SWEDEN WANTS: Swedish Prime Minister Reinfeldt wants climate issues at the top of his domestic agenda.

SWEDEN WANTS: To become more like the United States and less socialist by reducing unemployment benefits, doing away with the wealth tax, and abolishing the value-based property tax and replacing it with a much-reduced local tax. Sweden also wants to sell 6 large state-owned business by 2011. These businesses are Civitas Holding AB which owns Vasakronan AB, Nordea Bank AB, OMX AB, Sveriges Bostadsfinansieringsaktiebolag SBAB, TeliaSonera AB, and V&S Vin & Sprit AB.

SWEDEN WANTS: To retain its commitment to multilateralism, with an emphasis on the roles of the United Nations and European Union, and values continued cooperation with NATO.

SWEDEN WANTS: To add more troops to its NATO Provincial Reconstruction Team in Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: To, with the United States, achieve a breakthrough in the development of alternative energy sources. This collaboration is called "The One Big Thing" or OBT.

SWEDEN WANTS: Turkey to join the European Union.

SWEDEN WANTS: Joint research with U.S. regarding hybrid engines for heavy trucks.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: It's citizens to know that, with the United States, it is gathering extensive intelligence on its population.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To emphasize to Sweden that the United States will cooperate on alternative energy.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To continue to maintain the Swedish partnership regarding military and civilian intelligence organizations which are very important to the United States on issues like understanding events inside the Russian military and Iran's nuclear ambitions. This cooperation with Sweden also extends to the Swedish civilian population.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to take third-country nationals currently in US custody, as in Guantanamo detainees.

Summary: This is a very important cable. It is setting the stage for Sweden's newly elected Prime Minister to visit President Bush in Washington. It not only reflects the goals of the new Swedish government, it reflects a change in its relationship with the United States. The cable says the new Swedish government is "better-disposed toward working with the United States than its predecessor. Prime Minister Reinfeldt comes from a new political generation and is not bound by the same United States.-critical traditions." The United States views the emergence of the new center-right Swedish government to be more pro-American and pro-business.

Sweden wants to be like the United States. Within the European Union, Sweden often takes positions that coincide with our own on issues as diverse as the DOHA round, European Union enlargement and Turkey, Swift banking data privacy, and the European Union's relationship with Cuba.

Sweden's official security policy is non-participation in military alliances during peacetime and neutrality during wartime. However, according to the United States, this is LIE as the unofficial policy actively supports NATO and its role in leading the European Union's 1,500 troops-strong Nordic Battle group.

On gathering civilian intelligence the cable says "Due to domestic political considerations, the extent of this cooperation (with the US) is not widely known within the Swedish government and it would be useful to acknowledge this cooperation privately, as public mention of the cooperation would open up the government to domestic criticism."

The One Big Thing has made significant progress in several key areas. Among the most significant are: -- Negotiation (in progress) of a DoE/Sweden/Volvo joint research agreement regarding hybrid engines for heavy trucks; -- Commitment by Sweden's Chalmers University to host a Fulbright Distinguished Chair in Alternative Energy Technology; Chair to arrive in August 2008; -- Matching promising initiatives with venture capital, List of 30 promising Swedish alternative energy companies given to 18 United States Venture Capital firms interested in alternative energy investment; the meeting which took place on 4/19 in Stanford, California generated considerable interest;-- Participation of Swedish industry in an imminent contract awarded by DARPA to Swedish Biofuels AB for the development of jet fuel made from bio fuels; -- An agreement on second generation biofuels between the Swedish Energy Agency and the DOE will soon be ready for signature. Issues on visit include energy security and climate change mainly but also immigration from muslim countries, DOHA, Turkey & NATO, Russia & Estonia.

V&S Vin & Sprit AB , Absolute Vodka, was sold in 2008 to Pernod Ricard.

As of August 2010, Sweden promised to reduce investments in bank Nordea AB, telecom operator TeliaSonera AB, and mortgage lender SBAB. Profits would be channeled instead towards alleviating public debt.

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

The Doha Development Round or Doha Development Agenda (DDA) is the current trade-negotiation round of the World Trade Organization (WTO) which commenced in November 2001. Its objective is to lower trade barriers around the world, which allows countries to increase trade globally. As of 2008, talks have stalled over a divide on major issues, such as agriculture, industrial tariffs and non-tariff barriers, services, and trade remedies.

In 2010 the Bilderbergers think tank group, Peterson Institute for International Economics, said a DOHA agreement could boost world GDP by \$300-700 billion a year by opening up new trade in agriculture, manufacturing and services.

<http://in.reuters.com/article/idINIndia-43108120091012>

Swift Banking Data - A series of articles published on June 23, 2006, by The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal and The Los Angeles Times revealed that the Treasury Department and the CIA, United States government agencies, had a program to access the SWIFT transaction database after the September 11th attacks called the Terrorist Finance Tracking Program.

After these publications SWIFT quickly came under pressure for compromising the data privacy of its customers by letting a foreign government agency access sensitive personal data. The US and the EU attempted to get an agreement to allow sharing of the Swift, however, on February 11, 2010, the European Parliament has decided to

reject the interim agreement between the EU and the USA with 378 to 196 votes.
One week earlier, the parliament's civil liberties committee already rejected the deal, citing legal reservations.

More Info:

<http://www.finextra.com/news/fullstory.aspx?newsitemid=22073>

<http://www.zdnet.co.uk/news/security/2010/06/29/us-access-to-eu-swift-bank-data-agreed-40089382/>

<http://www.twinside.org.sg/title2/gtrends109.htm>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Society_for_Worldwide_Interbank_Financial_Telecommunication

<http://www.marxist.com/assange-case-what-it-means-for-socialists.htm>

<http://euobserver.com/22/31555>

<http://www.opednews.com/Diary/Sweden-an-intelligence-ass-by-Peter-Duveen-101213-9.html>

http://www.nrel.gov/international/bilateral_partnerships.html#Sweden

<http://www.sweden.gov.se/sb/d/574/a/77945>

Cable Reference Number: 07STOCKHOLM696

Cable Date: June 8, 2007

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

UNITED STATES WANTS: To give Sweden two Uzbek nationals for resettlement.

UNITED STATES DOESN'T WANT: To keep Uzbek Nationals: Samadov and Ysupov.

SWEDEN WANTS: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to be involved

in the placement of SAMADOV and YUSUPOV.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Counterterrorism Coordinator Ambassador Cecilia Ruthstrom-Ruin

doesn't want Yusupov and Samadov, Uzbek Nationals from the United States Department of Justice.

Summary:

Two Uzbek nationals came to the United States on student visas and stayed. Uzbekistan wants them back to face criminal charges and has issued an Interpol Warrant.

The Uzbek's have been able to successfully use the American legal system to avoid being sent

back to Uzbek. However, one is a threat to American national security and the United States wants both

of them out of the United States. Sweden wants the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) to be involved so they can go through

the process as refugees seeking asylum etc., as they should. Clearly, these two men would be in

great danger if they were to be sent back to Uzbekistan. Sweden says they met their goals for accepting

refugees (Iraqi etc). Sweden had resettled 27,000 Iraqi's between 2006 and 2007, plus it is

willing to take in Guantanamo detainees.

ASSOCIATED NEWS STORIES & INFO LINKS :

This is the court case involving both Uzbek's

<http://caselaw.findlaw.com/summary/opinion/us-3rd-circuit/2008/03/14/156218.html>

Appears in these articles:

http://svtplay.se/v/2256485/dokument_inifran/de_hemliga_telegrammen

REF: A. STATE 13115 B. STOCKHOLM 436

(Samadov and Usupov are Uzbeks that are wanted in Uzbekistan on charges of terrorist activities there, and could pose a danger to US interests while they are in the US. They were held in the US on immigration technicalities and the US wants them out of the US. <http://caselaw.findlaw.com/us-3rd-circuit/1046274.html>)

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Cable Reference Number: 07STOCKHOLM1055

Cable Date: August 29, 2007

Wikileaks Published Date: Dec. 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: To keep diplomatic pressure on related to the Georgia missile incident and Kosovo.

SWEDEN WANTS: In regards to Kosovo, Carl Bildt wants a period of quiet even from the United States.

SWEDEN WANTS: The process to be allowed to work its way through undisturbed.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Croatian diplomat Miomir Zuzul to be the Europe's representative to Georgia.

Summary:

Ambassador Wood raised the Georgia missile incident with Foreign Minister Bildt, who said we need to keep diplomatic pressure on, but that Zuzul was not right

for OSCE's representative (Zuzul was implicated in the decision to go forward with the Croatian government's 1995 ethnic-cleansing Operation Storm); that he had told President Sakashvili that Georgia should let its friends handle this one. On Kosovo, Bildt said we need to keep quiet and let the process go forward.

Acronyms/Abbreviations explained:

OSCE: Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

Cable Reference Number: 07STOCKHOLM990

Cable Date: August 14, 2007

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

**SUBJECT: SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER CONFIRMS IRAQ TRIP
SEPTEMBER 1-2 THAT WILL NOT BE PUBLICIZED AHEAD OF TIME**

SWEDEN WANTS: Logistical support in Baghdad for a secretive visit by Swedish Foreign Minister Carl Bildt.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to become more involved in United States mission in Iraq (Bildt visit seen as "positive change in Sweden's attitude towards Iraq.")

Summary:

Foreign Minister Bildt planned a two-day trip to Iraq, to be kept secret and not publicly announced until after he arrived. Sweden wanted to rely on the United States for security and possibly other logistics.

2008

Cable Reference Number: 08STOCKHOLM51

Cable Date: January 22, 2008

Wikileaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

UNITED STATES WANTS: United States wants continued Swedish role in Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden wanted United States to provide Afghan testimony as to its (Sweden's) humanitarian role in Afghanistan, plus legal clarification of Serbian sovereignty and Kosovo's independence.

(Goran Lennmarker and Urban Ahlin, government and opposition leaders in the Swedish Parliament's

Foreign Affairs Committee told the U.S. Chargé d'Affaires they both saw room for increases in the number of Swedish troops in Afghanistan.)

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden [Ahlin] wants the United States to help publicize "the humanitarian role Sweden's troops play."

In return for the Social Democrats' support of this Government proposed increase in May 2007,

the term of authorization had been shortened, to expire in December 2008,

meaning deployment and authorized levels would be up for

review and re-authorization in the Fall of 2008.

SWEDEN WANTS: The Chargé d'Affaires requested assistance in providing United States legal interpretation of provisions of UNSCR 1244 dealing with the sovereignty of Serbia and independence of Kosovo. "Both Lennmarker and Ahlin said Sweden has serious concerns about the direction Russia is taking."

SUMMARY:

Ahlin requested “help in getting a senior Afghanistan government official to come to Sweden to relate humanitarian stories such as how the Swedish and NATO efforts are allowing girls to go to school, keeping the country from being taken over by drug lords, and keeping the Taliban from oppressing the people.”

(The Chargé d’Affaires officially requested assistance in responding to this request, by arranging for a senior Afghan official to so testify before the Swedish Parliament.)

“Regarding the possibility of Sweden sending JAS Gripen fighters to Afghanistan, Ahlin said the Social Democrats had told the Moderate-led Alliance government they would not agree to this mission. Afghans would not be able to distinguish Swedish planes from those of countries engaged in combat operations in Iraq, per Ahlin. (Note: The Swedish military continues to argue for a Gripen mission to Afghanistan)” “Ahlin said he disagreed with the go-slow

approach that Foreign Minister Bildt and the MFA are taking on the recognition of Kosovo (reftel).

At the same time, it was important for the government to be able to justify legally the position it takes on Kosovo's independence. Sweden is a legalistic society, and gives great deference to the UN.”

Acronyms and Abbreviations Explained:

UNSCR=United Nations Security Council Resolution

MFA=Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Associated News Stories and Info Links:

Cable references a Swedish video,

http://svtplay.se/v/2256485/dokument_inifran/de_hemliga_telegrammen

Cable Reference Number: 08STOCKHOLM257

Cable Date: 2 April 2008

Wikileaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

Very short cable (with long list of addressees, United States embassies) refers only to the delivery, not the content.

Excerpt:

"Economic Counselor delivered reftels' demarche points in separate meetings

March 31 [?]
with Inger Aseborn, Principal Administrative Officer, Swedish Inspectorate

of Strategic Products, and

Niklas Wiberg, Deputy Director, Security Policy Department,

Counter Terrorism Unit, Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

Aseborn said she will share the documents with her colleagues...

Wiberg said he will share this information with Ministry
of Justice colleagues, as well as with

senior MFA colleagues who cover Iran, nuclear non-proliferation, and United
Nations/global issues."

SWEDEN WANTS: information from the US about financial institutions that would
assist non-specified military products export/anti-terrorist objectives.

SUMMARY:

Economic Counselor discussed reftels demarche points with Swedish Inspectorate of
Strategic Products, and the Deputy Director, Security Policy Department, Counter
Terrorism Unit, Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs. [reftels SECSTATE A,B and C
29096, 29464 and 29098 were not found.]

Documents were further shared with their colleagues, and appreciation was expressed
for the list of financial institutions contained in Ref A, commenting, "This is very
useful for us."

This was also shared with the Ministry of Justice colleagues, as well as with senior
MFA colleagues who cover Iran, nuclear non-proliferation, and UN/global issues."

GOVERNMENT PERSONS/POSITION:

Inger Aseborn, Principal Administrative Officer, Swedish Inspectorate of Strategic Products - The National Inspectorate of Strategic Products controls Sweden's export of military equipment and products that can be used both for civilian and military purposes. It also monitors the provisions of the UN Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

Niklas Wiberg, Deputy Director, Security Policy Department, Counter Terrorism Unit

,

Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

Associated news stories & info links:

Note: Cable references a Swedish video,

http://svtplay.se/v/2256485/dokument_inifran/de_hemliga_telegrammen

Cable Reference Number: 08STOCKHOLM272

Cable Date: April 11, 2008

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 2, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Swedish Armed Forces has indicated its desire on several occasions to deploy Medevac helicopters, JAS-39 Gripen aircraft and possibly additional soldiers in its PRT in Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden's Ministry of Defense wants to participate in the January-July 2010 NATO Response Force (possibly with land forces), however, the country's government is arguing about this within the parties. The Swedish people do not want to lose their independence by joining NATO and have long resisted NATO.

<http://www.stoppanato.se/english/proposal.htm>

http://www.svd.se/nyheter/inrikes/usa-bekraftar-svensk-natokoppling_5764589.svd

UNITED STATES WANTS: To thank Sweden for hosting the upcoming International Compact with Iraq Conference. Swedish Armed Forces to deploy a Battalion-level Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team (OMLT) to Afghanistan. Sweden to participation in the January-July 2010 NATO Response Force.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to provide NATO forces in Afghanistan with a battle ready Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team (OMLT).

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to participate in NATO's Response Force from January through July 2010.

UNITED STATES WANTS: to thank Sweden for agreeing to host the International Compact with Iraq Conference.

SUMMARY:

This cable has been referenced several times in the media because it describes the warm and fuzzy relationship that Stockholm and Washington have. This is a scene setter cable for US Secretary of Defense, Gates, regarding the upcoming visit to Washington, DC by Swedish Minister of Defense Sten Tolgfors.

“The Ambassador has cultivated a close working relationship with Tolgfors from Tolgfors' prior job as Minister of Foreign Trade. Tolgfors went to high school in the United States and told the Ambassador he loves the United States and maintains friends there.”

http://www.svd.se/nyheter/inrikes/usa-bekraftar-svensk-natokoppling_5764589.svd

<http://www.nmn.se/nordic/assange.pdf>

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

PRT - A Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) is a unit introduced by the United States government, consisting of military officers, diplomats, and reconstruction subject matter experts, working to support reconstruction efforts in unstable states.

Demarche - Diplomatic démarches are delivered to the appropriate official of the government or organization. Démarches generally seek to persuade, inform, or gather information from a foreign government. Governments may also use a démarche

to protest or object to actions by a foreign government. Informally, the word is sometimes used as a verb to describe making or receiving such correspondence.

NATO –The North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Politically Sweden seems reluctant to participate in the 2010 NATO Response Force but did join as a “Partnership for Peace Country”

http://www.nato.int/cps/en/SID-C2500373-5E223FC4/natolive/news_62556.htm?selectedLocale=en

Sweden has not joined NATO but does participate with NATO. Sweden is a neutral country and has not participated in a war or formed a military alliance since 1814. The Swedish public is attached to their neutral status, therefore, joining NATO would require some major changes within the government.

<http://www.fas.org/man/crs/crs2.htm>

OMLT – Operational Mentor and Liaison Team

More Information on NATO’s OMLT program

<http://www.nato.int/isaf/topics/factsheets/omlt-factsheet.pdf>

Sweden’s OMLT includes equipment

<http://www.forsvarsmakten.se/en/News/News/New-equipment-on-the-way-to-Afghanistan/>

Sweden is one of the largest manufactures of weapons in the world.

<http://english.pravda.ru/world/europe/06-05-2010/113288-sweden-0/>

Cable Reference Number: 08STOCKHOLM494

Cable Date: July 9, 2008

WikiLeaks Publication Date: December 3, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: America to grant export licenses for AESA radar to be installed on SAAB Gripen fighter planes (this would make Gripen attractive to the Norwegian air force).

UNITED STATES WANTS: To support Swedish proposals for enhanced Nordic cooperation – this is a cookie to get Sweden to back off of its request for the release of AESA.

UNITED STATES DOESN'T WANT: To release AESA to the Swedes at this time due to competition with US companies bidding for sales of fighter jets in Norway and Denmark.

SUMMARY:

The Swedes want to make their Gripen fighter jets more competitive and need the AESA to do so. The US does not want them to have AESA at this time because the Gripen is competing against Lockheed Martin and Boeing for sales in Norway and Denmark.

The United States clearly interfered with the bidding process in order to sell Norway Lockheed Martin's F-35 jets, costing the Swedes a lot of money. Denmark has postponed buying fighter jets.

<http://www.aftonbladet.se/nyheter/article8218467.ab>

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

AESA - Advanced Electronically Scanned Array Radar. AESAs allow ships and aircraft to broadcast powerful radar signals while still remaining stealthy.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Active_Electronically_Scanned_Array

Cable Reference Number: 08Stockholm722

Cable Date: October 29, 2008

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to accept a Palestinian Guantanamo refugee.

SUMMARY:

The United States was advised to make formal request via Swedish Embassy in Washington to consider accepting a Palestinian Guantanamo refugee. Advised that the request should be formal, include proof of why he would be persecuted in Israel if returned there, and may not be acceptable to all in Swedish political process despite public support for another refugee that had previously been denied asylum.

Cable Reference Number: 08STOCKHOLM748

Cable Date: November 7, 2008

WikiLeaks Publication Date: December 14, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: To continue using the United States Enhanced Visa Waiver Program.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: To make the agreement to comply with Homeland Security Presidential Directive 6 formal.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To formalize HSPD-6 in Sweden.

Homeland Security Presidential Directive 6

<http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/nspd/hspd-6.html>

SWEDEN WANTS: To meet United States requirements to continue to participate in the enhanced Visa Waiver Program (i.e. for its nationals to be able to travel freely to the United States).

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: A formal bilateral arrangement for sharing information it holds on terrorist suspects that it has to present to the Swedish Parliament. (“the current Swedish political climate makes any formal terrorist screening information agreement highly difficult”/” particularly sensitive time politically in Sweden for issues involving government surveillance and affecting personal privacy”)

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: To participate directly via access to the United States' Terrorist Suspect Database

UNITED STATES WANTS: Access to information about terrorist suspects, asylum seekers held by other governments, whether that bypasses these countries' own political processes or not. Continued Swedish participation in the enhanced Visa Waiver Program (easy travel to the United States for Swedish citizens) dependent on such access to information held by Sweden being provided.

UNITED STATES DOESN'T WANT: To negotiate any such formal arrangements European Union-wide, interprets these matters as "third pillar" i.e. as falling under the remit of individual member states.

SUMMARY:

NOTE - This cable is generating a stir in Sweden.

Meeting between United States representatives of the Homeland Security Program with the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Justice about sharing personal information for "terrorist screening". Detailed memorandum about a process for sharing information tabled by the American side for discussion, and Swedish side expressed willingness to "informally" continue feeding information to the US although expressed doubt that they themselves were a terrorist target.

*Reader's note: The Chair of Sweden's Parliamentary Justice Committee has demanded clarification of the arrangements discussed in this meeting; there are concerns that Sweden may be in breach of its own Constitution by volunteering the information of its own nationals in this way:

<http://www.thelocal.se/article.php?ID=30654&print=true>)

The United States wants Sweden to officially adopt HSPD-6 (see below).

Sweden knows that the People will not go along with this agreement, so it prefers to continue to comply with the program but only in secret (on an informal level).

Sweden wondered whether the putative advantages of an HSPD-6 agreement for Sweden would be offset by the risk that these existing informal channels, which cover a wide range of law enforcement and anti-terrorism cooperation, would be scrutinized more intensely by Parliament and perhaps jeopardized. In light of the ongoing controversy over Sweden's recently passed surveillance law, it would be politically impossible for the Minister of Justice to avoid presenting any formal data sharing agreement with the United States to Parliament for review. The effect of this public

spotlight could also place other existing informal information sharing arrangements at jeopardy.

<http://www.nnn.se/nordic/assange.pdf>

<http://www.philipbrennan.net/2010/12/16/cablegate-08stockholm748-untitled-summary-of-swedish-issues-with-anti-terror-laws/>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/wikileaks/8202745/WikiLeaks-Swedish-government-hid-anti-terror-operations-with-America-from-Parliament.html>

This cable also references 3 other cables:

STOCKHOLM 704

STOCKHOLM 648

STOCKHOLM 510

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

HSPD-6 - Homeland Security Presidential Directive
6 <http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/nspd/hspd-6.html>

MOJ – Ministry of Justice

MFA – Ministry of Foreign Affairs

VWP - Visa Waiver Program (VWP) allows nationals from certain countries to enter the

United States as temporary visitors (non-immigrants) for business or pleasure without, first,

obtaining a visa from a U.S. consulate abroad.

Enhanced Visa Waiver Program –

Enhanced passports are machine-readable passports that are tamper-resistant and incorporate a biometric identifier.

<http://fpc.state.gov/documents/organization/41322.pdf>

HSPD-6 – “ To protect against terrorism it is the policy of the United States to

(1) develop, integrate, and maintain thorough, accurate, and current information

about individuals known or appropriately suspected to be or have been engaged in conduct constituting, in preparation for, in aid of, or related to terrorism (Terrorist Information); and

(2) use that information as appropriate and to the full extent permitted by law to support

(a) Federal, State, local, territorial, tribal, foreign-government, and private-sector screening processes, and

(b) diplomatic, military, intelligence, law enforcement, immigration, visa, and protective processes.

The Secretary of State shall develop a proposal for my approval for enhancing cooperation with certain foreign governments, beginning with those countries for which the United States has waived visa requirements, to establish appropriate access to terrorism screening information of the participating governments.”

2003 BUSH – HOMELAND SECURITY PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE – HSPD6

<http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/nspd/hspd-6.html>

EU third pillar – Implied future plan, by the US, to get the entire EU to agree to spy on citizens that may be potential terrorists and share the collected data with the US.

Police and Judicial Co-operation in Criminal Matters (PJCC) brought together co-operation in the fight against crime. Originally named Justice and Home Affairs (JHA).

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Three_pillars_of_the_European_Union

Cable Reference Number: 08 Stockholm 781

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Subject: American Deputy Chief of Mission meets briefly and informally with Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs about Guantanamo refugee

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to accept Guantanamo refugees, both directly and via a European multi-country initiative.

SUMMARY:

Frank Belfrage advises Americans that Ministry of Foreign Affairs willing to accept Palestinian Guantanamo refugee, but issue must go via Swedish Migration Board, an independent agency, and Americans to schedule meeting with Migration Board. No news for Americans about progress on Europe-wide initiative to accept Guantanamo refugees.

2009

Cable Reference Number: 09Stockholm31

Cable Date: January 15, 2009

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USA WANTS: Sweden to accept Guantanamo refugees.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: To upset China by accepting native Uighurs, or to accept refugees that would become "instant heroes" in certain minority communities in Sweden because of their status as former Guantanamo detainees, (i.e., ethnic Somalis).

Summary:

Sweden outlines its process for accepting refugees. Sweden will not decide "right away" if they'll accept (5) Guantanamo detainees but they may make a decision if they get a "signal" from the Obama administration. Swedish threat assessment could hinder resettlement. Any Swedish agreement to accept Guantanamo detainees will require the support of the Swedish government, the SMB (Swedish Migration Board), and SAPO (Swedish Security Services).

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

SMB= Swedish Migration Board

SAPO= Swedish Security Services (Säkerhetspolisen, literally "the Security Police")

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM63

Meeting Date: January 30, 2009

Wikileaks Published Date : December 5, 2010

Though the stated subject is "Swedish Response: Designation of four Al-Qaida Associates

Detained in Iran," the cable itself is only a brief notification:

"On January 26, Acting Economic Counselor delivered reftel points to Sofie Hillbom, Desk Officer, Department for Security Policy and Counter Terrorism Unit at the Swedish MFA.

Hillbom thanked post sharing this information, adding that she would pass it to other appropriate agencies for discussion."

*NOTE – 63 & 64 have been reviewed 3x and the text is mostly the same in both. We assume that the message in the Reftel that was distributed and to be shared with others and "individuals" are in regard to a GITMO detainee to be transferred somewhere or something happened to them.

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM64

Cable Date: January 30, 2009

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*Cable is just a brief notification without specifying content or subject:

"On January 26, Acting Economic Counselor delivered reftel points to Sofie Hillbom, Desk Officer, Department for Security Policy and Counter Terrorism Unit at the Swedish MFA. Hillbom thanked post for sharing this information, but commented that

she would need to discuss any co-sponsoring with MFA colleagues. She added that she

would pass this information to other appropriate colleagues and contact post after discussion should Sweden have information about these individuals.

Associated links of news stories & info:

References a Swedish video with note "appears in these articles":

http://svtplay.se/v/2256485/dokument_inifran/de_hemliga_telegrammen

Acronyms/Abbreviations explained:

Swedish MFA = Ministry of Foreign Affairs

<http://www.sweden.gov.se/sb/d/2059>

reftel = Reference Telegram

*NOTE – 63 & 64 have been reviewed 3x and the text is mostly the same in both.

We assume that the message in the Reftel that was distributed and to be shared with

others and “individuals” are in regard to a GITMO detainee to be transferred somewhere

or something happened to them. "Swedish Response: Designation of four Al-Qaida Associates

Detained in Iran.”

Cable Reference Number: 09 Stockholm 66

Cable Date: January 30, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

Subject: Defense Minister discusses ISAF, KFOR with CDA

SWEDEN WANTS: To expand its international military presence, particularly within the context of the Nordic Defense Cooperation.

SWEDEN WANTS: To have military “support” from the US via EUCOM.

SWEDEN WANTS: To purchase the American AESA radar system, which the American side advises is now cleared for export.

SWEDEN WANTS: More support from the EU for its mission in Kosovo, particularly for economic development.

SWEDEN WANTS: More military capacity-building with NATO such as existing aircraft sharing deal, similar military-capacity building with EU. Americans noted that such enthusiasm may be linked to deals for own national arms industry.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Security threats to its Provincial Reconstruction Team in Mazar-e-Sharif as a result of new US military supply routes in Northern Afghanistan.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: To have a military “policing” presence in the Baltic – politically problematic.

UNITED STATES WANTS: U.S. supports expansion of Swedish international military operations.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Silverman asks whether Sweden might assist in Baltic air policing, noting that the Czechs are using Swedish Gripen fighter jets in doing so.

SUMMARY:

Meeting with Swedish Minister of Defense, Sten Tolgfors on January 30, 2009.

Acronyms/Abbreviations explained:

CDA – Charge d’Affaires (Person in charge of Embassy in absence of Ambassador)

EUCOM - US Military Command in Europe

ISAF – International Security Assistance Force (NATO-led security mission in Afghanistan)

KFOR – Kosovo Force (NATO-led peacekeeping force in Kosovo)

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM194

Cable Date: March 20, 2009

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UNITED STATES WANTS: To note Swedish facilities/resources that are of strategic interest to it.

These are termed CI/KR “critical intelligence/key resources”.

UNITED STATES WANTS: to add Sweden's communications infrastructure to the CI/KR list. The Swedish telecommunications cable network that spans 43,000 km and links Russia to Europe.

UNITED STATES WANTS: to keep Swedish pharmaceutical manufacturing company Recip AB on the CI/KRlist for its production of “ThyroSafe”. A Swedish factory that is the only FDA-approved manufacturer of “ThyroSafe” or potassium thyroid, the “antidote” or “treatment” for nuclear exposure by humans.

UNITED STATES WANTS: to know where other countries security weak spots are.

In February 2009 the State Department asked all US missions abroad to list all installations whose loss could critically affect US national security. The list includes pipelines, communication and transport hubs.

Summary:

Memo adding two Swedish facilities/resources to an existing CI/KR list:

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

CI/KR – Critical Infrastructure/Key Resources

http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/nipp_annrpt.pdf

FDA = Food and Drug Administration

BBC = British Broadcasting Channel

*BBC diplomatic correspondent Jonathan Marcus says this is probably the most controversial

Document, yet, from the Wikileaks organization.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-us-canada-11923766>

Recip AB = Swedish pharmaceutical company

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM237

Cable Date: April 8, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: "Quality branding" for individual asylum seekers.

SWEDEN Wants: Senior US government officials that are responsible for Guantanamo issues to visit Sweden in coming weeks and possibly bring representatives from United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

SWEDEN WANTS: Swedish administration procedures followed precisely.

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden would need to hear directly from UNHCR if they were willing to go ahead. Then Sweden would consider the issue of accepting detainees.

SUMMARY:

Swedish Minister Tobias Billstrom asked charge de affaires to come see him on short notice on April 8 to discuss Guantanamo detainees. Billstrom asked about USG

requirements for security monitoring of detainees who might be re-settled in Sweden. Poloff replied that the USG usually requests humane treatment and security-related assurances when transferring detainees, but had flexibility in terms of the latter in some cases.

Note: SAPO has determined that five Uighurs and two -non-Uighurs would pose no significant security threat if resettled in Sweden.)

Acronyms/Abbreviations explained:

USG = United States Government

UNHCR= United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

SAPO= Swedish Security Service

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM266

Cable Date: April 29, 2009

WikiLeaks Publication Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: More security for its PRT in Afghanistan.
<http://www.thelocal.se/24856/20100208/>

SWEDEN WANTS: To play a mediating role with Iran and may thus be trying to keep relations with Tehran warm.

SWEDEN WANTS: views on threat analysis on Russia, engaging Russia militarily and the Medvedev security proposal.

SWEDEN WANTS: Turkey to become a member of the EU.

SWEDEN WANTS: The US to put more pressure on Ankara to allow Greek Cypriot fishing vessels into Turkish ports.

SWEDEN WANTS: More IMF loans to keep Ukraine and the Baltic's economies afloat.

SWEDEN WANTS: To push the EU for closer ties with Syria.

SWEDEN WANTS: To publicly push for humanitarian efforts in Palestine.

SWEDEN WANTS: Gaza border crossings open immediately.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Sanctions on Iran. Sweden is generally skeptical about the effectiveness of sanctions and in particular with Iran, where Ericsson and Volvo Trucks, among other Swedish companies, have significant exports.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: The Baltic currency to devalue as it could bankrupt Swedish banks.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: The Baltics to slip back into the Russian economic sphere. Sweden just concluded a deal to build an undersea electrical cable to Lithuania, called Swedlink, that will provide 700-1,000 megawatts to the Baltics by 2016.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To ask Sweden to use some of its foreign aid money to fund Afghanistan National Army training.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to do more on the civilian side in Afghanistan through EUPOL.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to take a leadership role in Europe by taking more Guantanamo detainees.

UNITED STATES WANTS: The Swedes to focus on the existing UN Security Resolution 1803 regarding Iran. <http://daccess-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N08/257/81/PDF/N0825781.pdf?OpenElement>

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to continue supporting the EUPOL/Althea mission in Bosnia.

Summary:

This cable is important in that it lays the groundwork for an upcoming meeting between Carl Bildt and Hillary Clinton. It was written to inform Clinton about Bildt, Sweden's place in the world, and Sweden's foreign policy needs and capabilities.

Carl Bildt - Medium Size Dog with Big Dog Attitude. Formerly a prime minister from 1991-1994, made a surprise come-back as foreign minister under the Moderate Party-led alliance government elected in 2006. He is widely respected in Sweden as an elder statesman, and has a free hand in running foreign policy at present. But he is not close to Reinfeldt and has limited political skills (often seen as a haughty member of the nobility, not the image which Reinfeldt and the new Moderates seek to project).

Sweden's Place in the World - A medium-size country (9.5 million, \$350 billion annual GDP) that has some major power ambitions and capabilities, and which looks forward to working closely with the US on its upcoming EU Presidency. Sweden has the world's 7th largest foreign aid program (nearly \$5 billion), focused on Africa and the Middle East. The largest Nordic country, with the legacy of a Baltic empire, it often takes regional leadership roles (e.g., leading a PRT in Afghanistan with Finland and Norway).

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

Interlocutor – someone who informally explains the views of a government and also can relay messages back to a government.

EUPOL - European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan.

<http://www.eupol-afg.eu/>

PRT - A Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) is a unit introduced by the United States government, consisting of military officers, diplomats, and reconstruction subject matter experts, working to support reconstruction efforts in unstable states.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Provincial_Reconstruction_Team

DIA – Defense Intelligence Agency

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Defense_Intelligence_Agency

Swedlink – By providing as much as 1000 MW of electrical power to the Baltic countries, Sweden makes sure that Russia won't have a monopoly on energy in the Baltic region. A replacement to the Ignalina nuclear reactor can now be built without fears that Russia can use the construction period for energy blackmail. In addition to Swedlink, a 350 MW power link between Finland and Estonia will be in place 2013. Also, a power link of 1000 MW between Poland and Lithuania is being planned.

The Baltic countries will now be a part of the Nordic energy system instead of the old Soviet one.

Most of the order value of these power links will end up in Sweden since the necessary technology for the power transmission is of Swedish origin.

<http://corporateforeignpolicy.com/corporate-foreign-policy/sweden-baltic-energy-link-to-replace-ignalina-supply>

EU3=France, Germany & United Kingdom

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM355

Meeting Date: 10 June 2009

Wikileaks Published Date: 15 December 2010

Subject: AARGH! SWEDISH PIRATES SET SAIL FOR BRUSSELS (this is verbatim)

SWEDEN Want: The larger Swedish political parties want to woo the youth back to mainstream political parties.

Summary of the European Parliament election results in Sweden:

There was little change in the Moderates' and Social Democrats' positions; the (anti-EU) Left suffered big losses. The biggest gains were by the Greens and the Pirate Party. The latter had campaigned on reformation of copyright and patent law and opposition to a wiretapping law proposed by the Swedish Security Services. Partly as a result of the Pirate Party's success, and its popularity with young voters, the far-right Sweden Democrats still fell short of being eligible for representation in the European Parliament.

Excerpt: "For what was essentially a mid-term election in Sweden, the continued

strong showing for the ruling coalition suggests to some of our contacts no loss of momentum

going into next year's general elections. Others note that parties with clear and positive European

Union policies, like the Greens and the Liberals, did surprisingly well, while the euro-skeptics suffered. But those who could be bothered to vote in European parliament elections on the first sunny day in several weeks were likely a self-selecting group with pro-European

Union views, not necessarily representative of the wider Swedish public."

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

EP= European Parliament

Cable Reference Number: 09Stockholm384

Meeting Date: June 24, 2009

WikiLeaks published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden wants close association with President Obama.

UNITED STATES WANTS: - Sweden to accept detainees for resettlement from Guantanamo.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to join in announcing "crippling sanctions", if Iran does not cease its enrichment activities.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to deploy additional police trainers to EUPOL mission in Afghanistan as part of its effort to spur a stronger response from other EU Member States.

UNITED STATES WANTS: European Union to assure Israelis and build relationships with key Arab countries, of particular interest is the plan supported by Sweden to sign an EU-Syria partnership agreement during the Swedish Presidency.

SUMMARY:

Interesting summary of US diplomatic wants from Sweden and Sweden's goals as it embarked on its EU Presidency.

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

EUPOL= European Union Police Mission

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM418

Cable Date: July 9, 2009

WikiLeaks Publication Date: December 9, 2010

EUROPEAN UNION WANTS: To stop Iran's nuclear enrichment program.

EUROPEAN UNION WANTS: To continue Middle East peace talks.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To stop Iran's nuclear enrichment program.

UNITED STATES DOESN'T WANT: to comprise when dealing with Russia in dealing with Abkhazia and South Ossetia on their choice of alliances and European security.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To work cooperatively with the EU because Europe is the most important natural foreign policy partner and the USA cannot handle global issues on their own.

Summary:

This is an 8 page cable summarizing of two meetings with the Political Directors from 27 EU countries and Phil Gordon, the Assistant Secretary for the European and Eurasian Affairs.

The EU rotates its president every 6 months. These meetings took place in July 2009, just after the EU President from Sweden started serving. Several references were made stating that decisions on Iran's nuclear questions would have to wait until January 2011 when the new EU President would be from Spain. It seems that Sweden was holding back on approving sanctions on Iran.

The Greek Political Director made a very good point about the Middle East, "no one in the Middle East thinks Iran will actually use nuclear weapons against Israel." Rather, they think Israeli concerns over the Iranian nuclear program are motivated by a desire to not lose their strategic dominance.

The main reason for stopping Iran's nuclear plans is that it would set a bad precedence for the rest of the world. If the EU and the US allow Iran to develop nuclear weapons then there would be nothing to stop other countries in developing nuclear weapons.

The Israeli legislature is unable to act on anything regarding settlements.

The Zeltser release from Belarus

http://www.forbes.com/2008/03/18/zeltser-belarus-arrest-face-markets-cz_hb_0318autofacescan06.html

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM425

Cable Date: July 14, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: To go along with UN Security Council Resolution 1874.

FRANCE WANTS: To target the personal finances of North Korean leaders and impose some sort of visa ban for their travel to the European Union.

GERMANY WANTS: To call for additional European Union sanctions on luxury goods being sent to North Korea.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: To jeopardize its relationship and its protective power of the US in North Korea.

Summary:

UN Security Council Resolution 1894 was adopted on June 12, 2009. (Two days after this cable was written.) On May 25, North Korea tested its second nuclear bomb. UN Security Council Resolution 1894 condemns the North Korean test and toughens sanctions on North Korea.

<http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2009/sc9679.doc.htm>

Germany and France are circulating additional sanctions to target North Korean leader's finances in the EU, ban North Korean travel visas in the EU and stop the flow of luxury goods to North Korea. "REF: A. STATE 65483 B. STATE 66250 C. BERLIN 791"

These additional EU sanctions put Sweden in a jam. Sweden has an embassy in North Korea and is worried that these additional sanctions could get it expelled from North Korea along with other EU nations. "Sweden's ability to act as protecting power for the United States -- and Foyer's continuing ability to visit the two jailed American journalists -- could be affected."

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/06/08/world/asia/08north.html>

During their 12 weeks' incarceration, the women have been allowed to make only one telephone call each to their parents, and have received only three visits, from the Swedish Ambassador to Pyongyang who represents US interests in the absence of formal diplomatic relations.

<http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/asia/article6460150.ece>

Sweden – protecting power for USA

Sweden has a mandate on behalf of a number of other countries in North Korea. Since 1995, Sweden has acted as a 'protecting power' for the USA.

http://www.swedenabroad.com/News_____114034.aspx?slaveid=115021

North Korea declares Sweden an enemy –

<http://www.thelocal.se/13794/20080819/>

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

EU=European Union

Protecting Power – Basically, a 'protecting power' is any state that acts as a diplomatic proxy between two nations that don't have formal diplomatic relations established. Sweden acts as protecting power in North Korea for several nations, and also acted as protecting power for the UK in Iran for a while after the 1979 revolution.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protecting_power

Cable Ref #: 09STOCKHOLM428

Cable Date: 7/14/2009

Wikileaks Release Date: 1/13/2011 (revised 1/16/2011)

Subject: A preliminary discussion of the agenda for an upcoming GAERC meeting.

SWEDEN WANTS: the European Union strategy for Somalia to include concrete contingencies in case of an emergency.

SWEDEN WANTS: to focus on technical aspects of extending the mandate of the E.U. Monitoring Mission in Georgia, while avoiding broadening the political aspect to include the South Caucasus.

SWEDEN WANTS: a political rationale for extending the E.U. Monitoring Mission in Georgia to specify that Russia has not fulfilled its commitments.

SWEDEN WANTS: the political rationale for extending the E.U. Monitoring Mission in Georgia to specify that South Ossetia and Abkhazia are part of Georgia.

SWEDEN WANTS: to keep discussion of E.U. sanctions against Iran at a general level, though it realizes it has made this argument for two years already.

SWEDEN WANTS: the entry of Iceland into the European Union to occur during its E.U. presidency, but Iceland's progress is very slow.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: weaker language desired by other European Union members, which does not specifically name Russia as having failed to meet its commitments with regard to Georgia.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: to abandon its own national interests in the wording of the justification for extending the E.U. Monitoring Mission in Georgia.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: to include Georgian president Saakashvili in discussions of the EUMM mandate.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: to pull all E.U. heads of mission out of Iran, as the U.K. advocates, to apply pressure to free a British Embassy employee still held by Iran.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: its local employees in Tehran endangered in retaliation for withdrawal of E.U. diplomats.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: France's proposed expansion of a list of luxury goods banned for export to North Korea.

Acronyms & Abbreviations Explained:

Poloffs - Political officers

MFA - Minister/Ministry of Foreign Affairs

GAERC -General Affairs and External Relations Council, European Union

EUMM - European Union Monitoring Mission (Georgia)

EUSR - European Union Special Representative

UNSCR - U.N. Security Council Resolution

PSC - Personal Services Contract

DPRK - Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM557

Cable Date: 2009-08-31

WikiLeaks Publication Date: 2010-12-05

SWEDEN WANTS: The international community to influence the Afghan political community in “the right way” or the Afghan political system will fracture and the outcome will be worse than under the Taliban system.

SWEDEN WANTS: Carl Bildt, Sweden’s Minister of Foreign Affairs and former Prime Minister, wants to involve the Turks and Iranians in Afghanistan because they have the true knowledge of the country.

SWEDEN WANTS: Bildt wants the international community to make use of the people who really know Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: Bildt wants to update Sweden’s IT.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Bildt will not get involved with Guantanamo and defers the US to the UN and the Swedish Migration Board, the independent agency tasked with refugee decisions.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Turkey to become a member of the EU.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Swedish Foreign Minister Carl Bildt's help on Guantanamo.

Summary:

The most interesting part of this cable is Bildt's assessment of Afghanistan:

"Asked how things were going in Afghanistan, Bildt simply answered "very badly." He said over the past six months, conditions have worsened. The election results are very complicated and require careful management by the international community. Bildt said that he recently met Amb. Holbrooke, Peter Galbraith, and Barnett Rubin in Istanbul. Their discussion covered all possible scenarios in Afghanistan and each was profoundly difficult. Bildt said that if the international community does not influence Afghanistan in the right way, the Afghan political system will fracture and the outcome will be worse than under the Taliban system. Bildt opined that the Taliban will never conquer the country--even if the international community pulls out--but could significantly disrupt and destroy Afghanistan. If the Pashtuns fall out with the others and start fighting the Northern Alliance over election results, then the situation will seriously worsen. Bildt said that the situation in Afghanistan is unlike the situation in the Balkans or Caucasus because all of the Afghan actors are fighting for power in Kabul and lack secessionist desires. All international actors need to unite and insist that "we won't play games."

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

MFA – Minister of Foreign Affairs

UNHCR - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

<http://www.unhcr.org/pages/49c3646c4d6.html>

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM569

Cable Date: 8 September 2009

Wikileaks: 15 December 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Sweden (Deputy P.M. Maud Olofsson) wants U.S.-Sweden cooperation in alternative technology ("The One Big Thing") to show results, wants "to find proactive cooperation between U.S. and Swedish businesses on concrete projects

in the U.S. and Europe"

SWEDEN WANTS: ministerial-level U.S. official to attend October informal meeting of E.U. competitiveness ministers, to present U.S. efforts toward becoming an eco-efficient economy

SWEDEN WANTS: to expand the U.S.-E.U. alternative energy partnership to the E.U. level, to launch this effort ("The Next Big Thing," or NBT) at the U.S.-E.U. summit in November

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Sweden "does not want to see alternative technology efforts bogged down by geo-political discussions of the security side of the energy issue," i.e., if that would result from NBT being part of U.S.-E.U. Energy Council, or Next Best Thing "being run through Brussels," via the Transatlantic Economic Council

UNITED STATES WANTS: Next Big Thing distilled so that it could be incorporated into other countries' systems, Olofsson responds that "Sweden could arrange meetings to connect companies as part of the US-EU alternative energy partnership, and even co-finance projects if that is needed")

UNITED STATES(or at least embassy) Wants: to comply with Swedish request for U.S. representation at E.U. meetings.

UNITED STATES DOESN'T WANT: US does not want to comply with Sweden by attending the Alternative Energy conference. Invitations to attend declined by: Secretary of Energy, Chu; Deputy Secretary of Energy, Poneman; Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change, Browner; Secretary of Labor, Solis; Secretary of Health, Sebelius; Secretary of Homeland Security, Napolitano. Invitations still pending: Secretary Clinton; Deputy Secretary, Lew; Special Envoy, Stern

SUMMARY: Sweden is a proven leader in this area having grown its economy 46% between 1992-2008, while reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 9%.

Deputy Prime Minister, Swedish Official Maud Olofsson would like to have a Senior US Official actually attend meetings. The request for attendance from a Senior USG Official was a direct plea for help. She said she is hopeful that the USG will be able to demonstrate the importance it attaches to the bilateral links in the Alternative Energy area by sending an official.

Second Part of cable dealing with File Sharing

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to improve its efforts against illegal file sharing, pointing out that Sweden and the U.S. both have a lot to lose as "knowledge-based economies"

UNITED STATES WANTS: a public debate about illegal file sharing being theft from artists

SUMMARY: Olofsson's Center Party is the Swedish political party least supportive of U.S. pressure to crack down on illegal file sharing. Olofsson maintains that the problem should be addressed not only through legislation, but through the market providing an affordable product, while noting that Nokia and Ericsson have introduced new sharing products which pay artists.

Additional excerpts:

Olofsson: "Many young people...think that all file sharing is free."

"She pointed to the success of Sweden's Pirate Party in the European Parliamentary elections

as an example of that young people 'do not trust us.'
She said the Pirate Party attracted voters from both the right and the left."

Acronyms and Abbreviations Explained:

NBT= Next Big Thing

USG=United States Government

EU=European Union

Associated News Stories & Info Links:

<http://www.thebioenergysite.com/articles/258/biofuels-cooperation-the-next-big-thing-for-fas>

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM585

Cable Date: September 11, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Swedish Minister of Defense Tolgfors invites General McChrystal to attend a working dinner in Afghanistan on September 15, 2009.

SWEDEN WANTS: to be seen with key Afghan actors (the EU and US) in order ...to garner more Swedish public credibility regarding their mission in Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: The Swedes assess that a meeting of senior Swedish/EU, U.S./ISAF, and possibly UN representatives--with press coverage--would be very helpful to Sweden's efforts to get the EU to generate more civilian resources, and ultimately more troops, for Afghanistan.

UNITED STATES WANTS: the proposed dinner meeting to help Sweden's efforts with the EU, to help Swedish Defense Minister Tolgfors and Foreign Minister Carl Bildt in their efforts to expand Sweden's military and civilian presence in an increasingly violent area of Afghanistan.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Swedish leaders to gain public credibility in their message of supporting the USA in Afghanistan.

"We agree with what Swedish Chief of Defense General Sverker Goranson recently told Defense Attaché, that consultations with key U.S. actors earn Swedish leaders public credibility in their message of supporting the U.S. in Afghanistan."

Summary:

US and Swedish leaders in collusion are planning meetings between officials in order for public perception and to manipulate the Swedish public and politicians to continue to support the USA in Afghanistan.

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

ISAF - International Security Assistance Force, NATO based.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Security_Assistance_Force

Swedish PRT = Provincial Reconstruction Teams, NATO based.

NATO = North Atlantic Treaty Organization

ASSOCIATED NEWS STORIES & INFO LINKS -

2010 map of PRTs in Afghanistan

<http://www.nato.int/isaf/docu/epub/pdf/placemat.pdf>

Problems with Sweden's PRT - The conference was held to emphasize Sweden's commitment to Afghanistan following an Afghan television news report accusing the Swedish PRT of failing in their reconstruction efforts.

<http://www.nato.int/isaf/docu/pressreleases/2009/02/pr090210-126.html>

More on Sweden's roll in Afghanistan

http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/IMG/pdf/Swedish_support_to_Afghanistan.pdf

This is an excellent article in Sweden's English newspaper dated Dec 2010 about what is going in Sweden regarding their involvement in Afghanistan

<http://www.thelocal.se/30858/20101215/>

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM599

Cable Date: 21 September 2009

WikiLeaks Publication Date: 5 December 2010

Subject: Who is [Foreign Minister] Carl Bildt?

SWEDEN (Bildt) WANTS: (In order to justify stronger Iran sanctions) Information on companies in key industries where European goods cannot easily be replaced.

SWEDEN WANTS Evidence that sanctions will affect leaders, not the general population.

SWEDEN WANTS: U.S. to demonstrate that Europe will lose credibility if it allows Tehran to manipulate the West.

SWEDEN WANTS: Assurances that the U.S. is pressuring other E.U. nations as well as Sweden.

SWEDEN (Bildt) WANTS: To maintain a good working relationship with Iranian Foreign Minister Mottaki.

SWEDEN (Bildt) WANTS: To establish an internationally monitored organization to provide peaceful nuclear technology to regimes, as an alternative to sanctions.

SWEDEN (Bildt) WANTS: Increased civilian involvement in Afghanistan (though this is ambiguous as to whether Swedish or Afghan).

SWEDEN WANTS: A civilian-military plan for Afghanistan as an outcome of an upcoming defense ministers' meeting.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Stronger E.U. sanctions on Iran.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Future additional Swedish troop deployments to Afghanistan.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To help Bildt help Prime Minister Reinfeldt achieve his goals, so that Bildt will have more clout "to lobby for U.S. priorities."

Summary: This is a detailed, very personal, analysis of Foreign Minister Carl Bildt; almost all of the policies, attitudes, and actions described are his, not necessarily Sweden's as a whole. It notes particularly his long-standing (and outspoken) suspicions of Russia, his pro-Turkey stance, that he has a tendency to act on his own--often without the Prime Minister knowing beforehand what he intends to do, and that he is not inclined to agree to proposals merely as a quid pro quo unless he is convinced they will achieve something he desires.

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM615

Meeting Date: September 25, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: 12 05 2010 / December 5, 2010

SUBJECT: "WE LOOK UNCOORDINATED: SWEDES "EMBARRASSED" BY E
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BEHAVIOR AT AHMADINEJAD SPEECH

SWEDEN WANTS: to respond in other ways to objectionable, heinous statements rather than walking out of United Nations general Assembly meetings.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: to be embarrassed or look like they can't coordinate anything.

SUMMARY:

Björn Lyrvall, Director-General for Political Affairs at Sweden's Ministry for Foreign Affairs was listening "outside with headphones on," ready to give the

"Pre-arranged signal" for all EU reps to walk out during Ahmadienijad's speech.

The signal was to be given if the "red lines" agreed upon by the EU-27 were crossed.

The "red lines" are the denial of the Holocaust or of the right for Israel to exist.

Members walked out without the signal.

For more on Lyrvall:

http://www.se2009.eu/en/meetings_news/2009/7/1/the_eu_increasingly_coordinated_in_foreign_policy

EU-27 = Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM677

Cable Date: 28 October 2009

WikiLeaks Publication Date: 5 December 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Stronger ties with the U.S.

SWEDEN WANTS: A strong E.U. observer mission for the Afghan election.

SWEDEN WANTS: To strengthen the E.U. Police Mission in Afghanistan, with greater participation by other... E.U. members.

SWEDEN WANTS: Better coordination of E.U. missions in Afghanistan.

SWEDEN WANTS: To strengthen Afghan capacity for self-governance.

SWEDEN WANTS: Stronger E.U. ties with former Soviet states.

SWEDEN WANTS: Russia to take part in European policy, but Sweden is suspicious of Russia's intentions.

SWEDEN WANTS: Western Balkan states integrated into the E.U.

SWEDEN WANTS: An end to the civilian peace agency in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

SWEDEN WANTS: Bosnian cooperation with reforms necessary to be integrated into the E.U.

SWEDEN WANTS: E.U. membership for Turkey.

SWEDEN WANTS: More Turkish progress on meeting Ankara Protocol requirements.

SWEDEN WANTS: A unified E.U. approach to opposing Iranian nuclear programs.

SWEDEN WANTS: The use of sanctions on Iran to support diplomatic dialogue.

SWEDEN WANTS: Successful outcome of Copenhagen climate negotiations in December.

SWEDEN WANTS: U.S. climate legislation, to make possible a comprehensive climate agreement.

SWEDEN WANTS: A U.S. commitment to a comprehensive climate treaty with emission targets, in early 2010.

SWEDEN WANTS: Greater U.S. leadership in pressing Brazil, South Africa, Russia, China, and India to discuss climate change financing.

SWEDEN WANTS: To work with the U.S. to narrow the gap between the U.S. and Chinese positions in the climate change negotiations.

SWEDEN WANTS: A successful E.U. presidency, which Swedish voters will judge largely on the outcome of the Copenhagen talks.

SWEDEN WANTS: Approval of the European Council's Capital Regulatory Directive, which aims to control executive compensation to reduce risk.

SWEDEN WANTS: To coordinate with the U.S. on financial reform, but only as much as allowed by E.U. members.

SWEDEN WANTS: To use a U.N. referral as cover for accepting Guantanamo detainees.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Additional E.U. sanctions on Iran without a U.N. Security Council resolution.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Two different financial systems, as will happen if the U.S. and Europe do not coordinate financial reform.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to accept Guantanamo detainees.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Additional E.U. sanctions on Iran.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to increase its Afghanistan commitment.

UNITED STATES WANTS: To coordinate climate change messages with Sweden for E.U. summits in India and China.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Executive compensation and bonuses to remain variable.

UNITED STATES WANTS: An end to the civilian peace agency in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Summary: This is a detailed briefing in advance of Prime Minister Reinfeldt's visit to Washington, D.C., and meeting with President Obama.

Acronyms and abbreviations explained:

COP-15 - 15th Conference of the Parties, Copenhagen meeting of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

FSB - Financial Supervisory Board

ECOFIN - Meeting of E.U. Financial Ministers

OMLT - Operational Mentor and Liaison Team

EUPOL - European Police Mission

EaP - Eastern Partnership, to improve E.U. relations with Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Georgia

OHR - Office of the High Representative, the civilian peace implementation agency in Bosnia-Herzegovina

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM679

Cable Date: October 30, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

UNITED STATES WANTS: Personal information about the Swedish Prime Minister, presumably as brief to US diplomats with scheduled meetings with him.

SWEDEN WANTS: The Swedish EU Presidency has compelled Swedish Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt to take a stance on EU related issues. Particularly on climate change and The Lisbon Treaty.

Summary:

A memorandum to the Secretary of State about the personality/psychology, political modus operandi and history/personal details of the Swedish PM.

Probably public knowledge or gossip from the political circuit (e.g. likes the odd drink but not hard stuff) rather than serious privacy invasion (e.g. passport number etc). Generally complimentary.

Associated News Stories & Links -

Already reported in Sweden

at http://svtplay.se/v/2256485/dokument_inifran/de_hemliga_telegrammen

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM707

Cable Date: 10 November 2009

Wikileaks publication date: 5 December 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Social Democratic Party (SDP) wants to strengthen US-Swedish relations through cooperation on climate change and shared

cultural values SDP supports Sweden's continued mission in Afghanistan SDP

leader Mona Sahlin says Europe is awaiting Obama's new Afghanistan/Pakistan strategy

UNITED STATES DOESN'T

WANT: "Sahlin explained that three years ago the Swedish public's

anti-U.S. sentiments were strong, but a big shift has occurred. President Obama's election

was one factor; the other is a better understanding by Swedes of how to deal with the U.S."

"All but one party in the parliament" supports Sweden's involvement in Afghanistan (presumably the Sweden Democrats, who Sahlin later describes as Sweden's "xenophobic" party, with which none of the other parties will work).

*NOTE - This cable references cable "Stockholm 686" just after the subject line, but WL has not published 686, yet.

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM779

Meeting Date: December 15, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: Basic overview of Muslim demographics in Sweden. "The tremendous diversity of fast-growing Muslim communities in Sweden provides unique opportunities for outreach and engagement to Muslim individuals with social and economic ties to the Middle East, Africa, and South Central Asia."

Summary: This is the first in a three-part series on Muslim communities in Sweden. Part one describes demographic trends in Muslim-majority immigrant communities. Part two outlines immigrant integration struggles in Swedish society. Part three discusses Islamic radicalization and extremism as well as U.S. engagement programs with Muslim-majority communities in Sweden.

The Bellevue Mosque in Gothenburg follows the Salafi movement and is attended by many Somali individuals. In July 2009, Xasaan Xuseen, a spiritual leader of al-Shabaab, visited the Bellevue Mosque, causing concern that young people would be recruited to fight with al-Shabaab in Somalia.

Cable Reference Number: 09STOCKHOLM787

Cable Date: December 18, 2009

WikiLeaks Published Date: December 5, 2010

SWEDEN WANTS: The Swedish government is debating proposed laws to curb terrorist recruiting and financing in Sweden.

SWEDEN DOESN'T WANT: Sweden remains reluctant to discuss Muslim immigrant integration because of the potential to inflame xenophobic viewpoints.

UNITED STATES WANTS: Sweden to ramp up its program of preventing Islamist radicalization and extremism. US Muslim engagement plan calls for strengthening ties with faith-based institutions as well as civic leaders.

Summary: The US feels that Sweden may not be doing enough to prevent Muslim extremists.

Several cases are cited in this report -

Mehdi Ghezali, a Swedish citizen arrested in Pakistan and sent to Guantanamo for 3 years. There is a documentary that was made about Mehdi called “Gitmo – The New Rules of War”.

In August 2009, after this report was written, Mehdi was arrested again at the Afghan border. This time he was blamed for an uprising at the Pakistani prison where he is being kept. 17 people were killed during this uprising. He has since been released and returned to Sweden.

http://www.historycommons.org/entity.jsp?entity=mehdi_ghezali

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehdi_Ghezali

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gitmo_%E2%80%93_The_New_Rules_of_War

Abu Qaswara, aka Mohammad Moumou, was a Moroccan-born Swedish national who was the No. 2 leader of al-Qaida in Iraq and the senior leader in Northern Iraq. He died in a building in Mosul during a shootout with American troops.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mohamed_Moumou

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2008/10/16/AR2008101603615.html>

The Rosengard Report, January 2009. The controversial report, which garnered a good deal of media attention, interviewed city officials and leaders in a central district of Malmo called Rosengard.

<http://islamineurope.blogspot.com/2009/01/malmo-rosengard-report-under-attack.html>

<http://www.thelocal.se/30350/20101122/>

Cable Ref #: 10STOCKHOLM62

Cable Date: 2/12/2010

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SUBJECT: SWEDEN RECEIVES U.S.-EU SECOND STAGE AIR TRANSPORT
NEGOTIATIONS DEMARCHE

Cryptic cable which refers to delivery of a "reftel demarche."

Acronyms and Abbreviations explained:

Reftel - reference telegram

Septel - separate telegram

Demarche - a request or intercession, requesting support or registering a protest