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Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 3:52 PM
To: John R. Bolton
Cc: Christine Samuelian
Subject: Prepublication Review Edits for Pick-Up

Good afternoon Ambassador Bolton,

Thank you for submitting your revised manuscript to the National Security Council (NSC) Access Management directorate for pre-publication review. I appreciate your efforts to address the classification concerns in the latest draft version you submitted. Many of the changes are satisfactory. However, additional edits are required to ensure the protection of national security information.

To assist in making the additional required changes, I will provide a list of required edits and language substitutions to guide you in this next stage of revising the draft. I have made this list available in printed copy for you or a courier to pick-up as it contains unclassified information. After receiving the list, I ask that you review the edits and make the changes to the draft. To expedite the review process, I ask that you use "track changes" or another type of formatting convention to identify all of the edits you make so that I may distinguish between the version just reviewed and the new version you plan to submit.

It would be helpful for you to note on the list provided those edits you did not make and/or those you wish to discuss with me. Please let me know when you have finished editing the draft manuscript and completed the annotations to the list and we can then discuss the best way to address any concerns you may have with the required changes. We can also discuss the most efficient method for resubmitting the revised manuscript.

Please note I will have to review the edited manuscript again to ensure the edits were completed, checking both your work and mine to ensure no classified information remains in the manuscript. As such, I must reiterate that the prepublication review remains in process. Even after making the edits, you are not authorized to publish or further disseminate the manuscript or its contents until expressly given clearance by me to do so.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about next steps in the prepublication review process.

Thank you,
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