- 1 [The court-martial was called to order at 1137, 1 August 2013.]
- 2 MJ: Court is called to order. All parties present when the
- 3 court last recessed are again present in court. The witness is on
- 4 the witness stand. Major Fein?
- 5 TC[MAJ FEIN]: Yes, ma'am. Your Honor, this session is--will
- 6 be--is a closed session, classified at the Secret level. The court
- 7 security officer cleared the courtroom and completed his checklist
- 8 and that will be filed with the post-trial documents.
- And, also, ma'am, in the courtroom, other than the parties,
- 10 is the bailiff, the Court's paralegal, members of the prosecution
- 11 team, the security, members of the defense team, and U.S. government,
- 12 properly cleared, officials.
- 13 MJ: Proceed.
- 14 [Ms. Dibble was reminded of her previous oath and examination
- 15 continued.]
- 16 Questions by the assistant trial counsel [CPT OVERGAARD]:
- 17 Q. In the open session, you talked about your experience in
- 18 preparing cables?
- 19 A. Uh-huh.
- 20 Q. Could you tell us, has that way--has the way of preparing
- 21 cables changed at all in the Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs as a
- 22 result of WikiLeaks?

- 1 A. I think it's fair to say that our officers are a little
- 2 more cautious than they were before because, when the purported
- 3 cables were released, a number of our sources were identified and, in
- 4 some cases, compromised--some of our contacts--so--especially in the
- 5 immediate aftermath, I think it led to a--us including less detail in
- 6 cables, especially identifying details.
- 7 Q. And what was the impact, in your opinion, of including less
- 8 detail?
- 9 A. Well, you don't get the full picture, the full context--as
- 10 much of the back story as you would. I mean, as with anything, the
- 11 more sharper [sic] you can paint a picture, the clearer the story is.
- 12 So there was a bit of--I think a bit more fuzziness, if you will.
- 13 And, maybe a word about why we included names in the first place,
- 14 because, if I am a reporting officer and I am writing a cable on the
- 15 democracy movement in Syria, I mean, just to give as an example, my
- 16 conversations with certain people who are identified with that
- 17 democracy movement or who are activists are much more meaningful than
- 18 if I'm just talking to a taxi driver or a busboy at the hotel. So,
- 19 you're--again, to help the readership back in the interagency policy
- 20 community have a better understanding of the situation, we included
- 21 identifying information, in some cases, with the parenthesis, "please
- 22 protect," because we were concerned about disclosure of who our
- 23 contacts were.

- 1 Q. And you'd also mentioned comments were often in a lot of
- 2 the cables that were written. Why are those comments important to
- 3 include in cables?
- 4 A. The comment portion of a cable is often used for the
- 5 drafting officer or the Embassy, the ambassador, the DCM--Deputy
- 6 Chief of Mission is DCM--to add his or her opinion analysis of the
- 7 facts being reported. You know, we can write a cable on Subject X,
- 8 you know, the upcoming elections in--pick a country--and we can state
- 9 the facts: "The elections are going to be held on this day. There
- 10 are X number of candidates vying for X number of seats," but it's
- 11 often in the comments section where the color, the background, and
- 12 the opinions--the analysis of the drafting officer or of the Embassy
- 13 get put in.
- 14 Q. And why is that analysis of the drafting officer so
- 15 important at the Embassy?
- 16 A. It's important because it tells Washington in--for an
- 17 example, that--"Okay, although these are the facts, we don't think
- 18 this is actually--this is what we're being told by the government or
- 19 these are the facts--this isn't how we actually think this is going
- 20 to turn out," or, "These are the facts and these facts are important
- 21 because of this. You know, "This is our interpretation," because
- 22 that's really what we're there to do is not to just report what
- 23 anyone could read in the media, but to add our analysis

- 1 interpretation of what this means and why it's important for U.S.
- 2 interests, for U.S. foreign policy, why it matters to us.
- 3 Q. And what is your analysis and interpretation based on?
- A. It is based on analysis of the facts, but it's also based
- 5 on the feel that we have because we're on the ground and we're the
- 6 eyes and ears of the U.S. government on the ground. It is based on
- 7 our views on the credibility of the person who is telling us
- 8 something. It's--that's an area where the comment or analysis area--
- 9 where, if we think someone is telling us something because they think
- 10 we want to hear it, you know, we'd say it there. "Well, this is what
- 11 the government is saying, but our other sources tell us--or indicate
- 12 to us that this is really what's happening or this is what's behind
- 13 that decision."
- So it goes--it delves a layer or two deeper into the
- 15 situation to put it in context for our readership back in the U.S.
- 16 Q. Now, we talked a little bit in the open session about when
- 17 the cables were first released. What position were you in when the
- 18 actual leaks -- or the unauthorized disclosures first began?
- 19 A. I was a Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of
- 20 European Affairs at the time.
- Q. What does it mean to be the Deputy Assistant Secretary?
- 22 A. I worked for the Assistant Secretary. I was one of--I
- 23 believe there were seven of us working on European Affairs. My

1	specific portfolio included Western Europeso the 11 countries of
2	Western Europe as defined by the State Departmentand I also covered
3	the European Union. I had just come from being Deputy Chief of
4	Mission in Rome. Italy was one of the countries that I covered.
5	Q. Did you, personally, experience any impact from the
6	unauthorized disclosures?
7	A. Yes, unfortunately.
8	Q. What was it?
9	A. I had been, as I said, Deputy Chief of Mission, and for a
10	period of 7 months, I was chargé d'affaires in Rome when we were
11	between ambassadors.
12	Q. Can you tell us what that means?
13	A. Chargé d'affaires is when there is no ambassador in a
14	country, the seniorthe next most-senior official is in charge of
15	the Embassy; it's the acting-ambassador, if you will. And I was
16	acting-ambassador in Italy from February to August of 2009. Included
17	in that period was a visit to Italy by President Obama; his first
18	visit to Italy.
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- 1 A. I had just left Rome when the first wave of cables came
- 2 out--or purported cables came out and the--I was in my new job as
- 3 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Europe. I was vilified in the
- 4 Italian press for insulting the honor of the Prime Minister. It
- 5 hampered my--because my Italian contacts were, I think, embarrassed
- 6 by this, it hampered my ability, to a certain extent, to deal with
- 7 the Italians. I got comments like, "Well, we thought you were our
- 8 friend. We thought you could --we could trust you." Right after the
- 9 release occurred, the, then Secretary of State, Secretary Clinton met
- 10 with Prime Minister Berlusconi at an OSCE, Organization for Security
- 11 and Cooperation in Europe, Summit in Kazakhstan and he raised--I was
- 12 not in this meeting, but my boss, the Assistant Secretary for
- 13 European Affairs was and----
- 14 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me, Ms. Dibble. Ma'am, we'd object as
- 15 to hearsay.
- 16 MJ: Yes?
- 17 [Examination of the witness continued.]
- 18 Q. And, actually, we would just ask that you focus on your
- 19 personal impact, versus what you heard.
- 20 WIT: Well, I got told by my boss, when he got back from this
- 21 meeting----
- 22 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Again, I'm sorry to interrupt Ms. Dibble.
- 23 Objection, hearsay.

- 1 Q. Without going into what your boss said, what impact did you
- 2 experience?
- 3 A.

- 5 Q. And when did you move back over to the Near Eastern Affairs
- 6 Bureau?
- 7 A. In the summer of 2011, right around Labor Day.
- Q. And were there still cables being posted on WikiLeaks at
- 9 that time?
- 10 A. Yes, I think there was a tranche--I believe there was a
- 11 tranche--or the full tranche was posted in that summer in August, as
- 12 I recall. I don't recall the exact date, but----
- 13 Q. Did you review any of those cables at the--in the Near East
- 14 Affairs Bureau?
- 15 A. Yes, I did. And we're going to start--and we're just going
- 16 to talk about what's been the overall impact and then break down into
- 17 the specific countries. So, can you tell us about, just what overall
- 18 impact of the release of these cables was on the Near East?
- 19 A. Again, I think----
- Q. On the U.S. operation----
- 21 A. Sure.
- 22 O. ---in the Near East.
- 23 A. On U.S. operations?

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7	MJ: Yes?
8	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me, Ms. Dibble. Ma'am, we'd object to
9	that as to her understanding of that information is based on hearsay
LO	MJ: She's testifying in her expert capacity. That's fine.
L1	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: All right, ma'am.
L2	[Examination of the witness continued.]
L3	Q. And we'll get towe'll go into Libya in more detail in a
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2	go into detail about what the is or is that
3	MJ: I got that.
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12	Q. And can you explain the importance of our relationship with
13	Libya at that time?
14	A. Libya had been a pariah state for several decades,
15	basically, under Omar Ghaddafi's reign from thehe took power in
16	1969. Libya was a state-sponsor of terrorism. Libya was pursuing a
17	program of weapons of mass destruction. Libya was responsible for
18	the Pan-Am 103 bombing in 1988 that killed a number of U.S. citizens.
19	There were a couple of other terrorist interests that were pinned
20	attributed tocredited by Libya.
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8	Q. Did we have an Embassy in Libya at the time?
9	A. We had an Embassy, but, before that, it was headed by a
10	Deputy Chief of Mission/Chargé d'Affaires. It took a long time to
11	get an ambassador back,
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13	and also to get an ambassador through the
14	Congress because there was great skepticism. So, Gene Cretz was our
15	first ambassador in Libya in several decades.
16	Q. And was he the ambassador in late 2010 when the cables were
17	initially released?
18	A. Yes, he was.
19	Q. And how long had he been in Libya at the time?
20	A. I'm trying to remember2008I guess it was the summer of
21	2008 he went back there. He had been there for a couple of yearsI
22	think it was 2 1/2 years at that point.

1	Q.	And what happened to the ambassadorto Ambassador Cretz in
2	late 20	10 as a result of WikiLeaks?
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4	AD	C[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, this is just where we would object;
5	1001(b)	(4).
6	MJ	: Got it. Go ahead.
7	[Examin	ation of the witness continued.]
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14	Q.	Like you were explaining before?
15	Α.	Yes. I should say, at the bottom of all of our cables,
16	there's	a signature block and, you know, if I'm signing outif I'm
17	the cha	rgé d'affaires, the cable would say, "Dibble" at the bottom.
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3	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Pardon me, Ms. Dibble. Ma'am, objection,
4	hearsay.
5	MJ: All right. On this one, the Court believes that under
6	M.R.E. 703, that this would be more probative in value in helping the
7	fact-finder evaluate the opinion and that it substantially outweighs
8	the prejudicial effect. I'm going to overrule the objection.
9	Go ahead.
10	[Examination of the witness continued.]
11	Q. You can continue.
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20	A. In February of 2011, the Libyan Revolution erupted.
21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'amI'm sorry, Ms. Dibbleagain, this
22	1001(b)(4) objection; relevance, generally.
23	MJ: Okay. Got it.

1	[Examination of the witness continued.]
2	A. The Libyan Revolution erupted and it became clear as the
3	fighting intensified in and around Tripoli that we would have to
4	evacuate not only U.S. government personnel, but any American
5	citizens who wanted to be evacuated which isevacuating private
6	Americans is standard practice under the No Double Standard Rule.
7	So, if we're pulling all of our folks out, we have to offer
8	assistance to pull out Americanprivate Americans as well.
9	Q. And who wasafter Ambassador Cretz left, who was in charge
10	of the Embassy?
11	A. The Embassy was run by the Deputy Chief of Mission who,
12	after Ambassador Cretz's departure, became the Chargé d'Affaires, who
13	was a very a capable, but more junior officer. She was, in our
14	parlance, an O1 officer which is the equivalent of an O6 in the
15	military system. Ambassador Cretz is Senior Foreign Service,
16	equivalent of a two-star. So, we were without our senior leadership
17	at the Embassy.
18	Q. And what role does an ambassador play when a country goes
19	through turmoil like Libya was going through at the time?
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4	MJ: Captain Overgaard, I am going to stop you, here, for a
5	moment.
6	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Yes, ma'am.
7	MJ: Where are you going with this? Is the
8	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Well, my next question is: "Would there
9	have been a benefit to having Ambassador Cretz there and, in your
10	opinion, what would that benefit have been?"
11	MJ: Ms. Dibble, could the Department of State have put another
12	person of ambassador level in Libya at the time?
13	WIT: No, we couldn't have gotten approval from the Libyans to
14	send someone in on short notice because ofyou can't just re-
15	appointyou can't appoint an ambassador without Senate confirmation
16	process and, even getting a temporary ambassador requires visas and
17	things like that and, as things were happening so quickly, we didn't
18	have an option. That was our judgment at the time.
19	MJ: All right. Develop your foundation if you're going to go
20	down there.
21	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Yes, ma'am.
22	MJ: Go ahead.
23	[Examination of the witness continued.]

1	Q. And you said the replacement was an O6 level and Ambassador				
2	Cretz was, basically, our equivalent of a two-star. What weight does				
3	the title of ambassador carry in a country such as Libya?				
4	A. It carries a great deal of weight in any country because				
5	ambassadors are recognized as sort of the top dog and areespecially				
6	in the U.S. system because they require Senate confirmation; they're				
7	presidential appointees. So, in terms of protocol and access, it is				
8	much easier for an ambassador to get in to see senior government				
9	officials and press a case, as opposed to having to go in at the				
10	working level, say, of the foreign ministry and try and work an issue				
11	from there.				
12	Q. So, does it help with negotiations?				
13	A. Yes, it does.				
14	Q. Does it help with getting things done in a country?				
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- 1 Q. And, as we talked about it, you said that more context
- 2 would have helped you understand and comment on the quote and I'll
- 3 just start there. Okay?
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. And the--here's the full quote from the secretary: "The
- 6 fact is governments deal with the United States because it's in their
- 7 interest, not because they like us, not because they trust us, not
- 8 because they believe we can keep secrets. Many governments--some
- 9 governments deal with us because they fear us, some because they
- 10 respect us, most because they need us. We are, essentially, as has
- 11 been said before, the indispensable nation."
- Does that context help you process that a little better?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Do you agree with that statement?
- 15 MJ: Let the record reflect Chief Parra has entered the
- 16 courtroom. Go ahead.
- A. I don't agree with that 100 percent. I don't know--maybe
- 18 you can tell me when the quote was released and the context--was that
- 19 a public quote?
- 20 Q. Yes, ma'am, it was.
- 21 A. In press guidance--or what was it?

1	Q.	It was a public quote in athis was in thein his
2	interacti	on with reportersthe quote that I have is dated November
3	30th, 201	0.
4	Α.	Well, with all respect to the former Secretary of Defense,
5	I don't a	gree, entirely, with everything that is included in that
6	statement	, no.
7	Q.	And there are sometimes disagreements between
8	represent	atives of the United Statesor individuals in the United
9	States go	vernment?
10	Α.	Yes, frequently.
11	Q.	And this would just be one of those instances?
12	Α.	[No response.]
13	Q.	
14		Thanksand ma'am, again, when I ask you
15	questions	when I stop talking, if you would respond to the statement
16	or questi	on
17	Α.	Okay.
18	Q.	verbally, that would be great.
19	Α.	Okay.
20	Q.	Thank you.
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A. Yes.

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1	Q.	Now you're going to be the Deputy Chief of Mission of
2	London?	
3	Α.	Correct.
4	Q.	And that personnel move was unrelated to these disclosures?
5	Α.	Correct.
6	Q.	Your career inside the United States government has not
7	been harm	ed as a result of this public disclosure?
8	Α.	No.
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2	Q.	They were fairly harsh with him?
3	Α.	The Italian press?
4	Q.	Yes.
5	Α.	Parts of it, yes.
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1 Α. 2 3 Q. 4 5 Yes, and then, like any cable--I mean, as a drafting 6 7 officer, you know, if I'm a mid-level officer in an Embassy, I draft a cable, I don't just send it out. 8 9 0. Right. 10 It goes up through the chain through the clearance process. 11 0. And you've been part of that clearance process, right? 12 Yes, I have. Α. And sometimes you tell the drafting officer to take out 13 14 information? 15 A. Yes, or to add--to expand to this session, yeah. 16 Because the concept, generally stated, with cables is to 17 inform someone about an event of importance to the Embassy? 18 Α. Correct. 19 0. And, therefore, an event of importance----An event of importance to the United States government. 20 Α. 21 Q. Right. 22 Yeah. Α.

That's what I was driving at.

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2	Q.	Thank you, ma'am. Now, you talked about the Arab Spring
3	and here'	s the way I would described the Arab Spring in succession:
4	there was	a revolution in Tunisiaor the government fell in Tunisia-
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9	Q.	And thatthe president of Tunisia, his name was?
10	Α.	Zine El Abidine Ben Ali.
11	Q.	And he'd been the long-time president of Tunisia?
12	Α.	Yes, since 1987.
13	Q.	And then after Tunisia, the Arab Spring shifted to Egypt?
14	Α.	Egypt.
15	Q.	And the government of President Mubarak fell, correct?
16	Α.	Yes, President Mubarak did not take the Ben Ali option of
17	hopping o	on a plane and stayed and ended upbasically, there was a
18	the popul	ar uprising resulted in Mubarak being placed under arrest.
19	Q.	And, I guess, before we go any further, sometimes there are
20	different	euphemisms for governments falling. One way to describe a
21	governmen	t falling would be the coalition running the government
22	stopped w	orking and thebut, otherwise, the institutions of the

government remained in place.

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1 A. Yeah.

1	Α.	Yes, and that's what happens in a parliamentary democracy,
2	for examp	le. You know, the government falls and they call for new
3	elections	, but the army still functions, the civil service still
4	functions	; you know, that's what happens in a place like Italy, for
5	example,	when the government falls.
6	Q.	Right. But, we're talking about these governments falling,
7	they wash	ed away?
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14	Q.	Right.
15	A.	
16	Q.	And then the work in progress in the spring of 2011
17	continued	after the event in Egypt to the events in Libya?
18	Α.	Now,
19	Q.	Thank you, ma'am. And we talkedwe had two
20	interview	s, is that right, Ms. Dibble?
21	Α.	Yes.
22	Q.	You and I have met twice?
23	Α.	Yes.

1	Q. In fact, you met with me and Captain Tooman and Mr. Coombs
2	joined us today and our defense security experts?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. In the first one, we talked about the cause of the Arab
5	Spring, and I don't know if you remember that; it's been a while.
6	A. I don't remember the specific conversation.
7	Q. It has been a while, but I asked you in that conversation,
8	"Did the WikiLeaks disclosures cause the Arab Spring?"
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21	Q. Right. And you would use that
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1	Q. But the WikiLeaksbut these disclosures, they did public	ly
2	revealed certain information about Tunisia to Tunisiansthat they	
3	didn't have thosethat information before? Do you see what I mean	.?
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21	Q. Certainly, ma'am. And we were just talking about Tunisia	ng.
22	but the arc that you were talking about where people thatand I'm-	_
23	I'll just restate the arc as I understood itthe individuals in	

1	these countries, Egypt, Libya, Yemen, Tunisia, they knewthey
2	intuitively knew things were true about their own country, but now
3	with these disclosures, they had other information to inform their
4	opinions?
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16	Q. It wasn't a surprise, but it was information they didn't
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- 1 Q. Now, was Cretz leaving--he wasn't the cause of the Libyan
- 2 revolution, was he?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Let's talk about the evacuation. You indicated that there
- 5 was an evacuation had to be done for the Embassy and the personnel in
- 6 the Embassy?
- 7 A. Yes, and also for private American citizens.
- Q. In that evacuation would've had to occur no matter who was
- 9 the ambassador or the chargé or whatever? The nature of the
- 10 revolution caused the evacuation?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And the evacuation required a good bit of resources to pull
- 13 off?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Any required a good bit of coordination with the Libyan
- 16 government, as it existed then?
- 17 A.
- 18 Q. Ambassador Cretz's absence made the evacuation more
- 19 difficult?
- 20 A.
- 21 Q. The evacuation still occurred?
- 22 A. Yes.

1	Q.	And	the	mission,	in	its	entirety,	to	pull	out	that	American
2	Embassy	was ac	ccomp	olished?								
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3	Q.	Now, you indicated once, beforein fact, I guess it came
4	up in you	r role when you had to be the chargé in the Italian Embassy-
5	-that the	Italian Embassy was between ambassadors for a while, right?
6	Α.	Correct.
7	Q.	And it's a fairly routine occurrence to have an ambassador
8	leave an I	Embassy?
9	Α.	Yes, we rotate our ambassadors, more or less, on 3-year
10	cycles.	
11	Q.	Andall right, ma'am. Thank you. Those are all the
12	questions	I have about Libya. I reconsidered asking the question I
13	was going	to ask.
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18	ADC[MAJ HUR	RLEY]:	
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21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thank you, ma'am.
22	MJ: Redirect?
23	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Yes, ma'am.

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2	Questions by	the	assistant	trial	counsel	[CPT	OVERGAARD]:
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20	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Thank you.
21	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.
22	MJ: Briefly.
23	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.

1	MJ: And the government gets the last word; it's their witness.
2	So, go ahead.
3	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Yes, ma'am.
4	RECROSS-EXAMINATION
5	Questions by the assistant defense counsel [MAJ HURLEY]:
6	Q. Ms. Dibble, there are reporting channels to the 65 other
7	U.S. government agencies that are not SIPDIS, right?
8	A. Yes, there are.
9	Q. And are you aware that Undersecretary Kennedy testified
L O	that, during the same time you distributed 250,000 cables on SIPDIS,
_1	you distributed 10 times that amount, or 2.5 million cables, through
12	these other channels.
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L 5	Q. So, it was truly sensitive, a more restricted channel or
L 6	one of these other methods could have been used and you would not
_7	have to worry about not getting the information to those who need it?
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20	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Thank you, ma'am.
21	MJ: Go ahead.
22	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: No more questions, ma'am.
23	MJ: I just have one.

9 <u>1</u> 5	EXAMINATION BY THE COURT-MARTIAL
2	Questions by the military judge:
3	Q. The "Please protect" label on the cablesare you aware of
4	any cable with the "Please protect" label on it that was one of the
5	250,000 plus released?
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9	MJ: Any follow-up based on that?
10	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: No, ma'am.
11	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: No, ma'am.
12	MJ: Okay. Temporary or permanent excusal?
13	ATC[CPT OVERGAARD]: Temporary, ma'am.
14	[The witness was duly warned, temporarily excused, and withdrew from
15	the courtroom.]
16	MJ: All right. I'm looking at the time. Do you still want to
17	begin at 1430, or do you need a little bit of additional time now
18	that we've
19	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: Ma'am, will stick with 1430 and then we'll
20	come back and give the order of court at 1345 to let you know if we
21	do need any more time.
22	MJ: Okay. I won't be here, so, you can
23	ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: We'll leave word with you, ma'am.

- 1 MJ: Okay. That sounds good.
- 2 ADC[MAJ HURLEY]: We will leave for you, I guess.
- 3 MJ: Anything else we need to address?
- 4 TC[MAJ FEIN]: No, ma'am. This session was at the Secret level,
- 5 for the record.
- 6 MJ: Okay. So, court is in recess, now until 1430.
- 7 [The court-martial recessed at 1309, 1 August 2013.]