Re: Summit of Americas

ashalia@usaid.gov Amol Shalia Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 2:21:14 PM Eastern Daylight Time
To: [redacted]@fb.com Brian Rice
Cc: adsiegel@usaid.gov Adam Siegel, jowalsh@usaid.gov Johnny Walsh, [redacted]@fb.com Sandra Luff, aaid-fo-scheduling@usaid.gov A/AID FO Scheduling, rdealwis@usaid.gov Ronalie De Alwis, [redacted]@fb.com Erma R. Hernandez, [redacted]@fb.com Carrig Balderston

Hey Brian,

Sorry for the delay and thanks for everyone's patience. Unfortunately, we will not be able to schedule a meeting formally or on the margins this week in LA. Both those options y'all generously offered have a few immovable conflicts on our end (bilats and speaking engagements). I was trying to take as much time as possible to see what was and was not movable. This relationship is important to us so it is regrettable we won't be able to find some time this week when they're in town. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us in the future about how we can be of support and assistance.

Best,

On Tue, Jun 7, 2022 at 2:03 PM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:

> Hi—just checking back on these possible windows? Thanks!
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> **From:** Amol Shalia <ashalia@usaid.gov>
> **Sent:** Monday, June 6, 2022 6:44 AM
> **To:** Brian Rice
> **Cc:** Adam Siegel; Johnny Walsh; Sandra Luff; A/AID FO Scheduling; Ronalie De Alwis; Erma R. Hernandez; Carrig Balderston
> **Subject:** Re: Summit of Americas
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> Hi Brian,
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> Are those options for Wednesday the 8th?
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> Thanks,
> Amol
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> On Sun, Jun 5, 2022 at 10:58 PM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:
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> > Thanks Adam—we have very limited availability Wednesday but two potential slots to consider:
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> > 7:30 8:00am
> > 10:00 10:45am
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> > **From:** Adam Siegel <adsiegel@usaid.gov>
> > **Sent:** Sunday, June 5, 2022 4:37:25 PM
> > **To:** Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com>
> > **Cc:** Johnny Walsh <jowalsh@usaid.gov>; Sandra Luff <[redacted]@fb.com>; A/AID FO Scheduling <aaid-fo-scheduling@usaid.gov>; Amol Shalia <ashalia@usaid.gov>; Ronalie De Alwis <rdealwis@usaid.gov>
> > **Subject:** Re: Summit of Americas
> >
> > Hi Brian. Unfortunately that window won't work - the Administrator is joining the Inaugural Ceremony and we've been told that she needs to arrive between 2 and 3pm.
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> > I am looping in others on our team to see if other times might work. Are there open times on your end Wednesday morning or early evening, or Thursday?
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> > On Fri, Jun 3, 2022 at 11:50 PM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:

Thanks! Adam—let us know if something in the 2:30-3:30 window might work on Wednesday?

From: Johnny Walsh <jowalsh@usaid.gov>
Date: Friday, June 3, 2022 at 4:41 PM
To: Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com>
Cc: Sandra Luff <[redacted]@fb.com>, Adam Siegel <adsiegel@usaid.gov>, A/AID FO Scheduling <aaid-fo-scheduling@usaid.gov>
Subject: Re: Summit of Americas

Hey - connecting you with Adam from our FO, and with SP's scheduling team to see what's possible. Sorry for the deay; totally my fault!

On Fri, Jun 3, 2022 at 11:59 AM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:

> Any chance something around 2:45 on Wednesday might work? Johnny if easier feel free to loop us with scheduling team.
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> **From:** Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com>
> **Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 7:01:40 AM
> **To:** Johnny Walsh <jowalsh@usaid.gov>; Vera Zakem <vzakem@usaid.gov>
> **Cc:** Sandra Luff <[redacted]@fb.com>
> **Subject:** Re: Summit of Americas
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> Thanks Johnny—Wednesday is more difficult than Tuesday but we'd try our best to make something work. What's the best way to proceed on trying to schedule?
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> **From:** Johnny Walsh <jowalsh@usaid.gov>
> **Sent:** Thursday, June 2, 2022 2:17:52 PM
> **To:** Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com>; Vera Zakem <vzakem@usaid.gov>
> **Cc:** Sandra Luff <[redacted]@fb.com>
> **Subject:** Re: Summit of Americas
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> Sorry, copying Vera now. Scheduling details still to come, but I did get the tip that SP doesn't arrive until TUesday night, so we'd only have Wed and Thurs to play with. Is that still workable?
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> On Thu, Jun 2, 2022 at 7:20 AM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:
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> > Thanks Johnny, adding Sandy on our end too. Vera wasn't copied on the last note but would love to sync with her. Nick is open much of the afternoon on Tuesday — would be great if he could meet with Ambassador Power during that time if it works.

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From: Johnny Walsh <jowalsh@usaid.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 12:59 AM
To: Brian Rice
Subject: Re: Summit of Americas

Hey - great to hear from you, and sorry we've been out of touch. A follow-on session between our bosses would be great; we'll get this to the scheduling team and try to set something up. We also owe you a follow-on email from their earlier meeting, capturing some of the specific things SP is hoping we can do together, with Slovakia/Moldova is a starting point; we got sidetracked on that (not the boss' fault), but she should be sending something soon.

Separately, I wanted to introduce Vera - you two may know each other, but she's just started as our Senior Advisor for Tech and Democracy, and among many other things, will lead much of our work on information integrity and outreach to tech firms. I'll certainly stay involved, but I wanted you two to also be in touch!

On Wed, Jun 1, 2022 at 10:07 AM Brian Rice <[redacted]@fb.com> wrote:

> Hey Johnny—hope all is well as we head into the DC summer.
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> We have a delegation headed to LA next week led by Nick Clegg, and I wanted to check in with you to see if there might be an opportunity to connect Nick with Administrator Power while they're both on the ground.
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> For context—I'm including below the commitment we're making in conjunction with the summit next week. We've briefed a number of your colleagues along the way and look forward to engaging at the summit. Happy to answer any questions that you might have.
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> It would be great for Nick to be able to see Administrator Power to discuss our commitment to the region as well as other follow up items from their conversation a few weeks back.
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> Meta wishes to crystallize its long-standing commitment to Central America by joining the Partnership for Central America and establishing an initial 3-year c**ommitment to train 250,000 youth, entrepreneurs and small business owners in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras**, as well as **another 100,000 in Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, and Panama, by July 2025**. The training includes digital skills for micro and small businesses to connect with their customers online and increase their growth potential; financial education tools for female entrepreneurs; useful skills and certification programs, such as digital literacy, digital marketing, and cross-reality training, for youth to thrive in the digital era. After this initial 3-year period, Meta will announce an additional commitment according to the results of its programs and the main economic development and digital integrity needs detected during the first phase.

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