



**United States Department of State**

*Washington, D.C. 20520*

September 2, 2022

Case No. FL-2022-00036

Mr. Benjamin Davidson  
The Electronic Frontier Foundation  
815 Eddy Street  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Mr. Davidson:

As we noted in our letter dated July 22, 2022, we are processing your request for material under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State has identified an additional 10 responsive records subject to the FOIA. We have determined that the 10 records may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each record. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released and is enclosed.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Sapna Mehta, Assistant U.S. Attorney, at (415) 436-6925 or [sapna.mehta@usdoj.gov](mailto:sapna.mehta@usdoj.gov). Please refer to the case number, FL-2022-00036, and the civil action number, 22-cv-00383, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Diamonece Hickson', written in a cursive style.

Diamonece Hickson  
Chief, Litigation and Appeals Branch  
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

## EXPLANATION OF GROUNDS FOR WITHHOLDING

### The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Exemptions (5 USC 552)

(b)(1) Withholding specifically authorized under an Executive Order in the interest of national defense or foreign policy, and properly classified.

#### Executive Order 12958, as amended, Classification Categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) USG programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Information on weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency.

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of Title 5), e.g.:

- INA Immigration and Nationality Act, Title 8 USC Section 1202(f)
- CIA Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, Title 50 USC Section 403(g)
- ARMEX Arms Export Control Act, Title 22 USC 2778(e)
- EXPORT Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 App. USC 2411(c)(1)

(b)(4) Privileged/confidential trade secrets, commercial or financial information from a person.

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney client privilege. or attorney work product.

(b)(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(b)(7) Information compiled for law enforcement purposes that would:

- (A) Interfere with enforcement proceedings.
- (B) Deprive a person of a fair trial.
- (C) Constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- (D) Disclose confidential sources.
- (E) Disclose investigation techniques.
- (F) Endanger life or physical safety of any individual.

NR Material not responsive to your FOIA request, excised in accordance with our agreement.

### Privacy Act Grounds for Withholding (5 USC 552a)

(d)(5) Information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding.

(j)(1) CIA records.

(j)(2) Enforcement of criminal law, including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals, except records of arrest.

(k)(1) Classified pursuant to E.O. 12958 in the interest of national defense or foreign policy such as intelligence sources and methods.

(k)(2) Investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes.

(k)(3) Regarding protective services to the President of the US or other individual pursuant to Title 18, USC, Section 3056.

(k)(4) Required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records.

(k)(5) Investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability eligibility or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his identity would be held in confidence.

(k)(6) Testing or exam material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal service, the release of which would compromise the testing or exam process.

(k)(7) Material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services.

PP Information about another person or persons which does not constitute a record about the requester as defined in the access provision of the Privacy Act (section (d) (1)) and which may not be released except pursuant to a written request or with the prior written consent of the person or persons concerned (section (b)).

NR Material not responsive to your Privacy Act request.

<b>From:</b>	"Batjer Johnson, Hillary" (b)(6)@state.gov>
<b>To:</b>	(b)(6)@state.gov>
<b>CC:</b>	(b)(6)@state.gov>
<b>Subject:</b>	URGENT
<b>Date:</b>	Tue, 22 Sep 2020 16:31:24 +0000

Heads up – see highlighted. Any insight you have before I get hit up with talking to Elan would be grateful. Thanks!

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**From:** Sales, Nathan A (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:29 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David (b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Got it, thanks. Let me add DAS Hillary Batjer Johnson who runs designations for CT.

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**From:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:27 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie); Peyman, David  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Great! Can't wait to hear about your meeting. Let's chat when you're back?

Happy to discuss with John. And since you have WiFi, let me tell you both what the issue is:

An NGO is fighting SFSU's speaking invitation to convicted PFLP hijacker Leila Khaled. The University won't budge, but Zoom might. Zoom's lawyers are telling the NGO that while the PFLP is a designated terrorist organization, Leila Khaled has not been designated. This seems very strange to me, and all the more so given that she was actually convicted of terrorism. But the NGO believes that their cause would find assistance from some sort of statement from us that a terrorist designation of an organization applies to all members of that organization. Do we have legal or pre-cleared language like that? Is this something you CT would consider? The Khaled speech is scheduled for tomorrow, so this is time sensitive.

Thoughts?

Thanks so much!



**Elan S. Carr**

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:11 PM

**To:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Godfrey, John T <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Elan, thanks for following up. Non Responsive

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Would be happy to chat but I'm actually on a flight back home now.

Let me see if CT PDAS John Godfrey is available to speak?

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**From:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:22 PM

**To:** Sales, Nathan A

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Non Responsive

I'm going to try you on your cell phone regarding a time sensitive matter – just a couple of minutes. If you can't talk, I'll try to find someone else in CT.

Safe travels!



**Elan S. Carr**

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<b>Recipient:</b>	(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

<b>From:</b>	Jennie Taer <(b)(6)>
<b>To:</b>	Testa, Aaron M <(b)(6)@state.gov>
<b>Subject:</b>	Re: Request for Comment
<b>Date:</b>	Thu, 17 Sep 2020 16:54:27 -0400

Hi Aaron,

I appreciate that, but the school does receive federal funding and even more than \$28 million was allocated in the CARES Act for SFSU. I hope the State Department could provide me with a statement or a contact to interview for my story seeing that this is still a terrorist speaking even virtually, thanks!

On Thu, Sep 17, 2020 at 4:38 PM Testa, Aaron M <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Jennie,

Off the record, please, this is a virtual event so does not involve travel/no visas, thus there are no State Dept equities.

Best,

Aaron

**Aaron M. Testa**

Press Officer | Office of Press Relations

U.S. Department of State

(b)(6)@state.gov

**From:** Jennie Taer <(b)(6)>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 3:46 PM

**To:** Testa, Aaron M <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Request for Comment

Hi Aaron,

Checking back on this, thanks!

On Thu, Sep 17, 2020 at 12:44 PM Jennie Taer <(b)(6)> wrote:

Thank you for your honesty! I will proceed with publishing, update the story when I receive that, and then write a separate story about how State is responding to tid?

On Thu, Sep 17, 2020 at 10:29 AM Testa, Aaron M <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Jennie,

Off the record, please, I will definitely keep you updated but for your awareness, I think this is going to take some more time than 30 minutes. I think 12 or 1pm eastern is more likely but even that could be a best case scenario.

I will keep you updated.

Best,

Aaron

**Aaron M. Testa**

Press Officer | Office of Press Relations

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**From:** Jennie Taer (b)(6)

**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 10:24 AM

**To:** Testa, Aaron M (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Request for Comment

Thank you, Aaron. I have a 30 minute extension on this. Thank you again and please update me!

On Thu, Sep 17, 2020 at 10:23 AM Testa, Aaron M (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Jennie,

We have received your query and are working on a response. It is not likely we'll be able to get this to you in the next hour but we will get you something as soon as possible.

Best,

Aaron

**Aaron M. Testa**

Press Officer | Office of Press Relations

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**From:** Jennie Taer (b)(6) >

**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 9:06 AM

**To:** PA Press Duty <PAPressDuty@state.gov>

**Subject:** Request for Comment

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing for SaraACarter.com about San Francisco State University inviting Palestinian terrorist Leila Khaled to speak at an upcoming event.

She is a member of the Palestinian Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which the U.S. State Department has designated a Foreign Terrorist Organization.

Is State Department aware of this and are you taking any action against SFSU?

I will be posting the story in the next hour and would appreciate your comment, thank you!

Jennie Taer

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Jennie Taer, Writer and Executive Research Assistant to Sara Carter

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<b>Recipient:</b>	Testa, Aaron M <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**From:** "Batjer Johnson, Hillary" (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)  
**Date:** Wed, 23 Sep 2020 17:50:39 +0000

(b)(5)

Right – thanks. That makes sense, [redacted] but a review so... Ignore me now.

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:50 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

(b)(5)

No, shouldn't be an issue. It's going to be months before it's done [redacted]

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:49 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

(b)(5)

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But a statement now may not be an issue if we say [redacted]  
[redacted]

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:48 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

They are actually. (b)(6) is just getting started on drafting it.

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:45 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

They aren't up for an FTO renewal or anything? Just want to make sure...

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:43 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

Stating facts shouldn't be a problem, but obviously L will have to clear anything we put out and their voice should really be louder than ours on this.

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:38 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

So we discussed this at length and she said she got it, but did say that Lawfare and others have asserted that terrorist groups do not get the pleasure of the free speech argument. I noted that that is something we hear frequently, etc., but does not apply here in the US.

(b)(5)

[Redacted]

(b)(5) I told her I'd need to talk to you all and Nathan on this. Their goal is to remind folks that she and the PLFP are not "freedom fighters," etc.

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:29 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

FYI

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 Ellie Cohanim  
 U.S. Assistant Special Envoy  
 To Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism  
 U.S. Department of State  
 2201 C St. NW  
 Washington, DC 20520  
 Direct (b)(6)  
 Mobile [Redacted]

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Benjamin Ryberg <(b)(7)@thelawfareproject.org>

**Date:** September 21, 2020 at 7:56:51 PM EDT

**Subject:** Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** Brooke Goldstein <(b)(6)@thelawfareproject.org>, Gerard Filitti <(b)(6)@thelawfareproject.org>

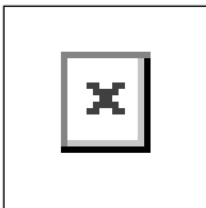
Dear Assistant Special Envoy Cohanim,

Thank you again for taking the time to speak. Please find attached the letters sent to individuals within the DOJ regarding the upcoming webinar featuring Leila Khaled. Also attached are similar letters sent to the president of San Francisco State University and the CEO of Zoom.

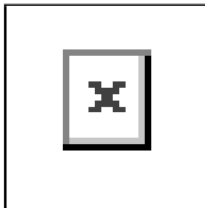
As we discussed, the PFLP is designated under EO 13224, which places its designation under the purview of the U.S. Department of State. Consequently, we are requesting that the State Department issue a statement clarifying that, under 18 U.S.C. § 2339B, providing material support or resources to a *member* of a designated Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) constitutes provision of material support to the FTO *itself*.

We greatly appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

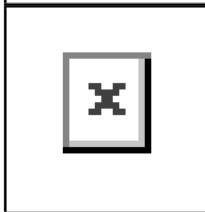
Best regards,  
Ben



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<b>Recipient:</b>	(b)(6) @state.gov>

**From:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS  
**Date:** Fri, 2 Oct 2020 13:20:27 +0000

He is a pain in the you know what, isn't he....

Best, (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 1:19 PM

**To:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5)

Thanks (b)(6)

(b)(6) had the lead for L. But in my box is fine.

**From:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 9:17 AM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Fw: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(6) - Here is the email you mentioned. I will put it in your EAM Inbox.

Best, (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 1:09 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

<(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov;

(b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5)

Thanks, (b)(6)

Ellie, [Redacted]

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
Human Rights and Refugees  
Office of the Legal Adviser  
U.S. Department of State

(b)(6)

While teleworking: (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 2:14 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5) ; (b)(6)

Thanks,

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser

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United States Department of State

(b)(6)

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(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie,

(b)(5) ; (b)(6)

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
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While teleworking: (b)(6)

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:18 PM

**To:** (b)(6) @state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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(b)(5)

(b)(6)

Just so that I am understanding clearly

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On October 1, 2020 at 9:43:40 AM EDT, (b)(6) @state.gov> wrote:

(b)(5)

Thanks, (b)(6)

Ellie,

Thanks,

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
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**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov (b)(6)@state.gov;

Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov (b)(6)

(b)(5)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks (b)(6) for adding L/EFD. (b)(5)

(b)(5); (b)(6)

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:26 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov;

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi (b)(6)

Thank you for this analysis.

Let me clarify an important item which apparently has gotten lost since emails are being forwarded without context.

(b)(5)

Thank you,  
Ellie

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U.S. Assistant Special Envoy  
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Washington, DC 20520  
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On October 1, 2020 at 9:05:39 AM EDT, (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Good morning all -

(b)(5)

Thanks,

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
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(b)(6)

While teleworking: (b)(6)

**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 8:29 AM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Great – thanks (b)(6) Ambassador Sales would like an L review of this draft before reviewing himself. Thank you!

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 7:56 AM

**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov> (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hilary (yes, it's been ages!) and Ellie--

I am copying (b)(6) to get her take as I would defer to her on this.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:32 PM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

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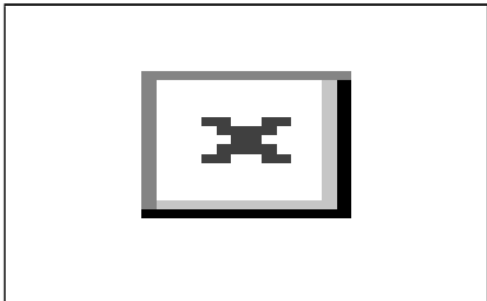
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I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Sounds good. Just as a heads up, we aren't able to do much regarding issues of free speech but will be available after your dinner.

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Sent from [Workspace ONE Boxer](#)

On September 22, 2020 at 6:33:51 PM EDT, Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Hillary I am actually having a business dinner at 8pm and definitely happy to talk as soon as we wrap up—I wasn't going to impose on you in the evening. I can text you when I'm done and if you're available that's great—does that work?

My cell is (b)(6)

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 5:27:23 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ellie! I was on calls myself and now heading out now to join (b)(6)

(b)(6) I can try on the way home – do you have a number I can reach you on, or speak

(b)(6) Sorry!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

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**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; Sales, Nathan A

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**Cc:** Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Hillary,

S/E Carr is on back to back calls today. I just tried you on your mobile number. Please let me know if you are available to talk between 6:45-8PM ET tonight?

Best,  
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On September 22, 2020 at 12:53:21 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ambassador Carr – please let me know a good time to reach out.

Hillary

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*\*\* Due to COVID-19, I may be teleworking. I can be reached at the unclassified email above, or at (b)(6)*

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Got it, thanks. Let me add DAS Hillary Batjer Johnson who runs designations for CT.

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Great! Can't wait to hear about your meeting. Let's chat when you're back?

Happy to discuss with John. And since you have WiFi, let me tell you both what the issue is:

An NGO is fighting SFSU's speaking invitation to convicted PFLP hijacker Leila Khaled. The University won't budge, but Zoom might. Zoom's lawyers are telling the NGO that while the PFLP is a designated terrorist organization, Leila Khaled has not been designated. This seems very strange to me, and all the more so given that she was actually convicted of terrorism. But the NGO believes that their cause would find assistance from some sort of statement from us that a terrorist designation of an organization applies to all members of that organization. Do we have legal or pre-cleared language like that? Is this something you CT would consider? The Khaled speech is scheduled for tomorrow, so this is time sensitive.

Thoughts?

Thanks so much!



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Hi Elan, thanks for following up. Non Responsive  
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Non Responsive Would be happy to chat but I'm actually on a flight back home now. Let me see if CT PDAS John Godfrey is available to speak?

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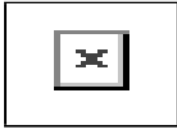
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**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

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I'm going to try you on your cell phone regarding a time sensitive matter – just a couple of minutes. If you can't talk, I'll try to find someone else in CT.

Safe travels!



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Ellie, (b)(5)

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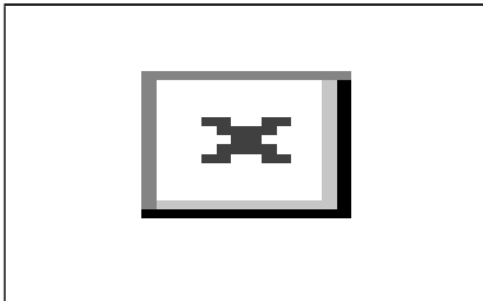
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Mum's the word from the U.S. Department of State, which chose not to respond to the controversy surrounding a member of a U.S. designated terrorist organization

speaking at San Francisco State University this Wednesday. State Department confirmed that they had received this reporter's request for comment on Thursday morning and promised to provide a response.

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I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,  
Ellie

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:17 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie - sorry, did the event happen? Do we have any more context? Nathan is on the road (in Europe) and would want to know the latest, so it would need to be up to him to clear since he was hoping for more info on the strategic approach you all were thinking.

Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:14 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary, we have cleared the below with DOE and will send to GPA following your hopeful clearance. As this is an ongoing and time sensitive issue would greatly appreciate your response first chance. Many thanks!

(b)(5)

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:36 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Sounds good. Just as a heads up, we aren't able to do much regarding issues of free speech but will be available after your dinner.

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Sent from [Workspace ONE Boxer](#)

On September 22, 2020 at 6:33:51 PM EDT, Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Hillary I am actually having a business dinner at 8pm and definitely happy to talk as soon as we wrap up—I wasn't going to impose on you in the evening. I can text you when I'm done and if you're available that's great—does that work?

My cell is (b)(6)

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 5:27:23 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ellie! I was on calls myself and now heading out now to (b)(6)

(b)(6) I can try on the way home – do you have a number I can reach you on, or speak

(b)(6) Sorry!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:20 PM

**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; Sales, Nathan A

(b)(6)@state.gov>; Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Hillary,

S/E Carr is on back to back calls today. I just tried you on your mobile number. Please let me know if you are available to talk between 6:45-8PM ET tonight?

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 12:53:21 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ambassador Carr – please let me know a good time to reach out.

Hillary

Hillary Batjer Johnson  
Deputy Coordinator  
Homeland Security, Screening and Designations  
Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism  
U.S. Department of State  
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*\*\* Due to COVID-19, I may be teleworking. I can be reached at the unclassified email above, or at (b)(6)*

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**From:** Sales, Nathan A <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:29 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Got it, thanks. Let me add DAS Hillary Batjer Johnson who runs designations for CT.

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**From:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:27 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie); Peyman, David  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Great! Can't wait to hear about your meeting. Let's chat when you're back?

Happy to discuss with John. And since you have WiFi, let me tell you both what the issue is:

An NGO is fighting SFSU's speaking invitation to convicted PFLP hijacker Leila Khaled. The University won't budge, but Zoom might. Zoom's lawyers are telling the NGO that while the PFLP is a designated terrorist organization, Leila Khaled has not been designated. This seems very strange to me, and all the more so given that she was actually convicted of terrorism. But the NGO believes that their cause would find assistance from some sort of statement from us that a terrorist designation of an organization applies to all members of that organization. Do we have legal or pre-cleared language like that? Is this something you CT would consider? The Khaled speech is scheduled for tomorrow, so this is time sensitive.

Thoughts?

Thanks so much!



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**From:** Sales, Nathan A <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:11 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>; Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Elan, thanks for following up. Non Responsive  
Non Responsive  
Non Responsive Would be happy to chat but I'm actually on a flight back home now. Let me see if CT PDAS John Godfrey is available to speak?

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**From:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:22 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Non Responsive

I'm going to try you on your cell phone regarding a time sensitive matter – just a couple of minutes. If you can't talk, I'll try to find someone else in CT.

Safe travels!

Non Responsive

<b>Sender:</b>	(b)(6)	@state.gov>
<b>Recipient:</b>	(b)(6)	@state.gov>;
	(b)(6)	@state.gov>

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS  
**Date:** Fri, 2 Oct 2020 17:28:40 +0000

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While teleworking: (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 1:16 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 1:04 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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I'm ready for the weekend!

(b)(6)

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**From:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 1:01 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>;

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Ah, got it. Thanks so much for that clarification. And thanks to everyone else on this chain.

Have a great weekend, folks!



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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 12:57 PM

**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** Cohan, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov;

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hello SEAS Carr,

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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While teleworking: (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 12:44 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** Cohanin, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>;

(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Dear all,

(b)(5) [Redacted]

(b)(5) [Redacted] Why is that a problem?

(b)(5) [Redacted]

[Redacted]

FYI, I cleared this proposed tweet with the Department of Education, including specifically with their legal shop. They see no issues here.

Thanks,



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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 11:36 AM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Elan can you see the below?

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 9:09 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks, (b)(6)

(b)(5)

Best,  
(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 2:14 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>;

Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5)

Thanks,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser

Office of the Legal Adviser, Office of Law Enforcement and Intelligence (L/LEI)

United States Department of State

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:49 PM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)

(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie,

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:18 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov (b)(6)

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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Just so that I am understanding clearly:

[Redacted]

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Mobile [Redacted]

On October 1, 2020 at 9:43:40 AM EDT, (b)(6)@state.gov wrote:

Thanks, (b)(6)

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Thanks,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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**From:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 9:39 AM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov> (b)(6)@state.gov;

Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks (b)(6) for adding L/EFD. (b)(5)

(b)(5)

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
L/EFD

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:26 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov;

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; Ethics Attorney Mailbox

<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi (b)(6)

Thank you for this analysis.

Let me clarify an important item which apparently has gotten lost since emails are being forwarded without context.

(b)(5)

Thank you,  
Ellie

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On October 1, 2020 at 9:05:39 AM EDT, (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Good morning all -

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(b)(5)

Thanks,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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U.S. Department of State

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 8:29 AM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Great – thanks (b)(6) Ambassador Sales would like an L review of this draft before reviewing himself. Thank you!

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 7:56 AM

**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5)

Hi Hilary (yes, it's been ages!) and Ellie--

I am copying (b)(6) to get her take as I would defer to her on this.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:32 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (h)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks Ellie - Hi (b)(6) it's been a long time! L/LEI covers FTOs for us (b)(6).

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:29 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (h)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hilary, thanks I have copied (b)(6) from L for their clearance as well so we are all on one chain--(b)(6) please see below Tweet clearance request. Also please note that DOE has already cleared. (b)(5) but of course we defer to L on that:

(b)(5)

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:13 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (h)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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(b)(5) I can circulate this to Nathan overnight, since he's in Europe, but cannot offer CT clearance until he's seen it. He may also ask about L. Thanks.

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 6:43 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

In that case let's revise the Tweet to as follows:

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Please let me know if we have clearance from CT.

Thank you,

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**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks Ellie (b)(5)

(b)(5)

(b)(5) and we both note that L will need to review. He's getting me the right L folks that we can pass along.

At this point, I'm not sure if CT can clear until L reviews.

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:40 PM

To: Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
Cc: (b)(6)@state.gov>  
Subject: Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary,

SEAS Carr's thinking as we are about to hold a Conference on Internet Anti-Semitism shortly, is

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Thanks,  
Ellie

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Thanks for the context Ellie. I spoke with (b)(6) and I understand there were other PA-related threads on this, (b)(6)

(b)(6)

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
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**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary,

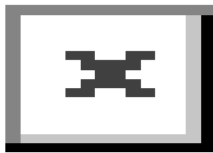


The NGO Lawfare Project managed to convince Zoom, Youtube and Facebook that it is against their own terms of use to host Leyla Khaled a member of PFLP which is a FTO as you know.

SFSU is still trying to hold the event and they apparently tried to convince Zoom not to cancel the original date.

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<https://saraacarter.com/state-department-silent-over-federally-funded-universitys-plan-to-host-a-u-s-designated-terrorist/>



State Department Silent  
Over Federally Funded  
University's Plan To Host A  
U.S. Designated Terrorist -  
Sara A. Carter : Sara A.  
Carter

Mum's the word from the U.S. Department of State, which chose not to respond to the controversy surrounding a member of a U.S. designated terrorist organization speaking at San Francisco State University this Wednesday. State Department confirmed that they had received this reporter's request for comment on Thursday morning and promised to provide a response.

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I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,

Ellie

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**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie - sorry, did the event happen? Do we have any more context? Nathan is on the road (in Europe) and would want to know the latest, so it would need to be up to him to clear since he was hoping for more info on the strategic approach you all were thinking.

Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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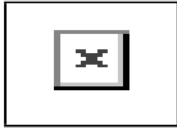
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<b>Subject:</b>	Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS
<b>Date:</b>	Wed, 30 Sep 2020 23:52:00 +0000

I don't know who covers TUI specifically in L, but (b)(6) is a general CT & CVE POC. (b)(6) is her colleague.

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Oliver Wilcox  
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(b)(6) cell)

On September 30, 2020 at 5:32:09 PM EDT, Harnisch, Christopher K (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

+(b)(6) and Oliver

(b)(6) Oliver - please advise on who the appropriate L POC is for TUI/cyber issues.

Thanks,

Chris

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**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 5:18 PM

**To:** Harnisch, Christopher K; (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6) Godfrey, John T; (b)(6)

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Chris and I just chatted and agreed that L needs to review (b)(5) - he'll get me the right L folks to point SEAS to.

**From:** Harnisch, Christopher K (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 5:02 PM

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**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

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Hillary - can you call me when you have a minute? (b)(6). I have no objections to the tweet but would like to hear your thoughts.

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Thanks,

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Chris (b)(6) Flagging that the Special Envoy for Anti Semitism had reached out to Nathan on this issue below when he was on the road a week or so ago. At that time, (b)(6) and Chris will recall we were telling them that their original approach of (b)(5)

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Thanks for the context Ellie. I spoke with (b)(6) and I understand there were other PA-related threads on this (b)(5)

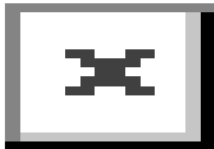
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 The NGO Lawfare Project managed to convince Zoom, Youtube and Facebook that it is against their own terms of use to host Leyla Khaled a member of PFLP which is a FTO as you know. SFSU is still trying to hold the event and they apparently tried to convince Zoom not to cancel the original date.

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<https://saraacarter.com/state-department-silent-over-federally-funded-universitys-plan-to-host-a-u-s-designated-terrorist/>



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Mum’s the word from the U.S. Department of State, which chose not to respond to the controversy surrounding a member of a U.S. designated terrorist organization speaking at San Francisco State University this Wednesday. State Department confirmed that they had received this reporter’s request for comment on Thursday morning and promised to provide a response.

[saraacarter.com](https://saraacarter.com)

I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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<b>Date:</b>	Thu, 1 Oct 2020 17:07:22 +0000

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**To:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>, Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>, Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov> (b)(6) (b)(6)@state.gov>, (b)(6)@state.gov>, (b)(6)@state.gov>, (b)(6)@state.gov>  
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Thanks, (b)(6)

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Attorney-Adviser  
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**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
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Thanks (b)(6) for adding L/EFD. (b)(5)

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Attorney-Adviser

L/EFD

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:26 PM

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<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi (b)(6)

Thank you for this analysis.

Let me clarify an important item which apparently has gotten lost since emails are being forwarded without context.

(b)(5)

Thank you,  
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Great – thanks (b)(6) Ambassador Sales would like an L review of this draft before reviewing himself. Thank you!

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Thanks,

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**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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(b)(5) I can circulate this to Nathan overnight, since he's in Europe, but cannot offer CT clearance until he's seen it. He may also ask about L. Thanks.

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 6:43 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

In that case let's revise the Tweet to as follows:

(b)(5)

Please let me know if we have clearance from CT.

Thank you,

Ellie Cohanim  
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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 5:41 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie)(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks Ellie (b)(5)

(b)(5)

(b)(5) and we both note that L will need to review. He's getting me the right L folks that we can pass along.

At this point, I'm not sure if CT can clear until L reviews.

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:40 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary,

SEAS Carr's thinking as we are about to hold a Conference on Internet Anti-Semitism shortly, is

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(b)(5)

Thanks,  
Ellie

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:37 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

Cc: (b)(6)@state.gov>

Subject: Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks for the context Ellie. I spoke with (b)(6) and I understand there were other PA-related threads on this, (b)(5)

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From: Cohanin, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:28 PM

To: Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>

Cc: (b)(6)@state.gov>

Subject: Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

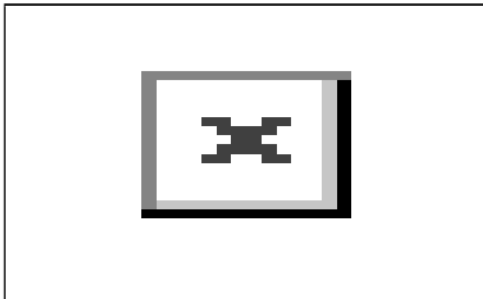
Hi Hillary,

The NGO Lawfare Project managed to convince Zoom, Youtube and Facebook that it is against their own terms of use to host Leyla Khaled a member of PFLP which is a FTO as you know.

SFSU is still trying to hold the event and they apparently tried to convince Zoom not to cancel the original date.

(b)(5)

<https://saraacarter.com/state-department-silent-over-federally-funded-universitys-plan-to-host-a-u-s-designated-terrorist/>



State Department Silent Over Federally Funded University's Plan To Host A U.S. Designated Terrorist - Sara A. Carter : Sara A. Carter

Mum's the word from the U.S. Department of State, which chose not to respond to the controversy surrounding a member of a U.S. designated terrorist organization

speaking at San Francisco State University this Wednesday. State Department confirmed that they had received this reporter's request for comment on Thursday morning and promised to provide a response.

saraacarter.com

I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,  
Ellie

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:17 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie - sorry, did the event happen? Do we have any more context? Nathan is on the road (in Europe) and would want to know the latest, so it would need to be up to him to clear since he was hoping for more info on the strategic approach you all were thinking.

Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:14 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS



Hi Hillary, we have cleared the below with DOE and will send to GPA following your hopeful clearance. As this is an ongoing and time sensitive issue would greatly appreciate your response first chance. Many thanks!

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:36 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Sounds good. Just as a heads up, we aren't able to do much regarding issues of free speech but will be available after your dinner.

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Sent from Workspace ONE Boxer

On September 22, 2020 at 6:33:51 PM EDT, Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Hillary I am actually having a business dinner at 8pm and definitely happy to talk as soon as we wrap up—I wasn't going to impose on you in the evening. I can text you when I'm done and if you're available that's great—does that work?

My cell is (b)(6)

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 5:27:23 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

<(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ellie! I was on calls myself and now heading out now to join (b)(6)

(b)(6) I can try on the way home – do you have a number I can reach you on, or speak

(b)(6) Sorry!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:20 PM

**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Sales, Nathan A

(b)(6)@state.gov>; Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** Godfrey, John T <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Hillary,

S/E Carr is on back to back calls today. I just tried you on your mobile number. Please let me know if you are available to talk between 6:45-8PM ET tonight?

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 12:53:21 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Ambassador Carr – please let me know a good time to reach out.

Hillary

Hillary Batjer Johnson  
Deputy Coordinator  
Homeland Security, Screening and Designations  
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*\*\* Due to COVID-19, I may be teleworking. I can be reached at the unclassified email above, or at (b)(6)*

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**From:** Sales, Nathan A <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:29 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Got it, thanks. Let me add DAS Hillary Batjer Johnson who runs designations for CT.

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**From:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:27 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie); Peyman, David  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Great! Can't wait to hear about your meeting. Let's chat when you're back?

Happy to discuss with John. And since you have WiFi, let me tell you both what the issue is:

An NGO is fighting SFSU's speaking invitation to convicted PFLP hijacker Leila Khaled. The University won't budge, but Zoom might. Zoom's lawyers are telling the NGO that while the PFLP is a designated terrorist organization, Leila Khaled has not been designated. This seems very strange to me, and all the more so given that she was actually convicted of terrorism. But the NGO believes that their cause would find assistance from some sort of statement from us that a terrorist designation of an organization applies to all members of that organization. Do we have legal or pre-cleared language like that? Is this something you CT would consider? The Khaled speech is scheduled for tomorrow, so this is time sensitive.

Thoughts?

Thanks so much!



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**From:** Sales, Nathan A <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:11 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>; Godfrey, John T <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Elan, thanks for following up. Non Responsive

Non Responsive

Non Responsive Would be happy to chat but I'm actually on a flight back home now. Let me see if CT PDAS John Godfrey is available to speak?

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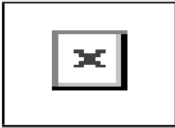
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**From:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:22 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Non Responsive

I'm going to try you on your cell phone regarding a time sensitive matter – just a couple of minutes. If you can't talk, I'll try to find someone else in CT.

Safe travels!



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<b>From:</b>	"Cohanim, Elham (Ellie)"
<b>To:</b>	Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)>@state.gov>
<b>Subject:</b>	Fwd: Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)
<b>Date:</b>	Wed, 23 Sep 2020 17:29:12 +0000

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**From:** Benjamin Ryberg <(b)(6)@thelawfareproject.org>  
**Date:** September 21, 2020 at 7:56:51 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Letters to DOJ re. San Francisco State University hosting Leila Khaled (PFLP)  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Brooke Goldstein <(b)(6)@thelawfareproject.org>, Gerard Filitti <(b)(6)@thelawfareproject.org>

Dear Assistant Special Envoy Cohanim,

Thank you again for taking the time to speak. Please find attached the letters sent to individuals within the DOJ regarding the upcoming webinar featuring Leila Khaled. Also attached are similar letters sent to the president of San Francisco State University and the CEO of Zoom. As we discussed, the PFLP is designated under EO 13224, which places its designation under the purview of the U.S. Department of State. Consequently, we are requesting that the State Department issue a statement clarifying that, under 18 U.S.C. § 2339B, providing material support or resources to a *member* of a designated Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) constitutes provision of material support to the FTO *itself*.

We greatly appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

Ben



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September 14, 2020

President Lynn Mahoney  
Office of the President  
San Francisco State University  
1600 Holloway Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94132

**Re: Immediate Attention Required – Unlawful provision of material support to designated foreign terrorist organization by San Francisco State University**

Dear President Mahoney:

I write to bring to your attention that Leila Khaled—a notorious member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (the “PFLP”), which is a U.S.-designated foreign terrorist organization<sup>1</sup>—is scheduled to speak at an online event (the “webinar”) that will be hosted by San Francisco State University (“SFSU”) on September 23, 2020.<sup>2</sup> Given Khaled’s membership in the PFLP, we are deeply concerned that her participation in this webinar and SFSU’s provision of this platform to communicate directly to U.S. college students (and others) may give rise to violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B, which makes it unlawful to provide material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization. Accordingly, we advise SFSU to cancel the webinar entirely or, alternatively, to act immediately in order to ensure that neither Khaled nor any other member of a designated foreign terrorist organization is an event speaker.

Khaled’s membership in the PFLP is well-documented. After she was blocked from entering Italy in 2017,<sup>3</sup> the PFLP issued a statement condemning Italy for denying her entry and, on its English-language website, explicitly acknowledged Khaled as a “member of [the terrorist organization’s] Political Bureau.”<sup>4</sup> It is also well-documented that Khaled played a critical role in two airplane hijackings, one of which resulted in the loss of life.<sup>5</sup> The terrorist activity of the PFLP has been so egregious that, in 2018 and 2019, PayPal barred a UK-based charity and a North America-based NGO, both closely tied to the PFLP, from using its online payment service.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.state.gov/foreign-terrorist-organizations/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/events/754000115385200/> (appended as Exhibits A and B)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.jpost.com/international/italy-bars-pflp-terrorist-and-bds-advocate-leila-khaled-515546>. The PFLP is also designated as a terrorist organization by the European Union.

<sup>4</sup> <https://english.pflp.ps/2017/12/01/pflp-deporting-comrade-leila-khaled-from-italy-will-not-silence-the-voice-of-the-palestinian-people/> (appended as Exhibit C)

<sup>5</sup> [https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/9k99k7/leila-khaled-first-female-hijacker-profile](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/9k99k7/leila-khaled-first-female-hijacker-profile)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.thejc.com/paypal-withdraws-donations-to-uk-charity-accused-of-having-terror-links-1.471410>;  
<https://www.jns.org/paypal-among-online-payment-platforms-that-shut-down-services-to-bds-group-with-terror-links/>

18 U.S.C. § 2339B states, in part:

Whoever knowingly provides material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization, or attempts or conspires to do so, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both, and, if the death of any person results, shall be imprisoned for any term of years or for life.<sup>7</sup>

The term “material support or resources” is defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2339A, as follows:

[A]ny property, tangible or intangible, or service, including currency or monetary instruments or financial securities, financial services, lodging, training, expert advice or assistance, safehouses, false documentation or identification, communications equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives, personnel (1 or more individuals who may be or include oneself), and transportation, except medicine or religious materials[.]<sup>8</sup>

As the U.S. Supreme Court emphasized in *Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project*, the U.S. Congress deliberately crafted a broad definition for material support because it found that “foreign organizations that engage in terrorist activity are so tainted by their criminal conduct that any contribution to such an organization facilitates that conduct.”<sup>9</sup> The Court clarified that material support includes “advocacy performed in coordination with, or at the direction of, a foreign terrorist organization,”<sup>10</sup> and detailed other ways that material support meant to “promote peaceable, lawful conduct”<sup>11</sup> can further terrorism.

Per the webinar invitation, it is being co-sponsored by two SFSU academic departments, the Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diasporas Studies Program (“AMED”) and the Women and Gender Studies Department (“WGS”).<sup>12</sup> Two SFSU professors, Rabab Abdulhadi (Senior Scholar of the AMED)<sup>13</sup> and Tomomi Kinukawa (a lecturer in the WGS), are listed as the webinar moderators,<sup>14</sup> and the invitation indicates that the webinar will be held using an SFSU-associated video conferencing service.<sup>15</sup> This SFSU-associated video conferencing platform, and Abdulhadi’s and Kinukawa’s moderating of the conversation, can constitute material support or resources for purposes of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. Therefore, SFSU, University officials, Abdulhadi, and Kinukawa can each be found liable for violating the statute by providing, and/or conspiring to provide, such material support or resources to Khaled.

<sup>7</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2339B(a)(1)

<sup>8</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2339A(b)(1)

<sup>9</sup> *Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project*, 561 U.S. 1, 5 (2010).

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* at 24.

<sup>11</sup> *Id.* at 5.

<sup>12</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/events/754000115385200/>

<sup>13</sup> <https://amed.sfsu.edu/content/rabab-abdulhadi-profile>

<sup>14</sup> <https://wgsdept.sfsu.edu/people>

<sup>15</sup> The invitation provides a hyperlink to register for the webinar, and this hyperlink is associated with the SFSU web domain: [https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g](https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g)

As to the statutory requirement that prohibited material support or resources must be provided “knowingly,” SFSU is on notice of the upcoming webinar and that inclusion of Khaled can amount to a criminal violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. In addition to this letter, the webinar has received significant and widespread press coverage and the invitation to the webinar is publicly available. Moreover, it has been reported that you have sent an email *supporting* the webinar and Khaled’s participation therein.<sup>16</sup>

It is important to emphasize that the nature and content of Khaled’s conversation during the webinar is wholly irrelevant to criminal liability under 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. The mere facts that Khaled is member of a designated foreign terrorist organization and is being provided with a platform on which to speak can give rise to a violation, even if she chooses to speak about a topic completely unrelated to terrorism. Relatedly, any suggestion by SFSU that Khaled’s inclusion in the webinar must be permitted to avoid infringing on First Amendment rights is erroneous. The courts have consistently held that criminal conduct receives no free speech protection merely because it is in the form of or involves speech.<sup>17</sup> More specifically, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit has specifically held that the 18 U.S.C. § 2339B prohibition against providing material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization does not violate the First Amendment’s guarantees of freedom of speech and association because the statute controls conduct rather than communication.<sup>18</sup>

On a final note, in addition to the serious consequences the University might face for violating the criminal statute referenced herein, please be on notice that The Lawfare Project considers the University’s hosting of Khaled to be a gross violation of the settlement agreement we reached with the California State University system in March 2019.

I appreciate your time and consideration of this important matter and hope it will be addressed with the gravity it deserves.

Sincerely,

(b)(6)

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<sup>16</sup> <https://forward.com/fast-forward/453867/san-francisco-state-university-president-stands-behind-terrorist-leila/>

<sup>17</sup> See, e.g., *Giboney v. Empire Storage & Ice Co.*, 336 U.S. 490 (1949). In *Giboney*, the Court found that picketing with placards unlawfully restrained trade, even though “the agreements and course of conduct here were . . . brought about through speaking or writing.” *Id.* at 502. As the Court stated, “[I]t has never been deemed an abridgement of freedom of speech or press to make a course of conduct illegal merely because the conduct was in part initiated, evidenced, or carried out by means of language, either spoken, written, or printed. *Id.*

<sup>18</sup> See *People’s Mojahedin Org. of Iran v. Dept. of State*, 327 F3d 1238, 1244 (D.C. Cir. 2003).



cc: Lillian Kimbell, Chair, California State University Board of Trustees  
Wenda Fong, Vice Chair, California State University Board of Trustees  
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Andrew Jones, Executive Vice Chancellor & General Counsel, California State University  
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# EXHIBIT A

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## Teaching Palestine: Pedagogical Praxis and the Indivisibility of Justice

# WHOSE NARRATIVES? GENDER, JUSTICE, & RESISTANCE: A CONVERSATION WITH LEILA KHALED

### PARTICIPANTS

Leila Khaled  
Rula Abu Dahou  
Ronnie Kasrils  
Sekou Odinga  
Laura Whitehorn

**CO-MODERATORS**  
Dr. Rabab Abdulhadi  
Dr. Tomomi Kinukawa



# 23

Open classrooms of Rabab Abdulhadi (AMED Studies) and Tomomi Kinukawa (Women and Studies) for a historic roundtable conversation with Palestinian feminist, militant, and leader Leila Khaled, followed by Q&A discussion with students, activists, and scholars.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 AT 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM

## Whose Narratives? Gender, Justice, & Resistance: A conversation with Leila Khaled

Online Event

### Go With Friends

See All

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**1.7K**  
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Whose Narratives? ...

Interested

Going

Invite



Devora Cohen

Invite

### Popular With Friends



MON, SEP 14 AT 8 PM

**Virtual Cooking Class with Michael Solomonov**



Diana and Ariella

Interested



MON, SEP 14 AT 7:30 PM

**End-of-Summer Backyard BBQ Bash**

Chabad Heights



Ezriel

Interested



MON, SEP 14 AT 6:30 PM

**Sep 14th - NYs Biggest Tech Entrepreneur & Bizz Networking Mixer**

PHD Rooftop Lounge at Dream Downtown



Virag

Interested



THIS SUNDAY AT 8:30 PM

**Buffy the Vampire Slayer Trivia Fundraiser ( via Zoom- Live Host)**

Zoom Virtual Room (East Coast time) Live Host



Gina

Interested

## Details

2.1K people responded



Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Public · Hosted by **AMED Studies at SFSU, Yalla Indivisible** and 5 others

Online Event

Join the open classrooms of Professor Rabab Abdulhadi (AMED Studies) and Professor Tomomi Kinukawa (Women and Gender Studies) for a historic roundtable conversation with Palestinian feminist, militant, and leader Leila Khaled, followed by Q&A discussion with students, activists, and scholars at 12:30-2:30 pm PST (3:30-5:30 pm New York, and 10:30pm-12:30 am in Palestine and Jordan).

Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g](https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g)

Participants:

Leila Khaled

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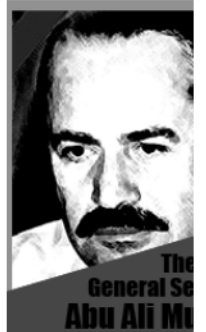
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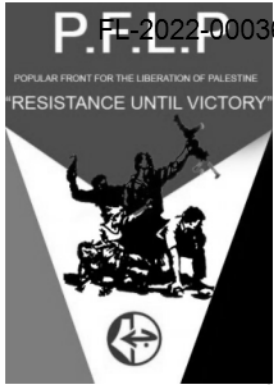
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September 14, 2020

Mr. Eric Yuan  
Founder & Chief Executive Officer  
Zoom Video Communications, Inc.  
55 Almaden Boulevard, 6th Floor  
San Jose, CA 95113

**Re: Unlawful provision of material support to designated foreign terrorist organization by San Francisco State University using Zoom service**

Dear Mr. Yuan:

As a brief introduction, I am an attorney and write on behalf of The Lawfare Project, a non-profit legal think tank and litigation fund based in New York City that focuses on matters of civil and human rights, discrimination, anti-Semitism, and counter-terrorism.

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Zoom’s video conferencing service constitutes a “service” for purposes of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. Additionally, as to the statutory requirement that prohibited material support or resources must be provided “knowingly,” this letter serves to put Zoom on notice of the intended provision of its service to a member of a foreign terrorist organization. If Zoom nonetheless permits SFSU to use its video conferencing service for this purpose, Zoom may be criminally liable for violating 18 U.S.C. § 2339B.

It is important to emphasize that the nature and content of Khaled’s conversation during the webinar is wholly irrelevant to criminal liability under 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. The mere facts that

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Khaled is member of a designated foreign terrorist organization and is being provided with a platform on which to speak can give rise to a violation, even if she chooses to speak about a topic completely unrelated to terrorism.

I appreciate your time and consideration of this important matter and hope it will be addressed with the gravity it deserves.

Sincerely

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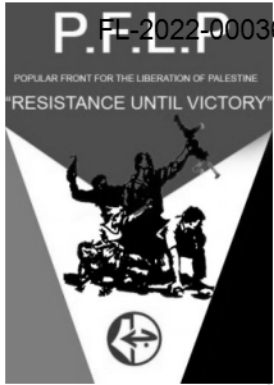
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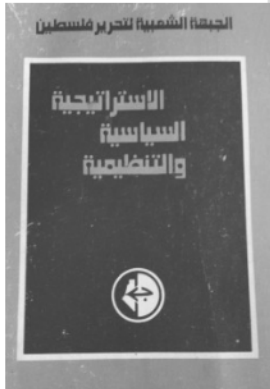
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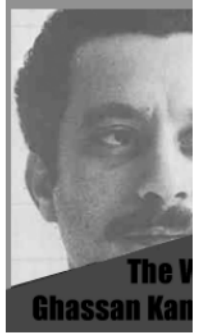


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Per the webinar invitation, it is being co-sponsored by two SFSU academic departments, the Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diasporas Studies Program (“AMED”) and the Women and Gender Studies Department (“WGS”).<sup>12</sup> Two SFSU professors, Rabab Abdulhadi (Senior Scholar of the AMED)<sup>13</sup> and Tomomi Kinukawa (a lecturer in the WGS), are listed as the webinar moderators,<sup>14</sup> and the invitation indicates that the webinar will be held using an SFSU-associated video conferencing service.<sup>15</sup> This SFSU-associated video conferencing platform, and

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## PFLP: Deporting Comrade Leila Khaled from Italy will not silence the voice of the Palestinian people

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine strongly condemned the action of the Italian authorities in denying entry to Comrade Leila Khaled, member of the Political Bureau of the Front, canceling her visa and forcing her to board the next plane to Amman. She was invited to Italy for a series of political events organized by the Arab Palestinian Democratic Union in Italy to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the launch of the PFLP.



The Front emphasized that this action followed upon a racist campaign waged by the Zionist movement and the forces of the fascist right wing in Europe over the past months against the Popular Front and the Palestinian and Lebanese Resistance. This action by the Italian authorities is part of this ongoing campaign, which will only be met with more insistence on transmitting the voice of our people to the world.

The Front further considers that the leading role of the struggler Leila Khaled and her revolutionary and symbolic role on a Palestinian, Arab and international level has enraged the Zionist state and its allies in Europe, pushing the forces of the Zionist movement to demand her arrest or deportation. They have failed to prevent her from giving public talks and appearances in Germany, Spain, Belgium, and elsewhere in Europe.

Further, the Front emphasized that this action on the part of the Italian authorities is a blatantly political decision in favor of the occupation state and racist Zionism. It does not reflect the position of the progressive, democratic forces in Italy or the values of the Italian people who reject war, racism, fascism and occupation.

The PFLP emphasized that it will, in cooperation with friends and supporters in Europe in general and in Italy in particular, continue to pursue the issue of the expulsion of Comrade Leila Khaled on political, media and legal levels.

The Front also praised all of the Italian and European voices, personalities, parties and organizations that expressed their condemnation of this unjust decision and their support for the rights of the Palestinian people and their just struggle for liberation, return and the establishment of an independent Palestine with Jerusalem as its capital.

The PFLP expressed its appreciation of the comrades in the Arab Palestinian Democratic Union for refusing to cancel the scheduled events honoring the launch of the Front despite the wave of incitement, pressure and Zionist provocations.

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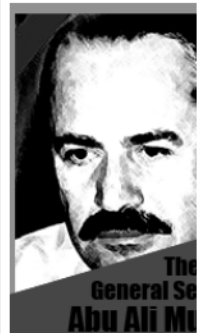
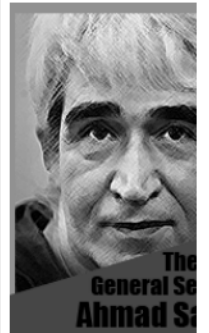
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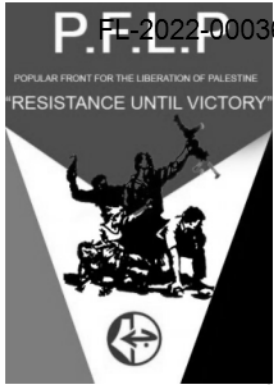
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Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine  
November 29, 2017



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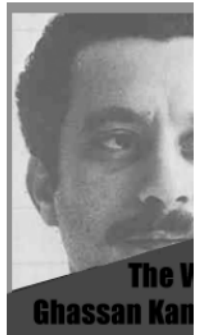


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**Re: Unlawful provision of material support to designated foreign terrorist organization by San Francisco State University**

Dear Mr. Toscas:

As a brief introduction, I am an attorney and write on behalf of The Lawfare Project, a non-profit legal think tank and litigation fund based in New York City that focuses on matters of civil and human rights, discrimination, anti-Semitism, and counter-terrorism.

I write to bring to your attention that Leila Khaled—a notorious member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (the “PFLP”), which is a U.S.-designated foreign terrorist organization<sup>1</sup>—is scheduled to speak at an online event (the “webinar”) that will be hosted by San Francisco State University (“SFSU”) on September 23, 2020.<sup>2</sup> Given Khaled’s membership in the PFLP, we are deeply concerned that her participation in this webinar and SFSU’s provision of this platform to communicate directly to U.S. college students (and others) may give rise to violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B, which makes it unlawful to provide material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization. Accordingly, we urge the U.S. Department of Justice to investigate the webinar and take appropriate action.

Khaled’s membership in the PFLP is well-documented. After she was blocked from entering Italy in 2017,<sup>3</sup> the PFLP issued a statement condemning Italy for denying her entry and, on its English-language website, explicitly acknowledged Khaled as a “member of [the terrorist organization’s] Political Bureau.”<sup>4</sup> It is also well-documented that Khaled played a critical role in two airplane hijackings, one of which resulted in the loss of life.<sup>5</sup> The terrorist activity of the PFLP has been so egregious that, in 2018 and 2019, PayPal barred a UK-based charity and a

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.state.gov/foreign-terrorist-organizations/>

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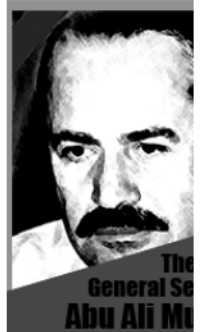
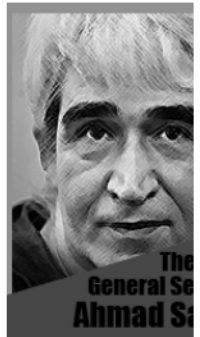
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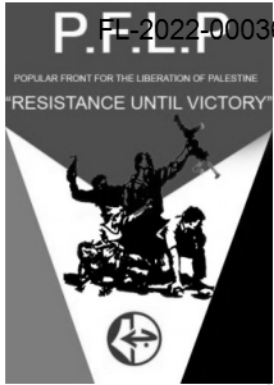
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The Honorable David Anderson  
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450 Golden Gate Avenue, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94102

**Re: Unlawful provision of material support to designated foreign terrorist organization by San Francisco State University**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

As a brief introduction, I am an attorney and write on behalf of The Lawfare Project, a non-profit legal think tank and litigation fund based in New York City that focuses on matters of civil and human rights, discrimination, anti-Semitism, and counter-terrorism.

I write to bring to your attention that Leila Khaled—a notorious member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (the “PFLP”), which is a U.S.-designated foreign terrorist organization<sup>1</sup>—is scheduled to speak at an online event (the “webinar”) that will be hosted by San Francisco State University (“SFSU”) on September 23, 2020.<sup>2</sup> Given Khaled’s membership in the PFLP, we are deeply concerned that her participation in this webinar and SFSU’s provision of this platform to communicate directly to U.S. college students (and others) may give rise to violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B, which makes it unlawful to provide material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization. Accordingly, we urge the U.S. Department of Justice to investigate the webinar and take appropriate action.

Khaled’s membership in the PFLP is well-documented. After she was blocked from entering Italy in 2017,<sup>3</sup> the PFLP issued a statement condemning Italy for denying her entry and, on its English-language website, explicitly acknowledged Khaled as a “member of [the terrorist organization’s] Political Bureau.”<sup>4</sup> It is also well-documented that Khaled played a critical role in two airplane hijackings, one of which resulted in the loss of life.<sup>5</sup> The terrorist activity of the PFLP has been so egregious that, in 2018 and 2019, PayPal barred a UK-based charity and a North America-based NGO, both closely tied to the PFLP, from using its online payment service.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.state.gov/foreign-terrorist-organizations/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/events/754000115385200/> (appended as Exhibits A and B)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.jpost.com/international/italy-bars-pflp-terrorist-and-bds-advocate-leila-khaled-515546>. The PFLP is also designated as a terrorist organization by the European Union.

<sup>4</sup> <https://english.pflp.ps/2017/12/01/pflp-deporting-comrade-leila-khaled-from-italy-will-not-silence-the-voice-of-the-palestinian-people/> (appended as Exhibit C)

<sup>5</sup> [https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/9k99k7/leila-khaled-first-female-hijacker-profile](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/9k99k7/leila-khaled-first-female-hijacker-profile)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.thejc.com/paypal-withdraws-donations-to-uk-charity-accused-of-having-terror-links-1.471410>;  
<https://www.jns.org/paypal-among-online-payment-platforms-that-shut-down-services-to-bds-group-with-terror-links/>

18 U.S.C. § 2339B states, in part:

Whoever knowingly provides material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization, or attempts or conspires to do so, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 20 years, or both, and, if the death of any person results, shall be imprisoned for any term of years or for life.<sup>7</sup>

The term “material support or resources” is defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2339A, as follows:

[A]ny property, tangible or intangible, or service, including currency or monetary instruments or financial securities, financial services, lodging, training, expert advice or assistance, safehouses, false documentation or identification, communications equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives, personnel (1 or more individuals who may be or include oneself), and transportation, except medicine or religious materials[.]<sup>8</sup>

As the U.S. Supreme Court emphasized in *Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project*, the U.S. Congress deliberately crafted a broad definition for material support because it found that “foreign organizations that engage in terrorist activity are so tainted by their criminal conduct that any contribution to such an organization facilitates that conduct.”<sup>9</sup> The Court clarified that material support includes “advocacy performed in coordination with, or at the direction of, a foreign terrorist organization,”<sup>10</sup> and detailed other ways that material support meant to “promote peaceable, lawful conduct”<sup>11</sup> can further terrorism.

Per the webinar invitation, it is being co-sponsored by two SFSU academic departments, the Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diasporas Studies Program (“AMED”) and the Women and Gender Studies Department (“WGS”).<sup>12</sup> Two SFSU professors, Rabab Abdulhadi (Senior Scholar of the AMED)<sup>13</sup> and Tomomi Kinukawa (a lecturer in the WGS), are listed as the webinar moderators,<sup>14</sup> and the invitation indicates that the webinar will be held using an SFSU-associated video conferencing service.<sup>15</sup> This SFSU-associated video conferencing platform, and Abdulhadi’s and Kinukawa’s moderating of the conversation, can constitute material support or resources for purposes of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. Therefore, SFSU, Abdulhadi, and Kinukawa can each be found liable for violating the statute by providing, and/or conspiring to provide, such material support or resources to Khaled.

As to the statutory requirement that prohibited material support or resources must be provided “knowingly,” SFSU is on notice of the upcoming webinar and that inclusion of Khaled can

<sup>7</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2339B(a)(1)

<sup>8</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2339A(b)(1)

<sup>9</sup> *Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project*, 561 U.S. 1, 5 (2010).

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* at 24,

<sup>11</sup> *Id.* at 5.

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<sup>13</sup> <https://amed.sfsu.edu/content/rabab-abdulhadi-profile>

<sup>14</sup> <https://wgsdept.sfsu.edu/people>

<sup>15</sup> The invitation provides a hyperlink to register for the webinar, and this hyperlink is associated with the SFSU web domain: [https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g](https://sfsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ycpMqzqcReO3HCQJKShi5g)



amount to a criminal violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. The webinar has received significant and widespread press coverage, the invitation to the webinar is publicly available, and The Lawfare Project has sent a letter similar to this to Lynn Mahoney, President of SFSU. In fact, it has been reported that President Mahoney has *supported* the webinar and Khaled's participation therein.<sup>16</sup>

It is important to emphasize that the nature and content of Khaled's conversation during the webinar is wholly irrelevant to criminal liability under 18 U.S.C. § 2339B. The mere facts that Khaled is member of a designated foreign terrorist organization and is being provided with a platform on which to speak can give rise to a violation, even if she chooses to speak about a topic completely unrelated to terrorism. Relatedly, any suggestion by SFSU that Khaled's inclusion in the webinar must be permitted to avoid infringing on First Amendment rights is erroneous. The courts have consistently held that criminal conduct receives no free speech protection merely because it is in the form of or involves speech.<sup>17</sup> More specifically, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit has specifically held that the 18 U.S.C. § 2339B prohibition against providing material support or resources to a foreign terrorist organization does not violate the First Amendment's guarantees of freedom of speech and association because the statute controls conduct rather than communication.<sup>18</sup>

I appreciate the Department's time and consideration of this important matter and hope it will be addressed with the gravity it deserves.

Sincerely,

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<sup>16</sup> <https://forward.com/fast-forward/453867/san-francisco-state-university-president-stands-behind-terrorist-leila/>

<sup>17</sup> See, e.g., *Giboney v. Empire Storage & Ice Co.*, 336 U.S. 490 (1949). In *Giboney*, the Court found that picketing with placards unlawfully restrained trade, even though "the agreements and course of conduct here were . . . brought about through speaking or writing." *Id.* at 502. As the Court stated, "[I]t has never been deemed an abridgement of freedom of speech or press to make a course of conduct illegal merely because the conduct was in part initiated, evidenced, or carried out by means of language, either spoken, written, or printed. *Id.*

<sup>18</sup> See *People's Mojahedin Org. of Iran v. Dept. of State*, 327 F3d 1238, 1244 (D.C. Cir. 2003).



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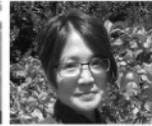
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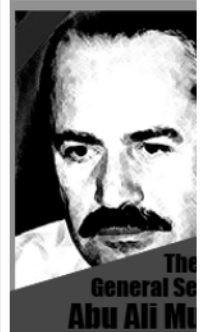
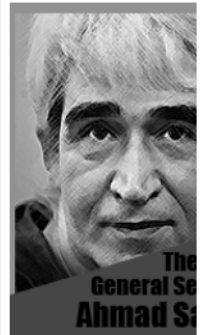
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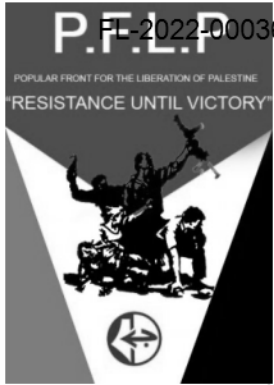
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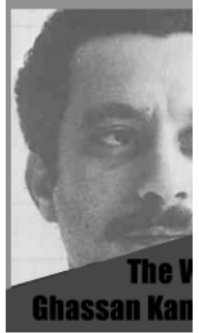


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OK, thanks. But everything in there about PFLP is accurate, correct?



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Thank you for your patience with CT. It was good to ensure L had a chance to review.

Nathan was able to quickly review and asked that CT be put down for "info." Thanks!

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Great, thanks so much!



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Thank you sir, I'll flag for Nathan who is flying back from Rome now.

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Hi Hillary!

L is fine with the tweet (see below), as is the Department of Education. I just want to make sure there are no CT issues, as PFLP is your domain.

So that you don't have to dig back, the proposed language is:

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Thanks!



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Ah, got it. Thanks so much for that clarification. And thanks to everyone else on this chain.

Have a great weekend, folks!



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(b)(6) @state.gov; (b)(6) @state.gov

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hello SEAS Carr,

(b)(6)

[Redacted]

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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**From:** Carr, Elan S <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 12:44 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; Ethics

Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

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**Cc:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov;

(b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Dear all,

(b)(5)

(b)(5) Why is that a problem?

[Redacted]

(b)(5)

FYI, I cleared this proposed tweet with the Department of Education, including specifically with their legal shop. They see no issues here.

Thanks,



**Elan S. Carr**

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6) @state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 11:36 AM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6) @state.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Elan can you see the below?

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**From:** (b)(6) @state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 9:09 AM  
**To:** (b)(6) @state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6) @state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) @state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks, (b)(6)

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 2:14 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>;  
Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary

(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

(b)(5); (b)(6)

Thanks,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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(b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:49 PM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie,

(b)(5)

Best,

(b)(6)

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:18 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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Just so that I am understanding clearly, (b)(5)

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On October 1, 2020 at 9:43:40 AM EDT, (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Thanks, (b)(6)

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Thanks,

(b)(6)

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**From:** Ethics Attorney Mailbox <EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 9:39 AM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov;

Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)@state.gov; (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@state.gov> (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks (b)(6) or adding L/EFD. (b)(5)

(b)(5)

(b)(6)

Attorney-Adviser  
L/EFD

**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 1:26 PM

**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>;  
(b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>; Ethics Attorney Mailbox  
<EthicsAttorneyMailbox@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi (b)(6)

Thank you for this analysis.

Let me clarify an important item which apparently has gotten lost since emails are being forwarded without context.

(b)(5)

Thank you,  
Ellie

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On October 1, 2020 at 9:05:39 AM EDT, (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Good morning all -

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Adding a couple of others in L for any thoughts they might have.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 8:29 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Great – thank (b)(6). Ambassador Sales would like an L review of this draft before reviewing himself. Thank you!

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SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 7:56 AM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hilary (yes, it's been ages!) and Ellie--

I am copying (b)(6) (b)(5) to get her take as I would defer to her on this.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:32 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks Ellie - Hi (b)(6) it's been a long time! L/LEI covers FTOs for us (b)(6).

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:29 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>; (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hilary, thanks I have copied (b)(6) from L for their clearance as well so we are all on one chain--(b)(6) please see below Tweet clearance request. Also please note that DOE has already cleared (b)(5) but of course we defer to L on that:

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:13 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

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(b)(5) I can circulate this to Nathan overnight, since he's in Europe, but cannot offer CT clearance until he's seen it. He may also ask about L. Thanks.

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 6:43 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

In that case let's revise the Tweet to as follows:

(b)(5)

Please let me know if we have clearance from CT.

Thank you,

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 5:41 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Cc:** <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks Ellie - (b)(5)

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(b)(5) and we both note that L will need to review. He's getting me the right L folks that we can pass along.

At this point, I'm not sure if CT can clear until L reviews.

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:40 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Cc:** <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary,

SEAS Carr's thinking as we are about to hold a Conference on Internet Anti-Semitism shortly, is

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Thanks,  
 Ellie

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:37 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Cc:** <(b)(6)>@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Thanks for the context Ellie. I spoke with (b)(6) and I understand there were other PA-related threads on this, (b)(5)

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:28 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

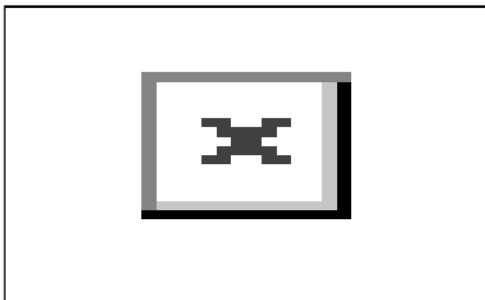
Hi Hillary,

The NGO Lawfare Project managed to convince Zoom, Youtube and Facebook that it is against their own terms of use to host Leyla Khaled a member of PFLP which is a FTO as you know.

SFSU is still trying to hold the event and they apparently tried to convince Zoom not to cancel the original date.

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<https://saraacarter.com/state-department-silent-over-federally-funded-universitys-plan-to-host-a-u-s-designated-terrorist/>



State Department Silent Over Federally Funded University's Plan To Host A U.S. Designated Terrorist - Sara A. Carter : Sara A. Carter

Mum's the word from the U.S. Department of State, which chose not to respond to the controversy surrounding a member of a U.S. designated terrorist organization speaking at San Francisco State



University this Wednesday. State Department confirmed that they had received this reporter's request for comment on Thursday morning and promised to provide a response.

saraacarter.com

I'm sure your press team can pull the very many news pieces circulating out there condemning the Federal government's various agencies' lack of response to this--including a letter from Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-CO).

Please do let me know if you have any other questions, as I am happy to clarify and will look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,  
Ellie

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:17 PM  
**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Ellie - sorry, did the event happen? Do we have any more context? Nathan is on the road (in Europe) and would want to know the latest, so it would need to be up to him to clear since he was hoping for more info on the strategic approach you all were thinking.

Adding (b)(6) who is in charge of our Press. Thanks!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 4:14 PM  
**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Flash clearance please--Tweet from SEAS

Hi Hillary, we have cleared the below with DOE and will send to GPA following your hopeful clearance. As this is an ongoing and time sensitive issue would greatly appreciate your response first chance. Many thanks!

(b)(5)

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**From:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:36 PM

**To:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Sounds good. Just as a heads up, we aren't able to do much regarding issues of free speech but will be available after your dinner.

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Sent from [Workspace ONE Boxer](#)

On September 22, 2020 at 6:33:51 PM EDT, Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi Hillary I am actually having a business dinner at 8pm and definitely happy to talk as soon as we wrap up—I wasn't going to impose on you in the evening. I can text you when I'm done and if you're available that's great—does that work?

My cell is (b)(6)

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 5:27:23 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov wrote:  
Hi Ellie! I was on calls myself and now heading out now to join (b)(6)

(b)(6) I can try on the way home – do you have a number I can reach you on, or speak (b)(6)

(b)(6) Sorry!

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**From:** Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:20 PM

**To:** Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov; Sales, Nathan A (b)(6)@state.gov; Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov

**Cc:** Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov; Peyman, David (b)(6)@state.gov

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Hillary,

S/E Carr is on back to back calls today. I just tried you on your mobile number. Please let me know if you are available to talk between 6:45-8PM ET tonight?

Best,  
Ellie

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On September 22, 2020 at 12:53:21 PM EDT, Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov wrote:

Hi Ambassador Carr – please let me know a good time to reach out.

Hillary

Hillary Batjer Johnson  
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Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism  
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\*\* Due to COVID-19, I may be teleworking. I can be reached at the unclassified email above, or at (b)(6)

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**From:** Sales, Nathan A (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:29 PM  
**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T (b)(6)@state.gov>; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie) (b)(6)@state.gov>; Peyman, David (b)(6)@state.gov>; Batjer Johnson, Hillary (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Got it, thanks. Let me add DAS Hillary Batjer Johnson who runs designations for CT.

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**From:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6:27 PM  
**To:** Sales, Nathan A  
**Cc:** Godfrey, John T; Cohanim, Elham (Ellie); Peyman, David  
**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Great! Can't wait to hear about your meeting. Let's chat when you're back?

Happy to discuss with John. And since you have WiFi, let me tell you both what the issue is:

An NGO is fighting SFSU's speaking invitation to convicted PFLP hijacker Leila Khaled. The University won't budge, but Zoom might. Zoom's lawyers are telling the NGO that while the PFLP is a designated terrorist organization, Leila Khaled has not been designated. This seems very strange to me, and all the more so given that she was actually convicted of terrorism. But the NGO believes that their cause would find assistance from some sort of statement from us that a terrorist designation of an organization applies to all members of that organization. Do we have legal or pre-cleared language like that? Is this something you CT would consider? The Khaled speech is scheduled for tomorrow, so this is time sensitive.

Thoughts?

Thanks so much!



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**From:** Sales, Nathan A (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12:11 PM

**To:** Carr, Elan S (b)(6) @state.gov>; Godfrey, John T (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Subject:** Re: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Hi Elan, thanks for following up. Non Responsive

Non Responsive

Non Responsive

Would be happy to chat but I'm actually on a flight back home now.

Let me see if CT PDAS John Godfrey is available to speak?

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**From:** (b)(6) @state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 5:22 PM

**To:** Sales, Nathan A

**Subject:** RE: Join us tomorrow at 11 AM ET for "Enough is Enough: The Case for Banning Hezbollah"

Non Responsive

I'm going to try you on your cell phone regarding a time sensitive matter – just a couple of minutes. If you can't talk, I'll try to find someone else in CT.

Safe travels!



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