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From: White, Jonathan (ACF) [redacted]
Sent: 6/15/2018 1:53:50 PM
To: [redacted] (HHS/OASH) [redacted]
Subject: RE: bullets for planning

I'm letting [redacted] (who is up to his eyeballs in the Tornillo stand-up) know about our conversation just so there are no surprises later.

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You know darn well I will.

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Let me know any way I can help.

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Thanks! All on-board here, and I can't thank you enough! More soon.

From: White, Jonathan (ACF)
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Per our discussion, I would suggest:

- The mission skill set needed is not necessarily that of a SAT Team, although many of those on a SAT team will have preparation and skill for that. The key components, in addition to Spanish language fluency, will be a balance between those with mental health/crisis intervention experience (especially social workers) and those with strong admin skills. This is not really a case management mission; it's an information gathering and transfer mission in a high-stress environment.
- Ask [redacted] at ORR to provide strong onsite connection to members of his Federal Field Specialist (FFS) team at ORR. That is the most important ground contacts I think in terms of understanding the population and the context.
- [redacted] is preparing some mission brief components. That is good.
- The teams should be prepared that they will be meeting both with actual Unaccompanied Alien Children who crossed the Border alone, as well as separated minors and their parents. [redacted] can provide helpful background and context.
- Their mission involvement does not require them to approve of or agree with the current policy of separating children from their parents. That decision is outside their locus of control—and that of all of ORR, too, which they should know. Their job is to facilitate process such as as minors come into ORR custody—both UACs and minors separated from family units—they are expedited in the ability to be reunified with family members.
- It is important that they know that conditions for children are always better in ORR custody than in CBP custody. [redacted] should have them go on a tour of a nearby ORR permanent shelter facility so they can see and understand this; it will help them make moral sense of their mission to expedite kids' moving into and through that system.
- It is also important that they know that making sure good information on parents and children travels with the kids who are separated optimizes the chances of continued contact between children and parents. The ORR shelter staff where they child is going will actively seek to ensure contact with parents; they just need to make sure that the information about the parents goes with the kids.
- Behavioral health support: Officers may need to be provided with reachback after-shift to support from trained officers uprange.
- Behavioral health support: Officers may benefit from having a thirty-minute end-of-shift meeting of their own offsite, to debrief about what they have heard and seen that day.

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- Behavioral health risk mitigation: No one should stay longer than 2 weeks.
- Officers need to be trained not to speak with the press. There will be efforts to engage them by the media.

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