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**GI002**

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Collection Code: **CTRACK**

Staff Name:

Document Date: **May 17, 2016**

Correspondent: **HIS EXCELLENCY XI JINPING**

Subject/Description: **YOU HAVE MY DEEPEST THANKS FOR YOUR KIND GIFT.  
IT WAS A PLEASURE TO WELCOME YOU TO  
WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR THE 2016 NUCLEAR SECURITY  
SUMMIT, AND I WAS TOUCHED BY YOUR GENEROSITY.**

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May 17, 2016

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President of the People's Republic of China  
Beijing

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Again, thank you for your thoughtful gift. I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,  
[POTUS AP]

**BARACK OBAMA (A)**

BO/FR/VA/John Payne  
Head of State Gift TY+Custom  
Case Number: 20160419-07580881  
Sent to:  
His Excellency  
Xi Jinping  
President of the People's Republic of China  
Beijing

OK to AP  
VA

~~RETURN TO POTUS~~

~~MAY 23 2016~~

~~CORRESPONDENCE~~

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STATE DEPARTMENT

His Excellency  
Xi Jinping  
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Beijing

**THE WHITE HOUSE**

WASHINGTON

May 24, 2016

**MEMORANDUM FOR: STATE SECRETARIAT  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**FROM: PHIL DROEGE  
DIRECTOR OF WHITE HOUSE  
RECORDS MANAGEMENT**

**SUBJECT: ACTION REQUESTED ON WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**PLEASE TRANSMIT THE ATTACHED LETTER(S)  
AND/OR PHOTO(S)**

**FROM: THE PRESIDENT**

**TO: His Excellency  
Xi Jinping  
President of the People's Republic of China  
Beijing**

## Poese, Caroline

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**From:** Galeckas, Cristiena J <GaleckasCJ@state.gov> on behalf of Correspondence Unit Mailbox <CorrespondenceUnit@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 23, 2016 4:11 PM  
**To:** Poese, Caroline  
**Cc:** Correspondence Unit Mailbox  
**Subject:** RE: Assorted Thank You letters

Hi Caroline,

These are good to go.

Best,  
Cristiena

**Cristiena J. Galeckas**  
Executive Secretariat, S/ES-S  
U.S. Department of State  
Line: 202-647-8879  
Desk: 202-647-3509  
BB: 202-538-3502  
E-mail: [GaleckasCJ@state.gov](mailto:GaleckasCJ@state.gov)

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**From:** Poese, Caroline [mailto:Caroline\_S\_Poese@who.eop.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 23, 2016 2:44 PM  
**To:** Correspondence Unit Mailbox  
**Subject:** Assorted Thank You letters

Hi All,

Could the attached thank you letters, please be proofed for dispatch through State?

Thanks,

*Caroline Poese*

Executive Office of the President  
Office of Records Management  
Correspondence Review Section  
EOB 536, 202-456-7677

May 2, 2016

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Commented [PJHE1]: Remarks by President Obama and President Xi of the People's Republic of China in Joint Press Conference

As a result of our efforts, our two nations are working together more closely across a broader range of critical issues -- and our cooperation is delivering results, for both our nations and the world...

...We partner to address global challenges, whether it's promoting nuclear security, combating piracy off the Horn of Africa, encouraging development and reconciliation in Afghanistan, and helping to end the Ebola epidemic in West Africa.

**Lee, Victoria J. EOP/WHO**

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**From:** Kimball, Emilie A. EOP/NSC  
**Sent:** Monday, May 16, 2016 9:03 PM  
**To:** Payne, John H. EOP/WHO; #CROSS  
**Cc:** Burger, Jillian M. EOP/NSC  
**Subject:** RE: Language, Nameline, and Salutation Question

John -- Our WMD-TR (Roecker) and Asia (Hass) teams cleared with no edits. The address block and salutation are good to go!

Best,  
Emilie

-----Original Message-----

From: Payne, John H. EOP/WHO  
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2016 3:00 PM  
To: #CROSS <#CROSS@dsr.eop.gov>  
Cc: Kimball, Emilie A. EOP/NSC <Emilie\_A\_Kimball@nsc.eop.gov>; Burger, Jillian M. EOP/NSC <Jillian\_M\_Burger@nsc.eop.gov>  
Subject: Language, Nameline, and Salutation Question

Hi, all:

Please advise on the language and correct nameline and salutation for the following foreign official:

Xi Jinping – President of the People’s Republic of China

His Excellency

Xi Jinping

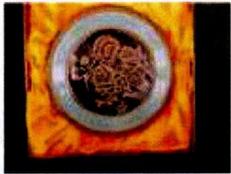
President of the People’s Republic of China

Beijing

Dear Mr. President:

# Priority Gifts

4/4 - 4/24 2016

	<p><b>From:</b> His Excellency Prayut Chan-ocha Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand Bangkok Thailand <b>Intended for:</b> President <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Presented Date:</b> 4/1/2016 <b>Received by:</b> Staff Member <b>Office:</b> Department of State, EAP/MLS <b>Circumstances:</b> Given on the occasion of the Nuclear Security Summit</p>	<p><b>Value:</b> \$270.00 <b>Description:</b> Set of four Thai bowls (4") on a serving plate (12"), copper colored metal with dark gray paint on the outside and gold-colored etchings around the rim</p>
	<p><b>From:</b> His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Astana Kazakhstan <b>Intended for:</b> President <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Presented Date:</b> 4/4/2016 <b>Received by:</b> State Department <b>Office:</b> Office of the Chief of Protocol <b>Circumstances:</b> Given at the Nuclear Security Summit</p>	<p><b>Value:</b> \$6500.00 <b>Description:</b> Ink well and fountain pen set by Montegrappa Italia featuring the seal of Kazakhstan in silver</p>
	<p><b>From:</b> His Excellency Nursultan Nazarbayev President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Astana Kazakhstan <b>Intended for:</b> President <b>Comments:</b></p>	<p><b>Presented Date:</b> 4/4/2016 <b>Received by:</b> State Department <b>Office:</b> Office of the Chief of Protocol <b>Circumstances:</b> Given at the Nuclear Security Summit</p>	<p><b>Value:</b> \$400.00 <b>Description:</b> Framed oil painting depicting a woman looking at a distant mushroom cloud against an orange sky with her hands in front of her face, 18" x 14"</p>
	<p><b>From:</b> His Excellency Xi Jinping President of the People's Republic of China Beijing China <b>Intended for:</b> President <b>Comments:</b> Plate came with wooden stand</p>	<p><b>Presented Date:</b> 4/6/2016 <b>Received by:</b> State Department <b>Office:</b> Office of the Chief of Protocol <b>Circumstances:</b> Received at the Nuclear Security Summit</p>	<p><b>Value:</b> \$100.00 <b>Description:</b> Jun porcelain plate entitled, "An Auspicious Monkey" with a monkey holding peaches on a wine colored background with a light blue border, 11"</p>

**Lee, Victoria J. EOP/WHO**

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**From:** Lartey, Solomon <Solomon\_Lartey@who.eop.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 27, 2016 11:30 AM  
**To:** Payne, John H. EOP/WHO; Lezotte, Darin R. EOP/WHO; Millison, Chad L. EOP/WHO; Blount, Patricia D. H. EOP/WHO; Taggart, Hugh T. T. EOP/WHO  
**Subject:** RE: Search and File  
**Attachments:** 1189983..pdf; 1162780..pdf

John please attached.

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Good Morning,

Could you check and see if we sent any letters to President Xi Jinping of China from 2014 to present?

Thank you,  
John Payne

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

January 11, 2016

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Beijing

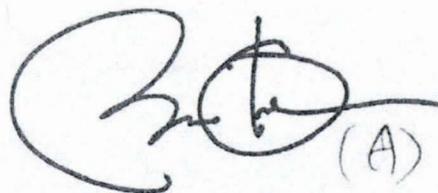
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Sincerely,

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JAN 13 2016

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February 26, 2015

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Beijing.

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*JJ*

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**STATE DEPARTMENT**

FIRST FAMILY  
GIFT DISCLOSURE  
THE WHITE HOUSE



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Email form within 24 hours of receiving gift.
2. Complete all fields thoroughly.
3. Include ALL items accompanying gift.
4. Make TWO forms per gift. Email one to the Gift Office. Attach the other form to the gift.

Staff Member Accepting Gift:		Title:
Office:		Date Form Completed:
Form Completed By (If Not Staff Member Accepting Gift): C. Betterdorf		Title:
Email Address: betterdorfcm@state.gov	Phone: 202 647 7746	Pick-up Location: HST

<b>GIFT INTENDED FOR</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President <input type="checkbox"/> President & First Lady <input type="checkbox"/> First Lady <input type="checkbox"/> First Family <input type="checkbox"/> First Family Children <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):
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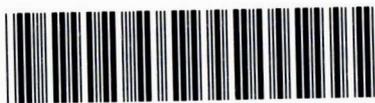
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GIFT INFORMATION	DONOR INFORMATION	GIFT DESCRIPTION
	Title and Name of Donor: His Excellency Xi Jinping  Organization (if applicable):  Complete Address (include country for foreign donors): President of the People's Republic of China  Email Address:  Phone Number:  Donor Category: <input type="checkbox"/> General Public <input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Government Agency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foreign Government Official <input type="checkbox"/> Lobbyist <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Friend Additional Information:	Date Gift Was Received (mm/dd/yyyy): 4-6-2016  Detailed Description of Gift (include damage): 1) Jun Porcelain Plate: An Auspicious Monkey (with light blue border) in presentation box  Circumstances of the Donation (Event, Location, etc.): Nuclear Security Summit
	Gift Received: <input type="checkbox"/> By Member of First Family <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):  Thank You Letter To Be Generated By: <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Office/OPC <input type="checkbox"/> Office of the First Lady <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	

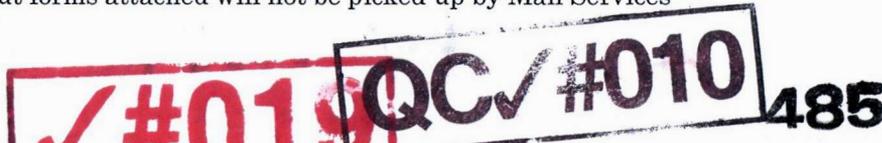
<b>SIGNATURE</b>	Signature of Staff Member: <i>C. Betterdorf</i>	Date: 4-7-2016
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GIFT UNIT

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# GIFT LETTER CHECKLIST – DIRECTOR

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<b>Writer</b>	Payne

Writer	First Reviewer	Writer/Priority Staffer		
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✓			<b>Style</b>	Is letter <b>spacing</b> and <b>indentation</b> correct? Is the <b>date</b> correct?
✓		Consistent <b>subject/verb</b> agreement?		
✓		Have any <b>words</b> been <b>repeated</b> ?		
✓		<b>Two spaces after periods</b> , no unnecessary words “ <b>very</b> ” and “ <b>that</b> ”, and no paragraphs ending with <b>one word on a single line</b> ?		
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	Name	Date	Time
<b>Writer</b>	Payne	4/27/16	5:29PM
<b>First Reviewer</b>	Grimes	4/28/16	4:55pm
<b>Writer/Priority Staff</b>	Payne	4/29/16	11:17AM



**T.H. Barack Obama**  
President of the United States



钧瓷挂盘 《灵猴献瑞》

***Jun Porcelain Plate:  
An Auspicious Monkey***

钧瓷挂盘 《灵猴献瑞》

钧瓷始于唐盛于宋，是中国色彩瓷器的鼻祖。这件作品画面中的猴子手托寿桃，面带笑容，形象活泼可爱，生动传神。作品寓意吉祥如意。

***Jun Porcelain Plate:  
An Auspicious Monkey***

*Jun* porcelain originated in the Tang Dynasty (A.D. 618-907) and flourished during the Song Dynasty (A.D. 960-1279). *Jun* porcelain is the ancestor of China's colored porcelain. This piece depicts a smiling monkey with peaches in its hands. This vivid and lively image symbolizes auspiciousness and good fortune.

### NARA Information

**DONOR****Name:** Xi Jinping**Title:** President of the People's Republic of China**Organization:****Category:** Foreign Government Official**Address:** Beijing,**GIFT****Intended:** President

**Description:** Jun porcelain plate entitled: An Auspicious Monkey. The center of the plate depicts a monkey holding peaches on a wine colored background with a light blue border. On the back is an engraving of the yin yang symbol surrounded by various animals. Diameter is 10.5".

**Damage:****Circumstances:** Received at the Nuclear Security Summit**Gift Office** Plate came with wooden supports to display the**Comments:** plate.

**Gifts Notes:** Gift came in a wooden presentation box with "Zhen Yu Yao" printed on the lid.

NARA GIFT UNIT	
PICK-UP TRIP NO.	
DATE	
STAFF INITIAL	
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BOX NUMBER	
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**Gift Part Value:** \$

### Gift Office Information

**Case Number:** 20160419-07580881**Total Gift Value:** \$ 0.00**Gift Part Number:** GIF-117598**Received By:** State Department**Presented:** 4/6/2016**Written Enclosure:** No**Screened:** 4/14/2016**Response Code:** PFORVIP**Created:** 4/19/2016 12:17 PM**Preferred Disposition:** Unknown**Created By:** Caitlin O'Grady**Appraisal Method:** Appraiser**Appraisal Form Number:****Gift Part Appraised By:**

Dr. Jerome Ford

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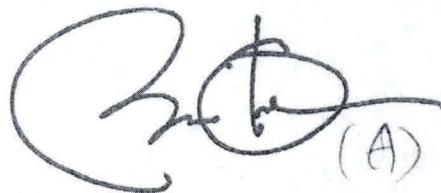
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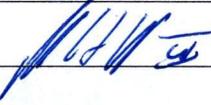
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<b>Writer</b>	John
<b>Signature Type</b>	POTUS AP

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*Signature*

*Date*

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