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I've just been advised by one of my contacts at Foreign Affairs that they strongly recommend that all communications with the High Commission in Bridgetown be effected through encrypted means only. (i.e. they'd prefer we didn't send anything by ourselves, for example, by fax, to the High Commissioner). I asked him for clarification on this to determine if we need to be concerned about telephone and e-mail transmissions to points in Barbados. He said yes, at least as far as things going into the HC. He implied that communications monitoring by either Barbados or other countries is assumed.

I'm going to hold off sending anything to the Canadian HC in Bridgetown until I get a clearer understanding of the privacy and information security assessment there. I've also been advised to talk with him only on secure telephone lines. (I had left a voice-mail message with the HC earlier today)

Bill, I think we also need your guidance as to what we should be careful about saying to Foreign Affairs that could have implications for "privilege."

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