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From: Liebman, Wilma B.
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 3:56 PM
To: Cleeland, Nancy; Solomon, Lafe E.
Subject: RE: Senator Graham's statements

First error: the White House is not involved.

From: Cleeland, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 3:55 PM
To: Solomon, Lafe E.; Liebman, Wilma B.
Subject: FW: Senator Graham's statements

Just got this message back from the top producer on CNN's State of the Union. I sent him a copy of the fact check and explained a little more about our concerns. He may offer to do another show. We'll see.

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From: Tom Bettag [mailto:Tom.Bettag@turner.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 3:26 PM
To: Cleeland, Nancy
Subject: Senator Graham's statements

Dear Ms. Cleeland,

I am the executive producer of State of the Union. Your e-mail was passed to me, and I am the correct person to deal with.

You say there are "some errors," and:

Please contact me to avoid repeating them. Also, why no attempt to contact us to balance your piece with Sen. Graham?

There is a simple answer to your question. We are a Sunday morning talk show where we allow guests to have their say, and we are more than happy to continue reporting on what they say if the record needs correcting. We made it clear after we aired Senator Graham's statements that we would continue reporting in order to give the full story. The truth of the matter is that we did send word to our contact at the White House that this issue was going to come up, and there has been no response whatsoever.

We pride ourselves on accurate and fair reporting, and we are more than happy to pursue this further. What is it in Sen. Graham's statements that you consider to errors?

Tom Bettag