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Ambassador Cunningham: Just to say that we continued our discussion about the Resolution and the intersection with the ICC. We haven't resolved anything. The differences still remain. We're going to continue that effort. We have some more time yet and there are discussions taking place in other places and capitals as well as here. Our concerns are still there. They haven't been addressed and we're going to continue to try to seek a solution that deals with the problem at hand which is how to address the issue of peacekeeping and those associated with it and see if we can get an outcome

Reporter: Could you talk about what's happening with Sfor? I mean obviously

Ambassador Cunningham: I'm not going to comment on Sfor or any.

Reporter: a technical roll-over

Ambassador Cunningham: We don't think that a technical roll-over is appropriate at this stage. We've spent the last week clarifying the issues. The issue has been before the Council since the East Timor Resolution so it's not a surprise to anybody. And we think it's time to see if we can get the decisions made that need to be made at a political level to get a solution.

Reporter: Mr. Ambassador, why isn't the United States just pulling its own people, its own (inaudible) out of the [Bosnia Mission](#) rather than basically vetoing the whole Resolution and forcing it to close operations?

Ambassador Cunningham: We want to find a solution that allows us to continue to contribute to peacekeeping and we want to find a solution and not to adopt halfway measures and we are not seeking to exclude ourselves from co-operation with our partners overseas. We have a problem. It's a serious problem and we want it to be addressed. Thank you.

Reporter: Is the message that you're sending that the United States is prepared to bring an end to [UN peacekeeping](#) as we know it if it doesn't get what it wants on the ICC?

Ambassador Cunningham: I'm not going to say that. Thanks.

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