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Tony, the Lt. Governor went to the LGOA this morning to speak to the employees briefly. He had a very good visit, and I think they were glad to see him. Quentin Hawkins and I met with the Team Leaders following his remarks, and I offered my help to them in any way if they need me during your absence (only in the event they can't reach you, of course!). We also met with Ruchelle alone, because the Lt. Governor has asked Quentin to help all of us get the budget prepared for submission. In that meeting, Quentin expressed to Ruchelle that the Lt. Governor did want her to continue to work on the reimbursements to the field, as we will focus on the budget as a team. If you recall, you had told me early yesterday that the current reimbursements may be held up because Ruchelle was the only one who could do the budget and reporting. I assured Ruchelle that I would communicate this to you as well.

The Lt. Governor has also asked us to discontinue SPOC at the earliest possible date. I am going to meet with your team leaders on Monday morning to try to come up with a compromise that will work for both the LGOA and the people in the field. I plan to be available to your staff next week, and will probably be in the small conference room a few hours a day. I just wanted to keep you updated.

Hope the conference goes well. See you Friday.

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