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	<p>opportunities for UK companies complicated by Rurelec- Guaracachi nationalisation (arbitration judgement due in April 2013).</p> <p>Approved by Head of Mission</p> <p>Signed: Ross Denny</p> <p>Date: 16 March 2012</p>	<p>mission's achievements against their objectives.</p>
<p>Briefing document</p>	<p>TRADE &amp; INVESTMENT BACKGROUND BRIEF</p> <p>Rurelec plc has initiated formal arbitration proceedings against the Bolivian government following the forced nationalisation of their interest in electricity generator Guaracachi on 1 May 2010. Following a Bolivian valuation of the company which concluded that Guaracachi was in negative equity, Rurelec is seeking compensation to the value of the book price of Guaracachi which it believes to be \$72.5 million.</p>	
<p>Email chain</p>	<p>From: [redacted]          Sent: 07 March 2012 16:06          To: [redacted]          Subject: RE: Pagina 7 on British investments</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Please release the following and pass on Peter Earl's email to the journalist:</p> <p>Between 2006 and 2010 Guaracachi-Rurelec invested on a significant scale in the Bolivian electricity sector, with \$110 million dollars of new investment and 185 megawatts of new capacity. Following nationalisation of its interest in Guaracachi, Rurelec PLC presented a claim to the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague on 2 March. This will be decided by an independent evaluation.</p> <p>British investors remain engaged in important investments across different sectors in Bolivia. The British Embassy La Paz will continue to work to protect the interests of all those operating in-country.</p> <p>Notes for Editors</p>	

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	<p>The full Statement of Claim presented by Rurelec can be found at <a href="http://www.rurelec.com">www.rurelec.com</a></p> <p>From: [redacted]          Sent: 07 March 2012 10:37          To: [redacted]          Subject: Pagina 7 on British investments</p> <p>[redacted],</p> <p>Pagina 7 are happy to have a statement from us. If possible, they would like it to answer the following questions:</p> <p>* ¿Cuál es la posición de la Embajada sobre el arbitraje con Rurelec?</p> <p>[redacted]British Embassy          La Paz</p>	
Memo	<p>To PS Jeremy Browne          From [redacted]          Date 2 May 2012          Pages 2</p> <p><b>BOLIVIAN NATIONALISATION OF SPANISH ELECTRICITY COMPANY</b></p> <p>Media Reporting</p> <p>In 2010 Morales announced the expropriation of four other power generating companies including one UK company, Rurelec, which is currently seeking compensation at the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague.</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	<p>'PS' means          Private          Secretary to          Jeremy          Browne</p>
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	<p>Sent: 04 May 2012 17:10          To: Diptel FCO          Subject: BOLIVIA 1 MAY: NATIONALISATION [DIPTTEL 1203964]</p> <p>Diptel LA PAZ          Foreign &amp; Commonwealth Office Diplomatic Telegram</p> <p>Comment</p> <p>The government has also approached Rurelec Plc for a discussion outside of the ongoing formal arbitration process. A swift agreement on compensation will be key.</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	<p>replaced eGrams as the formal name for reports from British Embassy's and other posts to the FCO in London</p>
<p>Email</p>	<p>From: Ross Denny          Sent: 13 July 2012 15:40          To: [redacted]          Cc: [redacted]          Subject: RE: BOLIVIA</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Rurelec of course no longer operate here having had everything expropriated in 2010. Their case for compensation is under negotiation and both sides have obtained their independent valuations, prior to either coming to an agreement, or if agreement cannot be reached, go to international arbitration in the Hague later this year. Rurelec are confident of their case, and about their valuation.</p> <p>Ross</p>	
<p>Briefing document</p>	<p>From: [redacted]          Crime and Policing Group          ?? October 2012</p>	

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	<p>Jeremy Browne</p> <p>MEETING WITH THE BOLIVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER - MONDAY 15 OCTOBER</p> <p>Background</p> <p>Despite ongoing arbitration processes for nationalised UK interests (Rurelec plc), the largest British investor in Bolivia has no plans to withdraw.</p>	<p>Email chain</p>
<p>Email</p>	<p>From: Ross Denny          Sent: 21 December 2012 13:34          To: [redacted]          Cc: Kate Smith; Fiona Clouder; [redacted]          Subject: RE: BOLIVIA</p> <p>The Rurelec case is lodged at the Hague and due to be heard in May next year (with the possibility still that Bolivia might choose to settle ahead of that). [redacted]</p> <p>Ross</p> <p>Ross Denny   HM Ambassador   British Embassy La Paz</p>	<p>Email chain</p>
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Email chain	<p>From: [redacted]          Sent: 31 December 2012 18:11          To: Ross Denny          Cc: [redacted]          Subject: FW: Bolivia takes over Spanish-owned energy suppliers</p> <p>Ross</p> <p>To see Rurelec arbitration will take place on 1 April as planned.</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	
Email chain	<p>From: [redacted]          Sent: 02 January 2013 16:47          To: [redacted]          Cc: Fiona Clouder; Kate Smith; [redacted]          Subject: RE: BOLIVIA: NATIONALISATION OF ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION CHAIN [DIPTTEL 1211286]</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] the UK's Rurelec negotiation is different due to a major disagreement about the company valuation. Rurelec say the interest rate and debt discounts applied to come up with a figure which showed the company was in negative equity, so it was worth nothing [redacted] This has left them with no choice but to go to arbitration on 1 April.</p> <p>Best</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	
Briefing document –	DIRECTOR AMERICAS MEETING WITH SPANISH DG LATIN AMERICA PABLO GÓMEZ DE OLEA BUSTINZA - BOLIVIA BRIEFING	

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<p>March 2013</p>	<p>Background</p> <p>The UK has suffered similar nationalisations with an arbitration case brought by Rurelec plc following the nationalisation of their share in electricity company Guaracachi currently underway in The Hague.</p>	
<p>Digital press cuttings</p>	<p>From: Durrants                  Sent: 01 April 2013 05:16                  To: DL FCO Press Cuttings                  Subject: Top Stories Media Coverage - 1 Apr 2013</p> <p>Media Coverage for Top Stories</p> <p>MINISTERIAL</p> <p>Power minnow Rurelec takes on Bolivia                  The Daily Telegraph [Business], 01 Apr 2013, p3, UK, Keyword: .FCO Ministerial Mentions, Journalist: Emily Gosden                  Aim-listed energy minnow Rurelec claims that William Hague is supporting it in a court battle with the Bolivian Government over the forced nationalisation of its assets.</p>	
<p>Email chain</p>	<p>From: Ross Denny                  Sent: 07 May 2013 17:27                  To: [redacted]                  Cc: [redacted]                  Subject: FW: Bolivia</p> <p>[redacted],</p>	

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	<p>Rurelec (also nationalized in May 2009) gave up trying to do a deal last year and their case is now in the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Hague.</p> <p>All this just goes to show how serious the point about recourse to international rather than domestic arbitration is in the new investment law. [redacted]</p> <p>Ross</p>	
Email chain	<p>From: Ross Denny Sent: 16 September 2013 19:05 To: [redacted] Cc: [redacted] Subject: RE: Kate's visit</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>[redacted] our role since the expropriation has been to help mediate between the company and the Bolivian government. [redacted] The arbitration is underway in The Hague [redacted]</p> <p>Ross</p>	
Briefing document	<p>Briefing Pack Kate Smith Visit to Bolivia 23rd - 26th September 2013</p> <p>Rurelec Rurelec was expropriated four years ago, in 2009. Our role since the expropriation has been to help mediate between the company and the Bolivian government. [redacted] The arbitration is underway in The Hague [redacted]</p>	Kate Smith is Director Americas at the FCO
Email chain	<p>From: Ross Denny Sent: 07 February 2014 17:16</p>	

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	<p>To: [redacted]          Subject:FW: Call on Archie Young by Roberto Calzadilla, Bolivian ambassador to the UK</p> <p>[redacted]</p>	
	<p>* Rurelec – the company needs our help. It would be useful to impress upon Roberto the need for the government to respect and comply with the PCA ruling, notably by paying the amount awarded, without seeking further delays. Other investors and potential investors will be watching all this very carefully.</p> <p>Ross</p> <p>From: Ross Denny          Sent: 22 January 2014 21:55          To: Archie Young          Cc: Kate Smith; [redacted]          Subject:: Roberto Calzadilla, Bolivian ambassador designate to the UK</p>	Email
	<p>Archie,</p> <p>The latter were still waiting for compensation nearly 5 years after expropriation of their assets, and amicable resolution of such cases would really help, as would finalizing the new investment law in a way that better addressed investor concerns.</p> <p>Ross</p> <p>Ross Denny   HM Ambassador   British Embassy La Paz</p>	Email chain
Attachment to email	Declaración de la Embajada Británica en Bolivia	Ross



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	<p>Las acciones de Rurelec en Bolivia fueron nacionalizadas por el Estado boliviano en mayo de de 2010. Ante la falta de un pago de compensación, como lo establece el Tratado Bilateral de Protección de Inversiones entre el Reino Unido y Bolivia, el caso fue llevado ante la Corte Permanente de Arbitraje de La Haya. La Corte falló recientemente a favor de Rurelec y confiamos en que el gobierno boliviano cumplirá con los términos de este fallo.</p>	
Email	<p>From: Ross Denny          Sent: 03 February 2014 13:53          To: [redacted]          Cc: Archie Young          Subject:FW: Rurelec Arbitration          Attachments: Bolivian Award Decision - Website RNS Final 01-02- 14.pdf</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>The tribunal’s judgement that the expropriation was “illegal” is likely to upset [redacted] even more than the fact of losing and being required to pay compensation. [redacted]</p> <p>Ross</p>	
Email chain	<p>From: Ross Denny          Sent: 10 February 2014 15:40          To: [redacted]          Subject: RE: Bolivian Ambo</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>How did the call go? I’d be interested to know what if anything was said on Rurelec as I plan to see the Deputy FM early this week to encourage early settlement [redacted]</p> <p>Ross</p>	

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	<p>From: Ross Denny Sent: 06 February 2014 13:36 To: [redacted] Cc: [redacted] Subject: RE: Bolivian Ambo</p> <p>Thanks for the heads up [redacted]. I'll let you have some thoughts. It would however be timely and sensible to mention Rurelec, and the hope/expectation that the Bolivian government will respect the outcome of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague.</p> <p>Ross</p> <p>From: [redacted] Sent: 05 February 2014 13:29 To: Ross Denny Cc: [redacted] Subject: Bolivian Ambo</p> <p>Ross,</p> <p>I'm arranging a meeting between Archie and the new Bolivian Ambassador to London for next week. If there is anything you'd like to feed in, do let me know.</p> <p>I'll be arranging subsequent meetings with Kate and the Minister in due course.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> <p>South America Department   Foreign and Commonwealth Office   King Charles Street   London  </p>	
	From: [redacted]	

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	<p>Sent: 13 February 2014 11:15          To: Archie Young          Cc: Ross Denny; Kate Smith; [redacted]          Subject: Meeting with Bolivian Ambassador - 1200 Monday</p> <p>Archie,</p> <p>Points below for your meeting with the new Bolivian Ambassador H.E. Mr Roberto Calzadilla at 10.30 tomorrow. [redacted] I shall be arranging subsequent calls on Kate and Mr Swire.</p> <p>Points to Make</p> <p>* You may have seen the judgement from The Hague concerning Rurelec. Impress the need for the Bolivian government to comply with the PCA ruling, notably by paying the amount awarded, without seeking further delays.</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> <p>South America Department   Foreign and Commonwealth Office            King Charles Street   London  </p>	
<p>Digital press cutting</p>	<p>From: BBC Monitoring          Sent: 14 February 2014 12:00:32 (UTC-04:00) Santiago          To: [redacted]          Subject: Bolivia Media Watch: Morales Says Opposition Goal To Reduce MAS Majority</p>	