

File 20100923.2014: Notes from a conversation with Larry Brown tonight:

Corinne and Phyllis swapped roles at the pre-CDTAB, according to Larry's relating of an email from ? (that I will be able to read tomorrow); Phyllis was an advocate, and Corinne was saying, 'if I just had a little more time, I know I could open a window'. The members of the CDTAB are said to be a vagabond bunch; like installers, they are always off in the field doing accreditations, so it is the luck of the draw who you get in a particular meeting. Some of them like RM, some don't. They rated RM 5.0 as high risk; this is unusual because 4.0.5 was rated high risk, but 4.5 was rated as medium risk. Discussion with Larry of relative merits of Solaris 10 zones vs SE Linux. NSA trusts SE Linux better than Solaris 10 zones. RM doesn't make full use of zones, says Larry, but I think zones were not intended to provide the kind of separation that RM needs. Zones were designed for running thousands of different web servers on big iron. I think we should get away from Oracle as soon as possible.

I will have a chance to read this email on the CWAN machine tomorrow morning. Arrive in Deer Creek a little early to open the SCIF before 8:00 a.m.

Jeff Dutoit told me tonight to concentrate on the Probabilistic Redaction quarterly progress report and summary progress reports; it looks likely that DARPA will be very interested in picking up funding for the project from AFRL soon. AFRL thinks it's a great idea; they presented it to DARPA last week.

References