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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1992

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Dear Dr. Burke:

Thank you for your letter of March 11, 1992, advising the President on ways to provide meaningful support to scientists in the republics of the former Soviet Union. He has asked me to respond to the points you raised.

I was, of course, aware that the National Science Board had given approval for NSF to provide such support. As you indicated in your letter, this indeed is a part of the Administration's plans to address the evolving situation in those republics.

Within the Office of Science and Technology Policy, we are examining a number of initiatives. You may be aware of the conference at the National Academy of Sciences on March 3, 1992. That conference included participation from the private sector, academia, and government and examined the needs of the basic sciences in the former Soviet Union. Their report, dated March 13, 1992, proposed a number of excellent initiatives. Some of those are being implemented already as part of the Administration's plans.

As you may have read recently, the Administration has announced a broad plan to offer support to the peoples of the former Soviet Union. I am glad to report that the bipartisan support you identified in your letter has materialized, and hope it will coalesce behind this plan.

Thank you for sharing your perspective with the President, Walter Massey, and me.

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology

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TO: DR. D.A. BROMLEY

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SUBJECT: REPORTS THAT THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
APPROVED TO LAY OUT A PLAN FOR PROVIDING U.S.
SUPPORT TO SCIENTIFIC COLLEAGUES IN THE FORMER
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MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

March 11, 1992

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I write as one of your appointees to the National Science Board. I participated in the recent National Science Board meeting that gave the National Science Foundation our approval to lay out a plan for providing US support to our scientific colleagues in the former Soviet Union. I look forward to hearing the Foundation's plans at the upcoming Board meeting.

This initiative could well be part of a response to the challenge issued by former President Nixon earlier this week. Support for meaningful help must have a bipartisan basis in the present climate, and I trust that you will be consulting with key members of Congress on ways of implementing a truly significant plan.

Sincerely,



Bernard F. Burke
Member, National Science Board

BFB/wh

cc: Dr. Allan Bromley, OSTP
Dr. Walter Massey, NSF

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