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THE WHITE HOUSE

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December 14, 1989

Dear Joel:

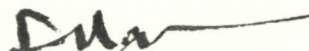
I have recently received a letter, dated November 22, signed by a very impressive collection of Academy members, urging action with respect to the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA).

I would appreciate your letting the members know that I have in fact recommended to the President that the U.S. restore full participation in the Institute, with two provisos. First, that the focus of the Institute be changed from one on energy supply and utilization to the broader one of global change and, two, that the name of the Institute be changed to reflect that change in focus.

As you will have noted, President Bush invited President Gorbachev to send his chief science, economics and environmental advisers to a meeting that I will host here in Washington this coming April of such persons from a very wide variety of countries, in an attempt to improve the quality and understanding of the methodologies available for the study of global change. Mr. Bush also offered to host the framework convention on global change following the completion of the U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change activities later in this coming year.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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Dear Dr. Bromley:

We write to urge you to use your influence to assure that the Administration restores full American participation in the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA). In light of changed circumstances in the world and current stated U.S. policy objectives, we feel the potential value of IIASA is even greater now than in the years immediately following its establishment. IIASA is a notably important resource for the American scientific community. It is a valuable site for sustained, in-house collaboration with researchers from other countries, particularly those from Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

These are times of dramatic change in centrally-planned economies, and of ambitious international initiatives to confront global environmental problems. As we face these challenges of the 1990's, IIASA provides an established, operating resource that this country should take full advantage of, and build upon. To allow American participation and leadership to cease would weaken the leadership role that we all would like the United States to play, not only in international scientific research, but also in fashioning productive cooperation on economic and environmental policies.

We feel it is essential that the U.S. provide the modest general support required for full American participation in IIASA in order to make sure that this country makes the most of the opportunities offered by this institution.

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"CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING"

TYPE: Action Item

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FROM: American Academy of Arts and Sciences

TO: Bromley

DATE OF CORRESPONDENCE: 11/22/89

SUBJECT: Urge Bromley to use influence to assure that the Administration restores full American participation in the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis.

ASSIGNED TO: Thomas Ratchford

Handwritten reply

ACTION REQUIRED: As Appropriate

SENDER'S DUE DATE:

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DATE COMPLETED:

COPIES TO: D. Allan Bromley
Judy Bostock

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