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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH



DATE OF
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SUBJECT: HE IS WRITING TO SUGGEST THREE CONDITIONS THAT
SHOULD BE FULFILLED AS A COMPROMISE FOR AN
APPROPRIATE POSTPONEMENT OF THE SSC PROJECT.

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WASHINGTON

July 28, 1992

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Your suggestion that we request the largest possible annual appropriation, to ensure prompt completion of the project, is a good one. In fact, our proposed spending profile reflects the best judgment of DOE and the SSC laboratory as to the rate at which funds can be spent sensibly. We are also mindful of the President's imperative that funding for areas of research other than high energy physics should not be raided to pay for the SSC.

The Administration's commitment to the SSC--and to science, in general--reflects our conviction that the United States is too great a nation to play a second-rate role in addressing the premier intellectual challenges of our time. I know you agree that the physics which the SSC will probe is one such challenge, and I very much hope you will support the President's commitment to make the SSC a reality before the end of the decade, rather than delay construction and cede leadership in this area to CERN.

Sincerely yours,

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

Dr. Edward Teller
P.O. Box 808, L-O
Livermore, CA 94551

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July 10, 1992

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Bush:

Due to the action of the House of Representatives, the Superconducting Super Collider will be built too slowly if it is built at all. Your wonderful effort in behalf of this project could produce negative results by deflecting money and effort from problems which are now ready for solution. I am, therefore, taking the liberty to write to you in order to propose as a compromise an appropriate postponement of the project until three conditions are fulfilled.

- A European proposal for a more modest accelerator will be finished before the Superconducting Super Collider. The results from this enterprise will almost certainly change the reasonable planning of the American machine. We should wait for this European accomplishment and then ask our friends from abroad to join us in the bigger enterprise which we are planning in Texas.
- Development of superconductivity in the last five years makes it most probable that in the near future less expensive and more effective methods will be found to build a super collider. I should recommend delaying the program to take advantage of developments which are apt to reduce significantly the cost of needed big-scale construction.
- When a decision to build the machine is made, the annual appropriation for its construction should be between \$2 and \$4 billion in order to finish the construction before the machine becomes obsolete.

The Honorable George Bush
July 10, 1992
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Of the three conditions, the last one may be the most important. Indeed, if at present a way could be found for truly massive support of the super collider, this may suffice to justify a prompt decision to built it and finish it. If you could make the decision to substitute for the present slow approach fast and decisive activities in the future, this would make it clear that you are supporting science in a truly effective manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edward Teller".

Edward Teller

cc: Vice President Dan Quayle
Admiral James Watkins
Dr. D. Allan Bromley

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SCHLENK OF KENTUCKY IN ORDER TO DISCUSS THE FEDERAL
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To Dr. Bromley
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request to Ford
② Setup meeting to
discuss
③ Advise Ford
meeting has been
held. [Signature]

July 2, 1992

Dear Sam:

I recently met with Bob Schlenk, an inventor from Louisville, Kentucky, during his recent visit to Washington. I have enclosed copies of articles from Business First describing Mr. Schlenk's energy-saving inventions.

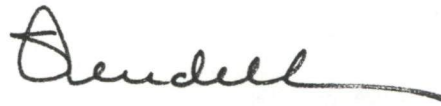
Mr. Schlenk has submitted several inventions to the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Office of Energy-Related Inventions for evaluation for possible financial assistance from the Department of Energy. He would like to meet with you, or another high-level Administration official, however, to discuss the Federal government's commitment to encouraging entrepreneurs.

I hope that such a meeting will be possible. Mr. Schlenk may be reached by calling (502) 266-5828 or 266-5089 or by writing to the following address: N.A.C. Corporation; 3502 Dell Road; Louisville, Kentucky 40290. He is currently planning to be in Washington July 14-16. His schedule is flexible, however, and he has indicated his willingness to accommodate your schedule.

If there is any way that I may facilitate this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Samuel K. Skinner
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WEEK OF MAY 25, 1992

Jeffersontown man named one of top inventors of '91

By ROGER HARRIS

Business First Staff Writer

Jeffersontown inventor Robert Schlenk has been named one of 1991's top inventors in the country by the Patent and Trademark Office of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Schlenk is one of only 66 patent recipients to be invited to participate in the National Inventors Conference and Exposition—scheduled June 12-14 in Washington, D.C.—an annual event sponsored by the patent office to recognize and promote inventors.

"I couldn't believe it," Schlenk said. "I am excited."

Schlenk was named one of the top inventors of the year for his development of the Triple Crown Tester—a hand-held device that shoots a beam of energy through the air powerful enough to light up the gas in a neon or fluorescent light bulb.

His patent is for the "lamp-driver circuit" that the tester is built around. Schlenk's circuit was deemed patent-worthy by the Patent and Trademark Office because it uses a tiny light bulb as a current limiter, which allows the transistors in his tester to work more efficiently on less power.

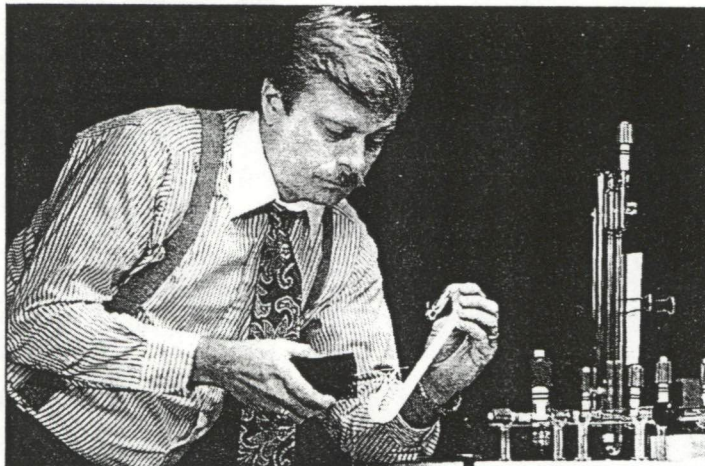
The tester is designed for use by companies that install and repair neon, fluorescent, mercury vapor and metal halide signs and lights.

Schlenk said the tester is particularly useful for determining if a light itself is bad, or if there is a problem with the electrodes welded onto the end of the fixture.

With a probe that attaches to the end of the tester, it can be used to determine what color the gas in a broken light is supposed to be.

Schlenk and his invention were featured in the Feb. 10 issue of Business First.

Being invited to participate in the national expo will provide a significant boost to efforts to market the tester and



Robert Schlenk will be honored for his Triple Crown Tester—a hand-held device that can determine if a neon or fluorescent light bulb is bad.

Business First photo by Ron Bath

launch his company into full-scale production, said Schlenk, the president and only employee of NAC of Kentucky Inc.

"This is going to make the patent strong; make it worth a lot of money," Schlenk said.

The 66 inventors invited to participate in the exposition were selected from several hundred applicants, said Oscar Mastin, public affairs officer for the patent office.

"A committee reviews the applicants and tries to select those patents which would have the broadest appeal to those who will attend the conference."

This year's conference and exposition is being jointly sponsored by Intellectual Property Owners Inc., a Washington, D.C.-based non-profit organization comprised of inventors and patent holders.

Intellectual Property Owners will award

three \$1,000 prizes for what it considers the best trio of inventions.

Winning one of the prizes would provide even more of a marketing boost for the Triple Crown Tester, but Schlenk hasn't waited on national recognition to begin selling his invention.

Since before he received the patent in December 1991, Schlenk has been busy marketing his tester to lighting-industry suppliers, distributors and manufacturers.

Earlier this month, Schlenk spent a week in Miami demonstrating his tester at the National Electric Sign Association's annual International Sign Convention and Exposition.

"The testers were selling to people from all over," Schlenk said. "Some went to Denmark and some to a man from Beirut."

Schlenk said he left Miami with several promising prospects, including the possibility of a large order from Marvel Lighting Corp., a Maywood, N.J.-based manufacturer of mercury vapor, metal halide, fluorescent and incandescent lights.

Marvel sales manager Jim O'Hanlon said he was impressed with the tester. "I see strong potential for it."

If Marvel's distributors indicate interest in stocking the tester, Marvel would consider placing a major order with Schlenk, O'Hanlon said.

Meeting the mass-production needs of a national manufacturing company such as Marvel would more than strain the capacity of his basement lab, Schlenk said.

To meet that level of production, Schlenk is talking with Custom Manufacturing Service Inc. about a contract to assemble, box and ship the Triple Crown Tester.

Custom Manufacturing is a non-profit company in Louisville that employs handicapped workers.

Schlenk has several other orders from lighting-industry wholesalers and distributors. One of his first orders was from Transco Inc., a West Columbia, S.C., company that distributes lighting-industry products to wholesalers.

Transco President Henry Brown said the Triple Crown Tester's market potential is "thousands of units per year in sales."

Brown said other testers are being marketed, but Schlenk's device is more powerful and versatile.

Schlenk sells the testers for \$114 each. A kit, which could be used by distributors to demonstrate the effectiveness of the tester, sells for \$300. The kit includes a briefcase filled with a dozen neon tubes filled with gases of different colors.

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THE AREA'S BEST-SELLING BUSINESS PUBLICATION

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 10, 1992

Neon niche Inventor hopes to light up market

By ROGER HARRIS
Business First Staff Writer

Inventor Robert Schlenk sits in his Jeffersontown living room waving what looks like a remote control garage-door opener across the top of an open briefcase.

Lying in a row in the bottom of the briefcase are a dozen neon lights. As his small hand-held invention passes over the open briefcase, the lights blink on and off in a rainbow of green, red, yellow and blue.

"This," Schlenk said, holding up the small black box, "is the Triple Crown Tester."

The tester—which shoots a beam of energy through the air powerful enough to light up the gases in a neon tube—is the product that Schlenk hopes will fuel his dream of leaping from a basement lab to full-scale mass production.

The tester is designed for use by companies that install and repair neon, fluorescent, mercury vapor and metal halide signs or lights, Schlenk said.

The tester can determine if the light itself is bad or if the problem is with the electrodes welded onto the end of the light. A probe that is attached to the end of the tester can be inserted into a neon to find out what color the gas in a broken light is supposed to be.

The mechanism is one of several lighting-industry products Schlenk is working on. All of his devices use a new "lamp-driver circuit" for which Schlenk received a patent on Dec. 10.

Like any inventor worth his salt, Schlenk believes his invention is the greatest thing since Edison invented the original light bulb. And Schlenk will tell you why in an unending stream of technical talk about circuits, transistors, resistors, current limiters and such.

Basically, Schlenk's patent is for using a tiny light bulb as a current limiter, which allows the transistors in his tester to work more efficiently on less power.

What sets Schlenk apart from other inventors is he actually appears to have developed a product that is marketable, said Henry Brown, president and co-owner of Transco Inc., a West Columbia, S.C., master wholesaler company that distributes lighting-industry products to wholesalers.

"From our standpoint, there is the potential for thousands of units per year in sales," said Brown, who has placed an initial order for 100 testers.

Only time will tell if the Triple Crown Tester will make the successful jump from working in the lab to being used in the field, Brown said.

"Someone once told me that you can design something that's foolproof, but you can't design it to be damn-fool-proof," Brown said.

What Brown means is that not everything that works in a lab is reliable in the field because the average worker who has to use the device doesn't understand how it works and therefore doesn't use it properly.

Brown believes Schlenk's device will hold up, however, because it is more powerful and versatile than other testers now on the market—and simple to use.

"As soon as I saw the unit I knew it was a product we wanted," Brown said. "We've been giving the prototype a workout every day, and it's performing up to expectations."

So far Schlenk has orders from lighting-industry wholesalers and distributors to produce several hundred testers.

In addition to the tester, Schlenk has developed a neon-light transformer that weighs less and uses less energy than existing transformers.

"We've talked about the transformer, but so far we haven't seen it," Brown said. "We're anxious to see it."

Transformers take the 120 volts of electricity from an outside power source and change it to the higher voltage neces-

sary to light neon signs. A typical electromagnetic transformer weighs 18 pounds or more, Brown said.

Schlenk is working on a so-called light-weight, "high-frequency" transformer capable of adjusting the brightness of the light, something electromagnetic transformers can't do.

"The idea of a high-frequency transformer isn't new, but those developed so far have been unreliable," Brown said. "Bob has one he thinks will do the job. We're hoping that will be the case."

Working out of the basement of his modest brick home in a quiet Jeffersontown neighborhood, Schlenk builds his Triple Crown Testers and sells them for \$114 each.

A demonstration kit, which includes a briefcase specially outfitted with neon tubes, goes for \$300.

Yet before Schlenk can begin serious mass production, he needs more space.

He expects to raise the money to finance a mass-production operation by selling both the testers and shares in his company—NAC of Kentucky Inc.

Schlenk said a handful of private investors have bought a few hundred of the 1,000 shares he plans to sell. Schlenk said he will keep 3,000 shares for himself. He declined to say what the shares sell for or who has bought them.

Once he obtains the financing, Schlenk said he can have a manufacturing operation up and running within 30 days.

"I figure we'll employ 25 to 30," said Schlenk, whose company now employs only himself.

David Olshansky, director of economic development for the City of Jeffersontown, hopes to find a building for Schlenk.

"He needs about 5,000 square feet, and as soon as he's ready we can find him a place in a matter of days," Olshansky said. "We've got a lot of 5,000-square-foot places. We'd love to have Bob out here because we think he has a state-of-the-art operation, and we want Jeffersontown to be known as a center for technical innovation."

In addition to the tester and transformer, Schlenk wants to market a neon sign that he says can operate off of a 12-volt car battery.

In his basement he has installed the equipment necessary to bend the glass tubing for neon signs and pump the tubes with gas.

He envisions salesmen and political candidates lining up to buy light-weight neon signs that plug into a car cigarette lighter.

"I made one last year for a judge, and he had it tied into his brake lights so that every time he hit his brakes the word 're-elect' came on," Schlenk said.

"It would be great for advertising because you can see a neon light from so far

away."

Yes, Schlenk is a bit eccentric, said Brown.

"He's full of ideas. Some may work out and some may not," Brown said.

Nevertheless, Schlenk is different from most of the inventors who knock on Brown's door.

"What set Bob apart from the inventors we were used to is he is a genuine person," Brown said. "With most inventors you get the hype, but not the sincerity."

Vance Smith, a Louisville patent attorney, said Schlenk also differs from the typical inventor because he understands about market dynamics.

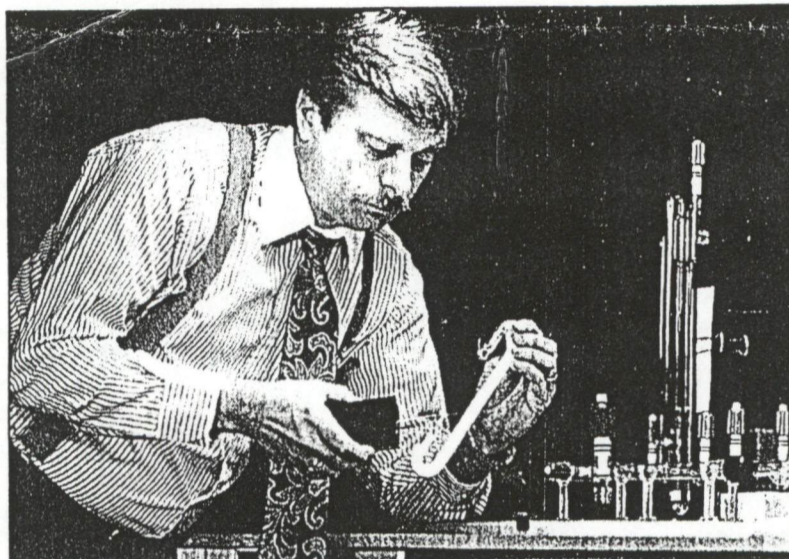
"He has more knowledge of the market than most inventors who typically struggle to get something to the marketplace," Smith said. "Bob is an inventor/entrepreneur."

Smith helped organize the Bluegrass Inventors Guild, a recently formed group dedicated to helping local inventors develop their ideas.

Schlenk, a director of the guild, markets his tester by calling and writing to neon-lighting industry suppliers and repair companies. He then follows up with a personal demonstration.

Largely self-taught, Schlenk doesn't have a college degree. He studied at United Electronics Institute in Louisville, however, and worked as an "electronic trouble shooter" at Sony and Zenith plants in Chicago. Also, for a few years, he ran his own TV repair shop.

Lack of a college degree hasn't been a problem, Schlenk said. Much of what he learned about electronics over the years came from reading and watching people work, he added.



Robert Schlenk uses his Triple Crown Tester to check the productivity of a neon light.

Schlenk has spent the past 10 years, off and on, working on his patent.

In 1990, he devoted himself to working full time on his inventions, and he started his company.

"I've put in an undeterminable amount of time and thousands of dollars," Schlenk said.

The testers, which weigh only a few ounces, are powered by a 9-volt battery. One of the things that make Schlenk's product better than others is its ability to produce more power from a 9-volt battery than other testers.

"Most testers either are not strong enough or are too strong and they end up burning out components," Brown said. "Bob's unit seems to have avoided those design pitfalls."

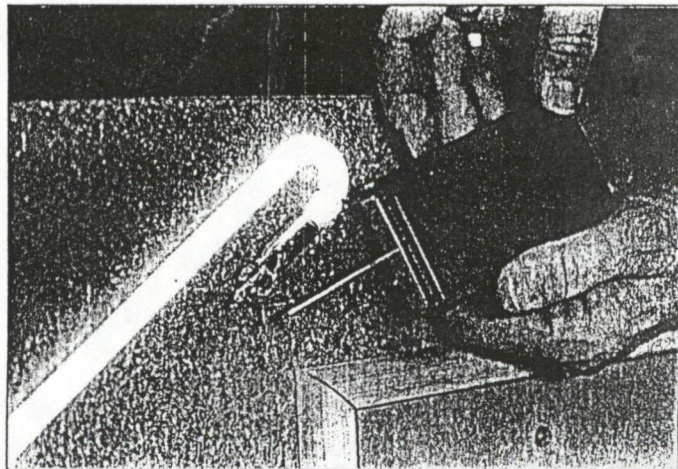
The ability of the tester to determine what some lights are supposed to be is one of the more unusual features of the tester, Brown said.

This is important because some the glass tubes used in lighted signs have a coating that makes them look white to the naked eye when actually the gas inside makes them another color, Brown said.

Most testers now in use don't generate enough power to cause the gases to light up, Brown said.

Schlenk, who was the featured inventor at a scheduled Feb. 9 open house at the Thomas Edison House in Louisville, hopes the expected success of his tester will encourage investment in the ideas he and other local inventors are working on.

"There are a lot of things going on here that people don't know about, and a lot of technical talent," Schlenk said. "But the financing just isn't there."



If everything goes according to plan, inventor Robert Schlenk will soon begin mass marketing his neon light tester. Story on page 1.

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LETTER FROM SENATOR FORD TO SAM SKINNER

The referenced letter from Senator Ford to Sam Skinner as Chief of Staff dated July 2 has received OSTP attention as requested. Senator Ford suggests that Mr. Schlenk, an inventor, meet with Secretary Skinner to discuss the government's commitment to encouraging entrepreneurs.

Mr. Skinner forwarded the letter to us through you for action. Mr. Schlenk has an appointment to see Dr. Bromley, as well as another senior staff member, on October 9. Senator Ford's office has been notified of this appointment.

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July 9, 1992

Dear Mr. McGuire:

Thank you for your letter to President Bush regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), recently held in Rio de Janeiro, and related issues. The President appreciates your comments and suggestions.

As the President stated in Rio, the United States has a good, strong environmental record, one that clearly reflects our Nation's commitment to wise stewardship of our planet's natural resources. America has spent \$800 billion in the past ten years to clean up the environment, and no other nation has done more to protect its air, land, and water through the development of advanced technologies that promise cleaner production and growth.

The environment and development -- the two subjects of UNCED -- are, in the President's view, compatible. President Bush made it clear that he is fully determined to address concerns involving both issues; he also made it clear that he would not jeopardize American jobs or further burden American taxpayers by making unbalanced agreements that would hinder our economic growth.

Working with representatives from 170 countries at UNCED, the United States advanced the environmental cause by negotiating new commitments on oceans, population, public participation, and pollution control. The President also proposed to double worldwide funding for forests and, as a down payment, announced that the United States will provide \$150 million in new assistance for bilateral forest conservation.

The Administration also forged and won approval of a responsible Convention on Climate Change. This landmark agreement is a major step forward by the international community to address global climate change. It requires countries to formulate, implement, and publish national action plans for mitigating climate change by limiting net emissions of greenhouse gases.

President Bush also encouraged other industrialized nations to join the United States in a "prompt start" on implementing the Climate Change Convention. He proposed that signatory countries meet by January 1 to present their action plans.

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The United States also has an impressive record of protecting various species of plants and animals -- a record ignored by those who criticized the Administration's stand against the Biodiversity Convention. Despite its noble intent, that accord contained serious flaws that rendered it unacceptable to the Administration. For example, some provisions of the Convention would not only have put American patent and other intellectual property rights at risk but also threatened our exports of biotechnology products. By treating technological innovations as "common property," even though they are developed at great cost by private American companies and workers, the agreement would have reduced the incentives for such firms to engage in research and development activities, thereby resulting in fewer technological advances to protect our planet.

The Convention also has a financing mechanism in which developed nations such as the United States provide the resources while developing nations control how those resources will be spent. While the United States did not sign the Convention on Biodiversity, the United States issued a draft discussion paper in Rio to accelerate the worldwide collection and classification of data on plants and animals as part of a global effort to preserve biodiversity.

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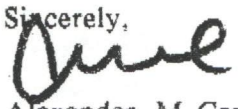
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RESULTS volunteers around the country, and many other Americans, see this historic meeting as an unprecedented opportunity to make the kinds of fundamental changes that will put us and our economies on the path to sustainability. We expect significant action from you to put these changes in motion.

Please consider the following specific actions:

1. Sign the Convention on Biodiversity.
2. Commit to saving the last remaining ancient forests of the world, both internationally and domestically.
3. Host the pledging conference for funding Agenda 21, and make a significant financial commitment on behalf of the U.S. government -- not as "charity" but as in investment in our shared future.
4. Launch an initiative to incorporate environmental priorities and considerations for sustainability in current trade negotiations, such as the Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Again, RESULTS is not asking you to be "charitable" in your approach; we want action now on issues that already affect our lives and will affect them moreso in the coming decades.

Sincerely,  
  
Alexander M. Counts  
Legislative Director

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1992

Dear Mr. Counts:

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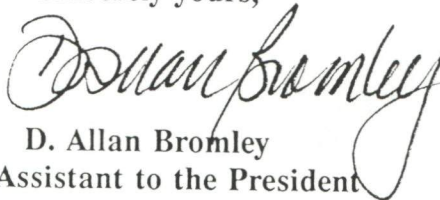
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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF CORRESPONDENCE: 06/15/92

SUBJECT: SUPPORTS THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION ON UNCED "EARTH SUMMIT" TREATIES IN ORDER TO BALANCE A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT AND THE ECONOMY.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 23, 1992

Dear Mr. Lamb :

Thank you for your letter to President Bush regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) and other related issues. The President appreciates your support of U.S. policies on this issue and has asked me to reply to your letter on his behalf.

The United States has been, and will continue to be a leader in environmental stewardship. President Bush believes that global stewardship is our shared responsibility and our shared opportunity. He is committed to working with the international community to produce strategies for managing the Earth's natural resources in ways that assure the sustainability of humanity on this planet and in ways that maximize our potential for growth and opportunity for all. It is the President's conviction that environmental protection and economic growth, well managed, complement one another.

Once again, thank you for your kind letter of support, and for taking the time to express your interest and that of your organization on this issue.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley  
The Assistant to the President  
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Mr. Henry Lamb  
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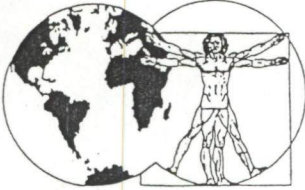
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The Honorable George Bush, President  
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333544  
June 15, 1992

Dear President Bush:

We applaud your refusal to be stamped into endorsement of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) agenda. Many of the scientists who participated in the studies of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) disagree with the conclusions contained in the Executive Summary. Fifty of America's most celebrated atmospheric scientists disagree strongly enough to a public statement which says:

"Such (UNCED) policy initiatives derive from highly uncertain scientific theories. They are based on the unsupported assumptions that catastrophic global warming follows from the burning of fossil fuels and requires immediate action. We do not agree."

Please do not let America again fall victim to unfounded environmental hysteria that inevitably results in economic waste, unnecessary legislation, and excessive regulation. We specifically urge you to resist all efforts to:

- impose a tax on carbon dioxide emissions
- create a global environmental police force
- reduce America's capacity to produce and use energy

The undersigned organizations represent millions of Americans who are working to achieve balance between a healthy environment and a dynamic economy. The UNCED agenda will achieve neither.

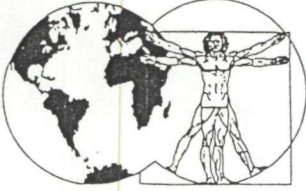
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Henry Lamb  
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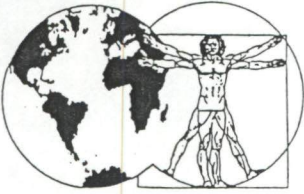
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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

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CORRESPONDENCE: 06/14/92

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CHARLES H. DE LA GARZA  
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The Honorable George Bush  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Bush:

I read an editorial by Daniel Greenberg concerning the Critical Technologies Institute. I agree with him that the United States is in dire need of a long range plan for the identification and development of new technologies that will enable us to be an international leader in a broad range of high tech products. Without the direction and support of the Executive Office, the Institute will likely flounder and result in further gains by Japan, which has a history of successful long range planning on new technologies.

The future competitiveness of U.S. industries requires that we provide maximum protection of intellectual property rights to encourage further high risk R&D. We appear to be doing an adequate job in that area but there is much more that could be done. Our industries must be placed on or, at the very least, near the same playing field where the foreign competition is found. One way to do that is by actively supporting and leading the Critical Technologies Institute.

Would you kindly advise me of your position on Critical Technologies Institute? What specifically will you do to support it? What other plans, if any, do you have to ensure the future competitiveness of our industries?

I am sure that campaigning has compromised some of your time. I would, however, like to learn of your views on these issues at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

  
Charles H. De La Garza

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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

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CORRESPONDENCE: 06/14/92

SUBJECT: HE IS WRITING TO EXPRESS HIS DISAGREEMENT WITH THE  
ADMINISTRATIONS POLICY TOWARD THE BIODIVERSITY  
CONVENTION.

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The President  
The White House  
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Dear Mr. President,

As a patriotic American who works and travels a great deal overseas, I am deeply distressed that the United States is becoming marginalized and despised for its recalcitrance and short-sightedness with respect to preservation of the global environment. I am very glad that you have decided at last to go the the UN Conference on Environment and Development, but I am sorry that it is at the cost of watering down what is easily one of the most important international agreements of this (and maybe any) century. Now I am outraged at the stance and behavior of the U.S. Delegation to the Biodiversity Convention Negotiating Committee, which continues to set itself apart from the community of nations and risks in an effort to ensure that the Convention is not agreed in time for signature in Rio in June. Taken together with the recent decision to exempt the logging industry in Pacific Northwest from the Endangered Species Act, one can only conclude that your Administration has a total lack of commitment to preserve the biological resources of this country and the earth. Not at all what we could have hoped for from the "Environment President."

I am involved in international environment and conservation work and have the opportunity to meet many technical and political leaders from both industrialized and developed countries. Quite frankly, I find myself increasingly embarassed by my country in these fora, as the U.S. delegations again and again take very vocal and very negative positions. America was once looked to as a moral as well as economic and technical leader; it is becoming a pariah and a laughing-stock.

Please, Mr. President, take action now to reverse this erosion of the American reputation and dream before it is too late. Instruct the U.S. Delegation to the Biodiversity Convention to facilitate rather than impede the negotiation and restore our country to its rightful place on the world stage. The eyes of the world are upon us--please don't make them turn away in disgust.

Very respectfully yours,



Agi Kiss  
Washington, DC

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FROM: POREMBA, Sue: PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/12/92

SUBJECT: SHE IS FORWARDING A COPY OF THEIR MAGAZINE TO MAKE  
THE PRESIDENT AWARE OF A BIODIVERSITY CONFERENCE  
HELD AT PENN STATE.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 8, 1992

Dear Ms. Poremba:

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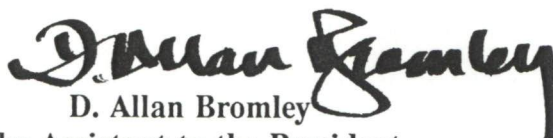
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We appreciate your taking the time to express your concern on this important matter. For your reference, enclosed is material that was prepared for UNCED, which outlines actions that the United States has taken to advance environmental protection. It comes to you with the President's best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley  
The Assistant to the President  
for  
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Enclosure

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President George Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Bush:

My co-workers and I have been greatly disturbed over your stance on the Environmental Summit in Rio and on environmental issues on a whole. What is even more troubling is the fact that you are an outdoorsman -- the fishing, hunting, boating, and the like. How can someone like you have such little respect for the Earth?

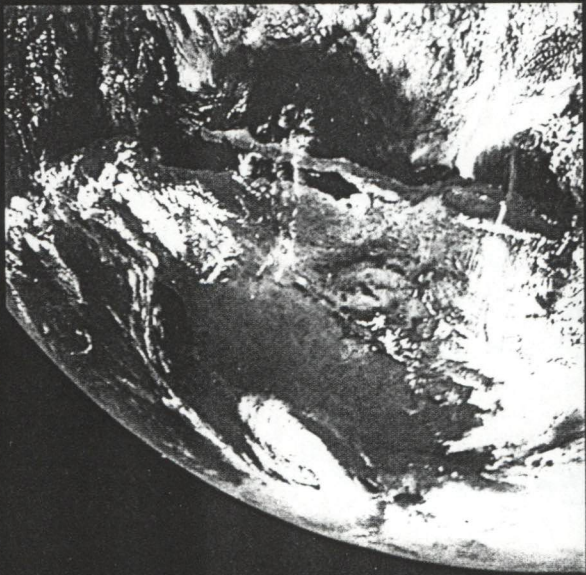
I'm sending you a copy of the magazine that my office produces, Research/Penn State. I know you are familiar with Penn State, courtesy of our football coach, Joe Paterno. Now I ask that you become familiar with a conference on biodiversity that was held here two years ago. The issue of the magazine that I've enclosed has a wonderful and enlightening article on this conference. I hope you or one of your aides take the time to read it.

Perhaps you make your decisions because of their immediate impact on life and business. Chances are you will not be around in 20 years, when we are suffering the consequences of your actions. But my children will be young adults then, maybe with children of their own. Your grandchildren will be beginning their careers and families as well. Perhaps you don't care about my kids. After all, you don't know them and probably never will. But I'm beginning to wonder which has become more important to you: the welfare of those you love or the dollars of faceless corporations.

Sincerely,

Sue Poremba

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FROM: SHERRY, Paul H.

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

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SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO RECONSIDER HIS DECISION NOT  
TO SIGN THE BIODIVERSITY TREATY AT THE EARTH SUMMIT.

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The President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
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Dear Mr. President:

I write to urge you to reconsider your decision not to sign the biodiversity treaty at the Earth Summit.

This treaty provides a unique opportunity for all nations of this earth to cooperate in protecting God's gift to all of us. We in the United States, to whom so much has been given, bear a special responsibility. If we reject the treaty, not only will we stand alone among nations. We will threaten our ability to work with nations, large and small, in other ways, to protect the earth and its people.

This is an opportunity to fulfill your pledge to be the environmental president. This is an opportunity for our nation to stand with other world leaders and sign the treaty. Please reconsider your decision.

Respectfully,

*Paul H. Sherry*

Paul H. Sherry  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1992

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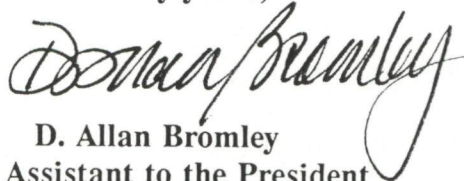
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FROM: MARTIN, Harry L.: INTERNATIONAL GREEN CROSS

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/10/92

SUBJECT: HE URGES THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE BIODIVERSITY  
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June 10, 1992

President George Bush  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Bush,

On behalf of the International Green Cross, and our Planet, I would like to encourage you to sign the Biodiversity Treaty at the Earth Summit.

Your positive action in this regard would do a great deal to show the rest of the World that America means what it says with regard to saving our environment. And the costs of not signing the Agreement will certainly outweigh the costs of signing it.

In closing, America has the chance, through YOU, to set an example for the World to follow in matters of environmental responsibility. I trust you will take into consideration that our organization, and our membership, expects no less from our President.

Sincerely,

*Harry L. Martin, Jr.*  
Harry L. Martin, Jr.  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

\* Our new phone number is (407) 380-7036

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1992

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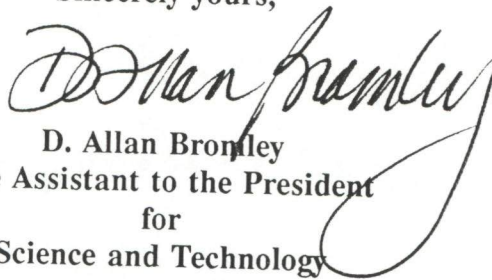
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With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley  
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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

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DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/09/92

SUBJECT: SUPPORTS THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION TO OPPOSE THE  
CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY AT THE UNCED  
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PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
OFFICER  
GENENTECH, INC.  
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SUBJECT: SUPPORTS THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION TO OPPOSE  
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**Genentech, Inc.**

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June 9, 1992

The Honorable George Bush  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of a leading biotechnology company, I am writing to express strong praise for your courageous stand against the proposed Convention on Biological Diversity. Your Administration is to be congratulated for rejecting an unwise convention that runs the risk of seriously eroding the gains of the past decade in the protection of intellectual property in international law.

Genentech currently spends about \$250 million a year in research and development activities. This research effort leads to the development of new treatments and cures for the people of the world. We have long striven to obtain adequate and effective protection for the fruits of this research through the United Nations and within the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade. The support of this Administration in furthering the providing of patent protection for our innovations has been commendable.

Sadly, the proposed Convention on Biological Diversity runs a chance of eroding the progress made in protecting American intellectual property rights. The vague language relating to "technology transfer" and equitable sharing appear to be code words for compulsory licensing and other forms of property expropriation. We are pleased that you have been sensitive to these concerns.

We also appreciate that you have correctly rejected the process oriented approach to the regulation of biotechnology implicit in the proposed Convention. The current Administration position of looking to the relative risk of the product, rather than the process, is clearly preferable.

The Honorable George Bush  
June 9, 1992  
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Please know that your continued support for adequate and effective protection of both the environment and intellectual property rights is very important to one of America's fastest growing and most vital industries.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. Kirk Raab".

G. Kirk Raab  
President and Chief Executive Officer

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 23, 1992

Dear Mr. Raab:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your comments concerning the proposed Convention on Biological Diversity at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro. The President appreciates your interest and has asked that I respond to your letter of June 9, 1992 regarding this issue.

Thank you for taking the time to write and for expressing your candid views on this matter. Letters such as yours are very helpful in our ongoing discussions of the nation's environmental agenda. Again, we appreciate your comments on and interest in this important issue.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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D. Allan Bromley  
The Assistant to the President  
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Mr. Kirk Raab  
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FROM: MOSSINGHOFF, Gerald J.: PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF CORRESPONDENCE: 06/09/92

SUBJECT: HE IS WRITING TO EXPRESS HIS SUPPORT OF THE U.S. DECISION NOT TO SIGN THE BIODIVERSITY TREATY.

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Gerald J. Mossinghoff  
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The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

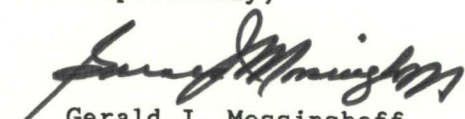
On behalf of the research-based pharmaceutical industry, I am writing to thank you for the strong position you have taken in support of intellectual-property rights by refusing to sign the proposed Convention on Biological Diversity.

Patent protection is the foundation of the research-based pharmaceutical industry. Without such protection, there simply would be no pharmaceutical industry -- and no new drugs to cure disease, ease suffering and prolong life. Unlike many U.S. industries, the U.S. pharmaceutical industry continues to increase its investment in research and development. This year, the industry will spend almost \$11 billion on R&D, 13.5 percent more than last year. Our member companies have doubled their investment in research and development every five years since 1970. As a result, America's research-based pharmaceutical industry leads the world in discovering and developing new and better drugs. Our industry, according to the March 9, 1992 issue of Fortune magazine, is America's most internationally competitive industry. None of this would be conceivable without the assurance of strong patent protection. As it is, our companies continue to lose billions of dollars a year in sales to patent pirates who operate in countries that lack adequate patent protection.

The proposed Convention on Biological Diversity would undermine the great progress your Administration has made in encouraging other countries -- most recently and notably Mexico and China -- to strengthen their patent laws. The unclear language relating to "technology transfer" and equitable sharing appear to be code words for compulsory licensing and other forms of property acquisition. Your sensitivity to these matters is most gratifying.

Our industry considers your continuing strong support for protection of both the environment and intellectual-property rights as an indication of your commitment to ensuring American competitiveness in the international arena.

Respectfully,

  
Gerald J. Mossinghoff

*America's Pharmaceutical Research Companies*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1992

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Mr. Gerald J. Mossinghoff  
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TO: President Bush

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Rio de Janeiro  
June 8th, 1992

President George Bush  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear President Bush,

Please take the time from your busy schedule to consider this request. There are many events, as I am sure that you are aware, occurring here in Rio de Janeiro .

I have come here to distribute a picture of the earth which was taken by N.A.S.A. in December, 1972 during an Apollo mission. The '92 Global Forum organization is assisting in the distribution of the picture to people who have come here from all over the world.

For the past six days and nights I have seen so many wonderful people - people who live in the rainforests, people from our country, people from the great cities of Europe and Asia, people from villages in Africa, Norway, Japan, New Zealand. People from 170 countries have come here bringing the same message: There is one earth for us to share. There is one future for us to share. One Earth. One Future.

The spirit of Rio is a gift that the people of Brazil have offered to the world. This spirit which keeps growing every day certainly proves the axiom that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

The '92 Global Forum event has grown beyond anyone's expectations. Likewise, the costs have increased considerably. There is an approximate deficit of 2 million dollars which has to be met if the '92 Global Forum is to remain in full operation for the duration of the event.

It would be a wonderful gesture if our country made a contribution to the '92 Global Forum to meet the deficit. I say this because the '92 Global Forum is both historic and unique. Our country has always provided substantial financial support to noble causes. The vision, ideals and leadership which have been brought to this forum by every country is truly astounding. The total success of the '92 Global Forum will establish an important precedent for similar events to be held in the future. The delicate biosphere which supports all life on our earth is very seriously threatened. Therefore it is crucial that the '92 Global Forum complete all scheduled events, maintain all operations and facilities and demobilize with the required financial resources. For if the outcome of the forum were less than this, all future generations would be severely affected. Time is not on our side in this matter. It is urgent that we, all of the countries in this world, create democratic, long-term policies which implement and guarantee truly effective laws and regulations to allow the biosphere to heal. It is for the children of this world that we do this. They are the future of humanity. We must rapidly reverse the ongoing, global degradation of the biosphere and create a world order for an environment in which all children can flourish.

# VALUE EARTH

June 8th, 1992  
President Bush  
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David C. Copeland

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1992

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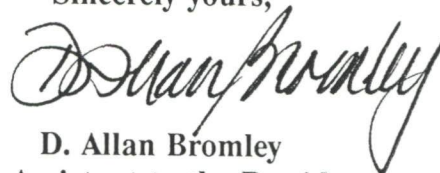
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FROM: COPELAND, David C.: VALUE EARTH

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF CORRESPONDENCE: 06/08/92

SUBJECT: HE IS ASKING THE PRESIDENT TO USE HIS OFFICE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE '92 GLOBAL FORUM.

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Rio de Janeiro  
June 8th, 1992

President George Bush  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear President Bush,

Please take the time from your busy schedule to consider this request. There are many events, as I am sure that you are aware, occurring here in Rio de Janeiro .

I have come here to distribute a picture of the earth which was taken by N.A.S.A. in December, 1972 during an Apollo mission. The '92 Global Forum organization is assisting in the distribution of the picture to people who have come here from all over the world.

For the past six days and nights I have seen so many wonderful people - people who live in the rainforests, people from our country, people from the great cities of Europe and Asia, people from villages in Africa, Norway, Japan, New Zealand. People from 170 countries have come here bringing the same message: There is one earth for us to share. There is one future for us to share. One Earth. One Future.

The spirit of Rio is a gift that the people of Brazil have offered to the world. This spirit which keeps growing every day certainly proves the axiom that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

The '92 Global Forum event has grown beyond anyone's expectations. Likewise, the costs have increased considerably. There is an approximate deficit of 2 million dollars which has to be met if the '92 Global Forum is to remain in full operation for the duration of the event.

It would be a wonderful gesture if our country made a contribution to the '92 Global Forum to meet the deficit. I say this because the '92 Global Forum is both historic and unique. Our country has always provided substantial financial support to noble causes. The vision, ideals and leadership which have been brought to this forum by every country is truly astounding. The total success of the '92 Global Forum will establish an important precedent for similar events to be held in the future. The delicate biosphere which supports all life on our earth is very seriously threatened. Therefore it is crucial that the '92 Global Forum complete all scheduled events, maintain all operations and facilities and demobilize with the required financial resources. For if the outcome of the forum were less than this, all future generations would be severely affected. Time is not on our side in this matter. It is urgent that we, all of the countries in this world, create democratic, long-term policies which implement and guarantee truly effective laws and regulations to allow the biosphere to heal. It is for the children of this world that we do this. They are the future of humanity. We must rapidly reverse the ongoing, global degradation of the biosphere and create a world order for an environment in which all children can flourish.

# VALUE EARTH

June 8th, 1992  
President Bush  
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FROM: PROSSER, Lizann

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/05/92

SUBJECT: SHE IS WRITING SEEKING INFORMATION ON HOW SHE CAN  
BECOME INVOLVED WITH THE TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION  
CORPS.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

July 8, 1992

Dear Ms. Prosser:

I am writing in response to your letter of June 5, 1992, to President Bush, expressing an interest in participating in the Technology Cooperation Corps.

I am truly impressed by your extraordinary combination of experience in finance and environmental technologies. Your qualifications would seem ideal for the Technology Cooperation Corps (TCC). The implementation effort is proceeding rapidly but, as yet, some important issues remain to be resolved. At the appropriate time, I shall forward your letter to the implementing agency for their consideration.

Thank you for offering your service in this important initiative.

Sincerely yours,



Eugene Wong  
Associate Director  
for Industrial Technology

Ms. Lizann Prosser  
112 West 72nd Street, #2G  
New York, New York 10023

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June 5, 1992

George W. Bush  
President of the United States of America  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

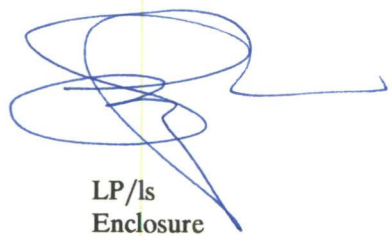
Dear Mr. President:

I applaud your recent announcement to establish a Technology Cooperation Corps. I would very much like to be involved with the effort.

As you may be aware, OPIC has been working on the development of an environmental sector fund. The fund's objective was to encourage U.S. private sector investment in sustainable development in the Third World. I had been invited to be the Director of Investments for the Fund. Unfortunately this idea has been shelved for lack of funding and I find myself searching for employment. With my dual background in finance and environmental engineering, I would very much like to encourage the development and use of economic pollution-control technologies.

I hope to hear from you, or your staff, on ways that I can pursue this goal.

Sincerely,



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FROM: COGLAN, Anne E.: SIMMONS COLLEGE

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/05/92

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN THE  
UNCED "EARTH SUMMIT" IN BRAZIL.

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ACTING PRESIDENT OF SIMMONS COLLEGE  
ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF SIMMONS  
COLLEGE  
300 THE FENWAY  
BOSTON MA 02115

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY  
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(617) 738-2125 FAX: (617) 738-2099

June 5, 1992

President George H. W. Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC

Dear President Bush,

It is time to clean up our act! We must assume a substantial share of the responsibility for damaging the environment and accept a role as leader in correcting and preventing further destruction of our planet. We urge you and your representatives to attend and participate actively in the Rio Conference.

We want to encourage the federal government to identify, promote and implement already existing technologies that would prevent environmental damage. The government should provide incentives to private industry for the development of improved technologies as well as providing quality educational opportunities to increase awareness of our responsibilities to our environment. The more fortunate among us must assume the proportionately larger share of the cost, short term, in order to raise the economic level of the entire human community.

Sincerely,

*Anne E. Coghlan, Acting President of the College*

Members of the Simmons College Alumnae College on the Environment

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 6, 1992

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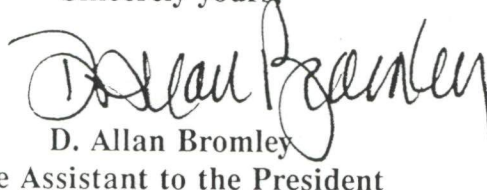
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FROM: SCHLICKEISEN, Rodger et al: DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

DATE OF  
CORRESPONDENCE: 06/05/92

SUBJECT: THEY ARE WRITING TO URGE THE PRESIDENT TO RECONSIDER  
HIS DECISION NOT TO SIGN THE CONVENTION ON  
BIODIVERSITY.

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Washington, D.C. 20036

World Wildlife Fund  
1250 24th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20037

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MAIL ROOM

June 5, 1992

The Honorable George Bush  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to urge you to reconsider your decision not to sign the Convention on Biological Diversity during your trip to the Earth Summit in Rio.

The Biodiversity Convention is one of the most important potential accomplishments of the Earth Summit. It sets up a framework for the preservation of biological resources that are threatened by habitat destruction and pollution and by unsustainable exploitation of certain species. With the extinction rate estimated already to have reached one-half of one percent of the world's species, we should not underestimate the importance of this Convention and abdicate our world leadership position in preserving biological diversity.

Mr. President, in light of its importance to the global environment, as well as to the perception of the United States in the world community, we urge you in the strongest possible terms to sign the Biodiversity Convention. If you feel compelled to include a statement of interpretation, that would be preferable to not signing at all.

Sincerely,

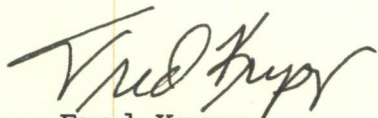
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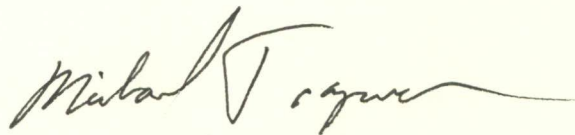
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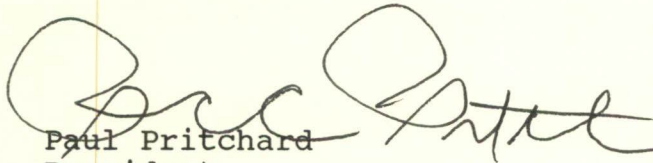
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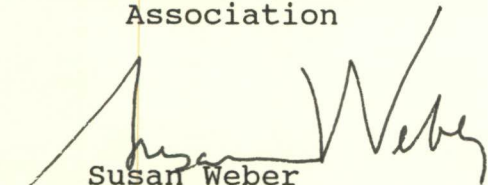
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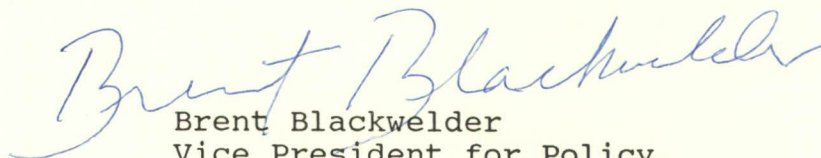
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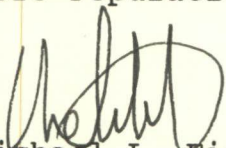
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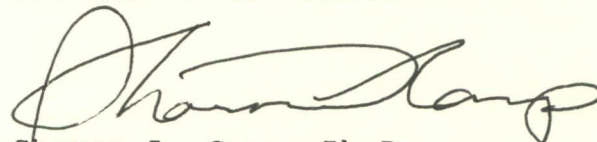
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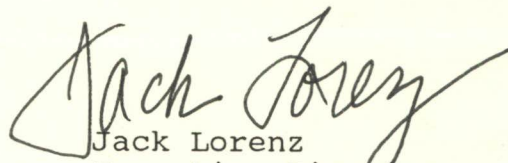
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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July 7, 1992

Dear Ms. Swinton:

Thank you for your letter to President Bush regarding the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), recently held in Rio de Janeiro, and related issues. The President appreciates your comments and suggestions.

As the President stated in Rio, the United States has a good, strong environmental record, one that clearly reflects our Nation's commitment to wise stewardship of our planet's natural resources. America has spent \$800 billion in the past ten years to clean up the environment, and no other nation has done more to protect its air, land, and water through the development of advanced technologies that promise cleaner production and growth.

The environment and development -- the two subjects of UNCED -- are, in the President's view, compatible. President Bush made it clear that he is fully determined to address concerns involving both issues; he also made it clear that he would not jeopardize American jobs or further burden American taxpayers by making unbalanced agreements that would hinder our economic growth.

Working with representatives from 170 countries at UNCED, the United States advanced the environmental cause by negotiating new commitments on oceans, population, public participation, and pollution control. The President also proposed to double worldwide funding for forests and, as a down payment, announced that the United States will provide \$150 million in new assistance for bilateral forest conservation.

The Administration also forged and won approval of a responsible Convention on Climate Change. This landmark agreement is a major step forward by the international community to address global climate change. It requires countries to formulate, implement, and publish national action plans for mitigating climate change by limiting net emissions of greenhouse gases.

President Bush also encouraged other industrialized nations to join the United States in a "prompt start" on implementing the Climate Change Convention. He proposed that signatory countries meet by January 1 to present their action plans.

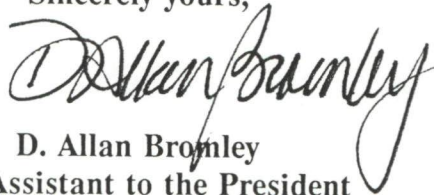
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The United States also has an impressive record of protecting various species of plants and animals -- a record ignored by those who criticized the Administration's stand against the Biodiversity Convention. Despite its noble intent, that accord contained serious flaws that rendered it unacceptable to the Administration. For example, some provisions of the Convention would not only have put American patent and other intellectual property rights at risk but also threatened our exports of biotechnology products. By treating technological innovations as "common property," even though they are developed at great cost by private American companies and workers, the agreement would have reduced the incentives for such firms to engage in research and development activities, thereby resulting in fewer technological advances to protect our planet.

The Convention also has a financing mechanism in which developed nations such as the United States provide the resources while developing nations control how those resources will be spent. While the United States did not sign the Convention on Biodiversity, the United States issued a draft discussion paper in Rio to accelerate the worldwide collection and classification of data on plants and animals as part of a global effort to preserve biodiversity.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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Dear Mr. President:

We are outraged at the positions you have taken in the negotiations leading to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development. UNCED had the potential for progressive change in the interaction of nations with the earth; that potential was disabled under your direction. You instructed our delegation to resist broad vision in favor of the short-term economic interests of large American businesses. As you observed in the 1992 State of the Union Address, the U.S. now enjoys undisputed global hegemony; accordingly, the potential for constructive change at UNCED is unacceptably low.

The U.S. UNCED policy has been unconscionable; it serves neither the interests of the world at large nor of the majority of the American people. It mirrors the domestic environmental choices you have made, favoring oil, automobile, mining and timber interests over the health of the planet and of the U.S. economy. You have pursued this policy in contempt of the will of the American people vis-a-vis back-room machinations that subvert the principle of democracy. You have prevented the U.S. from developing an energy-efficient economy, poisoning the planet and sacrificing U.S. competitiveness.

You have insisted on retaining the right to export hazardous wastes -- the production of which is harmful to the U.S. economy -- to poor nations. You have resisted the adoption of a meaningful treaty to reverse the artificial trend of global warming. You have refused to act to preserve the biodiversity essential to the survival of the world's ecosystems.

In response, students around the world have organized to expose the hypocrisy that now pervades UNCED. In the U.S., students from Action for Solidarity, Equality, Environment and Development (A SEED) are leading a vigil at the U.S. delegation's headquarters from June 6-13. At the same time, thousands of students will attend A SEED-sponsored gatherings Rio de Janeiro, Germany, and through-out Asia to monitor UNCED proceedings and to protest the failure of U.S. and other government delegations to act in the best interests of the planet, its people, and its future. The youth of the world is watching you.

You have recognized UNCED as a lucrative "photo-op" and attended the summit; students around the nation and world recognize your concession, and it is insufficient. We demand that you adopt sound and sustainable policies to protect the planet, the impoverished, and the economy. Specifically, we demand that:

- the U.S. adopt a binding treaty mandating the reduction of CO2 emissions to 1985 levels by 2000;
- the U.S. adopt a binding treaty prohibiting the export of hazardous wastes, especially to "third world" nations;
- you support a Federal budget that reflects changing global priorities and promotes peaceful, sustainable, and equitable social order;
- you give American A SEED leaders a full hearing, in good faith, and address the concerns of students and youth, for whose future you will be held accountable.

We invite you to reverse the damage you have caused our nation, our people, and our world.

On behalf of A SEED International,

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