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01e. Letter	President Felipe Gonzalez to President Bush Re: Answer to your letter [English] (2 pp.)	9/27/90	(b)(1)	
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Heads of State Correspondence Summary

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**Prime Minister Robinson of Trinidad and Tobago - October 1, 1990
(Received October 1)**

PM Robinson acknowledges your August 21 letter. He appreciates your support as Trinidad and Tobago recovers from the recent coup attempt.

**President Mitterrand of France - October 1, 1990
(Received October 2)**

President Mitterrand appreciates your invitation to meet at Camp David, however, his schedule did not permit it. He writes to clarify the French position on the Gulf Crisis. Although he regards UN Security Council resolution 660 as "non-negotiable", he also believes that there is a need for "democratic institutions" in Kuwait. France will continue to work to enforce the embargo against Iraq, however, he is unwilling to risk the lives of French soldiers solely to restore an "absolutist system."

**President Santos of Angola - September 29, 1990
(Received October 2)**

President Santos would like to meet with you during his visit to Washington.

President Calderon of Costa Rica - September 29, 1990

President Cristiani of El Salvador

President Callejas of Honduras

President Chamorro of Nicaragua

Foreign Minister Rivera of Guatemala

(Received October 2)

Presidents Calderon, Cristiani, Callejas, Chamorro and Foreign Minister Rivera (representing President Cerezo) express their pleasure over the Initiative for the Americas. They hope that the initiative will begin high level inter-American dialogue and strengthen the ties between all the countries involved. Your proposal coincides with their goal to become more efficiently integrated in the international economic community. They also believe that the success of this initiative depends upon how well the national interests of each country is recognized.

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**President Baron Crespo of the European Parliament -
September 28, 1990 (Received October 3)**

President Baron Crespo invites you to address a forthcoming plenary session of the European Parliament.

**President Gonzalez of Spain - September 27, 1990
(Received October 1)**

President Gonzalez acknowledges your September 13 letter. He praises your meeting with President Gorbachev and reiterates Spain's commitment to UN Security Council resolutions. He also commends your efforts to promote the conclusion of the CFE Accord in time for the Summit of the CSCE.

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SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF LETTER FROM THE HONORABLE
PRIME MINISTER A.N.R. ROBINSON TO PRESIDENT BUSH1. BELOW IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 4,
1990 TO PRESIDENT BUSH FROM PRIME MINISTER A.N.R.
ROBINSON, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO (WE RECEIVED THE
LETTER THIS WEEK):

BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

- I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE KIND SENTIMENTS WHICH
YOU CONVEYED IN YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 21, 1990.- MY GOVERNMENT IS COMMITTED TO THE DEMOCRATIC
PROCESS AND WILL DO ALL THAT IT MUST IN DEFENCE OF
THE IDEALS TO WHICH WE ARE ACCUSTOMED.- THE DEMONSTRATION OF SUPPORT WHICH WE HAVE
RECEIVED FROM FRIENDLY NATIONS HAS BEEN MOST
ENCOURAGING.- WE ARE DOING ALL IN OUR POWER TO RESTORE THE
COUNTRY TO NORMALCY AND I HAVE NOTED WITH DEEP
SATISFACTION THAT THE UNITED STATES STANDS READY
TO CO-OPERATE WITH US AS WE FACE THE CHALLENGES
AHEAD.- I AM WELL ON THE WAY TO RECOVERY AND YOUR GOOD
WISHES IN THIS REGARD ARE DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

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YOURS SINCERELY.

A. N. R. ROBINSON

PRIME MINISTER

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PRES NOTED SUMMARY

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION

Luanda, September 29, 1990

Excellency:

I am pleased to inform Your Excellency that I will travel to New York to take part in the 45th Session of the United Nations General Assembly next October 9.

During my stay in the United States of American, I intend to visit some states of your country, at the invitation of governing authorities and entities.

I also intend to travel to Washington, D.C. at the invitation of a considerable group of Congressmen with whom I will discuss issues of common interest.

On that occasion I would like to be able to meet with Your Excellency to exchange impressions and ideas about the future of the relations between our two countries.

Please accept, Excellency, my best wishes and the expression of my highest consideration.

JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS
PRESIDENT OF THE MPLA-LABOUR PARTY
PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA

H.E. GEORGE BUSH
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



REPÚBLICA POPULAR DE ANGOLA

Presidente da República

Luanda, 29 de Setembro de 1990

Excelência,

Tenho o grato prazer de comunicar a Vossa. Excelência que viajarei para Nova York, a fim de participar na 45ª Sessão da Assembleia Geral da ONU, no próximo dia 9 de Outubro.

Durante a minha estadia nos Estados Unidos da América, penso visitar alguns estados do seu País, correspondendo a convites que me foram formulados por Governantes e outras entidades.

Tenho assim, a intenção de me deslocar também a Washington, a convite de um grupo considerável de Congressistas com os quais tratarei de questões de interesse comum.

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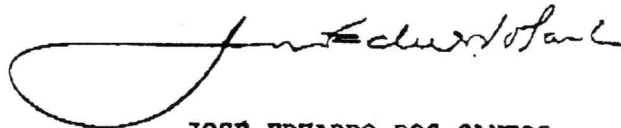
SUA EXCELENCIA GEORGE BUSH

PRESIDENTE DOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DA AMÉRICA

WASHINGTON

Aproveitando esta ocasião, gostaria de poder encontrar-me com Vossa Excelência, para manter uma troca de impressões e ideias sobre o futuro das relações entre os nossos dois Países.

Queira aceitar, Excelência, os protestos da minha mais elevada estima e consideração.



JOSÉ EDUARDO DOS SANTOS
PRESIDENTE DO MPLA-PARTIDO DO TRABALHO
PRESIDENTE DA REPÚBLICA POPULAR DE ANGOLA

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Nueva York, 29 de Septiembre de 1990.

Estimado Señor Presidente:

Por este medio tenemos el gusto de comunicarle que los Presidentes de Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras y Nicaragua, y el Canciller de Guatemala, en representación del Presidente de ese país, nos reunimos en la Ciudad de Nueva York en ocasión de asistir a la Asamblea General de las Naciones Unidas, para tratar diversos asuntos de suma importancia para nuestros países.

En ese contexto, al examinar el contenido y alcance de la Iniciativa de las Américas, presentada por usted a la consideración de los países de América Latina y el Caribe en junio del presente año, hemos decidido transmitirle, en forma conjunta, nuestro beneplácito por esa importante propuesta. Nuestros Gobiernos, Señor Presidente, desean dejar testimonio de la alta prioridad que le asignan a la cooperación entre Centroamérica y los Estados Unidos de América en materia de comercio, inversiones y deuda externa, aspectos en los que se centra su propuesta. Ello es así, porque esos temas coinciden con los principales desafíos económicos que debe enfrentar la subregión centroamericana en la presente década.

De manera especial, consideramos que la Iniciativa de las Américas nos proporciona la oportunidad de reiniciar un diálogo interamericano de alto nivel y de estrechar aún más los lazos de entendimiento y cooperación que existen entre los países de Centroamérica y los Estados Unidos de América. Estimamos que su iniciativa nos permitirá explorar las mejores formas y modalidades de impulsar una nueva fase del proceso centroamericano de integración económica. Estamos reestructurando dicho proceso, con el propósito de integrarnos para participar de manera efectiva y eficiente en la economía internacional, cada vez más competitiva y caracterizada por negociaciones entre bloques de países.

Esa nueva inserción de Centroamérica en el comercio internacional, que también definiría el tipo de acceso que podemos tener a la tecnología y a una apropiada participación en el comercio de servicios, podría verse sumamente beneficiada por una negociación oportuna entre su país y los nuestros. Ese, también, podría ser el punto de partida para una mayor integración de nuestras economías con las del resto de América Latina, así como de una creciente vinculación económica con otros países y regiones del mundo.

Excelentísimo Señor
George Bush
Presidente de los
Estados Unidos de América
1600 Pennsylvania Av.
Washington, D.C.

Al transmitir a usted nuestro reconocimiento, nos place informarle que la Iniciativa de las Américas está siendo estudiada seriamente por las autoridades económicas competentes de nuestros países y que estamos también preparandonos para su examen en distintos mecanismos regionales y multilaterales. Pensamos que, en última instancia, el éxito de su importante Iniciativa va a depender de la medida en que logremos armonizar los legítimos intereses nacionales de cada uno de nuestros países, con aquellos otros que compartimos al nivel subregional centroamericano y en el plano de nuestras relaciones con los países del resto de América Latina y el Caribe.

Aprovechamos la oportunidad para saludarlo y hacerle llegar las mejores muestras de nuestra consideración y aprecio. Atentamente,

Rafael Angel Calderón
Presidente de la República
de Costa Rica

Alfredo Cristiani
Presidente de la República
de El Salvador

Rafael Leonardo Callejas
Presidente de la República
de Honduras

Violeta Barrios de Chamorro
Presidente de la República
de Nicaragua

Ariel Rivera Iriás
Canciller de la República de Guatemala
en Representación del Presidente de Guatemala,
Vinicio Cerezo Arévalo

*The President
of the European Parliament*

PRES NOTED SUMMARY

28 SEP. 1990

Mr. George BUSH,
President of the United States of America,
WASHINGTON D.C.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the European Parliament it is my honour to invite you to address a forthcoming plenary session of the European Parliament.

As you will recall, your predecessor, President REAGAN, addressed a plenary session in Strasbourg in May 1985. In the current international situation and in particular given the necessity for the United States and the European Community to cooperate closely in order to strengthen peace and democracy, a visit by yourself to the European Parliament would be extremely welcome and appropriate.

I look forward very much to meeting you and I can assure you that, should you be able to accept my invitation, you will receive a very warm welcome in our Parliament.

Yours sincerely,



~~Enrique~~ BARON CRESPO

PRESIDENT'S SUMMARY

THE PRESIDENT OF THE GOVERNMENT

Madrid, September 27, 1990

Mr. George Bush
President of the United States of America
WASHINGTON

Dear George,

In answer to your letter of September 13, I am pleased to share with you some thoughts on issues of common interest before our meeting scheduled in New York on the 30th of this month.

The Spanish Government is very pleased with the outcome of the conversations held with Secretaries Mosbacher and Cheney during their recent visit to Madrid. I hope that these and other future exchanges will encourage us to keep developing a bilateral relation that is increasingly more productive.

Regarding your recent meeting with President Gorbachev, I trust that the joint level of accord and determination attained in Helsinki will prove to be decisive in maintaining the pressure on Iraq until a peaceful and satisfactory solution is reached. I reiterate Spain's commitment with the international efforts to correct the present situation within the frame of the Resolutions of the United Nation's Security Council.

I welcome your efforts with President Gorbachev's to encourage the conclusion of a complete and balanced CFE Accord in time for the Summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Undoubtedly, this occasion will be an extremely important one in the process of the new configuration of the European continent.

I feel that the stability and prosperity of the Soviet Union are of outmost importance to the security and well being of Europe. I am convinced that a progressively more united European Community will open new forms of assistance and cooperation with the East, that will be at the same time respectful of the common interests of the West.

These ideas should be complemented with thoughts about the conveniences of introducing new forms of dialogue to promote security and cooperation in the Mediterranean basin. In this

area, which is just as delicate as it is crucial, it is necessary to prevent and control, with everybody's contribution, the crisis situations that could arise, and contribute to resolve, in a gradual and global manner, the pressing political, economic and social problems of many of the countries in that region.

Finally, I agree with your evaluation that these trying times demand that we renew our dedication to the principles of the United Nations Charter. You can rest assured that Spain will actively participate in promoting the emerging international order.

I hope that in our next meeting we will be able to expand on these and other issues, so that we can keep on promoting our collaboration, both in the bilateral level and in the international forums.

With kindest regards,

Felipe González Márquez
President of the Spanish Government

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FROM: SCOWCROFT

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 8, 1990

Dear Bob:

Thanks very much for your letter on French thinking about possible future security arrangements. I regret not being able to respond sooner, but I'm sure you understand the pace that came with the three recent summits and other recent events.

Your comments on the two emerging French schools of thought were highly interesting and useful, both in preparation for the NATO Summit and in subsequent discussions. We were very pleased with the outcome of the London meeting, but much needs to be done to see if we can align our own viewpoints and those of the French more closely.

Thanks again for writing. I am always glad to hear from you, and would be pleased to receive any further comments or information you may wish to share.

Sincerely,

*Very thoughtful
and thanks.*


Brent Scowcroft

Mr. Robert F. Ellsworth
2001 L Street, N.W.
Suite 801
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May 23, 1990

Hon. Brent Scowcroft
Assistant to the President
National Security Council
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Brent,

In Paris on Monday and yesterday, I took the opportunity (inspired partly by our mutual friend Peter Rodman) to visit with a couple of my friends who are French Mandarins, if that captures the cultural tone. De Brichambaut is in the MOD and Gergorin is in industry, but remains a darling of the French political class.

I asked them if they thought there were some way to get beyond the French telling us they would come back into a "New NATO" and we saying, What about a French SACEUR?

It seems that several papers are being written on this sort of issue. De Brichambaut is writing one for his boss and several people are writing papers in the Quai. In addition, President Mitterand is said to be thinking hard about these things, especially since his Key Largo meeting with President Bush.

There are essentially two alternative lines of thought being set forth in some of the papers.

One is called the Dark, or Realistic, alternative and it goes like this. The new Germany will be bigger, more eastern, more German and more neutralist than the FRG -- and much less responsive to American influence. The likelihood is that Germany will soon be nuclear-weapon-free, with very limited foreign or even German military forces: in effect a free floating, happy giant.

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But after five years, when Germany wakes up to the Russians, watch out. Already there have been a few mistakes made in arms control negotiations, going back at least to the INF outcome.

If American influence in Germany will be modest, French influence will be even less, and France should do nothing that would tend to get it entangled in any further arms control negotiations, especially nuclear negotiations -- or that would tend to make France responsible for German errors.

As for French -- and European -- security architecture, Paris should use a somewhat enhanced WEU, plus substantially enhanced bi-lateral relations with the U.S. and the U.K., always keeping everything open for Germany but avoiding the risks of entanglement.

The alternative line of thought is called Constrictive Commitment, and would involve getting more deeply engaged in a modified NATO. (But with the clear understanding that Paris would retain its autonomy of decision-making on the possible use of its nuclear forces just as we always have.) There would be a much larger political role for the NATO Council through the development of an EC caucus, on the model of the EC caucus in the UNGA. Militarily, the SACEUR should be a U.S. officer but -- in light of the probable diminution of the U.S. nuclear presence in Germany -- the SACEUR's role would probably be somewhat diminished. There would be, however, a broad and active coordination among European and U.S. Chiefs of Staff, perhaps using the institution of SHAPE. If the NPG begins to lose its steam (thought to be the case already), there should be closer consultation among U.S., British and French nuclear planners. Everything should be open to the Germans.

On the best way to proceed, it is clear that Mitterand is thought to be too reactive a politician ever to put forward anything along these lines. If the U.S. wants to put forward a new proposal, though, Mitterand could be enlisted as a strong supporter if such proposal were explained to him well ahead of its being made public. He would be greatly flattered, for example, if

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President Bush called him and said he was sending a high-level emissary over to Paris to consult, on President Bush's behalf, on a new proposal for NATO. (It would be a nice touch, though not essential, if such emissary were to be fluent in French.)

The NATO Summit (in early July?) could issue a mandate to the NATO Perm Reps to work out the details in time for a NATO Revision Summit in December or January.

Hope this may be helpful to you, Brent. Keep up the good work. Your exquisitely good judgment, and that of President Bush, and the sound instincts of both of you, are serving all of us with excellent results.

• As ever,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'B. Scowcroft', written in a cursive style.

bcc: Mr. Peter W. Rodman

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

August 21, 1990

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ADRIAN A. BASORA *AAB*
FROM: STEPHEN E. BENKO *SEB*
SUBJECT: Letter to Robert Ellsworth

At Tab I is a letter from you to Robert Ellsworth, who has forwarded his impressions of French views on future European security arrangements based on his discussions with French government and political figures. Ellsworth describes two contrasting schools of thought on French involvement, one in which French influence on Germany wanes and Paris increases bilateral contacts with the U.S. and UK, and the other in which France gets more deeply involved in a modified NATO. Ellsworth also notes that, while Mitterrand is unlikely to propose anything himself along these lines, he might be supportive of proposals brought to him by the U.S.

Ellsworth's comments are interesting, and the response is appreciative though general in nature.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter to Ellsworth at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Letter to Ellsworth
Tab II Incoming

Mr & Robt Ellsworth
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DOCLOG CM A/O _____

	SEQUENCE TO	HAS SEEN	DISPOSITION
<i>SA</i> Ken Hill	<u>1</u>	<u>KH</u>	<u>A</u>
Bill Sittmann	_____	_____	_____
Bob Gates	_____	_____	_____
Brent Scowcroft	<u>2</u>	<u>APNSA Has Seen</u>	_____
Bill Sittmann	_____	_____	_____
Situation Room	_____	_____	_____
West Wing Desk	<u>3</u>	<u>MM 10/8</u>	<u>21</u>
NSC Secretariat	<u>4</u>	<u>22 10/8</u>	<u>2</u>
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A = Action I = Information D = Dispatch R = Retain N = No further Action

cc: VP Sununu Other _____

Should be seen by: _____
(Date/Time)

COMMENTS

DISPATCH INSTRUCTIONS:

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

(George Bush Library)

Document No. and Type	Subject/Title of Document	Date	Restriction	Class.
02. Message	Prime Minister Thatcher to President Bush Re: Text of a Message Dated 30 October 1990 from the Prime Minister to President Bush [GATT} (2 pp.)	10/30/90	(b)(1)	C

Collection:

Record Group: Bush Presidential Records
Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
Series: Chronological Files
Subseries:
WHORM Cat.:
File Location: Other (October 1990)

Date Closed: 7/15/2009	OA/ID Number: 91149-009
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Re-review Case #:	Appeal Disposition:
P-2/P-5 Review Case #:	Disposition Date:
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AR Disposition:	MR Disposition:
AR Disposition Date:	MR Disposition Date:

RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

P-1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
P-2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
P-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
P-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
P-5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
P-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

PRM. Removed as a personal record misfile.

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(b)(1) National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
(b)(2) Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
(b)(3) Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
(b)(4) Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
(b)(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
(b)(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
(b)(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
(b)(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information