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Collection/Office of Origin: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
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01. Cable	White House to Cabinet Office Re: Message to Prime Minister Major from President Bush (1 pp.)	5/28/91	(b)(1)	C
02. Cable	From White House, Re: Message to Prime Minister Andreotti from President Bush [291727Z May 91] [FOIA restrictions redacted] (2 pp.)	5/29/91	(b)(1)	S
03. Cable	Re: Message from President Bush to Former Prime Minister Thatcher [291719Z May 91] [FOIA restrictions redacted] (2 pp.)	5/29/91	(b)(1)	S
04. Cable	From White House, Re: Message to President Mitterrand from President Bush [291727Z May 91] [FOIA restrictions redacted] (2 pp.)	5/29/91	(b)(1)	S
05. Cable	Chigi Palace to White House Re: From Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti to President George Bush [Italian] (2 pp.)	5/28/91	(b)(1)	S
06. Cable	White House to Cabinet Office Re: Message to Prime Minister Major from President Bush (3 pp.)	5/21/91	(b)(1)	C
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08. Cable	General Quesnot to General Scowcroft Re: Translation of Message from General Christian (1 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
09. Cable	Elysee Palace to White House Re: Message to General Brent Scowcroft from General Christian Quesnot (3 pp.)	5/17/91	(b)(1)	C
10. Cable	Cabinet Office London to The White House Re: Vietnamese Boat People (4 pp.)	5/17/91	(b)(1)	S
11. Cable	American Embassy Paris to White House Re: For General Brent Scowcroft (2 pp.)	5/10/91	(b)(1)	S
12. Cable	From White House Re: Message from Brent Scowcroft to Admiral Lanxade (3 pp.)	5/9/91	(b)(1)	S
13. Cable	White House to Federal Chancellery Re: Message to Peter Hartmann from Brent Scowcroft (4 pp.)	5/17/91	(b)(1)	S
14. Cable	Cabinet Office London to The White House Re: Message from the Prime Minister to the President of the United States (3 pp.)	5/17/91	(b)(1)	C
15a. Cable	White House to The Chancellery Re: Message to Dr. Peter Hartman from David Gompert (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S

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15b. Memo	Robert L. Hutchings to Brent Scowcroft Re: Message to FRG Chancellery Security Advisor Peter Hartmann (1 pp.)	5/13/91	(b)(1)	C
15c. Draft Cable	Re: Message for Dr. Peter Hartmann, Federal Chancellery, Bonn, from David Gompert, NSC, The White House (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	C
16a. Cable	White House to Elysee Palace Re: Message to President Mitterrand from President Bush (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
16b. Draft Cable	Re: From the President to President Mitterrand (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
17. Cable	From White House, Re: Message to Secretary Cheney from Brent Scowcroft [FOIA restrictions redacted] (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
18. Cable	From White House, Re: Message to Secretary Cheney from Brent Scowcroft [070351Z May 91] [FOIA restrictions redacted] (3 pp.)	5/7/91	(b)(1)	S
19. Cable	Cabinet Office London to The White House Re: Message for President Bush from Prime Minister Major (2 pp.)	5/2/91	(b)(1)	C
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21a. Draft Cable	White House to Elysee Palace Re: Message to Pierre Morel from Brent Scowcroft (1 pp.)	5/1/91	(b)(1)	C
21b. Draft Letter	Brent Scowcroft to Pierre Morel (1 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	
22. Cable	White House to Elysee Palace Re: Message to Pierre Morel from Brent Scowcroft (3 pp.)	4/24/91	(b)(1)	S
23a. Cable	White House to The Chancellery Re: Message to Dr. Peter Hartmann from Mr. David Gompert (3 pp.)	5/1/91	(b)(1)	S
23b. Draft Cable	Re: Message for Dr. Peter Hartmann, Federal Chancellery, Bonn (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	C
24. Cable	Re: Letter from Chancellor Dr. Helmut Kohl to the President of the United States of America (2 pp.)	4/24/91	(b)(1)	S
25. Cable	White House to Cabinet Office Re: Message to Stephen Wall from Brent Scowcroft (3 pp.)	4/24/91	(b)(1)	S
26a. Cable	White House to Elysee Palace Re: Message to Pierre Morel from Brent Scowcroft (3 pp.)	4/24/91	(b)(1)	S
26b. Memo	Brent Scowcroft to Pierre Morel Re: Approach to Iraq on Zakhu (1 pp.)	4/24	(b)(1)	S
26c. Talking Points	Re: Begin Talking Points (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S

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27a. Cable	White House to Cabinet Office Re: Message to Stephen Wall from Brent Scowcroft (3 pp.)	4/24/91	(b)(1)	S
27b. Memo	Brent Scowcroft to Pierre Morel Re: Approach to Iraq on Zakhu (1 pp.)	4/24	(b)(1)	S
27c. Talking Points	Re: Begin Talking Points (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
28a. Cable	From White House, Re: Message from Brent Scowcroft to Secretary Baker [231926Z Apr 91] [FOIA restrictions redacted] (2 pp.)	4/23/91	(b)(1)	S
28b. Draft Cable	From White House, Re: Secretary Baker from Brent Scowcroft [FOIA restrictions redacted] (1 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
28c. Memo	Re: No Subject Found (2 pp.)	4/23/91	(b)(1)	S

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PRT: COMM OLEARY SIGLER SIT

SIT: HOTLINE OUT PRES MSGS

<PREC> IMMEDIATE <CLAS> ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ <OSRI> YEXXWHX <DTG> 282203Z MAY 91

<ORIG>FM WHITE HOUSE

<TO>TO CABINET OFFICE

<TEXT>ZEM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ VIA CABINET CHANNELS

QQQQ

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER MAJOR FROM
PRESIDENT BUSH.

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR JOHN:

.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF MAY 9 ON CHALLENGE INSPECTIONS. I
FULLY AGREE THAT AN EFFECTIVE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION MUST BE
CONCLUDED ON AN URGENT BASIS. IT IS THAT CONVICTION WHICH
UNDERPINNED THE COMPREHENSIVE INITIATIVE I ANNOUNCED MAY 13
ADDRESSING A NUMBER OF ISSUES, INCLUDING SOME RAISED BY YOUR
EXPERTS IN THE PAST.

.
I APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THE U.S. POSITION AS THE
STARTING POINT IN WORKING TOGETHER ON THE ISSUE OF CHALLENGE
INSPECTIONS. YOU ARE RIGHT TO FOCUS ON VERIFICATION AS AN
IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE CONVENTION, AND I SUPPORT A STRONG AND
FORTHRIGHT VERIFICATION REGIME. OF COURSE, THE INTRUSIVENESS OF
INSPECTIONS MUST STRIKE A BALANCE BETWEEN THE ABILITY TO MONITOR
AN AGREEMENT AND THE RISKS OF COMPROMISE OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION
ENTIRELY UNRELATED TO THE PURPOSES OF THE CONVENTION. AS YOU
KNOW, WE HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN OUR CHALLENGE
INSPECTION POSITION TO ADDRESS YOUR CONCERNS AND THOSE OF OTHER
ALLIES ALREADY. WE BELIEVE OUR PRESENT POSITION STRIKES A
CAREFUL BALANCE BETWEEN THE COMPETING CONCERNS.

.
THE KEY ELEMENTS OF OUR RESPECTIVE APPROACHES TO CHALLENGE
INSPECTIONS ARE GENERALLY CONSISTENT, AND I AM CONFIDENT WE CAN
REACH COMPLETE AGREEMENT. TO THIS END, I AM ASKING MY EXPERTS TO
CONTINUE WORKING WITH YOURS TO DEVELOP A REGIME THAT MEETS OUR
COMMON NEEDS OF PROVIDING PROTECTION AGAINST POTENTIAL VIOLATORS
WHILE ALSO PROTECTING OUR CONSTITUTIONAL AND SENSITIVE NATIONAL
SECURITY INTERESTS. TOGETHER, WITH OUR WESTERN GROUP ALLIES, I
BELIEVE WE WILL BE ABLE TO WORK OUT THE REMAINING ISSUES THAT
STAND BETWEEN US AND A COMPLETE BAN ON CW.

.
WITH WARM REGARDS,

.
SINCERELY,

.
GEORGE BUSH

.
END TEXT:

#0116

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AR Case #:	MR Case #: 2010-0738-MR(501)
AR Disposition:	MR Disposition: Released in Part
AR Disposition Date:	MR Disposition Date: 3/27/2015

RESTRICTION CODES

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

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

Deed of Gift Restrictions

C(1) Closed by Executive Order 13526, governing access to national security information
 C(2) Closed by statute or by the agency which originated the information
 C(3) Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift [formerly listed as only C]
 PRM. Removed as a personal record misfile

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

P-2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
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IMMEDIATE

~~SECRET~~

WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM



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PRT: GANTT COMM OLEARY SIGLER
SIT: PRIVACY₁OUT

<PREC> IMMEDIATE <CLAS> ~~SECRET~~ <DTG> 291727Z MAY 91

FM WHITE HOUSE

1.4(c)

~~SECRET~~ VIA PRIVACY CHANNELS
OOQQ

PLEASE DELIVER MESSAGE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE TO AMBASSADOR SECCHIA
MARKED EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY.

DELIVER IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT.

REF: YOUR 281641Z MAY 91

1. ~~SECRET~~ (ENTIRE TEXT)
2. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER
ANDREOTTI FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.
3. BEGIN TEXT:

GIULIO: I AM ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE ON MY WAY TO GIVE AN ADDRESS AT
OUR AIR FORCE ACADEMY DEALING WITH DEFENSE POLICY AND THE MIDDLE
EAST ARMS CONTROL INITIATIVE I WROTE TO YOU ABOUT. AND I HAVE
JUST READ YOUR MESSAGE REPORTING ON YOUR RECENT MEETING WITH
PRESIDENT GORBACHEV. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR
INSIGHTS WITH ME. I HAD A GOOD EXCHANGE WITH HIM BY PHONE ON
MONDAY THAT COVERED MANY OF THE SAME ISSUES AND WHICH CONFIRMED
MANY OF YOUR IMPRESSIONS. I TOLD GORBACHEV THAT WE VERY MUCH
WANT HIS REFORMS TO SUCCEED AND THAT WE WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO
THAT SUCCESS. WE ARE LOOKING CLOSELY AT THE ISSUE OF ECONOMIC

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ASSISTANCE FOR THE SOVIET UNION AND HOW BEST TO TIE IT TO THE
NECESSARY REFORMS YOU MENTIONED. I LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING WITH
YOU ABOUT THIS WHEN WE SEE ONE ANOTHER IN ENGLAND IN JULY.

ALL THE BEST, AND AGAIN MY SINCERE THANKS FOR TAKING THE TIME TO
COMMUNICATE. WARM REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

GEORGE BUSH

END OF TEXT:

#0118

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AR Disposition:	MR Disposition: Released in Part
AR Disposition Date:	MR Disposition Date: 3/27/2015

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<PREC> IMMEDIATE <CLAS> ~~SECRET~~

<DTG> 291719Z MAY 91

FM WHITE HOUSE

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~~SECRET~~ VIA PRIVACY CHANNELS EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY
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PLEASE DELIVER MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY IN A SEALED ENVELOPE TO
AMBASSADOR SEITZ MARKED EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY

1. ~~SECRET~~ (ENTIRE TEXT)

2. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO
FORMER PRIME MINISTER THATCHER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. MARGARET: I AM ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE (ON MY WAY TO GIVE AN
ADDRESS DEALING WITH DEFENSE POLICY AND MIDDLE EAST ARMS CONTROL
AT OUR AIR FORCE ACADEMY). I WANT ESPECIALLY TO THANK YOU FOR
COMMUNICATING THE THRUST OF YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH GORBACHEV
BEFORE MY PHONE CALL TO HIM. I MUCH APPRECIATED THE INSIGHTS AND
THE SUGGESTIONS. WE HAD A VERY GOOD DISCUSSION, ONE WHICH
COVERED MANY OF THE SAME ISSUES AND WHICH CONFIRMED MANY OF YOUR
IMPRESSIONS. I TOLD GORBACHEV THAT WE VERY MUCH WANT HIS REFORMS
TO SUCCEED AND THAT WE WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THAT SUCCESS. I
WILL BE GETTING TOGETHER WITH MY PEOPLE AFTER I RETURN TO
WASHINGTON TO DEVELOP FURTHER A STRATEGY FOR NEXT STEPS.

IT WAS GOOD TO HEAR FROM YOU, EVEN IF INDIRECTLY. MY BEST TO YOU
AND DENIS. WARM REGARDS.

SINCERELY, GEORGE BUSH

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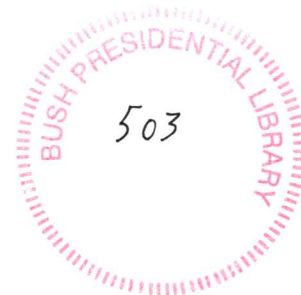
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PLEASE DELIVER MESSAGE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE TO AMBASSADOR CURLY
MARKED EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY.

DELIVER IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT.

REF: YOUR 281812Z MAY 91.

1. ~~SECRET~~ (ENTIRE TEXT)
2. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT MITTERRAND
FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.
3. BEGIN TEXT:

FRANCOIS: I AM ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE ON MY WAY TO GIVE AN ADDRESS
AT OUR AIR FORCE ACADEMY DEALING WITH DEFENSE POLICY AND THE
MIDDLE EAST ARMS CONTROL INITIATIVE I WROTE TO YOU ABOUT, AND I
HAVE JUST SEEN AMBASSADOR CURLEY'S REPORT OF YOUR MEETING WITH
DICK CHENEY. I AM ONLY SORRY I WAS NOT THERE. I AGREE
WHOLEHEARTEDLY THAT WE MUST WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT
EUROPEAN SECURITY AND THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE REMAIN ONE AND THE
SAME. I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING ALL THIS WITH YOU WHEN WE SEE
ONE ANOTHER IN ENGLAND IN JULY.

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ON THE MIDDLE EAST ISSUES YOU DISCUSSED, I WOULD ONLY SAY THAT WE MUST NOT LET UP IN OUR EFFORTS TO SEE SADDAM REPLACED; I AGREE TOO THAT SO LONG AS HE IS THERE THE KURDS AND OTHERS WILL NOT BE REALLY SAFE. THIS IS SOMETHING WE NEED TO TACKLE. AS FOR THE PEACE PROCESS, I SHARE YOUR CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE STALEMATE. JIM BAKER AND I ARE DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO GET A SERIOUS PROCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS LAUNCHED. LAST, AS REGARDS LEBANON, WE TOO ARE SUSPICIOUS OF THE RECENT TREATY WITH SYRIA. HERE WE PLAN TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTS CLOSELY AND LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SIGNAL OUR SUPPORT FOR LEBANESE SOVEREIGNTY.

THIS IS JUST A QUICK REACTION FROM 36,000 FEET. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING DICK'S FULL REPORT ON HIS MEETING WITH YOU AND TO CONTINUING OUR EXCHANGES. WARM REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

GEORGE BUSH

END TEXT:

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TO CABINET OFFICE

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER MAJOR
FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR JOHN:

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YOUR LETTER OF MAY 17 ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A EUROPEAN DEFENSE
IDENTITY WAS TIMELY AND WELCOME. I DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH
HELMUT IN SOME DETAIL. I WAS SATISFIED BY HIS REPLY AND ALSO BY
WHAT HE SAID IN HIS SPEECH HERE.

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AS YOU KNOW, SINCE OUR TALK IN BERMUDA, OUR GOVERNMENTS HAVE BEEN
IN CONTINUAL CONTACT ON THE QUESTION OF HOW TO RECONCILE A
REINVIGORATED ATLANTIC ALLIANCE WITH THE GROWING INTEREST OF OUR
EUROPEAN ALLIES IN FORMING A POLITICAL UNION. DOUGLAS AND JIM HAVE
BEEN WORKING TOGETHER CLOSELY ON THIS, AND WE RECENTLY HELD
THOROUGHGOING CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN OUR SENIOR OFFICIALS. CLEARLY,
WE SEE EYE-TO-EYE ON THE MAIN POINTS.

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OWING IN LARGE PART TO THIS DIALOGUE, WE TOGETHER HAVE MADE
PROGRESS LATELY IN CONVINCING OUR ALLIES THAT INCREASED EUROPEAN
COHESION IN THE AREAS OF FOREIGN, SECURITY, AND DEFENSE POLICY MUST
NOT, AND NEED NOT, COME AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ALLIANCE. WE HAVE

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WON VIRTUALLY COMPLETE SUPPORT FOR OUR PROPOSITIONS THAT POLICIES AFFECTING THE SECURITY AND DEFENSE OF EUROPE MUST BE AGREED IN NATO AND THAT THE INTEGRITY OF THE COMMAND STRUCTURE MUST BE MAINTAINED.

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AT YOUR URGING, WE DID AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SOME HEAVY LIFTING WITH THE GERMANS. JIM'S RECENT JOINT STATEMENT WITH HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER AND KOHL'S COMMENTS YESTERDAY ARE INDICATIVE OF OUR PROGRESS, IN THAT GERMANY IS NOW ON RECORD IN EMBRACING PRECISELY THE PRINCIPLES WE SUGGESTED AND SHARED WITH YOU SOME TIME AGO. I HOPE I HELPED FURTHER CONVINCE HELMUT THAT EUROPEAN DEFENSE, HOWEVER COMMON, MUST BE WITHIN THE ALLIANCE AND NOT SEPARATE FROM IT OR EXCLUSIVE OF US. WE SOUGHT HIS SUPPORT FOR THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE PRACTICAL LINKAGES BETWEEN A EUROPEAN DEFENSE IDENTITY AND NATO -- IN EFFECT, A GENERAL ENDORSEMENT OF OUR COMMON APPROACH.

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LEST THERE BE ANY MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN US, I WANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT WHAT WE SAID IN THE BAKER-GENSCHER PAPER -- AND HAVE BEEN SAYING FOR SOME TIME NOW -- MEANS WHAT IT SAYS, NO MORE AND NO LESS. IT IS UP TO OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES TO DECIDE WHETHER TO DEVELOP COMMON POLICIES. THEY MUST BALANCE THEIR OWN SOVEREIGN INTERESTS WITH THE PROSPECT OF POLITICAL UNION. FOR THE UNITED STATES TO OPPOSE WHAT OUR ALLIES, INCLUDING YOU, DECIDE TO ORGANIZE WOULD SURELY HARM TRANSATLANTIC UNDERSTANDING AND THE VERY ALLIANCE WE WISH TO PRESERVE.

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WE ARE WELL AWARE THAT SOME IN EUROPE MIGHT WISH TO CONSTRUE COMMON TO MEAN SEPARATE AND INDEPENDENT, WHICH WOULD INDEED BE DANGEROUS. THIS IS WHY WE HAVE INSISTED THAT DECISIONS BEARING ON THE SECURITY AND DEFENSE OF EUROPE -- INCLUDING EASTERN EUROPE -- MUST INVOLVE US AND BE TAKEN IN NATO. ANYTHING ELSE WOULD BE AT ODDS WITH OUR FUNDAMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES, WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE BEEN UNEQUIVOCAL ON THIS POINT.

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WE WILL CONTINUE THE INTENSIVE ANGLO-AMERICAN DIALOGUE AND COOPERATION ON THIS QUESTION. FOR OUR PART, WE WILL CONCENTRATE ON GETTING CONSENSUS IN NATO AND ARE OPTIMISTIC OF DOING SO.

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OBVIOUSLY, YOU ARE IN A BETTER POSITION THAN WE TO SHAPE THE
ARRANGEMENTS OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES ADOPT. AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE
MUST COUNT ON YOU AND OTHER LIKE-MINDED ALLIES TO ENSURE THAT
EUROPEAN DECISIONS DO NOT CONTRADICT BUT RATHER CONTRIBUTE TO THE
ALLIANCE AND ITS PRINCIPLES. WE COULD NOT BE MORE CONFIDENT IN
YOU.

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SINCERELEY,

-
GEORGE BUSH

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END OF TEXT.

DECLAS: OADR

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Sat, May 18

Florence:

General Scowcroft asked that attached be FAX'd to President at Camp David and that it be staffed to David Gompert for a quick-turnaround reply (for BS to approve).

I have passed to Sit Rm (at 2:05 pm) to FAX to Pres & staff cy over to David Gompert.

Wilma

5/19 GOMPERT did -
BS approved.
Sit Rm to provide
a in to new MEX AM

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Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
Series: Special Separate Channel Files
Subseries:
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Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
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10. Cable	Cabinet Office London to The White House Re: Vietnamese Boat People (4 pp.)	5/17/91	(b)(1)	S

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Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
Series: Special Separate Channel Files
Subseries:
WHORM Cat.:
File Location: Special Channel (January - June) 1991 [2]

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11. Cable	American Embassy Paris to White House Re: For General Brent Scowcroft (2 pp.)	5/10/91	(b)(1)	S

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Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
Series: Special Separate Channel Files
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12. Cable	From White House Re: Message from Brent Scowcroft to Admiral Lanxade (3 pp.)	5/9/91	(b)(1)	S

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Record Group: Bush Presidential Records
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TO FEDERAL CHANCELLORY

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PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PETER HARTMANN FROM BRENT
SCOWCROFT.

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR PETER.

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FOLLOWING UP ON YOUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH DAVID GOMPERT, LET
ME REVIEW WITH YOU HOW WE SEE THE PUBLIC ASPECTS OF THE CHANCELLOR'S
VISIT. IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT DURING THE JOINT PRESS
AVAILABILITY, THE PRESIDENT COULD MAKE SEVERAL POINTS ALONG THE
LINES YOU AND DAVID HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED:

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-- THE U.S. RECOGNIZES AND APPRECIATES GERMANY'S ROLE IN THE GULF
CRISIS AND ITS LEADERSHIP IN AIDING KURDISH REFUGEES.

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-- THE U.S. REAFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT FOR EUROPEAN POLITICAL UNION AND
RECOGNIZES GERMANY'S ROLE IN EUROPEAN INTEGRATION.

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-- THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR AGREE THAT A EUROPEAN PILLAR IN
NATO STRENGTHENS TRANSATLANTIC SECURITY, NOTING IN PARTICULAR:

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* THE ENDURING ROLE OF NATO AND THE U.S. PRESENCE.
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* U.S. COMMITMENT TO MAINTAIN SIGNIFICANT MILITARY PRESENCE.

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* U.S. SUPPORT FOR CREATION OF A EUROPEAN SECURITY IDENTITY.

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* NATO THE FORUM FOR DECISIONS BEARING ON THE SECURITY OF ITS MEMBERS: ITS INTEGRATED MILITARY COMMAND IS ESSENTIAL.

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* WEU SHOULD DEVELOP STRONG TIES TO NATO.

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-- THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING TO ASSURE A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE URUGUAY ROUND THIS YEAR.

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IF THE CHANCELLOR AGREES, THE PRESIDENT MIGHT ALSO EXPLAIN OUR COMMON APPROACHES TOWARD EASTERN EUROPE AND THE USSR:

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-- THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR EXPRESS THEIR FIRM COMMITMENT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE NEW DEMOCRACIES OF CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE AND TO HELPING THEM JOIN THE DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITY OF STATES. THEY SHARE THE CONVICTION THAT WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE A PROFOUND INTEREST IN AND RESPONSIBILITY TO THESE NEW DEMOCRACIES, AND THEY AGREE THAT THE LONDON ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN JULY SHOULD TAKE STEPS TO PROMOTE GREATER TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN THE REGION AND EXTEND TO THESE COUNTRIES THE WIDEST POSSIBLE ACCESS TO WESTERN MARKETS.

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-- THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR SHARE THE HOPE THAT THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOT ONLY CONTINUE PURSUING COOPERATIVE FOREIGN POLICIES BUT ALSO SUCCEED IN ITS DIFFICULT PATH TOWARD ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL REFORM. THE U.S. AND GERMANY WILL EXPAND AND COORDINATE THEIR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF SOVIET REFORMS. DEPENDING ON PROGRESS TOWARD ECONOMIC REFORM WITHIN THE SOVIET UNION, THEY WILL ALSO JOIN IN ENCOURAGING THEIR G-7 COUNTERPARTS TO CONSIDER SPECIAL ASSOCIATE STATUS FOR THE USSR IN THE IMF AND WORLD BANK.

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ON THE INITIATIVES WE DISCUSSED, WE AGREE NOT TO MENTION THE AIR BASE PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME. WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT THE NUCLEAR SAFETY

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INITIATIVE FOCUS ON THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ASPECTS, FOR THE REASON THAT REFERENCES TO SAFETY REVIEWS COULD EMBARRASS THE SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN LEADERSHIPS BY RAISING FURTHER PUBLIC ALARMS ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THEIR PLANTS. FINALLY, IN THE NEW LAENDER, WE WILL PLAN TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF OUR CONSULATE IN LEIPZIG AS WELL AS THE RIAS FOUNDATION. WE WOULD EXPECT THE PRESIDENT TO REFER BRIEFLY TO THESE INITIATIVES IN HIS REMARKS AND PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS ON PRINTED FACT SHEETS.

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-- THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR ALSO AGREED TO UNDERTAKE JOINT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE IN THE AREA OF NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY, IN WHICH THE U.S. AND GERMANY WILL:

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* DEVELOP AND COORDINATE THEIR PROGRAMS OF NUCLEAR OPERATIONAL SAFETY WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

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* OFFER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IAEA, JOINT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO EASTERN EUROPE IN NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY IN SUCH AREAS AS TRAINING, PLANT MAINTENANCE, AND SAFETY PROCEDURES.

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* CALL ON THE WORLD BANK, EBRD, AND THE OECD/IEA TO ESTABLISH A PRIORITY FOCUS ON NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY AS A KEY ELEMENT OF THEIR ONGOING PROGRAMS IN THE REGION.

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-- THE PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE GREAT CHALLENGES GERMANY NOW FACES IN FULFILLING THE PROMISE OF UNIFICATION. THE U.S. IS COMMITTED TO BEING ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE NEW STATES IN EASTERN GERMANY, FROM WHICH WE HAVE BEEN CUT OFF FOR TWO GENERATIONS. TOWARD THAT END, THE U.S. WILL:

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* ESTABLISH A RIAS FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES WITH THE STATES OF EASTERN GERMANY.

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* OPEN THIS SUMMER A NEW CONSULATE GENERAL IN LEIPZIG,

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WHICH WILL ALSO PROMOTE U.S. COMMERCIAL INVOLVEMENT IN
EASTERN GERMANY. (WE MAY ALSO BE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE THE
OPENING OF A COMMERCIAL OFFICE IN BERLIN AND/OR A U.S.
TRADE MISSION TO THE NEW LAENDER.)

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER THOUGHTS OR REACTIONS.
WE WOULD HOPE, OF COURSE, THAT THE CHANCELLOR WOULD ECHO MANY OF
THESE ESSENTIAL POINTS DURING HIS PUBLIC REMARKS. IF YOU WOULD
LIKE, WE COULD EXCHANGE TEXTS ONCE YOU ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON.

SINCERELY,

BRENT SCOWCROFT

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DR. PETER HARTMAN
FROM DAVID GOMPERT.

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR PETER,

THIS IS TO FOLLOW UP ON OUR DISCUSSION ABOUT CONCRETE JOINT
INITIATIVES THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR MIGHT ANNOUNCE
MAY 20. I WILL BE WRITING AGAIN THIS WEEK WITH OUR THOUGHTS ON
MORE GENERAL ISSUES, INCLUDING OUR RESPONSE TO THE SOVIET ECONOMIC
SITUATION.

OF THE LIST OF INITIATIVES WE GAVE YOU BEFORE YOU LEFT, THE RIAS
FOUNDATION IS READY TO BE ANNOUNCED AS FAR AS WE ARE CONCERNED.
THIS IS MAINLY A U.S. INITIATIVE, RESPONDING TO EXCHANGE PROGRAMS
YOUR SIDE HAS ALREADY IMPLEMENTED. IT WOULD FOCUS EXCLUSIVELY ON
THE NEW GERMAN LAENDER AND DEMONSTRATE U.S. INTEREST AND ENGAGEMENT
IN THE PART OF GERMANY FROM WHICH WE HAVE BEEN CUT OFF FOR TWO
GENERATIONS. WE WOULD OF COURSE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGE A GERMAN
CONTRIBUTION TO THE FOUNDATION, BUT WE ARE PREPARED TO ANNOUNCE THE
INITIATIVE REGARDLESS.

ON THE GERMAN AIR BASE INITIATIVE, THE REMAINING QUESTIONS ON THE
U.S. SIDE APPEAR MANAGEABLE AND WOULD NOT PRECLUDE ANNOUNCEMENT ON
MAY 20, BUT WE UNDERSTAND THAT YOU MAY NEED MORE TIME TO DEAL WITH
LOGISTICAL AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS ON YOUR SIDE. WE WILL DO ALL WE
CAN TO HELP RESOLVE THOSE ISSUES, BUT YOUR GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO
DECIDE WHETHER THIS INITIATIVE IS READY FOR ANNOUNCEMENT NOW.
WHILE WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THIS STEP WILL BE A STRONG REMINDER
AND REINFORCEMENT OF OUR SECURITY INTERDEPENDENCE, WE SHOULD DEFER
ANY PUBLIC STEPS IF WE CANNOT AGREE BY FRIDAY TO A MAY 20
ANNOUNCEMENT. (YOU MAY HAVE SEEN THAT BUNDESTAG MEMBERS WILZ AND
HOYER REVEALED PUBLICLY THAT THIS IDEA WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION
DURING THEIR RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON.)

FINALLY, WE HAVE DONE FURTHER THINKING ON POSSIBLE JOINT
INITIATIVES TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE, WHICH WE
THINK HAS IMPORTANT PRACTICAL AS WELL AS SYMBOLIC BENEFITS. OUR
IDEA, WHICH WE HAVE TRIED TO KEEP AS SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE, WOULD BE
FOR A JOINT INITIATIVE ON NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY. SUCH AN
INITIATIVE SHOULD BE POLITICALLY VERY ATTRACTIVE, BOTH IN THE WEST
AND THE EAST. FOR GERMANY AND THE U.S. TO BE WORKING TOGETHER IN
THIS AREA WOULD BE ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL. OUR SPECIFIC IDEA WOULD
HAVE FOUR ELEMENTS:

- (1) A JOINT COMMITMENT TO DEVELOP AND COORDINATE ONGOING
PROGRAMS OF NUCLEAR OPERATIONAL SAFETY COOPERATION WITH THE
SOVIET UNION (REFERRING TO OUR EXISTING BILATERAL PROGRAMS BUT
NOT IMPLYING ANY MERGER OF THE TWO).
- (2) U.S.-GERMAN FUNDING (AT A COST OF \$200,000 EACH) IN SUPPORT
OF IAEA'S COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY REVIEW OF ALL FIRST GENERATION
NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS IN EASTERN EUROPE, TO BE CONDUCTED BY

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TEAMS OF U.S., GERMAN AND OTHER EXPERTS. (AS OUR LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY EXTENDS ONLY TO EASTERN EUROPE, THE GERMAN SIDE MAY WANT TO FUND SIMILAR SAFETY REVIEWS OF SOVIET REACTORS.)

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- (3) U.S.-GERMAN MATCHING COMMITMENTS (OF UP TO \$500,000 EACH FOR ONE YEAR OR \$1 MILLION FOR TWO YEARS) IN SUPPORT OF FOLLOW-ON MEASURES TO THE IAEA SAFETY REVIEW, SO THAT U.S. AND GERMAN TEAMS (TOGETHER WITH OTHERS, AS APPROPRIATE) COULD UNDERTAKE CONCRETE ACTIONS IN SUCH AREAS AS OPERATOR TRAINING, POWER PLANT MAINTENANCE, AND SAFETY PROCEDURES.

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- (4) A JOINT CALL ON THE IBRD AND EBRD TO ESTABLISH A PRIORITY FOCUS ON NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY AS PART OF THEIR PROGRAMS FOR POWER SECTOR REFORM, PRIVATIZATION, AND MODERNIZATION. (THIS MIGHT INCLUDE RELATED EFFORTS LIKE ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES OF PROVISION FOR ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF ELECTRICITY DURING PERIODS OF NUCLEAR REACTOR SHUT-DOWNS FOR SAFETY REPAIR).

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WE SEE SEVERAL ADVANTAGES TO THIS PROGRAM: IT IS SIMPLE, IT DRAWS ON EXISTING PROGRAMS, IT WORKS THROUGH INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS LIKE THE IAEA (THEREBY MINIMIZING ANY LIABILITIES THAT INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES MIGHT INCUR IN THE EVENT OF NUCLEAR ACCIDENT), AND IT FOCUSES ON NUCLEAR ENERGY SAFETY RATHER THAN THE MORE CONTROVERSIAL AREA OF NUCLEAR ENERGY DEVELOPMENT. WHILE IT WOULD BE IDEAL TO AGREE ON ALL THE ABOVE DETAILS BEFORE MAY 20, IT WOULD BE QUITE ACCEPTABLE TO MAKE THE INITIATIVE (AND ANNOUNCEMENT) MORE GENERAL SO LONG AS WE ARE BOTH BEHIND THE BASIC IDEA. LET'S NOT GET BOGGED DOWN IN THE DETAILS NOW.

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IF YOU AGREE, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO ANNOUNCE THESE INITIATIVES DURING THE JOINT PRESS AVAILABILITY FOLLOWING THE EXPANDED MEETING ON MAY 20. OUR SUGGESTION WOULD BE FOR THE PRESIDENT TO BEGIN BY MAKING POINTS ON NATO AND THE EUROPEAN SECURITY IDENTITY ALONG THE LINES OF THE ONE-PAGE PAPER THAT WE GAVE YOU LAST WEEK, AND THEN TO ANNOUNCE BRIEFLY (ONE OR TWO SENTENCES EACH) THESE THREE CONCRETE INITIATIVES IN THE NAMES OF BOTH LEADERS.

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AS TIME IS SHORT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REACTIONS TO THESE PROPOSALS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SHOULD YOU OR SOMEONE ON YOUR STAFF WISH TO CALL OR SEND YOUR REACTIONS VIA THIS CHANNEL OR FAX, BOB HUTCHINGS AND I WILL BOTH BE HERE AND AVAILABLE.

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SINCERELY,

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DAVID GOMPERT

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

May 13, 1991

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: DAVID C. GOMPERT 

FROM: ROBERT L. HUTCHINGS 

SUBJECT: Message to FRG Chancellery Security Advisor Peter Hartmann

Attached is a message from David Gompert to Peter Hartmann, following up on discussions last week of possible joint initiatives that the President and Chancellor Kohl could announce May 20. The message explains that we are ready to announce a RIAS Foundation (using proceeds from the sale of Radio in the American Sector equipment to fund U.S.-German exchanges) and asks whether the German side is ready to announce the German air base initiative. Finally, it describes a possible U.S.-German nuclear energy safety initiative for the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

As time is short, we hope to get this out tonight, May 13. The substance of the initiatives has been cleared with DOE and State, including the Coordinator's Office.

Concurrences by: Mike Hayden ^H and Eric Melby ^{Not available}

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the Tab I message for transmission via White House privacy channels.

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Attachment
Tab I Gompert Message for Hartmann

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MESSAGE FOR DR. PETER HARTMANN, FEDERAL CHANCELLERY, BONN
FROM DAVID GOMPERT, NSC, THE WHITE HOUSE
VIA SKIPPER CHANNELS

Dear Peter,

This is to follow up on our discussion about concrete joint initiatives that the President and the Chancellor might announce May 20. I will be writing again this week with our thoughts on more general issues, including our response to the Soviet economic situation.

Of the list of initiatives we gave you before you left, the RIAS Foundation is ready to be announced as far as we are concerned. This is mainly a U.S. initiative, responding to exchange programs your side has already implemented. It would focus exclusively on the new German Laender and demonstrate U.S. interest and engagement in the part of Germany from which we have been cut off for two generations. We would of course welcome and encourage a German contribution to the Foundation, but we are prepared to announce the initiative regardless.

On the German air base initiative, the remaining questions on the U.S. side appear manageable and would not preclude announcement on May 20, but we understand that you may need more time to deal with logistical and financial problems on your side. We will do all we can to help resolve those issues, but your Government needs to decide whether this initiative is ready for announcement now. While we continue to believe this step will be a strong reminder and reinforcement of our security interdependence, we should defer any public steps if we cannot agree by Friday to a May 20 announcement. (You may have seen that Bundestag Members Wilz and Hoyer revealed publicly that this idea was under consideration during their recent visit to Washington.)

Finally, we have done further thinking on possible joint initiatives toward the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, which we think has important practical as well as symbolic benefits. Our idea, which we have tried to keep as simple as possible, would be for a joint initiative on nuclear energy safety. Such an initiative should be politically very attractive, both in the West and the East. For Germany and the U.S. to be working together in this area would be especially meaningful. Our specific idea would have four elements:

- (1) A joint commitment to develop and coordinate ongoing programs of nuclear operational safety cooperation with the Soviet Union (referring to our existing bilateral programs but not implying any merger of the two).

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(2) U.S.-German funding (at a cost of \$200,000 each) in support of IAEA's comprehensive safety review of all first generation nuclear power reactors in Eastern Europe, to be conducted by teams of U.S., German and other experts. (As our legislative authority extends only to Eastern Europe, the German side may want to fund similar safety reviews of Soviet reactors.)

(3) U.S.-German matching commitments (of up to \$500,000 each for one year or \$1 million for two years) in support of follow-on measures to the IAEA safety review, so that U.S. and German teams (together with others, as appropriate) could undertake concrete actions in such areas as operator training, power plant maintenance, and safety procedures.

(4) A joint call on the IBRD and EBRD to establish a priority focus on nuclear energy safety as part of their programs for power sector reform, privatization, and modernization. (This might include related efforts like energy efficiency measures of provision for alternative sources of electricity during periods of nuclear reactor shut-downs for safety repair).

We see several advantages to this program: it is simple, it draws on existing programs, it works through international institutions like the IAEA (thereby minimizing any liabilities that individual countries might incur in the event of nuclear accident), and it focuses on nuclear energy safety rather than the more controversial area of nuclear energy development. While it would be ideal to agree on all the above details before May 20, it would be quite acceptable to make the initiative (and announcement) more general so long as we are both behind the basic idea. Let's not get bogged down in the details now.

If you agree, we would propose to announce these initiatives during the joint press availability following the expanded meeting on May 20. Our suggestion would be for the President to begin by making points on NATO and the European security identity along the lines of the one-page paper that we gave you last week, and then to announce briefly (one or two sentences each) these three concrete initiatives in the names of both leaders.

As time is short, we would appreciate your reactions to these proposals as soon as possible. Should you or someone on your staff wish to call or send your reactions via this channel or FAX, Bob Hutchings and I will both be here and available.

Sincerely,

David Gompert

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT MITTERRAND
FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.

MAY 03, 1991.

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR FRANCOIS,

AS YOU KNOW, JIM BAKER AND ALEKSANDR BESSMERTNYKH JUST MET IN THE
USSR. I THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO SHARE WITH YOU OUR
MOST CURRENT ASSESSMENT, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF YOUR UPCOMING
VISIT TO MOSCOW.

SO FAR, MOST OF THE SOVIET UNION'S "NEW THINKING" IN FOREIGN POLICY
HAS SURVIVED THE TWISTS AND TURNS OF DOMESTIC POLITICS. DESPITE
THE CLEAR TURN TO THE RIGHT LAST FALL, MOSCOW COOPERATED WITH US UP
TO AND THROUGH THE WAR AND IS NOW WORKING CONSTRUCTIVELY TO TRY TO
BUILD A LASTING PEACE IN THE REGION.

ON THE BALTICS, GORBACHEV IS STILL LARGELY PURSUING A PATH OF
NEGOTIATION RATHER THAN REPRESSION, ALTHOUGH SOVIET SECURITY FORCES
HAVE AT TIMES GONE PAST THE EDGE. THE SOVIETS ALSO CONTINUE THEIR
PULL-OUT IN EASTERN EUROPE. FARTHER AFIELD, THE RECENT NEGOTIATING
PROGRESS IN EL SALVADOR MIGHT WELL NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE HAD THERE
BEEN A SOVIET REVERSION TO PREVIOUS POLICY. SIMILARLY, WE ARE VERY
PLEASED THUS FAR WITH BOTH THE SUPPORT THE SOVIETS ARE GIVING OUR
MIDDLE EAST POLICY AND THE SYMPATHY THEY ARE DEMONSTRATING TOWARD
WHAT WE ARE DOING IN NORTHERN IRAQ.

DOMESTICALLY, GORBACHEV'S POLITICAL POSITION REMAINS PRECARIOUS
DESPITE HIS RECENT AGREEMENT WITH THE NINE REPUBLIC LEADERS, WHICH
SEEMS TO BE AN "UP" IN HIS FAMILIAR PATTERN OF UPS AND DOWNS.
ECONOMICALLY, I AM QUITE PESSIMISTIC. GORBACHEV'S RECENT PACKAGE
OF REFORMS IS UNLIKELY TO ARREST THE SOVIET UNION'S STEADY DECLINE,
AND THE COUNTRY'S EXTERNAL PAYMENTS POSITION HAS GONE FROM BAD TO
WORSE.

THERE IS ONE SPECIFIC POINT ON OUR FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA WITH
MOSCOW THAT DOES CONCERN ME, HOWEVER. I KNOW YOU AGREE THAT THE
SOVIETS MUST BE BROUGHT INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE
CFE TREATY AS SIGNED. THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSAL I
RECENTLY MADE TO GORBACHEV AND ON WHICH YOUR REPRESENTATIVES HAVE
BEEN BRIEFED.

I HAVE PROPOSED TO PRESIDENT GORBACHEV A PRACTICAL SOLUTION WHEREBY
THE SOVIETS WOULD ENSURE THAT THE AMOUNT OF THEIR EQUIPMENT IN
EUROPE, WHETHER ASSIGNED TO NAVAL INFANTRY, COASTAL DEFENSE OR ANY
OTHER BRANCH OF THE MILITARY SERVICES, WOULD NOT EXCEED THE LIMITS
SET OUT IN THE TREATY. THE PROPOSAL ALSO ASKS GORBACHEV TO CONFIRM
THAT THE EXCESS EQUIPMENT WOULD BE DESTROYED OR CONVERTED, AND
THAT HE RECONFIRM PREVIOUS SOVIET ASSURANCES THAT A SUBSTANTIAL
PROPORTION OF THE EQUIPMENT THEY HAVE WITHDRAWN EAST OF THE URALS
WILL BE DESTROYED OR CONVERTED. AT THE SAME TIME, IT AVOIDS

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DIRECTLY CONFRONTING THE UNJUSTIFIABLE SOVIET INTERPRETATION OF ARTICLE III OR REQUIRING GORBACHEV TO ACKNOWLEDGE EXPLICITLY A REVERSAL OF THE SOVIET POSITION. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A

DISAPPOINTING ORAL REPLY FROM FOREIGN MINISTER BESSMERTNYKH TO JIM BAKER. THE RESPONSE WAS NOT SPECIFIC, BUT THE SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET ACCEPTED THE FACT THAT EQUIPMENT HELD BY NAVAL INFANTRY IS CLEARLY COVERED BY CFE LIMITS.

IT MIGHT WELL SWAY GORBACHEV IF YOU WERE TO TELL HIM YOU ARE CONVINCED THAT THIS PROPOSAL HAS GONE AS FAR AS IS LEGALLY AND POLITICALLY POSSIBLE. WE HAVE TRIED TO ACCOMMODATE HIS NEEDS WHILE BRINGING THE SOVIET UNION INTO PRACTICAL COMPLIANCE WITH ITS TREATY OBLIGATIONS. YOU MIGHT WISH TO POINT OUT THAT CONTINUING SOVIET UNWILLINGNESS TO HONOR A TREATY THEY HAVE ALREADY SIGNED COULD END UP DOING SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO MOSCOW'S IMAGE AND TO ITS RELATIONS WITH THE WEST.

I ALSO WANT TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF WHERE THINGS STAND ON THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS. JIM BAKER HAS MET THE SORT OF RESISTANCE TO THE NOTION OF A PEACE CONFERENCE ONE WOULD EXPECT, ESPECIALLY FROM SYRIA AND ISRAEL. NEVERTHELESS, WE ARE NARROWING THE GAP ON CONFERENCE STRUCTURE AND ON PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION. HERE IT INCREASINGLY LOOKS AS THOUGH JORDAN MUST PLAY A KEY ROLE. WE SHALL PERSEVERE, AND JIM MAY HEAD BACK TO THE AREA SOON. I THINK WE ARE FAST APPROACHING THE POINT FOR CLOSURE; EITHER WE WILL CONVENE A CONFERENCE (WITH THE EC THERE), OR WE MUST TRY ANOTHER APPROACH. WHAT I WILL NOT ACCEPT IS FOR THE PROCESS TO BE DELAYED BY THE INTRANSIGENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE PARTIES.

I WISH YOU A VERY SUCCESSFUL TRIP, AND I WILL LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR ASSESSMENT AND YOUR VIEWS AFTER YOUR RETURN.

WITH MY WARMEST REGARDS,

GEORGE BUSH

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FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT MITTERRAND, FOR TRANSMISSION VIA
BLUE CHANNEL

Dear Francois,

As you know, Jim Baker and Aleksandr Bessmertnykh just met in the USSR. I thought this would be a good time to share with you our most current assessment, particularly in view of your upcoming visit to Moscow.

So far, most of the Soviet Union's "new thinking" in foreign policy has survived the twists and turns of domestic politics. Despite the clear turn to the right last fall, Moscow cooperated with us up to and through the war and is now working constructively to try to build a lasting peace in the region.

On the Baltics, Gorbachev is still largely pursuing a path of negotiation rather than repression, although Soviet security forces have at times gone past the edge. The Soviets also continue their pull-out in Eastern Europe. Farther afield, the recent negotiating progress in El Salvador might well not have been possible had there been a Soviet reversion to previous policy. Similarly, we are very pleased thus far with both the support the Soviets are giving our Middle East policy and the sympathy they are demonstrating toward what we are doing in northern Iraq.

Domestically, Gorbachev's political position remains precarious despite his recent agreement with the nine Republic leaders, which seems to be an "up" in his familiar pattern of ups and downs. Economically, I am quite pessimistic. Gorbachev's recent package of reforms is unlikely to arrest the Soviet Union's steady decline, and the country's external payments position has gone from bad to worse.

There is one specific point on our foreign policy agenda with Moscow that does concern me, however. I know you agree that the Soviets must be brought into compliance with the provisions of the CFE Treaty as signed. That is the purpose of the proposal I recently made to Gorbachev and on which your representatives have been briefed.

I have proposed to President Gorbachev a practical solution whereby the Soviets would ensure that the amount of their equipment in Europe, whether assigned to naval infantry, coastal defense or any other branch of the military services, would not exceed the limits set out in the Treaty. The proposal also asks Gorbachev to confirm that the excess equipment would be destroyed or converted, and that he reconfirm previous Soviet assurances that a substantial proportion of the equipment they have withdrawn east of the Urals will be destroyed or converted. At the same time, it avoids directly confronting the unjustifiable Soviet interpretation of Article III or requiring Gorbachev to acknowledge explicitly a reversal of the Soviet position. We

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have just received a disappointing oral reply from Foreign Minister Bessmertnykh to Jim Baker. The response was not specific, but the Soviets have not yet accepted the fact that equipment held by naval infantry is clearly covered by CFE limits.

It might well sway Gorbachev if you were to tell him you are convinced that this proposal has gone as far as is legally and politically possible. We have tried to accommodate his needs while bringing the Soviet Union into practical compliance with its treaty obligations. You might wish to point out that continuing Soviet unwillingness to honor a treaty they have already signed could end up doing significant damage to Moscow's image and to its relations with the West.

I also want to give you a sense of where things stand on the Middle East peace process. Jim Baker has met the sort of resistance to the notion of a peace conference one would expect, especially from Syria and Israel. Nevertheless, we are narrowing the gap on conference structure and on Palestinian representation. Here it increasingly looks as though Jordan must play a key role. We shall persevere, and Jim may head back to the area soon. I think we are fast approaching the point for closure; either we will convene a conference (with the EC there), or we must try another approach. What I will not accept is for the process to be delayed by the intransigence of one or more of the parties.

I wish you a very successful trip, and I will look forward to hearing your assessment and your views after your return.

With my warmest regards,

George Bush

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush", written in a cursive style.

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PLEASE DELIVER MESSAGE IN SEALED ENVELOPE MARKED EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY FOR SECRETARY CHENEY FROM BRENT SCOWCROFT. DELIVER IMMEDIATELY.

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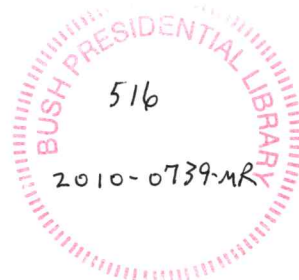
I WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND THAT YOU RAISE WITH YOUR SAUDI, KUWAITI AND UAE INTERLOCUTORS DURING YOUR CURRENT TRIP THE IMPORTANCE OF TURKEY FOR GULF REGIONAL SECURITY AND OUR INTEREST IN MAKING SURE THAT TURKEY'S LONG-RUN MILITARY MODERNIZATION EFFORTS BEAR FRUIT.

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THE ESSENTIAL POINT TO MAKE WITH THEM IS THAT TURKEY IS IMPORTANT FOR THEIR SECURITY AS WELL AS OURS. THE TURKS WERE ABSOLUTELY PIVOTAL IN ISOLATING SADDAM EARLY ON IN THE GULF CONFLICT. TURKISH BASES PROVED IMPORTANT IN THE SUBSEQUENT AIR CAMPAIGN. UNDER OZAL, TURKEY IS WILLING TO WORK WITH THE GULF GOVERNMENTS TO ENHANCE REGIONAL SECURITY. IN OUR VIEW, A STRONG TURKEY WILL BE A FORCE FOR STABILITY IN THE REGION, HELPING TO BALANCE OTHER POWERS IN THE AREA WHO ARE NOT OUR ALLIES AND DO NOT NECESSARILY SHARE OUR INTERESTS, AS DOES TURKEY. BUT TURKEY NEEDS HELP TO FINANCE NEEDED MILITARY MODERNIZATION.

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I BELIEVE IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR THE U.S. TO BE RESPONSIVE TO OZAL AT A TIME WHEN HE IS BEING CRITICIZED AT HOME FOR NOT HAVING SECURED AID FROM THE WEST COMMENSURATE WITH TURKEY'S WARTIME CONTRIBUTIONS. CREATION OF A SIGNIFICANT DEFENSE FUND WOULD HELP OZAL ANSWER HIS DOMESTIC CRITICS AND PLACATE HIS MILITARY. IT WOULD ALSO BE A MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT TO NOTE FOR THE EXPANDED U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONSHIP DURING THE PRESIDENT'S



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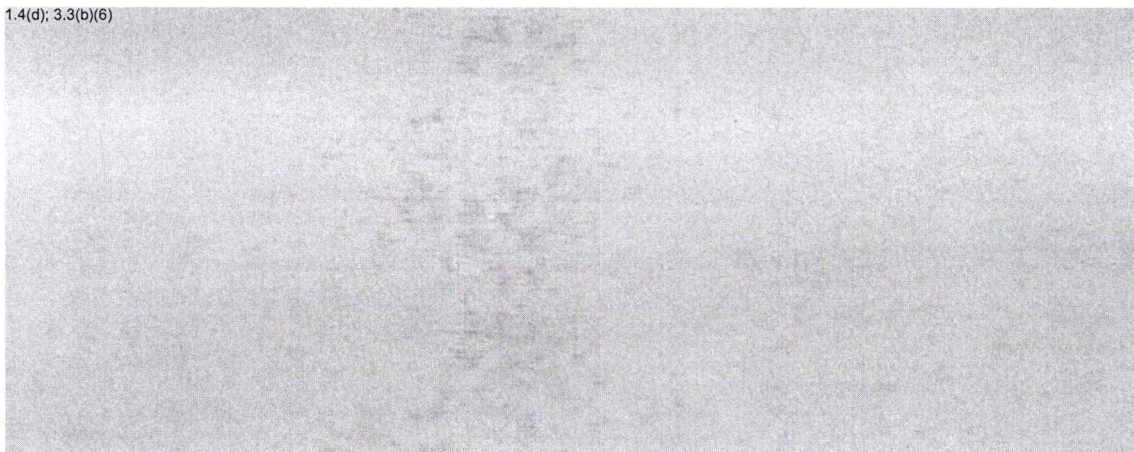
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IMMEDIATELY.

BEGIN TEXT:

DICK

I WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND THAT YOU RAISE WITH YOUR SAUDI,
KUWAITI AND UAE INTERLOCUTORS DURING YOUR CURRENT TRIP
THE IMPORTANCE OF TURKEY FOR GULF REGIONAL SECURITY AND OUR
INTEREST IN MAKING SURE THAT TURKEY'S LONG-RUN MILITARY
MODERNIZATION EFFORTS BEAR FRUIT.

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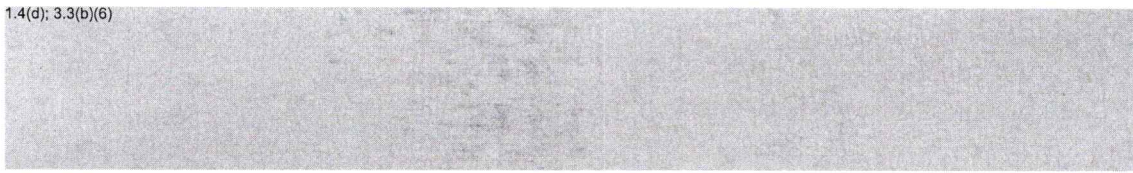
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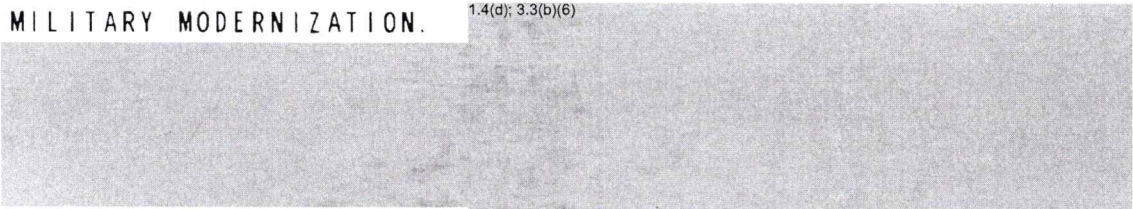
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THE ESSENTIAL POINT TO MAKE WITH THEM IS THAT TURKEY IS IMPORTANT FOR THEIR SECURITY AS WELL AS OURS. THE TURKS WERE ABSOLUTELY PIVOTAL IN ISOLATING SADDAM EARLY ON IN THE GULF CONFLICT. TURKISH BASES PROVED IMPORTANT IN THE SUBSEQUENT AIR CAMPAIGN. UNDER OZAL, TURKEY IS WILLING TO WORK WITH THE GULF GOVERNMENTS TO ENHANCE REGIONAL SECURITY. IN OUR VIEW, A STRONG TURKEY WILL BE A FORCE FOR STABILITY IN THE REGION, HELPING TO BALANCE OTHER POWERS IN THE AREA WHO ARE NOT OUR ALLIES AND DO NOT NECESSARILY SHARE OUR INTERESTS, AS DOES TURKEY. BUT TURKEY NEEDS HELP TO FINANCE NEEDED MILITARY MODERNIZATION.

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I BELIEVE IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR THE U.S. TO BE RESPONSIVE TO OZAL AT A TIME WHEN HE IS BEING CRITICIZED AT HOME FOR NOT HAVING SECURED AID FROM THE WEST COMMENSURATE WITH TURKEY'S WARTIME CONTRIBUTIONS. CREATION OF A SIGNIFICANT DEFENSE FUND WOULD HELP OZAL ANSWER HIS DOMESTIC CRITICS AND PLACATE HIS MILITARY. IT WOULD ALSO BE A MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT TO NOTE FOR THE EXPANDED U.S. -TURKISH RELATIONSHIP DURING THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO ANKARA THIS SUMMER.

REGARDS,

BRENT

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5/2/91

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Florence -

Breat gave me the attached
last night. I have made
a copy and am staffing a
reply. Just thought you
might want to have the
original back.

-Arnie

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5/1/91

FROM: White House

TO: Elysee Palace

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ via Blue Channels

Please deliver the following message to Pierre Morel from Brent Scowcroft.

Begin Text:

Pierre:

The President is very pleased with the degree of cooperation that now exists between the US and French forces in Operation Provide Comfort. The situation in Zakhu has been stabilized and the refugees are now beginning to return in considerable numbers. Our commander on the scene believes that it is time to begin slowly extending our efforts up the valley to the east toward Al Amadyah, and in due course beyond Al Amadyah to the town of Suri, twenty kilometers further east. He proposes using coalition forces to provide the security environment in these two areas to allow refugees to flow back into the valley and home to their original villages.

The plan has been briefed to your commander in the field and I know that Admiral Lanxade has discussed it with General Powell. This plan has our support here and we hope you concur it is the right course to pursue.

Many thanks. Brent

End text.

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JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON, DC 20318-0001

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FROM: GEN POWELL

NAME

DATE/TIME

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OFFICE

TO: BRENT SCOWCROFT

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GEN. COLIN POWELL

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1 May 91

Brent Scowcroft,

Call me ASAP!

CW

Dear

Pierre (Mael)

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Warm regards,

BRENT SCOWCROFT

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TO ELYSEE PALACE

~~SECRET~~ VIA BLUE CHANNELS
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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PIERRE MOREL FROM BRENT
SCOWCROFT.

BEGIN TEXT:

PIERRE:

FOLLOWING UP ON OUR PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS, I AM SENDING TALKING
POINTS WE PLAN TO PROVIDE TOM PICKERING, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE FOR USE
THIS AFTERNOON OR THIS EVENING WITH THE IRAQI UN PERMREP. I BELIEVE
OUR POTENTIAL FOR REALIZING THE AIM OF GETTING THE IRAQI SECURITY
PERSONNEL OUT OF ZAKHU QUICKLY AND WITHOUT BLOODSHED WOULD BE
ENHANCED APPRECIABLY BY OUR MAKING A JOINT APPROACH TO THE IRAQIS.
(I AM SUGGESTING THE SAME TO STEPHEN WALL.) I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
GETTING BACK TO ME AS SOON AS YOU CAN WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT'S
AGREEMENT BEFORE ANY OF US INSTRUCT OUR PEOPLE IN NEW YORK.

MANY THANKS. BRENT

END TEXT

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BEGIN TALKING POINTS:

- U.S. AND OTHER POWERS ARE CONDUCTING A STRICTLY HUMANITARIAN OPERATION IN NORTHERN IRAQ.

- THE CAMP CONSTRUCTION IN THE ZAKHU AREA IS PROGRESSING.

- INITIAL OPERATIONS TO CONSTRUCT THE HUMANITARIAN CAMP HAVE BROUGHT OUR FORCES INTO CLOSE CONTACT.

- HOWEVER, NO UNTOWARD INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED IN THE ZAKHU AREA. WE NOTE FURTHER THAT IRAQI FORCES ARE GETTING REPOSITIONED TO PRECLUDE AN UNINTENDED INCIDENT.

- AT THE SAME TIME, A LARGE NUMBER OF IRAQI SECURITY PERSONNEL HAVE RECENTLY ARRIVED IN ZAKHU.

- THE NET EFFECT HAS BEEN TO CREATE AN ATMOSPHERE OF DISCOMFORT, UNEASINESS AND INTIMIDATION IN THE LOCAL POPULATION WHICH HAS DETERRED THE KURDS FROM LEAVING THE HILLS, FRUSTRATING OUR HUMANITARIAN GOALS.

- WE HAVE BOTH AGREED THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO CREATE CONDITIONS THAT WILL ALLOW THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TURNOVER OF THESE HUMANITARIAN CAMPS TO APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL BODIES.

- MOREOVER, JUST AS IT HAS PROVEN SENSIBLE TO CREATE A BUFFER BETWEEN FORCES CONDUCTING HUMANITARIAN WORK AND YOUR FORCES IN THE AREA, SO ALSO MUST WE INSIST THAT THE RECENTLY INTRODUCED IRAQI SECURITY PERSONNEL BE WITHDRAWN FROM ZAKHU AND ITS ENVIRONS.

- THIS WITHDRAWAL NEEDS TO BE UNDERTAKEN PROMPTLY (NLT 260300Z APR 91) AND COMPLETED NLT 270300Z APR 91 SO THAT WE MAY PROCEED WITH REFUGEE RELOCATION AND RELIEF OF SUFFERING.

- IN THE MEANTIME, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE U.S. AND THE

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OTHER POWERS PROVIDING FORCES TO CONDUCT THIS HUMANITARIAN MISSION WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SECURITY AND MAINTENANCE OF ORDER IN THE AREA OF ZAKHU SECURITY ZONE.

- AS WE EXPAND THIS SECURITY RESPONSIBILITY IN SUCH A WAY TO ENABLE US TO ACCOMPLISH OUR HUMANITARIAN OBJECTIVE, WE WILL ADVISE ALL IRAQI MILITARY AND SECURITY PERSONNEL THAT THEY WILL BE DENIED ENTRY INTO THE NEW SECURITY AREA WITHOUT PROPER COORDINATION WITH THE MCC. THIS NEW SECURITY AREA IS INTERPRETED TO MEAN AN AREA 30 KM AROUND (REPEAT AROUND) ZAKHU, AS MANDATED BY LTG SHALIKASHVILI 19 APRIL.

- WE EXPECT THIS PROCESS TO BE COMPLETED BY 270300Z APR 91.

- WE URGE PROMPT RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST. WE NEED TO CONDUCT THIS HUMANITARIAN EFFORT QUICKLY IN ORDER TO SAVE LIVES AND RETURN THE AREA TO NORMALCY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

- SHOULD WE ENCOUNTER IRAQI MILITARY OR SECURITY PERSONNEL AFTER 270300Z APR 91 INSIDE THE SECURITY AREA DEMARCATED BY OUR HUMANITARIAN FORCES, WE WILL DISARM AND TAKE THEM INTO CUSTODY AND NOTIFY YOUR LIAISON OFFICER.

- IF AN IRAQI SHOULD EXHIBIT HOSTILE INTENT AGAINST FORCES OR INTERNATIONAL PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN THE HUMANITARIAN EFFORT, WE WILL TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEANS TO CONTROL THE SITUATION.

END TEXT:

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TO THE CHANCELLORY

~~SECRET~~ VIA SKIPPER CHANNELS

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DR. PETER HARTMANN
FROM MR. DAVID GOMPERT.

MAY 1, 1991

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR PETER:

WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR VISIT. TO MAKE THE BEST USE
OF YOUR TIME, WE HAVE ARRANGED YOUR MAY 6 APPOINTMENTS ALL AT THE
WHITE HOUSE/NSC AND YOUR MAY 7 SCHEDULE TO BEGIN AT THE STATE
DEPARTMENT AND CONCLUDE AFTER LUNCH WITH A RETURN CALL ON BRENT.
ALTHOUGH A FEW APPOINTMENTS ARE AWAITING CONFIRMATION, THE
FOLLOWING IS YOUR SCHEDULE AS IT STANDS NOW. (BOB ZOELICK, WHOM
I KNOW YOU HAD HOPED TO SEE, WILL BE AT THE SHERPAS' MEETING IN
HONG KONG.) IF YOU WOULD LIKE US TO ADJUST THE SCHEDULE IN ANY
WAY, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

MAY 6

10:30-11:30 - CHANCELLOR'S VISIT (GOMPERT/HUTCHINGS)

11:30-12:00 - MACROECONOMIC ISSUES (GOMPERT/LUNDSAGER)

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12:00-1:00 - ONE-ON-ONE LUNCHEON WITH GENERAL SCOWCROFT

1:00-2:30 - EUROPEAN SECURITY (GOMPERT/DOBBINS/HADLEY)

2:30-3:30 - MIDDLE EAST (HAASS)

3:30-4:30 - SOVIET UNION (GATES/HEWETT)

MAY 7

9:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. - STATE DEPARTMENT (WITH HUTCHINGS)

- EASTERN EUROPE (EAGLEBURGER)

- GENERAL DISCUSSION (DOBBINS)

- WORKING LUNCH HOSTED BY BARTHOLOMEW

2:00-2:30 - GOMPERT

2:30-3:00 - GENERAL SCOWCROFT

ON A SEPARATE BUT RELATED MATTER, OUR STATE DEPARTMENT (JIM DOBBINS) HAS PROPOSED TO YOUR FOREIGN MINISTRY (JUERGEN CHROBOG) THAT OUR GOVERNMENTS HOLD BILATERAL OFFICIAL-LEVEL CONSULTATIONS ON ISSUES RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A EUROPEAN SECURITY IDENTITY. THESE CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE CONFIDENTIAL AND INFORMAL. BECAUSE THESE ISSUES TOUCH UPON POLITICAL, SECURITY, AND MILITARY CONCERNS, WE SUGGEST THAT THEY BE INTERAGENCY, WITH STATE, DEFENSE, AND NSC ON THE U.S. SIDE AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, FMOD, AND CHANCELLERY REPRESENTATIVES FROM GERMANY. CHROBOG IS APPARENTLY RECEPTIVE TO THE IDEA. DOD ASSISTANT SECRETARY HADLEY IS GETTING IN TOUCH WITH GENERAL EISELE TO SEEK HIS SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION. WE WOULD HOPE THAT THIS

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SUGGESTION HAS YOUR SUPPORT AS WELL. SINCE WE SEE IT AS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN ENSURING PARALLEL U.S. AND GERMAN POSITIONS ON THIS CRITICAL SET OF ISSUES. WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT A MEMBER OF YOUR STAFF, PERHAPS UWE KAESTNER, BE PART OF THE GERMAN TEAM; I WILL PARTICIPATE FROM THE WHITE HOUSE. WE ARE PROPOSING THAT THE CONSULTATIONS TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON, IF POSSIBLE, IN THE FIRST HALF OF MAY.

BRENT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU NEXT WEEK.

BEST REGARDS,

DAVID GOMPERT

END OF TEXT

DECL: OADR

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MESSAGE FOR DR. PETER HARTMANN, FEDERAL CHANCELLERY, BONN
VIA SKIPPER CHANNELS

Dear Peter:

We are all looking forward to your visit. To make the best use of your time, we have arranged your May 6 appointments all at the White House/NSC and your May 7 schedule to begin at the State Department and conclude after lunch with a return call on Brent. Although a few appointments are awaiting confirmation, the following is your schedule as it stands now. (Bob Zoellick, whom I know you had hoped to see, will be at the Sherpas' meeting in Hong Kong.) If you would like us to adjust the schedule in any way, please let me know.

May 6

- 10:30-11:30 - Chancellor's Visit (Gompert/Hutchings)
- 11:30-12:00 - Macroeconomic Issues (Gompert/Lundsager)
- 12:00-1:00 - One-on-One Luncheon with General Scowcroft
- 1:00-2:30 - European Security (Gompert/Dobbins/Hadley)
- 2:30-3:30 - Middle East (Haass)
- 3:30-4:30 - Soviet Union (Gates/Hewett)

May 7

- 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - State Department (with Hutchings)
 - Eastern Europe (Eagleburger)
 - General Discussion (Dobbins)
 - Working Lunch Hosted by Bartholomew
- 2:00-2:30 - Gompert
- 2:30-3:00 - General Scowcroft

On a separate but related matter, our State Department (Jim Dobbins) has proposed to your Foreign Ministry (Juergen Chrobog) that our governments hold bilateral official-level consultations on issues relating to the development of a European Security Identity. These consultations would be confidential and informal. Because these issues touch upon political, security, and military concerns, we suggest that they be interagency, with

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State, Defense, and NSC on the U.S. side and the Foreign Ministry, FMOD, and Chancellery representatives from Germany. Chrobog is apparently receptive to the idea. DOD Assistant Secretary Hadley is getting in touch with General Eisele to seek his support and participation. We would hope that this suggestion has your support as well, since we see it as an important step in ensuring parallel U.S. and German positions on this critical set of issues. We also suggest that a member of your staff, perhaps Uwe Kaestner, be part of the German team; I will participate from the White House. We are proposing that the consultations take place in Washington, if possible, in the first half of May.

Brent and I look forward to seeing you next week.

Best regards,

David Gompert

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TO CABINET OFFICE

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PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO STEPHEN WALL FROM BRENT
SCOWCROFT

BEGIN TEXT:

SUBJECT: APPROACH TO IRAQ ON ZAKHU

STEPHEN:

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END TALKING POINTS:

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TO ELYSEE PALACE

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Apr. 24

TO: Pierre Morel
FROM: Brent Scowcroft
SUBJECT: Approach to Iraq on Zakhu

Pierre:

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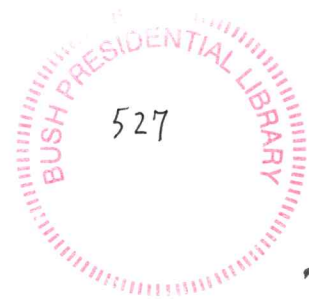
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FROM BRENT SCOWCROFT TO SECRETARY BAKER IMMEDIATELY. PLEASE
CONFIRM DELIVERY TO THE WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

MOSCOW: EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR MATLOCK -- THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE IS BEING PROVIDED TO YOU FOR DELIVERY IN THE EVENT
SECRETARY BAKER DEPARTS BEFORE 1.4(c) CAN MAKE DELIVERY.

BEGIN TEXT:

JIM:

WE HAVE BEEN GETTING REPORTS FROM VARIOUS SOVIET SOURCES THAT WE
WILL BE DISAPPOINTED IN GORBACHEV'S RESPONSE ON CFE. WE ARE
HEARING THAT THE LETTER BEING PREPARED FOR HIS SIGNATURE WILL
CONTINUE TO EXCLUDE NAVAL INFANTRY AND MAY ALSO FALL WELL SHORT
OF THE ASSURANCES WE REQUESTED ON THE EAST-OF-THE-URALS PROBLEM.
IF WE DO GET SUCH A REPLY, IT WILL DEAL A SEVERE SETBACK TO OUR
EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE CFE ISSUE AND A BODY BLOW TO THE BROADER
U.S. - SOVIET RELATIONSHIP.

BEFORE GORBACHEV MAKES HIS FINAL DECISIONS ON THE CONTENT OF HIS
RESPONSE--WHICH WE UNDERSTAND MAY BE IMMINENT--IT IS IMPORTANT

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THAT HE UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH IS AT STAKE. AND THAT HE DOES NOT MISTAKE THE INTENDEDLY REASONABLE TONE IN THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER FOR AN INVITATION TO FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS ON SUBSTANCE. GORBACHEV NEEDS TO KNOW THAT THERE IS NO ROOM FOR FURTHER GIVE-AND-TAKE. THAT WE ARE AT THE LEGAL AND POLITICAL LIMIT OF WHAT WE CAN OFFER ON CFE. AND THAT NOT ONLY CFE BUT THE REST OF THE ARMS CONTROL AGENDA WILL BE DEAD IN THE WATER UNLESS HE CAN ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL.

YOUR UPCOMING MEETING WITH BESSMERTNYKYH IN KISLOVODSK IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO REINFORCE THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER AND UNDERScore THE SIGNIFICANCE OF GORBACHEV'S RESPONSE TO THE OVERALL RELATIONSHIP.

YOU ALSO MAY WANT TO REITERATE TO BESSMERTNYKYH THE POINTS ON BW YOU SENT HIM LAST WEEK, ESPECIALLY OUR REQUIREMENT TO BEGIN BRIEFING THE HILL WITHIN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF RECEIVING A POSITIVE SOVIET REPLY BY THEN.

REGARDS.

BRENT.

END TEXT

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FROM: WHITE HOUSE

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MOSCOW: PLEASE DELIVER COPY OF THIS MESSAGE EYES ONLY TO AMB. MATLOCK.

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JIM:

WE HAVE BEEN GETTING REPORTS FROM VARIOUS SOVIET SOURCES THAT WE WILL BE DISAPPOINTED IN GORBACHEV'S RESPONSE ON CFE. WE ARE HEARING THAT THE LETTER BEING PREPARED FOR HIS SIGNATURE WILL CONTINUE TO EXCLUDE NAVAL INFANTRY AND MAY ALSO FALL WELL SHORT OF THE ASSURANCES WE REQUESTED ON THE EAST-OF-THE-URALS PROBLEM. IF WE DO GET SUCH A REPLY, IT WILL DEAL A SEVERE SETBACK TO OUR EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE CFE ISSUE AND A BODY BLOW TO THE BROADER U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONSHIP.

BEFORE GORBACHEV MAKES HIS FINAL DECISIONS ON THE CONTENT OF HIS RESPONSE--WHICH WE UNDERSTAND MAY BE IMMINENT--IT IS IMPORTANT THAT HE UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH IS AT STAKE, AND THAT HE DOES NOT MISTAKE THE INTENDEDLY REASONABLE TONE IN THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER FOR AN INVITATION TO FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS ON SUBSTANCE. GORBACHEV NEEDS TO KNOW THAT THERE IS NO ROOM FOR FURTHER GIVE-AND-TAKE, THAT WE ARE AT THE LEGAL AND POLITICAL LIMIT OF WHAT WE CAN OFFER ON CFE, AND THAT NOT ONLY CFE BUT THE REST OF THE ARMS CONTROL AGENDA WILL BE DEAD IN THE WATER UNLESS HE CAN ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL.

YOUR UPCOMING MEETING WITH BESSMERTNYKYH IN KISLOVODSK IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO REINFORCE THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER AND UNDERSCORE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF GORBACHEV'S RESPONSE TO THE OVERALL RELATIONSHIP.

YOU ALSO MAY WANT TO REITERATE TO BESSMERTNYKH THE POINTS ON BW YOU SENT HIM LAST WEEK, ESPECIALLY OUR REQUIREMENT TO BEGIN BRIEFING THE HILL WITHIN THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF RECEIVING A POSITIVE SOVIET REPLY BY THEN.

REGARDS,

BRENT.

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