

Originally Processed With FOIA(s):
2009-0275-S

FOIA Number:
2009-0275-S

FOIA MARKER

**This is not a textual record. This is used as an
administrative marker by the George Bush Presidential
Library Staff.**

Record Group/Collection: George H.W. Bush Presidential Records
Collection/Office of Origin: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection
Series: USSR Chronological Files
Subseries: CFE [Conventional Forces in Europe] Files

OA/ID Number: 91121
Folder ID Number: 91121-002

Folder Title:
Soviet Power Collapse in Eastern Europe - CFE [Conventional Forces in Europe] June 1989

Stack:	Row:	Section:	Shelf:	Position:
G	34	3	3	1

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

(George Bush Library)

Doc. No. / Type	Subject/Title	Date	Restriction	Classification
01a. Memo	Brent Scowcroft to POTUS Re: Telephone Call from Chancellor Kohl, Federal Republic of Germany (1 pp.)	6/14/89	(b)(1)	✓
01b. Talking Points	Re: Points To Be Made for Telephone Conversation with Chancellor Kohl (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	✓
01c. Memo	Robert L. Hutchings to Brent Scowcroft Re: Telephone Call from Chancellor Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany (1 pp.)	6/12/89	(b)(1)	✓
02a. Outline	Re: Meeting with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher (2 pp.)	6/20/89	(b)(1)	✓
02b. Talking Points	Re: Points To Be Made for Meeting with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher (3 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	✓
02c. Report	Re: Biography (2 pp.)	5/2/89	(b)(1)	S
02d. Memo	Robert L. Hutchings to Brent Scowcroft Re: The President's Meeting with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, June 21, 1989, 11:40 a.m. - 12:00 noon (1 pp.)	6/19/89	(b)(1)	✓

Page 1 of 2

Collection:

Record Group: Bush Presidential Records

Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Files

Series: USSR Chronological Files

Subseries: CFE Files

WHORM Cat.:

File Location: Soviet Power Collapse in Eastern Europe - CFE [Conventional Forces in Europe] June 1989

Pinksheet Number: cap1023

OA/ID Number: 91121-002

Date Closed: 3/13/2009

FOIA/Sys Case #: 2009-0275-S

Re-review Case #:

P-2/P-5 Review Case #:

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

(George Bush Library)

Doc. No. / Type	Subject/Title	Date	Restriction	Classification
03a. Memo	Brent Scowcroft to POTUS Re: Telephone Call to Chancellor Kohl, Federal Republic of Germany (1 pp.)	6/22/89	(b)(1)	φ
03b. Talking Points	Re: Points To Be Made for Telephone Conversation with Chancellor Helmut Kohl (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	φ
03c. Memo	Robert L. Hutchings to Brent Scowcroft Re: Telephone Call from the President to Chancellor Helmut Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany (1 pp.)	6/21/89	(b)(1)	φ
04. Memo	Joh Matheny to Brent Scowcroft Re: Congressional Observation of Soviet Unilateral Reductions (2 pp.)	6/28/89	(b)(1)	φ
05a. Letter	President Bush to Chancellor Helmut Schmidt (1 pp.)	6/28/89	(b)(1)	
05b. Cable	Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to President Bush (1 pp.)	6/13	(b)(1)	

Page 2 of 2

Collection:

Record Group: Bush Presidential Records

Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Files

Series: USSR Chronological Files

Subseries: CFE Files

WHORM Cat.:

File Location: Soviet Power Collapse in Eastern Europe - CFE [Conventional Forces in Europe] June 1989

Pinksheet Number: cap1023

OA/ID Number: 91121-002

Date Closed: 3/13/2009

FOIA/Sys Case #: 2009-0275-S

Re-review Case #:

P-2/P-5 Review Case #:

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4548

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

CHRON

June 14, 1989

FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT *BJS*

SUBJECT: Telephone Call from Chancellor Kohl, Federal Republic of Germany

DATE: June 15, 1989

PURPOSE: To get Chancellor Kohl's readout of Chairman Gorbachev's visit to West Germany

SECURE OR OPEN: Secure Line if available

INTERPRETER: To be supplied by State Department

PHONE NUMBER: WHCA Head of State circuit -- Bonn

CONTACT: Robert Hutchings

TIME DIFFERENCE: +6

SUGGESTED TIME: 7:00 a.m. EDT June 15, 1989

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION: Chairman Gorbachev's June 12-15 Visit to West Germany

Date of Submission:

Action:

Attachment

Tab A Points to be made

DECLASSIFIED
White House Guidelines
E.O. 13526, SEC 3.4 (b), September 11, 2006
By CAP NARA, Date 7/1/2009

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4548

POINTS TO BE MADE FOR
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH
CHANCELLOR KOHL

- I appreciate your quick readout on Gorbachev's visit.

- What private reactions did you get from Gorbachev to the NATO Summit and our conventional force reduction proposal? Did you get a sense that the Soviets are ready to move quickly to meet our timetable?

- How did you and Hans-Dietrich handle the SNF issue with Gorbachev? Will Moscow leave the SNF issue alone for now, or can we expect further Soviet pressure for early SNF negotiations?

- We appreciated the balanced handling of the joint statement, though we continue to believe that Gorbachev tries to use the "common European home" to divide the West.

- Did Gorbachev have anything of special interest to say about his internal problems? What was his reaction to the crackdown in China?

- How is he reacting to the dramatic events in Poland and Hungary? Did you draw any new conclusions about how to handle your forthcoming trip to Poland, or mine to Poland and Hungary?

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 12958,
AS AMENDED
CAP 2008-0699-MR
5/20/2010

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

2

-- As we prepare for the Economic Summit and my trip to Eastern Europe, we should continue our pattern of close consultation. Do you now have any specific ideas concerning what, if anything, the West should do in the near term about the Polish debt?

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4548

June 12, 1989

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ROBERT D. BLACKWILL *RB*
FROM: ROBERT L. HUTCHINGS *RLH*
SUBJECT: Telephone Call from Chancellor Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany

During his June 7 telephone call to the President, Chancellor Kohl said he would call again on Thursday, June 15, to give the President a readout on Chairman Gorbachev's visit, which will just have concluded. Our embassy in Bonn informed us this morning that Chancellor Kohl wishes to make the call between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m., June 15, 1989.

Concurrence by: Arnold *AB* ~~Kenter~~

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the Telephone Call Proposal to the President at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Telephone Call Proposal
Tab A Points to be Made

DECLASSIFIED
White House Guidelines
E.O. 13526, SEC 3.4 (b), September 11, 2006
By AP NARA, Date 7/1/09

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

**National Security Council
The White House**

PROOFED BY: _____

LOG # 4548

URGENT NOT PROOFED: _____

SYSTEM PRS NSC INT

BYPASSED WW DESK: _____

DOCLOG Em A/O _____

	SEQUENCE TO	HAS SEEN	DISPOSITION
Dep Exec	<u>2</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>A</u>
Philip Hughes	<u>2</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>A</u>
Bob Gates	<u>3</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	
Brent Scowcroft			
Philip Hughes			
Situation Room			
West Wing Desk	<u>4</u>	<u>Card 6/14</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
NSC Secretariat	<u>5</u>		<u>N</u>

89 JUN 12 P 7: 25

A = Action I = Information D = Dispatch R = Retain N = No further Action

cc: VP Sununu Other _____

Should be seen by: _____
(Date/Time)

COMMENTS

Bob,
Suggest you sign in Brent's absence, even
though the call's 2 days away. Philip

NSC/S

Bres made
Call

RC
6/15

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~ CHRON FILE

4790

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 12958,
AS AMENDED

CAP 08.0699.MR
5/20/10

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 20, 1989

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
6/2/89

MEETING WITH
WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER

DATE: June 21, 1989

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 11:40 a.m. - 12:00 noon

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT (3)

I. PURPOSE

To build on the positive results of the NATO Summit and your visit to the Federal Republic and to prevent slippage in the Bonn coalition's consensus on security issues.

II. BACKGROUND

Foreign Minister Genscher is in Washington for a one-day visit at the invitation of Secretary Baker to review the results of the NATO Summit and to discuss next steps in implementing the CFE and other initiatives. In addition to his meeting with you, he will have a working luncheon with Secretary Baker, have separate meetings with Secretary Cheney and leaders on the Hill, and open a Berlin Airlift exhibit at the National Air and Space Museum.

It will be important to stress your recent telephone discussions with Chancellor Kohl, lest Genscher see an opportunity to reassert himself as the chief architect of Bonn's foreign and security policies. As you know, Genscher welcomed your initiative on CFE, which he saw as partial vindication of his own position. He feels himself to have been outmaneuvered on the SNF issue, however, and will be looking for ways to accelerate movement toward SNF negotiations -- by pushing for a hasty CFE agreement or perhaps proposing that NATO establish a working group to begin formulating an Alliance position for SNF talks.

Chancellor Kohl briefed you last week on Gorbachev's June 12-15 visit to the Federal Republic, and Genscher will want to put his own spin on the visit. In a letter to Secretary Baker, he laid particular stress on the "milestone" FRG-Soviet Joint Declaration, which Genscher probably sees as partial fulfillment of his self-proclaimed mandate to lead the way in East-West reconciliation in Europe. It will be important to work at pulling Genscher back within the Alliance consensus on relations with Moscow.

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

~~SECRET~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

2

~~SECRET~~

In light of your upcoming trip to Poland and Hungary, Genscher will be interested in your views on prospects for change in Eastern Europe. A restatement of your determination to be actively engaged in encouraging political and economic liberalization, and of the need for coordinated Western policies, will help counter Genscher's view that unconditional economic assistance is the best way to achieve change in the region.

On the domestic front, Genscher's Free Democratic Party achieved its minimum goal in the June 18 European parliament elections by going over (barely) the 5% barrier. Chancellor Kohl's Christian Democratic Union suffered a significant drop (8%) but not the devastating decline that had been feared before the NATO Summit and your visit to the FRG.

III. PARTICIPANTS

A list of participants is at Tab C.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open photo, writing pool.

V. SEQUENCE

Photo opportunity and meeting in Oval Office.

Attachments

Tab A	Points to be Made
Tab B	Biography
Tab C	Participants List

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

TAB A

]

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

POINTS TO BE MADE FOR MEETING WITH
WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER

- I appreciate your coming so soon after the NATO Summit.
There is much work to be done in following up on our initiatives.
- We have set an ambitious timetable for reaching agreement at the CFE talks, but we are determined to move forward just as rapidly as we can. At the same time, it will be important to resist an unsatisfactory outcome just for the sake of agreement.
- We need to press ahead with our CFE proposal as an integral whole. It should not be split into parts, with some elements delayed to a second CFE phase. This would be contrary to what we agreed at the Summit.
- On SNF, we look on the Comprehensive Concept's language as a carefully drawn Alliance position. We ascribe equal importance to all its elements, including a firm rejection of a third zero.
- (IF RAISED) It is premature to begin Alliance discussions on SNF negotiations. We have set an accelerated timetable for CFE, and the Alliance should concentrate its priorities on conventional reductions.

~~SECRET~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~SECRET~~

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 12958,
AS AMENDED
CAP 08.0699.MR
5/20/10

~~SECRET~~

2

~~SECRET~~

- I appreciated Chancellor Kohl's readout on the Gorbachev visit. I would welcome your views as well, particularly as to Gorbachev's private views on our CFE proposal and whether he will leave the SNF issue alone for now.

- I appreciate the care that was taken in drafting your Joint Statement with Moscow. We need to ensure that Gorbachev does not see the "common European home" as a means for dividing the West.

- How do you assess Gorbachev's thinking on the sweeping changes underway in Poland and Hungary? What are your own views?

- This is a truly historic time in Eastern Europe. We will be actively engaged to encourage political and economic reform. We will be careful not to destabilize the situation there, but want to ensure that our help goes together with greater liberalization. I believe it is essential that the Allies pursue a coordinated approach toward Eastern Europe.

- As I prepare for my trips to Poland and Hungary, I would welcome your suggestions. Do you now have any specific ideas concerning what, if anything, the West should do in the near term about the Polish debt?

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~~~SECRET~~

-- As I said in Mainz, we want to ensure that Berlin is not passed by during this time of hopeful change. We want to move forward on the 1987 Allied initiative and will be seeking a constructive Soviet response. We welcome your support for the initiative.

~~SECRET~~~~SECRET~~

TAB B

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

(George Bush Library)

Document No. and Type	Subject/Title of Document	Date	Restriction	Class.
02c. Report	Re: Biography (2 pp.)	5/2/89	(b)(1)	S

Collection:

Record Group: Bush Presidential Records

Office: Scowcroft, Brent, Collection

Series: USSR Chronological Files

Subseries: CFE Files

WHORM Cat.:

File Location: Soviet Power Collapse in Eastern Europe - CFE [Conventional Forces in Europe] June 1989

Date Closed:	3/13/2009	OA/ID Number:	91121-002
FOIA/SYS Case #:	2009-0275-S	Appeal Case #:	
Re-review Case #:		Appeal Disposition:	
P-2/P-5 Review Case #:		Disposition Date:	
AR Case #:		MR Case #:	
AR Disposition:		MR Disposition:	
AR Disposition Date:		MR Disposition Date:	

RESTRICTION CODES

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

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

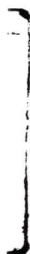
P-1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
P-2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
P-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
P-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of 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.

(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

TAB C



PARTICIPANTS

U.S.

The President

The Vice President

James A. Baker, Secretary of State

John H. Sununu, Chief of Staff

Brent Scowcroft

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Robert M. Gates

Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Robert D. Blackwill, Special Assistant to the President

for European and Soviet Affairs

James Dobbins, Acting Assistant Secretary of State

for European and Canadian Affairs

Gisela Marcuse (Interpreter)

F.R.G.

Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Foreign Minister

Ambassador Juergen Ruhfus

Dieter Kastrup, Political Director,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mrs. Kaltenbach (Interpreter)

~~SECRET~~

~~SECRET~~

CHRON FILE

4790

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

June 19, 1989

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 12958,
AS AMENDED

CAP 08.0699.MR
5/20/10

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ROBERT D. BLACKWILL *RB*
FROM: ROBERT L. HUTCHINGS *RH*
SUBJECT: The President's Meeting with West German Foreign
Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, June 21, 1989,
11:40 a.m. - 12:00 noon

At Tab I is the President's briefing package for his meeting with Foreign Minister Genscher.

This will be an important occasion for building on the momentum established at the NATO Summit and the President's visit to the Federal Republic. Given Genscher's obvious desire to reassert himself as the architect of FRG foreign policy, it will also be important to forestall slippage in the Bonn coalition's position on CFE and SNF. Even while trying to take credit for the Alliance's initiative on CFE, Genscher clearly feels that he was outmaneuvered on the SNF issue. He is not above using his meeting with the President to regain the initiative in Bonn.

Concurrence by: Arnold Kanter *AK*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Action required by June 20.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for the President
Tab A Points to be Made
Tab B Biography
Tab C Participants List

~~SECRET~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~SECRET~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4837

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 22, 1989

CHRON FILE

3/2/4

FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT *RJS*

SUBJECT: Telephone Call to Chancellor Kohl, Federal
Republic of Germany

DATE: June 23, 1989

PURPOSE: To return Chancellor Kohl's call, as promised
in your June 15 telephone conversation with
the Chancellor

SECURE OR OPEN: Open line

INTERPRETER: To be supplied by State Department

PHONE NUMBER: WHCA Head of State circuit -- Bonn

CONTACT: Robert Hutchings

TIME DIFFERENCE: +6

SUGGESTED TIME: 7:30 a.m. EDT June 23, 1989

TOPICS OF
DISCUSSION: 1. Further follow-up to the NATO Summit
2. Preparations for the Paris Economic
Summit

Date of Submission:

Action:

Attachment

Tab A Points to be made

DECLASSIFIED
White House Guidelines
E.O. 13526, SEC 3.4 (b), September 11, 2006
By CAF NARA, Date 7/1/09

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

POINTS TO BE MADE FOR
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH
CHANCELLOR HELMUT KOHL

- I was glad to see that your Party came out of last Sunday's European parliament elections better than had been predicted a couple of months ago. How do you size up the results?

- I had a good meeting with Hans-Dietrich on Wednesday, and he also met over lunch with Jim Baker to discuss implementing the NATO Summit initiatives. We assured him of our commitment to all elements of the positions the Alliance agreed to at the Summit.
 - o It would be a mistake now to divide the Vienna talks into phases. This would undermine our CFE initiative.

 - o We also oppose discussions within NATO -- even preliminary ones -- on possible SNF negotiations. Our first priority has to be an agreement at Vienna on conventional reductions.

- We agreed to discuss our preparations for the Paris Economic Summit.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 12958,
AS AMENDED

CAP

08.0699.MR

5/20/10

- On the economic front, we need to discuss the international debt situation and macro-economic policy coordination. We need to get back to the level of policy coordination we have had in the past. It produced good results; we all need to make a greater effort now.
- I believe we should discuss at the Economic Summit how best we Seven can promote the transition to democracy in Eastern Europe and especially in Poland and Hungary.
- I noted that President Mitterrand, during his trip to Poland last week, called for the Paris Club to be more "imaginative" and "flexible". Do you now have any specific ideas concerning what, if anything, the West should do in the near term about the Polish debt?
- We must also complete the Uruguay Round on time by the end of next year. If we do not get strong, positive results from the Round, we will find protectionist pressures increasing everywhere.
- I also hope we can have a serious discussion on the environment. Protecting the environment is a global matter. We should support the good work which is underway in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). However, I think it is premature to talk about targets and timetables in connection with a global warming convention.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4837

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506
June 21, 1989



ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ROBERT D. BLACKWILL *PB*

FROM: ROBERT L. HUTCHINGS *R218*

SUBJECT: Telephone Call from the President to Chancellor
Helmut Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany

During his June 15 telephone conversation with Chancellor Kohl, the President agreed to call Kohl at the end of this week to discuss preparations for the Economic Summit. We propose that the call be made Friday, June 23, between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Concurrence by: Eric Melby *EM*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the Telephone Call Proposal at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Telephone Call Proposal
Tab A Points to be Made

DECLASSIFIED
White House Guidelines
E.O. 13526, SEC 3.4 (b), September 11, 2006
By SAP NARA, Date 7/1/09

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

5066

3

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

June 28, 1989

CHRON FILE

ACTION

Natl Sec Advisor
has seen

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ARNOLD KANTER/ROBERT BLACKWILL

FROM: JOHN MATHENY

SUBJECT: Congressional Observation of Soviet Unilateral
Reductions

Bob Bell from Senator Nunn's staff called me Friday, June 23, to ask informally about a White House reaction to a Soviet invitation to Senator Nunn and Congressman Aspin to observe reductions of Soviet forces in Eastern Europe during August.

The Soviet invitation came in the wake of USA/Canada Institute member Andre Kokoshin's "testimony" before the House Armed Services Committee in April. According to Bell, Nunn has talked to Aspin and they both agree that three conditions must prevail before they would consider responding positively:

- the "delegation" must be bipartisan (i.e., include Senator Warner and Congressman Dickinson at a minimum);
- experts must be able to accompany Congressional observers; and
- the Administration must "at least" be neutral.

The obvious pitfalls notwithstanding, Bell asked if such an invitation might be used to promote verification "experiments" like we just put forward in Geneva. I told him I would raise the issue with you and that we would get back to him upon Senator Nunn's return from Geneva and Vienna (July 3).

Ideally, the less Western cooperation toward maximizing Soviet political credit for unilateral reductions -- as opposed to negotiated reductions in CFE -- the better. That said, August is a slow month on the Hill and the temptation to appear engaged in the European security equation could be high.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Declassify on: OADR

DECLASSIFIED
PER E.O. 13526

2009-0964-MR
SCS 4/26/13

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

2

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Probably the best we could do would be to express our misgivings about direct Congressional participation with respect to our nervous allies reading more into it (i.e., US unilateral reductions to follow) than would be there, together with the fact that the more visible Soviet unilateral reductions become, the more the Western focus on CFE may be diluted.

We could point out, for example, that we will be tabling a draft CFE treaty September 7 that gives expression to the President's NATO initiative, and a Congressional presence there would be more useful.

Should Nunn and Aspin nevertheless decide to go ahead, we should make sure they get the latest information we have on Soviet actions to date as well as a list of hard questions to ask -- including why, as a matter of course, the Soviets aren't briefing the allied military liaison missions in the GDR and allied attaches in Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary on the restructuring of forces, and granting them access to all phases of the withdrawals.

If you agree, Arnie and/or Bob will talk to Bob Bell the week of July 3 with a view toward discouraging high level participation (SASC and HASC staff would probably be okay) on the grounds of allied nervousness about unilateral US reductions and Soviet desires to maximize credit for actions considerably short of removing the threat.

Concurrence by: Ginny Sampley

RECOMMENDATIONS

That you approve Senior staff attempting to discourage Congressional participation on the grounds cited above.

Approve _____

Disapprove B

That you approve ensuring that, if the Senator and Congressman proceed anyway, they have the latest information, and hard questions to ask the Soviets.

Approve B

Disapprove _____

as long as they meet the first two conditions they have set, I see no reason they should not do it

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



June 28, 1989

Dear Helmut:

Thank you for your kind letter of June 15 and your warm birthday greeting. I am sorry we were unable to meet during your recent visit to the United States, but I do hope to see you again soon.

I, too, recall our first meeting in Beijing. Let us hope the tragic events of recent weeks signal only a temporary retreat on China's road to a more modern and open political system.

Your remarks on the NATO Summit were most welcome. We have a real opportunity to reach an agreement on conventional force reductions on terms that strengthen European security, and we will be working hard to achieve an early agreement at Vienna. I am grateful for your words of support.

Sincerely,

His Excellency Helmut Schmidt,
Chancellor a.d.
Bundeshaus
53 Bonn 1
Federal Republic of Germany

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

100 JUN 27 1989

June 27, 1989

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT 
SUBJECT: Letter to Former Chancellor Helmut Schmidt

Purpose

To reply to Schmidt's letter of June 13, congratulating you on your birthday and your successes at the NATO Summit.

Background

Former Chancellor Schmidt sent a particularly warm letter of birthday congratulations with a strong endorsement of your proposals at the NATO Summit. You were to have seen Schmidt on June 26, on his return to Germany from a trip to Colorado, but he was unable to rearrange prior commitments in the FRG.

Attached for your signature at Tab A is a warm reply to Schmidt.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to former Chancellor Schmidt at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Letter to Schmidt
Tab B Incoming from Schmidt

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

June 26, 1989

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ROBERT D. BLACKWILL *RB*

FROM: ROBERT L. HUTCHINGS *RLH*

SUBJECT: Letter to Former Chancellor Helmut Schmidt

At Tab A is a proposed Presidential letter in reply to former Chancellor Schmidt's telexed message of 13 June.

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to the President forwarding the letter for signature.

Arnold Kantor *AK* concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I	Memorandum for the President
Tab A	Letter to Schmidt
Tab B	Incoming from Schmidt

MSG IS : WCB524 UWNX
FROM : WEST GERMANY
FRANKFURT AM MAIN/TLX 204/195 12 1745
PRESIDENT OF USA (EMS)
202-456-2461

PRESIDENT
GEORGE BUSH
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTONDC

DEAR MISTER PRESIDENT,
WANTING TO JOIN THE CERTAINLY COUNTLESS NUMBER OF
CONGRATULANTS, I SEND YOU MY BEST WISHES AT THE
OCCASIONS OF YOUR 65. BIRTHDAY. READING ABOUT IT IN
THE GERMAN NEWSPAPERS MADE ME THINK BACK AS WELL
TO 1975, WHEN WE FIRST MET IN PEKING, AS TO ALL THE
LONG YEARS, IN WHICH WE HAD TALKS FROM TIME TO TIME,
UNTIL YOUR RECENT GREAT SUCCESS IN THE BRUSSEL
MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE.

I THINK YOUR PROPOSALS THERE WERE ABSOLUTELY TO THE
POINT. THEY MET WITH GREAT SUCCESS IN PUBLIC OPINION
IN MY COUNTRY. FURTHERMORE THEY WERE WELL TIMED
ACTUALLY WITH THE ENORMOUS ECONOMIC NEED FOR THE
REDUCTION OF SOVIET MILITARY EXPENDITURE, WHICH HAS
BECOME OBVIOUS IN MOSCOW THESE DAYS. IN MY EVALUATION,
AS LONG AS THERE IS EFFORT FOR MARKING PERESTROJKA
INTO A SUCCESS, AS LONG WILL THERE BE AN OPEN WINDOW
OF OPPORTUNITY FOR ARMS REDUCTION AGREEMENTS IN ORDER
TO ESTABLISH A MILITARY EQUILIBRIUM IN EUROPE AT
LOWER LEVELS.

I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AND PARTICULARLY SO IN
PURSUING THIS GREAT TASK.
WITH ALL MY BEST WISHES

SINCERELY
HELMUT SCHMIDT
FORMERLY FEDERAL CHANCELLOR IN BONN

WCB524 FUS350 ZGC0647
UWNX CO DPTX 204
Time: 10:48 - 6/13 VIA CSM CM BCC019
MCII CABLE DISPATCH 1-800-876-4471 OR 713-462-5900

Brussels
Be sure I
get to sign my
4

TIME STAMP

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT STAFFING DOCUMENT

89 JUN 24 P 2: 04

SYSTEM LOG NUMBER: 4998

ACTION OFFICER: BLACKWILL

DUE: 2:00PM, 26 JUN

☒ Prepare Memo For Scowcroft/Gates

☐ Appropriate Action

☐ Prepare Memo For Cicconi

☐ Prepare Memo for Hughes

☐ Prepare Memo _____

to _____

URGENT

CONCURRENCES/COMMENTS*

PHONE* to action officer at ext. 5112

FYI

☐ ☐ Basora
☐ ☐ Beers
☐ ☐ Blackwill
☐ ☐ Briggs
☐ ☐ Brooks
☐ ☐ Charles
☐ ☐ Coulson
☐ ☐ Deal
☐ ☐ Donley
☐ ☐ Dyke
☐ ☐ Ebner
☐ ☐ Grant
☐ ☐ Haass
☐ ☐ Hoffmann
☐ ☐ Hutchings
☐ ☐ Jackson
☐ ☐ LaMagna
☐ ☐ Kanter

FYI

☐ ☐ Lampley
☐ ☐ Leach
☐ ☐ Levin
☐ ☐ Lewis
☐ ☐ Mahley
☐ ☐ Mandel
☐ ☐ McCue
☐ ☐ Melby
☐ ☐ Menan
☐ ☐ Miller
☐ ☐ Miskel
☐ ☐ Needels
☐ ☐ Paal
☐ ☐ Pacelli
☐ ☐ Passage
☐ ☐ Popadiuk
☐ ☐ Porter
☐ ☐ Pryce

FYI

☐ ☐ Rademaker
☐ ☐ Reiss
☐ ☐ Rice
☐ ☐ Rodman
☐ ☐ Rostow
☐ ☐ Salvetti
☐ ☐ Snider
☐ ☐ Tilley
☐ ☐ Tobey
☐ ☐ Welch
☐ ☐ Whitley
☐ ☐ Working
☐ ☐ Zelikow
☐ ☐ _____
☐ ☐ _____
☐ ☐ _____
☐ ☐ _____
☐ ☐ _____

INFORMATION

☒ Hughes

☐ Gates (advance)

☐ Exec. Sec. Desk

☐ Scowcroft (advance)

☒ Secretariat

☒ *Sellman*

COMMENTS

DRAFT BRIEF REPLY FOR PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE.

Logged By *[Signature]*

Return to Secretariat

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ID 8905020

REFERRAL

DATE: 28 JUN 89

MEMORANDUM FOR: EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: SCHMIDT, HELMUT

SOURCE: PRESIDENT

DATE: 28 JUN 89

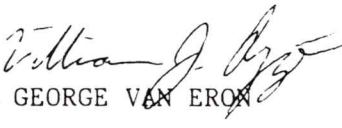
SUBJ: PRES LTR TO SCHMIDT RE BIRTHDAY / BEIJING / NATO SUMMIT

REQUIRED ACTION: FOR DISPATCH

DUE DATE:

COMMENT:

FOR


GEORGE VAN ERON

DIRECTOR NSC SECRETARIAT

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
DISTRIBUTION RECORD

LOG 8905020
DATE 28 JUN 89

SUBJECT: PRES LTR TO SCHMIDT RE BIRTHDAY / BEIJING / NATO SUMMIT
DOCUMENT CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

EXTERNAL DISTRIBUTION:

DATE

TIME

SIGNATURE

ROY, J
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
ROOM 7224, MAIN STATE
2201 C STREET, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20590

COPY: ORIGINAL

DATE, TIME, SIGN THE RECEIPT AND RETURN TO: NSC/S RM 379 OEOB

PAGE 01 OF 01 PAGES