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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NSA ARRIVAL CEREMONY
FORT MEADE, MARYLAND
MAY 1, 1991
TIME: TBD

Thank you all for this warm welcome. [Introductory acknowledgements.] Admiral Studeman. Director Webster. To all the dedicated professionals of the NSA: it is my great pleasure to share with you this special day. //

I understand that this visit is a bit of a departure from the routine here at NSA. This is not the kind of place where you can pull off a surprise party. [[As I was saying just this morning in the Oval Office to General Scowcroft. . . . / Well, I guess you already know what I said.... //]]

In the past couple of months, I've had the privilege of meeting with many brave men and women who served in DESERT STORM -- who dedicated themselves to the cause of peace in the Persian Gulf. Today, I am here to express my deepest appreciation to you -- the thousands of men and women, civilian and military, of the United States Signals Intelligence system.

From the time we took action to the moment the fighting stopped, the world witnessed a display of courage and competence that made every American proud. / But what America and the world saw in DESERT STORM was just the tip of the iceberg. Our success in the Gulf could quite literally never have happened --

without the dedication on display right here, through all the days and nights of DESERT STORM.

As our troops go home to friends and family, they go home heroes. They've earned every parade -- every pat on the back. They know -- and I know -- they owe a debt to you. That's why I'm here today -- to salute you: the unsung heroes of DESERT STORM. ///

My association with NSA goes back many years -- and over the years, I have come to appreciate the full value of SIGINT. As President and Commander in Chief, I assure you: Signals Intelligence is a prime factor in the decision-making process by which we chart the course of this nation's foreign affairs.

Desert Storm was a team effort on many fronts: military, diplomatic, economic. NSA and the Service Cryptologic Agencies gave us the critical intelligence we had to have to operate effectively on every front.

The information all of you provided enabled me and my key advisors to have a sound understanding of Saddam Hussein's capabilities -- and solid information on the situation on the ground.

It is the nature of your work to shun the spotlight. Where others step forward to fanfare and public acclaim -- your reward is quiet pride. // I am here today on behalf of the American people -- the many millions who cannot know the contributions you make to their safety, security and freedom every day -- to convey the thanks of a grateful nation. //

Once again, my sincere thanks to each of you for a job well done -- and may God bless the United States of America.

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James Madison: on free press and importance of info to good govt
"Knowledge will forever govern ignorance: and a people who mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

Churchill: re: Signals int. "I have studied this information over a long period and more attentatively than probably any other minister has done. All the years I have been in office since it (signals intelligence) began in the autumn of 1914. I have read every one of these flimsies, and I attach more importance to them as a means of forming a true judgment of public policy in these spheres than in any other source of knowledge at the disposal of the State."

Churchill re-established signals int. - esp. code breaking - as First Lord of Admiralty - WW1.

"Room 40" @ the Admiralty

speaking just after WW1

from: Doug Mulholland

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

TO: GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM: KATHY SUPER

SUBJECT: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

EVENT: Attend the Annual Awards Ceremony for Civilian and
Military Units at the National Security Agency

DATE: Wednesday, May 1, 1991

TIME: TBD

DURATION: 30 minutes

LOCATION: Fort Meade, Maryland

ATTIRE: Business Suit

REMARKS REQUIRED: Yes

MEDIA COVERAGE: TBD

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: Is Invited

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