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# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 1/7/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: VIDEO ADDRESS TO THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS  
UNITED AGAINST IRAQI AGGRESSION

SUBJECT: \_\_\_\_\_

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

91 JAN -7 PM 6:32

January 7, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

DAVID DEMAREST *AD*

FROM:

DAN MCGROARTY *DMG*

SUBJECT:

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I. SUMMARY

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The remarks identify the January 15 deadline as a deadline for Saddam Hussein -- not for the United States and its allies. They also reiterate why Iraq's unconditional compliance with the UN resolutions is imperative.

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McGroarty/Dooley  
January 7, 1991  
6:30 p.m.  
[IRAQ.VID]

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More than five months ago, in the early morning hours of August 2nd, Iraqi forces rolled south, and the rape of Kuwait began. That unprovoked invasion was more than an attack on Kuwait -- more than the brutal occupation of a tiny nation that posed no threat to its large and powerful neighbor. It was an assault on the very notion of international order. //

My purpose in speaking to you -- the people of countries united against this assault -- is to share with you my view of the aims and objectives that must guide us in the challenging days ahead. //

From the center of the crisis in the Middle East, to people and countries on every continent -- to the families with loved ones held hostage, to the many millions sure to suffer at the hands of one man with a stranglehold on the world's economic lifeline -- Iraq's aggression has caused untold suffering, hardship and uncertainty. //

In the more than five months since August 2nd, Iraqi troops have carried out a systematic campaign of terror on the people of Kuwait. Unspeakable atrocities against men and women -- and among the maimed and murdered, even innocent children. //

In the more than five months since August 2nd, Iraq's action has imposed economic strains on nations large and small -- among

them, some of the world's newest democracies at the very moment they are most vulnerable.

And yet, Iraq's aggression did not go unchallenged. //

In the five months since August 2nd, the world has witnessed the emergence of an unprecedented coalition against aggression. In the United Nations, Iraq's outlaw act has met a chorus of condemnation in 12 Resolutions with the overwhelming support of the Security Council. At this moment, forces from 29 nations -- rich and poor, Arab and Muslim, European, Asian, African and American -- stand side by side in the Gulf, determined that Saddam's aggression will not stand. //

We are now entering the most critical period of this crisis. For the past five months, Saddam has held the world and the norms of civilized conduct in contempt. In the next few days, Iraq arrives at a deadline that spells the limit of the civilized world's patience. //

Let me be clear about the upcoming deadline. January 15 is not a "date certain" for the onset of armed conflict -- it is a deadline for Saddam Hussein to choose -- to choose peace over war. //

The purpose of declaring this deadline was to give Saddam fair warning: withdraw from Kuwait, without condition and without delay, or -- at any time on or after that date -- face a coalition ready and willing to employ "all means necessary" to enforce the will of the United Nations. //

Every one of us, each day of this crisis, has held out hope for a peaceful solution. Even now, as the deadline draws near, we continue to seek a way to end this crisis without further conflict. That is why, back on November 30, I offered to have Secretary Baker travel to Baghdad to meet with Saddam Hussein. / That is why, even after Saddam failed to respond -- failed to find time to meet on any of the 15 days we put forward -- I invited Iraq's foreign minister to meet with Secretary Baker in Geneva on January 9th. //

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That is why we simply cannot accept anything less than full compliance with the UN dictates: Iraq's complete and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait. //

I began by saying that Iraq's action was more than an attack on one nation -- it is an assault on us all, on the international order we all share. We who have witnessed in this past year an end to the long years of Cold War and conflict -- we who have seen so much positive change -- stand now at a critical moment, one that will shape the world we live in for years, even decades, to come.

The key now in meeting this challenge is for this remarkable coalition to remain steadfast and strong. If we remain in the days ahead nations united against aggression, we will turn back not only the actions of an ambitious dictator -- we will, as partners, step forward toward a world of peace. //

Thank you, and may God bless all of you.

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Thank you, and may God bless all of you.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1/7/90

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4:00 TODAY

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REMARKS:

Please forward any comments directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 4:00 TODAY, with a copy to my office. Sorry for the short turnaround. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Memo to Chriss Winston

January 7, 1991

The NSC concurs with changes as indicated

Brent Scowcroft

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
Ext. 2702

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91 JAN -7 PM 12:02

McGroarty/Dooley  
January 7, 1991  
11:30 a.m.  
[COALITION]

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: VIDEO ADDRESS TO THE COMMUNITY OF  
NATIONS UNITED AGAINST IRAQI AGGRESSION

More than five months ago, in the early morning hours of August 2nd, Iraqi forces rolled south, and the rape of Kuwait began. That <sup>unprovoked</sup> invasion was more than an attack on Kuwait -- more than the <sup>brutal</sup> ~~unprovoked~~ occupation of a tiny nation that posed no threat to its large and powerful neighbor. It was an assault on the very notion of international order. //

My purpose in speaking to you -- the people of <sup>countries</sup> nations united against this assault -- is to share with you my view of the aims and objectives that must guide us in the challenging days ahead. //

From the center of the crisis in the Middle East, to people and <sup>countries</sup> nations on every continent -- to the families with loved ones held hostage, to the many millions sure to suffer at the hands of one man with a stranglehold on the world's economic lifeline -- Iraq's aggression has caused untold suffering, hardship and uncertainty. //

In the <sup>more than</sup> five months since August 2nd, Iraqi troops have carried out a systematic campaign of terror on the people of Kuwait. Unspeakable atrocities <sup>against men and women</sup> -- and among the maimed and murdered, even innocent children. //

In the <sup>more than</sup> five months since August 2nd, Iraq's action has imposed economic strains on nations large and small -- among

them, some of the world's newest democracies at the very moment they are most vulnerable.

And yet, Iraq's aggression did not go unchallenged. //

In the five months since August 2nd, the world has witnessed the emergence of an unprecedented coalition against aggression.

In the United Nations, Iraq's outlaw act has met a chorus of condemnation in 12 Resolutions with the overwhelming support of the Security Council. At this moment, forces from 28 nations -- rich and poor, Arab and Muslim, European, Asian, and African, <sup>and American</sup> -- stand side by side in the Gulf, determined that Saddam's aggression will not stand. //

We are now entering the most critical period of this crisis. For the past five months, Saddam has held the world and the norms of civilized conduct in contempt. In the next five days, Iraq arrives at a deadline that spells the limit of the civilized world's patience. //

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conflict. That is why, back on November 30, I offered to have Secretary Baker travel to Baghdad to meet with Saddam Hussein. / That is why, even after Saddam failed to respond -- failed to find time to meet on any of the 15 days we put forward -- I invited Iraq's foreign minister to meet with Secretary Baker in Geneva <sup>on Wednesday, January 9,</sup> ~~just a few days from now.~~ //

In Geneva, we will be guided by the will of the world community -- expressed in those 12 UN resolutions I mentioned a moment ago. // I didn't send Secretary Baker to Geneva to compromise -- or to offer concessions. This meeting offers Saddam Hussein ~~one final chance~~ <sup>one final chance</sup> before the UN deadline to resolve by peaceful means the crisis he has created. //

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He will fail just as he has failed for the first time

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NO COMMENT. THANKS.

HOLLY WILLIAMSON  
1-7-91

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RESPONSE: *No comment*

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Ext. 2702

91 JAN -7 PM 12:02

McGroarty/Dooley  
January 7, 1991  
11:30 a.m.  
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Video Address to the Community of Nations United  
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cc: Staff Secretary

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AGAINST IRAQI AGGRESSION**

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UNCERTAINTY. //**

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WE ARE NOW ENTERING THE MOST CRITICAL PERIOD OF THIS CRISIS. FOR THE PAST FIVE MONTHS, SADDAM HAS HELD THE WORLD AND THE NORMS OF CIVILIZED CONDUCT IN CONTEMPT. IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, IRAQ ARRIVES AT A DEADLINE THAT SPELLS THE LIMIT OF THE CIVILIZED WORLD'S PATIENCE. //

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THE PURPOSE OF DECLARING THIS DEADLINE WAS TO GIVE SADDAM FAIR WARNING: WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT, WITHOUT CONDITION AND WITHOUT DELAY, OR -- AT ANY TIME ON OR AFTER THAT DATE -- FACE A COALITION READY AND WILLING TO EMPLOY "ALL MEANS NECESSARY" TO ENFORCE THE WILL OF THE UNITED NATIONS. //

EVERY ONE OF US, EACH DAY OF THIS CRISIS, HAS HELD OUT HOPE FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION. EVEN NOW, AS THE DEADLINE DRAWS NEAR, WE CONTINUE TO SEEK A WAY TO END THIS CRISIS WITHOUT FURTHER CONFLICT. THAT IS WHY, BACK ON NOVEMBER 30, I OFFERED TO HAVE SECRETARY BAKER TRAVEL TO BAGHDAD TO MEET WITH SADDAM HUSSEIN. / THAT IS WHY, EVEN AFTER SADDAM FAILED TO RESPOND -- FAILED TO FIND TIME TO MEET ON ANY OF THE 15 DAYS WE PUT FORWARD -- I INVITED IRAQ'S FOREIGN MINISTER TO MEET WITH SECRETARY BAKER IN GENEVA ON JANUARY 9TH. //

IN GENEVA, WE WILL BE GUIDED BY THE WILL OF THE  
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