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Paul & Cullen Meeting

5/9/91

NAME OF WRITER :

McStearny

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SPEECH SYNOPSIS:

The President began by

congratulating the Secretary General
 for his work over the past few
 years on behalf of the U.N.
 The President mentioned the U.N.'s
 success in Africa, Asia,
 Kuwait. The President then
 noted the new challenge the
 U.N. faces such as the work to
 eliminate Iraq's weapons of
 mass destruction. The reconstruction
 of Kuwait. The President then
 discussed the joint efforts of
 the U.S. & the U.N. in handling
 the refugees of Northern Iraq's
 hardship. The President ends
 by noting that we must
 work to strengthen the U.N.
 in all corners of address.

STATEMENT WITH SEC. GEN. PEREZ DE CUELLAR
DIPLOMATIC ENTRANCE \ MAY 9, 1991 \ 1:15 P.M.

MR. SECRETARY GENERAL: IT HAS BEEN MY PLEASURE TO WELCOME YOU TO THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY -- TO DISCUSS WITH YOU THE MANY ISSUES NOW ON THE WORLD'S AGENDA.

IN A MOMENT, I'LL SPEAK ABOUT A FEW OF THE COMMON CHALLENGES WE FACE. BUT BEFORE I DO, PERMIT ME A PERSONAL OBSERVATION. I OFTEN THINK BACK TO THE TIMES WE WORKED TOGETHER AS PERM REPS 20 YEARS AGO -- AND I STILL WONDER HOW IT IS I ENDED UP WITH THE EASIER JOB.

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THE PROBLEMS THAT ARRIVE AT YOUR DOORSTEP OFTEN ARE THE PRODUCT OF YEARS OF VIOLENCE AND STRIFE. IT FALLS TO YOU TO FIND -- THROUGH SO MUCH HATRED AND BITTERNESS -- THE PATH TO PEACE.

FOR 10 YEARS NOW YOU'VE LED THE UN. YOUR YEARS AS SECRETARY GENERAL COULD MERELY HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT -- A STUDY IN STUBBORN HOPE. INSTEAD, THEY HAVE PROVED MOMENTOUS -- HISTORIC. DURING YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE, THE UN HAS COME OF AGE.

AFTER DECADES OF IDEOLOGICAL STALEMATE, CONFLICT AND COLD WAR -- THE UN HAS AT LONG LAST TAKEN A MAJOR STEP FORWARD AS A TRUE FORCE FOR PEACE.

TODAY, THE UN CAN LAY CLAIM TO A STRING OF SUCCESSES STRETCHING ACROSS THE GLOBE. IN AFRICA, THE UN PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN THE BIRTH OF AN INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA. ELSEWHERE ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT, THE UN NOW WORKS TO END THE WAR IN ANGOLA, AND RESOLVE THE FUTURE OF THE WESTERN SAHARA. /

ACROSS ASIA, THE UN CONTINUES TO PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN PEACEMAKING EFFORTS IN AFGHANISTAN AND CAMBODIA. / RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN HEMISPHERE, THE UN HAS HELPED THE PEOPLE OF NICARAGUA AND HAITI EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN GOVERNMENT -- AND IS WORKING TO BRING PEACE TO EL SALVADOR.

AND OF COURSE, THERE IS THE UNITED NATIONS' ROLE IN THE LIBERATION OF KUWAIT. THE UNITED NATIONS SENT ITS STRONG, STEADY SIGNAL EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.

DEFENDING THE DEFENSELESS AGAINST AGGRESSION. KEEPING FAITH WITH ITS FOUNDING PRINCIPLES. STANDING FAST FOR WHAT IS GOOD AND RIGHT.

MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, A GREAT MEASURE OF THIS SUCCESS BELONGS TO YOU, MY FRIEND: THE PRODUCT OF YOUR PATIENCE AND PERSEVERANCE, YOUR IMMEASURABLE DIPLOMATIC SKILL -- YOUR UNWAVERING DESIRE FOR PEACE. //

BUT FOR EACH SUCCESS -- NEW CHALLENGES REMAIN. MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, CONSIDER THE UNPRECEDENTED RESPONSIBILITIES PLACED UPON YOUR GOOD OFFICES AND THE UN SECRETARIAT BY SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 687: THE ADMINISTRATION OF UNIKOM, / THE SPECIAL COMMISSION FOR ELIMINATING IRAQ'S WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, / THE COMPENSATION COMMISSION, / THE UN'S ROLE IN DEMARCATING THE IRAQ-KUWAIT BORDER, DEVELOPING GUIDELINES FOR THE ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ, AND ENCOURAGING ARMS CONTROL IN THE REGION -- ALL OF THESE ARE DAUNTING TASKS WHICH WILL CHALLENGE THE UN AS NEVER BEFORE.

MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, WE ARE RESPONDING TO ANOTHER CHALLENGE, TOO -- THE NEED TO PROTECT AND CARE FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES WHO FLED HOME AND HEARTH TO ESCAPE THE BRUTALITY OF ONE MAN, SADDAM HUSSEIN. / FOR OUR PART, THE U.S. HAS RESPONDED TO THIS HUMAN WAVE OF TRAGEDY WITH MASSIVE EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR THE REFUGEES IN NORTHERN IRAQ AND TURKEY.

WORKING WITH OTHER NATIONS -- IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH YOU, SIR -- AND IN ACCORD WITH RESOLUTION 688, WE ARE BUILDING TEMPORARY CAMPS TO ENCOURAGE THESE PEOPLE TO COME DOWN FROM THE MOUNTAINS INTO THE CAMPS -- AND ULTIMATELY TO THEIR OWN VILLAGES AND TOWNS.

WE HAVE ALWAYS LOOKED AT THIS RELIEF EFFORT AS LIMITED IN DURATION. WE ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF TURNING THESE EFFORTS OVER TO THE UN.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS TO HASTEN THE DAY WHEN ALL THESE REFUGEES CAN RETURN HOME -- FREE FROM FEAR, FREE TO LIVE IN PEACE. //

IN THE SOUTH, AMERICAN SOLDIERS PROVIDED REFUGE AND CARE TO THOUSANDS OF IRAQIS. THOSE WHO SOUGHT REFUGE ARE NOW SAFE IN IRAN OR SAUDI ARABIA. THE BLUE HELMETS ARE ON THE SCENE, AND UN RELIEF AGENCIES ARE PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IRAQIS WHO HAVE CHOSEN TO REMAIN IN THE AREA WHERE THE UN IS NOW WORKING.

THE UN'S WORK IN IRAQ IS JUST ONE OF MANY CHALLENGES. BEYOND THE GULF, WE MUST WORK TO STRENGTHEN THE UN SYSTEM ITSELF THROUGH APPROPRIATE REFORMS -- TO DELIVER DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE WHERE NEEDED -- AND TO CHART A COMMON COURSE OF ACTION ON GLOBAL ISSUES RANGING FROM THE ENVIRONMENT TO INTERNATIONAL DRUG TRAFFICKING TO TERRORISM. /

AND WE MUST BUILD ON THE UN'S ABILITY TO RESPOND TO HUMANITARIAN CRISES WHICH -- AS WE'VE SEEN MOST RECENTLY IN THE HEART-WRENCHING ORDEAL OF BANGLADESH -- SPEAK A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE OF SIMPLE HUMAN COMPASSION. //

MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, MEETING THESE CHALLENGES IS THE WORK OF THE UNITED STATES -- AND THE UNITED NATIONS.

I THANK YOU FOR TRAVELLING TO WASHINGTON, SO THAT WE COULD CONTINUE OUR PRACTICE OF CLOSE CONSULTATIONS -- AND I CONGRATULATE YOU, ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, FOR DOING THE WORLD'S WORK -- THE WORK OF PEACE.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 6, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER ^{SR}
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Statement Following Meeting
with Secretary General Perez de Cuellar

Pursuant to Phil Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter. We have no objection to the draft remarks, provided that on page 2, third full paragraph, sixth and seventh lines, the words "with respect to" are inserted in place of "in settling." This change will keep the President out of the debate over whether the U.N. is legally empowered to settle border disputes.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Statement Following
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We have reviewed the attached draft presidential remarks and have no substantive comments from a policy standpoint. We did notice one typographical error at the bottom of page one, where the word "role" is missing.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to review this draft. Please let us know if we may help in any other way.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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DATE: 5/6/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NOON, TUESDAY, MAY 7

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RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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RESPONSE:

*Tony / Dan -
Since the Asian Heritage Month speech was cancelled,
should we try to get a Bangladesh paragraph in this?*

Thanks Jb

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RESPONSE: No Comment :

6/7 FYI - For Kurdish Insert - There may be House Action either Wed. or Thursday in Committee on A Kurdish Refugee Supplemental Appropriation. POTUS may want to Reference if Action occurs.

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DATE: 5/6/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NOON, TUESDAY, MAY 7

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATEMENT FOLLOWING MEETING WITH
SECRETARY GENERAL PEREZ DE CUELLAR
SUBJECT: THE DIPLOMATIC ENTRANCE

MAY 9, 1991

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RESPONSE:

NO COMMENTS. THANKS.

HOLLY WILLIAMSON *[Signature]*
5-7-91

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 7, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: TONY SNOW *TS*

FROM: DAN MCGROARTY *DMcG*

SUBJECT: DEPARTURE STATEMENT FOLLOWING MEETING WITH SECRETARY
GENERAL PEREZ DE CUELLAR

I. SUMMARY

On Thursday, May 9, at 1:15 p.m., you and Secretary General Perez de Cuellar will give departure statements at the Diplomatic Entrance.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (6 minutes, cards) focus on the UN's recent string of successes and on the common challenges we face in the Persian Gulf and beyond.

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McGroarty/Dooley
May 7, 1991
4:00 pm
[CUELLAR]

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We have always looked at this relief effort as limited in duration. We are now in the process of turning these efforts over to the UN. We look forward to working with the United Nations to hasten the day when all these refugees can return home -- free from fear, free to live in peace. //

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The UN's work in Iraq is just one of many challenges. Beyond the Gulf, we must work to strengthen the UN system itself through appropriate reforms -- to deliver development assistance where needed -- and to chart a common course of action on global issues ranging from the environment to international drug trafficking to terrorism. / And we must build on the UN's ability to respond to humanitarian crises which -- as we've seen

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PHILLIP D. BRADY
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91 MAY -3 PM 8:08

McGroarty/Dooley
May 3, 1991
5:30 pm
[PEREZ]

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91 MAY -7 AM 10:40

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER ^{SR}
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Statement Following Meeting
with Secretary General Perez de Cuellar

Pursuant to Phil Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter. We have no objection to the draft remarks, provided that on page 2, third full paragraph, sixth and seventh lines, the words "with respect to" are inserted in place of "in settling." This change will keep the President out of the debate over whether the U.N. is legally empowered to settle border disputes.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

McGroarty/Dooley
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5:30 pm
[PEREZ]

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