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NAME OF SPEECH & DATE OF SPEECH Embassy Greeting/American
Embassy Ankara, Turkey 7/20/91

NAME OF WRITER : Grant

NAME OF RESEARCHER: Blymire

SPEECH SYNOPSIS: President Bush opens by
thanking the members of the embassy
for all of their help in preparing a
Presidential visit. Stating that Turkey
was an important asset in Desert
Storm, the President went on to
congratulate the men and women for
their hard work in defeating Saddam
Hussein and in participating in
Operation Provide Comfort. Because
of the Embassy's exceptional service,
President Bush announced that the
State Department had awarded the
Superior Honor Award to the Embassy
In particular, President Bush awarded
the Distinguished Honor Award to
Ambassador Abramowitz. Mr.
Abramowitz has reached the
highest rank in the Foreign Service,
Career Ambassador. Mr. Abramowitz
is then congratulated by President
Bush for his new position as head
of the Carnegie Institute for
International Peace. The President
closed by thanking Embassy
personnel for their efforts.

EMBASSY GREETING -- AMERICAN EMBASSY \ ANKARA, TURKEY
SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991 \ 12:20 P.M.

0 AMBASSADOR AND MRS. ABRAMOWITZ, [MORT AND SHEPPIE],
MEMBERS OF THE EMBASSY STAFF AND THE AMERICAN
COMMUNITY. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH ALL OF
YOU. BARBARA AND I HAD THE SIMILAR PRIVILEGE OF
REPRESENTING THE UNITED STATES -- A FEW YEARS AND A
COUPLE OF JOBS AGO -- WHEN I WAS CHIEF OF MISSION
IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. AS A RESULT OF
THAT EXPERIENCE, WE HAVE A GREAT APPRECIATION FOR
THE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT GOES INTO A PRESIDENTIAL
VISIT. WE THANK YOU FOR IT.

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0 FOR THE LAST YEAR, THIS EMBASSY HAS BEEN WORKING AT
FULL TILT. TURKEY WAS AT THE STRATEGIC CENTER IN
DESERT STORM, AND YOU PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN OUR
OPERATIONS. YOUR HARD WORK AND TIRELESS DEDICATION
TRULY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN DEFEATING SADDAM
HUSSEIN, AND, IN THE WAR'S AFTERMATH, IN SAVING THE
LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF IRAQI REFUGEES.

0 I SEE MANY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES HERE TODAY -- AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU ARE FROM THE TOP-NOTCH FORCE THAT CAME BACK TO TURKEY AFTER THE WAR ENDED TO ASSIST WITH OPERATION PROVIDE COMFORT. THE WORLD WATCHED AS YOU AND THOUSANDS OF TURKISH AIRMEN AND SOLDIERS HELPED THE KURDISH PEOPLE AS THEY RETURNED FROM THE REFUGE OF THE MOUNTAINS TO THEIR OWN HOMES. I SALUTE YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES.

0 IN THESE TWO OPERATIONS, DESERT STORM AND PROVIDE COMFORT, WE SHOWED THE WORLD WHAT TURKISH-AMERICAN COOPERATION CAN ACHIEVE. AND YOU SHOWED WHAT ONE EMBASSY CAN ACHIEVE. FOR YOUR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES, IT IS MY HONOR TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED THE SUPERIOR HONOR AWARD TO THIS EMBASSY AS A WHOLE. CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE. //

0 I AM ALSO PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED HONOR AWARD TO AMBASSADOR MORT ABRAMOWITZ, FOR HIS EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT AND BRILLIANT LEADERSHIP OF THIS MISSION. CONGRATULATIONS, MR. AMBASSADOR.
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0 MORT, I HEAR YOU ARE RETIRING IN A FEW DAYS, AFTER REACHING THE HIGHEST RANK IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE -- CAREER AMBASSADOR.

YOU HAVE MY BEST WISHES IN YOUR NEW POSITION AS HEAD OF THE CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE. OF COURSE, YOU WILL LEAVE BEHIND MANY FRIENDS IN TURKEY -- FROM THE PRESIDENT ON DOWN. BUT TRY TO THINK OF IT THIS WAY: WHEN YOU GET TO WASHINGTON, YOU WILL FIND MANY FRIENDS THERE -- FROM THE PRESIDENT ON DOWN, I MIGHT ADD.

0 FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU -- DCM MARC GROSSMAN, MAJOR GENERAL BILL FARMEN, FOREIGN SERVICE AND MILITARY PERSONNEL, SPOUSES, AND CHILDREN -- FOR THE MANY SACRIFICES YOU'VE MADE TO SERVE YOUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS. I KNOW IT CAN BE TOUGH: LONG HOURS, DISTANT DEPLOYMENTS, TERRORIST THREATS, AND LIVING CONDITIONS THAT ARE NO PICNIC ... NOT TO MENTION THE STRAIN OF BEING FAR FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS BACK IN THE STATES.

BUT ALL OF YOU CAN LOOK WITH PRIDE AT YOUR HISTORIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER THE LAST YEAR AND CONCLUDE THAT THE SACRIFICES WERE WORTH IT.

0 BARBARA AND I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR VISIT HERE IN TURKEY, AND ONCE AGAIN, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION IN MAKING THIS VISIT POSSIBLE.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 7/11/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5:00PM, FRIDAY, JULY 12PRESIDENTIAL TALKING POINTS: EMBASSY GREETING/AMERICAN EMBASSY
ANKARA, TURKEYSUBJECT: SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991

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Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

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Grant / Blymire
A: TURKEY.EMB
Draft one
July 2, 1991

**TALKING POINTS: EMBASSY GREETING / AMERICAN EMBASSY
ANKARA, TURKEY
SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991**

- o Ambassador Mort Abramowitz, [wife?], members of the Embassy staff and the American community. It's a pleasure to be here with all of you. Barbara and I had the similar privilege of representing the United States -- a few years and a couple of jobs ago -- when I was Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. As a result of that experience, we have a great appreciation for the amount of work that goes into a Presidential visit. We thank you for it.
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Congratulations, Mr. Ambassador. //

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- o Finally, I want to thank each and every one of you -- Foreign Service and military personnel, spouses, and children -- for the many sacrifices you've made to serve your country overseas. I know it can be tough: long hours, distant deployments, terrorist threats, and living conditions that are no picnic ... not to mention the strain of being far from family and friends back in the States. But all of you can look with pride at your historic

accomplishments over the last year and conclude that the sacrifices were worth it.

- o Barbara and I look forward to our visit here in Turkey, and once again, we thank you for your hard work and dedication in making this visit possible.

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Draft two
July 12, 1991

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SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991**

- o Ambassador and Mrs. Abramowitz, [Mort and Sheppie], members of the Embassy staff and the American community. It's a pleasure to be here with all of you. Barbara and I had the similar privilege of representing the United States -- a few years and a couple of jobs ago -- when I was Chief of Mission in the People's Republic of China. As a result of that experience, we have a great appreciation for the amount of work that goes into a Presidential visit. We thank you for it.
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DATE: 7/11/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5:00PM, FRIDAY, JULY 12

PRESIDENTIAL TALKING POINTS: EMBASSY GREETING/AMERICAN EMBASSY
ANKARA, TURKEY
SUBJECT: SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991

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- MASTER -

RESPONSE:

July 11, 1991

The NSC Staff concurs with the changes indicated.

[Signature]
Brent Scowcroft

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

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A: TURKEY.EMB
Draft one
July 2, 1991

**TALKING POINTS: EMBASSY GREETING / AMERICAN EMBASSY
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SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991**

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Major General Bill Farmer

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SUBJECT: SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1991

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RESPONSE:

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and Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

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Draft one
July 2, 1991

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