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The **crisis in the Gulf** put that ideal to the test -- and once more, Turkey rose to the challenge. //

In the aftermath of August 2nd, when we sought sanctions against Saddam, I knew Turkey would stand with us. Months later, when Saddam turned his back on the will of the world -- when Saddam thrust war upon us, I knew Turkey would fight fiercely by our side. ///

Turkey took its actions in the face of real hardship and risk. Your nation cut off Iraq's oil pipeline to the West -- its economic lifeline to the outside world -- at great cost to your own economy. During DESERT STORM, Turkey allowed coalition forces to operate from Turkish soil -- and re-deployed 100,000 Turkish troops to the east, to tie down 10 Iraqi Army divisions. //

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Mr. Prime Minister, rest assured: **my country is well aware of Turkey's contributions to our coalition victory.**

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RESPONSE:

July 15, 1991

The NSC Staff concurs with the changes indicated and the inserts attached.

Brent Scowcroft

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

cc: Phillip Brady

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McGroarty/Simon
July 11, 1991
5:30 pm
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: DOLMABAHCE PALACE
ISTANBUL, TURKEY
JULY 21, 1991
8:00 P.M.

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President

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INSERTS FOR TURKEY SPEECH

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-Could begin on page 2.

-Recount partnership of past
Korean war
NATO links

-Include point that some doubted Turkey's continued importance to West with receding of Soviet threat and collapse of communism in Eastern Europe.

-But Gulf war and Turkey's response demonstrated once and for all Turkey's vital place in the West.

--Focus here on the broad meaning of Turkey's involvement in the war rather than on number of troops deployed/pipelines cut.

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--Was a tribute to Ozal's courage and leadership and the professionalism and competence of the Turkish military.

--Demonstrated that Turkey's place is in the West, grounded in Europe, and with a continued, close relationship with the U.S.

--Note that this continues with Turkey's hosting of the residual force

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--A new strategic relationship.

--Built on closer and more intensive political consultation and cooperation.

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2) Should be mention of where Turkey fits in the world (you already have many good points on this)

- Turkey is not a one-dimensional regional country.

- Turkey's place is in the West (mention our support for Turkey's EC membership) and we will maintain a close link with the U.S.

- Turkey is also a force for stability and security vis a vis the southern USSR republics, the Balkans (Black Sea initiative)

- Turkey has much to offer in the Middle East--security for the Persian Gulf, bridge between Israel and the Arabs

3) Cyprus and Greek-Turkish issues should also be a focus

- Cyprus:

- The status quo is unacceptable.

- With all the change in the world, ironic that we have made so little progress on Cyprus.

- Responsibility lies with the Turkish and Greek governments and their communities on Cyprus.

- They must work creatively and flexibly to break down old barriers and taboos.

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- First need to narrow the substantive differences-- parties must now turn their attention to do that in the next month.

- The right leaders are in place now-Ozal, Yilmaz, Denktash, Mitsotakis, Vassiliou.

- Greece-Turkey:

- With the two governments now in place, there should be an opportunity to make progress.

- U.S. wants to help if we can since it values relationship with two NATO partners.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1991

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MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP/CMS*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Dolmabahce Palace --
Istanbul, Turkey

We have reviewed the attached draft remarks and have no comments from a policy standpoint. We approve the draft in its present form.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 07/11/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 a.m. Monday 07/15

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(07/11 5:30 p.m. draft)

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

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

July 15, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
 TONY SNOW

FROM: DAN MCGROARTY

SUBJECT: DOLMABAHCE PALACE, ISTANBUL

I. SUMMARY

On Sunday, July 21, at 8:00 p.m., you will give an address to Turkish leaders at a dinner hosted by President Ozal in Istanbul's Dolmabahce Palace.

II. DISCUSSION

The remarks (13 minutes, on teleprompter) pay tribute to Turkey's progress as a nation, thank them for their role in Desert Shield/Storm, and urge them to settle their differences with Greece.

McGroarty/Simon
July 18, 1991
6:15 pm
[dolma]

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For forty years, Turkey played a strategic role as a bulwark of NATO's southern flank. The alliance's -- and Turkey's -- steadfast adherence to common values and interests produced a stunning triumph, of course. Democracy triumphed over totalitarianism in Eastern Europe, and the Cold War gave rise to prospects for a different kind of world.

Then came Iraq's invasion of Kuwait -- an act that defied all that Turkey and the U.S. stand for -- an act that exposed this entire region to brutal aggression. //

Turkey's response as a key member of the international coalition stands as a tribute to the leadership of President Ozal -- to the professionalism of the Turkish military -- and to the great heart of the Turkish people. //

Turkey's actions as a pivotal coalition member demonstrated again our readiness to defend our common values and interests. It proved that our alliance was built not upon the fear of

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communism, but out of a profound, shared commitment to freedom and democracy.

Our work as friends, allies and coalition partners continues today. Our two nations are part of the newly-formed "residual force," stationed near Turkey's border with Iraq. / All of us understand this force will not stay permanently. But we also understand the importance of sending a strong, unmistakable signal to Saddam Hussein: He must not resume war against his own people.

Mr. President, Mr. Prime Minister, our nations for years have fostered a strong, strategic relationship. Turkey's stand in the Gulf demonstrated that relationship's strength. Tonight, let us pledge to build further upon our common ties and aims, to strengthen the links our governments have forged.

In years to come, we will continue to back our warm words with firm deeds. Our Administration hopes to deliver a \$625 million military assistance program in 1992 -- a substantial increase. We support Turkey's production of 160 F-16s.

But this new relationship between our nations points beyond simply the military dimension -- to expanded trade and increased investment in one of Europe's most dynamic economies.

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Finally, our new relationship means building new bridges: bringing together the best minds in both our nations in the fields of science and technology, medicine and the environment - - opening the doors to our universities -- opening our minds to each other's ideas, cultures and traditions. / The people of our two nations have known and admired each other as allies. It is time now for our people to get to know each other better as friends. ///

But the key to this new relationship lies in the opportunities now opening as a direct result of a decade of democracy. //

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This opening must include movement on the Cyprus question. In less than two years' time, we've witnessed a chain reaction of change that has swept away the Berlin Wall -- and with it, four decades of totalitarian rule and the ever-present risk of global war. // The message I bring to Turkey and to Greece is simply this: We've seen too much change in the world to settle for the status quo between your two countries -- both good friends of America -- both of whom stand to gain much through friendship.

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We have seen too much change in this region and throughout the world to stand for the status quo in Cyprus. We support the efforts of Secretary General Perez de Cuellar to open the door to a solution for the problem. But I would like to tell the people of Turkey what I have told the people of Greece: The solution lies in your hands. Your friends can and will offer encouragement and support -- but only Greece, Turkey and Cyprus themselves can reach an effective, lasting resolution.

I believe the time is right to break through the barriers, tear down the old taboos -- and build a lasting peace. // When I see the wealth of leadership -- President Ozal, Prime Minister Yilmaz, / Mr. Denktash, President Karamanlis, Prime Minister Mitsotakis, President Vassiliou -- I know the leadership exists in Turkey, Greece and Cyprus to set aside old animosities -- and seize an opportunity for real peace. ///

Mr. President, Mr. Prime Minister, members of the Turkish government: I am confident Turkey can rise to this challenge. //

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FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER *SR*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Dolmabahce Palace --
Istanbul, Turkey/July 21

Pursuant to Phil Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed presidential remarks at the Dolmabahce Palace.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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