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**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

91 SEP 23 P 6: 15

DATE: 9/23/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: TUES. 9/24/91 4:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST FOR THE VISIT OF KING HASSAN

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

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

Martin\Grossman  
Sept. 23, 1991  
MORTST  
Draft One

31 SEP 23 P5:19

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST FOR THE VISIT OF  
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RESPONSE:

No comment. Thanks.

Paul Korfonta  
09/24/91

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

91 SEP 24 P 4:20  
September 24, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

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

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast for  
the Visit of King Hassan

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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RESPONSE:

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RESPONSE:

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September 24, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast for the  
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We have reviewed the attached draft and have no suggested changes from a policy standpoint. We approve of the draft remarks in their current form.

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It is an honor to welcome His Majesty King Hassan to the United States of America. The relationship between our two countries is rich -- tracing back more than 200 years to the 1787 Moroccan-American Treaty of Peace and Friendship. That agreement remains the longest unbroken treaty in our history.

Your Majesty, relations between our nations continue to grow and prosper in a variety of fields -- in trade and investment, in cultural contacts, in security cooperation -- and, of course, as partners sharing a common interest in resolving regional disputes.

In the Middle East, we now see the real prospect of a peace conference leading to direct negotiations between Arabs and Israelis. That process aims at a comprehensive peace based on UN Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 and the principle of territory for peace. We seek to elaborate this principle to provide for real security and real peace for all states in the Middle East, including Israel, and for recognition of legitimate political rights of the Palestinian people.

A decisive moment is upon us. The Palestinians must decide whether they will seize this opportunity. We hope they will do so. We also hope Morocco will play an active role in expanding the peace process to the Arab world's western limit.

In the Gulf, Morocco was among the first to commit forces in defense of Saudi Arabia. When the issue was still in doubt, Morocco stood with right and against aggression. Today, we find an Iraqi regime which continues to defy the will of the international community as embodied in UN Security Council resolutions. Saddam Hussein continues to conceal his weapons of mass destruction and refuses to allow UN inspectors the means to carry out their UNSC mandate. The international community must stand firm in its resolve to see UNSC resolutions 687 and 707 fully implemented. No one should doubt our resolve to do our part.

At the same time, we have no desire to punish the Iraqi people. We support UN Security Council resolution 706 which created a responsible mechanism for addressing their humanitarian needs. We look forward to the day when there will be a new, just government in Iraq and that country can resume its normal place in the international community.

In contrast, Your Majesty, we are pleased to see the UN proceeding with its efforts to resolve the Western Sahara dispute with Morocco's support. It took great courage for you to agree to the UN Secretary General's plan for a referendum -- and I

Draft toast for Hassan Dinner

Your Majesty, Barbara and I are truly pleased to have this opportunity to welcome you and your daughter, Her Royal Highness Lalla Meriam, to the United States. I also understand that your five-year-old granddaughter, Princess Lalla Soukaina, has come with you. This is an interesting precedent, and Barbara and I are wondering how many of our \_\_\_\_\_ grandchildren will be claiming seats on Air Force One when they hear of it.

Your Majesty, the friendship between our two countries stretches back more than 200 years -- back beyond even the autumn of 1788, when the Emperor of Morocco, Mohamed the Third, sent warm words of support and encouragement to the newly-elected President of a struggling young nation called the United States of America.

Things were different then. I am told that Mr. Simpson, our first American consul in Morocco, was periodically given lions by the Sultan as a mark of royal favor. Over time, he collected many beasts and appealed to the State Department for funds to feed them. "No way," was the response, and Mr. Simpson was driven to bankruptcy and suicide. There is an important lesson here, Your Majesty. When you receive those 20 F-16 Fighting Falcons that we have promised you, be sure you or a good friend in the Gulf provide for their maintenance and spare parts.

For me, the friendship between Morocco and the United States has been a personal one. I remember fondly my visit to Morocco as Vice President in 1983 -- the crowds in Fes and in Rabat who welcomed us as we drove through those cities in an open car. And I recall your gracious invitation to put aside the pomp of state and dine together simply as two families.

At critical moments in history, our two nations have acted in concert: Earlier this century -- when 300,000 Moroccans found with the Allies against the Axis powers in World War II. Last year, when Morocco once again demonstrated its commitment to shared ideals by sending its troops to the defense of Saudi Arabia. And, just as we have worked together to frustrate aggression, so we can work together to promote peace and stability in the Middle East, in the Gulf and in the Western Sahara. It will be the work of old friends building a new world order.

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confirm America's willingness to play its role in promoting a just and lasting settlement in the Sahara in accordance with that plan.

Under your leadership, Morocco has often enlisted in the cause of peace -- in Lebanon, in Angola and in the Gulf. I welcome this opportunity to discuss with you the historic changes taking place in North Africa, in the Middle East and in the world as a whole.

Your majesty, once more: welcome to the White House. I look forward to our talks -- and I want to extend a special welcome to your daughter who has accompanied you on this visit. I trust the fruits of our discussion will make the world a better place for her and all our children.

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Your Majesty, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the United States of America.

The relationship between our two countries is rich in history, tracing back more than 200 years. The 1786 Moroccan-American Treaty of Friendship is the longest unbroken treaty in our history. Your Majesty, under your wise leadership we have seen Moroccan-American relations expand in a variety of fields: defense cooperation, trade and investment, cultural cooperation, and combined efforts to resolve regional disputes.

Our bilateral cooperation takes many forms. Right now, VOA is building the largest transmitting facility in the world in Morocco, designed to improve reception of VOA broadcasting from Europe to Africa.

Morocco has warmly welcomed U.S. investment; last fall it received a very successful OPIC mission.

Morocco has also lowered barriers to investment and trade, and it recently began the privatization of many of its wholly-owned state enterprises.

I recall your last visit to Washington -- nearly nine years ago when you came as the leader of the Fez delegation to promote

peace in the Middle East. As you return now, we are on the threshold of a Middle East peace conference that will launch direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors. We believe this process can lead to a comprehensive peace -- a peace that provides for real security for all states of the region, including Israel, and for legitimate Palestinian political rights. Morocco has long played a constructive role in promoting Arab rights and contacts with Israel, and we welcome Morocco's active support now.

I want take this opportunity this morning to recognize the significant contribution that you, Your Majesty, and your country made in helping to resolve the conflict in the Gulf. Morocco was one of the first countries to send troops to the defense of Saudi Arabia. I also salute you for the constructive role Morocco has played in bringing about peace in Lebanon and Angola.

This past year, the world has undergone momentous changes as the voices of those crying for greater democracy and respect for human rights are finally being heard. These changes spread well beyond the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. In this regard I applaud your recent efforts to release political prisoners and your serious intent on setting up a consultative commission to address human rights concerns in Morocco. I know you will not be deterred from this courageous course.

It took great courage to agree to the Secretary-General's plan for a referendum in the Western Sahara. And I want to

affirm to you America's deep commitment to support that plan fully.

I look forward to our talks and want to extend a special welcome to your daughter who has accompanied you on this visit. I trust the fruits of our discussion will make the world a better place for her and all our children.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST FOR THE VISIT OF  
KING HASSAN II OF MOROCCO  
STATE DINING ROOM  
THURSDAY, SEPT. 26, 1991  
7:00 P.M.

Your majesty, Barbara and I are truly pleased to have this opportunity to welcome you and your very lovely daughter, \_\_\_\_\_ to the United States. We hope you will enjoy tonight's dinner and entertainment.

((As we were descending the stairs this evening, I have to confess Barbara and I felt a little like movie stars. Barbara said she was reminded of Debra Kerr in the "King and I". And, well, I feel like Humphrey Bogart . . . "Welcome to Casablanca".))

(( For those of you here tonight that don't know, the King and I have a shared pastime . . . Golf. I hear though, that not only are you an accomplished golfer, you are also a gifted architect. Maybe you could combine those skills to help me construct a new swing.))

I have been told that in your homeland there is a saying that states: "At the river good people present themselves." This is truly a phrase deserving of the people of Morocco and their King.

At many instances in history when hard times prevailed, Morocco has been a reliable partner. It began in the autumn of 1789 with words of support and encouragement from the Emperor of

Morocco, \_\_\_\_\_, to the newly appointed President of the United States of America, George Washington. And these kind words were backed by the 1786 Moroccan-American Treaty of Friendship -- I'm proud to say, the longest unbroken treaty in our history. Then there was World War II when some 300,000 Moroccans fought with the allies.

Now I am delighted to have this opportunity to thank his majesty personally for his courageous response to the Gulf crisis; Morocco was among the first Arab states to come to Saudi Arabia's aid in the face of Iraqi aggression.

Morocco, under your wise stewardship, is currently playing an active and influential role in other key regional issues. You have long been a voice for reason and dialogue on the Middle East conflict, and we look for your active support and counsel as we approach a Middle East conference to launch direct negotiations between Arabs and Israel.

We also applaud your majesty for taking the courageous step to sign on the UN Secretary-General's referendum plan for the Western Sahara and want to reaffirm our firm support for that plan.

A hallmark of your distinguished reign is your adaptability to an ever-changing world, and his commitments to human rights and political pluralism in Morocco are cases in point. The scope of bilateral relations has expanded tremendously and now ranges from trade to cooperation on security and political issues.

Let me ask you all to toast the health and success of King Hassan and his family, and the continuing friendship between our two countries.

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91 SEP 26 8:34 **WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

DATE: 9/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: MOROCCO ARRIVAL STATEMENT AND DINNER TOAST

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 25, 1991

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: TONY SNOWTS  
FROM: CHRISTINA MARTIN  
SUBJECT: MOROCCO ARRIVAL STATEMENT  
MOROCCO STATE DINNER TOAST

Attached are remarks pertaining to the visit of King Hassan of Morocco on Thursday September 26. The arrival statement, at 11:00 a.m. runs five minutes, and the state dinner toast, at 7:00 p.m. runs four minutes.

(Martin/Grossman)  
September 24, 1991  
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL STATEMENT FOR THE VISIT OF  
KING HASSAN II OF MOROCCO  
SOUTH LAWN  
THURSDAY, SEPT. 26, 1991  
11:00 A.M.

It is an honor to welcome His Majesty King Hassan to the United States of America. The relationship between our two countries is rich -- tracing back more than 200 years to the 1787 Moroccan-American Treaty of Peace and Friendship. That agreement remains the longest unbroken treaty in our history.

Your Majesty, relations between our nations continue to grow and prosper in a variety of fields -- in trade and investment, in partners sharing a common interest in resolving regional disputes.

In the Middle East, we now see the real prospect of a peace conference leading to direct negotiations between Arabs and Israelis. That process aims at a comprehensive peace based on U.N. Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 and the principle of territory for peace. We seek to elaborate on this principle to provide for real security and real peace for all states in the Middle East, including Israel, and for recognition of legitimate political rights of the Palestinian people.

A decisive moment is upon us. The Palestinians must decide whether they will seize this opportunity. We hope they will do so. We also hope Morocco will play an active role in expanding the peace process to the Arab world's western limit.

In the Gulf, Morocco was among the first to commit forces in defense of Saudi Arabia. When the issue was still in doubt, Morocco stood on the side of justice and against aggression. Today, we find an Iraqi regime that continues to defy the will of the international community as embodied in U.N. Security Council resolutions. Saddam Hussein continues to conceal his weapons of mass destruction and refuses to allow U.N. inspectors the means to carry out U.N.S.C. resolutions 687 and 707. No one should doubt our resolve to do our part.

At the same time, we have no desire to punish the Iraqi people. We support U.N. Security Council resolution 706 which created a responsible mechanism for addressing their humanitarian needs. We look forward to the day when there will be a new, just government in Iraq and that country can resume its normal place in the international community.

In contrast, Your Majesty, we are pleased to see the U.N. proceeding with its efforts to resolve the Western Sahara dispute with Morocco's support. It took great courage for you to agree to the U.N. Secretary General's plan for a referendum -- and I confirm America's willingness to play its role in promoting a just and lasting settlement in the Sahara in accordance with that plan. Under your leadership, Morocco has often enlisted in the cause of peace -- in Lebanon, in Angola and in the Gulf. I welcome this opportunity to discuss with you the historic changes taking place in North Africa, in the Middle East and in the world as a whole.

Your majesty, once more: welcome to the White House. I look forward to our talks -- and I want to extend a special welcome to your daughter who has accompanied you on this visit. I trust the fruits of our discussion will make the world a better place for her and all our children.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST FOR THE  
OF KING HASSAN II OF MOROCCO

Your Majesty, Barbara and I are truly pleased to have this opportunity to welcome you and your daughter, Her Royal Highness Princess Lalla Meriam, to the United States. I also understand that your six-year-old granddaughter, Princess Lalla Soukaina [soo-KHAY-nah], has come with you. ((This is an interesting precedent, and Barbara and I are wondering how many of our 12 grandchildren will be claiming seats on Air Force One when they hear of it.))

((You know, the pomp and circumstance at dinners like these never grows old. As we were descending the stairs this evening, I have to confess Barbara and I felt a little like movie stars. To steal a line from Humphrey Bogart: "Welcome to Casablanca."))

Your Majesty, the friendship between our two countries stretches back more than 200 years -- back beyond even the autumn of 1788, when the Emperor of Morocco, Mohammed the Third, sent warm words of support and encouragement to the newly-elected President of a struggling young nation called the United States of America.

Things were different then. I am told that Mr. Simpson, our first American consul in Morocco, was periodically given lions by the Sultan as a mark of royal favor. Over time, he collected many beasts and appealed to the State Department for funds to feed them. "No way," was the response, and Mr. Simpson was

driven to bankruptcy and suicide. Thank goodness, for Millie and Ranger -- two dogs is enough to for me.

For me, the friendship between Morocco and the United States has been a personal one. I remember fondly my visit to Morocco as Vice President in 1983 -- the crowds in Fes and in Rabat who welcomed us as we drove through those cities in an open car. And I recall your gracious invitation to put aside the pomp of state and dine together simply as two families.

At critical moments in history, our two nations have acted in concert: Earlier this century -- when 300,000 Moroccans fought with the Allies against the Axis powers in World War II. Last year, when Morocco once again demonstrated its commitment to shared ideals by sending its troops to the defense of Saudi Arabia. And, just as we have worked together to frustrate aggression, so we can work together to promote peace and stability in the Middle East, in the Gulf and in the Western Sahara. It will be the work of old friends building a new world order.

Let me ask you all to raise your glasses: to the health of King Hassan and his family; to a future blessed by peace; and to the common bonds of friendship that link the people of Morocco and the United States.

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