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January 26, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR ERSKINE BOWLES

FROM: SAMUEL R. BERGER *SB*

SUBJECT: Jesse Jackson: Results of First Mission and
Planning for Upcoming Missions

Reverend Jackson's first trip as Special Envoy, to Kenya and Zambia on November 29-December 4, went very well. Following is a summary of the highlights and a look ahead at upcoming trips.

Trip Results

Kenya: Leading up to the recent presidential elections, Jackson met with representatives from both the government and opposition, where he stressed the need for full and rapid implementation of electoral reforms and free and fair legislative and presidential elections. On December 29, 1997, President Moi was re-elected in a highly criticized and poorly organized election. The real test of Moi's commitment to political reforms will be whether a fundamental constitutional reform process involving a wide cross-section of Kenyan society will now be allowed to unfold. The implementation of further anti-corruption and constitutional reforms will be critical to Kenya's ability to move its democracy agenda forward, attract foreign investment and get its structural adjustment program on track.

Zambia: Jackson's message focused on democratization, emphasizing the need for the serious dialogue between President Chiluba and the opposition -- especially former President Kaunda. Jackson stressed to Chiluba the importance of respecting human rights. Unfortunately, Kaunda was arrested on December 25 and has been accused of involvement in the attempted coup in October. Phone calls from Jackson and a visit from former president of Tanzania Nyerere succeeded in pressuring the government to allow Kaunda to be released from prison to house arrest where he remains today. Dialogue is at a standstill. It would be unwise for Jackson to visit again until we have a

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January 23, 1998

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: JOSEPH C. WILSON

FROM: ERICA BARKS-RUGGLES

SUBJECT: Memo to Erskine Bowles on Jesse Jackson's Trip to Africa

Attached is an information memorandum for Erskine Bowles describing Reverend Jackson's first trip to Africa as Special Envoy to Kenya and Zambia November 29-December 4. The memo also describes Jackson's proposed future travel and recommends limited military air support for his next trip, February 6-13.

Concurrences by: Newell Highsmith, Richard Ragan

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Memo to Erskine Bowles

cc: Pete Jordan

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clearer picture of how Kaunda's arrest and detention will be handled by the government.

Next Trip: Jackson's next trip is tentatively scheduled for February 6-13, 1998, to Kenya and Liberia, and possibly DROC. **Kenya** to follow-up to press for further constitutional reforms. **Liberia** to discuss reforms to ensure respect for human rights and the rule of law and to work with regional peacekeepers (ECOMOG) to ensure a sensible drawdown of troops while providing adequate security against renewed factional fighting. **DROC** to press Kabila on transition to elections and more inclusive process and constitutional commission. Also to reinforce the importance of governmental cooperation with the UN human rights investigation team. This trip will complement the President's late March visit to the continent.

Air Transportation Support: It is important to ensure that Jackson -- like all other Special Envoys -- takes maximum advantage of available commercial air service and uses Government aircraft only in exceptional cases, as defined in the applicable directives. Jackson, however, will require military flight support from Abidjan for the Liberia stop, due to infrequent and unsafe commercial service to Monrovia. More generally, Jackson cannot complete the trip in the one-week time frame without military air support to transport him from Kenya across the continent. I recommend that we request the use of a small military plane from Germany to Kenya, DROC, Liberia and back to Germany.

While giving Jackson a plane will set a two-trip precedent that will lead to heightened expectations for future travel, I believe his schedule and itinerary warrant providing him an in-theater aircraft.

Rev. Jessie Jackson Itinerary

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Concurrence by: Newell Highsmith, Pete Jordan

RECOMMENDATION

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Tab I Memo to Erskine Bowles

Tab A Jackson's Itinerary

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Despite Embassy Nairobi's positive impression of Jackson's visit, the electoral process remains deeply flawed. Minimal reforms negotiated by moderates within Parliament provide some encouragement, but too little time between their passage and the elections (six weeks) means that most of the reforms will not be fully implemented or even understood by the public. President Moi will be re-elected and his party will retain a majority in Parliament. The real test will be whether a fundamental constitutional reform process involving a wider cross-section of Kenyan society will be allowed to unfold after the election. Jackson might help promote this process during his next visit.

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Looking Ahead

Future Trips: Jackson's next trip is tentatively scheduled for January 29-February 6, 1998, to Liberia and possibly Kenya and Cameroon. In Liberia, he will discuss the need to repair ethnic and economic cleavages in Liberian society, and ensure respect for human rights and the rule of law. Both Jackson and our Ambassador in Kenya have indicated it would be useful to do a follow-up visit to Kenya either on this trip or in late February to press for further constitutional reforms. State may also ask Jackson to travel to Cameroon to discuss the importance of transparent election processes and leveling the playing field for the opposition. We support this concept.

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Ensuring Mandate Remains Clear: Jackson will likely continue to push to go to Ghana and/or Nigeria to discuss bilateral relations with Nigeria. State and we strongly oppose this idea, as it would serve neither our Nigeria policy nor Jackson and his mandate well. Our new Ambassador arrived only last week and a policy review is ongoing. There is no strong message for Jackson to carry to Nigeria, and we risk undermining our new Ambassador by sending an envoy now.

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Concurrences by: Newell Highsmith, Pete Jordan (OVP)

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Tab A Proposed Itinerary

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Leave this in { Jackson could also reinforce the importance of the GDRCC cooperating with the UN human rights investigation team to allow an impartial investigation and begin to address DROC's pressing social and economic problems. } We support Jackson's visit to these countries.

Jackson will likely want to travel with the President to Africa in March. We would support such a request.

Ensuring Mandate Remains Clear: Jackson will likely continue to push to go to Ghana and/or Nigeria to discuss bilateral relations with Nigeria. State and we strongly oppose this idea, as our policy review is ongoing. There is no strong message for Jackson to carry on Nigeria.

We also think it important that Jackson not try to mix his democracy mandate with trade and investment development. If Jackson were to do trade promotion, he would risk conflict of interest issues with his public affairs activities and corporate board memberships.

Administrative Problems/Air Transportation Support: It is important to ensure that Jackson -- like all other Special Envoys -- takes maximum advantage of available commercial air

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service and uses Government aircraft only in exceptional cases, as defined in the applicable directives. We anticipate that he will continue to press for air support for all of his missions, necessitating senior-level involvement to underscore the need for him to adhere to Administration policy on the use of Government aircraft.

On his next trip Jackson could fly commercial carriers to Kenya, ~~on to DROC and then to Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire.~~ ^{He} Jackson will likely require ^{military} flight support ~~from Abidjan to Monrovia to Freetown and returning to Conakry (nearest city to Freetown, Sierra Leone) or Abidjan to catch an international flight. This is necessitated by the infrequency and unsafe conditions of commercial flights to Monrovia and the absence of any commercial flights to Sierra Leone.~~ The entire trip to Kenya, DROC, Liberia and Sierra Leone can be accomplished in ten days. We recommend that he travel commercial for all except the Liberia and Sierra Leone stops. We should offer to request that the Defense Attache C-12 based in Abidjan transport him on this portion of the trip. ✓

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While giving Jackson a plane will set a two-trip precedent that will lead to heightened expectations for future travel, I believe his schedule and itinerary warrant providing him an in-theater aircraft.

This trip will complement the President's late March visit to the continent

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MEMORANDUM FOR ERSKINE BOWLES

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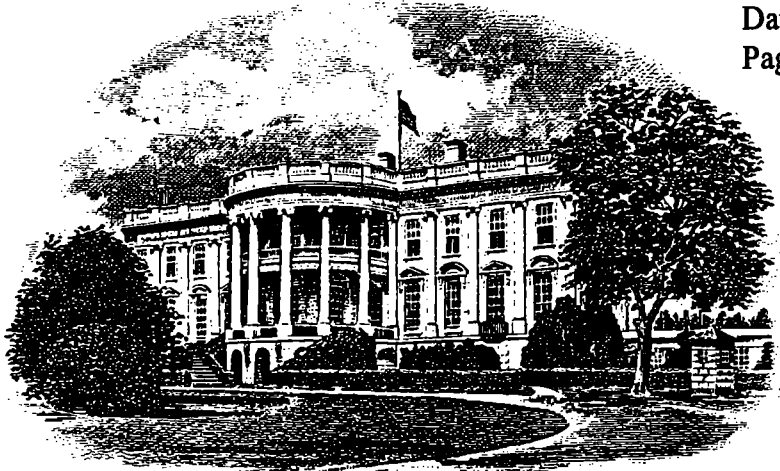
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☐ Robin Sanders

☐ Erica Barks-Ruggles

phone: 202-456-9261

fax: 202-456-9260

☐ John Prendergast

TO:

PHONE NUMBER

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1. June
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Message: June - Attached nits on language. Need to make sure SS has language to handle POTUS trip (see Kenya), but not so important for posts to have. Still no word on final sign-off on plane. Still w/ Eiskens's office. Call if you can't read scribbles.
- Erica

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF SPECIAL ENVOY JESSE JACKSON

PARIS FOR MORAN, LONDON FOR PFLAUMER, BRUSSELS FOR
HINSON-JONES

SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED, PROTECT ACCORDINGLY.

1. SPECIAL ENVOY FOR THE PROMOTION OF DEMOCRACY IN AFRICA
JESSE JACKSON WILL TRAVEL FEBRUARY 6 - 13 TO NAIROBI,
KINSHASA AND MONROVIA TO REINFORCE THE MESSAGE OF
DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE, RULE OF LAW AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN
RIGHTS IN EACH CAPITAL. DESK OFFICER DON KORAN AND
JACKSON AIDE YURI TADESSE WILL ACCOMPANY THE SPECIAL
ENVOY. AMBASSADOR MARC BAAS WILL MEET JACKSON IN KINSHASA
FOR CONGO MEETINGS AND AMBASSADOR HOWARD JETER WILL JOIN
HIM IN MONROVIA FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH LIBERIAN OFFICIALS.

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2. S/E JACKSON, KORAN AND TADESSE WILL DEPART WASHINGTON DULLES AIRPORT ON FEBRUARY 6 VIA UNITED FLIGHT NUMBER 3502 AT 1750 ARRIVING FRANKFURT FEBRUARY 7 AT 0735. REQUEST CG FRANKFURT ASSIST WITH AIRPORT FORMALITIES AND TRANSFER TO MILAIR. PARTY WILL DEPART FRANKFURT FOR NAIROBI ARRIVING O/A 1845 FEBRUARY 7. KENYA PROGRAM FEBRUARY 7-9: PARTY WILL DEPART NAIROBI VIA MILAIR FEBRUARY 9 O/A 1200 FOR KINSHASA (REFUELING IN KIGALI) ARRIVING KINSHASA O/A 2000. DROC PROGRAM FEBRUARY 10-11: WITH DEPARTURE O/A 1200 FOR MONROVIA VIA MILAIR. LIBERIA PROGRAM FEBRUARY 11-12: PARTY WILL DEPART MONROVIA O/A 1700 FEBRUARY 12 ARRIVING FRANKFURT 0800 FEBRUARY 13. THEY WILL DEPART FRANKFURT AT 1300 VIA UNITED 3503 ARRIVING WASHINGTON DULLES AT 1550.

PURPOSE AND PROGRAM

3. NAIROBI, KENYA-FEBRUARY 7-9:

COMING DURING WHAT EMBASSY NAIROBI HAS IDENTIFIED AS THE CRITICAL POST-ELECTION PERIOD THAT MAY DETERMINE THE COURSE OF PRESIDENT MOI'S LAST GOVERNMENT, THE S/E'S FEBRUARY 7-9 VISIT WILL AFFORD HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESS UPON PRESIDENT MOI AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THE NEED FOR A GENUINE AND INCLUSIVE PROCESS OF CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM, CONCRETE MEASURES TO IMPROVE ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE, AND IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR ALL KENYANS IN THE FACE OF ETHNIC VIOLENCE. PER EMBASSY'S SUGGESTIONS, REV. JACKSON WOULD VISIT AREAS AFFLICTED BY ETHNIC VIOLENCE TO EXPRESS USG CONCERN AND SYMPATHY FOR THE VICTIMS. ANOTHER KEY PRIORITY FOR THE VISIT WILL BE TO REACH OUT TO AND ENCOURAGE KENYA'S VIBRANT CIVIL SOCIETY, UNDERLINING OUR VIEW THAT THE KENYAN PEOPLE THEMSELVES MUST HAVE A STRONG VOICE IN ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES CONFRONTING THE COUNTRY.

In his discussions, Jackson should say that no final decisions have been made about parts of the President's trip.
KINSHASA, DROC-FEBRUARY 9-11:

all
Kenya included
THE KINSHASA STOP (FEB. 9 - 11) WILL INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS (INCLUDING, WE HOPE, THE PRESIDENT) AS WELL AS REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER POLITICAL MOVEMENTS AND THE CIVIL SOCIETY. REV. JACKSON'S DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT WILL FOCUS ON THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM PROCESS IS POLITICALLY INCLUSIVE, TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH THE CIVIL SOCIETY AND OPPOSITION (IN PART THROUGH AN EARLY END TO

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THE BAN ON POLITICAL PARTY ACTIVITIES), AND TO ESTABLISH AND RESPECT THE RULE OF LAW. HE WILL ENCOURAGE THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL SECTOR TO PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN THE POLITICAL REFORM PROCESS AND TO ACTIVELY SEEK AREAS IN WHICH THE CIVIL SOCIETY AND GOVERNMENT CAN COOPERATE.

MONROVIA, LIBERIA - FEBRUARY 11-12:

JACKSON'S VISIT COMES AT A CRUCIAL TIME IN THE EARLY EVOLUTION OF THE TAYLOR GOVERNMENT. AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF RECENT HUMAN RIGHTS INCIDENTS AND THE UNCERTAINTY OF ECOMOG'S CONTINUED PRESENCE IN LIBERIA, JACKSON'S VISIT WILL HAVE SPECIAL RESONANCE ACROSS THE BOARD IN LIBERIA. THE VISIT SHOULD DEMONSTRATE USG COMMITMENT TO DEVELOPING A PRODUCTIVE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP WHILE UNDERSCORING THAT A GOOD BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP WILL DEPEND ON GOL PERFORMANCE, PARTICULARLY ON HUMAN RIGHTS. THE S/E WILL ENCOURAGE LIBERIA TO PLAY A POSITIVE ROLE IN THE SUB-REGION BY ALLOWING AN ECOMOG PEACEKEEPING PRESENCE IN LIBERIA AND BY PERSUADING THE FREETOWN JUNTA TO IMPLEMENT THE CONAKRY PEACE FRAMEWORK. HE IS TO URGE THE GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION TOWARD A MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE ON NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND GOOD GOVERNANCE. REVEREND JACKSON WILL MEET WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AS WELL AS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS, KEY OPPOSITION LEADERS, THE INTER-FAITH MEDIATION COMMITTEE AND LEADING HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS, INCLUDING THE MEDIA AND BAR ASSOCIATION REPS ARE REQUESTED. HE SHOULD VISIT A USAID-FUNDED PROJECT LIKE LOIC. WE SHOULD ALSO THINK ABOUT JACKSON DELIVERING A BRIEF ADDRESS ON NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND DEMOCRACY. THE GOL SHOULD BE PROVIDED TIME TO HOST AN EVENT FOR JACKSON.

WARNING
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4. PUBLIC AFFAIRS HEADS UP FROM AF/PAO: PLEASE BEGIN YOUR PREPARATIONS FOR MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE S/E'S TRIP NOW BY ENSURING FULL COVERAGE OF HIS ARRIVAL STATEMENT AT EACH POST. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE REASONS FOR HIS STOPPING IN YOUR COUNTRY BE CONVEYED ACCURATELY TO A WIDE AUDIENCE. IT WOULD ALSO BE DESIRABLE TO ARRANGE FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE AS HIS TRIP CONCLUDES AT WHICH TIME HE WOULD READ A DEPARTURE STATEMENT AND FIELD QUESTIONS FROM JOURNALISTS. DURING HIS STAY, REQUEST POSTS SECURE ONE-ON-ONES WITH AMERICAN AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA TO ENSURE COVERAGE OF HIS VISIT IN THE U.S. PRESS. FINALLY,

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO CABLE BACK LOCAL MEDIA REACTIONS TO HIS VISIT WHICH ARE VERY USEFUL TO USE IN GAUGING ITS IMPACT.

5. ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICE AND NSC SENIOR DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA JOSEPH WILSON WILL MEET WITH REVEREND JACKSON AND AF/C, AF/W AND AF/E WILL PROVIDE PRE-DEPARTURE BRIEFINGS. POSTS' EFFORTS IN MAKING THIS MISSION A MEANINGFUL ONE ARE APPRECIATED.

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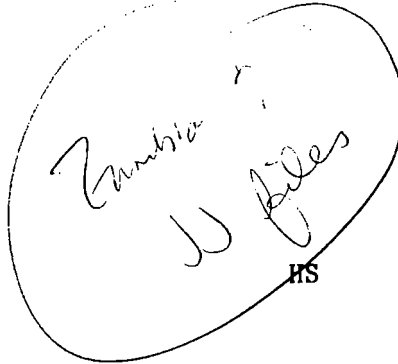
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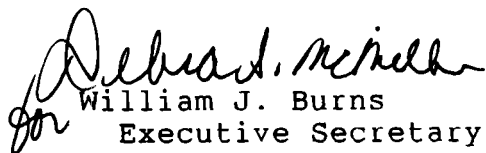
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Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

- _____ A draft reply is attached.
_____ A draft reply will be forwarded.
_____ A translation is attached.
X An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
_____ The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
_____ Other (see remarks).

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for William J. Burns
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NOTE NO. 107/97

The Embassy of the Republic of Zambia presents its compliments to the United States Department of State and has the honour to forward a transcript of a tele-fax message from the President of the Republic of Zambia, Mr. Frederick J.T. Chiluba to His Excellency Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America.

The Embassy of the Republic of Zambia requests the United States Department of State to transmit the said message to its highest destination.

The original of this message will be transmitted when it is received

The Embassy of the Republic of Zambia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United States Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

**December 5, 1997
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Sincerely,

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Prime Minister of the
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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SAMUEL BERGER

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SUBJECT:

Letter for Yuri Tadesse, Rev. Jackson's Assistant

Purpose

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RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Attachment

Tab A Letter to Prime Minister Meles

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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December 26, 1997

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Poole, Jennifer C.

From: Sanders, Robin R.
Sent: Friday, December 26, 1997 3:52 PM
To: Poole, Jennifer C.
Cc: @AFRICA - African Affairs; @EXECSEC - Executive Secretary
Subject: redo pkge 8531 (Jessie Jackson/Yuri) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Jennifer - because of the holidays, it was recommend by Rob Malley that I reprint pkge 8531 on the subject of Jessie Jackson's special assistant Yuri Tadesse instead of having to find where the original document was located. I did this and had it signed by Kerrick on 12/26. However, because of additional questions that Berger had on 12/26, I redrafted the memos and ltr accordingly to reflect the current state of play. Kerrick will need to look at the redraft as well as my attached note. Staff Secretary (Shawn) is aware of the pkge and is prepared to auto sign on 12/27 providing Kerrick is ok with the redraft. Once this is done, you can beep me and I will come in a pick up the ltr on 12/27 and then ensure that it is delivered to Tadesse to hand carry. If you need me at all I am on beeper. Thanks - Robin

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→ Any vetting?

→ No apparent ethics sorts of issues -- run by John Sparks.

✓ no legal issues -- do a full vetting.

Was vetted "last week"

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KENYA

- WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT FOR PROSPECTS FOR PEACEFUL, FAIR AND OPEN ELECTIONS IN KENYA ON THE 29TH?
- POST-ELECTION CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM PROCESS AS IMPORTANT AS ELECTIONS THEMSELVES. HOW CAN WE BE MOST HELPFUL IN SUPPORTING THE NEXT STEPS IN THIS REFORM PROCESS?

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ZAMBIA

- WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION IN ZAMBIA?
- CAN WE DO MORE TO PROMOTE DIALOGUE BETWEEN PRESIDENT CHILUBA AND KAUNDA?
- KNOW KAUNDA'S RELATIONSHIP WITH CHILUBA AND KAUNDA'S STATUS AS HEAD OF UNIP ARE CRITICAL TO PROGRESS. HOW DO YOU SEE THIS PLAYING OUT?

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NIGERIA

- DO NOT THINK TIME IS RIGHT, OR POLICY MESSAGE IS AT A POINT WHERE YOUR STRENGTHS WOULD BE WELL USED IN NIGERIA.
- AWARE OF YOUR LONG-STANDING TIES TO NIGERIA. HOPE SITUATION WILL EVOLVE TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN USE YOUR EXPERTISE.

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Card 5 of 5

EXPANSION OF MANDATE

- KNOW YOU ARE EAGER TO HELP PROMOTE TRADE AND INVESTMENT. UNDERSTAND THAT LAWYERS HAVE HAD LONG DISCUSSIONS ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES, ETC.
- SUGGEST IT BEST TO LEAVE THOSE DECISIONS TO THEM - WILL HELP KEEP OUR POLICY CLEAN, AND ENSURE YOU MAINTAIN A STRONG AND UNCLUTTERED MANDATE ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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December 18, 1997

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MEETING WITH
REVEREND JESSE JACKSON

DATE: December 18, 1997

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER 

I. PURPOSE

To meet with Reverend Jackson to discuss his findings on his first trip to Africa in his role as the Special Envoy for the President and the Secretary of State for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa.

II. BACKGROUND

Rev. Jackson's first trip as the Special Envoy, to Kenya and Zambia on November 29-December 4, went very well. You will want to congratulate him on the success of the trip, ask him for his assessment of the situation in both countries, and briefly discuss with him his next trip.

Kenya

In Kenya, Jackson met with a wide cross section of opinion makers, including religious leaders, the chairman and members of the electoral commission, NGOs, members of the ruling Kenya African Union (KANU) party, representatives of the opposition National Convention Executive Council (NCEC), and President Moi.

In his meetings Jackson stressed the need for full and rapid implementation of the electoral reforms passed by the legislature in November, and for the holding of free, fair, and transparent legislative and presidential elections on December 29. He also noted the important roles that his interlocutors should play in ensuring peaceful and constructive dialogue and dissent on the electoral process. Jackson urged opposition leaders to continue to hope and press for reforms rather than succumb to pessimism.

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Jackson underscored to Moi the long-term nature of the reform process, noting that implementation of anti-corruption and additional reform legislation -- as promised by the government -- in the post-election period would be critical to Kenya's ability to attract needed foreign investment and to get its structural adjustment program back on track. Moi gave Jackson a letter for you, which he may deliver at this meeting.

Despite Embassy Nairobi's positive impression of Jackson's visit, the electoral process in Kenya remains deeply flawed. Minimalist reforms negotiated by moderates within Parliament provide some encouragement, but too little time between the passage of these reforms and the elections (six weeks) means that most of the reforms will not be fully implemented or understood by the public. President Moi will be reelected and KANU will retain a majority in Parliament. The real test will be whether a fundamental constitutional reform process that involves a wider cross section of Kenyan society will be allowed to unfold after the election. Rev. Jackson may be helpful in promoting this process during his next visit.

Zambia

In Zambia, Jackson focused on long-term democratization issues. In a meeting with the opposition leaders, he emphasized the need to engage in serious dialogue with President Chiluba's MMD party on issues ranging from the electoral process to human rights. He noted the importance of the opposition participation in elections, rather than remaining without a voice and outside the process until the playing field is leveled - a message that was well received by independent opposition parliamentarians, but not by former President Kaunda's UNIP party. Jackson also spoke with religious leaders about the dangers of declaring a state religion, urging them to maintain appropriate separation between church and state.

In his meeting with President Chiluba, Jackson stressed the importance of building democratic institutions, respecting human rights, and ensuring inclusion of and dialogue with the opposition. He urged President Chiluba to investigate fully allegations of torture and abuse of suspects in the October 29 coup attempt. Jackson suggested Chiluba bring former President Kaunda "under the tent," noting that broad

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agreement between Kaunda and the government would be needed in order to move Zambia forward.

Jackson's visit may have sparked renewed dialogue between the ruling MMD party and the opposition parties, including Kaunda's UNIP party. It is, however, too early to call this a breakthrough; Kaunda remains outside Zambia, allegations of torture of coup suspects have not been investigated, and dialogue is only tentative and nascent.

Looking Ahead

Jackson's next planned trip is tentatively scheduled for **January 29-February 6, 1998, to Liberia and possibly Kenya and Cameroon.** In Liberia he will discuss with President Taylor the need to repair ethnic and economic cleavages in Liberian society, while ensuring respect for human rights and the rule of law. Both Jackson and our Ambassador in Kenya have indicated it would be useful for him to do a follow-up visit to Kenya either on this trip or in late February, depending on the results of the elections. State may also ask Jackson to travel to Cameroon to discuss with President Biya the importance of transparent and open election processes and leveling the playing field for the opposition. We support this concept.

Jackson may also raise with you his desire to go to Ghana and/or Nigeria to discuss bilateral relations with Nigeria. State and we **strongly oppose this idea**, as it would serve neither our Nigeria policy nor Jackson and his mandate well. Our new Ambassador is due to arrive this week and a long-planned policy review is again stalled. There is no strong message for Jackson to carry to Nigeria, and we risk undermining our new and capable Ambassador by sending an envoy. **We also think it important that Jackson not try to mix his democracy mandate with trade and investment development.** If Jackson were to work on trade promotion he would risk serious conflict of interest issues with his public affairs activities and membership on corporate boards. Also, the inherent policy tension between trade interests and human rights interests, such as in Nigeria where there are large private U.S. investments but where we have serious concerns about human rights, calls for **Jackson to maintain a clear, clean mandate on democracy promotion only.**

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III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Chief of Staff to the President
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
Reverend Jackson
Others TBD

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POINTS TO BE MADE FOR MEETING ON
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- What is your assessment for prospects for peaceful, fair and open elections in Kenya on the 29th?
- Post-election constitutional reform process as important as elections themselves. How can we be most helpful in supporting the next steps in this reform process?

Zambia

- What is your assessment of the situation in Zambia?
- Can we do more to promote dialogue between President Chiluba and Kaunda?
- Know Kaunda's relationship with Chiluba and Kaunda's status as head of UNIP are critical to progress. How do you see this playing out?

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Expansion of Mandate

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From: Wilson, Joseph C.
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To: @NSA - Natl Security Advisor
Cc: @AFRICA - African Affairs
Subject: Zambia and Jesse Jackson [~~CONFIDENTIAL~~]

FOR SRB FROM JOE WILSON

Further to your briefings from Robin Sanders over the weekend:

Jesse Jackson did get through to Zambian President Chiluba and made the points on Kaunda that we requested. State monitored the conversation as did the Zambian Ambassador to Washington. Chiluba agreed to speed up the judicial process and moved him to a different prison where he is not incarcerated with thirty others, and to respect his health needs. Chiluba complained that Kaunda thinks he is above the law and is not "respectful".

SADC (the Southern African regional organization) has asked former Tanzanian President Nyrere to approach Chiluba as well.

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Attached is a letter from you to Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi about Yuri, Reverend Jackson's Special Assistant and Director for International Affairs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached letter to Prime Minister Meles.

Attachment

Tab A Letter to Prime Minister Meles

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 29, 1997

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

During her recent trip to Ethiopia, Secretary Albright discussed with you our determination to pursue active and equal partnership with your country and others who are seeking to build a better future for Africa.

It is a pleasure to note that one young man, Yirgalem (Yuri) Tadesse, is a living example of that partnership. An Ethiopian citizen, Yuri left Ethiopia when he was only six years old. He now works for the Special Envoy for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa, Reverend Jesse Jackson, as his Special Assistant and Director for International Affairs.

I understand that you had the opportunity to meet Yuri during your meeting with Reverend Jackson and Secretary Slater at the African-American Summit in Harare, Zimbabwe, last July. I hope that while he is visiting Ethiopia for the first time in 20 years, you will have the opportunity to see him again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Clinton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

His Excellency
Meles Zenawi
Prime Minister of the
Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
Addis Ababa

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER
ERSKINE BOWLES

THROUGH: JOSEPH C. WILSON *JCW*
FROM: ERICA BARKS-RUGGLES *ER*
SUBJECT: Jesse Jackson: Results of First Mission and
Planning for Upcoming Missions

Reverend Jackson's first trip as the Special Envoy, to Kenya and Zambia on November 29-December 4, went very well.

Trip Results

Kenya: In Kenya, Jackson stressed the need for full and rapid implementation of the electoral reforms passed by the legislature in November, and for the holding of free, fair and transparent legislative and presidential elections on December 29. Jackson urged opposition leaders to continue to press for reforms. Jackson underscored to Moi the importance of a long-term reform process. The implementation of anti-corruption and constitutional reform legislation after the elections will be critical to Kenya's ability to attract foreign investment and to get its structural adjustment program on track.

Despite Embassy Nairobi's positive impression of Jackson's visit, the electoral process remains deeply flawed. Minimal reforms negotiated by moderates within Parliament provide some encouragement, but too little time between their passage and the elections (six weeks) means that most of the reforms will not be fully implemented or even understood by the public. President Moi will be re-elected and his party will retain a majority in Parliament. The real test will be whether a fundamental constitutional reform process involving a wider cross-section of Kenyan society will be allowed to unfold after the election. Jackson might help promote this process during his next visit.

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Jackson's visit may have sparked renewed dialogue between the ruling party and the opposition, including Kaunda's UNIP party. It is, however, too early to call this a breakthrough; Kaunda is outside Zambia and dialogue is only tentative and nascent.

Looking Ahead

Future Trips: Jackson's next planned trip is tentatively scheduled for January 29-February 6, 1998, to Liberia and possibly Kenya and Cameroon. In Liberia, he will discuss the need to repair ethnic and economic cleavages in Liberian society, and ensure respect for human rights and the rule of law. Both Jackson and our Ambassador in Kenya have indicated it would be useful to do a follow-up visit to Kenya either on this trip or in late February to press for further constitutional reforms. State may also ask Jackson to travel to Cameroon to discuss the importance of transparent election processes and leveling the playing field for the opposition. We support this concept.

In late March or early April, Jackson will be asked to travel to again to Zambia and possibly one other stop. He will discuss with President Chiluba the importance of leveling the playing field for the opposition. We support this concept.

In May, Jackson is tentatively scheduled to visit Malawi, Lesotho and Swaziland to assess each country's varying degree of progress with democratization and institution building.

Ensuring Mandate Remains Clear: Jackson will likely continue to push to go to Ghana and/or Nigeria to discuss bilateral relations with Nigeria. State and we strongly oppose this idea, as it would serve neither our Nigeria policy nor Jackson and his mandate well. Our new Ambassador arrived only last week and a long-planned policy review is again stalled. There is no strong message for Jackson to carry to Nigeria, and we risk undermining our new Ambassador by sending an envoy now.

We also think it important that Jackson not try to mix his democracy mandate with trade and investment development. If

Jackson were to do trade promotion, he would risk conflict of interest issues with his public affairs activities and corporate boards memberships. Also, the inherent policy tension between trade interests and human rights interests calls for Jackson to maintain his clear mandate on democracy promotion only.

Administrative Problems/Air Transportation Support: It will be important, both from a precedent standpoint and to protect the Administration and Reverend Jackson from criticism, to ensure that Jackson -- like all other Special Envoys -- takes maximum advantage of available commercial air service and uses Government aircraft only in exceptional cases, as defined in the applicable directives. We anticipate that Jackson will continue to press for air support for all of his missions, and that it will be necessary to underscore to him at the highest levels the need to adhere to Administration policy on the use of Government aircraft.

January/February: For Jackson's next trip, it is possible for him to fly commercial carriers to Kenya, and directly onward to Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire. Commercial service to Monrovia, Liberia from Abidjan was recently restarted, with two round trip flights per day on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and one on Sunday. There are direct flights from Abidjan to Cameroon and from Cameroon to Paris. The entire trip to Kenya, Liberia and Cameroon can be accomplished in one week. A draft flight itinerary prepared by the State Department is attached at Tab A. If Jackson requires flight support, it will likely be for the Abidjan to Monrovia and return leg. We recommend that he travel commercial for all legs except the Abidjan-Monrovia-Abidjan portion and that we offer to request that the DATT C-12 based in Abidjan transport him on this leg of the trip.

March/April: Jackson should be advised that there are regular commercial flights from Europe to Zambia.

May: Most major European carriers fly into South Africa direct from Europe and South African Airways offers direct flights to South Africa from New York and Miami. From South Africa, there are regular flights to Malawi, Lesotho and Swaziland from South Africa. Jackson should be advised to take advantage of these commercial services.

Concurrences by: Newell Highsmith, ²⁴Pete Jordan (OVP)

Attachment

Tab A Proposed Itinerary

Rev. Jessie Jackson Itinerary

Carter-Perry
7-6301Thursday, January 29

1720 Dpt Chicago via UAL 942

Friday, January 300815 Arr Paris
1105 Dpt Paris via Air France 980
2120 Arr Nairobi
RON NAIROBISaturday, January 31

RON NAIROBI

Sunday, February 11605 Dpt Nairobi via Ethiopian 971
2025 Arr Abidjan
Dpt Abidjan (ticket to be purchased by Monrovia or Abidjan) *
Arr Monrovia
RON MONROVIAMonday, February 2

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Tuesday, February 3Dpt Monrovia (ticket to be purchased by Monrovia or Abidjan) *
Arr Abidjan
1330 Dpt Abidjan via Air Afrique 828
1810 Arr Douala
Surface Transportation Douala to YaoundeWednesday, February 4

RON YAOUNDE

Thursday, February 52045 Surface Transportation Yaounde to Douala
Dpt Douala via Lagos on Air France 843Friday, February 60545 Arr Paris
1150 Dpt Paris via UAL 943
1359 Arr Chicago

* no flight info available

Battenfield, Pat A.

From: Sanders, Robin R.
Sent: Friday, December 19, 1997 6:25 PM
To: @AFRICA - African Affairs
Subject: Jackson-Rice readout [UNCLASSIFIED]

Jackson expressed interest in DROC and wanted to meet with Kabila. Went over meetings with Chiluba and Moi nothing new from before. He said President needs a clear message on his trip to the region. He talked about elections in Kenya coming up, nothing new from President's meeting. Jackson will do a worldnet out of New York on Tuesday. Talked about Kaunda. Said it would be better for Kaunda to take on a wiseman role instead of being an opposition figure only. Jackson will have a stockmarket event in New York on Jan 15. Will ask Greenspan to participate and hope he will get key African financiers on this. Really want to assist on Pres trip wants to go back to Kenya, Liberia and Congo-K. Rice said that they work on end January trip in early January. Rice said she would get back to him with memo on a plan for January trips. Carter-Perry will do full memo.

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December 19, 1997

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: JOSEPH C. WILSON

FROM: ERICA BARKS-RUGGLES

SUBJECT: Letter to Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles for
Jackson's Assistant, Yuri Tadesse

As the President mentioned in his December 18 conversation with Reverend Jackson, we have prepared a letter from the President to Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles concerning Jackson's assistant.

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum from you to the President recommending he sign the proposed letter to Prime Minister Meles. Yuri is leaving for Ethiopia early in the morning on December 27. We would hope to have the letter signed by Monday, December 22, so that we can give it to him before he goes to New York for the Christmas holiday.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memorandum to the President.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum to the President

Tab A Letter to Prime Minister Meles

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Letter for Yuri Tadesse, Rev. Jackson's Assistant

Purpose

To provide Yuri Tadesse, Rev. Jackson's assistant, with a letter to Prime Minister Meles of Ethiopia.

Background

In your December 18 meeting with Reverend Jesse Jackson, you agreed to provide a letter for his assistant, an Ethiopian citizen who has not been home for more than 20 years, to carry with him on an upcoming visit to Ethiopia.

Attached is a letter from you to Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi recommending Yuri as an example of the best America and Africa have to offer each other.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached letter to Prime Minister Meles.

Attachment

Tab A Letter to Prime Minister Meles

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

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You should be proud, as we are, to have Yuri as an embodiment of the finest America and Africa have to offer each other. He is living proof that when we work together, we can meet the serious challenges our countries face.

Sincerely,

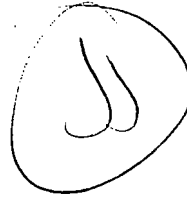
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Battenfield, Pat A.

From: Barks-Ruggles, Erica
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 1997 12:21 PM
To: @NSA - Natl Security Advisor
Cc: @AFRICA - African Affairs; Jordan, Donald L.
Subject: Press guidance on JJ/POTUS meeting [UNCLASSIFIED]

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Attached for Jim's clearance is draft press guidance on the President's meeting with Rev. Jackson. Please let me know what changes he has. Drafted innocuously to follow what Rev. Jackson told the press corps outside of the WW following the meeting. Press office looking for this before McCurry goes on at 1:00. Thanks

- Erica



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POTUS MEETING WITH REV. JACKSON 12/18/97

Q: What did the President discuss with Rev. Jackson this morning?

A:

-- Rev. Jackson briefed the President on his November 29-December 4 trip to Kenya and Zambia. This was Jackson's first trip to Africa in his new role as the Special Envoy for the President and the Secretary of State for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa.

-- They also discussed briefly the President's race initiative and how to increase dialogue on the topic in the United States.

Q: How did the trip go? What did Jackson recommend the President do in Africa and in these countries?

A:

-- The trip went well. Jackson had very useful discussions with a wide range of civic, religious and political leaders in both Kenya and Zambia. He met with both President Moi of Kenya and President Chiluba (chill-OO-baa) of Zambia.

-- Jackson urged Moi to ensure that national elections on December 29 are open, free and transparent. He also underscored the need for Kenya to undertake further and more far-reaching constitutional reforms, especially in the areas of anti-corruption and electoral reform.

-- In Zambia, Jackson discussed the need for better and greater dialogue between the government and opposition parties, and urged the government to ensure the human rights of those arrested in conjunction with the attempted October coup are respected. He urged President Chiluba to work with former President Kaunda on agreeing on a way forward for Zambia.

-- Rev. Jackson and the President discussed how to heighten Americans' understanding of Africa and its strategic importance to us - as a major source of oil, as a larger market for U.S. exports than all of the former Soviet Union combined, and as a source of more than 100,000 U.S. jobs.

Q: When will the President go to Africa? Will Rev. Jackson go with him? Where will the President go?

A:

-- No decisions have yet been made on the timing of, or itinerary for the President's trip to Africa. There have not been any decisions about who will accompany the President either.

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December 17, 1997

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: ERICA BARKS-RUGGLES *ER*

SUBJECT: Memorandum for the President's Meeting with
Reverend Jesse Jackson, December 18, 1997, 8:30
a.m.

Attached as requested is the package for the President's meeting with Reverend Jesse Jackson concerning his recent trip to Africa as the Special Envoy for the President and the Secretary of State for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa.

You may wish to highlight to the President our concern that Jackson may try to expand his mandate and/or try to get approval for a trip to Nigeria. As outlined in the memorandum, we strongly recommend against either of these actions as it would serve neither our human rights policy, our Nigeria policy nor Jackson and his mandate well. (FYI: We also wanted to remind you that a recent press article alleged that in July, Jackson obtained a meeting for a Nigerian businessman linked to Abacha with Jim Steinberg because of the businessman's alleged contributed to a get-out-the-vote organization linked to the DNC. These allegations are totally unfounded; the decision to meet the businessman was based purely on policy grounds and the NSC was unaware of any alleged donations at the time).

Concurrence by: Jamie Baker *JB*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memorandum to the President for his meeting with Reverend Jackson.

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Tab I Memorandum to the President
Tab A Talking Points

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MEETING WITH
REVEREND JESSE JACKON
DATE: December 18, 1997
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 8:30 a.m.

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

I. PURPOSE

To meet with Reverend Jackson to discuss his findings on his first trip to Africa in his role as the Special Envoy for the President and the Secretary of State for the Promotion of Democracy in Africa.

II. BACKGROUND

Rev. Jackson's first trip as the Special Envoy, to Kenya and Zambia on November 29-December 4 went very well. You will want to congratulate him on the success of the trip, ask him for his assessment of the situation in both countries, and briefly discuss with him his next trip.

Kenya

In Kenya, Jackson met with a wide cross section of opinion makers, including religious leaders, the chairman and members of the electoral commission, NGOs, members of the ruling Kenya African Union (KANU) party, representatives of the opposition National Convention Executive Council (NCEC), and President Moi.

In his meetings Jackson stressed the need for full and rapid implementation of the electoral reforms passed by the legislature in November, and for the holding of free, fair, and transparent legislative and presidential elections on December 29. He also noted the important roles that his interlocutors should play in ensuring peaceful and constructive dialogue and dissent on the electoral process. Jackson urged opposition leaders to continue to hope and press for reforms rather than succumb to pessimism.

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Despite Embassy Nairobi's positive impression of Jackson's visit, the electoral process in Kenya remains deeply flawed. Minimalist reforms negotiated by moderates within Parliament provide some encouragement, but too little time between the passage of these reforms and the elections (six weeks) means that most of the reforms will not be fully implemented or understood by the public. President Moi will be re-elected and KANU will retain a majority in Parliament. The real test will be whether a fundamental constitutional reform process that involves a wider cross-section of Kenyan society will be allowed to unfold after the election. Rev. Jackson may be helpful in promoting this process during his next visit.

Zambia

In Zambia, Jackson focused on long-term democratization issues. In a meeting with the opposition leaders, he emphasized the need to engage in serious dialogue with President Chiluba's MMD party on issues ranging from the electoral process to human rights. He noted the importance of the opposition participation in elections, rather than remaining without a voice and outside the process until the playing field is leveled - a message that was well received by independent opposition parliamentarians, but not by former President Kaunda's UNIP party. Jackson also spoke with religious leaders about the dangers of declaring a state religion, urging them to maintain appropriate separation between church and state.

In his meeting with President Chiluba, Jackson stressed the importance of building democratic institutions, respecting human rights, and ensuring inclusion of and dialogue with the opposition. He urged President Chiluba to investigate fully allegations of torture and abuse of suspects in the October 29 coup attempt. Jackson suggested Chiluba bring former President Kaunda "under the tent," noting that broad

agreement between Kaunda and the government would be needed in order to move Zambia forward.

Jackson's visit may have sparked renewed dialogue between the ruling MMD party and the opposition parties, including Kaunda's UNIP party. It is, however, too early to call this a break-through; Kaunda remains outside Zambia, allegations of torture of coup suspects have not been investigated, and dialogue is only tentative and nascent.

Looking Ahead

Jackson's next planned trip is tentatively scheduled for January 29-February 6, 1998, to Liberia and possibly Kenya and Cameroon. In Liberia he will discuss with President Taylor the need to repair ethnic and economic cleavages in Liberian society, while ensuring respect for human rights and the rule of law. Both Jackson and our Ambassador in Kenya have indicated it would be useful for him to do a follow-up visit to Kenya either on this trip or in late February, depending on the results of the elections. State may also ask Jackson to travel to Cameroon to discuss with President Biya the importance of transparent and open election processes and leveling the playing field for the opposition. We support this concept.

Jackson may also raise with you his desire to go to Ghana and/or Nigeria to discuss bilateral relations with Nigeria. State and we **strongly oppose this idea**, as it would serve neither our Nigeria policy nor Jackson and his mandate well. Our new Ambassador is due to arrive this week and a long-planned policy review is again stalled. There is no strong message for Jackson to carry to Nigeria, and we risk undermining our new and capable Ambassador by sending an envoy. **We also think it important that Jackson not try to mix his democracy mandate with trade and investment development.** If Jackson were to work on trade promotion he would risk serious conflict of interest issues with his public affairs activities and membership on corporate boards. Also the inherent policy tension between trade interests and human rights interests, such as in Nigeria where there are large private U.S. investments but where we have serious concerns about human rights, calls for **Jackson to maintain a clear, clean mandate on democracy promotion only.**

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Chief of Staff to the President
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
Reverend Jackson
Others TBD

IV. PRESS PLAN

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Tab A Talking Points

POINTS TO BE MADE FOR MEETING ON
REVEREND JACKSON'S TRIP TO AFRICA

- Congratulations on your first trip as our Special Envoy on Democracy in Africa. Understand it went well; am eager to hear all about it.

Kenya

- What is your assessment for prospects for peaceful, fair and open elections in Kenya on the 29th?
- Post-election constitutional reform process as important as elections themselves. How can we be most helpful in supporting the next steps in this reform process?

Zambia

- What is your assessment of the situation in Zambia?
- Can we do more to promote dialogue between President Chiluba and Kaunda?
- Know Kaunda's relationship with Chiluba and Kaunda's status as head of UNIP are critical to progress. How do you see this playing out?

(IF RAISED)

Nigeria

- Do not think time is right, or policy message is at a point where your strengths would be well used in Nigeria.
- Aware of your long-standing ties to Nigeria. Hope situation will evolve to a point where we can use your expertise.

Expansion of Mandate

- Know you are eager to help promote trade and investment. Understand that lawyers have had long discussions on conflict of interest issues, etc.
- Suggest it best to leave those decisions to them - will help keep our policy clean, and ensure you maintain a strong and uncluttered mandate on human rights.

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