

THE WHITE HOUSE

Assistant to the President and
Staff Secretary

11-20-00

JOHN -

YOU ASKED ABOUT ADDITIONAL
PARDON REQUESTS AND
ABOUT STANLEY JOB.

ADAM CHECKED WITH BETH
OVER THE WEEKEND AND
SHE SAID NO OTHERS WERE
READY YET (IN PROCESSING
BUT NO DOJ RECOMMENDATION
YET). THEY ANTICIPATE WE'LL
HAVE ADDITIONAL ONES
PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS.

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November 18, 2000

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached is a Nolan/Lindsay/Cabe memo that recommends granting pardon requests for 11 petitioners, all of whom have served their sentences. The Deputy Attorney General recommends that you grant each petition.

If you approve, we plan to announce the pardons prior to Thanksgiving. At that time, we will also announce your earlier decision to commute the sentence of Vicki Lopez-Lukis. See attached memo for detail on 11 individual cases.

Grant ☒

Deny ☐

Discuss ☐

Lisel Loy

What about
the Texas guy
we got so many
negatives on?
Why are we doing
so far?

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Nolan
Lindsay
Cabe
Podesta

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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November 18, 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BETH NOLAN *BN by MC*
BRUCE LINDSEY *BL by MC*
MEREDITH CABE *MC*

SUBJECT: Attached Executive Clemency Memorandum

Attached is a memorandum submitting 11 pardon recommendations for your consideration. If you approve, we would plan to announce them Tuesday, November 21. We would also announce (and put into effect) your decision to grant a commutation of sentence to Vicki Lopez-Lukis, which we submitted to you in a memorandum dated October 13, 2000.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 18, 2000

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BETH NOLAN *BN by me*
BRUCE LINDSEY *BL by me*
MEREDITH CABEL *MC*

SUBJECT: Favorable Pardon Recommendations

We have received the Justice Department's recommendations in favor of granting pardons after completion of sentence for the 11 petitioners listed below.

In each of the cases listed below, the Deputy Attorney General recommends that you grant the petition for pardon.

NAME/DISTRICT	OFFENSE	RATIONALE
Glen David Curry S.D. Alabama (1982) Age: 51	Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute cocaine, distribution of cocaine, and use of a telephone to facilitate distribution of cocaine (sold 13.4 grams of cocaine to an agent of the Alabama Bureau of Investigation). Sentenced to five years' imprisonment, three years' special parole, and five years' probation.	Offense attributed in part to substance abuse and depression he has since overcome; petitioner did not profit from sale; has lived a stable, productive, and law-abiding life since conviction, earning graduate degrees and a tenured faculty position, with expertise in juvenile justice; very favorable character and professional recommendations; commendable service in U.S. Army; expresses genuine remorse; seeks pardon to reduce stigma of conviction and to lessen effects on career, family, and organizations for which he conducts research; U.S. Attorney, sentencing judge, and probation officer do not object.

Dave Meyer Hartson, III E.D. Louisiana (1993) Age: 47	Aiding and abetting mail fraud (as an accountant for an insurance firm, drafted fraudulent documents to create illusion that company was viable and met fiscal regulatory requirements). Sentenced to three years' probation (discharged early) and fined \$1,000.	Immediately cooperated with investigation, pled guilty, and testified against several more culpable individuals; had relied upon figures certified by law firm in drafting documents; offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law-abiding and productive life; exceptional rehabilitation (attended seminary and now serves others through his ministry and employment as a mental health counselor); very favorable character recommendations; accepts full responsibility for offense; seeks pardon for forgiveness, to restore right to vote, serve as juror, and hunt, and to enhance opportunities in the ministry; U.S. Attorney does not object to pardon.
Carl Edward Karstetter M.D. Pennsylvania (1992) Age: 52	Conversion of government property (as an employee of an army depot with access to military weapons parts, stole small arms repair parts and sold them to a gun dealer). Sentenced to two years' probation, \$500 fine, and ordered to pay \$3,777.25 in restitution.	Cooperated fully with the government and voluntarily made restitution prior to sentencing; has lived a law-abiding, stable, and productive life since conviction; favorable character recommendations; expresses genuine remorse and accepts responsibility for offense; active in community; seeks pardon for forgiveness and to enhance employment and volunteer opportunities; probation officer supports pardon.

Donald Spencer Lewis S.D. Texas (1991) Age: 53	Making false statements to a government agency (as Pres. & COB of an air-service corporation, denied engaging in transactions with the Vietnamese government, then subject to U.S. embargo, and denied making overflight payments to Cuba). Sentenced to six months' imprisonment and three years' supervised release (terminated early) and fined \$5,000 (corporation fined \$25,000).	Offense attributed in part to emotional attachment to Vietnam experience; involved in community, assisting military units in training maneuvers and with aircraft repair; distinguished career in the U.S. Army; favorable character recommendations; acknowledges wrongdoing and expresses remorse; U.S. Attorney and probation officer support pardon; Customs agents who investigated the case and sentencing judge do not object.
Walter Sidney Orlinsky D. Maryland (1982) Age: 62	Extortion under color of official rights (as President of the Baltimore City Council and city's Board of Estimates, solicited and accepted approx. \$11,000 in bribes from three companies seeking the award of various waste removal contracts from the city.) Sentenced to six months in jail and four years' probation.	Petitioner suffers from terminal cancer (expected to live less than a year); extensive involvement in community; accepts responsibility for offense; favorable character references, including support of Sens. Mikulski and Sarbanes and Rep. Hoyer; seeks pardon to enhance employment opportunities; U.S. Attorney does not object to pardon.
Howard Charles Petersen D. Nebraska (1971) Age: 61	Embezzlement by a bank employee and making false entries in the bank's books and records (as V.P. and cashier of bank, diverted bank funds into his own personal checking account in order to pay bills for his family and then altered bank records to hide his activities). Sentenced to three years' probation and ordered to make any remaining restitution to the victim bank.	Age and nature of offense; cooperated with authorities when discovered; offense appears to be aberration in otherwise law-abiding, productive life; very favorable character and professional references; accepts responsibility for offense and expresses remorse; seeks pardon to enhance employment opportunities, for forgiveness, and for family's sake; U.S. Attorney and sentencing judge support pardon.

John Laurence Silvi D. New Jersey (1992) Age: 46	Conspiracy to bribe a union official (as co-manager of family concrete company, paid \$4,000 to secure assurances that a project would not be picketed.) Sentenced to two years' probation, including a four-month term of home confinement, and \$5,000 fine.	Offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law-abiding life, attributed in part to coercive behavior by unions (including history of harassment of company's workers when involved in projects to which unions objected), and fear for personal, family, and employee safety; active involvement in community; favorable character recommendations; accepts responsibility for offense and expresses genuine remorse; seeks pardon to facilitate international travel, prevent potential bidding disabilities, for forgiveness, and for sake of his family and employees.
Laurence John Silvi, II aka Lawrence Silvi, II D. New Jersey (1992) Age: 44	Conspiracy to bribe a union official (as co-manager of family concrete company, paid \$4,000 to secure assurances that a project would not be picketed.) Sentenced to two years' probation, including a four-month term of home confinement, and \$5,000 fine.	Offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law-abiding life, attributed in part to coercive behavior by unions (including history of harassment of company's workers when involved in projects to which unions objected), and fear for personal, family, and employee safety; active involvement in community; favorable character recommendations; accepts responsibility for offense and expresses genuine remorse; seeks pardon to facilitate international travel, prevent potential bidding disabilities, for forgiveness, and for sake of his family and employees.

John Donald Vodde N.D. Indiana (1989) Age: 49	Possession and distribution of cocaine, and aiding and abetting therein (along with girlfriend and co-defendant (now his wife) received approx. four ounces of cocaine at her apartment from a mid-level dealer for the purpose of reselling the drug). Sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, three years' supervised release, and a \$10,000 fine (reduced to five years' imprisonment, three years' supervised release, and a \$5,000 fine).	Offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law abiding life, attributed in part to substance abuse problem he has since overcome; active involvement in community, including program through church assisting in rehabilitation of non-violent first offenders; favorable character recommendations; expresses remorse and accepts full responsibility for offense; seeks pardon for forgiveness; U.S. Attorney and probation officer support pardon, sentencing judge does not object.
Melinda Kay Stewart Vodde N.D. Indiana (1989) Age: 45	Distribution of cocaine, and aiding and abetting therein (along with her boyfriend and co-defendant (now her husband) received approx. four ounces of cocaine at her apartment from a mid-level dealer for the purpose of reselling the drug). Sentenced to five years' imprisonment (reduced to time served—17 months), three years' supervised release, and a \$5,000 fine.	Offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law-abiding life, attributed in part to drug problem she has since overcome; teaching license reinstated in 1994 in recognition of rehabilitation; active involvement in community, including program through church assisting in rehabilitation of non-violent first offenders; favorable character recommendations; expresses remorse and accepts full responsibility for offense; seeks pardon for forgiveness; U.S. Attorney and probation officer support pardon, sentencing judge does not object.

Philip Donald Winn D. District of Columbia (1994) Age: 75	Conspiracy to violate the illegal gratuity statute (as a real estate developer and former official at HUD, provided gratuities to two HUD officials who were responsible for oversight of a publicly funded housing program from which petitioner derived substantial financial benefits). Sentenced to two years' probation and fined \$981,975.	Cooperated fully with investigation; offense appears to be an aberration in an otherwise law-abiding and productive life (was Asst. Secretary at HUD in 1981-82, and Ambassador to Switzerland in 1988-89); extensive involvement in community; very favorable character recommendations; accepts responsibility for offense; seeks pardon as a sign of forgiveness, for the sake of his family, and to facilitate continued involvement in charitable and community affairs; Independent Counsel (and former 3d Cir. Judge) whose office prosecuted petitioner supports pardon, sentencing judge does not oppose.
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DECISION:

GRANT: _____

DENY: _____

DISCUSS: _____

10-16-00

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
October 13, 2000

*OK - Still works
fine for many denied
of pardon to me*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: LISEL LOY *LL*

SUBJECT: Pardon/Commutation Recommendations

Attached are three Nolan/Lindsey/Cabe memos that recommend: 1) granting a pardon request for 7 petitioners; 2) granting a commutation request for 1 petitioner; and 3) denying commutation requests for 117 petitioners. *See attached memos for detail on individual cases.*

1) Favorable Pardon Recommendations

Counsel's office forwards DOJ's recommendation that you grant pardons after completion of sentence for 7 petitioners. Counsel's office notes that in the seventh case, that of William Oshel Casto, III, the Pardon Attorney recommends granting the pardon but the Deputy Attorney General does not agree.

Grant ☒ Deny ☐ Discuss ☐

2) Favorable Commutation Recommendation

Petitioner Vicki Lopez-Lukis and her husband were indicted on 10 counts each of bribery-related charges, including 1 mail fraud count. They were tried together; Mr. Lukis was acquitted of all charges. Petitioner was acquitted of all counts but the mail fraud charge; she was sentenced to 27 months' imprisonment and 2 years of supervised release. She has served roughly 1 year of her sentence. Her conviction has been affirmed on appeal; the Supreme Court has denied cert.

She was convicted of mail fraud for depriving citizens of their "intangible right to [her] honest services" in her official capacity as a Lee County Commissioner. At trial, the defense requested a jury instruction to make clear that "honest services" refer to dishonest conduct in her official capacity, not mere dishonesty. The request was denied. It appears from press interviews conducted after trial that the jury was confused by the "honest services" mail fraud charge, and may have convicted Lopez-Lukis for mere dishonesty -- for lying to the press and public to conceal her relationship with Mr. Lukis, a Washington-based lobbyist who was then married to another woman. She was acquitted of all bribery charges. Counsel's office recommends you commute her sentence to time served, leaving intact the period of supervised release.

Grant ☒ Deny ☐ Discuss ☐

3) Recommended Denial of Commutation

DOJ has recommended against commuting sentences/remitting fines of 117 petitioners. After review, Counsel's office recommends that denial is appropriate. They will transmit your denial unless you indicate you would like additional information for any of the cases listed. For your information, two petitioners are from Arkansas: Carol Elaine Harbin, Benito Naito Gastelum.

Deny ☒ (recommended) Grant ☐ Discuss ☐

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 5, 2000

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BETH NOLAN *BN*
BRUCE LINDSEY
MEREDITH CABBETT *MC*

SUBJECT: Commutation Request of Vicki Lopez-Lukis

I. Offense and Procedural History

Petitioner and her husband, Sylvester Lukis, were indicted on ten counts each of bribery-related charges, including one count of mail fraud. The two were tried together. Mr. Lukis was acquitted of all charges. Petitioner was acquitted on all counts but one, the mail fraud charge. She was sentenced to 27 months' imprisonment and two years of supervised release. She has served approximately one year of her sentence. Her conviction has been affirmed on direct appeal, and the Supreme Court has denied certiorari.

II. Statement of Facts

Mrs. Lopez-Lukis's conviction arose from a series of financial gifts Mr. Lukis, a lobbyist, made to her when she served on the Lee County Board of Commissioners in Florida ["the Board"]. At the time of Mr. Lukis's gifts to petitioner, they were not married, but were involved in an intimate relationship. Mr. Lukis was a Washington-based lobbyist who was then married to another woman, and he and petitioner therefore went to great lengths to conceal their relationship.

The prosecution claimed that the financial gifts (totaling \$4,032) were bribes to secure petitioner's support as commissioner for two of Mr. Lukis's clients: Ogden Projects, Inc., a New-Jersey-based builder of waste-to-energy trash incinerators, and Goldman Sachs. Petitioner and Mr. Lukis explained that the payments were reimbursements for expenses petitioner incurred during their relationship, including long-distance phone calls and a security deposit on an apartment they shared when Mr. Lukis was in Florida. At trial, they disputed the claims that the payments influenced petitioner's official actions, noting that petitioner's voting record both helped and hurt Mr. Lukis's clients.¹

¹ The defense pointed out that, with respect to every vote petitioner cast that even arguably benefited Ogden or Goldman Sachs, the Board as a whole also voted in favor of Mr. Lukis's clients unanimously or by a supermajority. The only time petitioner's vote was decisive, she voted contrary to the interests of Mr. Lukis's client.

One of the bases of the mail fraud charge was a questionnaire, sent to petitioner by a newspaper reporter, asking her several questions about her relationship with Mr. Lukis. Petitioner repeatedly denied the affair in her responses. She mailed those responses to the reporter and to Goldman Sachs.

As further evidence of a scheme between petitioner and Mr. Lukis to benefit his clients, the prosecution presented a videotape that showed Susan Anthony, an anti-incinerator candidate for the Board of Commissioners, engaged in an extramarital affair with Bruce Strayhorn, whom petitioner was also dating at the time (petitioner and Mr. Lukis were then estranged). The tape had been made by a private investigator at the direction of Mr. Lukis, who, despondent over the breakup with petitioner, was attempting to find out whether she had resumed seeing Mr. Strayhorn. The private investigator videotaped Strayhorn with petitioner, but also caught and videotaped Strayhorn in a romantic encounter with Ms. Anthony. When petitioner learned from Mr. Lukis of Strayhorn's relationship with Ms. Anthony and of the videotape, she told Strayhorn that if Anthony did not drop out of the race for the Board of Commissioners, she would release the tape to the media. Petitioner told Strayhorn that she would not sit on the Board with Anthony; that she would destroy Strayhorn's reputation, family and clients; and that the tape would destroy Anthony's reputation and marriage. Anthony did not drop out of the election and petitioner and Mr. Lukis distributed the videotape to the media.² At the time of the incident, petitioner lied to various friends, business associates and reporters about her role in the distribution of the videotape. At trial, petitioner admitted her role in the incident, but explained that she acted out of anger towards Strayhorn, whom she believed had betrayed her by carrying on an affair with Anthony.

The defense moved before trial to exclude evidence relating to the videotape, arguing the incident was irrelevant to "honest services" mail fraud. The District Court agreed, concluding that the incident did not involve Lopez-Lukis's official duties as county commissioner. On interlocutory appeal, however, the Eleventh Circuit reversed, holding that her actions could be interpreted as an attempt to control the composition of the Board.

III. Grounds for Clemency

Petitioner was acquitted on all bribery charges, and was convicted of one count of mail fraud, for depriving the citizens of Lee County of their "intangible right to [petitioner's] honest services" in her official capacity as Commissioner. At trial, the defense requested a jury instruction that would make clear that the "honest services" charge did not refer to mere dishonesty – such as petitioner's lying to the press and the public about her relationship with Mr. Lukis – but rather to dishonest conduct in her official capacity as a member of the Board of Commissioners. The request was denied.

After trial, press interviews of jurors suggested the jury was in fact confused by the "honest services" mail fraud charge as explained in the prosecution's closing argument and in the jury instructions they received. One juror said, "the state did not prove the bribery charges at all," and that the jury convicted petitioner of the "honest services" charge because "[I]t was the

² Anthony lost the election in a run-off.

only indictment we had proof of . . . She lied in the questions she filled out for a news reporter."³ Another juror said, "[w]e couldn't find one iota of proof that a crime was committed. . . . We had one juror that said she must be guilty of something or they wouldn't have gone to all this trouble. [The jury] would have been hung, so we found she lied to some reporter based on something she mailed."⁴ It was also reported that juror said, "there was confusion among the jurors as to the elements of the charge."⁵ One juror later attempted to speak to the judge, to explain the jury had misunderstood the charge. He later wrote, "there was not one shred of evidence to prove she was guilty of these crimes. . . . The jury settled for mail fraud because we believed that such a crime would be punishable by a small fine of \$100 or less and we wouldn't hang the jury and we would be able to go home for the weekend. . . . I'm sorry I gave in."⁶ The judge did not speak with the juror, and denied defense requests to interview the jury.

IV. Recommendation

It appears, based upon the jurors' statements after the trial, that the jury was confused by the "honest services" mail fraud charge, and may have convicted her for mere dishonesty in concealing her relationship with Mr. Lukis. She should not have been convicted of the mail fraud charge unless the jury found that she had, in carrying out her official duties, deprived the citizens of Lee County to their right to her "honest services." The jury failed to convict her (and Mr. Lukis) of any of the bribery charges, apparently unpersuaded that she and Mr. Lukis had developed a scheme through which she was influenced in her official actions as Commissioner by gifts from Mr. Lukis.

We therefore recommend that you commute her sentence to time served, leaving intact the period of supervised release.

DECISION:

GRANT: _____

DENY: _____

DISCUSS: _____

³ Mike Brassfield, Lopez-Lukis Verdict - Prosecution Fails to Prove Bribery, News-Press, Fort Myers Edition, April 17, 1997.

⁴ Charlie Whitehead, Lukis Juror Says Guilty Verdict Was a Mistake, Naples Daily News, November 15, 1997.

⁵ Peter Franceschina, Former Commissioner Sentenced for Fraud, News-Press, Fort Myers Edition, November 15, 1997.

⁶ Arthur Hohmann, Letter to the Editor, News-Press, Fort Myers Edition.

SANDRA MACKEY

Writer

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

11-20-00

November 9, 2000

3590 Cloudland Dr., N.W.

11-20-00
TO NSC for
Reply ✓

cc: Berger

Dear Mr. President:

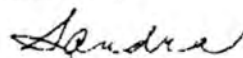
I want to thank you for the heroic efforts you have made to achieve accommodation between Israel and the Palestinians. Americans, Israelis and Arabs all owe you a deep debt of appreciation. That you did not accomplish your goal of a comprehensive peace was, in reality, perhaps beyond the realm of possibility. The tragedy in the present situation is that the Israelis and the Palestinians cannot reach an accommodation until each resolves the core conflicts within its own society. And they cannot address their own internal problems while they are locked in the bitter contest with each other. Perhaps peace will finally come in mutual exhaustion.

Even the most grave situations deserve a little humor. My son Colin has concluded that the solution for Jerusalem is to cede it to Disney for a religious theme park. The monorail could run around the wall of the old city. The Jewish section would have "Moshe Mouse" and the Arab section "Mecca Mouse." The Christians get Mickey since that is a derivative of the Christian name Michael.

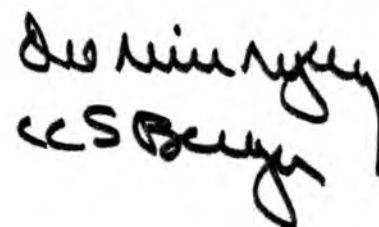
My book on Iraq is nearing completion. It will be out in the spring. I hope by going back to Mesopotamia to explain Iraq's political culture that people will understand why your options in dealing with Saddam Hussein were so limited. I intend to make clear that there really are scenarios that are worse for the United States than a contained Saddam Hussein.

My congratulations to Hillary. Finally, I and the country are going to miss you!

Sincerely,



Sandra Mackey


cc: Berger



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TO NSC for
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Mr. William Jefferson Clinton
U.S. President
and
Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
First Lady
Suite No. 1725

Dear President and Madame Clinton

Welcome to the Hanoi Daewoo Hotel.

We sincerely hope that your stay with us will be enjoyable.

If there is anything more that I or my staff can do to make your stay more comfortable, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Have a very pleasant stay.

Yours faithfully

Fritz Schenkel
General Manager

11-20-00

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 2000

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Brain
Anderson
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Mathews

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD)

DATE: As soon as possible

RECOMMENDED BY: Chuck Brain *CMB*
Julie Anderson

PURPOSE: To return Senator Tim Johnson's (D-SD) call regarding Oglala Sioux Tribe.

BACKGROUND:

Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) is calling about an Oglala Sioux Tribe issue in South Dakota. He wants to ask you to get the federal government involved in addressing the alcohol problem on the Pine Ridge reservation. While it is a dry reservation there apparently are several liquor stores near the reservation in Whiteclay, Nebraska whose main clientele are from the reservation. The reservation wants to shut these liquor stores down and the tribe is exploring ways to accomplish this.

One of the mechanisms they believe is available to them is to have the federal government purchase the strip of land outside the reservation, which includes Whiteclay. According to Johnson's office, this strip of property was created as a buffer when the reservation was created. However, in 1904, President Roosevelt issued an executive order (E.O.) conveying the parcel back to the public domain. The tribe believes that they have some standing to sue to have the land conveyed back to the federal government. Alternatively, they would like to have you issue an E.O. overturning the 1904 E.O.

*to want to
law suit this through
is involved in -
P's check out
Johnson & Olson*

TALKING POINTS:

- Thank you for calling. As you know, I have been committed to pursuing economic development on reservations; to creating jobs; and improving the quality of education for children living on reservations.

can I get them? etc

- I recognize that this is a very sensitive issue.
- I will also have my counsel's office determine what legal and/or policy options are available.

**CONTACT PERSON:
AND TELEPHONE**

Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD)
H: 703-780-4048
W: 202-224-7342 (Cindy Dwyer, Scheduler)

DATE OF SUBMISSION:

November 2, 2000

No. 07001/860



**Royal Thai Embassy
Bandar Seri Begawan
Brunei Darussalam**

The Royal Thai Embassy presents its compliments to the Delegation of United States of America to the 8th APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting and has the honour to forward the letter from H.E. Mr. Chuan Leekpai, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Honourable William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America, regarding the Eight APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting as attached.

In this connection, the Embassy would appreciate it if the above-mentioned letter could be kindly forwarded to concerned authority at the earliest opportunity.

Whilst thanking in advance, the Royal Thai Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to the Delegation of United States of America to the 8th APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting the assurances of its highest consideration.

Bandar Seri Begawan

16 November B.E. 2543 (2000)



The U.S. Delegation to
the Eight APEC Economic Leaders,
BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN.

Send to NSC?

Yes

No

11-20-00



Office of the Prime Minister,
Government House, Bangkok.

14 November B.E. 2543 (2000)

Dear Mr. President,

I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks your recent Note, in which you offered some of your thoughts on the up-coming APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting in Brunei Darussalam.

I certainly concur with you that APEC has played an important role in making our economies more open and prosperous in an age of globalisation. Be that as it may, we are still confronted with many challenges, while there also exist many opportunities waiting to be reaped. How we tackle these remaining issues under the theme "managing globalisation" is, I believe, the major challenge of our time.

Indeed, the question before us today is how do we together increase our peoples' standards of living, improve and make sustainable our economies' development and growth and derive economically and socially equitable benefits from our economies' participation in the global economic system in the face of such negative shocks as economic crises, currency and oil price volatility. Thailand's approach to the issue of managing globalisation has been to focus on capacity-building, which we believe to be the most practical response for a developing economy.

In the context of APEC, Thailand attaches great importance to the issue of Social Safety Nets, particularly as the potential adverse effects of globalisation and liberalisation on a society's employment level and quality of education and health are real and far-reaching. Thailand has also been very active both within and outside of APEC in the areas of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and Human Resource Development (HRD)—two issues which are not only crucial to any sustained recovery in Asia, but also critical to making the region stronger and more able to ward off future crises.

/ ...

The Honorable
William Jefferson Clinton,
President of the United States of America,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

As you, we in Thailand see great promise in the New Economy. We acknowledge that it is not an exclusively high technology concept. Yet, for an economy to fully benefit from the New Economy and to manage successfully the challenges presented, it must already have reached a certain level of development.

Thailand will therefore continue to support APEC's on-going work on the Knowledge-Based Economy (KBE). It is my belief that both knowledge as well as access to knowledge are becoming increasingly important ingredients for economic development and growth. While Thailand recognises the benefits of the New Economy, developing economies need to focus first on strengthening their knowledge bases, human resources, enterprises, markets and participation in the multilateral trading system.

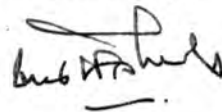
APEC is, I believe, also well-placed to make a credible and substantive contribution to the on-going international dialogue on globalisation. I must stress, however, that APEC should be accountable and credible to, as well as inclusive of, its constituents. APEC has done much to benefit its constituents, but often without their knowing it. Together, we must seek to create a better understanding, on the part of the public, of the beneficial role that APEC has and will continue to play.

Therefore, for APEC 2000, I wish to echo ABAC's call for staying on track with globalisation and liberalisation, as well as with the effective implementation of current projects and initiatives. Thailand wishes to see current APEC projects and initiatives carried through to term. The value of APEC lies not in how many initiatives come out of each year's meetings, but in how beneficial those projects are for our peoples.

I look forward to hearing your views and those of our fellow Leaders later this month and to giving all of you a more complete picture of the views I have outlined above.

With warm regards and best wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chuan Leekpai', with a horizontal line underneath.

(Chuan Leekpai)
Prime Minister of Thailand

LIBBY HIKIND
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pgwhc@mindspring.com
718 477-1200 or 917 821-1438

11-20-00
Send to NSC
Yes ☒
No ☐
cd

The President and First Lady of the United States
Office of the President
The White House
West Wing
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC

November 19, 2000

Dear Bill and Hillary;

First let me say MAZEL TOV to Hillary and a very Welcome Home to you both.

The Berenson's asked me to contact you.

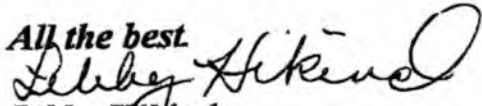
They are requesting a meeting with Sandy Berger and the First Lady, immediately after Thanksgiving. They are aware that a delegation of top officials from the NSC and the State Department have gone to Peru and will be returning on Wednesday. They want to meet with Sandy Berger following his briefing from this delegation.

Rhoda and Mark fear that their daughter may become the battle cry of the new demagogues seeking power and that she will then be doomed. They fear for the life of their daughter.

I know that you are watching the situation very closely.

There are many good things that can be accomplished in the last weeks of your administration. I hope that both Lori Berenson and Jonathan Pollard are on your list of Must Do.

All the best.


Libby Hikind

cc. Rhoda and Mark Berenson

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EDWARD BENNETT WILLIAMS (1920-1988)
PAUL R. CONNOLLY (1922-1978)

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November 6, 2000

The Honorable Nancy V. Hernreich
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Director of Oval Office Operations
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Nancy:

I have been receiving and responding to the post-presidency inquiries that are being forwarded to me by various people at the White House.

The enclosed invitation is probably one that should be handled by someone at the White House. It is from George Mitchell. It does not appear to involve any fee. So, it probably would not come within my "jurisdiction".

Of course, if you want me to respond to it, I would be more than pleased to do so. However, I think that this is an invitation that should probably be dealt with internally.

Please let me know.

Sincerely,



Robert B. Barnett

RBB/spf
Enclosure

Lead

11-20-00

Send to Cohen?
Yes

No
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July 25, 2000

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

One of the significant accomplishments of your presidency has been peace in Northern Ireland. For that, as you know, you are widely acclaimed throughout the island of Ireland. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity you gave me to serve there.

After I completed my service as chairman of the peace negotiations, I joined with the leaders of the Northern Ireland political parties which support the Good Friday Agreement (Hume, Mallon, Trimble, Empey, Adams, Neeson, Ervine, McWilliams and McMichael) to create the Northern Ireland Fund for Reconciliation (NIFR). The NIFR is a charitable organization whose sole purpose (as its name suggests) is to promote reconciliation in that still-sharply-divided society.

We know that there would not be peace in Northern Ireland without your interest and commitment, and we know that your concern is personal and deeply held. For that reason, we write to ask for your continued involvement in and assistance to Northern Ireland.

As you know from your personal experiences, many, many people in the Republic of Ireland strongly support the peace process and the continuing effort to achieve reconciliation; indeed, 95% of voters in the Republic endorsed the Good Friday Agreement. If a referendum could be held there on your presidency, I'm confident it would exceed 95%! They like you, and they want to demonstrate their feelings to you.

A number of prominent Irish citizens have suggested a gala dinner to honor you and to raise money for the NIFR. I think it is a great idea, and I hope you will too.

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
July 25, 2000
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They propose an event in Dublin, ideally on Tuesday, May 22, Wednesday, May 23, or Friday, May 25, 2001, although I hasten to add that they will gladly adjust their schedule to yours if you prefer another date. They suggest three events which would take about a half day, exclusive of travel. You would play a round of golf with three persons who would have won the right to play with you at an auction, attend a private reception with a small group of large donors, and attend the dinner with a much larger group. As with the date, of course, the events could be adjusted to your preference. If you have the time and interest, they would be happy to arrange a private golfing vacation for you, at a course (or courses) of your choice.

I hope you will give this request your favorable consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards.


George J. Mitchell

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GSA Administrator

November 6, 2000

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President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President,

Please accept my resignation as the Administrator of GSA, effective December 1, 2000.

Thank you for giving me the great honor of serving my country, and you, in two important positions. I did not expect to stay in Washington for so long, for more than seven years, but I have been a part of a great story and it has been a terrific experience.

You asked us to reinvent this government – and we did. You promised to create an Administration that looked like the American people – and we are. By the scope of your interests, you made it clear that the new world requires us to tackle all the issues at once. Today, almost everything is interrelated and the United States is the one country that can summon the will and the power to tackle the biggest issues. Few people seem able to grasp the importance of that idea. You did.

I have been especially pleased at the chance to lead GSA. The people of GSA embody the best in federal employees and have completely reinvented their agency. There is no better workforce in the federal government.

Joan and I are eager to get back to the private sector and California, but equally as much, to be back near our kids.

Thank you again for your confidence in me and I wish you and Hillary well in the next phase of your lives.

Sincerely yours,

David

David J. Barram

Send to Cohen

Yes

No

cc: Exec Clerk

Yes

No

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*CC: Nancy H. / used
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GSA Administrator*

November 6, 2000

*original to
Clerk*

John Podesta

John,

Please give this to the President. If it is convenient to see him, personally, I'd appreciate that, but I realize how busy these days will be, so I am fine with just this letter.

Thank you for all your help and support. For my money, you have done a terrific job as Chief of Staff.

Dan Ba

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During World War II, my husband was a Lt. Commander in the **United States Navy** for five years, designing and building bases in the Pacific (Guam, Midway Islands, Union Islands, Palau, Philippines, New Caledonia, and the Hawaiian Islands). One day while trying to assist his men during rough seas, a cable snapped and severed my husband's arm above the elbow. It was his right arm, the arm that he was going to rely upon for the rest of his life as an architect. There was no doctor on the ship, only a "Pharmacist's Mate" who sutured my husband's arm back on. Through daily strenuous and painful exercise throughout his life and sheer determination and the belief in miracles, my husband was able to use that arm to design some of the most famous buildings in the world. He had taught himself to draw even the most minute details with his left hand which he used when the cramping and pain was too severe in his right arm.

During the post war years, there was a massive need for housing. Every developer started building homes but those homes just sat there and did not sell. They were expensive, yet they were dark, dreary, and sad due to the little windows. My husband knew that there were thousands of veterans glad to be home, glad to be alive, anxious to start a new life in a new home and raise a family. His wish as an architect and veteran was that every veteran and every American should be able to have their own home. So my husband invented and designed what came to be known as the "Fickett

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*Carolyn -
A wonderful letter - shall
we do a condolence letter?*

Send to Carolyn
Yes _____
No _____

Home.” These were luxury homes designed for the pocket book of the average American. Realtors would sell as many as 200 “Fickett Homes” in one weekend.

Between 1946 and 1957 my husband designed more than 60,000 “Fickett Homes” from coast to coast; luxury homes that were affordable to low and moderate income Americans. He was able to keep the homes affordable through creative inventions. For example, color would be added directly to the concrete, thereby saving the cost of painting. The “Fickett Homes” were pale pink, pale peach, pale green and pale yellow as opposed to the other houses which were beige, brown, or white.

Although the “Fickett Homes” were small (2200 to 2800 square feet), one had the feeling they were palatial because he invented the idea of raising the ceiling to 14 feet. He invented the idea of “indoor-outdoor” living by designing houses with 14-foot walls of glass in every room of the house looking out to beautiful landscaped gardens which he designed all around the house. He designed roofs that extended far beyond the perimeter of the house to keep the sun out so that curtains or blinds were not even necessary and the indoor-outdoor living through the 14-foot glass walls could be enjoyed all day. A hallmark of the Fickett Home was a variation in the quality of light. The deep eaves allowed a filtered light to reach the interior which created patterns of light and shadow.

He invented the idea of open floor plans where one room flowed into the next with walls that went only $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way up and often only a fireplace separated the living room and dining room or den. He invented textured walls (hundreds of different textures) to make the homes more interesting.

Next he invented the open kitchen which allowed the kitchen to be part of the living room or family room so that the mother/housewife interact with the family and not

be stuck in the kitchen behind closed doors as his mother was when he was a child. People marveled at his practical kitchens – called Portman kitchens (like in a train) -- where everything was easily reached and there were immense amounts of cupboard space and built-in appliances. There was always a window over every sink with a little tree, flowered plants or a bird feeder for the housewife to enjoy as she looked out the window.

Fickett also invented sliding closet doors and sliding glass doors thereby saving immense amounts of space. He put two sinks in the master bathroom and designed sunken bathtubs and showers with a built-in bench. The people loved his bathroom design and thought it was the epitome of luxury. To reinforce this new concept of airy, open design and indoor-outdoor living, he created skylights in the living room, hallways, bathrooms, and kitchens.

Time, Look, Life, House Beautiful, Better Homes and Gardens, Sunset and other magazines wrote:

“the Fickett Homes are so beautiful, so unique, so innovative, so cheerful, so progressive, yet so warm and practical. The “Fickett Homes” are happy homes. Through Architect Fickett’s inventive and ingenious designs where one room flows into the next with these enormously high ceilings and 14-foot high walls of glass and walls that only go part way up to the ceiling and beautiful landscaped yards, the middle class person feels that he is living in the most deluxe luxurious home. These walls of glass only hint at a separation between inside and outside. His homes give the illusion of immense spaciousness and luxury. The Fickett designs are magnificent and exciting. Architect Fickett is indeed a genius. He is 40 years ahead of his time.”

My husband loved sharing his new housing concepts and inventions with others and was invited as a guest speaker all over the United States. He encouraged other architects and students in architectural colleges to design these luxurious affordable homes. In 1949 to 1950, my husband formulated and participated in the AIA University Lecture Series because there was such a need for good architects. The team he formed consisted of Schindler, Neutra, Buckminster Fuller, Frank Lloyd Wright, Quincy Jones and himself. They traveled to colleges across the U.S. introducing students to the exciting field of architecture.

Edward H. Fickett FAIA also designed and master planned some of the most well know military bases for the United States government. They include:

- Edwards Air Force Base, Edwards CA
- Norton Air Force Base, San Bernardino, CA
- Los Alamitos Naval Base, Los Alamitos, CA
- Murphy Canyon Heights Naval Base, San Diego CA
- San Pedro Naval Base, San Pedro, CA
- Seal Beach Naval Base, Seal Beach CA

In 1956, President Eisenhower appointed Edward H. Fickett FAIA to the position of architectural advisor to the president and consultant to the federal government on housing. In that capacity, my husband also was responsible for the rewriting and updating of all the specifications and guidelines for **the VA and FHA**

programs. He also rewrote all the specifications and guidelines for the very outdated National Housing Act of 1934. With the completion of these new guidelines, the name was officially changed to the department of **Housing and Urban Development**. These specifications and guidelines, which my husband wrote, are still being used today at HUD.

Some other well known projects designed by my husband include the:

- United Nations Library in Switzerland;
- Los Angeles Harbor (Cargo and Passenger terminals) in San Pedro, the largest harbor in the world;
- Bistro Gardens Restaurant in Beverly Hills;
- Historic and seismic renovation of the State Library in Sacramento;
- Historic and seismic renovation of the Los Angeles City Hall – Phase I;
- Los Angeles Police Academy;
- First Los Angeles firestation with a helicopter landing;
- Original Sands Hotel in Las Vegas;
- Dodger Stadium; and
- Nethercutt Museum, the largest antique car museum in the world.

In 1996 my husband was selected to replicate the oldest fire station in the city of Los Angeles, originally designed in 1903. It had been damaged by vandalism and fire.

My husband proposed to the Mayor and City council to make use of the building and proposed converting it to the African American Firefighter's Museum in step with **President Clinton's "Initiative on Race."** Edward H. Fickett's proposal was unanimously approved and now this museum – the first of its kind in the United States – collects, conserves and shares the experience of pioneering African Americans in the fire service from 1890 to the present. The Museum permanently houses artifacts and exhibits, illustrating this unique history from the beginning years, through segregation (1924 – 1955) with the re-integration in the 1950's to the present day with its aim of preserving the past for the benefit of the future.

My husband also invented things used all over the world such as the card key, used in every hotel of the world, to get into one's room. Being an artist, and not a businessman, my husband unfortunately did not patent this idea and now others are reaping the financial benefits of this invention.

Edward H. Fickett also master planned entire communities throughout the U.S. including housing, schools, churches, parks and commercial buildings. Architect Fickett was on the **National Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators**. He was in charge of reciprocity exams and licensing of architects for the state of California. He granted licenses to hundreds of architects from foreign countries such as Mexico. ~~With the~~ statistics in hand, he traveled to Mexico on behalf of the American Institute of Architects and the U.S. fighting for equal reciprocity for architects and other professionals who were denied reciprocity. Despite by husband's efforts, even today, Mexico and some other countries will not grant licenses to any architects from the U.S.

Architectural historians write, "We owe so much to this very modest man. Edward H. Fickett FAIA was a genius. We know of no other architect so versatile and so creative and with such an enduring influence. In addition to his ingenious ideas for housing he was the first of so many things, such as the first architect to design a round hotel (the Sands in Las Vegas), the first to design an all-suites hotel (the Ocotillo Lodge Hotel in Palm Springs), so that families could bring their children and have a kitchenette and a private enclosed patio for the children to play and be safe; he was the first to design open kitchens in restaurants when no one else dared to let the chef be seen; he was the first to engineer and cantilever a house or a tennis court over the edge of a mountain. He was known as the king of the tennis courts because he could design tennis courts in mid air by cantilevering them."

He was the nine-time recipient of the Affordable Homes for all Americans Award sponsored by *House and Home* magazine. He was the four-time recipient of the National progressive Architectural Design Award sponsored by *Progressive Architecture* Magazine. He was the four-time recipient of the Best Homes for Parents with Children Design Award sponsored by *Parent's Magazine* plus House of the Year Awards from *House Beautiful*, *Sunset Magazine*, *Better Homes and Gardens* and several AIA national design awards.

My husband, a fourth-generation Angeleno, gave so much of himself to his country and helped wherever and whenever he was called upon. Because of him nearly 100,000 American families were able to buy and live in deluxe affordable Fickett Homes and thousands of others were able to benefit from his contributions to the VA, FHA and HUD.

We have received hundreds of letters from post-war Fickett homeowners who sold their homes in the 90's thanking Architect Fickett for their beautiful homes and expressing gratitude for the enormous amount of money they made on the sales of their Fickett Houses, because the homes are just as contemporary today as they were 40 or 50 years ago.

Submitted by:

Joyce Fickett

Joyce Fickett

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4 recent articles

photographs from 1950 of two of the nearly 100,000

delux affordable for all Americans "Fickett Homes"
designed by my husband

photocopies of the Los Angeles Harbor (Port of Los Angeles San Pedro)
designed by my husband - the largest harbor in
the world -