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March 4, 1988

Dear Peter:

Thank you for your letter of December 23 concerning Chile's participation in the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program.

As you are aware, the President has taken action to suspend Chile indefinitely from the GSP program. The President's decision took effect 60 days from December 30, 1987. The basis for the President's decision was the legislation authorizing our GSP program. Our law requires the President to remove or suspend beneficiary developing countries that "have not or are not taking steps" to provide workers internationally recognized worker rights.

The President acted after we had reviewed the worker rights situation in Chile for over two and one-half years. The review incorporated numerous comments from the private sector, labor unions and human rights groups as well as input from our Embassy in Santiago. In addition, we consulted with the Government of Chile on numerous occasions.

In November 1986, the Government of Chile specified to us actions it planned to take to improve worker rights. The steps chosen concerned rules governing collective bargaining, rights of striking workers and labor confederations. After more than a year, the Government of Chile had still not implemented the indicated changes. Throughout the process, the U.S. indicated that the issue was not whether a particular package was implemented, but rather the requirement of U.S. law that Chile be "taking steps" to improve worker rights.

You raised a number of points in your letter which were all very carefully considered during the course of this review. But I want to reinforce the basic premise of the President's decision, which was that our law includes the requirement that beneficiary countries be making progress to improve the rights of their workers. In this case, the President could not credibly determine that Chile was "taking steps" to improve the rights of workers. Therefore, he was required to suspend or remove Chile from the GSP program.

March 4, 1988

Dear George:

Thank you for your letter of February 18 regarding Hannah Boyd Bell.

I am delighted to know of your personal knowledge of Hannah and the fact that she is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. We are proud to have her on our team, and I have been informed that she is doing a great job for Will Ball.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. George D. Webster
Webster, Chamberlain and Bean
1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB
cc: Will Ball (fyi)
cc: Hannah Bell (fyi)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1988

Dear Ms. Tomko:

I was pleased to hear from Matthew Murphy of your kind words of support. Your thoughtful message and encouragement mean a great deal to me.

The enclosed photograph comes with my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Helen Tomko
256 South Lehigh Avenue
Frackville, PA 17931

Enclosure

March 7, 1988

Dear Jude:

I apologize on the delay in responding to your letters on the Federal Reserve nomination. I kept hoping that I would have some news for you. In fact, I believe and hope that we are closing in on a nomination. Your recommendation of Wendell Gunn was a good one, but he apparently ran afoul of the same geographic restriction we have encountered with other nominees. I am beginning to come to the opinion that geographic distribution is not the panacea I once believed.

Your thoughts on both Wendell and Leif Olsen are appreciated. As always, I value your insights.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Jude Wanniski
President
Polyconomics, Inc.
36 Maple Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

March 7, 1988

Dear Armand:

Thank you for your letter of December 1 concerning Ida Nudel. I regret that it was not possible to arrange a meeting with President Reagan, but I know the President expressed to Ms. Nudel his great admiration for her courage and steadfastness when he telephoned her shortly after her arrival in Israel last October.

You will be pleased to hear that human rights, including emigration, was the first subject the President raised during his discussions in December with General Secretary Gorbachev. The U.S. Government welcomes the rise in Soviet emigration levels and the many cases of prominent refuseniks which have been resolved in the past twelve months, such as that of Ms. Nudel and, most recently, that of Dr. Naum Meiman. However, we remain deeply concerned about all those in the Soviet Union who are still trying to emigrate, and we will continue to do everything we can to help.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you for your own efforts in behalf of Ms. Nudel and others in the Soviet Union in need of assistance.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Dr. Armand Hammer
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Occidental Petroleum Corporation
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Los Angeles, CA 90024

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cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OEOB
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March 7, 1988

Dear Buck:

Thank you for your letter recommending Maury Stans for another appointment in the Reagan Administration.

I know of Maury's long service in government and, in fact, the President asked him to represent him last September at the funeral of Japan's former Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi. Please be assured that we will continue considering him for appropriate positions as they occur.

I appreciate your writing and letting me know of your support for Maury.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Buckley M. Byers
Consultant to the Chairman
Republican National
Finance Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, DC 20003

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

March 7, 1988

Dear Mr. Raymond:

Thank you for your letter of February 8 regarding your concern about the apparent inaction on the financial markets. I hesitate to predict what Congress will ultimately do, but I believe their current reticence is based not on the "clout" of the financial markets, but rather on a genuine concern that they not act precipitously.

I can assure you that the problem has not been forgotten or ignored at this end of Pennsylvania Avenue. We are considering several options on both how to proceed and what to advocate. I expect that decisions on both will be made in the near future. In the interim, the regulators have begun systematic consultations and will be taking some actions on their own.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Milton H. Raymond
Vice President
Shearson Lehman Brothers
General Motors Building
767 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10153

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cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OE0B

March 7, 1988

Dear Mr. Kirkland:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter.

I am sorry the response to your request must be a disappointing one. However, in accordance with White House policy, the Chief of Staff cannot advise, assist, or in any other way engage in the endorsement of a commercial project. I am sure you will understand the need for this policy.

Senator Baker appreciates your interest in writing and sends you his best wishes.

Sincerely,-

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Turner Edward Kirkland
Highway 51 South, Post Office Box 130
Union City, TN 38261

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 7, 1988

Dear Dr. Copeland:

Thank you for your letter of February 19 regarding your wife and the treatment she has been receiving for Alzheimer's disease.

I fully understand your concern for Glenda. To ensure that you receive a detailed response, I have sent your letter to the appropriate officials at the Department of Health and Human Services with the request that they reply directly to you.

I trust their response will be helpful. Please accept my best wishes for you and your wife. Both of you are in my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Dr. Joseph J. Copeland
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Old Cartertown Road
Route 1
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

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HHS

March 9, 1988

Dear Paul:

Many thanks for your March 3 letter recommending Lawrence Herbolsheimer for appointment as Coordinator and Director for the International Communication and Information Policy Bureau at the State Department.

It is always good to hear from you and have the benefit of your judgment. I have passed along your strong endorsement to the Office of Presidential Personnel for their review. You may be sure Mr. Herbolsheimer will receive every consideration.

Again, thanks for writing. Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Paul Laxalt
Laxalt, Washington, Perito & Dubuc
1120 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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cc: ~~Lorraine Camarano~~, 61 OEOB
Katja Bullock (fyi)

March 9, 1988

Dear Alton:

Thanks very much for the photograph of President Reagan, President Nixon, Senator Muskie and myself taken at the Waldorf in 1984. I remember the meeting well, and I share your hope that the effort we discussed will ultimately bear fruit.

I look forward to addressing the Council in New York on April 13, and I also look forward to discussing this matter with you and others on the Council.

Warm wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Alton Frye
Washington Director
Council on Foreign Relations, Inc.
11 Dupont Circle, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 9, 1988

Dear Howard:

Thank you for passing along the copy of David Young's book, America In Perspective. I'm not certain when I'll have an opportunity to read it, but it will be something to look forward to at some future time.

I see the Oxford Analytica material which David sends to my assistant, John Tuck, and I certainly agree with you that it is rather good. I've asked the staff to see whether or not we might agree on having access to the service. Frankly, however, the White House team has been taken aback at the price tag. Instead, David, or you on his behalf, might extend the offer to the Departments of State and Defense.

I'm glad you're keeping in touch!

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Howard Liebengood
Gold and Liebengood, Inc.
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1455 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

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March 9, 1988

Dear Glenn:

Thanks for your March 3 letter recommending Audrey Scott for appointment as Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Relations at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

I appreciate receiving your assessment of Mayor Scott's credentials, and I've passed along your endorsement to the Office of Presidential Personnel for their review. You may be sure that she will receive every consideration.

Again, thanks for writing. Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable J. Glenn Beall, Jr.
Chairman
The BGS&G Companies
Post Office Box 1626
Cumberland, MD 21501-1626

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB
Katja Bullock (fyi)

March 9, 1988

Dear Fred:

Thanks for your February 29 letter recommending Ed Birdwell for appointment to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

I appreciate having your assessment of Mr. Birdwell's credentials, and I have passed along your correspondence to the Office of Presidential Personnel for their review. You can be sure he'll receive every consideration for this important post.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Fred R. Lawson
President &
Chief Executive Officer
Bank of East Tennessee
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Knoxville, TN 37901-5993

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cc: ~~Lorraine Camarano~~, 61 OEOB
Katja Bullock (fyi)
Dan Crippen (fyi)

March 8, 1988

Dear Frank:

Thanks for your letter recommending Don Marron for the National Economic Commission. As you are undoubtedly aware, the President announced his nominees, Cap Weinberger and Drew Lewis, on February 19. I wanted you to know, however, that we placed Don's name on the list the President reviewed before making his choice. In the end, he concluded that Cap and Drew were best suited to match the Democratic members and advocate his policies.

As you recommended, we did coordinate closely with Bob Dole and Bob Michel in making and announcing our selections. You might also be interested in the basic ground-rules we have tentatively negotiated: 1) co-chairmen, at least until after the election; 2) no public hearings until after the election; and 3) no interim reports. It is my hope that these arrangements will help mitigate against the Commission's getting involved in generating election issues.

Thank you again for your recommendation.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr.
Chairman
Republican National Committee
Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican Center
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

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March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Martin:

In response to your telephone call of March 1, I am enclosing the five envelopes which we inadvertently omitted when we mailed you the signed Dirksen envelope.

As I explained to you, because of the many requests we receive, the President is unable to personally autograph items sent to the White House. I hope you will understand the need for this policy.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Roderick Martin
Houghton Lake Community Schools
Houghton Lake, MI 48629

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter. He appreciates hearing from you and hopes that you and your students will have a rewarding trip to our Nation's Capital.

I am sorry that this must be a disappointing response to your request, but the heavy demands of the Chief of Staff's schedule will not permit him to meet with your group. However, he has asked me to send you and your students his warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Brian C. Robinson
Charlotte Latin School
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Charlotte, NC 28207-0143

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March 8, 1988

Dear Mike:

Many thanks for your kind invitation to deliver an address in July to the annual assembly of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. I am honored by your thoughtfulness.

As much as I would like to be with you, the demands of my schedule prevent me from attending. However, you have my good wishes for a productive meeting.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Michael F. Adams
Vice President for
University Affairs
Pepperdine University
Malibu, CA 90265

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March 8, 1988

Dear Mrs. Reeves:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for endorsing Mr. Steele's invitation to the Chief of Staff to address one of the monthly meetings of the Space Coast Tiger Bay Club.

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated, but I have notified Mr. Steele that, due to the heavy demands of the Senator's schedule, it will not be possible for him to accept.

Senator Baker was pleased to hear from you and sends you his warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mrs. Cyndy Montgomery Reeves
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Melbourne, FL 32936-2286

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Beals:

Thank you for your recent letter asking me to meet with the National League of Cities' Executive Board during your upcoming Congressional-City Conference. Unfortunately, my schedule is such that I simply will be unable to meet with your Board.

I do understand, however, that all of you will have a breakfast meeting here at the White House with Gwen King, Cristy Bach and other members of the Intergovernmental Affairs staff. I know that these very capable emissaries of the President are well prepared to discuss with you the issues of concern to municipalities.

I regret being unable to meet with your Board, but rest assured that both President Reagan and I are kept apprised of the issues of interest to State and local officials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Alan Beals
Executive Director
National League of Cities
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Charlie:

Thanks for sending along the telex from Angelo Calmon de Sa. I've closely followed the developments in Brazil and agree that we and Brazil have an opportunity to advance our interests. The recently negotiated debt restructuring and \$6.4 billion in new capital represent reassuring steps and prove that Mr. Calmon de Sa's observations are on the mark. I hope that we can resolve the few remaining issues between us and lend support to the new promise in Brazil.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Charles Z. Wick
Director
United States Information Agency
Washington, D.C. 20547

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOP

March 8, 1988

Dear Steve:

Thank you for your letter of February 23 regarding Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL).

I appreciate the gravity of your concerns about the currency exchange losses that RFE/RL is experiencing. I trust that the Congress will act responsibly concerning this need soon after receiving the President's proposed language changes removing the current restrictions on your 1988 appropriation.

I believe that Jim Miller is responding in more detail to a similar letter on this subject. Suffice it to say we are all interested in keeping the radios on the air, and will work very hard to see that the Congress understands the issue and takes timely action on the President's proposals on this matter.

Again, thanks for your letter and your support for the President's budget.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Malcolm S. Forbes, Jr.
Chairman
Board for International Broadcasting
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1201 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Shor:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter.

Although your interest in requesting a letter of recommendation for your son is appreciated, the Chief of Staff is unable to comply with such requests. I hope you will understand.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Robert E. Shor
The Benefits Group, Inc.
One Century Park Plaza
Suite 850
2029 Century Park East
Los Angeles, CA 90067

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Reverend George:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker and for your kind words.

Your inquiry is appreciated. Due to the great number of similar appeals he receives, however, it is not possible for him to participate in your souvenir book program. I hope you will understand.

With Senator Baker's best wishes to you and the members of your church for a very successful anniversary celebration,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

The Reverend R. C. George
Parrish Temple C.M.E. Church
800 North Union Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63108

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 611 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Logan:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter.

The Chief of Staff appreciates your thinking of him, but he is unable to comply with your request for a commissioned painting. Nevertheless, he sends you his best wishes for a successful exhibit.

- Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Gordon Logan
Art of Infinite Variety
Third Floor Candy Factory
1010 Laurel Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37902

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Jim:

Thanks for your February 24 letter recommending Dr. Lee Everett Monroe, Jr. for appointment to the National Advisory Board of the National Cancer Institute.

It was especially good to hear from you and to have the benefit of your informed judgment about Dr. Monroe's credentials. I have passed along your correspondence to Bob Tuttle, Director of Presidential Personnel, for his review. You can be sure Dr. Monroe will receive every consideration for this important post.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable James G. Martin
Governor of North Carolina
Raleigh, NC 27611

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: Katja Bullock (FYI)

March 8, 1988

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your note on behalf of Bill Diamond to be the GSA Administrator. Bill and others will be talking to Bob Tuttle this week. The fact that you have written personally on his behalf is significant. I promise you he will receive every consideration.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Vernon A. Walters
The Representative of the
United States of America
to the United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, NY 10017

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Ngo:

I'm happy to add my name to the many individuals who congratulate the International Vietnamese Mutual Assistance Foundation and the Vietnamese and American Friendship Foundation of the U.S.A. on the publication of the Album of Vietnamese Achievements.

This album will undoubtedly document the rich culture and vitality of the Vietnamese-American community which is now so intricately woven into the fabric of American society. The great strength of your community is bolstered by the remarkable efforts many of its members have made to overcome great obstacles and risks and to build new lives of freedom and opportunity. The values of freedom, family, work and patriotism have always meant a great deal to the Vietnamese people, and now those qualities are adding new luster to the global heritage of hope that is reflected in the United States.

I salute all those who participated in this project and the entire Vietnamese-American community to which it pays tribute. You have my congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Ky Ngo
President
International Vietnamese Mutual
Assistance Foundation
10381 Orangewood Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92640

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Stan:

Thank you for your letter of February 25 recommending Timothy J. Reardon III to be the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia.

I have forwarded your correspondence and Mr. Reardon's resume to the appropriate White House staff for their review. You can be sure that he will be given every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Stanford E. Parris
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr. FYI
cc: Alan Kranowitz w/copy of incoming FYI

March 8, 1988

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send my congratulations to you on Olean Child Day Care Centers' 15th anniversary and to extend my greetings to your staff and the many parents and youngsters you have served over the years and continue to serve today. —

Hearing of hardworking individuals and successful efforts like your reaffirms my belief that America's greatness comes from people who set high goals and strive wholeheartedly to achieve them. I'm certain that the families in your community are thankful for your existence and continued fine work.

You have my best wishes for a very happy celebration. God bless you.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Olean Child Day Care Centers, Inc.
212 Laurens Street
Olean, NY 14760

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
SEND TO: Mrs. Elizabeth P. Afton
Program Coordinator
212 Laurens Street

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Kerbajian:

Thank you for your recent letter and your kind words of support. I too enjoyed meeting you on February 12.

I'm sure you've gained some valuable insights from your produce-farming operation in Mexico, and I trust your experiences have proved helpful to the Commission on the Californias.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness in writing. With appreciation and best wishes for continued success,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Myron Kerbajian
President
Global Western Shippers, Inc.
80-775 Highway 111
Indio, CA 92201

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

March 8, 1988

Dear Mr. McLean:

Thank you for sending me the brass shoehorn. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and kind words of friendship. I must say I admire anyone who votes his convictions. A fellow I admire, Davy Crockett, said it best: "Be sure you're right; then go ahead." Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Arthur W. McLean
Tusculum
405 Tusculum Boulevard
Greenville, TN 37743

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB
NOTE: Brass shoehorn sent to Gift Unit

March 9, 1988

Dear Senator Lausche:

Thank you for your February 20 letter requesting an autographed photo of President Reagan for John Lokar. I am pleased to tell you that the inscribed photograph is in the mail.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Frank J. Lausche
6916 Marbury Road
Bethesda, MD 20817

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NOTE: inscribed photograph of Ronald Reagan: "To John Lokar with best wishes, Ronald Reagan" mailed under separate cover

March 9, 1988

Dear John:

It was good to see you in Chicago. I appreciate your interest in my delivering the Commencement Address at Delaware County Community College on May 26. After examining my schedule for May, I find that it just won't be possible for me to accept.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John S. Bogosian
President
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Broomall, PA 19008

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB
~~Lura Nell Mitchell~~

March 9, 1988

Dear Frank:

Thank you and your colleagues for your letter recommending William Diamond for appointment as Administrator of the General Services Administration.

I appreciate hearing from you and having the benefit of your informed judgment on this important position. Your strong endorsement has been forwarded to the Office of Presidential Personnel for their review. Please be assured that Mr. Diamond will receive every consideration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Frank Horton
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB
Katja Bullock (fyi)
Alan Kranowitz (fyi)

March 9, 1988

Dear Guy:

Thanks for your February 17 letter endorsing the Muskegon County Friends of the GOP's invitation to address their annual fundraising dinner in May.

I appreciate their special kindness, but I have already informed Mr. Robert Cutler that the heavy demands of my schedule will not permit me to participate in out-of-Washington events. Nevertheless, they have my best wishes for a successful event.

It was good to hear from you. Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Guy Vander Jagt
United States Representative
Post Office Box 463
Muskegon, MI 49443

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