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January 7, 1982

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With best wishes,

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William P. Clark Deputy Secretary

The Honorable
Don Ritter,
House of Representatives.

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Deputy Secretary of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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The Honorable
Ed Derwinski,
House of Representatives.

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The Honorable

Bill Chappell, Jr.,

House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
John Leboutillier,
House of Representatives.

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The Honorable Tom Lantos, House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
Millicent Fenwick,
House of Representatives.

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The Honorable Joel Pritchard, House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
Mickey Edwards,
House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
Tom Petri,
House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
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House of Representatives.

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The Honorable
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House of Representatives.

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William P. Clark Deputy Secretary

The Honorable
Bobbi Fiedler,
House of Representatives.

Deputy Secretary of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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The Honorable
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House of Representatives.

Deputy Secretary of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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William P. Clark Deputy Secretary

The Honorable
Larry Winn,
House of Representatives.

Deputy Secretary of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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The Honorable
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Deputy Secretary of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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The Honorable
Don Pease,
House of Representatives.

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L. Paul Bremer, IN Executive Secretary

Dear Don:

The President has asked me to acknowledge and thank you for the November 3 letter which you cosigned with several of your colleagues to express concern regarding the current situation in Afghanistan. In your letter, which we received on November 13, you urged the President to assist the Afghan freedom fighters and to help find a way to effect the Soviet withdrawal and the return of sovereignty back to the people of Afghanistan.

Please be assured that the President shares your serious concern and appreciates your active interest in addressing this important issue. I have taken the liberty of sharing a copy of your letter with the President's foreign policy advisors to ensure that thorough consideration be given to the points which you and your colleagues have raised.

Again, many thanks for bringing your thoughts and suggestions to the President's attention.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President

The Honorable Don Ritter House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

As members of the U.S. Congress-European Parliament Action Group on Afghanistan and as other interested House members, we would like to focus your attention to the ongoing conflict in Afghanistan. The Soviet occupation of that South Central Asian country will soon enter its second year. While the Afghan Freedom Fighters have fought well and displayed unparalleled courage in the face of superior forces and material, their situation is precarious. With winter coming on and with supplies of food, medicine, and weapons in short supply, the Afghan Freedom Fighters' situation looks grim. Soviet armor, Soviet helicopter gunships and Soviet aircraft are there for the long haul and have no reservations about genocide or adding to the already swollen refugee population.

Mr. President, we need not remind you of the strategic importance of Afghanistan as the Soviet gateway to the Persian Gulf. A Soviet controlled Afghanistan would place American strategic and energy interests in jeopardy. For centuries both the Tsars and Commissars have desired a warm water port for their fleets. A Soviet thrust through the unstable Pakistan Province of Baluchistan would give them the deep water port of Gwadar, a port on the Persian Gulf and in close proximity to the straits of Hormuz. The fate of Afghanistan, and the war that is being fought there, is very important to our energy and defense interests and needs to be addressed now.

In the past few months, several members of our "Action Group" have had the opportunity of meeting with Afghan Freedom Fighters visiting the United States. Most recently, several of us met with Isaq Gailani the military commander of the Paktia Province of Afghanistan. This group is one of the six groups operating out of Peshawar, Pakistan. Mr. Gailani said that his situation is desperate and without food, medicine, and weapons, his men

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will not be able to carry the war on during the winter. This same message is echoed by the other Afghan leaders who have visited Washington. They are defending their homeland almost entirely with weapons either captured from the Soviets or weapons that are so old they often misfire.

Mr. President, the Afghan Freedom Fighters need our help. They need guns, food, and medicine. Their needs are miniscule compared to just one day's defense spending. Supported by virtually the entire population, they are conducting a real war of national liberation against the world's foremost oppressor. Right now, their valiant efforts are the only thing that separates an established Soviet presence in South Central Asia and our oil lifelines on the Persian Gulf and Straits of Hormuz. We urge you, as a leader of the free world, to assist these peoples in their fight against Soviet imposed communism and that you continue to use your good office to find a way to effect the Soviet withdrawl and the return of sovereignity back to the people of Afghanistan. We ask you this as legislators concerned about America's vital interest in this region and for the freedomloving people of Afghanistan.

With best wishes, we are

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MEMORANDUM FOR RONALD K. PETERSON

FROM:

ALLEN J. LENZ

SUBJECT:

State Proposed Report on

H.Con.Res. 157 Relating

to Afghanistan

The NSC staff concurs with the Department of State and the Office of Management and Budget that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of the report on House Concurrent Resolution 157.

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MEMORANDUM

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November 10, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR ALLEN J. LENZ,

FROM:

GEOFFREY KEMP

SUBJECT:

State Proposed Report on H.Con.Res. 15 Relating

to Afghanistan

The memorandum for your signature to Ronald Peterson at Tab I relays NSC staff concurs with the Department of State and the Office of Management and Budget that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of the report on House Concurrent Resolution 157.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I to Ronald Peterson.

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Tab I Memorandum to Ronald Peterson



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503 October 23, 1981

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LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Legislative Liaison Officer
National Security Council

SUBJECT:

STATE proposed report on H.Con.Res. 157, relating to Afghanistan.

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than Tuesday, November 17, 1981.

Questions should be referred to Tracey Lawler (395-4710), the legislative analyst in this office, or to Bruce Sasser (395-4580).

RONALD K. PETERSON FOR Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to your letter to the Secretary asking for the comments of the Department of State on H. Con. Res. 157. That resolution expresses the sense of the Congress that the Executive Branch will recognize the traditional commitment of the United States to the right of all peoples to independence and autonomy as it applies to the situation in Afghanistan.

As you know, this Administration believes it imperative that the Soviets withdraw from their illegal occupation of Afghanistan. We are doing what we can to convince the Soviets of the necessity for serious negotiations. Our exchanges with them, both public and private, has stressed the US desire to arrive at an acceptable political solution involving troop withdrawal.

It is important that the United States and the world not forget, the Afghan people's struggle to regain their independence. To that end, the Department of State supports any effort by the Congress to keep the spotlight focused on illegal Soviet actions and the need for prompt Soviet troop withdrawal from Afghanistan. We support H. Con. Res. 157 as well as H. Con. Res. 158, which expresses support for the European Economic Community's efforts to convene an international conference on Afghanistan, although regrettably the Soviets have to date rejected this positive effort to reach a negotiated solution to the conflict.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

Richard Fairbanks
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Clement J. Zablocki, Chairman,
Committee on Foreign Affairs,
House of Representatives.

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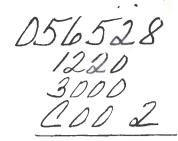
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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON



May 6, 1982

Dear Mr. Shansab:

Thank you for your very thoughtful letter about Afghanistan containing your suggestions about ways to make the Afghan resistance movement more effective.

We in this country have great admiration and respect for the courageous struggle of the Afghan people against the Soviet occupation army. The President has often voiced our deep concern and sympathy for the Afghan people.

This Administration believes that there are many other ways we and other concerned nations can support the Afghan people in their struggle to regain their freedom. Primary among them is our continued effort to keep public and private pressure on the Soviets to negotiate a genuine political solution in Afghanistan involving the early withdrawal of all Soviet forces. The recent observance of Afghanistan Day in this country and throughout the world is one example.

It is good to learn that you have met with Mr. Geoffrey Kemp and Mr. Raymond Tanter on my staff to discuss your ideas. They would be pleased to meet with you again at a time convenient to both of you.

I have referred your letter to Ambassador David Schneider, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East and South Asia, who has primary responsibility for Afghanistan affairs. I understand you have already had an opportunity to discuss your ideas with him, but if you have any additional thoughts, you may wish to be in touch with him again.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

William P. Clark

Mr. Nasir Shansab 2803 Whirlaway Circle Herndon, Virginia 22071

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2803 Whirlaway Circle

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you may wish to be in touch with him again. As you know,
Mrs. Ernestine Heck, the Country Officer for Afghanistan,
is available to handle any questions or set up further
appointments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

William P. Clark

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April 23, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

RAYMOND TANTER CT

SUBJECT:

Response to Shansab request to discuss

Afghan Crisis

The letter for your signature to Mr. Shansab (Tab I) is in response to his letter to you on the Afghan problem.

Recommendation

That you sign the letter to Shansab at Tab I.

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Tab I - Letter to Shansab

A - Incoming correspondence from Shansab

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27 van 1982 566 2803 Whirlaway Circle Herndon, Virginia 22071 Home: 620-9258 Office: 337-1112 January 26, 1982 Judge William P. Clark Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500 Dear Judge Clark: Early in October, 1981, I had the pleasure of meeting with Mr. Raymond Tanter and discussing with him the Afghan crisis. Subsequently, I wrote to Mr. Richard Allen seeking his support and briefly outlining plans by which an organizational framework might be established to professionalize the Afghan resistance and to enable urgently needed help to reach the Freedom Fighters inside Afghanistan. At the close of last year, encouraged by President Reagon's strong affirmation of his and his administration's commitment to the cause of worldwide freedom in his Christmas address to the nation, I wrote to Admiral Nance explaining in short my understanding of the geopolitical repercussions in the region in the event of the Soviet Union's successful subjugation and communization of the Afghan nation. Judge Clark, I am addressing myself to you because, as a citizen of Afghanistan, I am pained by the tragedy that has befallen the Afghan nation, and also because I am convinced that our resistance to Soviet occupation clearly converges with the United States' efforts to contain Soviet aggression and to convince the Soviet leadership to respect the inherent rights of peoples and the sovereignty of other nations. In a world marred by an ever present and increasing Soviet threat to global peace, Afghanistan today stands alone as the one country actively resisting communization and fighting Soviet occupation forces. And the Afghan resistance is neither limited to one segment of the population nor to one region of the country. The whole land is embroiled in this conflict. whole nation has risen in a determined struggle for freedom and national integrity.

Left alone to itself, the Afghan nation may eventually be subsumed within the Soviet camp. Neglect and inaction would eventually result in the subjugation and communization of Afghanistan - adversely affecting the regional balance of power and causing irreversible damage to the Free World's interests in the region. The successful establishment of a firmly based communist regime in Afghanistan would bring the superior conventional armies of the Soviet Union closer to the region's vital oilfields and sea lanes - putting unbearable pressure on the region's already vulnerable, and fragile political systems. The country could be turned into a vast guerrilla camp providing sanctuary and training facilities for terrorists of other area nationalities and exporting instability and chaos to other areas of the region. In such an event, the defense of the Free World's interests in this region would become difficult and costly - if not impossible.

Today many options are open to resist subjugation and further spread of Soviet control in the region. Tomorrow such options may prove marginal and ineffective given the imbalance in conventional forces among the two blocs, the Free World's future response to likely crisis and potential aggression (direct or indirect through surrogate regional forces) could possibly only amount to political rhetoric incapable of translating into serious and effective action.

I am convinced that objective conditions exist for the liberation of Afghanistan from Soviet occupation forces and the communist regime buttressed and kept alive by such troops. To realize the plan outlined in my letter to Mr. Allen, we need and request the support of the Free World, and especially that of the United States. I sincerely hope that the United States will take the lead in becoming active in this regard. It is to our mutual advantage - to the advantage of Afghanistan and the Free World.

Dear Judge Clark, it would be of great encouragement to us to follow up the discussions already enjoyed with Mr. Tanter with yourself or anyone from your office at a time convenient to you.

Sincerely yours,

Nasir Shansab

TO

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FROM SHANSAB, NASIR

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Dear Senator Laxalt:

Many thanks for your letter of December 9 forwarding a copy of Nasir Shansab's letter to Dick Allen on the Afghani problem.

I have asked the NSC staff to confer with State and prepare a memo for me on what steps we can take to further help this noble cause.

I will keep you posted. If your staff wishes to pursue this matter, they should contact Geoffrey Kemp, our Senior Staff Member for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, at 395-3491.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

James W. Nance

Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Honorable Paul Laxalt United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

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January 4, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES W. NANCE

FROM:

GEOFFREY KEMP

SUBJECT:

Response to Paul Laxalt

The letter for your signature to Senator Laxalt at Tab I is in response to his letter at Tab II which forwards a copy of Nasir Shansab's letter to Dick Allen on the Afghani problem.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter to Senator Laxalt at Tab I.

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Tab I - Letter to Senator Laxalt

Tab II - Incoming from Senator Laxalt

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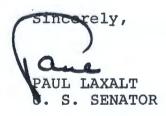
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Dear Bud:

Enclosed is a copy of the October 23rd letter to Dick Allen relating to the Afghan situation. Al Ryskind brought it in indicating his strong support, which I share.

Will you kindly pursue this in Dick's absence? I think it is greatly worthwhile.



P. S. This is the matter I referred to today in the White House.

Mr. James W. Nance
Deputy Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

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Enclosure

Copy to: Mr. Al Ryskind

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October 23, 1981

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Mr. Richard Allen Assistant to the President for national security Old Executive Office Building Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Mr. Allen:

Recently, I had the pleasure of meeting with Mr. Raymond Tanter, a Senior Staff member of the National Security Council, and discussing with him the Afghan problem. Mr. Tanter recommended that I write you personally (a) proposing a plan of action and (b) suggesting the names of a number of individuals who would be willing to participate in realizing that plan.

In a world marred by an ever present and increasing Soviet threat to global peace. Afghanistan today stands alone as the one country actively resisting communization and fighting Soviet occupation forces. Afghanistan's resistance is neither limited to one segment of the population nor to one region of the country. The whole land is embroiled in this conflict -- a tragically uneven duel -- and the whole nation has risen in a lonely but determined struggle for the liberation of their country and the survival of their traditional values.

It is indeed tragic that the Free World has been markedly hesitant in aiding the Afghan cause. The Free World must face the reality of the situation and the consequences of their inaction. The stakes involved are indeed high. Without outside aid and assistance, Afghanistan may eventually be subsumed within the Soviet camp. In years to come, this brave nation -- once it is pacified, subjugated and its youth brainwashed -- may provide a formidable force not only to be used to reinforce local communist elements in the area but also to export instability to the already vulnerable, and fragile political systems in the region. To date, at least one training camp for Pakistani guerrillas has been organized within Afghanistan.

Admittedly we, the Afghans, may have done a poor job communicating our cause and convincing the international public and concerned governments. The freedom fighters within Afghanistan have undoubtedly shown remarkable courage, endurance, and ingenuity in the face of a formidable foe. However, the greater part of the resistance movements based outside of Afghanistan has frustrated the hopes of the overwhelming majority of Afghans (both inside and outside the country) with their seemingly endless bickering, their narrow ideological approach, and reportedly self-serving management of the financial aid extended the Afghan cause.

For some time, a majority of exiled, Afghan citizens have become convinced that a new approach is necessary in their attempt to solve the Afghan crisis. They strongly believe that objective conditions exist for the liberation of Afghanistan from Soviet occupation forces and the communist regime buttressed and kept alive by such troops. They are equally convinced that Afghanistan needs the open support -- military, political and humanitarian -- of the Free World to achieve this end.

In my mind the following elements have to be present in the endeavor to successfully terminate the Afghan crisis:

- 1. The Afghan community outside Afghanistan, or at least a broad segment of it, has to form a unified and credible organization to provide the physical infrastructure for aiding and attempting to coordinate the operations of the presently scattered and independently operating freedom fighters inside Afghanistan.
- Such an organization formed by Afghans should take into consideration the geopolitical realities that a freed Afghanistan should accept as long as the country's independence, territorial integrity, national sovereignty, and non-aligned status are not affected.

With a view to bringing about a political solution to the crisis, the organization should be prepared to participate in private and/or internationally organized negotiations with Soviet authorities and other concerned, affected parties whenever such opportunities present themselves.

In no way would the aim be to predetermine a future Afghan regime but rather to prepare the groundwork for an orderly and peaceful transfer of responsibilities, and to enable the Afghan nation to freely decide the future form of its government.

3. As it seems that continuous and successful battlefield operations are necessary to persuade the Soviet leadership to seek a political solution to the crisis, and only higher levels of fighting and rising costs to the Soviet Union could break the Soviet leadership's resistance to an equitable and attainable political solution, the - Free World should materially and politically support such an endeavor and agree to supply more effective arms and other materials and services in sufficient quantities to help the freedom fighters inside the country.

As I noted with Mr. Tanter, I have proposed to a number of my countrymen the formation of such an organization that would attempt to unify the fractious Afghan groups, to coordinate the activities of the resistance movement inside and outside the country, to avoid waste and personal profiteering by introducing open accounting, and to form a political forum

which, in due time, could engage in negotiations toward a political solution. This entity would invite international donors, private or governmental, to participate as a controlling organ in the form of a Board of Trustees in the financial aspect of the organization.

In my discussions with a large number of Afghans presently residing in Pakistan, Western Europe, and in the United States, I have found support and strong expressions of commitment for such an endeavor. The list of names attached herewith is but a small fraction of those who would be willing to join in the endeavor. Pursuant to my initial discussion with Mr. Tanter, I personally contacted those individuals listed here and each approved the inclusion of his or her name on the list. These individuals represent a cross section of Afghan society with close ties with the freedom fighters inside Afghanistan as well as with Afghans living outside. They would form the nucleus to start the organization which once activated could rapidly encompass a large segment of Afghan personalities and organizations ensuring the realization of a more effective and hopefully successful resistance to the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

To realize such a plan, we need and request the support of the Free World, and especially that of the United States. We do not possess all the means necessary to initiate and sustain such an endeavor. We feel that a strong U.S. initiative, commitment and support in this regard will help ensure aid from other friendly countries. Without such a commitment by the U.S., other potentially willing governments could hardly be expected to follow suit in extending aid to the Afghan cause.

I strongly believe that the success of our resistance concurs with the interests of the United States and the Free World. I believe it only natural that the United States government join hands with the Afghan people in their just struggle for freedom.

I hope that the Free World will not stand on the sidelines, and ignore the Afghan crisis. The Afghan tragedy may very well affect the destiny of the Free World. I hope that the United States will take the initiative in doing something positive in this regard. It is to our mutual advantage -- to the advantage of Afghanistan and the Free World.

Dear Mr. Allen, I am always ready to further discuss this matter with you or any person you might suggest, and I hope that you will find it feasible and possible to cooperate with us.

Sincerely yours,

Nasir Shansab

Suggested Practical Steps

In our opinion in order to attract the support of a good majority of the Afghan elite outside Afghanistan and those fighting inside an endeavor with tangible results should be undertaken. Among others, such an endeavor should include the following:

- a. Establishment of hospitals and medical teams both inside and outside Afghanistan which will not only assist the 2 million refugees but help alleviate the burden now carried by Pakistan. This project while attracting a large number of Afghan medical personnel, will also serve as administrative centers for our broader operation.
- b. Establishment of a number of schools for the freedom fighters' children which also will draw educated Afghans from within and outside Afghanistan and, consequently, will reinforce the unifying trend of the movement.
- c. Provision of a number of portable broadcasting stations for various strongholds of the freedom fighters.
- d. Supply the freedom fighters with field communication equipment.
- e. Training of young Afghans in the tactics of modern guerrilla warfare.
- f. Supply effective weapons for the war of liberation.

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