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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 4, 1981

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11/4/81 Presidential letter to Willy Brandt attached

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His Excellency
Sir Shridath Ramphal, C.M.G., I.C.
Commonwealth Secretary General
Marlborough House
Pall Mall, London

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MEMORANDUM #5978

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 28, 1981

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT:

Proposed Reply to the Brandt/Ramphal Letter

You received a joint letter from Willy Brandt and Shridath Ramphal, members of the Brandt Commission, on Cancun (Tab C).

Attached are replies to this letter for your signature.

RECOMMENDATION: That you sign the letters to Brandt and Ramphal (Tabs A and B). Your speechwriters have cleared.

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Attachments

Tab A Your letter to Brandt

B Your letter to Ramphal

C Letter from Brandt and Ramphal

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October 27, 1981

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Recommended Response from the President to the Letter from Willy Brandt and Shridath Ramphal about the Cancun Summit

State has forwarded replies (Tabs A and B) from the President to the letter from Willy Brandt and Shridath Ramphal (Tab C) about the Cancun Summit. We modified the letters to reflect the President's development approach and the results of Cancun.

Jim Rentschler concurs.

RECOMMENDATION: That you sign the memo to the President (Tab I) forwarding the letters to Brandt and Ramphal for his signature.

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Attachments

Tab I Memo to the President

A Letter to Brandt from the President

B Letter to Ramphal from the President

C Letter to the President from Brandt and Ramphal



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 12, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Recommended Response from the President to the Letter from Willy Brandt and Shridath Ramphal about the Cancun Summit

Brandt and Ramphal were members of the Independent Commission on International Development Issues (Brandt Commission) whose recommendation led to the Cancun Summit -- although the Summit in fact has a much different form than they intended. Their joint letter to the President is at Attachment 1. A presumably identical letter has been sent to each of twenty-two Summit participants. It urges them (1) to support Global Negotiations in the UN General Assembly (2) to recognize the need for emergency action, (3) to agree to enter negotiations "with a will to succeed," and (4) to preserve the potential of Cancun.

The Department recommends that the President reply by commenting briefly on the elements of the Brandt/Ramphal letter with which we agree and largely ignoring those which cause us difficulty. Draft replies with identifical texts are attached at Attachment 1 and 2.

L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- 1. Draft reply to Willy Brandt
- 2. Draft reply to Shridath Ramphal
- 3. Joint letter from Brandt and Ramphal

INDEPENDENT COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES COMMISSION INDEPENDANTE SUR LES PROBLEMES DE DEVELOPPEMENT INTERNATIONAL

Chairman WILLY BRANDT Président

11 September, 1981

Dear Mr. President,

We write to you in our individual capacities, but also as persons from the North and South respectively who, through the work of the Independent Commission on International Development Issues, believe profoundly that North-South issues demand from our global society a programme of urgent, concerted and sustained action. That experience convinces us also that the convergence of interests of North and South and their fusion with the mandates of moral purpose are real enough to encourage hope for consensus on such a programme.

We feel, therefore, that while the Cancun summit confronts issues of considerable gravity, it can do so without a sense of hopelessness. The very fact of the meeting encourages hope. It is the first occasion in history when the political leadership of so large a part of human society meets to jointly confront the dangers facing mankind. And these dangers are real. The conjuncture of a major world economic recession with both persistent North-South failures and heightened East-West tensions in these early years of the 80s highlights serious deficiencies in our internationalism; deficiencies in the areas of perception, of ideas, of institutions and, not least, of political will. No one is blameless; but all are endangered. The Cancun summit provides a unique opportunity for precisely the kind of political dialogue by which a new start can be inspired.

In the Report of the Commission we tried to convey the situation of crisis threatening our human society: the desperate plight of hundreds of millions of the world's poorest people, the political instability that deteriorating economic conditions are inducing, the way in which the fate of the developed and developing countries is inextricably

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linked, the degree to which East-West tensions and North-South failures are interacting upon and reinforcing each other, the unravelling process that is at work in many areas of international effort, the threat to even those international institutions on which man's hopes have centred in the post-war era. We do not seek to traverse that ground here. Suffice it to recall that the Commission expressed the view that at the beginning of the 80s the world community faces much greater dangers than at any time since the Second World War.

We completed our Report at the end of 1979. Since then those dangers have grown in their magnitude and in their gravity. They now confront all countries and, therefore, all governments. But they come into sharpest focus in the lives of people the world over: in the continuing prospect of starvation, disease and early death that faces those of the poorest countries: in the jolt to sustained prosperity for many in even the richest countries; and in the impairment for all of faith and hope in the future their children will inherit.

It is in this context that we seek to put before you some suggestions on possible goals for Cancun and on the ways by which, as participants, you might together attain them. If they appear to be modest it is because we repose our greatest faith in commencing a genuine advance to consensus through a mutually reinforcing act of political will on the part of the leadership of both North and South; and because we know that without that nothing is attainable.

Against this background, we believe that the following might be among the specific objectives of the Cancun summit, and we commend them to you:

To enable the Global Round of negotiations to commence:

The Special Session of the General Assembly on development issues in August/September 1980 came close to agreement on the framework of the Global Round of negotiations which should have commenced early in 1981. Since then much effort has been devoted to clearing the remaining procedural obstacles. Progress has been made, but agreement remains deferred. The Global Round under the aegis of the United Nations could and should be the process by which North-South issues are negotiated and resolved in terms of the broad objectives already agreed by the international community. If all participants at Cancun were to agree to use their best endeavours to ensure that the Global

Round of negotiations commences early in 1982, a significant step would have been taken towards improving the climate and providing the means for international co-operation for development.

2. To recognise the need for emergency action in critical areas:

The Global Round of negotiations will cover a wide field and could be a protracted process. Meanwhile, the world economy as a whole and many countries - particularly, but not exclusively, in the South - face situations of acute crisis. The resulting emergency requires an immediate and direct response. In the Report of the Commission we outlined an Emergency Programme for the period 1980-85 in certain critical areas, namely:

- (a) a global food programme to stimulate world food production and to begin to abolish world hunger;
- (b) a global energy strategy to accommodate the need for security of both producers and consumers;
- (c) additional financial flows to ensure the stability of national economies strained by persisting balance of payments deficits and mounting debts;
- (d) reforms to achieve broader participation in international financial institutions and more balanced conditions for world trade.

The overall deterioration that has occurred in these areas since our Report appeared confirms the case for prompt and effective action, and the time that has passed underlines the danger of further postponement. We do not imply that ours are the only approaches, but we do urge upon you the need for the international community to come to grips quickly with the grave situation that exists. While the formal negotiations proceed, it would be wholly in keeping with the spirit of the Cancun meeting for the participants to alert the international community to the need for immediate action in these particular areas. We hope, indeed, that you would be ready yourselves to stimulate an examination of the forms that such a response might

take - the identification of a programme of emergency measures needed to rescue the world economy and hundreds of millions of people from the critical dangers now confronting it and them.

To enlarge the prospects for consensus on North-South issues:

Clearly, however, after nearly eight years of an intensive North-South dialogue that yielded only marginal consensus, and in the current economic turmoil and accompanying distress, something more is needed than agreement to resume negotiations. The parties to such negotiations must enter them with a will to succeed. We believe that the prospects of success can be significantly enlarged if the participants at Cancun themselves truly agree on the political and economic importance—indeed, essentiality—to all countries of these negotiations being successfully pursued. Such a commitment would represent a major advance, and one that is of critical importance to all future progress.

In this context, we think it important that leaders at Cancun specifically include in their commitment a pledge that their negotiators will work assiduously for agreement on practical and effective measures in the areas under negotiation - eschewing rigid positions on all sides and promoting a new and constructive dialogue. The most promising advances made at Cancun will only be sustained if the political will that makes them possible is carried over into the negotiating process itself.

We urge as well that it would be of practical importance in enlarging success in North-South negotiations if leaders at Cancun were to agree to take all appropriate steps to strengthen public awareness of North-South issues in their respective countries and, more particularly, to develop a consciousness of the importance to all countries, North and South alike, of a successful outcome to the negotiations. North-South consensus will come more easily if encouraged by the people of all societies; indeed, it will not be possible without their support.

4. To preserve the potential of Cancun:

Particularly in the light of a successful beginning at Cancun we urge on you that, at least during the period of great danger through which the world is now passing, the potential of Cancun for contributing to human progress is not lost. We are convinced that you can help the process of North-South negotiations and that it is in the interest of all countries and peoples that you should. To this end, we hope you will keep open the possibility of meeting again - together, and with such others as may be agreed - to take account of North-South relations as they develop in the light of your commitments at Cancun, and to examine the ways in which you might further contribute to their continuing improvement.

Cancun is in one sense an occasion of last resort in the face of serious failures in the development dialogue. However, it arises not merely out of desperation, but also out of an awareness of the degree to which all parts of our human society depend upon each other and, therefore, need to agree with each other on the essential elements of a tolerable existence for all people. Cancun, in this sense, is not an end but a beginning.

With deep respect,

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Willy Brandt

Shridath Ramphal

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1981

Dear Ivan:

The President has asked me to respond to you letter of July 20 regarding the economic conference to be held in Mexico this fall.

I will keep you advised as this matter develops, particularly with regard to PLO attendance at the conference in any capacity.

Cordially,

Jacob Stein Special Advisor to the White House

Ivan J. Novick, President Zionist Organization of America 4 East 34th Street New York, New York 10016

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July 20, 1981

Office of the President

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500 034031

Dear Mr. President:

We understand that you have agreed to join the leaders of 21 industrialized and developing nations in Mexico this fall, to discuss the economic problems of the third world.

Your decision to attend on the condition that Fidel Castro not be present is to be applauded by all who value freedom and democracy. It is our earnest hope that invitations will also be witheld from the leaders of the PLO.

Knowing the record of the PLO at numerous past international fora, where agenda of consequence to all peoples were distorted and perverted by the PLO in their single-minded attempt to discredit Israel and Zionism, we feel that their participation would be counter-productive. Indeed, it would be an embarrassment to world leaders like yourself, whose concerns are broad, deep and true.

We hope that the United States will do all it can to prevent an invitation to the PLO, even as "observers", just as it did so effectively in terms of the coming joint annual meeting of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

Sincerely yours,

Jan J Morck
Ivan J. Novick
President

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cc: Secretary of State, Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

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NORMAN A. BAILEY 713

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I have been asked by one of my constituents, Mr. Ken Dodson of Centralia, Missouri to forward his letter to you. I would greatly appreciate a response to his concerns.

Congratulations on your tremendous victories on the budget and tax bills. I am extremely proud to have been a part of your effort to restore economic stability. Please call on me at anytime if I can be of assistance.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Wendell Bailey

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REVIEW & OUTLOOK

Cancun Rendezvous

Mark MacGuigan, Canada's external affairs minister, provided us with a bit of interesting news at last weekend's foreign minister's session preparing for the 22-nation North-South summit in Cancun, Mexico, in October. The U.S., said Mr. MacGuigan, has accepted the process of global negotiations.

In order to catch the significance of this-and it is highly significant-you have to understand those code words "global negotiations." What Mr. Mac-Guigan was saying was that the U.S., goaded by Canada and Europe at the Ottawa summit, accepted the principle of a vast and inflationary income transfer from the developed nations to the so-called Third World. Before Mr. MacGuigan's description of what the U.S. agreed to at Ottawa becomes gospel - with potential for embarrassment to President Reagan at Cancun -we urge the President to tell him it isn't so.

Without doubt, there are moles inside the Reagan administration who would like to accommodate the global negotiation enthusiasts. They are responsible for the U.S. agreement at Ottawa to talk about having such talks to determine if they might serve any useful purpose. But whatever private commitments might have been suggested, the public commitment does not preclude the U.S. from talking, briefly, about the talks and then declaring that they are a bad idea.

Because they clearly are a bad idea, or more precisely, an atrocious idea. The countries pushing global negotiations have as their objective the creation of a large reserve of Special Drawing Rights (the IMF's so-called "paper gold") to be dolloped out to "poor" nations. The UN, not the IMF, would do the dolloping.

In other words, the one international organization controlled by the Third World would take over aid to the Third World. After years of trying, the inmates finally would have seized the asylum.

The result would be a new outpouring of paper money that would be inflationary and beyond the control of central banks. This would come at just the time when the U.S. Fed is trying to persuade the capital markets that lenders can safely reduce the inflation premiums they are factoring into interest rates. It would greatly weaken the power of the IMF, an international agency where the U.S. still has significant influence and which can still make loans to troubled countries con-

ditional on their doing something to cure their troubles. It would greatly weaken respect for the Reagan administration in world councils by proving that it can be tipped over and forced to abandon its sound money principles.

Perhaps most important of all, it would not help the "Third World," whatever that is. There is in fact no "Third World." There are 120-odd countries outside the OECD elite, all with different systems and problems. Some, like the Ivory Coast, are doing well. Others, like Tanzania, are bankrupt. The ones that are bankruptwith their people suffering-are bankrupt because of bad economic and political policies. Most have already received large infusions of aid and it has not helped. More aid simply postpones the day when they have to change their bad policies, and hence postpones the day when there will be some promise to their people of an end to the suffering.

The developed countries that are pushing global negotiations are, in effect, asking the U.S. to finance continued world trade with renewed inflation. But the U.S. can go to Cancun with a different idea.

It can clearly reject SDR aid and instead insist on a global order which will continue to make credit available through the IMF but conditional on the adoption of policies that will truly benefit the poor. That means that countries that have destroyed their domestic agriculture with price controls, communes and other forms of state regimentation must free their farmers thce more and allow them to grow food. It means that they must stop using government jobs to featherbed a political elite. It means, in some cases, removing oppressive tax burdens. In short, they must follow development policies that actually work if we are to tax our people to help them finance their development.

That will be considered an affront by some of the people the U.S. must deal with on this issue. But it should be kept in mind that the true interests of the objectors often are personal ones and have nothing to do with the welfare of the population they claim to represent.

It would be much easier for the U.S. delegation to Cancun to be beguiled by the likes of Mr. MacGuigan into going along. But this has been a bold administration in its domestic policies and there is no reason why that boldness should not be carried over to international policies as well.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Mr. Willie Cade President Community Dental Service 9619 Capitans Drive Algonquin, IL 60102

Dear Mr. Cade:

I am replying to your August 21st letter to President Reagan regarding his meeting with other heads of government in Mexico in October.

You will be pleased to know that it is the policy of this Administration to increase the role of private enterprise in the process of economic development throughout the lesser developed world.

Thank you very much for your suggestions.

Sincerely,

Ernest Johnston

Ernest Johnston
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
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FROM:

MR. WILLIE CADE

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August 21, 1981

The Honorable Ronald Reagen President, U.S.A. The White House Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

I respectfully request the opportunity to participate with you in the upcoming North/South talks scheduled for October in Mexico. I offer the following thoughts for your consideration.

I am engaged in a private enterprize that provides services formerly rendered by government at a greatly inflated cost to the "consumer". Our organization provides dental care for 12,000 geriatric patients in the State of Illinois within a significantly cost effective program.

Specifically, our <u>aim</u> is to remove from governmental control the care and maintenance of the poor, elderly and otherwise disadvantaged and place this responsibility in the hands of business. In so doing, we suggest that the very nature of free enterprize will produce the most cost effective service. We have discovered this to be true in our own pursuit and endeavors.

Allowing free enterprize to assume leadership here can provide another, perhaps even more important, plus. As we assist the developing countries of this world build their own, strong free enterprize system—we not only strengthen our own system, but we maintain our integrity as we do that. Attitude does filter from the top, does it not?

I look forward to working with your staff toward this end.

Sincer#ly,

Willie Cade President.CDS

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Dear Ron:

As promised in my letter to you of October 21, I have asked the appropriate policy advisers to review your letter to the President of September 11. In that letter, you had expressed concern whether the State Department had been made fully aware of agricultural trade and development issues in preparation for the Cancun Summit on North-South economic issues. You also asked to be informed as to the role the U.S. Department of Agriculture would play in providing expertise on agricultural issues and if an agricultural representative would be part of the U.S. delegation at the Summit.

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Thank you again for calling your views and concerns to our attention.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Priedersdorf Assistant to the President

The Honorable Ron Marlenee House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250

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Honorable Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President The White House

Dear Mr. Friedersdorf:

In response to your request of October 23, 1981, we are enclosing a draft reply for a letter dated September 11, 1981, from Honorable Ron Marlenee, House of Representatives, concerning preparation for the Cancun Summit on North-South economic issues.

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Sincerely,

Secretary

Enclosure

<u>Draft Reply to September 11, 1981, Letter to Honorable Ron Marlenee to the President</u>

Honorable Ron Marlenee House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

I refer to your letter of September 11, and my acknowledgement by letter of October 21, 1981. You had expressed concerns whether the State Department had been made fully aware of agricultural trade and development issues in preparation for the Cancun Summit on North-South economic issues. Further, you asked to be informed as to the role the U.S. Department of Agriculture would play in providing expertise on agricultural issues and if an agricultural representative would be part of the U.S. delegation at the Summit.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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OCTOBER 23, 1981

TO: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

THE HONORABLE RON MARLENEE U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON DC 20515

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THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WILL TAKE IN PROVIDING THE STATE DEPARTMENT WITH EXPERTISE ON AGRICULTURAL ISSUES AND IF AN AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE PART OF THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE OCTOBER MEETING ON AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD SECURITY

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Dear Ron:

With sincere regret for this delay, I would like to acknowledge and thank you for your letter to the President of September 11 regarding coordination between the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the State Department in the formulation of policy on agricultural trade and development issues.

The concerns you have expressed in this matter are most appreciated, and I have asked the appropriate policy staffs to provide a thorough study of your thoughts and suggestions. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues on the Agricultural Committee in addressing these issues of prime concern for the farmers and ranchers of this Nation.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf Assistant to the President

The Honorable Ron Marlenee House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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September 11, 1981

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

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With the conclusion of the North-South summit earlier this summer, a framework for discussion was agreed to for a later meeting in October of this year. The discussion framework is to include agricultural development and food security.

It is my concern that the State Department may not at this time be fully aware of the agricultural trade and development issues that are of prime concern to the farmers and ranchers of this nation. This is especially true in light of the current debate on the 1981 Farm Bill and the recent butter sale to New Zealand. I respectfully request that I be informed as to the role the U.S. Department of Agriculture will take in providing the State Department with expertise on agricultural issues, and if an agricultural representative will be part of the U.S. delegation.

Farmers and ranchers have become concernd about the Department of State making foreign policy decisions without fully comprehending the repercussions on domestic agricultural production. I would hope you will set these fears to rest and encourage you to do so.

Sincerely,

Ron Marlenee MC

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September 23, 1981

Dear Tom:

Thank you for calling my attention to the subject of a new bridge between Ojinaga, Mexico and Presidio, Texas.

I have alerted Dick Allen and the State Department about the possibility of the subject being discussed in Cancun.

In addition, we have asked Lee Verstandig, Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs at the Department of Transportation, to coordinate the efforts of the Federal Highway Administration and the State of Texas with your office.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Max L. Friedersdorf

Assistant to the President

The Honorable Tom Loeffler
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

September 23, 1981

TO:

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

THRU:

KEN DUBERSTEIN

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY

Attached is a letter to Congressman Tom Loeffler for your signature. This is regarding the probability that President Lopez Portillo will bring up the bridge between Ojinaga, Mexico and Presisio, Texas.

Also attached are the support Memos on the subject.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

September 23, 1981

TO:

LEE VERSTANDIG, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

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We have alerted Dick Allen and Dick Fairbanks at State of the potential interest in this project, which has a history of bureaucratic bungling for 16 years.

Tom Loeffler has written Governor Clements and Ray Barnhart, Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, because of the probable need for federal dollars.

THE WHITE HOUSE

September 23, 1981

TO:

RICHARD FAIRBANKS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FROM:

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TOM LOEFFLER 21ST DISTRICT, TEXAS

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The Honorable Max Friedersdorf Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Max:

When the President visits with President Lopez Portillo in Cancun in October, it is highly probable that the subject of a new bridge between Ojinaga, Mexico and Presidio, Texas, will be raised.

Dick White, who presently represents Presidio, has already discussed the matter with B. Since I represent Presidio after redistricting is finalized, I have told Dick that I stand ready to help in any way that I can. If you or B need more information (prior to Cancun) -- just holler at me or Alan.

All the best.

Cordially,

Tom Loeffler

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