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United States Department of State

The Chief of Protocol Washington, D.C. 20520

November 14, 1984

MEMORANDUM

TO

Heads of All Employing Agencies as Defined in Section F6

515 of Public Law 95-105

Selwa Roosevelt FROM

Submissions to Department of State of Listing of Foreign SUBJECT:

Gifts of More than Minimal Value Reported to Employing

Agencies In Calendar Year 1984

Federal agencies are reminded of the requirement of Section 515 of Public Law 95-105, 91 Stat. 862, the amended statute governing the receipt and disposition of gifts and decorations tendered by foreign governments to Federal employees, their spouses, or dependents, that each employing agency or its delegate must, not later than January 31 of each year, transmit to the Secretary of State a compilation listing all statements filed during the preceding year by employees of that agency concerning gifts valued at more than minimal value (see below) which they received from foreign governments.

Attention is called to the REDEFINITION OF MINIMAL VALUE which reflects changes in the consumer price index for the preceding 3-year period, in accordance with current law. As of March 28, 1984, minimal value has been raised from \$140 to \$165 at retail in the United States. The amendment reflecting the change in the regulations is found in the Federal Register of March 28, 1984, page 11838. Thus, minimal value for 1984 is defined as follows: \$140 or less from January 1, 1984 to March 27, 1984; and \$165 or less from March 28, 1984 to December 31, 1984.

Compilations are to include, in addition to tangible gifts of prescribed value, all foreign government gifts of travel or travel expenses for travel taking place entirely outside the United States and valued at more than \$140 (\$165 as of March 28, 1984), the acceptance of which has NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED in accordance with specific instructions of the recipients' employing agency.

The purpose of requiring these submissions is to enable the Secretary of State to discharge his responsibility under the law for the annual publication of a comprehensive listing of all such statements in the Federal Register. Gifts of "minimal value" are currently defined as having a retail value in the United States at the time of acceptance of \$165 or less. Decorations received from foreign governments are excluded from this reporting requirement.

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Each agency should prepare its compilations for 1984 on the enclosed report sheets, one for tangible gifts and one for travel or expenses of travel. ELITE TYPE SHOULD BE USED. If additional sheets are needed, the enclosed report forms may be reproduced. Reports should be addressed to the Secretary of State, Attention: Office of Protocol. A sample report is attached, along with guidelines for the report. In submitting the report, please PROVIDE THE NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO PREPARED THE REPORT OR WHO MAY BE CONTACTED, IF NECESSARY, CONCERNING ITS CONTENTS.

Agencies whose responses have not been received by January 31, 1985 will be presumed to have had no statements filed with them during 1984 concerning foreign gifts to their employees which were subject to the statutory reporting requirement.

Inquiries regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Office of Protocol, Mr. Richard Massey - Telephone: 632-4004.

Enclosures:

Report sheets.

Sample report with guidelines.

REPORT OF TANGIBLE CIFTS

AGENCY:

Name and Title of Recipient

Est. Value and Current
Disposition or Location

Identity of Foreign Donor and Government Circumstances
Justifying Acceptance

REPORT OF TRAVEL OR EXPENSES OF TRAVEL

AGENCY:

Name and Title of Recipient

Brief Description of Travel or Travel Expenses Occurring Entirely Outside United States

Identity of Foreign Donor and Government Circumstances
Justifying Acceptance

Name and Title of Recipient John Brown Special Agent Office of Security	Cift, Date of Acceptance, Est. Value and Current Disposition or Location Saudi Arabian gold commemorative coin Recd November 14, 1980 Est. Value - \$175	Identity of Foreign Donor and Government Sheik Shareef Saudi Arabia	Circumstances Justifying Acceptance Non-acceptance would h caused embarrassment t donor
William Courteney Office of Protection	One (1) \$100 bill Recd August 29, 1980 Deposited with U.S. Treasury	Sylvia Neptune Wife of President of Sealand	Attempts to decline ac ance were unsuccessful further effort to refu would have caused embarrassment to donor
Christopher Doran Deputy Under Secretary	Hand woven Moroccan "Artisan" rug, approx 56"x56", red background w/small design in center and blue floral border Recd January 1980 Est. Value - \$900 Transferred to Bleig "Jouse of for Official Use	Ambassador Abdullah Morocco	Gift delivered followi departure of donor to his country
Richard Green Director, Office of Cultural Programs	Man's watch, brown suede strap, coral and gold face, Serial TDY 250 Recd April 4, 1980 Est. Value - \$250 Reported to GSA and stored in Office of Administration pending disposition by GSA	Embassy of Bahrain	Non-acceptance would h caused embarrassment t donor and U.S. Governm
Robert Smith Assistant Secretary for Humanitarian Affairs	Engraving of Louvre Museum in black and white, approx. 18" x 22" Recd June 1980 Est. Value - \$300 Approved for official display in office of Donee	Marcel Blanche Mayor of Montagne	To avoid any perceived ingratitude/discourtes resulting through non-acceptance

GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING GIFT REPORTS

These reports are NOT re-typed but published in the Federal Register as submitted by the employing agency. UNIFORMITY IS IMPORTANT.

The following irregularities have been found in previous submissions. Careful attention to format will be appreciated.

- 1. Use report form provided NOT legal size paper.
- 2. Use Prestige ELITE 72, 12 pitch, typing element.
- 3. Do NOT number each entry.
- 4. List recipients ALPHABETICALLY.
- 5. Date of acceptance of a foreign gift is important. Please note sample form: Recd January 1984 NOT "Received January 1984".
- 6. Under Est. Value category, a specific dollar amount is required. "Over \$140" or "Over \$165" (starting March 28, 1984) is NOT ACCEPTABLE.
- 7. Only travel NOT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE EMPLOYING AGENCY AND TAKING PLACE ENTIRELY OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES is required to be reported.
- 8. If no gifts of more than minimal value were reported to the employing agency in calendar year 1984, it is NOT NECESSARY to submit a negative statement to this effect to the Department of State.
- 9. Do NOT submit reports for gifts of minimal value, i.e., \$140 or less from January 1, 1984 to March 27, 1984 and \$165 or less from March 28, 1984 to December 31, 1984.

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Commodore Edgar Martin Skinner, III Box 32241 Washington, D.C. 20007

Dear Ed:

Thank you for your recent letter informing me about the availability of the yacht, "Independence", for use by the President and other senior Administration officials.

Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated, and you may be sure that we will keep your generous offer in mind.

It's good to hear from you, and you have my best personal wishes.

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

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Commodore Edgar Martin Skinner, III

Box 32241 Washington, DC 20007 (202) 362-8297

November 7, 1984

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The Honorable Edwin Meese, III Counsellor to the President The White House

Dear Ed:

First, I send you my heartfelt congratulations for the historic victory. What a victory for America!

Second, I would be totally remiss if I did not inform you of the availability of one of the finest opportunities for private entertaining to be available in Washington in a long, long time, the world-class yacht INDEPENDENCE.

Very proudly, the yacht owners, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Molz, and I wish to extend the availability of this private yacht to the President and his cabinet on a complimentary basis, and to the President's Senior Staff on whatever reasonable basis is deemed appropriate by them at the time.

Under the circumstances, it seems appropriate to point out that neither the owners of the yacht, nor I, seek any favor, appointment or personal recognition in this offer. It is merely a humble expression of support to the President and the outstanding members of the Administration.

Although the owners of the private yacht, INDEPENDENCE, are allowing me to represent their yacht to be available for private charter by private citizens on an honorable business basis, we recognize that it is the largest and finest yacht ever to be so regularly available in our area.

Therefore, it is with a great deal of pride that I convey to you this invitation, despite the controversy that has surrounded the other yacht project in the area, as I am sure John Rogers will attest.

Best wishes to you and the Administration for continued historic success on behalf of our great country.

With continued respect and admiration, I remain,

Sincerely.

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ABOUT OUR SERVICES: Our total service concept provides you with the bareboat yacht plus licensed captain and uniformed crew who are all under your command during your cruise, departing and returning at the times and locations (Washington, Old Town Alexandria, etc.) of your choosing. We will also aid in selecting the catering and live entertainment of your choosing to ensure that you have the outing that is most fitting to your tastes and desires as a master host or hostess.

Rates: (charters are 3-hour minimum, except luncheon cruises)

To determine the total cost of the charter (excluding catering), add operating expenses of \$95 per hour (fuel, captain, crew, port charge, and vessel insurance), required by the Coast Guard to be listed separately.

Commissions to authorized agents are 10% of base hrly. rates.

TOTAL COST OF CHARTERS:	2-hrs.	3-hrs.	4-hrs.	5-hrs.	6-hrs.
Regular rate (effective $1/1/85$)	-	\$2,250	\$3,000	\$3,423	\$3,846
Intro. rate (to 75 guests)*	-	1,725	2,300	2,635	2,970
Intro. rate (20 or less guests)	* _	1,225	1,800	2,135	2,470
Luncheon (20 or less'til 4p.m.)	*\$ 690	-	_	-	_
* Introductory rates for future	e charte	ers if d	leposits	in by 12,	/31/84.

Reservation deposit is 50% of the "Total Cost" of charter (above), subject to inspection and approval of yacht by charterer at least 30 days prior to date requested for charter.

AN EVER POPULAR PREMIUM BRAND OPEN BAR FOR JUST \$3.95 PER PERSON PER HR. will be purchased and stocked on board for this service fee. Sufficient quantities of all items will be guarenteed, provided charterer agrees to leave any remaining quantities on board for subsequent charters.



SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE:

Proud to have built the oldest and largest yacht charter firm in the Washington area, our dream for a truly world-class yacht is now fulfilled with the arrival of the magnificent INDEPENDENCE. We are doubly blessed with owners who have made it their personal objective to see that the yacht is maintained and presented in perfect condition, and offered to our citizens on such a truly reasonable basis with their gracious personal touch.

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Regular rate, 1st 4 hrs., $\frac{1}{2}$ rate thereafter......\$ 655

Introductory rate (charters with deposits in 12/31/84) \$ 480 (deduct an additional \$500 from total if 20 or less guests)

Intro. luncheon rate ('til 4p.m.) if 20 or less guests \$ 250

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TOTAL COST OF CHARTERS: 2-hrs. 3-hrs. 4-hrs. 5-hrs. 6-hrs. Regular rate (effective 1/1/85) -\$2,250 \$3,000 \$3,423 \$3,846 Intro. rate (to 75 guests)*.... -1.725 2.300 2,635 2,970 2,135 Intro. rate (20 or less guests)* -1,225 1,800 2,470 Luncheon (20 or less'til 4p.m.)*\$ 690

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February 5, 1985

Dear Mr. Reyes:

UV - It was most generous of you to want me to have your 1984 Marathon medal. - I am honored by your kindness and the tribute which it conveys. Because, however, of the personal meaning of your medal. I believe that it should remain among your family mementoes. I want to assure you, though, that I am deeply grateful for the special friendship which prompted your gesture. I shall do everything possible to be worthy of your continued support.

Nancy and I were serry to learn of your daughter'shillness and we want you to know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless you.

maria Sincerely, RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Al Reyes Box 435 Londonderry, Vermont 05148

Enclosure: 1984 Marathon medal

RR: JEH: AVH: mds

October 19, 11984

Dear Mr. Freer:

It was most generous of you to want me to have your Navy Achievement Medal from your 1914 Marathan medal. service to our nation. I can think of no more meaningful tribute of your friendship and goodwill am honored by your gesture. Because, however, of the deep personal meaning of your medal, I believe it should remain among your family mementos. I want to assure you, though, that I am deeply grateful for the special friendship conveyed by your which prangled your getture kindness. I shall do everything possible to be worthy of your continued confidence.

Again, with my heartfelt thanks and very best wishes, nany and I were some to learn of your daughter's illness and we wantingene to know that you and your family are in our thoughts and grayers. May sol bless you.

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Mr. Howard Freer Fost Office Box 1030 Coldendate Washington 98620

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Box 435 Sondonderry Ut 05/48 December 21, 1984.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter & wrote to william Schroeder. Humana Hospital Donisville Ky
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What I want to say to you is this you run the country for the benefit
and well being of us people
you assisted Bil Schweder with
his income (Social Schweder With

I ran the my City Marathon : and I dedicate This accomplishment to you. I am proud of my medal I worked hard to earn it - but I want you to have it.

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po that your energies will continue to be expended for us - all the people

yours. al Reyes

P.S. I will ask only one favor
please pray for my daughter

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So here we are Bell - you and I we depend on our surgeons - they are the mes who are giving us a second chance . - also, by working with us they improve their techniques and are able to help others.

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benefit of our experiences.

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The Burlington (Vt.) Free Press, Sunday, November 4, 1984 • • •

Surgery Doesn't Stop Marathoner

By KEVIN IOLE Free Press Sports Writer

The heat was sweltering in New York City last Sunday, enough so that it was a factor in the slowest winning time of the New York City Marathon since 1975.

Al Reyes was not among the leaders. In fact, he was nearly four hours off the pace. But just by crossing the finish line, Reyes may have made a bigger accomplishment then winners Orlando Pizzolato or Grete Waitz did.

The 68-year-old Reyes, a South Burlington resident, completed the 26-mile, 385-yard course in five hours, 58 minutes, just four months after having quadruple bypass sur-

of an artery on the left side of his head. At the time of the surgery, it would have been safer to bet that the Houston Oilers would be in the Super Bowl as opposed to Reyes running in the NYC Marathon in October.

"I didn't think of it in those terms," said Reyes. "I guess I'll just run until I die."

Reyes nearly died in 1973, when he had three heart attacks. He had been running for three years and believes his conditioning saved his ran."

along," he said. "A lot of people athon, but had to cut back to 30

thought my running caused my heart attack. But I took the opposite viewpoint. My exercise program kept me strong.

"I had hardening of the arteries. I think that by exercising, I was in decent enough shape to withstand the heart attacks."

Reyes previously ran the New York City Marathon in 1980, 1982 and 1983. He missed it in 1981 because his house burnt down. He nearly missed it this year because he needs additional surgery.

He must undergo surgery similar to the type he had in June, this time to clear up a blockage on the right side of his head. He had to convince his doctor, Dr. Dennis DeSilvey of Rutland, to postpone the surgery to Doctors had to clear a blockage allow him to compete in the mar-

> "I need more blood going to my head," he said. "But I felt the operation could wait a few weeks. I mean, I enjoy doing this so much, I couldn't see what difference an extra couple of weeks could make.

"I've had a lot of medical problems, so I'm kind of used to that. I wanted to do the marathon as long as the risk wasn't that great. It wasn't urgent, so I went ahead and

Reyes normally runs 40-50 miles "My arteries were clogged all per week in preparation for a mar-



AL REYES

miles this year because of the surgery. He was unsure whether he could complete a marathon with that minimal amount of training under his belt.

The marathon itself helped him endure, however. It is run through New York's five boroughs - Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, Staten Island and the Bronx - and two million people lined the course, cheering on the runners.

"There's no other marathon like it for the closeness between runner and fan," Reyes said. "These people really encourage you.

"As I came across the Verrazano Bridge, the people there really kept me going. They were cheering, 'Come on, Grandpa, you can do it.' It made me feel so good, there was no way I could quit."

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 1, 1981

TO: Joseph W. Canzeri

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FROM: Stephen M. Studdert SWS

SUBJ: Official Gifts

As per your request, I have obtained the following information.

Department of State provides gifts for The President, Mrs. Reagan, The Vice President and the Secretary of State when they travel officially outside the United States. Mrs. Bush is a gray area.

If The President and/or Mrs. Reagan attend a wedding outside the United States, such as a member of a royal family, State provides the gift.

When a Cabinet member travels officially outside the United States, the respective Cabinet member's executive office provides the gift(s) which are purchased from that department's representational fund.

When others travel outside the United States as members of a Presidential delegation, Department of State will provide gift(s) from the United States Government or from The President depending on the occasion. The gift is not from the head of delegation. Contingency gifts for presentation by members of the delegation are not provided by State.

When a chief of state or head of government make a state or official visit to the United States and is invited by The President, State provides the gift(s) for presentation by The President. If a chief of state or head of government comes on his own, gifts are not traditionally exchanged. • The foreign visitor may present a gift to The President, The President has traditionally not responded.

Some Presidents have given a presentation type book to foreign visitors on private visits. President Carter

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Mr. Canzeri -2- May 1, 1981

generally gave two books -- one on NASA, the other his autobiography. He inscribed these and gave them on all official visits and usually on private visits.

On private visits to the United Sates by wives of a chief of state or head of government, traditionally the First Lady has hosted a tea or an equivalent reception. If she provides a gift, it may be provided by the Department of State gift unit.

Department of State is required by auditing regulations to maintain a record of recipients of gifts paid for by State.

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United States Department of State

The Chief of Protocol Washington, D.C. 20520

October 27, 1986

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MEMORANDUM

TO

Heads of All Departments, Independent Agencies and Office of the Executive, Legislative and

Judicial Branches

FROM

Selwa Roosevelt

SUBJECT:

Submission to the Department of State of Listings of Gifts of More Than Minimal Value Given to Foreign Individuals during Fiscal Year

BACKGROUND: The Secretary of State, under Section 515(b) of Public Law 95-105, 91 Stat. 866, 22 USC 2694, approved August 17, 1977, is required to transmit annually to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, a report containing details on:

- (1) any gifts of more than minimal value (\$165) purchased with appropriated funds, which were given to foreign individuals during the previous fiscal year, and
- (2) any other gifts of more than minimal value given by the United States Government to a foreign individual which were not obtained using appropriated funds.

PL 95-105 also prohibits the use of appropriated funds to purchase any tangible gift of more than minimal value (\$165) for any foreign individual unless such gift has been approved by the Congress. Note that the second part of the report includes all official gifts of more than minimal value, regardless of their origin (donation, non-appropriated funds, etc.).

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In order to ensure compliance with PL 95-105, each agency should:

include the prohibition on purchase of gifts for foreign individuals of more than minimal value without Congressional approval in their fiscal regulations, designate a central point for reporting of all such gifts by October 31 of each year, and advise the Office of Protocol of this designation.

<u>DEFINITIONS</u>: Value is defined as the retail value in the United States at the time of acceptance, by 5 USC 7342(a) (5). The triennial redefinition which occurred on October 20, 1981, and is now outdated, provided for raising minimal value from \$100 to \$140. A further redefinition, effective March 28, 1984, raises minimal value from \$140 to \$165. The term "foreign individual" does not include foreign institutions or governments, provided the gift is not intended for any particular individual. Gifts do not include compensation for services to the United States, or reimbursement of expenses incurred in the service of the United States.

ACTION REQUIRED: In order to enable the Secretary of State to discharge his responsibility under the law, each agency must transmit a compilation listing all gifts given to foreign individuals which fall under one of the two categories listed above. Negative reports are not required. Each agency should prepare its compilation for Fiscal Year 1986 in the format of the enclosed report sheet. Reports may be classified if necessary, and should be addressed to: Administrative Office, Office of Protocol, S/CPR, Room 1238, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20520. In submitting the report, please provide the name and telephone number of the individual who may be contacted, if necessary, concerning its contents.

This year all responses should be made by November 27. Agencies whose responses have not been received by this date will be presumed not to have given any reportable gifts during Fiscal Year 1986.

Inquiries regarding this report should be directed to the Office of Protocol, Ms. Shirley Stewart - telephone number 202/647-1701.

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September 8, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHNATHAN MILLER

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FROM:

MARY ANNE THOMPSON Maydune your

SUBJECT:

OA Gift Authority

The OA Gift Authority proposal is progressing at a fast pace since my initial memorandum on the subject to you of August 25. We have a opportunity in the next week to try and put the proposal into this year's Appropriation Bill (Treasury and Postal Service General Government Appropriations Act.)

We have been discussing the proposal with John Cooney of OMB who thinks our draft is a good one. According to John, the Treasury/Postal Service Bill will be vetoed. However, if we get the gift authority language in the Bill, we will have a good opportunity to make it part of the continuing resolution. The proposed authority would need to be introduced as a floor amendment since the Bill has already been reported out of Committee.

You might want to discuss this option with the Chief of Staff and Will Ball to see if the proposal is feasible from their point-of-view. If you get a go-ahead, we need to try and move this through the process within the week.

cc: Charles Kupperman



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION Washington, D.C. 20503

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January 27, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

FROM:

PETER J. WALLISON

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PJW

SUBJECT:

Response to Inquiries by Yuji Aisaka

As requested, we have responded directly to Mr. Aisaka's questions. A copy of our letter is attached.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Attachment

accepted in this manner become the property of the government, and may be exhibited, stored by the government, or auctioned to the public.

Finally, your letter asks the relative prices of commodities in 1860 as compared with the present day, and specifically whether the change in the price of gold during this period is an adequate measure. For most of the period of time with which you are concerned, the U.S. dollar was convertible into, or its value officially linked to, the price of gold. Even today, the price of gold is relied upon by many as a one indicator of the inherent value of the dollar. The information that you received from the Department of the Treasury, therefore, should be reliable as a rough indicator of relative U.S. price levels between 1860 and 1986. According to the Treasury, the price of one ounce of gold in 1860 was \$20.69, and in 1986 it averaged \$405.00. By this measure, today's prices in the United States are roughly twenty times what they were in 1860.

I hope that the foregoing information is helpful to you. Pat has asked me to extend his regards.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PJW

Peter J. Wallison Counsel to the President

Mr. Yuji Aisaka 1-22-6, Oosumigaoka Tanabe, Tuzuki Kyoto, 610-03 JAPAN

January 27, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR PETER J. WALLISON

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX

SUBJECT:

Response to Inquiries by Yuji Aisaka

As requested, the attached letter responding to guestions put by one of Pat Buchanan's correspondents is for your signature, together with a memorandum from you to Pat providing him with a copy of the response.

Yuji Aisaka
1-22-6,0osumigaoka
Tanabe-town, Tuzuki-county
Kyoto,zip 610-03
JAPAN

Dear Mr. Patrick J. Buchanan

Oct.30, 1986

Hello from Japan. I teach at a senior high school. This is the third letter to you. Do you remember I wrote a thank-you-letter on July 22,1986 about the Blue and the Red room and the Presidential gifts.

The law was passed in 1966 and there is a limit of \$165 on all gifts from foreign officials to the President.

I've learned much from you. Another question has arisen.

Prof. Donald Keene serializes in the Asahi.

He is a scholar of authority on Japanese classical literature in Columbia University. The Asahi is one of the high quality papers in Japan.

According to the evening paper dated Oct.29, He quoted a diary by Prince Muragaki in 1860, who was the second highest official among the First Japanese Embassy to USA in 1860.

"Muragaki didn't believe the rule, that is, the gifts received by President and high government officials had to be donated to museums."

These are my questions:

- 1. Was there a rule as early as 1860 (with or without limit)? When was the law passed ?
- 2. According to you, Can Presidents own the gifts from domestic persons (with or without limit) ?

Another paper is the gifts from Japan in 1860. I got it from the Smithonian Institute. Didn't I send it in the previous letter?

See No 14166 suineu is wrong. Sui ren is right.
Sui ren is craftman's name. (翠葉 in Japanese)
I already wrote about it to the Castle.

Besides these gifts, it seems that there were other gifts.
Once I wrote to James Buchanan Museum in Lancaster.

Would you mind letting me know the followings withe the help of the excellent staffs ?

- 3. How many times are the prices of commodoties then (1860) compared with now?
- 4. What is the standard to compare the price ? It is rice in Japan. wheat ? gold ?

On Oct.13,1986 I got a reply from the Department of the Treasury USMint in Philadelphia , the Mission visited there.

1860 gold price 1 ounce \$20.69

silver 1 ounce $\$1.20 \longrightarrow \5.40

Sincerely, yuji Quyaka Yuji Aisaka

PS I read " American Caesar : Douglas MacArthur " by William Manchester.

I respect him and we owe much to him.

We are lucky to have had him.

Owing to him, Japan has become democratic and what Japan is. I myself regard him as to be between God and hero.

The USA is great to have many persons like him.

Lead the free world !

Light democracy all over the world !

Be as strong, healthy and great as ever !

PRESENTS GIVEN TO PRESIDENT JAMES BUCHANAN IN 1860 BY THE FIRST JAPANESE MISSION TO THE U.S.

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324	Brazier (hibachi)	Tripod-footed, gold-lacquered wood cylinder covered with a base coat of black lacquer. Decorated with various designs in gold leaf, gold lacquer, and very thin iridescent pearl shell. Removable copper liner.
14166	Screen (suineu Suiren byobu)	Ten panels originally received in 1860. Only one is now preserved. Black lacquer frame. Central part of screen composed of thin bamboo strips surrounded with paper. Brass corner strips.
14170	Lacquer dipper	Outer surface inlaid with mother-of-pearl. Inner surface dull red lacquer, plain. Handle extends through one wall of bowl to a wooden block inside opposite wall. Gilt lacquer rim. Tassled silk cord through hole in wooden handle.
14188	Bookshelf cabinet (shodana)	Black lacquered shelf cabinet, decorated with gold and silver makie (sprinkled dust) design in relief of flying cranes and plum blossoms. Used for storing books, stationery, and other writing paraphernalia, also for placing ornamental objects.
14190	Saddle, bridle, and trappings	Saddle of wood, lacquered in gold-speckled russet color with designs of flowers in raised gold lacquer and some black edgings. Stirrups the same. Large leather skirts of the saddle are white with gold diamond designs and three large white birds in relief. A stick quirt is included made of lacquered sood inlaid with pearl shell.

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WASHINGTON

February 13, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR PETER J. WALLISON

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX

SUBJECT:

Correspondence from Yuji Aisaka

The attached letter from Mr. Yuji Aisaka is essentially a thank-you note for your recent letter to him. You may recall that your letter responded to several specific legal and historical questions that we researched at Pat Buchanan's request. Mr. Aisaka's original inquiries were directed to Pat.

I recommend that you do not respond to the latest letter. The suggestion that Rob Oechsle be nominated for the Citizens Medal is made only in passing, in the course of a rather chatty note. Etiquette does not require a response letter to a thank-you note, and it is likely that a response would instigate a pen-pal correspondence between Mr. Aisaka and this office.

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Rev. Pob Oechsle .
Captain Roger Pineau :
William Middendorf (US ambassador to EC, the owner of the picture)



相撲ともレスリング 洋上の相 1985年(昭和60年) 7月 3日

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繭と子ども 1900年にろ。*ビーナツじゃないよ。と英文の見出しがある。アメリカ人撮影のこの写真は、「絹の国、日本」のイメージが作り出したものといえる





1860年6月18日。正使・新見正興ら幕府の遺米使節一行を乗せ

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Yuji Aisaka 1-22-6 Oosumigaoka Tanabe-town, Tuzuki-county Kyoto, 610-03 Japan

Dear Mr. Peter J. Wallison

Feb.6,1987

Thank you very much for your kind letter of Jan.27. I got it on Feb.3. Your information is very useful, helpful, instructive and academic. I owe much to you. My research about the U.S.A. has progressed farther. I'm interested in Perry, who visited Japan in 1853 and the First Japanese Embassy to the USA in 1860. Then I asked you the questions. Luckily I could visit your country in 1976 and happened to meet Retired

Luckily I could visit your country in 1976 and happened to meet Retired Captain Roger Pineau who is the best authority about Perryology.

I got his book with his signature. Asahi

Please see the copy of the newspaper Yomquri. At this time of last year Mr. Captain came to Japan with the picture by Heine accompanied by a Perry squadron.

I could attend the reception to Mr.Rev. Rob Oechsle in the article. He is an American missionary who married an Okinawan woman. He is kind, self-sacrificial and is trying to make Okinawa his last home. He has contributed much to Okinawa. Collecting old pictures and records about Okinawa, Generously he donated them to the relative authority such

The paper says the returning of the picture owes much to him. His old pictures were appeared in the Asahi (see the copy). I was surprised to see the photo of the Mission in 1860, then I wrote to him and we are good friends.

It seems that he is trying to send an Okinawan stone again.

as Okinawa observatory, museum there and newspaper.

As you know, 190 stones were collected to build the Washington Monument.

188 were used including Japan stone. Two stones from Rome and Okinawa were missing. If you want to know more about this, please ask the Mall, his name will be heard.

Operations office

If you have a citizen medal system, please recommend him to the President. He is well worthy of it.

By the way Ckinawa was returned to Japan in 1972.

The picture kinawa was returned to Okinawa in 1986.

This is the reason I believe, like and respect the USA.

Please give my best regards to Mr. Buchanan. The paper says he is going

I hope you and Mr. Buchanan are well.

to resign.

Sincerely, Yuji Aisaka Yuji Aisaka Jay Stegohens 6/18/87

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December 2, 1987

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FROM:

ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

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- o is involved in activities which are regulated by his or her agency, or
- o has an interest which would be substantially affected by the staff member's performance of official duties.

This Executive Order applies to foreign as well as domestic gifts. If such a gift is received by a staff member, whether abroad, at the office, or at home, the staff member has the obligation to return it to the donor with the explanation that it cannot be accepted. A copy of the letter returning the gift should be retained in your files, with a copy attached to the White House Staff Gift Report Form that you send to the Gift Unit. If for some reason you feel you cannot return the gift (donor unknown, the address of donor unknown, or other), you should so indicate on the form, being sure to explain the rationale for not returning the item. If after analysis, it is confirmed that return is not possible or advisable, the gift will be turned over to GSA for disposal. These prohibitions apply to your spouse and immediate household as well.

VI. Gifts That May Not Be Accepted: Foreign Gifts

In addition to restrictions imposed by White House policy concerning conflicts of interest, the United States Constitution and a federal statute (5 U.S.C. § 7432) generally prohibit U.S. government officials, their spouses and dependents from accepting foreign gifts or decorations. The following general guidelines apply:

- o A U.S. official may not request or encourage the tender of a gift or decoration.
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December 1, 1987

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FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX/

SUBJECT:

Holiday Season/Gorbachev Summit Gift Memo

In early December each year, the Counsel's office has circulated a holiday season reminder on White House gift policy. Similarly, we have circulated a gift memo prior to each major foreign trip (e.g., your May 28, 1987, memorandum in connection with the President's trip to Europe and the Venice Economic Summit), which focuses on foreign gifts.

Because the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Summit will occur in the midst of the holiday season this year, I have combined last year's holiday gift memo with our foreign gift memo. In response to Karen Fuller's suggestion, I have also added sections to the memo explaining more clearly what is a "gift" and when a White House Staff Gift Report Form is required.

The memo to all White House staff, as so revised, is attached for your signature.

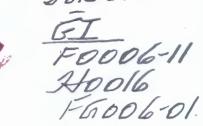
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In following up on our discussion about determining appropriate gifts for your Presidential Library and Eureka College, I have obtained the following information.

T-Shirts, Hats, Footballs

John Hilboldt in the Gift Unit reports that there are over 644 T-shirts, 138 hats/caps and thirty footballs in the inventory of gifts you have received. We can select a representative sample of these items for immediate shipment to Eureka and retain the balance for the Library.

Approve Disapprove

Presidential Gifts

Since few members of the public receive or even see the gifts that you give to distinguished visitors, we thought that Eureka College might like a set of standard Presidential gifts to include in a display case. This would include the basic cufflinks, stick pin, tie bar, belt buckle, jelly bean jar, bookmark and other gifts representative of those that you have given.

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Other Miscellaneous Material
Over the eight years of your Administration, tens of thousands of gifts have been stored for possible future exhibition.
We have now hired an exhibit design firm to begin designing the exhibition area of your Library. In the months ahead, they will be reviewing the gifts that have been held for the Library. In that process, there will certainly be many gifts which are not selected for the Library, but have special appeal to Eureka College. We could forward those gifts to Eureka at that time.
Approve Disapprove

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MEMORANDUM FOR RHETT B. DAWSON

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS

FROM:

PATRICIA MACK BRYAN PMB

ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Decision Memorandum Re: Gifts for Eureka College Exhibitions

Pursuant to your staffing memorandum of October 5, 1988, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced decision memorandum. Subject to the comments noted below, Counsel's Office has no legal objection to providing this memorandum to the President.

T-Shirts, Hats, Footballs: As a general matter, gifts that the President has not personally decided to retain are not treated as personal gifts to the President. Consequently, those gifts even if of high value need not be included in the President's public financial disclosure reports. Here, where the President is being asked to forward gifts to Eureka College, however, he is being asked to in essence claim these gifts as personal to him. Consequently, if they exceed the gift valuation limitations (i.e., in general, gifts valued over \$100) those gifts must be reported, perhaps by modifying previously filed reports.

However, we are informed by John Hilboldt, Director of the Gift Unit, that very few, if any, of the T-shirts, hats or footballs will exceed the \$100 limit. Consequently, Counsel's Office has no objection to asking the President to approve sending a sample of these items to Eureka College as long as the items do not exceed the \$100 limitation. If any one of these gifts does exceed \$100 in value, however, we request that any decision to forward such a gift be reviewed by Counsel's Office.

o Other Miscellaneous Material: Because this section is extremely open-ended and Counsel's Office desires to ensure that any gifts forwarded to Eureka College before the end of the President's term have, if necessary, been appropriately reported, we recommend that Counsel's Office be consulted before any gifts that might exceed the \$100 value limitation are so forwarded.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RHETT B. DAWSON

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS

FROM:

PATRICIA MACK BRYAN PMB

ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Decision Memorandum Re: Gifts for Eureka College Exhibitions

Pursuant to your staffing memorandum of October 5, 1988, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced decision memorandum. Subject to the comments noted below, Counsel's Office has no legal objection to providing this memorandum to the President.

- T-Shirts, Hats, Footballs: As a general matter, gifts that the President has not personally decided to retain are not treated as personal gifts to the President. Consequently, those gifts even if of high value need not be included in the President's public financial disclosure reports. Here, where the President is being asked to forward gifts to Eureka College, however, he is being asked to in essence claim these gifts as personal to him. Consequently, if they exceed the gift valuation limitations (i.e., in general, gifts valued over \$100) those gifts must be reported, perhaps by modifying previously filed reports.
 - However, we are informed by John Hilboldt, Director of the Gift Unit, that very few, if any, of the T-shirts, hats or footballs will exceed the \$100 limit. Consequently, Counsel's Office has no objection to asking the President to approve sending a sample of these items to Eureka College as long as the items do not exceed the \$100 limitation. If any one of these gifts does exceed \$100 in value, however, we request that any decision to forward such a gift be reviewed by Counsel's Office.
- Other Miscellaneous Material: Because this section is extremely open-ended and Counsel's Office desires to ensure that any gifts forwarded to Eureka College before the end of the President's term have, if necessary, been appropriately reported, we recommend that Counsel's Office be consulted before any gifts that might exceed the \$100 value limitation are so forwarded.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

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October 4, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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FROM:	FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR.4
SUBJECT:	Gifts for Exhibitions in Your Library and Eureka College
	our discussion about determining appropriate gifts for
following information	ibrary and Eureka College, I have obtained the n.
T-Shirts, Hats, Foo	otballs
138 hats/caps and treceived. We can	e Gift Unit reports that there are over 644 T-shirts, thirty footballs in the inventory of gifts you have select a representative sample of these items for to Eureka and retain the balance for the Library.
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Presidential Gifts	
give to distinguished a set of standard P would include the b	of the public receive or even see the gifts that you ed visitors, we thought that Eureka College might like residential gifts to include in a display case. This easic cufflinks, stick pin, tie bar, belt buckle, jelly and other gifts representative of those that you have

Disapprove

Magazines

Regarding the magazines which you have been saving, I would suggest that those relating to the themes of proposed Library exhibits be set aside for the Library while the others could go to Eureka for display. I would be happy to review the stack and make recommendations on which should go to the Library and which to Eureka.

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The Eureka exhibit format would be large "jumbo" photographs that have Wing. We could arrange for copies Eureka for display.	e appeared on	the walls of the West
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Other Miscellaneous Material		
Over the eight years of your Admir have been stored for possible future		of thousands of gifts
We have now hired an exhibit design exhibition area of your Library. It reviewing the gifts that have been process, there will certainly be man Library, but have special appeal to those gifts to Eureka at that time.	n the months all held for the Li ny gifts which	head, they will be brary. In that are not selected for the
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