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Washington, D.C. 20520

February 24, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Appointment Request: FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher

During their recent meeting in Madrid, Secretary Haig and FRG Foreign Minister Genscher agreed that Genscher would visit the United States for talks in Washington and a speech before the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. Genscher hopes to use this speech to quiet fears in the US about developments in the FRG. Genscher will be in Washington March 8. While we recognize the great demands on the President's time, we recommend that he meet briefly with Genscher on the afternoon of March 8. Such a meeting would highlight the President's personal interest in the US-FRG relationship. The Vice President will be meeting with Genscher's colleague, Economics Minister Graf Lambsdorff, on February 23.

L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

NSC 8201198

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TO: CLARK

SOURCE: BREMER

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SUBJ: GENSCHER REQUEST FOR APPT W/ PRES ON MAR 8

REQUIRED ACTION: RETURNED PER STATE REQUEST TO KATHY

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FOR MICHAEL WHEELER

STAFF SECRETARY

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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March 15, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR L. PAUL BREMER III
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Briefing Materials for President's
Meeting with Franz Josef Strauss

The President has agreed to meet with FRG CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss on Thursday, March 18 at 4:00 p.m. for 15 minutes. Please provide appropriate background materials and talking points for this occasion as soon as possible.

Michael O. Wheeler

Michael O. Wheeler
Staff Secretary

NSC #8201145

MEMORANDUM

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March 15, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL O. WHEELER

FROM: JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT: Tasker for Franz Josef Strauss

SIGNED

Your memo to Bremer (Tab I) requests State to prepare appropriate briefing materials for the President's meeting next week with German CSU leader Franz-Josef Strauss,

RECOMMENDATION:

YES

NO

+ — That you sign the memo to Bremer at Tab I
as amended

Tab I Memo to Bremer
 A - Background Material

cc: Chuck Tyson

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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MEMORANDUM FOR L. PAUL BREMER III
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Briefing Materials for President's
Meeting with Strauss

The President has agreed to meet with FRG CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss on Thursday, March 18 at 4 p.m. for 15 minutes. ~~We would appreciate receiving appropriate background materials and talking points for this occasion by no later than opening of business Tuesday, March 16.~~ Thank you for your cooperation.

Please provide

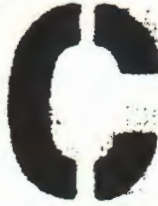
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Michael O. Wheeler
Staff Secretary

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Wheeler's office*

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STRAUSS, FRANZ-JOSEF

SUBJECT: APPT REQUEST FOR STRAUSS W/ PRES DURING 13 - 19 MAR

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TO: WILLIAM P. CLARK
FROM: GREGORY J. NEWELL
SUBJ: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

PLEASE IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING AND NOTIFY AND CLEAR ALL PARTICIPANTS. THE BRIEFING PAPER AND REMARKS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO RICHARD DARMAN BY 3 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING DAY.

MEETING: Meeting with Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss

DATE: March 18, 1982
TIME: 4:00 pm
DURATION: 15 minutes
LOCATION: Oval Office

REMARKS REQUIRED: Talking points to be provided in briefing paper
MEDIA COVERAGE: Coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: No

- cc: A. Bakshian
- M. Brandon
- R. Darman
- R. DeProspero
- K. Duberstein
- D. Fischer
- C. Fuller
- C. Gerrard
- E. Hickey
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 10, 1982

APPROVED FOR
Date: 3/18/82
Time: 4:30 4:00
Length: 7:15 min
Date: 3/10/82 GJM

SCHEDULE OUTLINE

TO: GREGORY NEWELL

FROM: MICHAEL K. DEEVER *M*

REQUEST: Meeting with Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss.

PURPOSE: To exchange views with one of the Federal Republic's most influential politicians and leader of one of its major opposition parties, the Christian Socialist Union.

BACKGROUND: Strauss will be making a private visit to the U.S. next month and will be meeting with a variety of American political figures during that period. Prospects for opposition party gains in the Federal Republic are increasingly bright, and in any future opposition government Strauss - a candidate for chancellor in the 1980 elections - would have major policy influence, either behind the scenes or as a senior member of the government team.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The President met with Strauss during a 1978 visit to the Federal Republic.

DATE: Anytime during the period March 15-19, 1982.

LOCATION: Oval Office.

PARTICIPATION: William P. Clark; senior NSC staff member.

OUTLINE OF EVENT: Brief office meeting (15 minutes).

REMARKS REQUIRED: NSC and State will provide background and talking points.

MEDIA COVERAGE: Visit will be announced; full photo opportunity.

RECOMMENDED BY: State Department (see attached memo).

OPPOSED BY: None.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: CHARLES P. TYSON *CT*

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Meeting with
Bavarian Minister-President and CSU
Leader Franz-Josef Strauss

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum you forwarded to Mike Deaver recommending that Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss be scheduled to meet with the President during his March 15-19 visit.

No response has been received to date. Please discuss with Mike.

RECOMMENDATION

That Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef be scheduled to meet with the President.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Attachment
Tab I - Memo to Deaver w/a

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 2, 1982

SIGNED

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *WPC*

SUBJECT: Schedule Outline: Proposed Presidential Meeting with Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss

The Schedule Outline at Tab A reflects my strong support for a State recommendation (Tab B) that the President receive Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss during the latter's visit here March 15-19. The key considerations for this support include:

- the fact that Strauss is one of the Federal Republic's most influential politicians and is certain to play a significant role in any future government headed by his party;
- the fact that he is a consistently strong supporter of US policy whose views are very much attuned to the President's on major security issues;
- the most compelling reason: Strauss was one of the few European leaders to receive President Reagan in 1978. Many refused. His kindness should be reciprocated. ||

RECOMMENDATION:

OK / NO

— — That you approve the request for the Schedule Outline to Greg Newell for inclusion on the President's calendar.

Attachments:

Tab A - Schedule Outline

B - State Incoming Memo dated 2/22/82

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February 25, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

THROUGH: CHARLES P. TYSON *CT*

FROM: JAMES M. RENTSCHLER *JMR*

SUBJECT: Schedule Outline for Franz-Josef Strauss

The attached schedule outline (Tab A) endorses State's recommendation that the President receive Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Joseph Strauss during the latter's visit here March 15-19.

Dennis Blair concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

O.K.

NO

That you sign the memo to Mike Deaver at Tab I.

- Tab I Memo to Mike Deaver
- Tab A Schedule Outline
- Tab B State Incoming Memo

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 22, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK
THE WHITE HOUSE

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Subject: Recommendation that the President Receive
Bavarian Minister-President Franz-Josef Strauss

The Department of State strongly recommends that the President receive Franz-Josef Strauss during his March 13-19 visit to Washington. Strauss was the FRG chancellor candidate of the opposition in the 1980 elections, and he remains one of the most influential politicians in the Federal Republic. He is the leader of one of the two opposition parties -- the Christian Socialist Union (CSU) -- and is Minister-President of the State of Bavaria. In a future opposition government, Strauss would have major policy influence, either as an eminence grise or as a senior member of the government team.

Strauss has told us that he wants very much to see the President, and that he would be extremely disappointed if a meeting could not be arranged. During Strauss' last visit to Washington, he was received by President Carter at a time when, as Strauss points out, the prospects for the political opposition in Germany were by no means as bright as they are now. More importantly, Strauss feels that failure of the President to receive him would represent a lack of appreciation on the part of the administration for the very helpful public position taken by the CSU leadership in recent months.

Strauss would like a 30-minute working meeting with the President, but if this were not possible even a brief courtesy call would be useful. Strauss would be available to see the President any time during the week of March 15-19. There are three other major visitors at about the same time -- Somalian President Barre (March 11), the Irish Prime Minister (March 17), and Italian President Pertini (March 25). Nevertheless, we feel strongly that it would be in the U.S. interest if time could be made available for the President to receive Strauss.

L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

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October 28, 1962

Dear Professor Haas:

The Mayor of Wallduern, Robert Hollerbach, recently informed me of the return of your great great grandfather's watch, along with other family memorabilia, to his city.

Coming on the eve of the Tricentennial of German emigration to America, that generous action on your part is to be commended as a marvelous contribution to the celebration when both nations will reaffirm their close friendship.

I am pleased to have played a role in the watch's return to Kari Haas' birthplace, and I thank you for the interesting description of "How to Meet Your Own Great Great Grandfather."

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Professor Robert Bartlett Haas
Rubensweg 8
7440 Nuertingen
Federal Republic of Germany

RR:NSC:rs--

cc: Nike Wheeler, NSC

NSC # 8203882

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October 28, 1982

Dear Mayor Hollerbach:

Thank you and the people of Wallduern for arranging the festival last August to commemorate the return of Karl Haas' watch and other family memorabilia to your city.

Thanks also for your kind letter and for the Wallduern commemorative medal. It will be a reminder to me of the ties that bind you and the citizens of Wallduern to the people of the United States.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

The Honorable Robert Hollerbach
Mayor
Das Rathaus
6968 Wallduern
Federal Republic of Germany

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cc: Mike Wheeler, NSC

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HAAS, ROBERT B

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SUBJECT: RETURN OF HEIRLOOM TO GERMANY

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR CLARK

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 14, 1982

Dear Mayor Hollerbach:

I am happy to learn that the watch of Charles Haas has found its way back to the city of his birth, and that the Archives of Wallduern will now house the family records of this man who has roots both in your city and in my home state.

As we approach the Tricentennial of the first German immigrants to the United States, we are constantly reminded of the many close personal ties between our two countries. My recent visit to the Federal Republic of Germany was another step in both recognizing and strengthening the German-American relationship.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

The Honorable
Robert X Hollerbach
Mayor of Nuertingen
Das Rathaus
6968 Wallduern, BRD
Federal Republic of Germany

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HAAS, ROBERT B

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SUBJ: RETURN OF HEIRLOOM TO GERMANY

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

oh/mw June 28, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

SIGNED

FROM: DENNIS BLAIR/JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT: Letter from the President to Buergermeister
Hollerbach of Nuertingen, Germany

Attached for your approval is a letter for the President's signature to the mayor of a town in Germany which has ties with California. The President's letter would be a graceful gesture in paying tribute to and strengthening those ties.

Speechwriters have reviewed the text.

RECOMMENDATION

OK No
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That you approve the attached letter for the President's signature by machine.

Attachments:

- Tab I Letter for President's signature
- Tab II Incoming background

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**International
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United States of America
Washington, D.C. 20547

Office of the Director

June 1, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Michael Wheeler
Staff Director
National Security Council

FROM: Robert Earle *RE*
Executive Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT: Presidential Assist in the Return of an
Heirloom to Germany

President Reagan, while Governor of California, reportedly played a role in the return of a family heirloom to the town of its origins in Germany. USICA Bonn recommends that the White House forward a letter to the mayor of the town noting this. The attached letter from Bonn gives details and a suggested draft letter.

This kind gesture by the President might be worked in to the forthcoming visit to the Federal Republic. If not, the post's recommendation that a letter be forwarded to the Mayor of Nuertingen has this Agency's and the State Department's support.

**United States
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Embassy of the United States of America
Deichmanns Aue
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Tel. (0228) 339-3390

May 3, 1982

Mr. Robert V. Gildea
Country Affairs Officer
Office of European Affairs
U.S. International Communication Agency
Washington, D.C. 20547

Dear Bob:

Recently, Lloyd Hagen, our Stuttgart BPAO, received a request for assistance from a Dr. Robert Bartlett Haas, (University of California, Emeritus), who currently resides in Nuertingen, (Baden Wuerttemberg.) The genesis/explanation of the request follows:

It appears, according to Dr. Haas, that President Reagan, as Governor of California, was instrumental in having a Haas family heirloom (a watch that belonged to a grandfather who had immigrated from Germany) returned to the California branch of the family.

Dr. Haas, the grandson, is, as earlier indicated, currently living in Germany and plans to present the watch -- along with other memorabilia -- to the Museum of Wallduern, the city in which his grandfather, Charles Haas, was born. The presentation will coincide with publication of a book Charles Haas, Baden '48er and Pioneer Merchant of Stockton, California (by Dr. Haas and Prof. Dr. Peter Assion of Marburg University.) Again, according to Dr. Haas, he is "mentioning President Reagan" in the book which is to be printed in English and in German.

Given the role that the President is alleged to have played in this series of events, the fact that Dr. Haas is "now gifting (the watch) in his name (the President's) ...," the fact that "...the story of the watch has fired the imagination of the whole community," and that Dr. Haas has requested that the President send the following message:

"To Buergermeister Robert Hollerbach,
Das Rathaus, 6968 Wallduern, BRD

I am happy to learn that the watch of Charles Haas
has found its way back to the city of his birth,
and that the Archives of Wallduern will now house
the family records of the significant California
Gold-rush figure. I send you my best wishes.
President Ronald Reagan."

Since this might be a public affairs project of interest
to the White House, we'd appreciate your determining how
to best handle it and advise us of same.

Sincerely,

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Phelon D. Peters
Phelon D. Peters

cc: Lloyd Hagen

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PRES MSG RE RETURN OF HEIRLOOM TO GERMANY

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