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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

July 7, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY R. DOLAN

FROM:

PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Prime Minister Saad of

Kuwait Departure Statement

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Attachment

Tab A Draft Remarks

cc: Rhett Dawson

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

(Dolan edit) July 6, 1988 12:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRIME MINISTER SA'AD OF KUWAIT 3: 37
DEPARTURE STATEMENT 1988
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1988

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

July 7, 1988

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MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM:

ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Prime Minister Saad of

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Peter Rodman and Marybel Batjer concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo to Dolan at Tab I.

Approve

Disapprove ____

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Tab I Memorandum to Tony Dolan
Tab A Draft Remarks

Prepared by: Bill Burns

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July 7, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY DOLAN

DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND

DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM:

C. DEAN MCGRATH, JR. ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Prime Minister Sa'ad

of Kuwait Departure Statement

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed remarks and we have no legal objection to their delivery by the President.

cc: Rhett B. Dawson

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IN KUWAIT'S PROGRAM FOR UPGRADING ITS
DEFENSES AGAINST INCREASING THREATS.

IN THIS CONNECTION, I STRONGLY SUPPORT YOUR REQUEST FOR F-18 AIRCRAFT AND ACCOMPANYING WEAPONS NOW PENDING BEFORE CONGRESS.

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IN A BROAD INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO BRING
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OBJECT OF REVULSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY. THE TIME HAS COME TO ACT.
TODAY, IN OUR TALKS, WE HAVE REDEDICATED
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ACCEPTANCE AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED
NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 598.

IN OUR DISCUSSIONS TODAY, WE ALSO
REAFFIRMED THE URGENT NEED FOR A JUST AND
LASTING RESOLUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN
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RESPONSE:

(Dolan edit) July 8, 1988 1:00 p.m.

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RESPONSE:

(Dolan edit) July 6, 1988 12:30 p.m.

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While expressing my warm appreciation for your kind words about my country, Kuwait, it gives me great pleasure to convey to you and to the American people the warmest sentiments of cordial friendship from His Highness the Amir, the government, and people of Kuwait.

Mr. President, the comprehensive, far reaching and positive nature that has marked our talks today reflects the advanced and ever developing level which has been achieved in our mutual relationship. Our talks have also revealed identical views in addressing the great potential for the continued development of cooperation and friendship between the United States and Kuwait. This gives us yet greater confidence in the future of our relationship. Our common and solid belief in spiritual values, human principles and norms controlling relations between nations and peoples constitute, in our opinion, the proper framework for the development of our relations.

We in Kuwait have high admiration for the values and principles upon which, and for which, your great country was founded, and we also appreciate the remarkable achievements of the American people in various fields of human endeavor and progress.

Furthermore, we appreciate the effective role of the United States as a superpower in resolving issues of world peace and security as well as its keen interest in seeking suitable solutions to international problems.

Regarding our region, we especially value all that the United States has done and is doing towards bringing an end to the Iraq-Iran war, and for safeguarding international navigation in the Arabian Gulf. Your support has won the gratitude of the government and people of Kuwait. Your stance reflects the depth of the ties of friendship between us.

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And, Mr. President, I should like to reemphasize that we in Kuwait highly value the friendly backing of your nation in our firm stand against all acts of terrorism which have been repeatedly directed at our country and people in the last few years. Such support by you and your friendly people has strengthened our resolve and determination to stand firm against these atrocious acts.

And Mr. President, I would like to wish your great country continued progress and prosperity, and your kind person and esteemed family the best of health and happiness.

And thank you, Mr. President. (Applause.)

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MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Prime Minister Sa'ad of Kuwait Departure Statement,

Tuesday, July 12, 1988

Attached is the revised Presidential departure statement you requested for Rhett Dawson.

Recommendation

That you sign and forward the memo to Rhett Dawson at Tab I.

Approve

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Disapprove ____

Attachments

Tab I Memo to Rhett Dawson

Tab A Updated Draft Departure Statement

(July 8, 8:00 p.m.)

Tab B Marked-up Copy of July 8, 1:00 pm.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RHETT DAWSON

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PAUL SCHOTT STEVEN

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Prime Minister Sa'ad of Kuwait Departure Statement,

Tuesday, July 12, 1988

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Attachment

Tab A Updated Draft Departure Statement

(July 8, 8:00 p.m.)

Tab B Marked-up Copy of July 8, 1:00 p.m.

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Kuwait, under the courageous leadership of His Highness the Par NE Amir and yourself, has set a stirring example in resisting terrorist threats and intimidation. All Americans salute your steadfastness and resolve.

In our discussions today, we also reaffirmed the urgent need for a just and lasting resolution of the Palestinian problem. The United States will continue to work actively in the pursuit of a comprehensive peace that would realize the legitimate political aspirations of Palestinians, while safeguarding the legitimate security concerns of Israel. None of us can afford diplomatic stalemate, from which only extremists on all sides will benefit.

Your Highness, the peoples of Kuwait and the United States have developed common interests and lasting ties. The bonds that join us have never been closer. The social, economic, political, and security interests we share have never been greater. Our meeting today has sent a powerful signal to the world of the value the United States places on Kuwait's friendship. I wish you well during the remainder of your stay in the United States, and I sincerely hope your contacts with my countrymen will broaden and deepen the mutually beneficial relationship between us.