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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

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June 24, 1985

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Helen Soos

Famine in Sudan

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The article on Sudan in today's Washington Post highlighted a problem which has received considerable attention in AID and State during the past two months .- The problem is that the Railroad Corporation, owned by the government, stopped shipping emergency food to Western Sudan after March, owing to other priorities such as sugar and luxury items for Ramadan. Despite official concern and interventions beginning at the time of the Vice President's visit and continuing with low level meetings as well as Chet Crocker's visit in late May, the situation did not improve appreciably. The Transitional Government concurred that the food shipments were of high priority and used what influence it had, but did not have sufficient clout to change the situation. Three explanations have been forwarded, probably all with some truth: 1) railway officials were receiving bribes from commercial interests in Khartoum; 2) policy reform measures altered the payments system for the Railroad Corporation, so that payments were going directly to the Ministry of Finance; and 3) the director of the Corporation and the Union have their own

As a result of Crocker's trip and a letter from the Ambassador to the President of the Transitional Government, food shipments picked up in the first half of June, from about 300 tons per day to 3150 tons on June 15. We have received no information since then. My guess is that the situation has improved since the article was written, although it is probable that some deaths have been caused by the long lag in food deliveries.

political base and do not depend on the present government: thus,

Last week BBC ran several stories about the famine in Western Sudan. This article was probably written then. AID Administrator McPherson had a press briefing this afternoon, and hopefully tomorrow's coverage will provide additional information. Basically, the U.S. relief effort cannot guarantee food shipments to all parts of every country. If governments do not care or cannot facilitate transportation, then we risk some food being lost at ports and unnecessary deaths occurring. There is some speculation that the population in the West is ethnically different and not as important to the government as Arabs living closer to the capital.

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Overall, the U.S. anticipated food relief requirements admirably in Sudan, as confirmed during the Vice President's trip. The food aid program in Sudan is the largest in AID's history, nearly a million tons valued at \$242 million. \$20 million have been spent on logisitics, including \$3.1 million for spare parts for the railroad and fuel for its operation. However, about 250,000 tons of U.S. food have backed up at Port Sudan owing to the poor functioning of the railroad, and another 230,000 tons is expected to arrive before the end of July.

The railroad is necessary only for food aid shipments only to Darfur Province in the West. All other deliveries primarily to Kordofan Province, Khartoum and Eastern Sudan rely on truck transportation. The distance from Port Sudan to Darfur is the same as from Boston to St. Louis. Of the 500 miles of rail tracks, AID estimates that 4000 trucks would be needed to carry 1800 tons per day, since the trip takes 3 weeks with good weather and up to 12 weeks if it rains. This is logistically impossible. The option of airplanes is also unlikely, since landing strips are inadequate to handle C-130's, especially in the rainy season. Thus we will keep pushing for better treatment by the railroad, which served us well early in the year and may no longer have as much pressure from commercial interests. AID is also exploring the possibility of shipping some food from neighboring Chad, where food has arrived smoothly through Cameroun.

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March 2, 1988

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Paul Schott Stevens

National Security Council Staff

SUBJECT:

Alerting NSCS on Presidential

Correspondence

Enclosed is the original of a letter to President Reagan from Sudanese Prime Minister Al-Sadiq Al-Mahdi which is transmitted for your information.

This correspondence was received in the Information Management Section of the Executive Secretariat, on March 2, 1988
A copy has been assigned to the appropriate bureau for action.

S. McElhaney

Director, S/S-I
Information Management Section
Executive Secretariat
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February 23,1988.

Excellency,

I have the honour to convey to you on my own behalf and on the behalf of the Government of the Republic of the Sudan and the Sudanese people our deep gratitude for your Government's support to the Sudan in the face of foreign backed aggression.

It is only fit here to assure Your Excellency that we in the Sudan regard the liberation of Al-Kurmuk and Gisan not as an end in itself, but as a step towards finding a solution to the problem of the Southern Sudan through peaceful means and a free and democratic dialogue.

Please accept, Mr. President, my best wishes of good health and highest esteem .

Al-Sadiq Al-Mahdi
Prime Minister

of the Republic of the Sudan

To: His Excellency,
Mr. Ronald Reagan,
President of the United States of America
Washington D.C.

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April 22, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR MELVYN LEVITSKY

Executive Secretary Department of State

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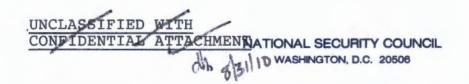
Request for Agrement - Ambassador from

the Republic of the Sudan

The President has reviewed and concurs in the recommendation of the Department of State that the appointment of el-Amin el-Bashir as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of the Sudan would be agreeable to the Government of the United States. You are requested to inform the Government of the Republic of the Sudan.

Faul Schott Stevens
Executive Secretary

NSC 8803057



April 22, 1988

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM:

HERMAN J. COHEN

SUBJECT:

Request for Agrement - Ambassador from the

Republic of the Sudan

The State Department has recommended that the President agree to the proposed appointment of Hassan el-Amin el-Bashir as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of the Sudan to the United States. His biography is at Tab II.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to Mel Levitsky at Tab I conveying the President's approval.

Approve Turen Disapprove

Prepared by: Patricia M. Corcoran

Attachments

Tab I Your Memorandum to Levitsky

Tab II Biography

Incoming from State Department Tab III

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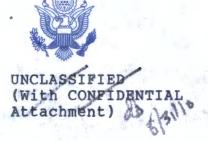
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Washington, D.C. 20520

April 21, 1988



MEMORANDUM FOR COLIN L. POWELL THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT:

Appointment of Hassan el-Amin el-Bashir of the Republic of the Sudan as Ambassador to the United States

The Government of the Republic of the Sudan has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Hassan el-Amin el-Bashir as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Sudan to the United States (TAB 2). A biography of Mr. Bashir is attached (TAB 1).

The Department believes from the information available that Mr. Bashir will make an acceptable Ambassador to the United States and recommends that the President agree to the proposed appointment. If he concurs, the Department will inform the Government of the Republic of the Sudan.

Melvyn Levitsky Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- 1. Biography.
- 2. Telegram Khartoum 2148.

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