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January 11, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. DONALD P. GREGG THE WHITE HOUSE

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SUBJECT:

Recommendations for Vice Presidential
Functions during the Visit of Italian Prime 16006-12
Minister Craxi, March 5-6, 1985

Italian Prime Minister Bettino Craxi has accepted President Reagan's invitation to make an official working visit to Washington on March 5, 1985. As the first Socialist to head an Italian government, Craxi leads a five-party coalition which is strongly well-disposed toward the United States. He paid an official working visit to Washington in October, 1983, shortly after becoming Prime Minister that August. This time, he will be coming in a dual capacity as the Prime Minister and as President of the European Community under the EC's rotating practice. Italy holds the EC presidency during the first half of this year.

The Department recommends that the Vice President host a dinner for Craxi on March 5, and attend a return dinner hosted by Craxi at the Italian Embassy residence on March 6. The Department is informed that Italian Ambassador Petrignani has broached this idea with your office on behalf of his government. In addition we recommend that the Vice President receive Craxi on an office call. Such a gesture would benefit our interests by reinforcing the pro-U.S. disposition of Craxi and his coalition colleagues. It would also reinforce Italy's undertaking to work during its EC presidency to enhance U.S.-European cooperation on regional issues, particularly the Middle East.

Nicholas Platt Executive Secretary

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Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I write today on a matter I believe to be of great substantive and symbolic importance to the millions of Americans of Italian heritage.

As you know, Prime Minister Bettino E. Craxi of the Republic of Italy will be visiting the United States on March 5th and will remain in this country for a short period for official talks with your administration and others.

It is my understanding that you have received a letter signed by approximately 150 members of the House and also by 50 members of the United States Senate, including such outstanding leaders as Senators Domenici, D'Amato, and Congressman Conte, asking you to consider requesting that Prime Minister Craxi be given the opportunity to address a joint session of Congress. has of course been done in the past with leaders of many of our allies such as England, France, Ireland, and others.

We of the National Italian American Foundation would like to join with these members of Congress and the millions of Italian Americans who would applaud such an action in urging that you do request, in accordance with official policy, that the leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate invite Prime Minister Craxi to address a joint session of Congress on March 6th.

Italy has been in the past, is now, and will remain Such an invitation to one of our staunchest allies. Prime Minister Craxi would be outstanding recognition

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of this unique and strong bond between Italy and the United States and would give Mr. Craxi an opportunity to emphasize the strong ties between our nations before the widest possible American, as well as Italian, audience.

Thank you for your affirmative consideration of our request and with highest personal regards and respect.

Signacely,

Frank D. Stella

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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February 20, 1985

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I understand that the Italian Ambassador, Rinaldo Petrignani, has written you concerning the desire of Prime Minister Bettino Craxi to address a joint session of Congress on March 6 during his official working visit to Washington. In addition, I have received letters supporting such an address by more than 200 members of the Congress.

I strongly endorse this suggestion. Italians have consistently supported the United States in our efforts to maintain NATO solidarity and a unified approach to the Soviet Union on arms control and foreign policy issues. Italy cooperated closely with us in the Multinational Force in Lebanon and continues to participate in Middle East peacekeeping activities. Prime Minister Craxi is currently serving as the President of the European Community and we anticipate his leadership will be critical at the Bonn economic summit in May. The Italian government under Mr. Craxi has also taken very courageous stands in curbing drug trafficking, combatting organized crime and fighting terrorist activities.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill Speaker of the

House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 12, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY, JR.

SUBJECT:

Possible Address to Congress by Italian Prime Minister Craxi

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We normally would ask the Italians to write the Speaker making the request -- then the President would follow with a supporting letter.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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MEMORANDUM FOR NICHOLAS PLATT

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Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Possible Address to Congress by Italian Prime

Minister Craxi

The NSC has received advance copies of two letters from a group of Senators and Congressmen, asking that the President request the Speaker of the House to arrange an address by Italian Prime Minister Craxi to a Joint Meeting of the House of Representatives and the Senate. We request that you provide us a recommended response to this request, and, if you agree, a draft response from the President, by February 13, 1985.

Executive Secretary

Attachment

Tab A - Letters from Senators and Congressmen

cc: M. B. Oglesby

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 6, 1985

The President The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing in regard to the official working visit on the 5th and 6th of March of the Prime Minister of Italy, Bettino Craxi. We believe it would be appropriate that the Prime Minister be invited to address a Joint Meeting of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and we ask that you arrange for such a joint meeting.

As you know, as well as being the sitting President of the European Community, Prime Minister Craxi heads a five-party coalition Government which has been staunchly pro-West, pro-NATO, and pro-U.S. Italy has become one of our most consistently supportive allies. With Italy's strategic location, they play a key role in NATO in the support of the U.S. through thick and thin in Lebanon, they are members of the Multi-National Force and observers in the Sinai, and they have intensified their cooperation with us in narcotics interdiction. Italy has played a courageous and leading role in combatting terrorism while maintaining the principles of the rule of law and human rights.

Through a number of postwar cabinets, Italy has maintained basic lines of democratic and western-oriented policies. Our bilateral relations are excellent with traditionally strong historical, cultural and political links. We should do everything in our power to support a friendly coalition government in Italy. A Joint Meeting with the Congress would provide an excellent opportunity for Americans and Italians alike to demonstrate our solidarity.

Mr. President Page Two February 6, 1985

With sincere appreciation for your consideration of this proposal, we are,

Truly yours,

Pete V. Domenici United States Senator

Malcolm Wallop United States Senator

William S. Cohen United States Senator

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Paul S. Trible United States Senator Paul Laxalt

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Best regards.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill Speaker of the

House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 12, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY, JR.

SUBJECT:

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cc: M. B. Oglesby

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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

February 11, 1985

The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing in regard to the letter you received from Honorable Silvio Conte dated February 1, 1985. In his letter to you he has asked that you request the Speaker of the House to arrange for a Joint Meeting to be addressed by the Prime Minister of Italy, Bettino Craxi. I understand the official working visit of the Prime Minister is on the 5th and 6th of March.

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I respectfully request that you urge the Speaker of the House to arrange for such a Joint Meeting.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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February 12, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BOB TURNER

Acting Assistant Secretary for

Congressional Relations

Department of State

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY, JR

Assistant to the President for

Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT:

Bettino Craxi Visit - March 5-6

We received the attached letter from approximately 140 Members of Congress urging the President to request that the Speaker of the House arrange a Joint Session for Prime Minister Craxi's visit.

In a second letter which we received today from Senator Dole, the Senator indicates that Italy's Ambassador Rinaldo Petrignani has requested that Prime Minister Craxi be invited to address a Joint Session. Therefore, I would appreciate your assistance in formulating an appropriate White House response to the attached letters.

Thanks very much for your prompt assistance.

cc: NSC Secretariat - FYI

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

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Minister Craxi

Ambassador Petrignani has written you (Tab II), requesting your assistance in arranging a Joint Address to Congress by Italian Prime Minister Craxi. Petrignani has attached copies of two letters -- one signed by about 50 Senators and another by over 130 Representatives -- requesting that the President ask Speaker O'Neill to favorably consider this invitation to Craxi.

Attached at Tab I is a memo from Kimmitt to Platt, requesting State's recommendation on the desirability of endorsing support on Capitol Hill for an address to Congress by Italian Prime Minister Craxi. If State concurs, the memorandum further requests State to draft a letter from the President to Speaker O'Neill.

RECOMMENDATION

That you authorize Bob Kimmitt to send the memo at Tab I to State with an information copy to B, Oglesby.

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Tab I

Memo to Platt

Tab A - Letters from Senators and Congressmen

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Ambasciata d'Italia Washington

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February 8, 1985

My olen Brid,

I have tried to reach you at the beginning of this week to discuss with you personally a matter of considerable importance, but I understand that your schedule has been particularly heavy and has not made it possible for us to meet.

What I wanted to bring to your personal attention is a specific point regarding the program of the upcoming visit to Washington on March 5th and 6th, 1985, of the Italian Prime Minister Bettino Craxi. This official working visit of our Prime Minister (his second, I would stress, since he took office in 1983) will be, I believe, of special political significance. Besides the circumstance that the Prime Minister will come also in his capacity as President of the European Council, the visit will take place at a moment when the relations between the United States and Italy are particularly good, intense and thriving. In fact we have witnessed in these last four year a constant, steady growth in this beatiful Italian-American partnership. The next visit of our Prime Minister may therefore offer a special opportunity to underline an increasingly fruitful cooperation between our two Governments, not only in the political and economic fields and within the Alliance, but also on a number of other issues of common interest such as the struggle against terrorism, organized crime and narcotics traffic which are becoming more and more the object of an integrated effort between the United States and Italy.

In this context, the Italian Government believes that an address of Prime Mi-

T.H. Robert C. McFarlane Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs The White House Washington, D.C.

nister Craxi to a Joint Session of Congess would undoubtedly add great significance and resounding to the visit and the Prime Minister personally would consider it a particular privilege to be invited to deliver such an address. I really hope that it will be possible to arrange for this event to take place which, I understand, presupposes a request to Congress by the Administration.

As far as the Congress is concerned, allow me to add that I have had, during the past five or six days, the opportunity of discussing this personally with a large number of Senators and Representatives and I have realized that the idea has met with a tremendous support and an extremely warm interest, even beyond my own expectations. The letters addressed to the President on this subject, signed by over 130 Representatives and almost 50 Senators, are a clear and significant indication of the consideration that the initiative has raised in Congress. I hope that this encouraging demonstration of interest coming from Congress itself can make the decision of the Administration easier.

I would be extremely grateful to you if you could give this matter your personal attention and I would like to thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

With my warment segards

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February 1, 1985

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Mr. President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing in regard to the official working visit on the 5th and 6th of March of the Prime Minister of Italy, Bettino Craxi. We believe it would be appropriate that the Prime Minister be invited to address a Joint Meeting of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and we ask that you request the Speaker of the House to arrange for such a Joint Meeting.

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Through a number of postwar cabinets, Italy has maintained basic lines of democratic and western-oriented policies. Our bilateral relations are excellent with traditionally strong historical, cultural and political links. We should do everything in our power to support a friendly coalition government in Italy. A Joint Meeting with the Congress would provide an excellent opportunity for Americans and Italians alike to demonstrate our solidarity.

Mr. President Page Two February 1, 1985

With sincere appreciation for your consideration of this proposal, we are Cordially yours,

Dante B. Fascell Member of Congress

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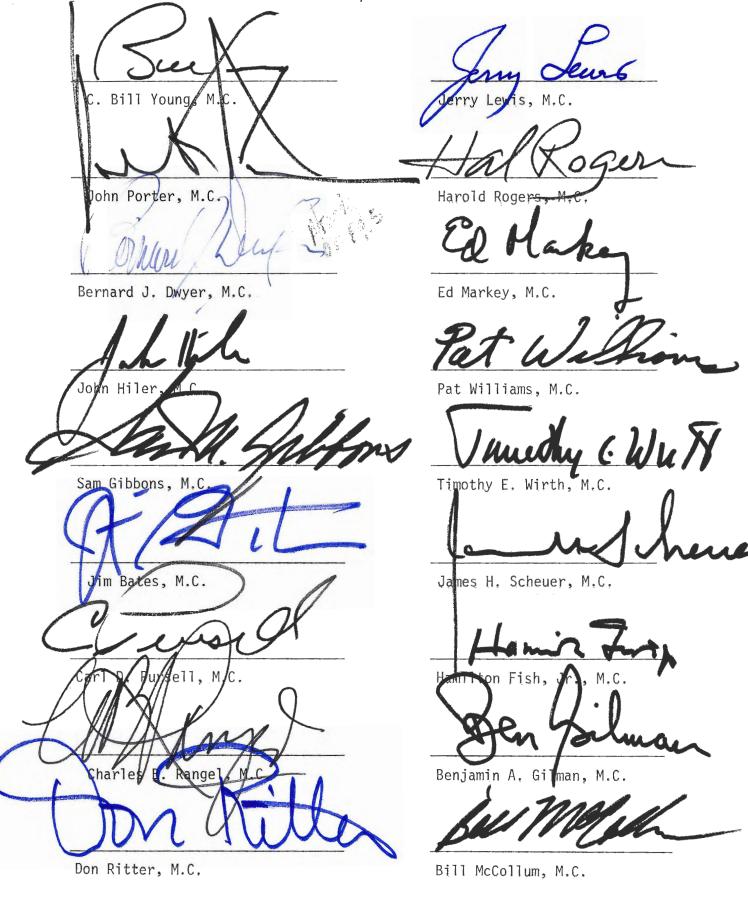
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MEMORANDUM

TO:

ROBERT MCFARLANE

FROM:

FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. 70

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Photo with Italian Defense Minister Spadolini

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January 24, 1985

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9:40 am

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January 17, 1985

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FREDERICK J. RYAN, Director TO:

Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

ROBERT M. KIMMITT Boh-FROM:

Courtesy call/Photo opportunity with REQUEST:

Italian Minister of Defense Spadolini

PURPOSE: To demonstrate our continued

appreciation for the support we have

received from Italy within NATO.

MOD Spadolini will be in Washington as BACKGROUND:

Secretary Weinberger's quest during

the period 23-24 January.

Spadolini has been very supportive of U.S. positions regarding cruise missile deployments and other sensitive NATO issues. He is also a key pro-NATO and

pro-U.S. voice within the Italian

government.

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PARTICIPATION:

0945, 23 January or 0945, 24 January,

for five minutes

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The President, The Vice President, PARTICIPANTS:

MOD Spadolini, Ambassador of Italy Petrignani, Robert C. McFarlane

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