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FROM: GRANT S. GREEN, JR.

SUBJECT: Press Release on Prime Minister Goria's Visit to Washington, December 16

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Tab A Press Release

cc: Marlin Fitzwater

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Press Release on Prime Minister Goria's SUBJECT: Washington Visit, December 16

Attached at Tab I for your signature is a memo to Rhett Dawson forwarding the Press Release on the Goria visit at Tab A.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo to Dawson at Tab I.

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Attachments

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MELVYN LEVITSKY Executive Secretary Department of State

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MR. LARRY R. TAYLOR Executive Secretary U.S. Information Agency

SUBJECT: Participants List for the Official Working Visit of Prime Minister Goria of Italy

Attached is a list of participants for the Official Working Visit of Prime Minister Goria of Italy on December 16, 1987.

Paul Schott Stevens Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Participants List

NSC# 8709265

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Prebrief (11:00-11:30 a.m., Oval Office)

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The President Tyrus W. Cobb (Notetaker)

Neil Seidenman, Interpreter

ITALY

Prime Minister Goria Leonardo Visconti di Modrone (Notetaker)

Carla Lonigro, Interpreter

Meeting (11:40 a.m.- 12:15 p.m., Cabinet Room)

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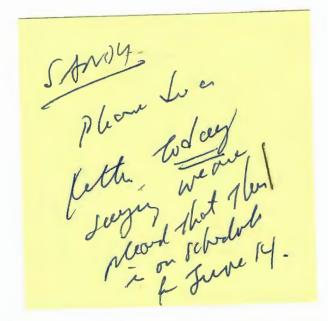
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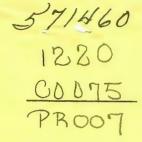


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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Paul Schott Stevens 0000/-05 National Security Council Staff

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Alerting NSCS on Presidential /- 6006-12 Correspondence

Enclosed is the original of a letter to President Reagan from Italian President of the Council of Mins. Ciriaco De Mita which is transmitted for your information.

This correspondence was received in the Information Management Section of the Executive Secretariat on May 25, 1988 A copy has been assigned to the appropriate bureau for action.

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Ambasciata d'Italia Washington

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I have the honor to convey to you the original letter addressed to you by the President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy, the Honorable Ciriaco De Mita.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you, Mr. President, the assurances of my greatest esteem and highest consideration.

Sincerely yours, Petrignani Rinaldo

The President The White House Washington, D.C.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

(TRANSLATION)

LS NO. 126155 BL/AO Italian

The President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy

April 26, 1988

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 14 emphasizing an aspect of great importance and timeliness in European-American relations after the recent meeting in Brussels of the heads of state and government of the NATO countries.

Certainly, equal sharing among all the partners of the responsibilities connected with our common defense represents an important part of the close ties between the European and American components of the Alliance.

It is also from this perspective and in view of the imminent and very important decisions the Alliance must make to guarantee the continued security of NATO's Southern flank that I want to make a point of re-emphasizing Italy's commitment to continue to offer its effective contribution to our common defense.

I am pleased to learn that Deputy Secretary of Defense Taft will soon be visiting Rome, and you may be assured that we shall listen to what he has to say with the greatest interest.

Please accept, Mr. President, my best wishes.

Yours very sincerely, Ciriaco De Mita



Il Iresidente Consiglio dei Ministri

Roma, 26 aprile 1988

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Signor Presidente,

La ringrazio per la Sua cortese lettera del 14 aprile, che pone l'accento su un aspetto di grande rilevanza ed attualità del rapporto interatlantico, dopo la recente riunione di Bruxelles dei Capi di Stato e di Governo della NATO.

Certamente, un'equa suddivisione, tra tutti i partners, delle responsabilità connesse con la difesa comune rappresenta un rilevante connotato dello stretto collegamento tra le componenti europea e nordamericana dell'Alleanza.

E' anche in questa prospettiva e nell'imminenza di decisioni, alleate di particolare rilevanza ai fini della non diminuita sicurezza del fianco meridionale della NATO, che tengo a ribadire l'impegno dell'Italia nel continuare ad offrire il proprio efficace contributo alla difesa comune.

Sono lieto di apprendere che il Vice Segretario alla Difesa Taft verrà presto in visita a Roma, e desidero assicurarLe che da parte italiana ascolteremo con il massimo interesse quanto egli verrà ad esporre.

Mi è gradita l'occasione, Signor Presidente, per inviarLe i miei migliori saluti.

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S.E. Ronald REAGAN Presidente degli Stati Uniti d'America

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May 19, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR MELVYN LEVITSKY Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT: Official Working Visit of Prime Minister De Mita of Italy

The Official Working Visit of Prime Minister De Mita of Italy is set for June 14, 1988. The tenatative scenario is as follows:

11:27	a.m.	Arrival
11:30	a.m.	Photo and Meeting Oval Office/Cabinet Room
12:15	p.m.	Lunch in the Residence
1:30	p.m.	Departure Statements South Lawn
1:40	p.m.	Departure

In preparation for the visit the following is requested by June 7.

- Recommended U.S. and Italian participants list
- Secretary Shultz' Scope Paper
- Recommended talking points
- Original biographies
- Draft departure statement
- Recommended talking points and original biography for coffee hosted by First Lady

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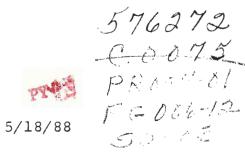
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May 11, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR FREDERICK G. RYAN, JR.

FROM:

Official Working Visit for New Italian PM De Mita SUBJECT:

State has strongly recommended that the new Italian Prime Minister, Ciriaco De Mita, be invited to Washington for an Official Working Visit in June or July. NSC endorses State's recommendation.

PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

Ambassador Rabb argues (Tab B) that the De Mita government is expected to enjoy a long tenure and will be in a position to make major decisions on Italian domestic and foreign policy. He points out that De Mita will be the key person in the crucial decision the Government of Italy will have to make regarding whether or not to accept the 401st Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW) that we have agreed to withdraw from Spain. State (Tab A) notes that Secretary Carlucci had indicated that we must have Italian agreement in hand by August or the Wing will be deactivated. De Mita personally will have to overcome internal opposition to the transfer of the 401st to Italy.

A Washington visit will bolster De Mita's standing and give us the opportunity to emphasize the importance of maintaining the TFW in Southern Europe. While the transfer of the 401st is the most critical issue, a visit will also afford us a chance to reinforce Italy's excellent cooperation with the United States in combatting terrorism, assessing arms control positions and coordinating our Persian Gulf operations.

Attachments Tab A State Recommendation Tab B AMB Rabb's Endorsement

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April 22, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR COLIN L. POWELL THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Appointment Request: Italian Prime Minister De Mita

Ciriaco De Mita, Italy's new Prime Minister, has requested an Official Working Visit to Washington to discuss major issues facing our two countries. De Mita would prefer to visit soon, in view of the time-sensitivity of major issues, preferably in June or July.

De Mita has taken over Italy's leadership at a critical moment for our interests. We need to resolve the issue of transferring the 401st Tactical Fighter Wing from Spain by August. Italy has indicated willingness in principle to consider hosting the Wing, but we do not yet have a firm commitment to a future site. Secretary Carlucci has told Congress that if we do not have a specific site and NATO funding commitment by August, the Wing will be deactivated.

De Mita's strong five-party coalition program lays the groundwork for accepting the 401st, but the government will face opposition from some politicians and citizen groups. De Mita will have to take a strong stand to ensure a positive government decision on a site before the August deadline. Italian politicians and public attach extraordinary importance to Washington visits for Italian leaders. A Washington visit soon will give De Mita first-hand understanding of U.S. views and enhance his stature at home.

The Department of State strongly recommends that an Official Working Visit for Prime Minister De Mita be scheduled as soon as possible. Ambassador Rabb fully concurs. We make this recommendation because of De Mita's key role in the 401st issue. A visit will also afford the opportunity to discuss other priority areas, such as combatting terrorism, Persian Gulf coordination, and next steps on arms control.

Melvyn Levitsky Executive Secretary

Attachment: Biographic Sketch of Ciriaco De Mita

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-2. I STRONGLY URGE THAT TIME TO BE SET ASIDE IN EITHER JUNE OR JULY FOR THE PRESIDENT TO RECEIVE THE NEW PRIME MINISTER OF ITALY, CIRIACO DE MITA. TO US, JUNE 13 AND 14 SEEM TO OFFER THE BEST OPPORTUNITY SINCE DE MITA IS EXPECTED TO VISIT WASHINGTON DURING THAT TIMEFRAME TO TAKE PART IN THE COMMEMORATION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARSHALL PLAN, A PROGRAM WHICH IS BEING SPONSORED BY THE ITALIAN CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY, OF WHICH DE MITA IS THE LEADER. HE WILL ALSO REPRESENT ITALY AT THE TORONTO

3. DE MITA'S GOVERNMENT SUCCEEDS THE SHORT-LIVED MINISTRY OF GIOVANNI GORIA WHOM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED LAST DECEMBER. DE MITA IS EXPECTED TO LEAD A MORE DURABLE GOVERNMENT AND ONE THAT WILL BE IN A POSITION TO MAKE MAJOR DECISIONS REGARDING ITALIAN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN POLICY. HIS GOVERNMENT, WILL, FOR EXAMPLE, BE CALLED UPON VERY EARLY ON TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT ITALY WILL ACCEPT THE RELOCATION OF THE 401ST TFW. WE ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING A DECISION ON THE RELOCATION QUESTION THROUGH NATO, AND A FAVORABLE ITALIAN DECISION NEEDS TO BE RECEIVED BY NO LATER THAN AUGUST IF THE 401ST IS NOT TO BE RETURNED TO THE U.S.

- 4. DE MITA WILL BE A KEY PERSON IN THIS DECISION TO ACCEPT THE F-16S. IF FOR NO OTHER REASON, I THINK THE PRESIDENT SHOULD SEE HIM TO SMOOTH THE ROAD TOWARD A FAVORABLE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT DECISION ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. TRADITIONALLY, THE NEW ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER SEES THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT VERY SOON AFTER ASSUMING OFFICE. GIVEN ITALY'S GROWING ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE, ITS NAVAL FORCE IN THE PERSIAN - GULF, AND ITS IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE UNITED STATES NEEDS TO IMPRESS UPON THE NEW PRIME MINISTER OUR VIEWS ON THESE ISSUES AND OUR CON- TINUING CONFIDENCE IN ITALY AS ONE OF THE UNITED STATES' MOST CONSISTENT ALLIES. -

5. THE PRESIDENT HAS MET FOR PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES AND BRIEF CONVERSATIONS WITH DE MITA IN THE PAST, WHEN HE CAME TO THE U.S. AS HEAD OF THE CHRISITAN DEMO- CRATIC PARTY. HE REMAINS, HOWEVER, A POLITICIAN WITH A STRONG DOMESTIC BIAS AND LITTLE APPRECIATION OF THE MAJOR INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AND OUR VIEWS ON THEM. BOTH HE AND THE NEW GOVERNMENT HE HEADS--AS WELL AS OUR INTERESTS--WILL BENEFIT GREATLY IF THE PRESIDENT IS ABLE TO GIVE HIM SOME TIME TO HELP HIM UNDERSTAND OUR APPROACH AND OUR INTEREST IN STRONG ITALIAN-U.S. TIES. RABB BT #0142



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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:	WORKING LUNCHFON His Excellency Ciriaco De Mita President of the Council of Ministers
RECEIVED	of the ITALIAN REPUBLIC Tuesday, June 14, 1988
TIME:	12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.
LOCATIONS CHEDULING	State Dining Room/Old Family Dining Room
NUMBER OF GUESTS:	21
FROM:	Linda Faulkner 🗎 🗍

12:00 p.m. Guests begin arriving State Dining Room from West Wing via back staircase for refreshments.

- 12:15 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and Prime Minister De Mita arrive State Floor via elevator and proceed to State Dining Room. Refreshments are served.
- 12:20 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and Prime Minister De Mita depart State Dining Room and proceed to Old Family Dining Room for luncheon. Guests follow.

Luncheon is served.

1:25 p.m. At conclusion of luncheon, THE PRESIDENT and Prime Minister De Mita lead guests from Old Family Dining Room to Diplomatic Reception Room via State Dining Room, Cross Hall, and Grand Staircase.

> THE PRESIDENT and Prime Minister De Mita hold in Diplomatic Reception Room while guests take their places out South Portico.

THE PRESIDENT and Prime Minister De Mita proceed out South Portico for departure statements.

- 1:30 p.m. Departure statements.
- 1:40 p.m. Following departure statements, THE PRESIDENT returns to Oval Office.

All guests depart.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

COLIN L. POWELL () FROM:

SUBJECT:

Letter to Italian Prime Minister Ciriaco De Mita

Issue

Whether to sign the attached letter to Italian Prime Minister De Mita.

Fact

Italian Prime Minister De Mita wrote you concerning the Iran-Iraq cease-fire, labeling it an opportunity for the West to reassess its naval presence in the Persian Gulf.

Discussion

In your response, you praise Italy's naval contribution in the Persian Gulf and its membership in the United Nations ceasefire monitoring group. You also stress that decisions on any further reductions in Western vessels in the Gulf should be made only after the West determines that the cease-fire is durable and the sea lanes safe for transport.

Recommendation

That you sign the letter at Tab A. OK No

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Attachments

Letter to Prime Minister De Mita Tab A Incoming from Prime Minister De Mita Tab B

> cc Vice President Chief of Staff (2)

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WASHINGTON

Dear Ciriaco:

Thank you for your letter of August 12 in which you so eloquently set forth the Italian Government's readiness to contribute to a peaceful solution to the prolonged and destructive conflict between Iran and Iraq. I welcome your nation's very constructive role in this vital region of the world, both as a member of the UN cease-fire monitoring group and in keeping the Gulf sea lanes open to international commerce.

My government fully shares your interest in closé coordination on our joint naval presence in the Gulf, particularly now that a cease-fire is in effect between the two belligerents. Secretary of Defense Carlucci communicated with Minister Zanone on this subject.

I am certain you will agree that decisions on any further reductions of vessels patrolling the Gulf should only be taken once it has been determined that the cease-fire is durable and that the region's sea lanes are once again safe for civilian transport.

The United States Government will, of course, consult fully with Italy and other allies in advance of any significant change in our military posture in the region.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,

His Excellency Ciriaco De Mita President of the Council of Ministers of the Italian Republic Rome



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UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY.

"Dear Ronald,

The Italian Government has learned with deep satisfaction and great relief the news that a definitive date for the cease fire beteween Iran and Iraq has been determined. We all wish that, after eight years of war, a formal truce may finally be reached.

From the very beginning Italy has fully supported the role of the United Nations and of the Secretary General Perez de Cuellar in the difficult negotiations carried out with the two belligerents. The firmness and the unity of the positions maintained by the Western members in the Security Council have represented an important element in attaining the success of the peace plan outlined in Resolution 598. The final mediating effort of the Secretary General was successful also because of the continuing and constant support provided to his initiative by the Security Council.

Italy immediately declared its full availability to take part in the Group of the Observers to be be tasked with monitoring the cease fire. The Italian Government will also contribute to the reconstruction programs both in Iran and Iraq.

The new prospectives which have now opened allow a reassessment of the role and the tasks that the Italian military ships have so far carried out in the Persian Gulf. As you know, we

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have alrealdy partly reduced the number of our vessels in the erea. Also because of a better planning of their missions. It is clear anyhow that any further decision will have to be taken only after the agreement between the two belligerents on a formal truce with adequate international guarantees.

We count on having an extensive exchange of views on these problems with our major Western Allies. The strict coordination always maintained between our countries and between our area commands has represented one of the main reasons why the mission of our fleets in the Gulf has been so successful. I have therefore asked the Minister of Defence to keeping close contact with his Western colleagues with the purspose of starting the consultations necessary for any future developments.

I shall be grateful for any assessment which you will wish to convey directly to me on these issues.

With my warmest regards,

Ciriaco De Mita".

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