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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

August 17, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt
National Security Council

SUBJECT: Alerting NSC on Presidential
Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan from Mr. Bettino Craxi of the Council of Ministers of Italy which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat Information Management Section on August 17, 1983.

Charles H. Stange

CS
Director, S/S-I
Information Management Section
Executive Secretariat
ext. 23836

*Ambasciata d'Italia
Washington*

August 17, 1983

Dear Mr. President

I have the honour to convey to you the enclosed message from the Honorable Bettino Craxi, President of the Council of Ministers of Italy, along with an unofficial translation of the text.

I avail myself of this occasion, Mr. President, to extend to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

*Yours sincerely
Ranieri Tallarigo*

Ranieri Tallarigo,
Chargé d'Affaires

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

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Unofficial translation of the message addressed to the President of the United States by the Prime Minister of Italy, dated August 17, 1983.

"Dear Mr. President,

I very much appreciated the message of congratulations that you addressed to me on the occasion of my appointment as President of the Council of Ministers. I share your conviction that we are going through a phase in international relations which appears very delicate and complex and in which the West has an extraordinarily important role to play. The friendly relations as a whole which unite Italy to the democratic countries of the West, and first of all to the United States, will continue to be the hinge of our foreign policy, aimed at ensuring peace and progress in the world, with full respect to the principles of liberty and justice. Our longstanding bonds of friendship will stimulate us to further strengthen the bilateral cooperation in all fields. In this spirit, I return to you my most sincere wishes for your high office and I convey to you my most cordial greetings. Bettino Craxi".

10/11/83

Text of the message addressed to the President of the United States by the Prime Minister of Italy, dated August 17, 1983.

"Caro Signor Presidente,

ho molto gradito il messaggio di congratulazioni inviatomi in occasione della mia nomina a Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri. Condivido con Lei la convinzione che stiamo attraversando una fase dei rapporti internazionali assai delicata e complessa, nella quale l'Occidente ha un ruolo da svolgere straordinariamente importante. Il sistema delle relazioni amichevoli che legano l'Italia ai paesi democratici dell'Occidente, ed in primo luogo gli Stati Uniti, continuerà ad essere il cardine della nostra azione di politica estera diretta all'affermazione della pace e del progresso nel mondo nel rispetto dei principi di libertà e di giustizia. I nostri antichi vincoli di amicizia ci stimoleranno a rafforzare ulteriormente la collaborazione bilaterale in tutti i settori.

In questo spirito Le ricambio i più vivi voti augurali per la Sua attività di governo e Le invio il mio più cordiale saluto. Bettino Craxi".

White House Guidelines, August 22, 1997
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FROM COBB

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SUBJECT PRES LTR FOR SMITH TO HANDCARRY TO PM CRAXI RE PROPOSAL FOR JOINT
ITALIAN AMERICAN INITIATIVE ON NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 7, 1983

Dear Prime Minister Craxi:

The United States and Italy have been waging a difficult and frustrating battle for many years against a common scourge -- organized crime, and more specifically, narcotics trafficking.

The cooperation between our two countries has been excellent, but as we are both painfully aware, we have not succeeded in eliminating this ugly menace from our two societies.

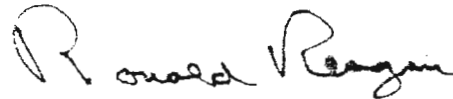
Mr. Prime Minister, I believe the time has come for your country and mine to step up sharply our joint efforts. I would be most grateful to learn your reaction, your ideas and any proposals you might have.

Attorney General William French Smith will be in Rome to meet with you and your Ministers on October 12-13, and to sign the new extradition treaty between Italy and the United States. This will complete the modernized legal framework for cooperation in criminal matters between our two countries.

I believe the Attorney General's visit will be an ideal opportunity to discuss with you the next steps we could take to meet our shared commitment, and together, to turn the tide against narcotics trafficking.

Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely,



His Excellency Bettino Craxi
President of the Council of Ministers
of the Italian Republic
Rome

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SUBJ: PRES LTR TO CRAXI RE JOINT ITALIAN AMERICAN INITIATIVE ON NARCOTICS

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MEMORANDUM

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

October 5, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: TYRUS W. COBB *the*

SUBJECT: Proposal for Joint Italian-American Initiative
on Narcotics Trafficking

Attorney General Smith has raised with you the possibility of discussing the establishment of a "U.S.-Italian Working Group on International Drug Trafficking" with Prime Minister Craxi during the AG's visit to Rome next week. Smith would like to hand-carry a letter to Craxi from President Reagan, endorsing the initiation of discussions on fighting organized crime - specifically, narcotics trafficking. Combatting organized crime is one of the main points of Craxi's governmental programs. Embassy Rome has strongly endorsed this proposal and State and Justice concur. However, we are concerned about:

- The extent to which the new Italian government is interested in the concept and, given its heavy domestic and foreign policy agenda, the degree to which it could meaningfully commit itself to cooperation in this area.
- Raising the working-group concept specifically as part of the Reagan-Craxi meetings on October 20. There may not be sufficient time to properly prepare the groundwork for raising this proposal at the Chief Executives level.

Therefore, we have proposed a brief, general letter from the President to Craxi that endorses the initiation of discussions, but avoids strong commitments at this time. AG Smith should hand-carry the letter to Craxi, and State will provide detailed instructions to Embassy Rome in support of the concept. Raising the issue in the context of a Reagan-Craxi meeting will depend on the outcome of AG Smith's discussions in Rome.

Phil Hughes of the Office of the Vice-President concurs in this initiative. The letter has been cleared with speechwriters.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memorandum (Tab I) to the President.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Attachment

Tab I - Memo to the President

Tab A - Presidential Letter to Craxi

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October 5, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Joint Italian-American Initiative on
Narcotics Trafficking

Issue

Proposal for discussions on a joint Italian-American commitment to fighting organized crime, specifically, narcotics trafficking.

Background

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Discussion

We have proposed a brief, general letter from you to Craxi that endorses the initiation of discussions, but avoids strong commitments at this time. The Attorney General will discuss this with you this morning at your 9:30 a.m. meeting, and would like to hand-carry the letter to Craxi, with whom he will meet next week. If you approve and the discussions go well, we might want to put this item on the agenda for your October 20 session with Craxi.

Recommendation

OK

No

_____ That you sign the attached letter to Craxi.

Attachment

Tab A - Letter to Prime Minister Craxi

Prepared by:
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Dear Prime Minister Craxi:

The United States and Italy are faced with the common scourges of organized crime and more specifically narcotics trafficking. We and you have fought these intertwined afflictions of our societies for many years.

Our cooperation has been excellent, but neither the United States nor Italy has been able to eliminate these problems from our societies.

I would like to intensify our cooperation in these fields and would be grateful for your ideas.

Attorney General William French Smith will be meeting with you and your Ministers in Rome on October ¹²⁻¹³ 13 and will sign the new extradition treaty between Italy and the United States, thus completing the modernized legal framework for cooperation in criminal matters between our two countries.

Attorney General Smith's visit will be an opportunity to discuss specific next steps in the commitment, which I believe we share, to combat narcotics trafficking. ~~I also look forward, during your forthcoming visit to Washington, to a discussion of these issues with you in hopes of improving our joint efforts against crime and narcotics.~~

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

His Excellency

Bettino Craxi

President of the ~~Senate~~ *Council of Ministers*
of the Italian Republic

Rome

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 21, 1983

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Director, S/S-I
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Ambasciata d'Italia
Il Ministro

October 17, 1983

Mr. President

In absence of Ambassador Petrignani, I have the honor to convey to you a message from the Prime Minister of the Italian Republic, The Honorable Bettino Craxi, accompanied by an unofficial translation.

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

Sincerely Yours,

Ranieri Tallarigo

Ranieri Tallarigo
Minister-Counselor

The President
The White House
Washington D.C.



Embassy of Italy
1601 Fuller St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

October 17, 1983

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT FROM THE
ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER

Mr. President:

I am referring to your letter of August 19th, recalling the dialogue you started with my predecessor on the issue of nuclear non proliferation, to which also the Italian Government attaches a great importance.

You will be certainly aware of the consistency with which Italy has implemented the spirit and the letter of the most advanced rules on non proliferation and the active contribution given by us through multi-lateral and bilateral concertation and coordination, to all the necessary reviews aimed at defining a new basis for an international consensus on the matter.

I also want to confirm to you that the objective of nuclear non proliferation is still considered by Italy as a top priority, due to its serious and complex geo-political implications to which you rightly refer in your letter. Therefore I fully agree on the opportunity of a more and more active and diversified commitment, aimed at realizing new developments for a more effective system of global safeguards.

However, I believe that a strengthened process of bilateral and multilateral consultation and cooperation among exporting countries - to be possibly extended to the nuclear exporters of the so called new generations - should be more based on pragmatic criteria and quite diplomacy.

It is also important that consultations be considered by importing countries and emerging exporters as an effort to improve the present system in the interest of peace and not as a way to consolidate positions of privilege.

In this spirit, I believe that the meeting you proposed can be a further and useful contribution to which Italy is ready to offer its own constructive participation. Because of the extreme complexity of the pro-

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blems and the difference of approaches, the meeting should be well arranged also in view of assuring the largest possible participation of exporting countries.

I am looking forward to meeting you next October 20th, and having with you, also on this subject, an exchange of evaluations.

Please accept, Mr. President, my best wishes.

Bettino Craxi

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October 17, 1983

*Embassy of Italy
1601 Fuller St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009*

TEXT OF THE MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FROM
THE ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER.

"Signor Presidente,

mi riferisco alla Sua lettera del 19 agosto che riprende un dialogo da Lei avviato con il mio predecessore su un tema, quello della non proliferazione nucleare, cui anche il Governo italiano ammette una grande importanza.

Le sono certamente noti la coerenza con la quale l'Italia si e' attenuta allo spirito ed alla lettera delle piu' avanzate normative internazionali sulla non proliferazione e l'attivo contributo da essa fornito, sul piano della concertazione e del coordinamento multilaterale e bilaterale, a tutti gli approfondimenti rivelatisi necessari ai fini della definizione di una nuova base di consenso internazionale in materia.

Tengo a confermarLe che l'obiettivo della non proliferazione nucleare conserva per l'Italia un carattere di massima priorita' stanti le sue gravi e complesse implicazioni geopolitiche cui ella fa giustamente riferimento nella Sua lettera. Condivido, quindi, pienamente la opportunita' di un nostro sempre piu' attivo e diversificato impegno, volto a realizzare nuovi progressi per un sempre piu' efficace sistema generalizzato da salvaguardie globali.

Credo, tuttavia, che la rafforzata attivita' consultiva e di cooperazione bilaterale e multilaterale tra i paesi esportatori - da estendere possibilmente agli esportatori nucleari della cosiddetta nuova generazione - dovrebbe ispirarsi maggiormente a criteri di pragmatismo e di riservatezza.

E' anche importante che le consultazioni vengano considerate dai paesi importatori e dagli esportatori emergenti come uno sforzo inteso a migliorare il sistema esistente nel comune interesse per la pace e non come un mezzo per consolidare posizioni di privilegio.

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In questo spirito ritengo che la riunione da Ella prospettata possa costituire un ulteriore, utile contributo, cui l'Italia e' pronta ad offrire il proprio costruttivo concorso. Data l'estrema complessita' dei problemi e la diversita' degli approcci, la riunione dovrebbe essere ben preparata in vista anche di assicurare la piu' ampia partecipazione possibile di paesi esportatori.

Nell'attesa di incontrarLa il 20 ottobre prossimo e di poter avere con Lei, anche su questo argomento, uno scambio di valutazioni, La prego di gradire, Signor Presidente, i miei migliori auguri.

Bettino Craxi".

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Condolence Message on the Hunt Assassination (S/S 8404826)

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO PRIME MINISTER CRAXI'S
CONDOLENCE MESSAGE ON THE HUNT ASSASSINATION (S/S
8404826)

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER
CRAXI FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED
ORIGINAL.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR BETTINO:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH
OF LEAMON R. HUNT. THE SENSELESS MURDER OF THIS FINE
MAN IN ROME IS A SAD REMINDER OF THE DIFFICULTY OF THE
PATH TOWARD GENERAL PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

I KNOW THAT ITALY'S VIGOROUS EFFORTS AGAINST TERRORISM,
WHICH HAVE BORNE SUCCESS IN THE PAST, WILL NOT FLAG.

A FITTING TRIBUTE TO RAY HUNT WOULD BE CONTINUED
STEADFASTNESS IN SUPPORT OF THE PEACEKEEPING
ORGANIZATION, THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS, TO

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WHICH HE CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH. IN THIS VEIN I APPLAUD ITALY'S RECENT DECISION TO EXTEND ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE MFO FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS. ITALY'S MFO PERSONNEL ARE PERFORMING THEIR TASKS IN CHARACTERISTICALLY DILIGENT FASHION.

SINCERELY,

RONALD REAGAN. END TEXT.

3. FYI. CRAXI'S MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT, DATED FEBRUARY 16 AND DELIVERED THROUGH THE ITALIAN EMBASSY, WAS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE DESPICABLE ASSASSINATION IN ROME OF DIRECTOR GENERAL LEAMON HUNT HAS DEEPLY SHOCKED ME. IT WAS AN EXECRABLE ACT WHICH IS TO BE FIRMLY CONDEMNED BY ALL CIVILIZED SOCIETY. THOSE WHO THINK THAT THROUGH SUCH HORRIBLE CRIMES THEY CAN INTIMIDATE THE DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS OF OUR COUNTRIES OR WEAKEN THE DETERMINATION WITH WHICH OUR GOVERNMENTS PURSUE THEIR GOALS OF PACIFICATION IN AREAS OF CRISIS OR CONFLICTS, ARE SURELY DELUDING THEMSELVES. ON THE CONTRARY, THESE UNSPEAKABLE CRIMINAL ACTS STRENGTHEN OUR CONVICTION THAT WE HAVE TO MAINTAIN OUR COMMON COMMITMENT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF EQUITABLE AND PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS.

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS TO YOU THE SENTIMENTS OF MY PROFOUND PERSONAL GRIEF AND THE CONDOLENCES OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, WHICH I REQUEST YOU TO CONVEY TO THE FAMILY OF THE VICTIM.

BETTINO CRAXI".

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LNX TO WHITE HOUSE

- T. Langer

February 16, 1984

EUR/WE/IT

Dear Mr. President,

I have the honor to convey to you a message from the Prime Minister of the Italian Republic, the Honorable Bettino Craxi, accompanied by an unofficial translation.

Condolence
message
for Mr. &
Hunt

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

Yours sincerely,

Amintore Fanfani

The President

The White House

Washington, D.C.



Embassy of Italy
1601 Fuller St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

16 febbraio 1984

TEXT OF THE MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF
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La prego di accogliere i sentimenti di profondo cordoglio del Governo italiano e miei personali e di farsene interprete presso la famiglia della vittima.

Bettino Craxi"



Embassy of Italy
1601 Fuller St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

February 16, 1984

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT BY
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt
National Security Council

SUBJECT: Alerting NSC on Presidential
Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan
from Prime Minister Bettino Craxi of Italy
which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat
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SPACE PROGRAMS

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SUBJECT. PM CRAXI 6 MAR REPLY TO PRLS MSG / COOPERATION IN SPACE

ACTION: NO REPLY NECESSARY PER STATE DUE: STATUS C FILES PA

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Date 3/27/84
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For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Prime Minister Craxi
Date: March 6, 1984 Subject: Response to Letter from
Reagan to Craxi regarding cooperation in space.
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Department of State.

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_____ A translation is attached.
_____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
_____ The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
X Other.

Remarks:

Prime Minister Craxi's letter is in response to a message from
President Reagan. No reply is necessary.

for Kristie A. Kenney
Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT PASS TO THE WHITE HOUSE

PARIS FOR NASA EUROPEAN REPRESENTATIVE

TOKYO PASS TO NASA ADMINISTRATOR BEGGS

E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: TSPA, KSCA, IT

SUBJECT: MANNED SPACE STATION PROGRAM: LETTER FROM
- PRIME MINISTER CRAXI TO PRESIDENT REAGAN

REF: STATE 22588

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A RESPONSE FROM PRIME MINISTER
CRAXI TO PRESIDENT REAGAN'S LETTER REGARDING COOPERATION
ON THE MANNED SPACE STATION PROJECT (REFTEL). FOLLOWING
IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION. BEGIN QUOTE:

-- ROME, MARCH 6, 1984

YOUR EXCELLENCY RONALD REAGAN
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
WASHINGTON

DEAR PRESIDENT:

I REPLY TO YOUR MESSAGE IN WHICH YOU POINT OUT AMERICAN
INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING COOPERATION WITH ITALY IN THE
DEVELOPMENT OF A PERMANENT ORBITING STATION WHICH SHOULD
BE LAUNCHED INTO SPACE IN THE EARLY 90'S. I WOULD LIKE TO
SAY THAT I GREATLY APPRECIATED YOUR MESSAGE, AND THAT I
LOOK FORWARD WITH DEEP INTEREST TO THE FORTHCOMING VISIT
OF YOUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, NASA ADMINISTRATOR BEGGS,
TO KNOW BETTER THE MODALITIES OF THE COOPERATION THAT CAN
BE ESTABLISHED.

PRECISELY IN VIEW OF MR. BEGGS' MISSION IN ITALY, I HELD
YESTERDAY A CABINET MEETING IN WHICH THE MINISTER FOR
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION AND OF THE ACADEMIC-SCIENTIFIC
WORLD WHO OPERATE IN THE AEROSPACE FIELD PARTICIPATED.
I AM VERY HAPPY TO RECEIVE MR. BEGGS PERSONALLY BEFORE
HE HOLDS MORE EXTENSIVE AND IN-DEPTH TALKS WITH THE
MINISTER FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND WITH OTHER OFFICIALS
OF THE COMPETENT ENTITIES.

WHAT I WISH TO UNDERLINE FROM THIS MOMENT IS THAT THE
EFFECTIVE, FRUITFUL AEROSPACE COOPERATION WHICH HAS TAKEN

PLACE SO FAR BETWEEN ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES DETER-
MINES THE NEED TO PLACE FUTURE JOINT INITIATIVES BETWEEN
OUR TWO COUNTRIES AT THE HIGH LEVELS OF SPECIALIZATION THAT
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION HAVE
ATTAINED IN ITALY. ITALY THEREFORE IS QUITE READY TO STUDY
THE TERMS OF SIGNIFICANT COOPERATION, IN THE AWARENESS THAT
THE ITALIAN SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY AND ITALIAN INDUSTRY CAN
OFFER A HIGH QUALITY CONTRIBUTION TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF
NEW CONQUESTS IN SPACE FOR THE BENEFIT OF MANKIND. IT
WILL ALSO BE USEFUL TO THINK, AT THE RIGHT MOMENT, OF
ESTABLISHING THE PROPER FORMAL INSTRUMENTS WHICH WILL
ENSURE CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT OF THE COOPERATIVE INITIATIVES
TO BE AGREED UPON.

IN THE EXPECTATION OF A CONSTRUCTIVE MISSION IN ITALY FOR
YOUR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, I KINDLY ASK YOU, DEAR
PRESIDENT AND FRIEND, TO ACCEPT MY CORDIAL REGARDS.

--

B. CRAXI

END QUOTE.

2. THE ORIGINAL LETTER, IN ITALIAN, IS BEING SENT BY
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*Al Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

Roma, 6 marzo 1984

Caro Presidente,

rispondo al Suo messaggio nel quale Ella mi segnala l'interesse americano di definire una collaborazione con l'Italia nella realizzazione di una stazione orbitante permanente che dovrebbe essere lanciata nello spazio agli inizi degli anni '90. Desidero al riguardo dirLe che ho molto apprezzato tale Sua comunicazione e che guardo con vivo interesse alla prossima visita del Suo emissario speciale, l'Amministratore della NASA Beggs, per meglio conoscere le modalità della collaborazione che potrà essere concordata.

Proprio in vista della missione in Italia del Signor Beggs, ho presieduto ieri una riunione di Governo cui ha preso parte il Ministro della Ricerca Scientifica ed altri esponenti dell'Amministrazione italiana e del mondo accademico-scientifico che operano nel settore aerospaziale. Sono ben lieto di ricevere io stesso il Signor Beggs prima che egli abbia colloqui più approfonditi ed estesi con il Ministro della Ricerca Scientifica e con altri esponenti degli Enti competenti.

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S.E. Ronald Reagan
Presidente degli Stati Uniti d'America
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*Al Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

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Quello che mi preme sin d'ora sottolineare è che l'efficace, fruttuoso funzionamento della collaborazione aerospaziale sin qui realizzatasi tra l'Italia e gli Stati Uniti, pone l'esigenza di collocare le future iniziative congiunte tra i nostri due paesi sui livelli di alta specializzazione che la ricerca scientifica e l'innovazione tecnologica hanno raggiunto in Italia. Da parte italiana, vi è dunque una ampia disponibilità ad approfondire i termini di una qualificata cooperazione, nella consapevolezza che la comunità scientifica e le industrie del nostro paese sono in grado di dare un elevato contributo alla realizzazione delle nuove conquiste dello spazio a vantaggio dell'umanità. Sarà anche utile pensare al momento opportuno a definire gli appropriati strumenti formali allo scopo di dare continuità di realizzazione alle iniziative di cooperazione da definire.

Nell'auspicio di una costruttiva missione in Italia del Suo emissario personale, La prego di accogliere, caro Presidente ed Amico, i miei più cordiali saluti

B. Craxi

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For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: The President From: Italian Prime Minister Craxi
Date: September 27, 1984 Subject: East-West Relations

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xx Other. Forwarded enclosed is the Italian original of
Prime Minister Craxi's letter to the President,
together with a translation by Language Services.

Remarks:

No action required -- Craxi's letter was originally
communicated by cable ROME 23992 (Nodis) of September 27 and was
replied to directly by the White House on October 3. STATE 297644
(Nodis) of October 6 forwarded an information copy of that reply
to Embassy Rome.

James W. Hill
for Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

(TRANSLATION)

LS NO. 114150
BL/AO
Italian

The Prime Minister of the
Republic of Italy

September 27, 1984

Dear Mr. President and Friend:

I appreciated the message you sent me very much, and I would like to share some of my thoughts with you concerning the relaunching of the East-West dialogue on the eve of your important meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko.

I especially want to express my satisfaction with the emphasis you put on the search and the need for peace in your speech before the United Nations and for your constructive approach to East-West relations which might facilitate an improvement. At a time when elements of uncertainty and distrust prevail, any attempt to re-establish an atmosphere and a framework for a dialogue which might favor and stimulate substantive negotiations takes on great significance. I believe that your speech before the United Nations was a valid contribution to this end. Now it must be hoped that the offer of conciliation and of a serious and committed search for points of convergence on problems of such great importance for mankind will en-

H.E. Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
of America - White House
Washington, D.C.

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courage reasonableness and moderation and provide an impetus for movement towards that spirit of openmindedness and fundamental compromise in order to pursue tangible and mutually acceptable results.

What I find especially interesting and conducive to our common objectives is the flexibility of the proposals on arms control and reduction which you are about to submit to Foreign Minister Gromyko. I believe that along these flexible lines we must redefine in strict consultation the objectives and strategies for a new platform which, while respecting maximum mutual security, will offer sufficient margins for negotiation with respect to the Soviet positions.

However, I agree with you that at this stage, the first move is up to the Soviets, i.e. that they should give up their unrealistic preconditions for the renewal of the INF negotiations and show a clear willingness to negotiate. But I consider it opportune and appropriate to take care from now on that the necessary connections between the various negotiating tables are assured since all the arms systems together, regardless of their nature and characteristics, combine in determining the global level of military threat, and therefore it is to that level that the balanced and verifiable measures of arms control and disarmament must necessarily refer.

I furthermore agree to, and in fact want to encourage, the initiation of a dialogue with the Soviet Union in order to reduce the elements of East-West confrontation in regional crises, which must be resolved by giving ever more weight to the role of the countries and parties directly involved, fully respecting their legitimate aspirations and needs. To such efforts we could certainly give our

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wholehearted and constructive cooperation.

I shall be very interested in hearing about the impressions you will carry away from your talks with Foreign Minister Gromyko, and I expect to remain in close contact with you for an ever more profound exchange of evaluations.

With all my best wishes,

s. Bettino Craxi

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*Al Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

Roma, 27 settembre 1984

Caro Presidente ed Amico,

ho molto apprezzato il messaggio che mi hai inviato e sono lieto di poter condividere con te al cune mie riflessioni sul rilancio del dialogo Est-Ovest al la vigilia del tuo importante incontro con il Ministro degli Esteri sovietico, Gromiko.

Tengo innanzitutto ad esprimerti il mio compiacimento per l'enfasi che hai posto nel tuo intervento alle Nazioni Unite alla ricerca e al bisogno della pace, nonché per la costruttiva impostazione che hai dato ai rapporti Est-Ovest nella prospettiva di favorire un loro miglioramento. In un momento in cui prevalgono elementi di incertezza e di sfiducia, acquista infatti grande rilievo ogni tentativo per ricostituire un'atmosfera e una trama di dialogo propizie e suscettibili di stimolare un negoziato di sostanza. Credo che il tuo intervento alle Nazioni Unite abbia dato un valido concorso a tale obiettivo. Vi è ora da sperare che l'offerta di conciliazione e di seria e convinca ricerca dei punti di convergenza su problemi di co-

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Presidente degli Stati Uniti
d'America - Casa Bianca
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*Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

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sì grande importanza per l'umanità, incoraggi ragionevo-
lezza e moderazione e induca a muovere verso quello spi-
rito di apertura e di compromesso fondamentale per con-
seguire risultati tangibili e reciprocamente accettabi-
li.

Trovo in particolare interessante, e strumenta-
le agli scopi che insieme ci proponiamo, il carattere di
flessibilità delle proposte che tu ti accingi ad avanza-
re al Ministro degli Esteri Gromiko sul controllo e la ri-
duzione degli armamenti. Io credo che su questa flessibi-
lità noi dovremo in stretta concertazione ridefinire in-
sieme obiettivi e strategie per una nuova piattaforma
che, nel rispetto della massima sicurezza reciproca, of-
fra sufficienti margini negoziali in rapporto alle posi-
zioni sovietiche.

Convengo comunque con te che, a questo stadio, la
prima mossa spetti ai sovietici con la rinuncia alle lo-
ro irrealistiche pregiudiziali per quanto riguarda la ri-
presa del negoziato sul FNI e con la manifestazione di
una chiara volontà negoziale. Ritengo sia comunque oppor-
tuno ed appropriato preoccuparsi sin d'ora di assicurare
i necessari collegamenti tra i vari tavoli di negoziato
poichè tutti i dispositivi di armamento, qualunque sia la
loro natura e le loro caratteristiche, concorrono insie-
me a determinare il livello globale della minaccia ed è a que-
sto livello che devono necessariamente riferirsi le misure
di controllo e disarmo bilanciato e verificabile.

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*Al Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

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Concordo inoltre, anzi incoraggio, un avvio di discorso con l'Unione Sovietica per ridurre gli elementi di contrapposizione Est-Ovest nelle crisi regionali le quali debbono essere sempre più risolte, valorizzando il ruolo dei paesi e delle parti direttamente coinvolte, nel pieno rispetto delle loro legittime aspirazioni ed esigenze. A tali sforzi noi potremo certamente offrire il concorso di una genuina e costruttiva cooperazione.

Sarò molto lieto di poter conoscere le tue impressioni al termine dei colloqui che avrai con il Ministro Gromiko e conto di tenermi con te in stretto collegamento per un sempre più approfondito scambio di valutazioni.

Con i migliori e più cordiali saluti.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt
National Security Council

SUBJECT: Alerting NSC on Presidential
Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan
from Prime Minister Craxi of Italy
which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat
Information Management Section on October 9, 1984.

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SUMMARY TRANSLATION

Letter from Italian PM Craxi lauding Pres. Reagan's UN
Speech, stressing the importance of East-West dialogue,
and requesting a read-out of talks with Gromyko.