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March 12, 1985

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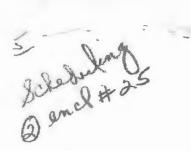
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SSqt Paul M. Wolboldt, USAF

2143 Informations Systems Squadron APO New York 09860

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Executive Office of the President The White House Office Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

My name is Paul Wolboldt. I am a Staff Sergeant in the Air Force at Zweibrucken Air Base. I recently read that you are making a trip to Germany in May. Sir, I would like to ask you if you could find it in your very busy schedule to come and visit us here for a day. Even a few hours. Perhaps you could speak to the NCOs and junior enlisted for a minutes at say the NCO Club. We are a small base but we are doing big things and we would like to show them to you. We are very proud to serve you and the country. We're glad to have you as our Commander.

If you can not fit us into your schedule I will understand. But may I trouble you a moment more? Could I <u>please have two pictures of you</u>? One would be for my work-center in Crypto Maintenance and the other would be for my two sons, Matthew and David, and my wife Eileen. Oh, by the way you and Mrs. Reagan are welcome in my home anytime. Stay the course. Thank you for listening, Sir.

Sincerely,

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I can be reached at: 2143 Informations Systems Squadron APO NY 09860 Autovon 498-2288

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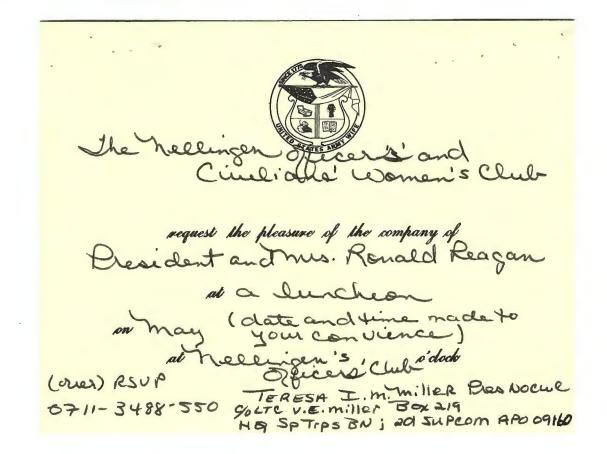
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Mrs. Teresa I. Miller c/o V.E. Miller (Capt. USA Ret.) HQ Special Troops Box 219 APO New York 09160

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REFORM CLUB,

PALL MALL,

SWIY 5EW

31 January 1985

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TO BE OPENED PERSONALLY BY:

President Reagan The White House Washington U.S.A.

TELEPHONE :

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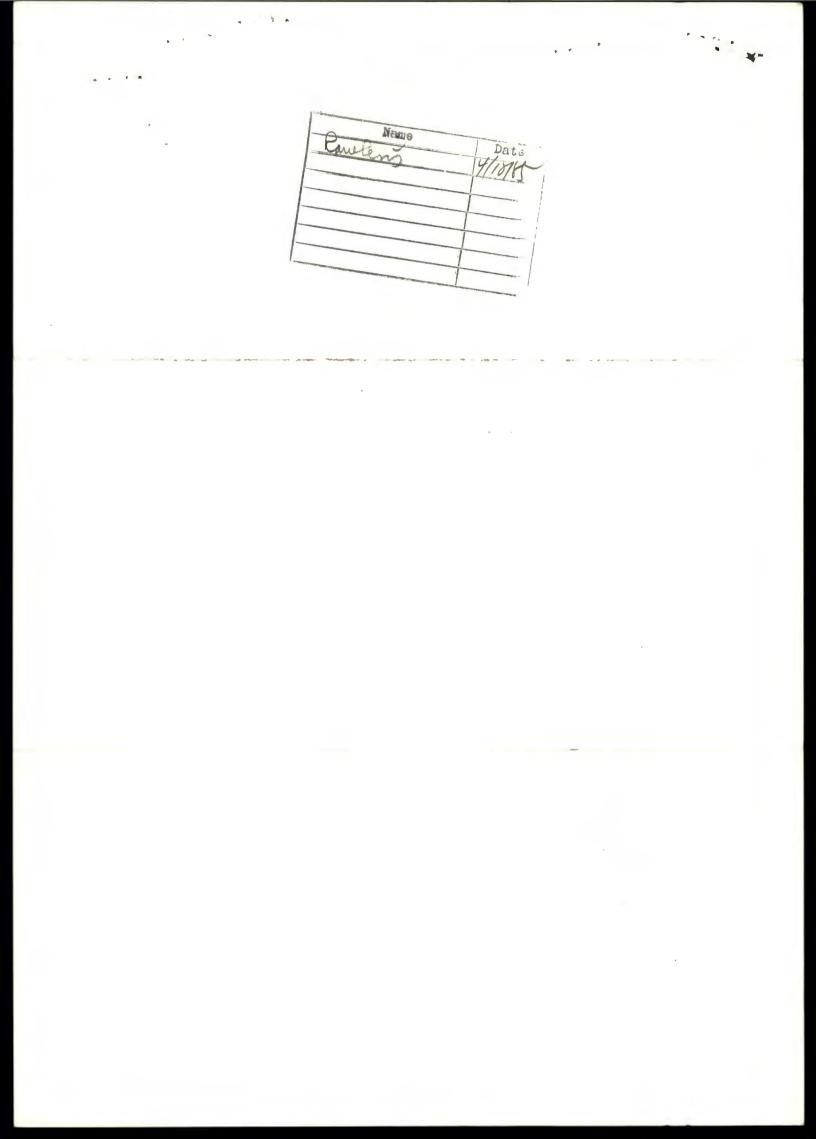
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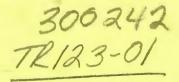
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Chairman⁶ Economic and Current Affairs Group

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July 31, 1985

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Thank you for your May 2, 1985 letter regarding the April 22, 1985 letter I sent to Mr. Liambias.

We appreciate the invitation for the President to dine with the Economics and Current Affairs Group of the Reform Club in London on one of his future trips to England. Although, we are unable to make a commitment at this time, we will keep this kind invitation in our pending file and give it every consideration when planning any future trips to England.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. Director. Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

Ms. Susan Wilson Private Secretary to Douglas Llambias Economics and Current Affairs Group Reform Club Pall Mall SWIY 5EW London, England

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Frederick J. Ryan, Jr., Director, Presidential Appointments & Scheduling, The White House, Washington, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Ryan,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 22nd addressed to Mr. Llambias.

There appear to be two ways of interpreting your letter, namely :

- there is a reasonably good chance that you will be 1. able to incorporate a dinner with the Economics and Current Affairs Group of the Reform Club within the President's schedule for one of his future trips, or
- 2. you are telling us in a very polite and courteous way that it will be impossible for the President to spend time with us.

I hope you do not mind me being so direct in seeking clarification, but Mr. Llambias would not like to raise the hopes and expectations of important members of the Reform Club should your letter not, in reality mean there is a reasonable chance that President Reagan will be able to spend time with members of the Group.

Your good wishes are reciprocated.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Wilson Private Secretary to Douglas Llambias

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April 22, 1985

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Dear Mr. Llambias:

Thank you for your most recent letter of April 3, 1985 in which you invite the President to dine with the Economics and Current Affairs Group of the Reform Club in London.

Although we are unable to give any advance dates, the President appreciates your giving him the opportunity of meeting with this prestigious group and we shall keep your invitation in mind for any future trips.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. Director, Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

Mr. Douglas Llambias Chairman Economics and Current Affairs Group Reform Club Pall Mall SWIY 5EW London, England

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3rd April, 1985.

TO BE OPENED PERSONALLY BY :

Frederick J. Ryan, Jr., Director, Presidential Appointments and Scheduling, The White House, Washington, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Ryan,

Thank you for your letter of 12th March.

Whilst it is disappointing to learn that the President and Mrs. Reagan will be unable to dine with us at the Reform Club, I fully understand the heavy commitments their itinerary must impose upon them.

However, I would appreciate it if you could let me know whether the actual concept of dining with the Economics and Current Affairs Group of the Reform Club appeals to the President, and if so, would be grateful if you could let me have dates of any planned forthcoming Presidential visits to the U.K. so that I can make appropriate arrangements well in advance.

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Douglas Llappias

Chairman Economics & Current Affairs Group

March 12, 1985

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Dear Mrs. Corrie:

Thank you for your invitation for the President and Mrs. Reagan when they come to West Germany to have dinner with you at your home.

We appreciate knowing of your interest in arranging this with the President and Mrs. Reagan. Unfortunately, I regret to write that their schedules during their visit are already heavily committed and we are unable to add this to their day.

However, on behalf of the President and Mrs. Reagan please know that your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. Director, Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

Mrs. Ellen Corrie Box 7576 APO New York 09012

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Dear President Reagan, ding invitation when it is is by Jan. 30 We have heard on the news of your up coming visit to Germany and would like to extend an invitation for dinner. My husband is a Captain in the Air Force, based at Ramstein AB and we have been overseas nearly 4 years, enjoying the opportunity to travel and experience another culture: We have a daughter who is 4 and a son, 13 months.

We miss being near family and friends but have made many close friends here. It times, life in the military is frustrating but we feel strongly about serving our country. We share the Same concerns that all military families do. The erosion of benefits is an important issue. When we see friends with the same credentials making double the salaries in civilian employment, we sometimes feel foolish for staying in. But it is our choice that we are here and we.

hope the government can make it possible for experienced men and women to make the military a career. That includes maintaining the benefits which make our nomadic lifestyle more bearable. I do hope that we can share our home with you and Mrs. Reagan if she accompanies you. Germany is a shopper's paradise and many a wife has helped support the German economy. Sincerely. Mrs. Ellen Corrie Bldg 1208 C-1 Ramslein AB W. Germany

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March 21, 1985

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Dr. Karl A. Lamers Deputy Chairman Junge Union Baden-Wirttemberg Schleifengrundweg 6 6900 Heidelberg West Germany

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Schleifengrundweg 6 6900 Heidelberg Telefon (0711)2063-211

Den 5. März 1985

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Dear Mr. Deaver,

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I am well aware that this is an unusual desire.

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Sometimes a symbol can express more than words can do in this sober world of ours. For this reason I would like to present that key to the President of the United States of America as a significant symbol. I wish that by his speech to the German youth at Hambach Castle, President Reagan opens their hearts and that his ideas are open mindedly taken in by the young people of our country. I am certain that this symbol will be understood by everybody. Your Excellency, to realize my idea I have asked an artist to elaborate according to my political conceptions a suggestion for such a key. Enclosed please find a copy of his drawing. The realization of my idea in the form of a complete artistic cast I have entrusted to a caster. The key will be approximately 30 inches high and be made of aluminium, a material of the future. The emblem on this key shows both countries, USA and Germany, blended in a circle. On the stalk of the key is the emblem of the Junge Union and the year 1985, in the key-bit are the contours of Heidelberg Castle, well known in the United States too.

I should be very glad to be granted the possibility to present this key to the American President on the occasion of his speech to the German youth at Hambach Castle. The key can be submitted two or three weeks prior to the date of the speech to the American and German security agencies for inspection. I should be much obliged if I could establish personal contact with you in the near future.

Sincerely yours

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Dear Mr. President,

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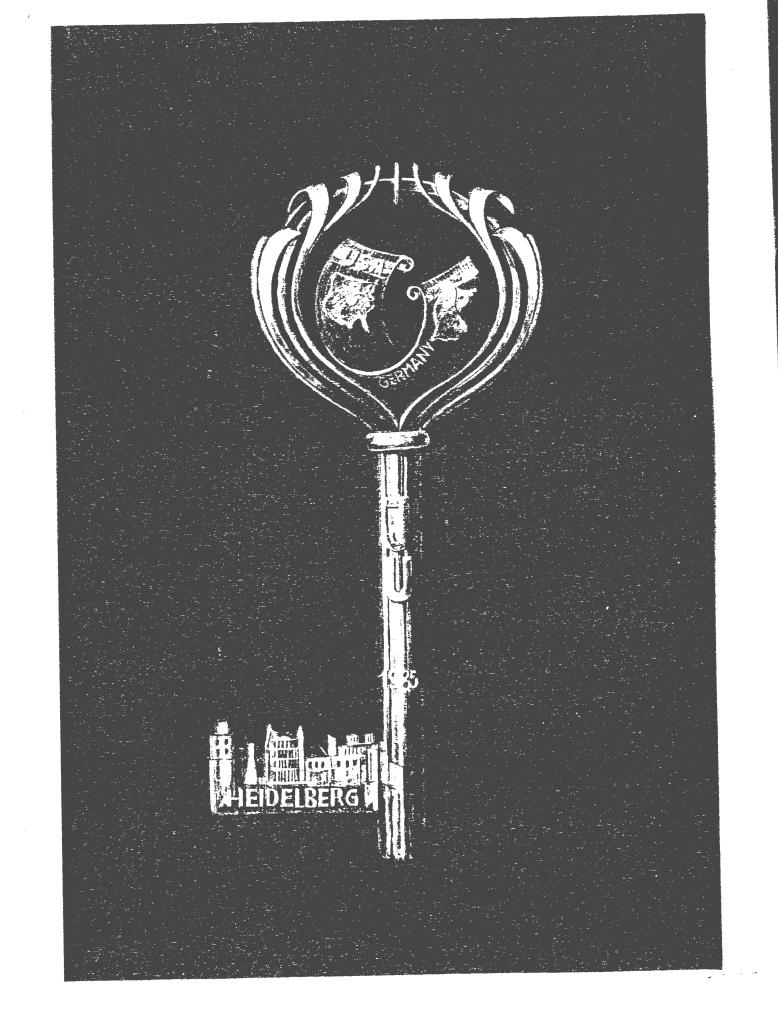
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Mr. President, I should be very pleased if at Hambach Castle, acting for all those young people in my country, I could hand over this key to you.

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Sincerely yours

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: MARCH 25, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. KALMAN SULTANIK

SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT VISIT A CONCENTRATION CAMP SITE DURING NEXT VISIT TO EUROPE TO MARK THE 14TH ANNIVERSARY OF VICTORY DAY

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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SCHEDULING OFFICE

MEMORANDUM FOR FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR.

FROM: ROBERT M. KIMMITT Rob

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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- DATE: During European trip
- LOCATION: Germany
- BACKGROUND: See attached

YOUR RECOMMENDATION:

Accept

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Message Other

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> Robert M. Kimmitt Executive Secretary

> > JEAN APPLEBY JACKSON

RESPONSE DUE 4/15/85

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

3/26/85

TO: JEAN FROM: TED

Kalman Saltonik, Vice President of the Jewish World Congress has called me twice today concerning the invitation for the President to visit a concentration camp in France. I told him that we continue to keep looking out for it.

Later, Israel Singer, of the Jewish World Council called. He is sending a copy of the letter directly to FJR via Federal Express. It should be here tomorrow. They are very determined.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TRANSMITTAL FORM

s/s 8509997.

Date APR 9 1885

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

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The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State

Action Taken:

	A draft reply is attached.
	A draft reply will be forwarded.
	A translation is attached.
X	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.
	Other.

Remarks:

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Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

April 9, 1985



Kalman Sultanik Vice President World Jewish Congress One Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Mr. Sultanik:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of March 22 to President Reagan concerning the President's upcoming visit to the Federal Republic of Germany. The President is certainly keenly aware of the symbolic dimension imposed on his trip by the coincidence of the 40th anniversary of the end of World War II. In our preparations for the commemoration of this anniversary, he has stressed his personal determination to ensure that the crimes of the Third Reich shall not be forgotten and that conditions which made them possible shall never return again.

As the President noted at his press conference on March 21, the best way to achieve this goal is to look to the future. Commemoration of the Holocaust should be not only a matter for Germany, but for all mankind. The President has elected to speak before the European Parliament in Strasbourg on May 8 in order to underline to all of Europe the American commitment to maintaining conditions which will make it impossible for dictatorship and intolerance to find sustenance in any of the democratic nations of Europe.

Similarly, the state visit to Germany will make clear that while we do not forget the past, the United States views defense of our common democratic alliance as essential to preservation of human liberties in the Federal Republic. In so doing, the President will not ignore any of the atrocities committed by the Third Reich. He will not pass up the need to remind Germany -- and the world -- that human beings everywhere must view the Holocaust as a brutal lesson of the depths to which mankind can descend.

This by no means implies the the President or his German hosts seek to ignore those who lost their lives or the hideous excesses of the totalitarian Nazi regime, of which Dachau is a nightmarish example. The holocaust remains part of the consciousness of all responsible persons in Germany and it is a subject the President has discussed with Chancellor Helmut Kohl on numerous occasions. It is a burden which the Federal Republic recognizes it will continue to bear even as it looks to its future.

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But the end of World War II has other associations for the German people in addition to the historical obligations it imposes. It was a time of defeat, humiliation, despair, and loss of hope. Its commemoration in Germany must necessarily be a somber and reflective occasion which focuses on each individual and his conscience. The United States is proud of its role in helping to create conditions in the Federal Republic which make unthinkable a return to the excesses of the Third Reich. The President believes that we should take satisfaction in this historic accomplishment and should entrust to our German allies the responsibility for observing this historic date as they see best.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Thomas M.T. Niles Deputy Assistant Secretary for European Affairs



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1982

Congress and President Lead Holocaust Memorial Services



The New York Times /D. Gorton

WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY HONORS NAZIS' VICTIMS: As President Reagan watches, Kaiman Sultanik, left, and Sigmund Strochlitz light candles, one for each million of the six million Jews killed in the Holocaust. Page A21.

WASHINGTON, April 20 (AP) — Congress and President Reagan led the nation today in commemorating the six million Jews who were victims of the Nazi Holocaust nearly four decades ago.

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Senator Ted Stevens, Republican of Alaska, tolit the gathering at the Capitol that the commemoration was being held to "demand that history not repeat itself.

"All generations must know of those horrors," he said. "If they do not know, they will not learn the lessons history of-

"Today we join together with firm resolve that this nation will not remain indifferent to human misery and suffering wherever we may find it."

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Elie Wiesel, chairman of the council, said, "It is hoped that remembrance of the Holocaust will serve to prevent genocide against any people anymbras

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

APRIL 2, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED: DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

- ID: 300403
- MEDIA: LETTER, DATED MARCH 22, 1985
- TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
- FROM: MR. KALMAN SULTANIK VICE PRESIDENT WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS ONE PARK AVENUE NEW YORK NY 10016
- SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT VISIT A CONCENTRATION CAMP SITE DURING NEXT VISIT TO EUROPE TO MARK THE 14TH ANNIVERSARY OF VICTORY DAY

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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> SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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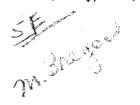
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

April 18, 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR	ROBERT M. KIMMITT
FROM:	TYRUS W. COBB
SUBJECT:	Request From World Jewish Congress That The President Visit a Concentration Camp in Germany
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MEMORANDUM

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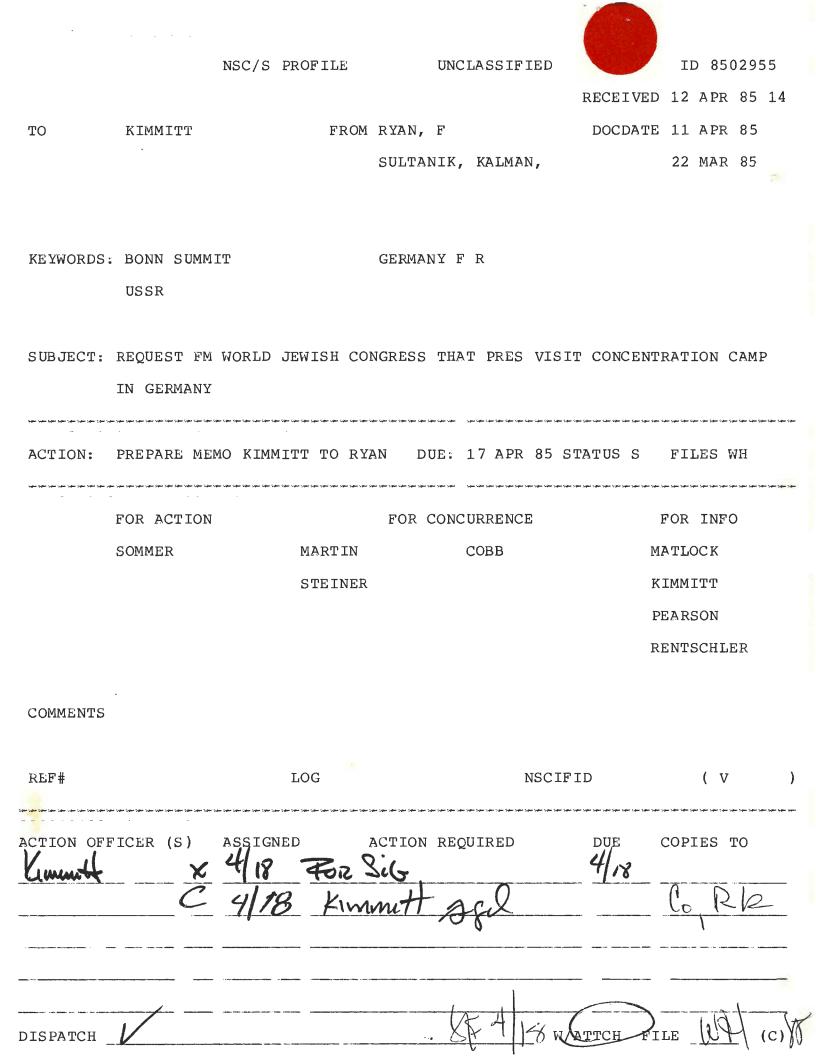
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March 26, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD T. REGAN

FROM: PAT BUCHANAN (198

SUBJECT: GOVERNOR CUOMO HOLOCAUST LETTER

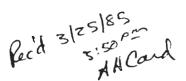
In attached letter, Mario Cuomo is attempting to capitalize on President's remarks re: Holocaust and German visit. May be raised in New York. Suggested response if asked:

- A) Holocaust one of the great moral obscenities of all time
- B) Should never be forgotten
- C) President has commemorated it almost every year in Washington, D.C.; intends to do so again this year.

Reason he will not visit Dachau this year -- President wants the emphasis and focus of this trip to be -- not the crimes of the Nazis -- but the end of hostilities between German and American peoples, the beginning of peace, the building of permanent friendship and alliance between United States and a democratic Germany.

Other point President was making: Young Germans, most of whom were not even born when Holocaust took place, should not be forced to bear the guilt of the crimes of Hitler's Reich.

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March 25, 1985

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

Dear Mr. President:

I write to you as an American, a Governor and a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council.



Mr. President, I am afraid that your explanation on Thursday evening for not visiting Dachau may suggest an insensitivity that is not appropriate to your high office. Your remarks can be seen as an affront to the memory of the victims of the Holocaust and an insult to the survivors. One would hope that your remarks were inadvertent and that you will correct them.

It is difficult to believe that you intended the obvious impact of the words to the effect that there are "very few alive that remember even the war, and certainly none of them who were adults and participating in any way." while the United States government has deportation proceedings pending against scores of Nazi war criminals, the French government is preparing to try Klaus Barbie and an active international search continues for the infamous Dr. Mengele.

Your comments about "a guilt feeling that's been imposed upon" the German people only serves to aid the cause of those who have spent the years since 1945 attempting to expunge the memory of the Holocaust and to deny its reality.

Many of the survivors record in their memoirs that what gave them the courage to survive amidst the bestial and inhumane conditions of the extermination camps was their desire to bear witness. They wanted to be able to record these atrocities, not prompted by hate or a desire for Vengeance, but as a warning to the world of the legacy of centuries of anti-Semitism. Your comments I'm afraid, have made it more difficult to explain to young people the necessity of remembering the events and meaning of the Holocaust. Those who counsel forgetting the Holocaust and its lessons expose humanity to a very serious danger.

I urge you, most sincerely, to reconsider the words you chose last week, and restate your position at your earliest possible opportunity.

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEFT

INCOMING

DATE PECEIVED: MARCH 27, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE MARIO M. CUOMO

SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING THE PRESIDENT'S EXPLANATION ON MAR 21 85 FOR NOT VISITING DACHAU

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD T. REGAN

FROM: EDWARD ROLLINS

SUBJECT: GOVERNOR CUOMO'S HOLOCAUST LETTER

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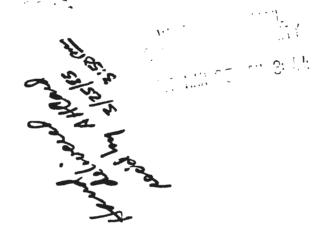
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