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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. SAMUEL GREENBERG

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES DISAPPOINTMENT WITH THE PRESIDENT'S
DECISION NOT TO VISIT A NAZI CONCENTRATION
CAMP WHEN VISITING GERMANY

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*Doug
Riggs*

Samuel Greenberg
NATIONAL COMMANDER

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April 9, 1985

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. President:

I am sorely disappointed with your decision not to visit a Nazi concentration camp when you are in Germany. Our present day friendship with West Germany is one between two democracies. The Germany of 1985 is not that of 1945. We fought against a Germany, in WWII, that was fascist, totalitarian, Nazi - with all of the connotations and denotations of those terms. Chancellor Kohl certainly remembers the war - he escaped from the Nazis.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the defeat of Nazism, of the end to an era of madness and evil in world history. We dare not forget; we cannot, by ignoring, deny what was. George Santayna cautioned us that "Those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it." It is incumbent upon us to remember, and to remind others of what was possible.

As National Commander of an organization of veterans who fought, bled, and died to defeat fascism, I urge you to reconsider. It would be especially meaningful for you, as President of the U.S.A., to go to a concentration camp site and renew our country's pledge to the support of freedom for all oppressed people.

Sincerely,

Samuel Greenberg
National Commander



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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. BENJAMIN MEED

SUBJECT: URGES RECONSIDFRATION OF SUGGESTION TO VISIT
THE DACHAU DEATH CAMP DURING VISIT TO WEST
GERMANY

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MR PRESIDENT:

WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND AND IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO BELIEVE,
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

WE HAVE NOTED WITH SHOCK AND DISMAY YOUR PLANS AS ANNOUNCED IN THE PRESS TO VISIT A GERMAN MILITARY CEMETERY NEXT MONTH AFTER REFUSING SUGGESTIONS TO VISIT DACHAU TO COMMEMORATE THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LIBERATION FROM THE DEATH CAMPS BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS, MANY OF WHOM SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES AND WHOM WE CANNOT FORGET.

WE ARE EXTREMELY SADDENED AND BEWILDERED BY YOUR PLANS BECAUSE WE REMEMBER SO VIVIDLY AND WITH GRATITUDE YOUR APPEARANCE 2 YEARS AGO IN WASHINGTON D.C. WHEN YOU ADDRESSED OVER 20,000 SURVIVORS WITH THESE WORDS:

"AS A MAN WHOSE HEART IS WITH YOU AND AS PRESIDENT OF A PEOPLE YOU ARE NOW SO MUCH A PART OF, OUR MOST SACRED TASK NOW IS INSURING THAT THE MEMORY OF THIS GREATEST OF HUMAN TRAGEDIES, THE HOLOCAUST, NEVER FADES; THAT ITS LESSONS ARE NOT FORGOTTEN."

KINDLY BE AWARE THAT AS YOU ARE VISITING THE GERMAN CEMETERY ON MAY 5, THAT VERY DAY A THOUSAND FORMER SS SOLDIERS AND NAZI SYMPATHIZERS WILL GATHER AT HOTEL KRONE IN NESSELWANG, WEST GERMANY TO REMEMBER THE "GOOD OLD DAYS" AND MOURN HITLER'S DEFEAT.

ON BEHALF OF 50,000 HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND THEIR CHILDREN, MANY OF WHOM WILL BE MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE, FROM APRIL 21-23, 1985, FOR THE INAUGURAL ASSEMBLY OF THE AMERICAN GATHERING AND FEDERATION OF JEWISH HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS, WE STRONGLY TAKE ACCEPTION TO YOUR ILL-ADVISED PROGRAM.

NEXT WEEK THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF SURVIVORS WILL MEET IN NEW YORK AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN ON APRIL 17 FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE. SIMILAR EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DAY IN MAJOR CITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD.

OUR PEOPLE CANNOT FORGET--HOW COULD WE FORGET WHAT REALLY HAPPENED 40 YEARS AGO?

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THEREFORE, IN THE NAME OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS, WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER YOUR PLANS AND TO PAY HOMAGE AS YOU DID TOGETHER WITH US.

AMERICAN GATHERING OF JEWISH HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS
BY BENJAMIN MEED PRESIDENT FOR THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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THEREFORE, IN THE NAME OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS, THEIR FAMILIES AND
FRIENDS, HE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER YOUR PLANS AND TO PAY
HONOR AS YOU DID TOGETHER WITH US,

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BY BENJAMIN NEED PRESIDENT FOR THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 15, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE MARIO BIAGGI

SUBJECT: URGES CANCELLING VISIT TO THE PITBURG
MILITARY CEMETERY IN GERMANY DURING EUROPEAN
TRIP

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 8, 1985

Dear Mario:

Thank you for sharing with us your views concerning the President's State Visit to the Federal Republic of Germany. We fully understand the depth of your concerns and assure you the President's feelings about the crimes against humanity perpetrated by the Nazi regime are no less deeply felt. President Reagan has attempted to make absolutely clear during his visit the revulsion all Americans feel for the horrors which were committed in the name of the German state and our determination not to forget them. As you know, his itinerary included a ceremony at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in order to pay homage to all those who perished at the hands of the Nazis. As he said on the anniversary of the liberation of that camp April 21, there can and should be no absolution.

President Reagan is certain you agree that, as part of our efforts to learn from the experiences of this dark era, we must not reject opportunities for reconciliation. The President was asked by Chancellor Kohl to pay a visit to a German military cemetery in Bitburg, and he has honored that request.

For four decades, the Federal Republic of Germany has faced up to the guilt and responsibilities of its Nazi past and has, in countless ways, demonstrated concretely its commitment to democratic ideals and human rights, including standing shoulder to shoulder with us in the Alliance in defense of freedom. With particular regard to the younger generation in Germany, it is important to demonstrate that, while we continue to hold the nation responsible for its past, we do not consider them to bear individual responsibility for the crimes of Nazism.

Let me make clear that the President does not consider his appearance at Bitburg to represent an act of forgiveness for those crimes, but rather one of acknowledgment of the democratic society the German people have built. He considers this to be a positive gesture which in no way detracts from his full and heartfelt commitment to remember and honor the victims of the Holocaust and the American soldiers who gave their lives to defeat the Nazi regime and its crimes.

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Mario Biaggi
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC

DEAR PRESIDENT REAGAN:

I UNDERSTAND YOU ARE CONSIDERING A VISIT TO THE BITBURG MILITARY CEMETERY IN GERMANY AS PART OF YOUR UPCOMING EUROPEAN TRIP. I URGE YOU TO CANCEL THIS VISIT BECAUSE IT IS BOTH INAPPROPRIATE AND INSENSITIVE TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF OUR NATION AND THE WORLD, AND TO AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I AND II.

WHEN YOU CHOSE NOT TO VISIT THE CONCENTRATION CAMP AT DACHAU, AS PART OF THIS SAME TRIP, YOU EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT IT MIGHT REKINDLE FEARS AND ANGUISH OF THIS HORRIBLE ERA IN WORLD HISTORY.

I CONTEND THAT A VISIT TO A CEMETERY WHERE ONLY GERMAN SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS ARE BURIED PRESENTS A GREATER OPPORTUNITY TO REOPEN WOUNDS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO ASSUME THAT AMONG THOSE IN BITBURG CEMETERY WOULD BE GERMAN SOLDIERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF INNOCENT JEWISH MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE NAZI REIGN OF TERROR. THE VERY POSSIBILITY OF THIS SHOULD CAUSE YOU TO WANT TO CANCEL THIS VISIT.

FURTHER, THE ABSENCE OF ANY U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL IN BITBURG LENDS FURTHER JUSTIFICATION FOR CANCELING THIS VISIT. IF WE ARE TO PAY HONOR TO THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WORLD WAR II, OUR PRIMARY TRIBUTE SHOULD BE PAID TO THE BRAVE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO GAVE UP THEIR LIVES IN DEFENSE OF FREEDOM.

I HOPE YOU WILL ACT SWIFTLY TO CANCEL THIS VISIT.

MARIO BIAGGI MEMBER OF CONGRESS

THE WHITE HOUSE
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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE ALAN G. HEVESI

SUBJECT: OPPOSES DECISION TO VISIT GERMAN MILITARY
CEMETERY DURING EUROPEAN TRIP

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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

YOUR ~~DECISION TO HONOR~~ GERMAN WAR DEAD HAS STUNNED AMERICAN VETERANS.
YOUR DECISION TO AVOID DACHAU AND TO FORGET OR DOWN PLAY THE
HOLOCAUST HAS SHOCKED AND INFURIATED AMERICAN JEWS. IT IS THE HEIGHT
OF INSENSITIVITY ALTHOUGH WONDERFUL NEWS FOR THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY.
PLEASE RECONSIDER

ASSEMBLYMAN ALAN G HEVESI DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER NY STATE ASSEMBLY
PRESIDENT NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH LEGISLATORS

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 15, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE HOWARD M. METZENBAUM

SUBJECT: URGES ADDING VISIT TO THE DACHAU SITE DURING
VISIT TO GERMANY

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Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Howard M. Metzenbaum
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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cc: Will Ball, Cong. Affrs./

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 12, 1985

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

According to press reports, the current itinerary for your forthcoming visit to the Federal Republic of Germany will include a visit to a military cemetery wherein are interred German soldiers who died in the service of the Third Reich. Your Germany trip will not, however, include a visit to the site of the infamous Dachau concentration camp.

I believe that this schedule, if adhered to, will create a most unfortunate impression about the attitude of our country toward the crimes of the Nazi regime. I urge you in the strongest terms, therefore, to add to your program a visit to the Dachau site.

Sincerely



Howard M. Metzenbaum
United States Senator

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MISS MOLLIE GOLDSTEIN

SUBJECT: OPPOSES PLAN TO VISIT GERMAN MILITARY
CEMETERY AND URGES VISIT TO DACHAU

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
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WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

WE STRONGLY PROTEST YOUR PLAN TO GO TO A MILITARY CEMETERY TO PAY RESPECT TO THE HITLER-NAZI WAR DEAD ON YOUR VISIT TO WESTGERMANY AND REFUSING TO GO TO THE DACHAU CONCENTRATION CAMP TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF SIX MILLION JEWS AND MILLIONS OF OTHER PEOPLE BRUTALLY MURDERED BY THE NAZIS. WE URGE YOU TO VISIT DACHAU TO AFFIRM OUR COMPREHENSIVE OF THE INORMITY OF THE CRIME OF THE HITLER-NAZI HOLOCAUST AGAINST HUMANITY.

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

WE STRONGLY AND URGENTLY REQUEST YOU TO VISIT THE
MURKIN TO THE HILIT-NAZI AND DEAD ON YOUR VISIT TO WESTBURY AND
MEMORIAL TO GO TO THE DACHAU CONCENTRATION CAMP TO HONOR THE MEMORY
OF SIX MILLION JEWS AND MILLIONS OF OTHER PEOPLE CRUELLY MURDERED BY
THE NAZIS. WE URGE YOU TO VISIT DACHAU TO AFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT OF
THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HUMANITY OF THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY AGAINST
HUMANITY.

OR

MR. LATARUS FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MOLLIE GOLDSTEIN NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 15, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. ROBERT M. W. KEMPNER

SUBJECT: URGES VISIT TO DACHAU DURING EUROPEAN TRIP _____

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THE RELATIVES OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS AMERICAN CITIZENS WERE
MURDERED IN NAZI CONCENTRATION CAMPS. PLEASE HONOR THESE VICTIMS BY
VISITING DACHAU, BERGEN BELSEN OR A SIMILAR PLACE

ROBERT MW KEMPNER
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SUBJECT: OPPOSES PROPOSED VISIT TO GERMAN MILITARY
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COMMENTS: MEMBER OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE PBGC

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 2, 1985

Dear Mr. Hayutin:

On behalf of President Reagan, I want to acknowledge your message and the deep concern that led you to oppose his decision to visit the German military cemetery at Bitburg, West Germany. I can assure you that the President understands the personal sense of pain you expressed in your communication. As he said in his remarks on May 5 at the Bitburg Air Base, he recognizes and regrets the distress this visit prompted in what should be a time of healing.

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed transcripts of his remarks at the Bergen-Belsen Concentration Camp and at Bitburg Air Base. He hopes that they will help you understand his conviction, asserted anew following his visit to Bergen-Belsen, "We will never forget, and we say with the victims of that Holocaust: Never again."

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Special Assistant to the President
and Director of Correspondence

The Honorable Murray Paul Hayutin
2198 Green Oaks Drive
Littleton, CO 80121

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FMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITEHOUSE DC

I HAVE ACTED AS YOUR COLORADO STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN IN BOTH THE 1980 AND 1984 ELECTION. I AM CURRENTLY SERVING AS YOUR APPOINTEE AS A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE PBGC. I CHAIR BOTH THE REGULATION SUB COMMITTEE AND THE TASK FORCE ON PRIVATIZATION OF THE PBGC. IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO FIND TWO GREATER SUPPORTERS OF YOU WITH BOTH WORDS AND ACTIONS THAN MY WIFE, PHYLLIS, AND MYSELF. NEITHER OF US HAS EVER CRITICIZED ONE OF YOUR DECISIONS. WE REALIZE THAT THINKING PEOPLE WILL NOT AGREE AT ALL TIMES. YOU CANNOT IMAGINE HOW WE FELT WHEN IT WAS ANNOUNCED YOU WOULD VISIT A CEMETERY WHERE NAZI WAR DEAD ARE BURIED. WHILE I ASSUME YOU MAY

HAVE ALREADY OR WILL SOON RECONSIDER THIS ACTION, BOTH PHYLLIS AND I FEEL IT IMPERATIVE TO STRONGLY EXPRESS OUR DISPLEASURE WITH THIS DECISION. IT WOULD BE FAR MORE HUMANITARIAN TO RECOGNIZE THE SIX MILLION JEWS SLAUGHTERED BY THE NAZI BY YOUR VISITING ONE OF THE SLAUGHTER HOUSES. PLEASE FEEL FREE FOR YOU OR YOUR STAFF TO CALL ME AT MY OFFICE 303-321-7700 OR MY HOME 303-798-7845 IF YOU WOULD WANT TO DISCUSS FURTHER.

MURRAY PAUL HAYUTIN
2198 GREEN OAKS DR
LITTLETON CO 80121

1023 EST

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. HELMUT KRUEGER

SUBJECT: WRITES IN SUPPORT OF PLANNED VISIT TO GERMAN
MILITARY CEMETERY DURING UPCOMING TRIP TO
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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

AS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION THE UNITED GERMAN AMERICAN COMMITTEE OF
THE USA SUPPORTS YOUR PLANNED VISIT TO A WORLD WAR II MILITARY
CEMETERY. WE SPEAK ON BEHALF OF 52 MILLION GERMAN AMERICANS AND URGE
YOU NOT TO CHANGE THESE PLANS

HELMUT KRUEGER PRESIDENT

583 BROADWAY

WESTWOOD NJ 07675

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 13, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JOHN MOORE

SUBJECT: WRITES IN SUPPORT OF PLAN TO VISIT GERMAN
MILITARY CEMETERY DURING EUROPEAN TRIP

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TRANSMITTAL FORM

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

REFERENCE:

TO: President Reagan FROM: Mr. John Moore
DATE: April 12, 1985 SUBJECT: President's trip to
Germany

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: May 6, 1985 NSC # 302581

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
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REMARKS:


Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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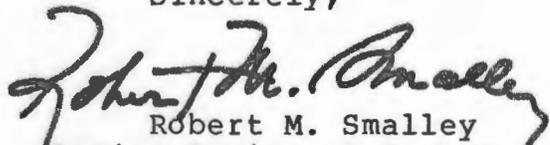
Mr. John Moore, President
New York Gold and Silver
Futures Exchanges
42 West 35 Street
New York, New York 10001

Dear Mr. Moore:

I am replying to your April 12 telegram to President Reagan regarding his trip to the Federal Republic of Germany.

The President appreciates very much your expression of support. Coming on the eve of the 40th anniversary of the end of World War II, his visit constituted an important symbol of the reconciliation between the United States and the FRG which has allowed us to stand side by side in defense of freedom and the peace which has been maintained in Europe since the war.

Sincerely,


Robert M. Smalley
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Public Affairs

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. JOHN MOORE
PRESIDENT
NEW YORK GOLD AND SILVER FUTURES
EXCHANGE
42 WEST 35TH STREET
NEW YORK NY 10001SUBJECT: WRITES IN SUPPORT OF PLAN TO VISIT GERMAN
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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN RPT DLY MGM

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THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEW YORK GOLD AND SILVER FUTURES EXCHANGE AND THE U.S. STEEL FUTURES EXCHANGE WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE YOUR PLAN TO HONOR GERMAN WAR DEAD. THANK YOU.

JOHN MOORE, PRESIDENT, NY GOLD AND SILVER FUTURES EXCHANGE

42 WEST 35 ST

NEW YORK NY 10001

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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 15, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. DAVID MAKOVSKY

SUBJECT: OPPOSES DECISION TO VISIT GERMAN MILITARY
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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

THE WORLD UNION OF JEWISH STUDENTS FEELS MORALLY REPELLED BY A WHITE HOUSE DECISION TO LAY A REEF AT THE GRAVES OF NAZIS. WE BELIEVE VERY STRONGLY THAT IT IS INCONCEIVABLE TO SPEAK OF MEMORIALIZING THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST AND AT THE SAME TIME PAY HOMAGE TO THEIR MURDERERS. TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP FEELINGS OF ANGUISH, JEWISH STUDENTS AND CHILDREN OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING A PEACEFUL GATHERING OUTSIDE THE CEMETARY TO COINCIDE WITH YOUR VISIT TO BITTBURG.

REALIZING THE ETHICAL DIMENSIONS OF THIS ISSUE WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT YOU WILL CHANGE YOUR PLANS AND INSTEAD VISIT THE DACHAU

CONCENTRATION CAMP. RECONCILIATION BEGINS WITH THE RECOGNITION OF MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. NEVER AGAIN MEANS NEVER TO FORGET SO THAT IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.

DAVID MAKOVSKY, CHAIRMAN
WORLD UNION OF JEWISH STUDENTS
7472 AHERN CT
ST LOUIS MO 63130

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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 15, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JACK J. KRAIZMAN

SUBJECT: FORWARDS RESOLUTION URGING RECONSIDERING
DECISION TO CANCEL PLANS TO VISIT DACHAU AND _____
PLANS TO VISIT GERMAN MILITARY CEMETERY _____

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April 12, 1985

President Ronald Reagan
White House
Washington, D.C.

Resolution In the Matter of:
President Reagan's visit to a
German Military Cemetery and
his Cancellation of his visit
to Dachau Concentration Camp.

Dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing a Resolution passed by the Department of Michigan Jewish War Veterans of the United States respectfully asking you to reconsider your cancellation of your planned visit to Dachau Concentration Camp and further to reconsider your plans to visit a German Military Cemetery on your planned visit to Germany next month.

We sincerely believe that World War II veterans will suffer great anguish if you do visit the German Military Camp.

Respectfully yours,

Jack J. Kraizman
JACK J. KRAIZMAN
JUDGE ADVOCATE

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES

RESOLUTION CALLING ON PRESIDENT RONALD REGAN
TO RECONSIDER HIS CANCELLATION OF VISITING THE
DACHAU CONCENTRATION CAMP AND FURTHER TO RE-
CONSIDER HIS PLANS TO VISIT A GERMAN MILITARY
CEMETERY ON HIS PLANNED VISIT TO GERMANY NEXT MONTH

WHEREAS, President Ronald Regan at a news conference on March 21, 1985 announced that he was cancelling his planned visit to the Dachau Concentration Camp when he visits Germany next month in a spirit of friendship to the German people, and

WHEREAS, the white house has announced on April 12, 1985 that President Ronald Regan planned to lay a wreath next month at a cemetery for German soldiers who fought Americans and other allied troops in World War II, said cemetery being located in Bitburg where a German tank staging area for the Battle of the Bulge in World War II was located, and

WHEREAS, those buried in the Bitburg Military Cemetery, many of them SS Storm Troopers and members of the Nazi Gestapo, participated in killing our American sons and daughters, and

WHEREAS, the President's action in cancelling his trip to the Dachau Concentration Camp and his new plans to visit the Bitburg Military Cemetery is an affront to the memory of the 292,100 Americans who died in the war against Nazi Germany and is an affront to humanity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Michigan Jewish War Veterans of the United States call upon the President of the United States to reconsider the cancellation of his planned visit to the Dachau Concentration Camp because we can not and should not forget the millions of victims murdered in Nazi concentration camps; any cancellation will add to the anguish that many Americans feel especially holocaust survivors. It will demonstrate to the

world an appalling insensitivity. Only by remembering the holocaust can humanity make sure that never again shall there be another holocaust.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon President Ronald Regan to reconsider his visit to the Bitburg Military Cemetery, because such a visit would be paying homage to Nazi soldiers who killed Americans. The President's willingness to visit a German Military Cenetary shocks us because it opens old wounds among American Veterans of World War II who fought the Nazi armies and it would constitute an insult to those American sons and daughters who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the defense of their country and of human freedom and dignity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to President Ronald Regan, the Michigan Congressional Delegation and the National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States.

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES

Edwin Rose

EDWIN ROSE, STATE COMMANDER

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FMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

DEAR PRESIDENT REAGAN

GERMAN AMERICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS SUPPORTS YOUR PLAN TO LAY A WREATH AT THE CEMETARY IN BITBURG WEST GERMANY AND GERMAN AMERICANS AGREE WITH YOU THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO COMMEMOATE THE WAR DEAD EVERYWHERE AND IN EVERY COUNTRY IF LASTING PEACE IS TO BE THE WORLDS FUTURE

THIS SYMBOL WOULD BE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, PARTICULARLY FOR THE YOUNG WEST GERMAN NATO SOLDIERS THAT THEIR FATHERS - SOME OF WHOM MIGHT BE BURIED AT BITBURG - WERE ALSO FIGHTING COMMUNIST EXPANSION WHILE GIVING THEIR LIVES FOR THEIR COUNTRY (NOT FOR THE NATIONAL SOCIALIST

PARTY)

IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES TO EMPHASIZE THIS ASPECT OF THE COMMEMORATION FOR THE END OF WORLD WAR II

IT WOULD SEEM A SHAME IF THE HEAD OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN A CEREMONY SIMILAR TO THE ONE IN WHICH THE FRENCH PRESIDENT MITTERAND TOOK PART WITHIN THE PAST YEAR

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ELSBETH M SEEWALD NATIONAL PRESIDENT GERMAN AMERICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

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