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WASHINGTON

February 16, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Draft Response to Congressman Dan Daniel

Regarding Olympic Parchments

You will recall that on February 13 you advised B Oglesby that we had no legal objection to having the President and the First Lady sign ceremonial pledges of support for the 1984 Olympics and the U.S. Olympic Team. Congressman Daniel requested the signatures at the behest of M & M Mars, an Olympics sponsor and the company behind the plan to obtain millions of signatures to such pledges from across the country. Your memorandum insisted that Daniel be reminded in writing that the documents or the fact that the Reagans signed them may not be used in any promotional activity by M & M Mars.

Oglesby has now submitted a draft letter to Daniel, containing the caveat required by our memorandum. I have no objection; a draft to Oglesby is attached.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

February 16, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR M. B. OGLESBY

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

Orig. signed by FFF

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Draft Response to Congressman Dan Daniel

Regarding Olympic Parchments

Counsel's Office has reviewed your draft letter to Congressman Daniel, transmitting the Olympics pledges signed by the Reagans. We have no legal objections.

FFF:JGR:aea 2/16/84

cc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

WASHINGTON

February 16, 1984

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WASHINGTON

February 15, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DIANNA HOLLAND

FROM:

KATHY RATTE JAFFKE KIN

SUBJECT:

Attached Draft Response to Congressman Dan Daniel

Per your conversation with B's West Wing office, I am forwarding this draft to you in order to have it approved expeditiously by the Counsel's Office.

Please return the draft directly to me with any recommended changes.

Thanks.

cc: Linda Bennett

February 15, 1984

Dear Dan:

Thanks for your letter of January 25 requesting the signatures of the President and First Lady on two parchment documents to show support for the 1984 Olympics and our olympic teams.

I am pleased to return the signed parchments, but I must emphasize that the documents themselves or the fact that they bear the Reagans' signatures may not be used in any way in advertising by M&M Mars or any other promotional activity to benefit M&M Mars.

I'm glad that we were able to be of assistance, and hope that the parchments will be helpful.

With best wishes,

/s/

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

The Honorable Dan Daniel House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Enclosures : two parchments

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WASHINGTON

February 13, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR M. B. OGLESBY, JR.

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Request by Congressman Daniel That The President and Mrs. Reagan Sign

Olympics Statement

You have asked for our views on Congressman Dan Daniel's request that the President and the First Lady sign parchment documents submitted by Daniel pledging their support for the 1984 Olympics and the U.S. Olympic Team. Conversations between my staff and that of Congressman Daniel have established that the signatures are sought as part of an effort by Olympics sponsor M & M Mars Company to obtain signatures to the pledge from citizens across the country. The signatures are to be presented on opening day by the Jaycees and the U.S. Olympic Committee to the U.S. Team. M & M Mars has agreed to donate \$0.10 to the U.S. Olympic Committee for every signature obtained.

We have no objection to the President and the First Lady signing the documents, provided that Congressman Daniel is reminded, in writing when the documents are delivered to him, that the documents themselves or the fact that the Reagans signed them may not be used in any way in advertising by M & M Mars or any other promotional activity to benefit M & M Mars.

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Mr. M. B. Oglesby, Jr. Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear "B".

Here is a parchment document which I would appreciate your having the President and Mrs. Reagan sign. It will be used on opening day of the 1984 Olympics to show their support of our teams.

When I visited the President along with the M&M Mars people a couple of months ago I mentioned these documents to him and he asked that they be sent along for their signatures.

Thank you very much, and I shall appreciate your returning them to Vivian Anderson in my office at the earliest convenient time.

With kind regards and best wishes,

Very sincerely,

Dan Daniel

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February 21, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS /S/

SUBJECT:

Letter of February 16, 1984 From Citizens for America Regarding Note From President Reagan for Support

Darman has asked for our views as soon as possible on a request from Lew Lehrman that the President assist his 501(c)(4) organization, Citizens for America, with its fundraising activities. Lehrman asks for a note of support from the President, to be included in invitations to three fundraisers Citizens for America plans to hold in the spring. He also suggests a Rose Garden reception in conjunction with a fundraiser scheduled for May here in Washington.

As you explained in your February 8 memorandum to Darman, Citizens for America is not subject to the restrictions on communications with independent expenditure committees outlined in your January 31 memorandum to the White House As you advised Darman, however, there is the danger staff. that someone may allege that Citizens for America is, in fact, a political committee affiliated with Reagan-Bush '84. Participation by the President in fundraising for Citizens for America at this time would significantly heighten that danger. Accordingly, I recommend that the President not participate in the fundraising. This is consistent with our general policy, as evidenced by our recent letter to General Graham, chastizing him for using a letter from the President in connection with fundraising for High Frontier. also in accord with the decision by Reagan-Bush '84 not to participate in any fundraising for 501(c)(4) organizations. I think it would be very awkward for the President to aid Citizens for America in the face of this general policy decision by his authorized campaign committee.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

February 21, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

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You have asked for our views as soon as possible on Lew Lehrman's request that the President assist in fundraising efforts on behalf of Citizens for America, by sending a note of support to be included in invitations to three scheduled fundraisers and by hosting a Rose Garden reception in connection with a fundraiser in Washington.

It is our general policy that the President not participate in fundraising by 501(c)(3) organizations or 501(c)(4) organizations such as Citizens for America. This policy is necessary in light of the vast number of requests that the President receives, and because of the inability of the White House to monitor fundraising, which would be necessary to some extent were the President to lend his name to any particular function.

Particular problems associated with this request counsel adherence to our general policy. As I noted in my memorandum to you of February 8, 1984, Citizens for America is not subject to the restrictions on communication that apply to independent expenditure committees, although there is the danger that someone might allege that Citizens for America is not a 501(c)(4) organization but a political committee affiliated with Reagan-Bush '84. That danger would be considerably heightened were the President to participate in fundraising for Citizens for America at this time.

In addition, Reagan-Bush '84 has adopted a general policy of not participating in fundraisers for 501(c)(4) organizations. I think it would be awkward for the President to act contrary to the decision of his authorized campaign committee by engaging in fundraising activities for Citizens for America.

FFF:JGR:aea 2/21/84

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WASHINGTON

February 21, 1984

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Sherrie M. Cooksev Margaret Tutwiler

WASHINGTON

February 23, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Louis Richmond

Attached, as you requested, is a memorandum referring to the Justice Department the latest missives from the indefatigable Mr. Richmond. Since the previous Richmond material was sent to Stan Morris, this memorandum is addressed to Jay Stephens, the Acting Stan Morris.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

February 27, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS 2062

SUBJECT:

John Ballou

Charles Donovan of White House Correspondence has asked for guidance in responding to a request from John Ballou, a citizen. On April 14, 1982, Mr. Ballou wrote the President a supportive letter from a hospital bed, enclosing a \$100 bill. On May 4, Anne Higgins responded, thanking Ballou for his comments but returning the "monetary item." Ballou now states that he never received the reply, and believes it was stolen at the hospital. He now would like a copy of the May 4 reply.

I see no reason not to send Ballou a copy, clearly denominated as such.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

February 27, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES DONOVAN

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE

Orig. signed by FFF

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

John Ballou

You have asked for our views on a request from John Ballou that he be provided with a copy of a May 4, 1982 letter sent to him over Anne Higgins's signature. Ballou states that he never received the original, apparently due to theft (the letter returned a monetary item sent to the White House by Ballou).

We have no objection to providing Ballou with a copy of the reply, clearly denominated as such.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

February 17, 1984

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TO:

White House Counsel

FROM:

Charles A. Donovan

RE:

Mr. John Ballou

Attached is background information on a request from Mr. John Ballou of the Bronx, New York, for a copy of the response sent to him by the White House over the signature of the Director of Correspondence on May 4, 1982. The request is unusual and has no precendent in policies established by this office in the past. Mr. Ballou indicates (after almost two years) that he did not receive a response from the White House and that, therefore, his money was not returned. Our records show that the attached letter was sent from the White House on May 4, 1982.

Mr. Ballou stated his belief that the letter was intercepted at the hospital in which he was at that time convalescing and the money stolen (it was a \$100 bill according to our records). We have on occasion sent letters to respond to requests for corrections on originals, but in such cases we require the return of the uncorrected original prior to making changes. No requests of this kind have been received heretofore.

Accordingly, we ask your guidance on the advisability of obliging Mr. Ballou's request in this manner. Thank you for your review.

TO: Typing/Pat Thomas FR: Jim Horgan DT: 2/14/84 Please retype May 4, 1984 letter to Mr. Ballou. (He never received the original due to theft.) Be sure to indicate the letter is a COPY. Thanks! Collin of the Collins of the Collins

TO: CAD FR: Jim Horgan DT: 2/14/84

Attached is a copy of a letter sent to Mr. John Ballou in May 1982. The original was never received.

John Ballou mailed the President a \$100 bill in April 1982 from his hospital bed where he was recuperating from a stab wound. A letter returning the money left the White House the following May, but it was never received (probably due to theft). Mr. Ballou, a strong support of RR, now requests a copy of the original letter for a keepsake. May we comply with his wish?

Thanks.

Mr. John Ballou 1184 Evergreen Avenue Bronx, NY 10472 212824-7574

WASHINGTON

May 4, 1982

Dear Mr. Ballou:

On behalf of President Reagan, I want to thank you for your message.

The President appreciates the time you have taken to communicate your views. Your comments have been fully noted.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to President Reagan. He counts on your friendship and appreciates the spirit of cooperation in which your comments were made.

We are returning your enclosure because the White House is prohibited from accepting monetary items. Please be assured that your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Special Assistant to the President
and Director of Correspondence

Mr. John P. Ballou Ward B-6, Room 117 Lincoln Medical & Mental Health Center 234 East 149th Street Bronx, NY 10451

Enclosure: Monetary item, ret'd.

WASHINGTON

February 28, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Correspondence From Congressman Edward F. Feighan Forwarding Constituent Request for

Meeting With the President

Congressman Edward Feighan (D-Ohio) has forwarded to the White House a letter he received from his constituent, Gregory Miller. In his letter to Feighan, Miller asked for a meeting with the President to discuss

recommend a reply saying that it would be inappropriate for the White House to become involved in a domestic relations dispute. Miller's case is no longer legally pending, but the dispute apparently is still alive. Miller's letter does not, in my view, raise any allegations that should be referred to the Justice Department.

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WASHINGTON

February 28, 1984

Dear Mr. Miller:

Congressman Feighan has referred your letter to him of January 11, 1984, to the White House. In that letter you requested a meeting with the President to discuss a domestic relations case in which you were involved.

I must advise you that it would be inappropriate for the White House to become involved in a private domestic relations dispute. Accordingly, it will not be possible to arrange a meeting with the President.

Sincerely,

Orig. signed by FFF

Fred F. Fielding Counsel to the President

Mr. Gregory G. Miller Post Office Box 24503 Cleveland, Ohio 44124

FFF:JGR:aea 2/28/84

bcc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

WASHINGTON

February 28, 1984

Dear Congressman Feighan:

You recently forwarded to the White House a letter from a constituent, Gregory Miller. Mr. Miller requested a meeting with the President to discuss domestic relations litigation in which he was involved.

Enclosed for your information and files is a copy of our reply to Mr. Miller, noting that it would be inappropriate for the White House to become involved in a private domestic relations dispute, and declining the request for a meeting.

Sincerely,

Orig. signed by FFF

Fred F. Fielding Counsel to the President

The Honorable Edward F. Feighan House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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WASHINGTON

March 1, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Request for Presidential Letter for the Book in Honor of Mother

M. Angeline Teresa

Chuck Donovan of Presidential Correspondence has asked for our views on a request, transmitted through Charles Wick, that the President submit a letter for inclusion in a book in honor of Mother M. Angeline Teresa, the founder of a congregation of nuns who care for the aged and infirm. In her request the author, Mother M. Bernadette de Lourdes, notes that the congregation operates 31 nursing homes caring for seven thousand individuals. She also notes that past Presidents have sent letters for inclusion in other books she has written for the congregation. A draft prepared by USIA is also attached.

Normally, of course, we would deny such a request, on the ground that the Presidential letter could be construed as endorsement of a commercial product, the book. Here, however, it is clear that the book is more a testimonial than a commercial undertaking, and that its circulation will be by distribution throughout the congregation rather than by any significant marketing. Accordingly, I have no objection to a letter from the President praising Mother Teresa, as the submitted draft does. The only change in the draft I would suggest is deleting "Christian" in the second paragraph, to maintain a non-denominational tone.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

March 1, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES A. DONOVAN

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Request for Presidential Letter for the Book in Honor of Mother

M. Angeline Teresa

You have asked for our views on a request that the President submit a letter for inclusion in a book on Mother M. Angeline Teresa. We generally deny such requests, to avoid the impression that the President has endorsed a commercial product, the book. In this case, however, it appears that the commercial aspects of the book are insignificant, and accordingly we have no objection to a Presidential letter about Mother Teresa. The draft submitted by USIA is unobjectionable, although we do recommend deleting "Christian" in the second paragraph, to maintain a non-denominational tone.

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Dear Ms. Higgins:

Attached for your information, is a letter of January 19 which I received from Mother Bernadette concerning a request for a letter from the President for the book in honor of Mother M. Angeline Teresa, O.Carm (Tab A).

I have also attached a draft letter from the President for the book (Tab B). As you can see from Mother Bernadette's letter, this is something that previous Presidents have done before.

Your consideration of this request is most appreciated.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Charles Z. Wick

(Dictated but not signed by Mr. Wick in his absence from the office.)

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January 19, 1984

Mr. Charles Z. Wick Director, United States Information Agency The USIA Building, Suite 800 Washington, D.C. 20547

Dear Mr. Wick:

I am not sure if I told you that I have been writing the story of Mother M. Angeline Teresa, O.Carm., who founded our Congregation. At the present time I am in copy-editing and I am eager to move as quickly as possible to publishing. Because of the fact that Mother founded a Congregation to care for the aged and infirm in 1929 which was very successful in promoting the quality of life for older persons this book will be of interest to a large reading audience.

We have thirty-one homes located in different cities and states. We care for approximately seven thousand ladies, gentlemen and married couples each day in our long-term care facilities. These include different kinds of care: health, residential hotel, housing, etc., and non-resident services.

I would appreciate it very much if you would obtain for me a letter from our President—your good friend, Mr. Ronald Reagan, for the front of the book. In any past publications for the Community that I was responsible for I included a letter from the then President. And, since this book is a biography of our Foundress and a brief history of each of our homes for older persons it will have a wide circulation as our homes are located in several states. I therefore think it is extremely important at this time that this book have a letter from our President. I know you are well aware of the need for adequate and satisfactory services and care for our aging Americans so I will not belabor the point.

For your information I am enclosing the table of contents for the book and a list of the States and number of homes in each of them.

Page 2 January 18, 1984 Mr. Charles Z. Wick

Knowing how involved you are as Director of an International Agency I hesitate to impose on your time. However, I know you are the person who can do this and knowing you in years long past I do not hesitate to ask you.

Please remember me to Mrs. Wick, Douglas and all your family.

With every best personal wish and in anticipation of your response, I am

Gratefully and sincerely

Mother M. Bernadette de Lourdes,

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Draft letter from the President for Mother Teresa's book

Dear Mother Bernadette:

I am proud to be among those asked to honor Mother M. Angeline Teresa, O.Carm. with a contribution to this book—a tribute to her life and selfless example.

— she founded in 1929

Mother Teresa was a woman of vision and dedication, as witnessed by founding of Congregation to care for the aged and infirm. in 1929. The congregation has grown into 31 homes across our nation offering Christian companionship as well as care facilities to eur polder Americans.

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Currently, with medical science increasing our lifespan, the Carmelite homes have enabled approximately seven thousand older Americans to enjoy Christian fellowship in a vast range of care facilities.

Sincerely,

Ronald W. Reagan

- We are all conscious of the variety of social and medical services required by the elderly, but it is easy to forget that their needs also have an emotional and spiritual dimension. Improving the quality of life for older Americans requires attention to these needs as well. That is why the work of Mother Teresa is so important, and why it will continue to inspire both those who follow in her footsteps and the people they serve.
 - God richly blessed the life of Mother M. Angeline Teresa, and that blessing is being passed on through the charity and good will of the Carmelite Sisters of the Aged and Infirm. From her story, we can all draw lessons about the lives of service to which we are called.