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April 2, 1982

Dear Mike:

Enclosed is the June issue of America Illustrated containing the report on the President's White House staff system written by Time White House correspondent Laurence I. Barrett.

Wow - do you look impressive and in-charge! I just know after the Russians see your picture they will shape up and be more agreeable. Note how they spell your name in Russian.

There is also an article containing the text of the President's remarks at the 200th anniversary of the British surrender at Yorktown on page 3.

Sincerely,

Gilbert A. Robinson
Acting Director

The Honorable
Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House

*Called &
thanked
4-7-82
JB*



THE CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

9 April 1982

Dear Mr. Deaver,

Thank you for your kind note commending Petty Officer Ramos to me.

I am very pleased to hear that he is doing such an outstanding job in the service of our Navy and our Nation.

I will insure that your comments regarding his performance are reflected in his record.

With kindest regards.

Most sincerely,

LANDO W. ZECH, JR.
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy

Mr. Michael K. Deaver
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Admiral Zech:

I wish to commend to you, MSI Ernie Ramos, who has attended James Baker, Edwin Meese and me every morning for the length of time we have been in The White House. He has been the epitome of service. He is pleasant, competent and truly a good representative of the United States Navy.

His treatment of us has been such that I wanted to share my feelings about Ernie with you.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Vice Admiral Lando W. Zech, Jr.
Chief of Naval Personnel
Navy Department
Washington, D.C. 20370

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Miss Sills:

Enclosed are two copies of a photo taken at the Merle Haggard Concert. Mr. Deaver and Judge Clark would appreciate it if you would autograph them.

Please return to me and I'll see that they receive them.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pat Bye".

PATRICIA BYE
Administrative Asst. to
Michael K. Deaver

Miss Beverly Sills
General Director of the
New York City Opera
Lincoln Center Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10023

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

TO: ELIZABETH DOLE
FROM: MICHAEL K. DEAVER
SUBJECT: Trucking Deregulation

You recently copied me in on a memorandum to Ed Harper concerning Trucking Deregulation.

Because I represented portions of the trucking industry prior to service in the White House, I must recuse myself from any discussion of this subject.

*BCC: J. Baker
E. Mene
J. Hilding*


THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR ED HARPER

FROM: ELIZABETH H. DOLE 

SUBJECT: Trucking Deregulation

As you know, our problems with the Teamsters concerning trucking deregulation/ICC nominees hinges on the "pace" of deregulation.


The Teamsters believe that during the campaign the President committed to a slower-paced "phased" deregulation (see Attachment A), but that White House staffers are contradicting his views by urging that the ICC should move more rapidly in deregulating the industry.

As you are aware, the Teamsters perception of White House staff views on deregulation seems to be rather accurate.

Our problems with the Teamsters over this issue could be further inflamed by a legislative proposal (currently being prepared at the ICC) which would streamline the current entry standards for new trucking firms. This measure, which seems to have the encouragement of the Administration, will be viewed as further deregulation and somewhat at odds with the President's campaign statements. Chris DeMuth's remarks at a February 4, 1982 regulatory reform press briefing provide the details (see Attachment B).

I would appreciate your taking a close look at that legislation before it progresses any further.

If the Teamsters think we are being rather duplicitous right now, I don't have to suggest what they will think when that new deregulation legislation is advanced.

CC: E. Meese
J. Baker
M. Deaver 

ATTACHMENT A



Gov. Reagan addressing Ohio Conf. of Teamsters

RONALD REAGAN ON DEREGULATION OF THE TRUCKING INDUSTRY

"ALTHOUGH I have been long opposed to increased and unnecessary government regulations, the current policy of the Carter administration on deregulating of the trucking industry is ill-conceived and not in the best interest of the transportation requirements of the country.

"Any industry as vital to the national

economy and the national defense as trucking is, cannot be deregulated in one stroke without tremendous dislocation of individuals and organizations.

"Trucking deregulation should be phased in over a long period with consultation with the affected parties as each step is taken. I would proceed no further without such consultation."

ATTACHMENT B

Press Briefing
Regulatory Reform
February 4, 1982

MR. DeMUTH: The Motor Carrier Act is not as clean -- it's a kind of a confused act if you compare it, say, to the Airline Deregulation Act, and there've been a lot of legal problems under it. And Chairman Taylor is proposing to Congress legislation that would significantly clarify and ease the restrictions on entry into trucking, which is the linch pin of the whole regulatory apparatus. I think that the charge that we're afraid to take on interests is just wrong. If you look at the list here, we have two regulations, the truckers' log and the daily inspection reports, that could be very controversial with the Teamsters. I don't know for certain but those are matters of some importance and we think that some significant changes can be made. So I don't see that we've been hesitant in that area at all.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Michael:

I'm sorry I missed writing on your birthday, but the pile of work seems to get larger every day.

I'm enclosing a pen-knife which has the President's seal on it and I hope it's something you can have fun with for years to come.

Spring is finally here and in the East, it is truly a joyous event. It's been a long cold and bleak winter so the green grass, leaves and cherry blossoms really brighten the spirits.

Please say hello to all the family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike".

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Michael Pierce
7625 Pleides Avenue
Citrus Heights, CA 95610

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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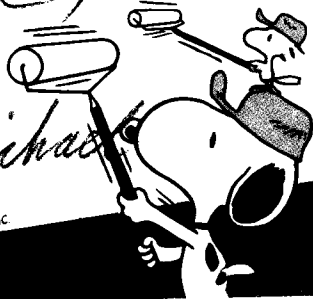
Michael Pierce
February 24, 1982

Dear Michael,

How are you? Sorry I haven't been writing you. I had a wonderful birthday I just turned 12. I got a 10 speed bike for my birthday. Tomorrow I get to have a party with my school friends and it will be fun. We are going to walk from school to the ice skating arena and skate and have cake and punch.

Love,

Michael



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Mr. Wildman:

Thank you for your recent letter. I appreciate the concern which prompted you to write.

As you know, President Reagan has clearly stated that the guiding principles of his foreign policy are the defense of liberty and the preservation of peace throughout the globe. It was good of you to take the time to give me your suggestions on how these goals might be attained. You can be sure that your views will be brought to the attention of the appropriate members of the Administration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. John K. Wildman
5441 Fayette Street
Houston, TX 77056

5441 Fayette St.
Houston Tx 77056
14 March 1982

Subject: Angola.

Dear Mr. Deaver:

The Russians have us on the defensive in central america. One place we can put them on the defensive right now is in South west africa. President Reagan should recognize and normalize relations with Angola now, the same dramatic way that Pres. Nixon recognized China.

The Russians now have Angola all to themselves, and the Angolan govt has no recourse, but to do the bidding of the Russians and Cubans. When the U.S. Govt begins to normalize relations with the govt of Angola it will give them an option that the Russians will have to react to, and guard against.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Mr. Bland:

Thank you for your letter. I appreciate having the opportunity to review Patrick Buchanan's recent article and your concern for the continued success of the Reagan Administration. You can be sure that I will keep your views in mind during discussions with my colleagues in Washington.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Charles L. Bland
Post Office Box 3653
Ventura, CA 93006

March 24 1982

Mr Michael Deaver

I am enclosing a copy of an article by Patrick Buchanan which appeared in the local newspaper on the editorial page. It says much better than I could how I feel about the media's attitude toward the President and his programs. They have generally assumed such an adversary relationship and biased attitude that to say it's unfair would be understatement to the extreme.

I have watched presidential press conference and cringed at the lack of respect and even hostility toward our elected leader by a pack of reporters throwing loaded questions with 3 or 4 parts that only try to entrap or get Mr Reagan to make a misstatement. who elected them anyway? I recommend the President give them short shift, especially Sam Donaldson of ABC. Mr Reagan owes them nothing, We the people elected him and we still support him

Sincerely
Charles L. Bland

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Millie:

Thanks for your kind note about the
Ford's Theater Gala.

We look forward to both the White House
reception at 5:30 on May 22nd and the
President and Mrs. Reagan joining the
show at the theater at 8 P.M.

Let us know if we can be of further help.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mrs. Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
4982 Sentinel Drive
Apartment 404
Bethesda, MD 20016

Mrs. Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.

01 April, 1982

Dear Mike:

I have been very negligent in not writing sooner to thank you for helping us to get a commitment from President and Mrs. Reagan to participate in our Ford's Theatre gala (and I understand from Frankie Hewitt that you and Carolyn even pitched in to try to line up Frank Sinatra for us).

My involvement with Ford's is a very important part of my life and I know that Joy Baker feels the same way. So we are both grateful to you.

I want to confirm that the White House reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 22nd, and that President and Mrs. Reagan will join us at Ford's Theatre for the show at 8 p.m. We are planning a shorter show this year, so it should end by 10 p.m.

Again, thank you so much for your help.

Warmest regards,

Millie O'Neill

Mrs. Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.

Mr. Michael Deaver
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20050

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1982

Dear Allan:

Sorry I've been so tardy in responding to your nice letter of January 7th, particularly since it was so interesting and supportive of Judge Bill Clark's appointment. I cannot but agree with you and will certainly pass on to Judge Clark your very supportive remarks.

Thanks for your interest and input.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Allan T. Griffith
Special Adviser
The Department of
The Prime Minister and Cabinet
Edmund Barton Building
Canberra, Australia



THE DEPARTMENT OF
THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2600

7 January 1982

PERSONAL

Dear Michael,

I recall with pleasure your courtesy to me when you were my table host for President Reagan's dinner to Malcolm Fraser. One consequence is that I have followed with some live personal interest recent reports on the presidential advising system, and I note that you had become recently involved in the appointment of Mr William Clark to the position of National Security Adviser.

May I say that Mr Clark's effectiveness as deputy to General Haig has come under a great deal of informed and supportive comment. From such observations as I could make, I came to admire President Reagan's obvious capacity to build a team and give leadership. Most foreign governments have to rely, of a necessity, on their relationship with the United States' administration through the agency of the State Department and its representatives. Thus foreign governments are required to be interested in the quality of relationship between the Presidential advisers and the Department of State.

It was my privilege to be an adviser here during the Eisenhower years, when I believe the cooperation between the Presidency and the State Department reached considerable heights of effectiveness. It is against that background that I share the view that Mr Clark's appointment, following his very successful work with the State Department, will prove to be a move of great qualitative strength in sustaining and refurbishing America's international links; for we realise here the importance of an active and collaborative relationship with America's representatives acting under the authority of the Secretary of State whose role is effectively meshed into the central policy-making mind of the administration.

May I wish you good health and a creative and productive New Year.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Allan T. Griffith
(Allan T. Griffith)
Special Adviser

Mr Michael Deaver,
Office of the President
of the United States,
The White House,
WASHINGTON D.C. U.S.A.

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FOOTNOTE

One general footnote is that I wonder if the so-called defence gap which necessarily has to be made manifest to domestic public opinion is not being over-dramatised internationally to the disadvantage of the United States. I do not believe that the United States is weak in military terms, however much it is desirable to strengthen the United States to ensure its capacity to continue to act from strength into the future. But the impressions that the Russians have struck a lead and that the prospective changes in the shape of American defence is born of a current weakness, however much there may be an element of truth in it, have been over-dramatised internationally, and this necessarily leaves questions in the minds of the fearful. We should not be led into a doubt about the defence capacity of a United States to support the strength of the political convictions of an administration which correctly feels itself the custodian not only of its own people's freedom but of the very issue of freedom as a theme of the international political process. A good case can be argued that the Russians today are making aggressive decisions out of a sense of general weakness (which is a different proposition from saying they are acting defensively) rather than a confidence in their future strength. The economics of the Soviet Union seem to look bad and technological pressure on it as illustrated by the latest U.S. sanctions is a very effective way of demonstrating the inner strengths of the western system. I believe it will be a mistake, as I note in some European commentators, to regard Soviet aggressiveness as proceeding from assumptions of strength. Therefore it does not fit well for American defence refurbishment to be represented by international commentaries in terms of perceived weakness in facing current situations, however important that argument may be domestically. Is there a point here?

The issue of Poland seems to devolve on the need to retain as much of the reform impulse as possible consistent with the denial of scope to Soviet Union pressures on the Polish Government.

(A ~~25~~ G.)

TELEPHONE
(805) 324-9801

HENRY C. MACK
ATTORNEY AT LAW
1107 TRUXTON AVENUE
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

ADDRESS MAIL TO:
P. O. BOX 1825
BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. 93303

January 21, 1982

J. Rosekrantz
This is my uncle.
any thoughts?

Mr. Mike Deaver
c/o White House
Washington, D.C. 20550

Dear Mike:

The Directors of ARB, INC., a California pipeline and construction company, at a meeting a few days ago, were discussing the national affairs, and we unanimously decided that we wanted to do something to express our pleasure at having Ronald Reagan as our President.

What we would like to do is to contribute the sum of \$10,000 either as a lump sum or \$5,000 in two payments to some charitable organization which President Reagan would have in mind.

We are not looking for any publicity on this, but we want the President to know our feelings in the matter. If you could ascertain one or two organizations, probably children's organizations, which could use the money, we will make this donation to the suggested parties.

Best regards, Mike!

Henry C. Mack
HENRY C. MACK

HCM:em

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 5, 1982

Dear Uncle Hank:

I'm sorry for the delay in responding to your kind offer but the pile of mail keeps getting higher and the days shorter.

Obviously there are many charitable organizations the President and Mrs. Reagan support but two seem to be very appropriate at this time.

They are: National Parents for Drug Free Youth
 9805 Dameron Drive
 Silver Spring, MD 20902

Contact: Joyce Nalepka

 Second Harvest
 National Food Bank Network
 1001 North Central
 Suite 303
 Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Contact: Jack Ramsey

If for any reason these programs are not appropriate or acceptable to your group, let me know and I'll find alternatives.

Hope all is well with the Macks. Mom's been having a difficult time with eye surgery and now is going down to UCLA to see if they can't help her. Otherwise, we're all fine.

I'm sending, under separate cover, a little gift for your birthday. Hope you and the grandchildren enjoy.

Warm regards,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Henry C. Mack
1107 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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March 10, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER
FROM JAMES S. ROSEBUSH *JSR*
SUBJECT HENRY MACK AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Some time ago you asked me for suggestions about appropriate contributions for ARB Inc. It might be most appropriate for the Directors to contribute a modest sum (\$5,000.00) to one group of interest to the First Lady and to the President.

I would proposed the following groups:

1. National Parents for Drug Free Youth
9805 Dameron Drive
Silver Spring, Maryland 20902

Contact: Joyce Nalepka

Relates very well to Mrs. Reagan's special interest.

2. Second Harvest
National Food Bank Network
1001 North Central
Suite 303
Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Contact: Jack Ramsey

This program is a favorite of Susan Baker and comes as close to being a pure private sector initiative as possible, utilizing surplus food from manufacturers and distributing it to community feeding projects.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 5, 1982

Dear Nicko:

Thanks for passing on Her Majesty's
formal invitation to the President.
I have sent it on to Bill Clark and
will wait for the original.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Sir Nicholas Henderson
British Embassy
Washington, D.C. 20008

Bce: Judge Clark

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 5, 1982

Dear President Nixon:

I didn't forget your letter regarding radio shows. In fact, I was pursuing the same project at the same time.

Enclosed is our release and text of the President's first broadcast.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
26 Federal Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10007

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RICHARD NIXON

February 25, 1982

26 FEDERAL PLAZA
NEW YORK CITY

Dear Mike,

I have a suggestion you might want to consider in scheduling the President.

You will recall the conversation we had in San Clemente several years ago about the use of radio. Why not exploit the President's unique ability in using this medium? He, of course, is a master on television but too much television can wear out the audience. It should be used only for big plays

On the other hand, radio can be used for getting across the less important messages and for repeating the important ones which can be projected only once on television.

A weekly ten minute radio talk on Sunday evenings would dominate the Monday papers, would be easy to do, and not require the enormous preparation required for a television speech.

On another subject, the First Lady's drug abuse initiative is a ten strike. She has handled herself with great intelligence and charm. Don't be concerned that the Washington "witches" in the press try to knock it down as an attempt to change a poor image. Just as the heathens worshiped the idols they built, so the media must always worship the myths they have created.

The Honorable
Michael K. Deaver
February 25, 1982

What is written in Washington does not matter. The local coverage was apparently excellent and is what counts in the long run.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,



Richard Nixon

The Honorable
Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff and
Assistant to the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 5, 1982

Dear Ken:

Just a note to say thanks for stopping
by to chat.

Remember though - you promised to give
me some thoughts on paper and another
dynamite speech.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

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March 24, 1982

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Honorable Michael Deaver
Assistant to the President
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mike:

It was great to see you last week -- and to bend your ear. When the shells are dropping in all around, I know it's hard to always feel you're doing the right thing. But, believe me, the President still has enormous support out here -- the critical point is to keep that sense of commitment and fervor alive.

I passed on to Jim Baker some of the thoughts I mentioned to you, and he indicated some movement in the very near future. In the meantime, I have two assignments: one, to set some thoughts down on the issues ahead, and, two, to put together another high-octane speech for the hustings.

Thanks again for the time.

Warmest regard,



KK:j

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 5, 1982

Dear Bruce:

I'm truly sorry you've decided not to run for the United States Senate.

I do appreciate and respect the difficulty of reaching this decision.

Thank you for letting me know personally and Carolyn and I wish you all the success and happiness you certainly deserve.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. L. Bruce Laingen
Vice President
Department of Defense (NDU-VP)
National Defense University
Washington, D.C. 20319



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20319

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF: NDU-VP

16 March 1982

Mr. Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. Deaver:

I write this note to inform you that I have decided against a political campaign in Maryland this year.

No decision in my life has been more difficult. I make it for personal and professional reasons. It is in no way a judgment on the political scene in Maryland nor on the prospects for any of the declared candidates in the fall elections.

I would hope I can continue to make a contribution in public affairs through my Foreign Service career, including my present assignment as Vice President of the National Defense University.

I will make these points clear in anything I say in response to questions from the media.

I intend also to emphasize my great personal regard for those in Maryland who have pressed the possibility of my candidacy. I found it an impressive example of the way our system of government finds its strength in a concerned and responsible electorate.

I want especially to thank you for your understanding and confidence. It has been for me a very rewarding experience and I am grateful for that.

Sincerely,

L. Bruce Laingen
Vice President

P.S. I am writing a similar letter to Mr. Baker

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM CLARK

FROM: MICHAEL K. DEEVER

SUBJECT: WORKING VISITS

With regard to your attached memorandum of April 1, 1982, I have reviewed it and have approved the following working visits.

- 1) Chief of State Doe of Liberia - May 18-21
- 2) President Hurtado of Ecuador - June
- 3) King Olav V of Norway - October
- 4) President Ahidjo of the Cameroons

The remainder of your list should be held in abeyance.

President Suazo of Honduras

Prime Minister Ratu Mara of Fiji

President Finnbogadottir of Iceland

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 1, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *WPC*

SUBJECT: Working Visits

*Bill
lets us know*

Requests from State for working visits, which would involve 1/2 hour meetings with the President followed by a luncheon, have been received over a six-week period -- during which time a high level of importance was not attached. However, due to a number of reasons and anticipated additional requests for meetings in the fall, it is recommended that the following visits be scheduled between now and October -- with the exception of the Prime Minister of Fiji, whose invitation is recommended to be held in abeyance at the present time.

*Almost
a must*

-- Chief of State Samuel Doe of Liberia. State Department strongly recommends, and NSC concurs, that Chief of State Doe be scheduled for a working visit with the President. Doe requested a meeting last year and was turned down -- and has asked again. Under Doe, Liberia is the most pro-US government in Africa and the most susceptible to our influence. Liberia has the only airfield in Africa which the US can use with no questions asked. Doe will be in the US on a private visit and in Washington May 18-21, during which time-frame it is recommended that a meeting be scheduled.

Approve ✓

Disapprove _____

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-- President Hurtado of Ecuador. State Department has recommended an invitation be issued for a working visit to President Hurtado. An invitation to a moderate leader of one of the strong democracies of South America would substantially benefit the US not only in Ecuador, but would have additional political value to the region. NSC concurs with State and strongly recommends that President Hurtado be invited in late June.

Approve ✓

Disapprove _____

-- President Ahidjo of the Cameroons. President Ahidjo, a friend of the US, leads a moderate, oil-exporting country. A meeting with the President, followed by a luncheon, would give Ahidjo deserving, long-overdue recognition, and possibly help our economic interests in the growing import market in the Cameroons.

In addition to State's recommendation and NSC concurrence, David Rockefeller, who recently visited the Cameroons, and Secretary Baldrige recommend that a meeting with the President be scheduled. This working visit should be scheduled prior to August.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

-- President Suazo of Honduras. A short visit by newly-elected President Suazo would underline our satisfaction with the elective process in Honduras, demonstrate our support for the elected government as it faces economic hardships and security threats, and would emphasize to the Honduran military our recognition of the elected government. It is recommended that this visit be scheduled prior to August.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

-- Prime Minister Ratu Mara of Fiji. Fiji has been a voice of moderation in the UN and Third World fora, and has stymied Soviet efforts to gain a South Pacific foothold. It has supported our interests as the first nation to contribute troops to the Sinai MFO and with its presence in the UN observer force in Lebanon. However, recently the Prime Minister spoke out rather harshly against the US. As a result, it is NSC's recommendation at this point to delay an invitation to Prime Minister Ratu Mara. WPC

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

-- King Olav V of Norway. King Olav V, the senior reigning monarch in Europe, will be visiting the US during the period October 5-21, and will be in Washington from Sunday, October 17, through Wednesday, October 20. He is a good friend of the US and is highly respected in his country and in Europe. In view of the fact that President and Mrs. Reagan hosted a social luncheon in honor of King Gustaf and Queen Silvia of Sweden on November 22 of last year, I recommend that an invitation to a social luncheon, or for a social visit, be extended to King Olav while he is in Washington.

Approve ✓ _____ Disapprove _____

-- President Finnbogadottir of Iceland. Although a formal request has not been received from State, NSC has received information that President Finnbogadottir will be in the US during the period September 7-9 to open a major Scandinavian exhibit. There are a number of compelling circumstances which support an invitation for a 1/2 hour meeting followed by a luncheon:

1. A high profile treatment for the Icelandic Chief of State would help ensure our continued presence at the vital Keflavik base;
2. It will underscore our interest in, and respect for, our smaller NATO allies;
3. President Finnbogadottir is the only democratically-elected female Chief of State in the world -- this would play very well domestically and internationally;
4. A meeting now may preclude a later request for an official or state visit.

Recognizing the above, you may want to consider that the President host a luncheon for this ~~female~~ Chief of State.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1982

Dear Larry:

Thanks for the nice letter and all the enclosures. Someone had already sent me the editorial Bellman Hits Wrong Target, and we all enjoyed it.

We appreciate all your good support and the time you took to get these papers together for us.

Thanks again, Larry.

Sincerely,

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Dear Shirley:

It was a pleasure to meet you in Oklahoma City, and I apologize for the delay in sending the editorial cartoons and the information from Public Research, Syndicated.

We all were delighted to be graced by a visit from the President. As you must know, in Oklahoma Mr. Reagan doesn't walk on water; he soars above it.

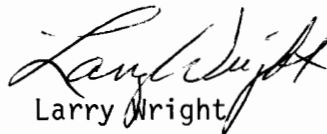
The enclosed cartoons are more representative on the thinking of 70% of America, at least in my opinion. A recent poll conducted for Mickey Edwards, Oklahoma 5th, indicates that, in spite of what we read and see from the media, Mr. Reagan's popularity has not dropped a single point. The only complaint that I hear regularly is that Mr. Reagan seems to have let up on the pressure in Congress. Perhaps the most significant question from the group in Oklahoma City concerned his lack of television time. If he will continue to talk to "we the people", we shall protect his policies at the ballot box. He seems to have eased the pressure on his "boll weavels" and they are among his most ardent critics; my congressman included (Glenn English, Oklahoma 6th).

Also enclosed is a copy of correspondence from a friend of ours who has created quite a stir with the local media. Jack DeSpain sent his letter to the three network TV stations, and to several local radio stations. I think Jack is fairly typical of a Southwesterner; albeit, a bit more vocal than most of us.

The articles from Public Research, Syndicated, are also enclosed. PRS targets "community" newspapers as opposed to "metropolitan" dailies. People tend to read their community papers cover to cover, while metropolitan papers seem to provide comics and sports news; the average American will scan the front page, occassionally read an editorial, and absorb the sports and comics. The average American also is not in business.

Well, I know you have more important things to do than read my essay. We hope to see you in Oklahoma again; and Mr. Reagan in the White House in 1985.

Best regards,


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