

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO ANNIE ROGERS

FROM: BILL SITTMANN *BS*

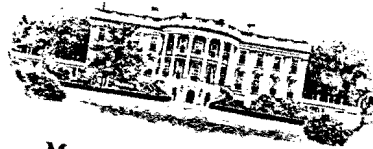
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR STAFF PIN

Would you please issue a staff pin for Gail W. Ledwig for the trip to South Carolina, tomorrow, September 20, 1983.

Thank you.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Mr. John O. Koehler  
Associated Press  
50 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, New York 10020



MICHAEL K. DEAVER

*Jack*

Thanks for joining us for lunch  
- Thanks for the very nice meal  
I am sure you that we will  
be following - by in time.

*Mike*

9/19/83



John O. Koehler  
Assistant General Manager  
World Services Division

*Went  
222 do a card.*

September 13, 1983

The Honorable Michael K. Deaver  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mike:

I enjoyed our luncheon meeting last Friday and hope that our ideas can be of use. I want to also reiterate that I am ready to help if you think there is something I can contribute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. Koehler', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO HELEN AMMEN

FROM: MICHAEL K. DEAVER *MD*

Many thanks for the excellent research you and your staff did for me on such short notice.

It is a very professional job and I'm grateful for your assistance.

cc: John F.W. Rogers

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

Dear Drew:

I have received your letter of September 15 with the attached correspondence from Robert E. Hart, President of the 1984 Maritime Day Program. I have taken the liberty of passing your invitation for the President to attend Maritime Day or address the Merchant Marine Academy Graduation both events to be held at Kings Point in New York to Fred Ryan.

We'll raise the matter at our next long range scheduling meeting and Fred will be getting in touch with you soon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Drew Lewis  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Warner Amex Cable Communications Inc.  
75 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, New York 10019

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Drew Lewis  
Chairman and  
Chief Executive Officer

September 15, 1983

The Honorable Michael K. Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mike:

I have attached a letter of invitation for the President to either attend Maritime Day on May 22nd, 1983 or address the Merchant Marine Academy Graduation on June 18th, 1983; both events being held at Kings Point, New York.

If there is anything you can do to accommodate this request, I would be most appreciative.

Sincerely,



DL:cm

75 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10019

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

Dear Cap:

I was very pleased to have the opportunity to visit with the Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) at Fort Bragg, N.C. on September 16th. The briefings and demonstrations prepared for me and my party were impressive indeed. Gen. Scholtes and his personnel made an extraordinary effort in our behalf and provided us with a rare opportunity to witness this unit first hand.

JSOC is to be commended for the quality of its personnel and the exhaustive preparations they've made in order to fulfill their vital mission. I observed some extremely innovative and unusual training techniques that undoubtedly are the result of the commitment these men have made to make JSOC the finest unit of its kind in the world.

I thank you and your staff for coordinating our visit and appreciate the full cooperation displayed by JSOC.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger  
Secretary of Defense  
Washington, D.C. 20301

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

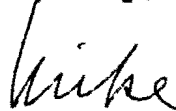
Dear Allen:

Many thanks for your letter of September 16 informing me of your reassignment to the Washington area.

It is good hearing from you and your enthusiastic offer to help is greatly appreciated. I'll keep it in mind.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

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

Commander Allen R. Sherwood, USN  
4605 Herend Place  
Fairfax, Virginia 22032



16 September 1983

*Thanks  
keep in  
mind*

Mr. Michael K. Deaver  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington D.C.

Dear Michael,

It was a pleasure seeing you again and working with your staff during the Queen's visit to San Francisco last March. As you know, I was the Navy's local project officer for that portion of the visit. It was most enjoyable working with the Reagan Team again, after an absence of seven years !

I have been reassigned to Washington, and am serving as the Navy's Director of Community Relations, with direct responsibility for the scheduling of the Navy's Flight Demonstration Team (Blue Angels), all flyovers, ship launching and commissionings, and the Navy Bands. I am also the Navy's liaison to all service groups, such as the VFW, American Legion, Navy League, etc. In short, I plan and coordinate many of my service's major public events around the nation and the world. We send a weekly synopsis of our activities to the Navy White House Liaison Office for coordination with possible White House usage. This leads me to believe that I may be able to offer assistance to you in the planning and execution of key events. As a former Reagan staffer (Deputy Appointments Secretary) I would hope that you would call upon me for assistance, and that I might serve in some capacity for you again. Best of all, perhaps, I am not looking for a job - I have a great one - I just want to offer my services with no strings attached. Hope I can help again !

Warm personal regards,

*A. R. Sherwood*  
Allen R. Sherwood  
4604 Herend Place  
Fairfax, Va 22032  
Ph: (202) 695-6915(bus)  
(703) 425-1187(res)

Encl:

Biography - Commander Allen R. Sherwood, U.S. Navy

Commander Allen R. Sherwood, USN, was graduated from California State University, Chico, in 1965 and received his commission from Aviation Officer Candidate School, Pensacola, Florida in July, 1965.

Commander Sherwood served as the Assistant Officer-in-Charge of the Navy Landing Field, Kisarazu, Japan for his initial tour of duty. He next attended the Defense Information School, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, followed by a tour as the Public Affairs Officer, Naval Air Station, Chase Field, Texas.

Commander Sherwood left active duty in 1970, and affiliated with the Ready Reserve. In his civilian career, he served as the Public Information Officer for the California Office of Emergency Services, and later was appointed by then-Governor Ronald Reagan as the Assistant Chief of Information Services for the State of California. In 1973 Commander Sherwood was appointed by Ronald Reagan to serve on his personal staff as Deputy Appointments Secretary, a position he held until 1975.

In 1975 Commander Sherwood returned to active duty in the Regular Navy and served as the Deputy Director of the Navy Office of Information, Los Angeles. His duties included liaison with the Hollywood motion picture industry and he served as a project officer and technical consultant on numerous motion pictures and feature films for television. In July, 1975, he served as the Apollo-Soyuz Spacecraft recovery Public Affairs Officer, embarked aboard USS NEW ORLEANS with CTF 130.

In 1977 CDR Sherwood was assigned as Assistant Public Affairs Officer for the U.S. Pacific Fleet, Pearl Harbor, HI, where he served until 1980. Following this tour, CDR Sherwood served as Area Coordinator for Public Affairs and Public Affairs Officer for Commander, Naval Base San Francisco. His duties included establishing and directing San Francisco Fleet Week programs for major elements of the Pacific Fleet, and serving as a Project Officer for the visit of President Reagan and the Queen of England to San Francisco.

CDR Sherwood reported in August, 1983 to the office of the Chief of Information, Washington, to serve as Director of Community Relations.

CDR Sherwood is a recipient of a Freedom's Foundation Award and a resolution of commendation from the California State Senate. His awards include the National Defense Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Expert Pistol and Rifle Medals, and the Navy Commendation Medal.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

Dear General Scholtes:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the truly impressive briefings and demonstrations you conducted for my party during our visit on September 16th.

I can state without hesitation that this is the finest military unit I've had the opportunity to observe in memory. I was particularly impressed by the extremely high quality of the personnel serving in your unit and the truly innovative approaches you've taken in preparation for your mission.

In reviewing the equipment and logistical support systems you've developed, it is obvious that some sections within the White House can benefit from your expertise. In that regard, I would be interested in Dr. Eric Louie, Physician to the President, and Colonel John S. Tuck, Commander of the White House Communications Agency, having the opportunity to discuss pertinent parts of your program with you and your staff.

I regret not having the time to fully review your 1984 Olympic preparations with you, however, Ken Hill will soon be contacting your office to arrange his further discussing these issues. We appreciate your efforts and lend full support for your program.

Sincerely,

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

Maj. Gen. Richard A. Scholtes, USAR  
Commander  
Joint Special Operations Command  
Fort Bragg, NC 28307

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

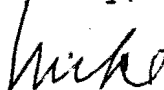
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September 15, 1983

The Honorable Michael K. Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Sincerely,



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Warner Amex  
Cable Communications Inc.

Drew Lewis  
Chairman and  
Chief Executive Officer

September 6, 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

It is my hope that you will consider the possibility of either attending Maritime Day to be held at Kings Point, New York on Tuesday May 22, 1984 or perhaps be the speaker at the Merchant Marine Academy Graduation Ceremony at Kings Point, New York on Monday June 18, 1984.

As you know, this school not only produces graduates with military training but in addition, provides the mainstream of an industry in which both the business and the labor unions supporting our Maritime industry are involved. Needless to say, this group has been supportive of your Presidency and the direction you are moving the country.

If this appears to be an attractive idea, I will be pleased to discuss this in further detail with your staff.

Respectfully,



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

Dear Lew:

Many thanks for sending me a copy of your briefing papers, "The Facts on Central America."

I congratulate you and your staff at Citizens for America for the very comprehensive and thorough report.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Lew Lehrman  
Chairman  
Citizens for America  
Suite 320  
214 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002

CITIZENS  
**FOR**  
AMERICA

September 15, 1983

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

*Thank  
you for  
congrats*

Dear Mike:

It is my pleasure to call your attention to the enclosed briefing papers on Central America, the first in a series of fact sheets that will be produced and distributed by Citizens For America for your use.

As Congress reconvenes, there is a pressing need for us to use these facts in our dealing with the press and with our representatives. The Soviet Union's mass murder of innocent airline passengers is best answered by a firm, bi-partisan commitment for a strong national defense, second to none. With our help, this Congressional commitment will begin, as it truly must, with the needed support for the President's program to end communist aggression in Central America.

As we work for that support, I am sure that you will find "The Facts on Central America" to be a comprehensive source on the subject. Should you have any questions or comments relating to the report, please do not hesitate to contact David Carmen in our Washington office.

I am confident that our continued hard work will result in success on these and other crucial areas of national concern.

Best Regards,



Lew Lehrman  
Chairman

Enclosure

LL:gw



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

Dear Ms. Little:

Thank you for your letter of September 14 offering suggestions as to ways the President might counter recent criticism from various women's groups.

I want you to know that your proposal for a Presidentially sponsored constitutional amendment will be looked at very closely. In the meantime, let me thank you, too, for your offer of assistance. You can be certain that we will be in touch with you if the occasion arises.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



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

Ms. Donna A. Little  
Los Angeles Professional  
Republican Women, Federated  
11930 Montana Avenue #203  
Los Angeles, California 90049

**LOS ANGELES PROFESSIONAL  
REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED**

September 14, 1983

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

*Thank  
you for idea  
to 77.*

Dear Mr. Deaver:

I have been informed that you are presently exploring ways to negate the recent criticisms levied against the President by certain predominantly Democratic women's groups. I am an attorney and have recently formed a group of Republican business and professional women known as the "Los Angeles Professional Republican Women, Federated." This group presently has twenty-five members (most of whom are between twenty-five and forty-five years old) and is expanding rapidly. I am the president of the club.

I am writing because I have a specific suggestion to offer. The Democratic women's groups which are presently criticizing the President are, I believe, engaged in a campaign to undermine the President's support among women by depicting him as "anti-women." This campaign is predicated largely upon the President's opposition to the Equal Rights Amendment, whose passage they worked so diligently for. That "ERA," of course, failed to gain the necessary support among the states, notwithstanding their efforts. Consequently, I believe the opportunity has now presented itself for the President to convert this issue to his own political advantage by proffering a new version of a Constitutional amendment—one which would be consistent with Republican principles and yet would address the more legitimate concerns of the women's groups. By proposing his own "ERA"—one which would be acceptable to the vast majority of Americans, the President could, simultaneously, unite the nation on this divisive issue, replace the "anti-women" image created by the women's groups with that of a champion of women's rights, and capture for his own use the women's groups' favorite weapon in their efforts to undermine his support.

If you feel a Presidentially sponsored Constitutional amendment would be feasible, I would be happy to assist in any way I could in the drafting of same. In any event, I would appreciate your thoughts about the suggestion and would like to offer whatever assistance you feel I or my group could give in your endeavors with regard to women's issues.

Very truly yours,

*Donna A. Little*

Donna A. Little  
11930 Montana Avenue #203  
Los Angeles, California 90049  
(213) 826-0996

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

Dear Paul:

Just a short note with regards to Josephine Baker receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor.

I am told that the Medal of Honor can only be awarded to those individuals who are in the military. Therefore, what I propose is that we consider her for the Medal of Freedom.

As the time for the selection of those individuals chosen for the medal draws near, I will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Paul Laxalt  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

PAUL LAXALT  
NEVADA

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

United States Senate  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

*Medal of Freedom  
File*

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September 16, 1983

Dear Mike:

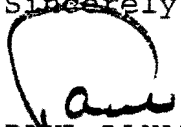
*Thank  
and put on  
list - Bill - when did we  
do awards last?  
where the current  
list of  
candidates?*

Attached is a copy of a letter to the President from Tom Preston of Las Vegas, Nevada, inviting the President to personally award the Medal of Honor to Josephine Baker posthumously.

This sounds like a very worthwhile idea, and I hope that careful consideration will be given Mr. Preston's request. I met with him yesterday, and he is very anxious to have a favorable response from the White House.

Please let me know if such a presentation might be feasible in the foreseeable future.

Sincerely,

  
PAUL LAXALT  
U. S. SENATOR

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

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Attachment  
Copy to: Mr. Tom Preston

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WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

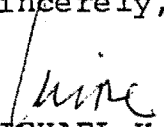
Dear Merv:

Thank you for your letter of September 16. It was good to hear of your enthusiasm for your new employment as Manager of the California Turkey Industry. I have passed your correspondence with your request to participate in the presentation of the Thanksgiving turkey to the President along to Fred Ryan, Director of Presidential Scheduling. You should expect to hear from him shortly.

Thank you again for your letter and the thoughtful invitation to visit your "Dream House".

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Mervin Amerine  
Manager  
California Turkey Industry Board  
Post Office Box 3329  
814 14th Street, Suite #3  
Modesto, California 95353-3329



## California Turkey Industry Board

P.O. Box 3329 - 814 14th Street, Suite #3  
Modesto, California 95353-3329 - (209) 576-6355

September 16, 1983

Michael K. Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mike:

It has been too long since I have communicated with you; in fact, not since I spoke to you at the Barbecue at Rancho Sierra Grande in Santa Ynez, when Merle Haggard entertained us. I can keep track of you, more or less, because I see you on television and read about you in the media.

Things are going extremely well for me. I have recently come out of semi-retirement and I am presently the Manager of the California Turkey Industry Board, which is the governing body of the Turkey Marketing Order for the State of California. This is totally an industry supported activity and with my past involvement in this industry and my acquaintanceship, it makes for a very personally satisfying and rewarding experience for me.

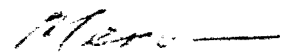
As you know, I have, over the years, been involved several times in arranging or presenting a turkey to the President and Mrs. Reagan. The last one, of course, in Pacific Palisades. I don't know whether you realized it but it must have been a slow news day, for the national media picked it up as a feature on that evening's news. It won't be long until you will be making arrangements with Lew Walts, Executive Vice President of the National Turkey Federation in order to present the traditional Thanksgiving turkey at the White House. If it is at all possible, I would like to have the opportunity to participate.

My wife, Nancy, and I would love to be able to visit the White House and if at all possible, have a brief opportunity to speak to the President, possibly getting a picture in the Oval Office. Although, there have only been a very few occasions that Nancy has had the opportunity to speak with the President, he has always remembered how she served as "Stewardess" on the "Turkey Bird".

I have one additional request. As you know, he flew on one of my airplanes several times; I would like to have just one ride on his!

Nancy and I have just finished our "Dream House" on a hill east of Oakdale, overlooking the Stanislaus River Valley and the Sierras. I sincerely hope some time in the future that you can visit La Casa de la Gran Vista.

Sincerely yours,

  
Mervin Amerine

p.s. I am sure you would be interested in knowing that I sent my contribution in for the President's Club and, of course, I am continuing my National Republican Party Life Membership obligations. I need to know how I and my friends can help in local support activities.

I have enclosed a copy of a letter to the Editor by my neice.

*Response  
Have 7 Regan  
include him in  
Turkey presentation  
if we're down  
that.*

### PROGRAMS

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

Dear Rinaldo:

Thank you for your letter of August 3, 1983 and the enclosed letter from Senator Fanfani, advising that the President of the Italian Republic intends, on the recommendation of the Senator, to offer to me the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale dell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana" at some point after I am no longer an official of the United States Government.

As the former Prime Minister correctly notes, the laws of the United States generally prohibit acceptance by American officials of titles and decorations conferred by other nations. I do, however, want to express to you and to him my deepest appreciation for your letters and for your very kind comments about my efforts in connection with the Williamsburg Summit and the Prime Minister's visit. It was an honor for me to be able to join many others in helping to extend the hospitality of President Reagan and the people of the United States to the Prime Minister. That honor is enhanced by knowing that our efforts did in fact make some contribution to the success and enjoyment of the Prime Minister's visits to the United States, and it was most gracious of you and him to say so.

I am also enclosing herewith a separate letter expressing my thanks to the former Prime Minister, and would be most grateful if you would arrange for its delivery to him.

I hope you enjoyed your recent weeks in Italy. With kindest personal regards and, again, my thanks,

Sincerely,

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

His Excellency  
Rinaldo Petrignani  
Ambassador of Italy  
1601 Fuller Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1983

Dear Senator Fanfani:

His Excellency Ambassador Petrucci kindly forwarded to me your letter of July 25, 1983 advising that the President of the Italian Republic intends, on your recommendation, to offer to me the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale dell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana" at some point after I am no longer an official of the United States Government.

As you correctly noted, the laws of the United States generally prohibit acceptance by American officials of titles and decorations conferred by other nations. As I have advised the Ambassador, however, I do want to express to you my deepest appreciation for your letter and for your very kind comments about my efforts in connection with the Williamsburg Summit and your visit as Prime Minister. It was an honor for me to be able to join many others in helping to extend the hospitality of President Reagan and the people of the United States to you and your delegation. That honor is enhanced by knowing that our efforts did in fact make some contribution to the success and enjoyment of your visits, and it was most gracious of you to say so.

With kindest personal regards and, again, my thanks,

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable  
Senator Amintore Fanfani  
Senate of the Italian Republic  
Palazzo Madama  
Rome  
Italy



*Ambasciata d'Italia  
Washington*

August 3rd, 1983

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*L'Ambasciatore*

*My dear Mike,*

Senator Amintore Fanfani, before relinquishing his office as Italian Prime Minister, has asked me to forward to you the enclosed letter.

As you will see, Prime Minister Fanfani informs you of the decision of the President of the Italian Republic to bestow upon you the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale al Merito della Repubblica", one of the highest in Italy, as a token of his deep appreciation for all that you have done towards the preparation of both his visit here and the Williamsburg Summit.

To the warm wishes of Senator Fanfani, I would like to add my own congratulations as well as the expression of my deepest personal gratitude.

I hope to soon have the opportunity to seeing you again.

With best wishes and warmest regards

*Yours sincerely  
Ricardo*

*P.S. I am going for a few weeks to Italy on leave and shall be back after Labor Day. I hope to see you soon after my return. I know that you are also leaving - have a very good Summer!*

The Honorable  
Michael Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
and Assistant to the President  
Washington D.C.

*R.*



*Al Presidente  
del Consiglio dei Ministri*

Roma, 25 luglio 1983

Egregio Signor Deaver,

mi è gradito comunicarLe che il Presidente della Repubblica italiana ha deciso di conferirLe, in base ad una mia proposta, l'onorificenza di Grande Ufficiale dell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica italiana.

Vivamente apprezzata è stata infatti la simpatia che Lei sempre ha manifestato nei confronti del nostro Paese e il lavoro da Lei svolto con grande dedizione per la organizzazione della mia recente visita negli Stati Uniti d'America e per la preparazione dell'incontro al Vertice di Williamsburg.

So che la legge americana non consente ai funzionari dello Stato di ricevere onorificenze straniere durante lo svolgimento delle loro funzioni. Mi limito pertanto a darLe per ora comunicazione di quanto precede esprimendoLe al tempo stesso le mie più vive felicitazioni. Al momento opportuno Le verranno consegnate come d'uso, nel pieno rispetto della legge americana, le relative insegne e il Diploma dell'Ordine.

Mi è gradita l'occasione per inviarLe i miei cordiali e memori saluti

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Signor Michael DEEVER  
Consigliere del Presidente  
degli Stati Uniti  
WASHINGTON

*Ambasciata d'Italia  
Washington*

*L'Ambasciatore*

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UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR. MICHAEL DEEVER BY  
SENATOR AMINTORE FANFANI ON THE 25TH OF JULY 1983

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My dear Mr. Deaver,

I am glad to inform you that the President of the Italian Republic has decided to bestow upon you, at my proposal, the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale nell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana".

We have in fact deeply appreciated the friendship which you have always shown to our Country and your dedicated cooperation in the organization of my recent visit to the United States and of the Summit of Williamsburg.

I know that the American procedures do not allow members of the Administration to receive foreign decorations while in office. Therefore, for the time being, I would like only to inform you of this decision and to express to you, at the same time, my most sincere congratulations. When appropriate, the insignia and the diploma of the Order of Merit will be handed over to you, in full compliance with the above mentioned American procedures.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you my warmest and most cordial greetings.

Amintore Fanfani

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1983

*type letter*

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING   
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Future Award of an Italian Decoration

Thank you for forwarding for review by our office the letters you received from Italian Ambassador Petrignani and Senator (and former Prime Minister) Fanfani, advising that, on Fanfani's recommendation, the President of the Italian Republic has decided to award you an Italian decoration at some future point when you are no longer a Federal employee.

Fanfani's statement that "American procedures" preclude your acceptance of this award while in office is, in general, correct. The Constitution prohibits Federal officials from accepting foreign gifts, titles and the like without Congressional consent; and Congress by statute has established a general rule against accepting foreign gifts or decorations, which are to be turned over to our Government. Though there are possible exceptions permitting individual acceptance that we could explore, I do not think it prudent or necessary to do so (particularly since it is clear the Italians do not expect you to accept the decoration now).

There is a separate question as to whether, as a Federal officer, you should or must reject what could (but does not have to) be characterized as a "present offer" of a future decoration. The constitutional provision, the statute and applicable regulations give little if any guidance on this point; and in checking with the State Department, we found little policy or precedent in this area. Apparently, however, foreign governments do at times advise our foreign service officers, shortly before their retirement, that an award or decoration will be conferred upon or after retirement; and we are advised by State that no one has viewed this notification as presenting any problem, or giving rise to any obligation that the "notice" or "offer" be rejected.

Given this practice (and the fact that the relevant statutory and regulatory reporting and other requirements are basically triggered by actual "acceptance" of a gift or decoration), I do not think you have to treat the Italian correspondence as a "present offer" of a decoration that you must either accept or

(almost certainly) reject at this time. Rather, I think you may justifiably view the letters simply as notification of a firm intent to make a formal offer of the decoration to you after you have left office, which you need not now formally accept or reject.

Accordingly, attached for your review and signature are letters to Petrignani and Fanfani that thank them for notifying you of the Italian action, but are silent on whether you will accept the decoration in the future. The letter to Fanfani is enclosed with the letter to Petrignani, for actual delivery to the Senator by the Ambassador (who had advised you he would be returning to Washington sometime after Labor Day).

Let me know if you have any questions; thank you.

Attachments

*Ambasciata d'Italia  
Washington*

*L'Ambasciatore*

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UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR. MICHAEL DEEVER BY  
SENATOR AMINTORE FANFANI ON THE 25TH OF JULY 1983

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My dear Mr. Deaver,

I am glad to inform you that the President of the Italian Republic has decided to bestow upon you, at my proposal, the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale nell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana".

We have in fact deeply appreciated the friendship which you have always shown to our Country and your dedicated cooperation in the organization of my recent visit to the United States and of the Summit of Williamsburg.

I know that the American procedures do not allow members of the Administration to receive foreign decorations while in office. Therefore, for the time being, I would like only to inform you of this decision and to express to you, at the same time, my most sincere congratulations. When appropriate, the insignia and the diploma of the Order of Merit will be handed over to you, in full compliance with the above mentioned American procedures.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you my warmest and most cordial greetings.

Amintore Fanfani

*Ambasciata d'Italia  
Washington*

*L'Ambasciatore*

August 3rd, 1983

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*My dear Mike,*

Senator Amintore Fanfani, before relinquishing his office as Italian Prime Minister, has asked me to forward to you the enclosed letter.

As you will see, Prime Minister Fanfani informs you of the decision of the President of the Italian Republic to bestow upon you the decoration of "Grande Ufficiale al Merito della Repubblica", one of the highest in Italy, as a token of his deep appreciation for all that you have done towards the preparation of both his visit here and the Williamsburg Summit.

To the warm wishes of Senator Fanfani, I would like to add my own congratulations as well as the expression of my deepest personal gratitude.

I hope to soon have the opportunity to seeing you again.

With best wishes and warmest regards

*Yours sincerely*

*Rimondi*

*P. S. I am going for a few weeks to Italy on leave and shall be back after Labor Day. I hope to see you soon after my return. I know that you are also leaving - have a very good summer!*

The Honorable  
Michael Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
and Assistant to the President  
Washington D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1983

Dear Mr. Stemler:

Many thanks for sending the Official  
"Cowboy Cut" Prorodeo Jeans and western  
shirt for me to wear to the Prorodeo's  
salute to America's government on Satur-  
day at Capital Centre.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in  
helping me to dress for the occasion.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



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

Mr. Ken Stemler  
ProRodeo  
Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association  
101 Pro Rodeo Drive  
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80919





# ProRodeo

Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association  
101 Pro Rodeo Drive  
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80919  
303/593-8840

*to note*

September 20, 1983

Dear Mr. Deaver:

Enclosed are your Official "Cowboy Cut" Prorodeo Competition Jeans and Wrangler western shirt, to add to your enjoyment as you attend PRCA Prorodeo's salute to America's government, Saturday, September 24th at the Capital Centre.

Put these through the washer a time or two. They'll fit better and you'll be right in style.

Ken Stemler

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1983

Dear Mr. Cleveland:

I have enclosed a picture that was taken of Mr. Michael K. Deaver while he was in Korea on the Pre-Presidential trip in July. I would, as would Mr. Deaver, appreciate your getting this signed for him. We would be most grateful for your prompt attention to this request.

When finished please return to me at the White House.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Gail W. Ledwig  
Secretary to  
MICHAEL K. DEEVER

Mr. Paul Cleveland  
Deputy Chief of Mission  
United States Embassy Seoul, Korea  
APO  
San Francisco, CA 96301

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1983

Dear George:

The President has asked me to let you know that it would be his pleasure to have O'Bie accompany us on our trip to the Far East in November and be a member of the official United States Delegation.

We'll look forward to hearing from you if this is a possibility.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Goerge P. Shultz  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D.C. 20520

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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STATE

I WILL CALL BETTY GASTON IN  
SHULTZ' OFFICE BACK ABOUT  
THIS PER BILL HENKEL'S NOTE  
(ATTACHED). BUT -- DOES MR.  
DEAVER WANT "O'BIE" TO TRAVEL  
WITH OFFICIAL PARTY???

per 23, 1983

THANKS.

B. RICHTER  
9/29

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Sincerely yours,



George P. Shultz

The Honorable  
Michael Deaver,  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
and Assistant to the President,  
The White House.

WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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STATE

per 23, 1983

*Advance  
Bill Hinkle*

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Sincerely yours,



George P. Shultz

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

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

September 23, 1983

*Bill  
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Dear Mike:

O'Bie has asked me to let you know that it would be her pleasure to accompany the President on his trip to the Far East in November and be a member of the official United States Delegation.

We will look forward to working with your office on the detailed trip plans. Betty Gaston in my office here will be working with O'Bie on all aspects of this trip.

Sincerely yours,



George P. Shultz

The Honorable  
Michael Deaver,  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
and Assistant to the President,  
The White House.

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# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Date Correspondence  
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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: George P. Shultz

☒ DC Mail Report

User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: O'Brien on Boy East Trip

ROUTE TO:

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A - Appropriate Action  
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F - Furnish Fact Sheet to be  
I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary  
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