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### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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March 14, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. MCDANDEL

FROM:

JACK F. MATLOCK

SUBJECT:

Presidential Meeting for Ambassador Dobrynin

The Soviet Embassy has formally requested through the Department of State that the President and Secretary Shultz receive Dobrynin when he returns to Washington early in April. Specifically, the Soviets have asked for a meeting April 7 or 8, and a formal schedule proposal is attached at Tab I.

Given the fact that Dobrynin has just been promoted to a senior position in the Communist Party Secretariat and may well be carrying a message to the President from Gorbachev, I agree with State's recommendation (Tab II) that the President receive him.

Judyt Mandel, Johnathan Miller, and Steve Sestanovich concur.

### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the schedule proposal at Tab I.

Approve	Disapprove

### Attachments:

Tab I Schedule proposal

Tab II Department of State memorandum

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White House Guidelines, August 21, 1997

By NARA, Date 13



### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

### SECRET

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TO:

FREDERICK J. RYAN, Director

FROM:

RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

REQUEST:

Meeting with Soviet Ambassador Dobrynin

PURPOSE:

To convey high level message from the Soviet

government.

BACKGROUND:

Dobrynin has just been promoted to a senior

position in the Communist Party. He is likely to be carrying a personal message to

the President from Gorbachev.

**PREVIOUS** 

PARTICIPATION:

Dobrynin has met frequently with U.S. Presidents in his more than 20 years as Soviet Ambassador. Most recently he

was a member of the Soviet delegation at the

Geneva summit.

DATE & TIME:

April 7 or 8

DURATION: 20 minutes

LOCATION:

Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS:

The President

The Vice President Secretary Shultz Donald Regan John Poindexter Jack Matlock

OUTLINE OF EVENTS:

The President greets Ambassador Dobrynin,

congratulates him on his recent promotion and

invites him to open the discussion.

REMARKS REQUIRED:

To be supplied

MEDIA COVERAGE:

None

PROPOSED PHOTO:

President and Dobrynin sitting across from

one another in the Oval Office

RECOMMENDED BY:

John M. Poindexter and Department of State

OPPOSED BY:

None

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520 1998

March 12, 1986

### MEMORANDUM FOR VADM JOHN M. POINDEXTER THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Dobrynin Appointment Request

The Soviet Embassy has formally requested that Ambassador Dobrynin be received by the President when he returns to Washington. Dobrynin has indicated he could arrive here as early as March 19, in order to meet with the President and Secretary Shultz prior to the Secretary's departure for Europe the evening of March 20.

In view of the important position Dobrynin will be assuming upon his return to Moscow, and the likelihood that he will have a message to convey from Gorbachev, we recommend that the President meet with Dobrynin March 20.

> bornicholas Platt Executive Secretary

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Department of State Guidelines, July 71, 1997 By CXS NARA, Date 7/3/02

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Travel and accomodation expenses will be covered by the University.

### RECOMMENDATION

That you approve my travel.

Approve \_\_\_\_ Disapprove \_\_\_\_

Attachment:

TAB A Letter of Invitation

cc: Administrative Office

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### LYNDON B. JOHNSON SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

### THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Drawer Y · University Station · Austin, Texas 78713-7450 · (512) 471-4962

November 11, 1985

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Special Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Jack:

I had hoped I might bump into you at the AAASS Congress last week, but failing that I did not pursue my effort to reach you by phone because I know how swamped you have been these last few weeks with pre-Summit preparations. I do want to fill you in, however, on plans for a symposium on U.S.-U.S.S.R. relations that The University of Texas at Austin will be sponsoring next spring, April 3 and 4, 1986.

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With best regards.

Sincerely,

Robert K. German Tom Slick Professor of World Peace

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### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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March 14, 1986

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXXER

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FROM:

JACK F. MATLOCK

SUBJECT:

Your March 17 Meeting with Art Hartman

Art will want to review with you the situation in Moscow as he sees it and the direction our policy should take over the balance of the year.

He may also raise some questions which have come up in connection with the security of the new Embassy. NSA and State security officials are proposing electro-magnetic shielding of the entire building; Art thinks this is too expensive and could lead to a false sense of security outside the various "vaults."

You probably will wish to be basically in a listening mode. If he raises the security question, it would probably be well not to commit yourself either way until you have been fully briefed.

I have attached some suggested talking points at Tab I.

Attachment:

Tab I Suggested talking points

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## TALKING POINTS FOR MARCH 17 MEETING WITH ART HARTMAN

- -- What does the Party Congress tell us about Gorbachev's intentions for U.S.-Soviet relations?
- -- Any thoughts on Gorbachev's position; specifically, does he now have sufficient authority to move toward an agreement for arms reduction?
- -- What will Gorbachev be looking for when he comes to the U.S.?

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### RECOMMENDATION

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Approve / 3-1?

Disapprove \_\_\_\_

Attachment:

TAB A

Letter of Invitation

cc: Administrative Office

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March 7, 1986

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DATE: MARCH 3, 1986

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March 14, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

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FROM:

JACK F. MATLOCK

SUBJECT: Bridge Across The Bering Strait

This is really a non-starter. I do not doubt that a bridge is technically feasible (but I would question an estimate of \$1 billion cost, which seems much too low).

However, apart from the symbolism, what would it link? There are very few people on either side of the Bering Strait -- a few thousand eskimos on each side and maybe a trader or trapper or two. No road or rail system connects the bridgeheads with the interior of either country.

It is easier for the eskimos to cross by kayak than by bridge. As for the rest of us, the only way we could get a vehicle to either side of the bridge would be by air or sea (in summer). can't see that anyone needs a bridge there, and if one were built it probably couldn't be used for about 8 months of the year.

Even if we both had road systems connecting these points to the interior, it would be cheaper -- by several orders of magnitude -- to move people and whatever cargo they might have (walrus tusks, polar bear skins and rancid blubber?) by air.

In sum, Lin may be a crackerjack civil engineer, but he apparently failed to study geography and economics.

\*Actually, we have occasionally made representations to the Soviets requesting freedom Plaskimo monement between Little Diomede and Bi, Diomede — which they have refused to permit.

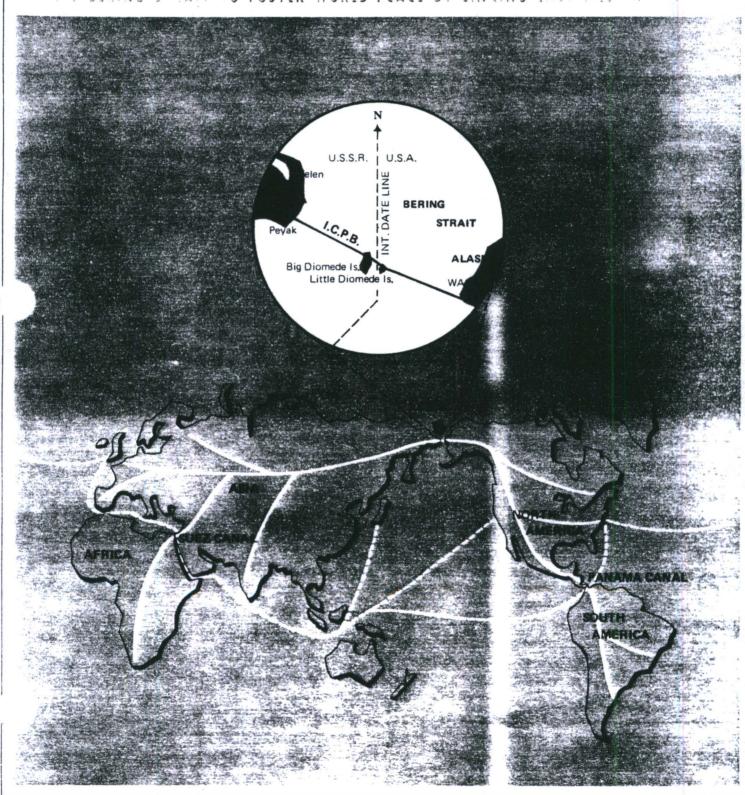
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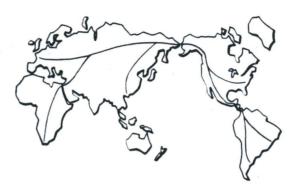
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Inter-Continental Peace Bridge Inc. (ICPB INC.) is a non-profit, charitable corporation, incorporated November 22, 1968, under the laws of the State of California and approved by the U.S. Treasury Department under Section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, October 20, 1969. Its purpose is to study, design and construct an intercontinental bridge monument across the Bering Strait beween Alaska and Siberia.

### INTRODUCTION

### "Where there is no vision, the people perish"

On this planet, particularly among affluent nations, there is an abundance of resources. They only need to be channeled toward goals set by human visions. The loftiest of these — WORLD PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING — may appear far on the horizon, but it lies deep in our hearts.

As a monument to peace through communication and travel, the ICPB Project is envisioned to be a challenging and attainable goal. It will link two hemispheres into one and recreate the migratory path of the human race and the ancient redwood. It is intended to utilize the wisdom and support of older generations, and to mobilize the ideals and energies of youth. It will bridge more than one gap: geographical, ideological. ethnical and generational.

Although the eastern and western hemispheres are separated by wide and deep oceans, they almost meet near the Arctic Circle. Across Bering Strait, between Alaska and Siberia, there is only a 50-mile gap, with maximum water depth of 180 feet. A bridge across this strait is technically feasible and can be built for about one billion dollars. (Current military and space spending in the U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. totals 150 billion dollars annually.)

Owing to fast-increasing world population and recent discoveries of vital resources in the Arctic area, settlement of Alaska and Siberia will be dawning sooner than expected. With the eventual completion of northern land transport systems, the Bridge will form the missing link to unite five continents into one. Thus trade, commerce, tourism will be fostered among nations, breaking down barriers and improving communications between peoples. It will be possible to drive from San Francisco to Moscow and Paris via this Bridge, or from Buenos Aires to Peking. Cairo and beyond.

This Bridge will demonstrate that human energy and technical capabilities can be devoted to constructive rather than destructive measures. It will prove that we can develop frontiers on earth at a relatively small expenditure of money. It will be a symbol of cooperation among nations, with U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. showing the way. It will inspire similar projects elsewhere. This Bridge is not an implausible dream. It is a practical vision of peace, perhaps also a mission which we must accomplish lest we perish.



### THE PREHISTORIC BERING LAND BRIDGE

During prehistoric times, between 12,000 and 20,000 years ago, a dry land corridor existed across the Bering Sea. This "Bering Land Bridge" was the sole land route for migrations between the two hemispheres.

Across it migrated broad-leaved deciduous trees and coniferous for ests, including redwoods, mammoths, bison, wolf, deer and sheep from Asia to North America. Simultaneously, a number of species including reindeer, horses, and musk ox spread in the opposite direction. Sometime during this period, probably in several waves, the ancestors of the American Indian crossed from Asia to North America bringing with him stone implements.

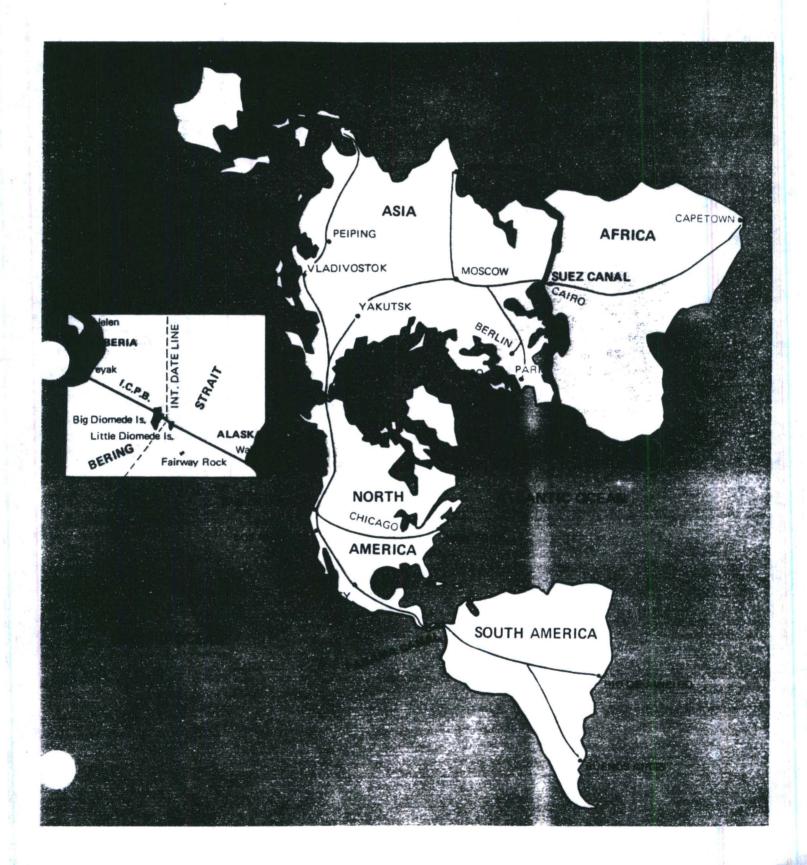
During the reign of Peter the Great, Russian fur hunters and traders crossed the southern Bering Sea and established colonies in Kodiak Kenai, and Sitka, Alaska and as far south as San Francisco Bay. Cali fornia. In World War II, an aerial bridge was opened from Alaska to Siberia. Fighter planes and bombers were delivered to Russian crews in Fairbanks, who then flew them to Siberia. Today, since 1970 Alaskan Airlines operates scheduled tourist flights from Alaska to Siberia.

## MAN'S DREAM TO RE-UNITE EASTERN AND WESTERN HEMISPHERES

A man-made land connection to re-unite the two hemispheres was probably first conceived in 1849 when William Gilpin, territor at Governor of Colorado, spoke of an extended railway system a morth and west across the strait of Bering; and through Siberia, to connect with the railways of Europe, and of all the world." Some 40 years after he wrote in his book, THE COSMOPOLITAN RAILWAY, of the street: "slowly, but surely, uniting in one race, one language, and one brotherhood all the peoples of the earth." His scheme then included a rail-road ferry across Bering Strait.

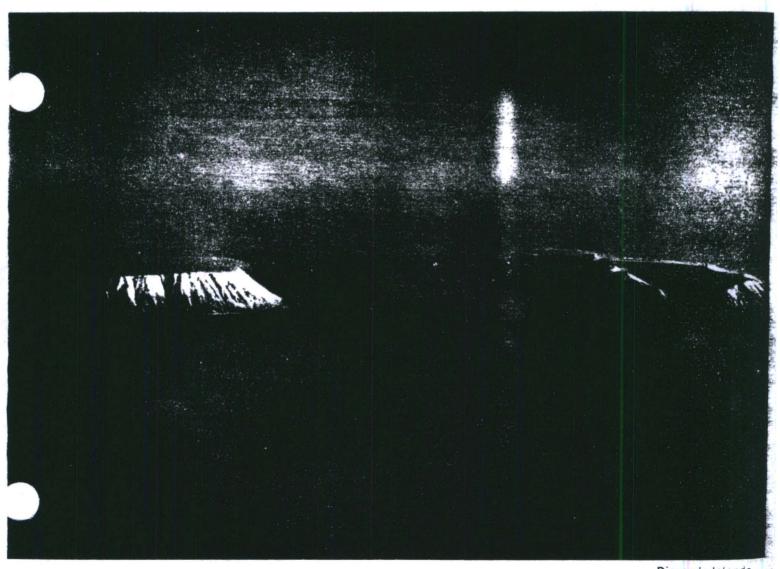
In 1905, E. H. Harriman, President of Union Pacific Raifroad, made a whirlwind trip to Tokyo, coming back with agreements for the bur pose of planning a European-American Railroad via Alaska and Siberia. In 1908, Harriman had estimates made of the extraction volved in crossing the Bering Strait with a solid fill of granter In 1958, Professor T. Y. Lin, in concert with Senator Warren Marren Married on Granter publicly suggested a bridge across Bering Strait to foster promote and understanding between the United States and the Granter continued in the 1960's. Soviet Engineer P. Borisov, proposed a time ross Bering Strait to control weather by pumping colder water at the Arctic into the Pacific. A. Shumilin, the dean of Soviet engineer purposed.

# SYMBOL OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND COOPERATION



gested a similar dam but proposed that warm water from the Pacific be pumped into the colder Arctic Ocean.

In order to initiate and perpetuate efforts toward the eventual building of this hemispheric link, Professor Lin organized the ICPB Corporation in 1968. In 1969, approval was obtained from the Treasury Department for status as a charitable corporation. It is intended that the first 5 years, 1970-75, will be devoted to preliminary studies and planning for the project. After this is done, the final design and construction of the bridge can be completed within 10 years, hopefully 1975-85.



Diomede Islands

### ICPB AS A VITAL LINK FOR WORLD TRADE AND TRAVEL

The ICPB continental land link will physically form a center for interhemispheric commerce, social interchange, travel and recreation. Just as any nation-wide total transport system must include a welldesigned land-based component, so the ICPB will be required to effectively link world-wide land-transport systems.

Geographically, Bering Strait is roughly equidistant from Honolulu, San Francisco, Tokyo, Moscow, New York, London, Paris and Berlin. The combination of land, sea and air routes linking five continents will tremendously influence world trade and simultaneously support the development of Northern frontiers.

With Japan already an economic super-power in the world, plus the impending development of other Asian countries, and the continuing growth of U.S.S.R. and the Americas, ICPB will be a vital crossroad for trade and travel among the world's peoples. It will help to prevent eventual degeneration of civilized life on our "Spaceship Earth."

### 3 AND NEW APPROACHES TO FRONTIER SETTLEMENT

in the past, U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. interests have ridiculed development of "wastelands" in their Northern Frontiers. However, recent discoveries of vitally needed natural resources in the Arctic have brought reality to what was fantasy. Technological and economic advances now make rapid development of our Northern Frontiers possible and desirable.

New citizens of the world need the challenge of a frontier. This is particularly true of U.S.A. Our forefathers and their sons were challenged to work together for frontier settlement, technological achievement and national growth. New generations today find no frontiers to settle and technology, in itself, is often frustrating. Hence, leadership and support must be provided to develop new approaches and challenges. Development of basic transportation systems, vital resources, new farming areas, and vast wilderness facilities for outdoor recreation, all integrated in a systematized and humanized approach, could transform the arctic north into a Utopia, unparalleled anywhere on earth. To go one step further, international settlement might be tried on the new land. Building of the ICPB project can be the catalyst.

Alaska encompasses some 15% of the U.S. mainland area, but only 0.15% of its population, Eastern Siberia contains some 33% of U.S.S.R. land area inhabited by under 3% of its population. This huge land and open-space resource should be developed with new concepts

seek the cooperative enrichment of human life now and into uture. The ICPB would inspire and symbolize such a trend.



### A HUMANE APPROACH

Development of resource and land-rich Alaska can offer high returns for the U.S.A. The unparalleled opportunity to use new approaches makes possible a wedding of technological with ecological requirements. **Time** magazine (July 27, 1970) predicts,

"In ten years, Alaska could conceivably be just another paved and polluted corner of the U.S. With rational planning, it could be something dramatically different: a unique blend of wealth and wilderness. To environmentalists, the challenge is clear; this is the last chance for the last frontier."

To accomplish this, ICPB Inc. joins Atlantic Richfield Company community relations manager, Joseph Fitzgerald,

"If all goes well, Alaska, more than any other state in the nation, will have the opportunity and capability to plan for its future, and, in a sense, become a model state"...

But nothing less than a total Systems Approach, integrating key state and private developments, is likely to produce actual realization of this goal. To such a goal, ICPB is dedicated.

### AN ICPB-TYPE LAND-TRANSPORT-SYSTEM

Overall demographic and commercial development needs, according to Engineering News-Record magazine (June 4, 1970) depend on a basic land-transportation system, as "the key to Alaska's development." Today, the sprawling 586,000 sq. mi. state is connected to a meager network of roads and winter ice trails. Ships can reach Prudhoe Bay and the North Slope only 2 months out of a year 4 coastal ferry service and 471 miles of mainline railroad connected Seward. Anchorage and Fairbanks sums up the current surface trail portation system. Dependence on expensive air transportation as some \$175/ton) must be supplemented by all-weather highway as pipeline, ship terminal, power, and communication systems reach not to key regions of the state.

This is the time to start total planning. For example, plans can be made for a 1000-mile integrated land-transport system connectors the existing ALCAN Highway from Fairbanks to the ICPB. Active branches to Anchorage, Prudhoe Bay, Kobuk mining areas and Nome ICPB technologies offer a prototype for such a system, using many produced and long-span superstructure components to integrate the lines, railroad, power and communications, as well as highway and can even provide offshore terminal facilities at a significant economy, when compared to the cost of separate systems as now envisional to prevent piecemeal disturbance of environment.

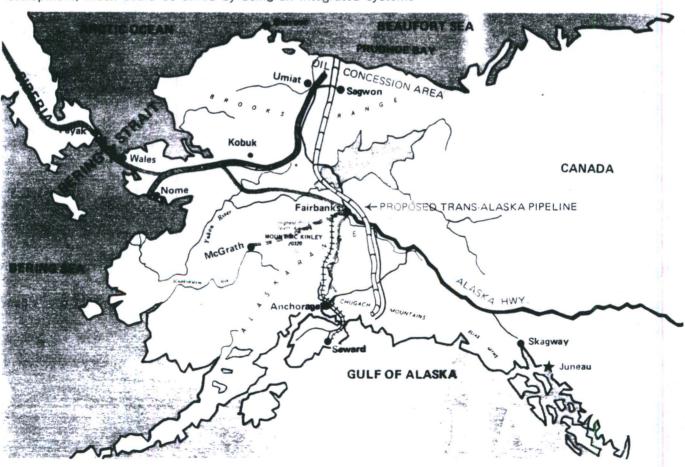
ICPB: TECHNOLOGY FOR HUMANITY THROUGH DEVELOPMENT OF THE ALASKAN FRONTIER

## BASIC FUNDING AND ECONOMIES FOR SYSTEMATIC DEVELOPMENT

North American Arctic resources in oil alone have been estimated to be as much as 80 billion barrels. This would be the second largest deposit known to the world today. It is reasonable to postulate that the continental shelf areas of Siberia would contain similar finds.

In Alaska, confirmed oil deposits of 15 billion barrels have produced estimates of eventual discoveries totaling up to 40 billion barrels. In addition, some 40 billion barrels, in equivalent oil units, of natural gas are said to be hidden beneath Alaska's continental shelf areas. Some \$8 to 10 billion will be required just to construct the means for extracting and delivering crude oil to market. These massive investments could be coordinated for mutual optimization of economic gains by integrating state growth with private projects. When the resources of natural gas, coal, copper, iron, mercury, asbestos, lead, zinc, lumber and fishing are also extensively developed, a continuing and viable growth is assured.

is predicted that of the billions required for basic state and oil evelopment, much could be saved by using an integrated systems



approach. For example, the 800-mile long pipeline, 358-mile highway route between Anchorage and Fairbanks, expansion of railroad service between those two cities and into key outlying areas, construction of some 400 miles of new highways to new oil fields, shipping terminals and other key systems (such as the proposed Rampart Dam Reservoir) could be carefully preplanned and integrated for total optimum effect. Delivery of electrical power, communications facilities, and even ocean outfall lines for treated sewage could be included.

While the oil in Alaska reaches surface at a temperature of about 165°F, it would cool rapidly in winter exposure and gel at about 5·10°F. It is known that heat is generated in oil pipelines due to friction of pumping. This phenomenon can be used to maintain fluidity and prevent gelling. By combining pipelines with an enclosed highway system, year-round operation is then possible using the oil line as a "radiator" for heat. By using ICPB type elevated superstructures such obstacles as rough terrain, tundra, perma-frost conditions and restriction of caribou migrations could be simultaneously solved. In addition, vandalism and leakage could be better controlled. Minimum duplication of construction costs as well as such beneficial interaction would be possible.

Engineering News-Record magazine (July 10, 1969) reports that basic construction materials such as cement and asphalt are being imported at costs ranging 300% above those of Seattle. Thus, basic industries must grow on Alaska's soil using permanent citizen manpower to realistically support farsighted development plans. A guaranteed market based on ICPB-type construction of a key land-transport system would offer sufficient incentive to justify factory installations.

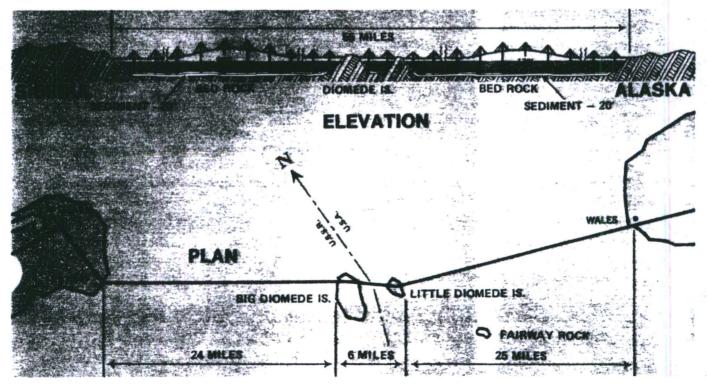
### ICPB AND THE BERING STRAIT AREA

Bering Strait areas, such as Wainwright, seem a natural outlet for oil. Atlantic Richfield Company calls for such a port on the Bering Strait as a "must." This is in part supported by current investigations for oil along the Seward Peninsula coast within the Bering Strait. The Bering Strait is open most of the year with relatively light ice floes in certain months. Tankers capable of sailing the Northwest Passage could easily handle this ice. The basic land-transport system connecting with that area would then continue via ICPB to Little Diomede Island. This is at the virtual edge of the Western Hemisphere but it funnels into the expanse of the Eastern Hemisphere. It is conceivable that enclosed resort cities of the future could sit on the Diomede Islands to welcome travelers and conventioneers. It would be a unique place where peoples of the world would meet and shake hands across the international date line. Thus the ICPB could be the epicenter of polar land, sea and air transit systems for international commerce and human interaction.

## CPB: TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

## MAJOR TECHNOLOGICAL PROBLEMS—ICE FLOES CONTROL

In order to meet functional, esthetic, safety and economic requirements, this unprecedented project will need extensive and intensive studies which are the immediate objectives of ICPB Inc. However, there are no insurmountable technological problems concerned with the building of this bridge. Design for strength, durability, resistance against wind and earthquake, can be attained using available knowledge and experience. Tides and currents are not severe. The one major problem is resistance of bridge piers against ice floes. Information from the Department of the Navy indicates that through the Bering Strait there are no icebergs. However, ice floes up to 6 feet thick are in constant motion during certain seasons and horizontal forces in the order of 5000 tons or more can be developed on a pier. Based on designs already prepared for Northumberland Strait Bridge, Canada, and developed by Santa Fe-Pomeroy Inc. for drilling, production and terminal facilities in the Arctic Ocean, as well as structures already in service in Cook Inlet, it appears entirely practical and ecoomically feasible to construct piers which can adequately resist the norizontal ice pressure. By inducing bending failure of ice against the piers instead of direct crushing, ice pressure can be greatly minimized. These piers can be anchored to rock foundation, since the ocean bottom has a maximum sediment overlay of only 20 feet across the entire Strait. These rock anchors can be drilled and prestressed to hold the piers securely and economically. Studies can be conducted for even more economic methods such as heating, sonic vibrations, etc.



Off-Shore Drilling Rig, Alaska

## PREFABRICATION AND MODULAR CONSTRUCTION—MAGNITUDE OF PROJECT

The magnitude of this bridge, in total length, is unprecedented. Length, however, is not an obstacle. Two bridges across Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana, already have a length of 25 miles each. Length, in fact, tends to economize ICPB construction because prefabrication and modular construction such as used for the Lake Pontchartrain bridges, become clearly logical.

Across Bering Strait, water depths average 150 ft. with a maximum of 180 ft. This will not set a new record for pier construction. A bridge across Narragansett Bay at Newport, Rhode Island, has piers in 160 ft. of water. Offshore platforms have been built in 340 ft. depth for ocean exposure in Gulf of Mexico, and designed though not built for 400, 600, and 1000 ft. depths in the Santa Barbara channel. While the bridge dimensions do not pose an unusual challenge, the sheer magnitude of the project does call for new ideas and methods. In addition to prefabrication and modular construction, we should consider setting up cement and other factories and the fabrication of large barges. Erection equipments capable of handling tens of thousands of tons and unique structural facilities must be developed. Great efforts must be made to reach an optimum solution using a systems-approach which takes into account all factors involved. Large shops for producing bridge elements may need to be set up along the Alaskan coast or in warm water industrialized ports like Puget Sound area, Washington. These prefabricated pieces may be self-floating or barged and towed to the site. Transportation and erection scheduling will have to be carefully integrated and tied in with limitation of working seasons at the bridge site. Factories and shops set up for the bridge can subsequently be used for other construction projects in Alaska.

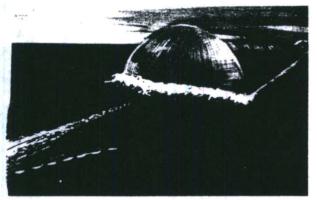
### SUBSTRUCTURE AND SUPERSTRUCTURE

The basic materials for the bridge will likely be a combination of steel and concrete but other materials are not excluded. Bridge piers could be prefabricated as one piece, then floated and sunk into position. Towers can subsequently be placed on top of the sunken piers. To reduce horizontal ice pressure on the piers their curving slope near the water surface will help to break ice floes in bending when they push forward and upward along the curves. Since ice pressure may develop on piers in any direction, a circular plan seems logical.

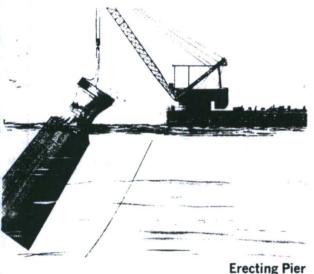
An optimum superstructure design will require a great deal of preliminary study. Initial conceptual attempts have been made based on the principles of arch, suspension, cantilever, cable-stayed and tubular construction. While each approach has its structural advantages, considerations of transportation, erection and environmental requirements may determine the final design.

### SPAN LENGTH AND VERTICAL CLEARANCE

The main crossing of 50 miles will have typical span length in the order of 1000 feet or more. If the bridge accommodates only highway traffic and pipelines, the span could be 1500 feet or more. If ordinary railway tracks of E-72 loading are to run over the bridge, the economical span length may be slightly under 1000 feet. Considering transportation systems for Alaska as as a whole and particularly across the bridge, a lighter electric railway transit system may be devised, in which case the economical span length could be over 1000 feet.



**Towing Precast Pier** 



Erecting Pier



Pier in Place

Vertical clearance for the bridge will be determined after a complete survey and study of possible ocean traffic across the strait. It may not be necessary to elevate the entire 50 miles to accommodate maximum ship clearance. With variable vertical clearance and pier heights, it is possible that span length can also be varied to achieve economy. However, the use of a uniform span length to facilitate fabrication and erection would likely be a better solution. Rigorous computerized optimization techniques will be developed to arrive at an economic, safe, and esthetic layout.

### MATERIAL QUANTITIES AND COST

An approximate estimate of the quantity of materials required for the bridge, using prestressed concrete construction for both super-structure and sub-structure, indicates the following: 4 million cubic yards of concrete and 100,000 tons of prestressed steel. Another estimate using steel superstructure on concrete piers indicates a total of 2 million cubic yards of concrete and 1 million tons of fabricated steel and cables. In both cases, there will be some 300,000 tons of reinforcing bars.

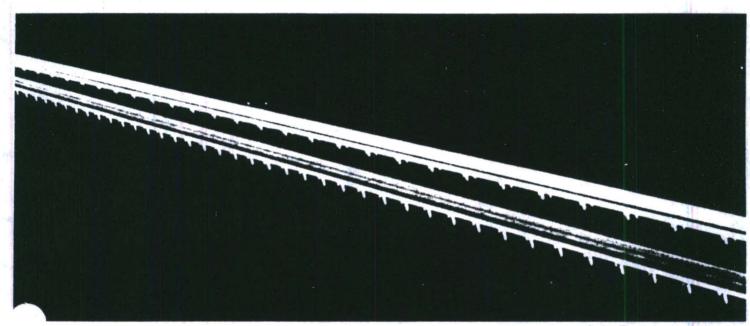
The above quantities of material, computed on the basis of conventional construction under Alaskan environmental conditions would indicate a cost well above \$1 billion for the entire bridge. However, using modular construction and prefabrication, the cost of labor, which forms the major part of the total cost, can be minimized and \$1 billion can be sufficient at present-day prices.

## TOTAL PLANNING AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

An early total planning of this project is necessary, not only to obtain an optimum design of the bridge itself, but also to facilitate design of superstructure prototypes capable of providing corrolary systems. In addition, coordination should be made with the development of land transport to Bering Strait from both the Alaskan and the Siberian sides.

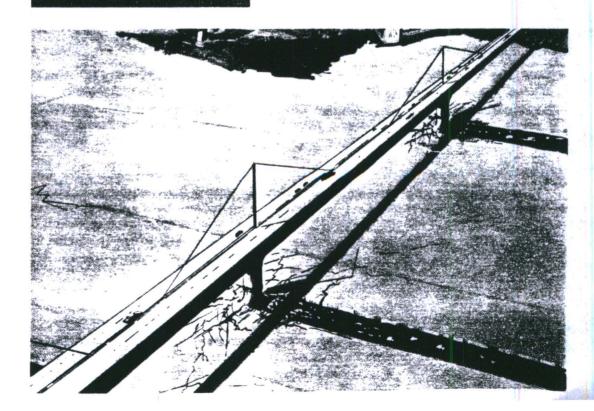
As previously mentioned, other proposals for Bering Strait crossing have been advanced, such as building a tunnel or a dam. But a bridge is preferred because of its symbolic nature and its strong probability of being the most economical. However, feasibility studies for other proposals will be conducted for purpose of comparison.

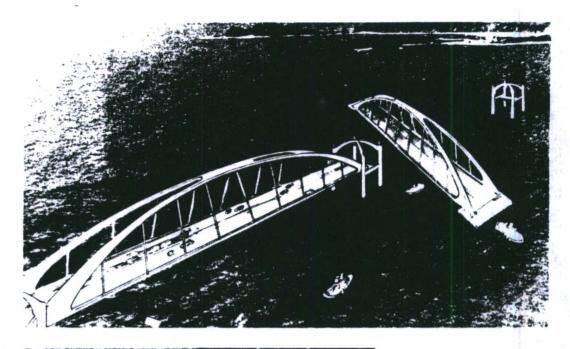
It is vital that the design and construction of this project be made an international effort, with the best consulting engineers, builders and technicians recruited from all participating countries. Suitable sites can be chosen as design offices and construction headquarters, after examining various cities and localities. Thus, even the process of building this bridge will contribute toward international understanding, cooperation and development of human and resource frontiers.

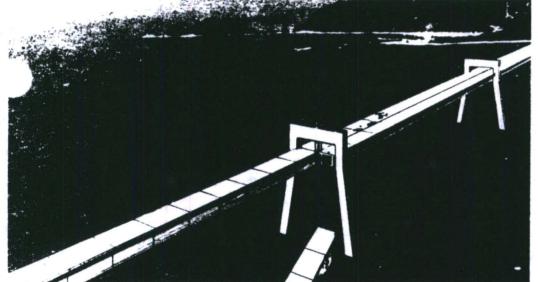


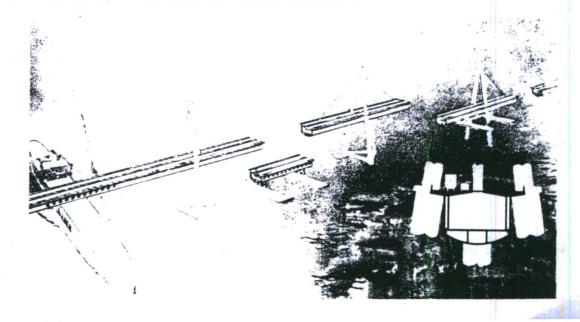
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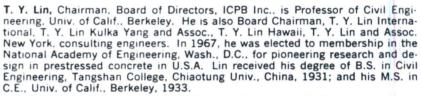
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Sestanovich and Mandel concur.

### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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# DEPARTMENT OF STATE SUGGESTED REPLY

Dear Ms. Baker:

The President has asked me to reply to your letter describing your visit to the Soviet Union with The Women's Dialogue - US/USSR. Thank you for taking the time to express your interest in the cultural exchange program between the United States and the Soviet Union.

As you know, at the conclusion of the Summit last November President Reagan and General Secretary Gorbachev issued a Joint Statement agreeing on the importance of expanding exchanges between our two countries. Their statement calls for new forms of cooperation in numerous fields, including science, education, medicine and sports.

In addition, the United States and the Soviet Union signed a General Exchanges Agreement calling for the resumption of educational, performing artist, cultural and publications exchanges. This agreement calls both for official government-to-government exchanges plus facilitation of exchanges between private groups in the United States and counterpart groups in the Soviet Union.

The President has stated on numerous occasions his support for increased US-Soviet people-to-people exchanges. A visit such as yours is certainly an important and concrete step in furthering his goal to bring U.S. and Soviet citizens into meaningful and direct contact. We encourage your continued involvement.

Sincerely,

#### THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

#### REFERRAL

FEBRUARY 24, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1986

TO:

PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

MISS GWENDOLYN CALVERT BAKER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL BOARD

YWCA OF THE U.S.A.

726 BROADWAY

NEW YORK NY 10003

SUBJECT: INFORMS OF EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH SOVIET

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE FOLLOWING U. S. - SOVIET

SUMMIT

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> SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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KEEP THIS WORKSHEET ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL INCOMING LETTER AT ALL TIMES AND SEND COMPLETED RECORD TO RECORDS

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February 12, 1986

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Dear Mr. President:

The day following your meeting with Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev at Geneva, the Soviet Women's Committee invited a delegation of six women to the Soviet Union. The invitation, a forthcoming and encouraging result of the post-Summit climate, was extended to The Women's Dialogue - US/USSR. The purpose of the invitation was to foster a continuing forum for the exchange of views on concerns of specific interest to girls and women, and on issues pertaining to peace in our time.

The women selected to participate were: Alida Brill, Resident Scholar, Russell Sage Foundation; Mariam Chamberlain, President, National Council for Research on Women; Margaret Gates, National Executive Director, Girls Clubs of America, Inc.; Colette Shulman, Senior Staff Member, School of International Affairs, Columbia University; Catharine R. Stimpson, Acting Dean of the Graduate School, Rutgers University, and Professor of English; and myself, Gwendolyn Calvert Baker, Executive Director, YWCA of the U.S.A., National Board. In addition, we were also joined by Wendy Sloan, a graduate student from Columbia University.

I am writing to you and enclosing a photograph of this group because I feel that this exchange is supportive of what you envisioned as you and Mr. Gorbachev agreed to a more expansive cultural exchange program between our two nations.

We met with the staff of the American Embassy while in Moscow, and we enthusiastically offered our services toward the development of plans to implement, and carry forward, this compassionate and admirable accord for greater cultural exchange and understanding between our people.

If any of the organizations we represent can assist  $\chi_{\infty}$  in this effort, please let us help.

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Sincerely yours,







Contact: Jane Pinkerton
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February 17, 1986

#### GENEVA SUMMIT PROMPTS U.S./SOVIET WOMEN'S INITIATIVE

#### MARKING INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE

NEW YORK, N. Y. -- Delegation of distinguished American women gathers in Moscow at invitation of The Soviet Women's Committee. The official invitation, prompted by expanded cultural exchange agreements reached during the Geneva Summit, was dispatched from the USSR directly after the Reagan-Gorbachev meeting, and was extended by the Soviet committee to The Women's Dialogue - US/USSR.

The delegation, in special recognition of 1986 as the International Year of Peace, participated in a wide-ranging informational exchange focused on major concerns of specific interest to girls and women of both countries, as well as on issues pertaining to world peace. In addition, this delegation was the first such group invited to the USSR directly following, and attributable to, the Reagan-Gorbachev cultural exchange accord.

Front row, left to right: Margaret Gates, National Executive Director of The Girls Clubs of America, and Mariam Chamberlain, President, The National Council for Research on Women.

Second row, left to right: Alida Brill, Resident Scholar, Russell Sage Foundation; Colette Shulman, journalist, and Senior Staff Member, School of International Affairs, Columbia University; Gwendolyn Calvert Baker, Executive Director, YWCA of the U.S.A., National Board; Catharine R. Stimpson, Acting Dean of the Graduate School, Rutgers University, and Professor of English.

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 17, 1986

Dear Jack:

Thank you for your correspondence of February 13 forwarding a copy of a letter to the President from William P. Stiritz of the Ralston Purina Company. I quite agree with you and Mr. Stiritz that it would be a good idea to have Gorbachev visit an agricultural region while he is in the United States.

Specific arrangements, of course, will not be made until we have worked out actual dates for the trip with the Soviets. In the meantime, however, I can assure you that we will keep Mr. Stiritz's excellent suggestion in mind.

Sincerely,

John M. Poindexter

Senator John C. Danforth United States Senate Washington, D.C.

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

March 6, 1986

#### ACTION

MEMORANDUM TO JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM:

JACK F. MATLOC

SIGNED

SUBJECT:

Letter from Senator Danforth

Attached for your signature at Tab I is a letter to Senator John Danforth. The Senator wrote you (Tab A) to forward a copy of a letter to the President from William P. Stiritz, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ralston Purina Company (Tab B). Stiritz, who was in Moscow for the December meeting of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council, suggests that Gorbachev visit an American agricultural region during his planned 1986 visit to the U.S. He offers his good offices to assist in arranging such a visit. The Department of State has prepared a draft response to Stiritz for Bill Henkel (Tab C), which is being forwarded to Rodney McDaniel in a separate package.

Ron Sable, David Wigg, and Richard Levine concur.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Senator Danforth at Tab I.

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#### Attachments:

Tab I Letter to Senator Danforth

Tab A Letter from Senator Danforth Letter from William Stiritz Tab B

Tab C Draft response to Stiritz



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### UNITED STATES SENATE WASHINGTON, D. C.

JOHN C. DANFORTH MISSOURI

February 13, 1986

Vice Admiral John M. Poindexter Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear John:

Attached is a letter to President Reagan from Bill Stiritz, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ralston Purina. I think Bill's suggestion is an excellent one, and I would like to help in any way to bring it about.

Please let me know if I can assist.

Sincerely,

Enclosure



January 30, 1986

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

Mr. President:

Your handling of the recent summit with General Secretary Gorbachev was very impressive. The constructive response we received at the December meeting of the US-USSR Trade and Economic Council in Moscow was further indication of your success. Secretary Baldrige significantly contributed to the positive atmosphere at the Moscow meeting.

Noting your desire that General Secretary Gorbachev see America beyond the Potomac during his upcoming visit, as you mentioned in your New Year's message, I suggest we show him America's resource-efficient food and agricultural operations in the heartland. General Secretary Gorbachev is personally familiar with the management problems of the agro-industrial complex. Based on my personal discussions in December, the Soviets hold the American management of the agro-industrial complex in the highest regard and are seeking to expand trade in this area.

Ralston Purina Company has done business with the Soviets for many years in food and agriculture. Monsanto, also in Saint Louis, has done likewise. A visit to Saint Louis, in conjunction with stops at livestock and grain operations in nearby Illinois, Iowa, or Kansas, would enable the General Secretary to see the basis for considerable expansion of the agricultural trade you have encouraged. The former Soviet Agriculture Minister Mesyats was very favorably impressed by a similar tour in December, 1984.

I will be pleased to work with whomever you designate to help ensure that General Secretary Gorbachev sees America and Americans.

The President January 30, 1986 Page Two

As a matter of interest, the General Secretary and his people struck me as very pragmatic and more open-minded during the recent trip to Moscow.

Respectfully yours,

(William P. Stiritz)

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cc The Honorable Malcolm Baldrige Secretary of Commerce Washington, D.C. 20230

> The Honorable John R. Block Secretary of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250

The Honorable George P. Shultz Secretary of State Washington, D.C. 20250

Mr. Richard J. Mahoney President & Chief Executive Officer Monsanto Company 800 North Lindbergh Saint Louis, Missouri 63167

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE SUGGESTED REPLY

Dear Mr. Stiritz:

We appreciate very much your letter to the President suggesting ways to show General Secretary Gorbachev America's resource-efficient food and agricultural operations during his visit to the United States. As you pointed out, the President wants to ensure that the General Secretary has an opportunity to learn as much about our country as possible, and suggestions such as yours are quite welcome.

Since the Soviets have not as yet responded to our suggestions for dates for Mr. Gorbachev to come, it is a bit premature to start planning a detailed itinerary. We have, however, given some preliminary thought to the possibilities, and want to consider carefully a range of activities which might be suitable.

Please give me a call at your convenience to discuss possibilities. Again, I want to thank you for your generous offer to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

William Henkel Assistant to the President

Mr. William P. Stiritz,

Chairman, Ralston Purina Company,

Checkerboard Square,

St. Louis, Missouri.