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**Name of Correspondent:** Eleanor Marshall

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**Subject:** Woman is interested in finding the proper place for a Civil War rifle presented to her great-grandfather by Abraham Lincoln.

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This is in further reference to your letter of November 1st addressed to President Reagan which was referred to Mr. Craddock Goins, Curator of the Division of Military History, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution.

Mr. Goins informed me that he talked to you on the telephone the latter part of December regarding the rifle your great grandfather is purported to have received from President Lincoln, and which you wish to donate to the Smithsonian. We would be pleased to have the rifle for our collections, if the association can be substantiated. We are looking forward to receiving the typescript of your great grandfather's diary and, in the meantime, are asking for his service record files from the National Archives.

We are most appreciative of your thoughtfulness in bringing this piece to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

Phillip S. Hughes
Acting Secretary
TO: SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION  
ATTN: OFFICE OF S. DILLON RIPLEY  

ACTION REQUESTED:  
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:  
ID: 050712  
MEDIA: LETTER, DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1981  
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN  
FROM: MRS. ELEANOR R. MARSHALL  
POST OFFICE BOX 1564  
FAIRFIELD CT 06430  
SUBJECT: WOMAN IS INTERESTED IN FINDING THE PROPER PLACE FOR A CIVIL WAR RIFLE PRESENTED TO HER GREAT - GRANDFATHER BY ABRAHAM LINCOLN  

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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE  

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE
Russel G. or C. Raymond
Capt. Kelly or Kelly Co., Co. H.
17th Reg. of CT. - Vols. from Bridgewater - August 11, 1862.

No record of his military Service as per Mike Musick, National Archives -- Phone No. 523-3231.

December 1981.
Dear Mr. President,

I understand that you are well informed about the Civil War. I'd like your opinion as to how to go about finding the proper place for a Civil War gun I have.

It is an 1862 Springfield rifle, that was never fired, as the civil war was still in the early stage when it was restored. It was presented to my great-grandfather by Abraham Lincoln, when he was released as a prisoner of war held by the South. We few people to confirm this as they are copies of his diary, written during his time spent in the war.

I'd like your opinion on where to put it, as I believe it is valuable, being that it was never fired and the president (Abraham Lincoln) presented it to him with it. I'm afraid when I die it will go to a collector and not in its proper place.

Even though I could use the money if it were sold, I want to see it in its proper place.

Great-Grandpa Raymond was a soldier from Conn. I'd appreciate your advice.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Eleanor Raymond Mauch
P.O. Box 1544
Fairfield, Ct. 06430
Tel. 203-374-5164
Edgar Raymond

Russel Earl Raymond
Capt. Kellogg's Co. Co. F
17th Regt. Col. Value from
Budgewoos
August 16, 1862

No record of this mobile date
as per Mike Mueck, 12/28/01

Edgar J. Raymond
Edgar Raymond
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during C.W. restored the old hom
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Do at North Dakota

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Mrs Eleanor Raymond Marshall
P.O. Box 1564
Fairfield, Ct. 06430

With reference to your letter enclosing
the 4th class year book, the first quite
fortunate among your few daughters
I am busy trying to copy the
respective parts your first daughter
using. In the meantime I will ask the
Professor Shank in the Methodist Church
for the service record forms.

We are most appreciative of your
thoughtfulness in sending these pieces to
our attention.
MEMORANDUM FOR ED HARPER
FROM: CRAIG L. FULLER
SUBJECT: BAN ON COP-KILLER BULLETS

The President asked about the feasibility of banning the manufacture, sale and/or possession of the armor piercing bullets described in the attached article summary.

Could you have someone check our position on legislation in this area? If we find nothing actually pending, can you provide appropriate guidance?

Thanks.

Attachment
NEW BULLETS FOR HANDGUNS PIERCE ARMOR, AND POLICE WANT A BAN

Police organizations and their allies in Congress and at least two state legislatures are trying to outlaw the apple green bullets they call "cop-killers." The bullets, available in all pistol calibers, easily punch through "bullet-proof" vests worn mainly by officers and politicians. "These frightening bullets eliminate all protection for police officers and public officials who must fear assassination," said Calif. Assemblyman Tom Banes, who plans to introduce a bill outlawing the manufacture, possession or sale of the bullets in Calif. "The problem is, there is no other use for these bullets" other than shooting police officers and assassinating politicians, said Rep. Biaggi, who has been trying to outlaw the bullets on the federal level. The bronze bullet, semi-pointed in shape, is coated with Teflon. Its hardness and shape give it better penetration and the Teflon "slides" it through otherwise impenetrable surfaces.

(Terrance W. McGarry, Washington Post, 1/12/82, A7)
# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

- **Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD):** 03/21/81

- **Name of Correspondent:** Houson B. Carter

- **Subject:** Urges the President to reaffirm his administration's support of the McGurn-Volkmer Bill

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Sally Kelley:

Evidently the original papers could not be located.

Mary Frances Newman
5/26/82
Mr. Harlon B. Carter  
Executive Vice President  
National Rifle Association of America  
1600 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  

Dear Mr. Carter:

The White House has asked the Department of Justice to reply to your letter to the President dated March 23, 1982, urging his support for S. 1030, the McClure -- Volkmer bill. The Administration's position on this bill was expressed in a letter dated April 19, 1982 from Counsellor to the President Edwin Meese III to Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Strom Thurmond. I have enclosed a copy for your information.

Sincerely,

D. Lowell Jensen  
Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division
Dear Mr. Chairman:

This will respond to your request for the Administration's position on the Federal Firearms Owners Protection Act, which is now awaiting mark-up in your Committee.

The President's position on firearms regulation is, I think, well known. He strongly rejects the notion that registration of weapons is either necessary or desirable and believes that mandatory sentences for those who use firearms in the commission of a crime is a preferable way to approach the problem of firearms abuse.

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Toward that end, the President remains committed to the de-regulation of law-abiding gun owners, such as that called for by the proposed Federal Firearms Owners Protection Act. At the same time, the Administration has proposed a reorganization of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms that would, among other things, prevent the possible misuse of authority and enhance the ability of the Treasury Department to refocus its enforcement efforts against criminals.

We would like to see both elements of this policy move along together and as in the past will continue to work with the Congress and interested outside parties to accomplish our common goals.

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

The Honorable Strom Thurmond
U. S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510
TO: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: MR. HARLON B. CARTER
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA
1600 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE, NW
WASHINGTON DC 20036

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO REAFFIRM HIS ADMINISTRATION'S SUPPORT OF THE MCCLURE - VOLKMER BILL

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SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE
March 23, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

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With the many problems which we know you must resolve each day, I hesitate to bring you another, but it is a matter of great importance to the members of the National Rifle Association.

As a fellow member of the NRA, I know you are aware of the problems that the law-abiding gun owners of this country have had under the Gun Control Act of 1968. You have written and spoken about these problems -- and the solution -- many times in the past. That solution the McClure/Volkmer Bill, which you supported during the campaign, is now being considered in the Senate Judiciary Committee. It is being delayed, however, because Senator Edward Kennedy has requested the views of both the Treasury Department and Justice Department be presented before the vote occurs. We feel that he made that request because he knows of a Justice Department staff memorandum to the White House strongly opposing the McClure/Volkmer Bill.

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The President of the United States
March 23, 1982
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Mr. President, I would not burden you with this problem if it were not of such importance to millions of law-abiding American sportsmen, and among them, especially to our members.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Harlon B. Carter
Executive Vice President

HBC: jcj

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.
**Name of Correspondent:** Thomas J. Eckhardt

**Mi Mail Report**

**Subject:** Request the President's support of the House Bill 1673 be introduced that would prohibit the manufacture, sale, use or possession of the KTW bullet in Missouri.

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January 20, 1982

Hon. Ronald Reagan
United States President
White House
Washington, D.C. 20010

Dear President Reagan:

I have introduced House Bill 1673 that would prohibit the manufacture, sale, use, or possession of the K.T.W. bullet in the state of Missouri. This bullet is a steel cased bullet with a soft metal core, that is coated with a heat resistant substance. The projectile is pointed rather than flat or hollow, and travels at a high velocity. As shown on the NBC television program NBC Magazine, Friday, January 8, 1982, the bullet has the capability of penetrating 72 layers of Kevlar (most body armor used by law enforcement agencies contain 18 layers - 4 protective vests).

The implications are clear, these are killer bullets that present a very real danger. The bullets have no sporting or recreational value. The obvious purpose of this ammunition is to use against those whose positions require them to wear protective body armor.

I would like to have your support in this effort, and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Eckhardt
State Representative
100th District
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 30, 1982

FOR: EDWIN MEESE III
FROM: MICHAEL M. HELLMANN
SUBJECT: Reply to Helms-East Letter of March 23 on McClure-Volkmer

Attached is a draft response requested this morning by your office.

Guided by the sentiments you expressed at the last meeting during which McClure-Volkmer and BATF were discussed, I have attempted to join the two issues as twin halves of a single policy the purpose of which is to de-regulate the "good guys" while simultaneously ganging up on the "bad guys".

As you will recall, we have two similar letters addressed to the President, one from Harlan Carter (3/23/82) and one from Hatch-McClure (3/18/82) (copies attached). If you concur in the sense of my draft response for you to Helms-East, I would suggest doing something similar for the other two but need your advice as to when the presidential responses should go out.

cc: Edwin L. Harper
This will respond to your letter of March 23, in which you urge the Administration to reaffirm its support for the McClure-Volkmer bill.

The President's position on firearms Regulation is, I think, well known. He strongly rejects the notion that registration of weapons is either necessary or desirable and believes that mandatory sentences for those who use firearms in the commission of a crime is a preferable way to approach the problem of firearms abuse.

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March 23, 1982

The Honorable Edwin Meese, III
Counselor to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ed:

The Department of Justice draft memorandum on the McClure Firearms Owners Protection Act may cause severe problems for the bill and its supporters on the Hill.

This bill is backed not only by 59 Senators and 172 Congressmen but was also endorsed by President Reagan during his 1980 campaign, and in the Republican Party Platform. The Fraternal Order of Police and the National Sheriffs' Association, those who are on the front lines in controlling crime in this country also strongly endorse the bill and have testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee. It is a shame that the bill is being undermined by persons in the Justice Department at a time when years of hard work by Reagan Administration supporters is about to pay off.

We strongly recommend that the Administration reaffirm its support for the bill to avoid inconsistent policy recommendations, and to fulfill a campaign promise to American firearms owners and sportsmen.

Sincerely,

Jesse Helms
United States Senator

John P. East
United States Senator
March 23, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

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Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Harlon B. Carter
Executive Vice President

HBC:jcj
March 18, 1982

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

Dear Mr. President:

One important aspect of the mandate you received from the American people in 1980 was the commitment to preserving individual liberty. One significant part of this commitment was the promise to protect the rights of law abiding firearms owners, and to deal with the violent crime problem by punishing criminals and not enacting new gun control laws.

During the 1980 campaign your commitment to the firearms owner was eloquently stated, over and over again across the country through your endorsement of the McClure - Volkmer, Federal Firearms Owners Protection Act. At this time, this needed legislation (S.1030) is being marked up for future action by the Senate Judiciary Committee. Senator Kennedy has requested the views of both the Treasury Department, which has played a major roll in developing the Bill's current form, and the Justice Department. It is our belief that some individuals in the Justice Department have views on this Bill which are directly opposed to the philosophy and thrust of the legislation which you endorse.

The draft position by the Department of Justice is a restatement of the shopworn "Gun Control" theories of the 1960's and 70's, which you have rejected. For your reference I have enclosed a copy of this draft.

In order to move the McClure - Volkmer legislation toward enactment, we believe that a unified position, reflecting your philosophy, must be presented by your department spokesmen.
The Justice Department must not be allowed to play into the hands of the Gun Control advocates, such as Senator Kennedy, on Capitol Hill. A release of the Justice Department's draft position on McClure - Volkmer would do just that.

We urge that when the Administration spokesmen appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday, March 23, to express their position on this legislation, that the views of both the Treasury and Justice Departments be consistent and in keeping with your endorsement and philosophy.

Sincerely,

Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senator

James A. McClure
United States Senator
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**Subject:** Wants to know how he can go about buying surplus firearms from the government.

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Mr. Dan K. Schanbacher  
1437 South Washington  
Wichita KS 67211

Dear Mr. Schanbacher:

Thank you for your recent letter to President Reagan concerning the possibility of purchasing surplus firearms from the U.S. Government.

Prior to 1965, the Army routinely sold large quantities of small caliber firearms. A Federal Regulation was issued in 1965 which prohibited further unlimited sales of firearms. Today, all small caliber firearms are resserviced to support the following programs:

a. Donation to veterans' organizations for ceremonial use.

b. Sale to State and local law enforcement and firefighting agencies by the Department of Defense.

c. Issue to ROTC organizations for drill and ceremonial use.

d. Limited public sale of M-1 rifles for personal use through the Director of Civilian Marksmanship.

e. Unforeseen contingencies.

The number of weapons required to support these programs, coupled with those set aside for the civilian marksmanship program, equals the total number of surplus rifles in the Army inventory. Should you desire to purchase an M-1 rifle for personal use, you may contact the Director of Civilian Marksmanship, Room 1201, Pulaski Building, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20314. The telephone number is (202) 272-0810.

I trust the above information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

VINCENT M. RUSSO  
Major General, GS  
Director of Supply  
and Maintenance
TO: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ACTION REQUESTED:
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:
ID: 068792
MEDIA: LETTER
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: MR. DAN K. SCHANBACHER
1437 SOUTH WASHINGTON
WICHITA KS 67211

SUBJECT: WANTS TO KNOW HOW HE CAN GO ABOUT BUYING SURPLUS FIREARMS FROM THE GOVERNMENT

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL — IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE (OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE
Dear Mr. President,

This letter will probably seem a bit strange at first, but, being a sportsman, and a man who appreciates good firearms I think and hope you will understand.

Mr. President, I am in the process of opening up a sporting goods store, specializing in guns and their repairs. In the course of my business I have noticed an ever increasing demand for surplus military firearms, the old Springfields, Enfields etc., but especially the M1 carbine and M14 for sport and deer hunting. After hearing so many people ask for them, I put it on myself to try and find out where I could I can get about to buy these surplus firearms from the government.

We have all heard the stories about government surplus, being so easy to get and cheap, well, don't believe word of it. I have sent off for books, catalogs, word information etc. I even paid money for some! These and the only thing that happened is I ended up out what ever money I spent on. I received some worthless catalog on surplus having a value. Last month I decided to try a contact these people by telephone.

Six (4) hours later and a total surround I ended up with the same operator that I started out with. The only thing I found out is that in the entire city of Washington D.C. there is more that department
Mr. President, it has taken a lot of thought and consideration for me to sit down and write this letter, after quite a long time to think the problem over. I believe I have come up with the answer. It seems to though your are my last chance to find out who a whom I should get in contact with about surplus arms. I would even buy in large quantities that would make it easier. At the same time it would help you six, in a small way, but help is help. You are presently trying & doing the best you can to straighten out the country's budget. Well, around here when a man gets short on money he shops what ever isn't needed to keep the bills down then he looks around to see what he has that he can sell for extra money.

Well Mr. President you got the best thing going but any of the others before you have even started spending into, and getting rid of dead weight of living off the government when they could be working also, now one step more what can the government sell for extra money, it's surplus. Get the people that paid for it in the first place buy it back. This would add revenue to the budget without more taxes and the people would get something in return for their money.
It would work along the same principal as hunting of fishing. Licenses,depots, and money support game management across totally from license fees.

If I could get surplus firearms of any and all sizes, legal for private ownership, the money that I would pay for them would go back into the budget or defense fund or wherever it goes. I know that you have enough worries about the billions of dollars it takes to keep this country tied above water. The way it came to me was if the public could pump up the government budget by buying the surplus firearms, what would be raised, and the people could get a good firearm without spending a dime or a leg to get one of the few that are now in circulation. And this money would save add up and help it.

Another subject is buying direct from the government instead of the total围绕 surplus agencies throughout the country. I would like to deal direct or even write up a contract to buy some firearms, per gun, per month wherever with a monthly direct buy I could sell nation wide to all dealers, which would increase the revenue just that much more. The more money being made by more people would that much more increase, but could be paid.
Jr. or President, this entire letter may seem like a
bunch of hog wash but in my poor way of thinking
it would make everyone concerned a profit a profit mean
it also which all gets back to you.

But in the more enjoyable side of life, I realize
our position would probably not permit this, but here
in Kansas we have some mighty fine hunting or
fishing and if the "fever" ever gets you like it
does me and you see fit to come on out I would
like you up with a gun hunting or fishing trip
that would be enjoyable & relaxing for all who
may just give me a call.

Sincerely,

Dan J. Schachtien

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1437 S. Washington
Wichita, Kansas 67211
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
May 17, 1982

FOR: EDWIN L. HARPER
CRAIG FULLER

FROM: MICHAEL M. ULMANN

SUBJECT: Update on Armor-Piercing Bullets

After much back-and-forthing between Justice and Treasury, a common position has been worked out which may satisfy all relevant interests.

Justice originally favored legislation banning "KTW" and similar kinds of ammunition. It did so while being largely ignorant of the practical difficulties of defining and enforcing the relevant standard.

Treasury opposed such legislation from the outset because it saw no intelligent means of enforcing it. The Department, however, has informally obtained the agreement of domestic manufacturers not to sell to anyone other than military and police officials.

As to legislation, both Justice and Treasury now agree that legislation banning such ammunition is impractical, but remain open to considering such a possibility if some can come up with an effective means of accomplishing the purpose. In the meantime, both have suggested to Congress that an alternative means of addressing the issue would be to enact a mandatory minimum for the commission of a federal crime involving the use of armor-piercing handgun ammunition.

It is too early to tell whether Congress will enact such a proposal, but it ought to placate those who have been most vociferous in demanding that "something" be done.

Barring some unexpected future development, I think, therefore, that this matter can be cleared from your various tracking systems.
**WHITE HOUSE**
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September 2, 1982

Dear Mr. Raines:

Thank you for your letter to President Reagan concerning the destruction of ammunition contaminated with DDT.

The ammunition in question is a conglomerate of small arms ammunition of various calibers collected in Vietnam, packed out in pallet size boxes, and shipped to Okinawa. All of these assets had lost lot identity making the quality suspect because of subsequent suspensions/restrictions resulting from malfunctions. Additionally, the material was in various stages of unserviceability due to rust, discoloration, and corrosion.

During 1971-72, this material was moved from Okinawa to Umatilla Depot activity (UMDA). There was an attempt to inspect and cull out rounds which appeared to be serviceable or could be made serviceable by cleaning. The serviceable rounds obtained from the screening operations were to be placed in a conglomerate lot, tested and returned for issue and use in training. During the early stages of the screening operations, a high rate of weapon stoppage was experienced during testing. It was at this time that the decision was made to demilitarize the material.

During the operations at UMDA, a white powder residue was discovered. This powder was chemically analyzed and found to be DDT. Informal advice indicates that the DDT was placed in the containers sometime before reentry into the United States to satisfy a Department of Agriculture requirement.

UMDA did not have adequate facilities to demilitarize the ammunition in question. A cost study was prepared and the decision was made to move the material to Rocky Mountain Arsenal for demilitarization.

We hope that this information is helpful.

With the President's appreciation for your words of encouragement and with his best wishes,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Special Assistant to the President and Director of Correspondence

Mr. Roger W. Raines
124 Xavier Street
Denver, CO 80219

AVH/DEFENSE/CAD/1as
Mr. Roger W. Raines  
124 Xavier Street  
Denver, Colorado 80219

Dear Mr. Raines:

Thank you for your letter of 11 July 1982 to President Reagan concerning the destruction of ammunition contaminated with DDT.

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With the President's best wishes and appreciation for your words of encouragement and with this best wishes,

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Initials]
August 9, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR MS. SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

THRU: HONORABLE EDWARD V. HICKEY, JR.
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
THE WHITE HOUSE

In accordance with your request, attached is a Draft Reply to Mr. Roger W. Raines.

R. J. Afful
LTC, U.S. Army
Military Assistant

Attachment
THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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JULY 27, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
ATTN: ARMY

ACTION REQUESTED:
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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JULY 11, 1982
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: MR. ROGER W. RAINES
124 XAVIER STREET
DENVER CO 80219

SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF AMMUNITION CONTAMINATED WITH DDT

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE (OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE
President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Reagan,

Please observe the enclosed article from the Rocky Mountain News of July 3.

While I fully realize that stupidity in government is the norm rather than the exception, this particular bit of asininity cannot pass without informing you of my outrage and disgust. I would like to know the name and rank or grade of the person who is responsible for this idiotic decision. I would also like to know if, and why, they are still at that rank or grade?

The government has indebted the people to over one trillion dollars and we still can't get a balanced budget, so we sure as hell don't need the additional expense of destroying $3 million worth of ammunition because of a little pesticide residue.

I would like to remind you that DDT was widely used in virtually every community, farm, and home in this country from 1945 until it was foolishly banned in 1972. It was widely used by the military in the Korean War, and is still in use in many parts of the world today. During the 25 years in which DDT was used, over a billion people were exposed to it and no evidence of injury, cancer or death has ever been reported with medical annotation other than massive accidental or suicidal swallowing. Contrary to the myth spawned by the bungling popular media, it is not a human carcinogen, mutagen or everlasting in the body or environment. In fact it is readily degraded in the presence of living things, in soil, in water, in blood and digestive tracts of most animals, in heat and in sunlight. There are dozens of papers by reliable scientists regarding the safety and biodegradability of DDT if one is disposed to seek the facts.

Even if our military personnel were to lick the cartridges like candy suckers they probably suffer no ill-effects as DDT is less toxic than alcohol, caffeine, and nicotine. The ammunition should be issued and used as is, even without rinsing.

In summation, this is the dumbest, most wasteful thing I have ever heard of, and I urge you to use your position to bring this fiasco to a halt.

Thank you very much for your attention. Keep up the good work.

Yours very truly,
Roger W. Raines

July 11, 1982
124 Xavier St.
Denver, CO 80219
Denver's Rocky Mountain Arsenal will incinerate about 30 million rounds of ammunition in its high-powered furnaces starting next year because the Army has determined they could be hazardous to your health.

It's not that the Army suddenly wants to make love, not war, but the bullets were sprayed with the pesticide DDT during the Vietnam War, and the Army is afraid it might rub off on its own soldiers before they can administer "lead poisoning" to the enemy.

The ammunition is valued at about $3 million.

David Strang, head of the arsenal's industrial division, said that in November 1983 he is scheduled to begin burning 850 tons of 5.56mm and 7.62mm ammunition used in M-16 rifles and other weapons. Destruction of the ammunition will take about four months.

Jim Speer, spokesman for the Army's Rock Island Arsenal in Illinois, said the Army decided to "demilitarize" the bullets after their contamination by DDT in the early 1970s.

Army records are sketchy about what happened to the ammunition, but from what officials could piece together, the boxes containing the bullets were sprayed before they were shipped from Vietnam to an army depot in Oregon. The purpose was to prevent bugs and other pests from being inadvertently shipped to the United States.

The boxes sat in Oregon for several years before Army officials discovered the contamination, said Speer.

He said the Army was concerned that the DDT would rub off onto soldiers.

The bullets were then shipped to the arsenal in Denver where they have been stored for the past several years awaiting their turn in the ovens.

Jerry Varviere of the arsenal's industrial division said the ovens will be heated to 1000 degrees Fahrenheit. The heat will cause the powder to explode and the lead and brass to melt, he said.

Jim Wade, an Aurora ammunition dealer, estimated the bullets would cost the Army about 10 cents each to replace.

He was incensed about the waste of money and ammunition.

"That's the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard," said Wade. "I'd buy them for a penny a piece and just rinse them with solvent. That's all you need to do."
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Mr. Peter B. Cardiello
1614 East 53rd Street
Brooklyn, New York 11234

Dear Mr. Cardiello:

Your letter to Presidential Aid Michael Deaver expressing your opposition to gun confiscation and mandatory sentencing for crimes involving the use of firearms has been referred to me.

You may be sure that both the Administration and the Department of Justice are aware of the role played by firearms in violent crimes. The Department has long supported legislative efforts to deter criminal abuse of handguns. The Gun Control Act of 1968, while declaring certain persons ineligible to possess handguns, provides no effective means for enforcing those prohibitions, and legislation to remedy this deficiency has received our support.

President Reagan has expressed concern over any legislative attempt to restrain the rights of law-abiding citizens in their legitimate use of firearms.

You may be sure that any proposals dealing with gun control introduced in the current Congress will receive our serious consideration. Thank you for the interest and concern which prompted you to write.

Sincerely,

D. Lowell Jensen
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

BY:

James Knapp
Deputy Assistant Attorney General

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Sally Kelley (WH)
TO: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

REMARKS: PER MR. DEAVER'S INSTRUCTIONS, A REPLY IS REQUESTED WITHIN 10 DAYS

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:
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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JANUARY 21, 1983
TO: MICHAEL DEAVER
FROM: MR. PETER B. CARDIELLO
1614 EAST 53RD STREET
BROOKLYN NY 11234

SUBJECT: WRITER OPPOSES THE CONFISCATION OF GUNS - FEELS THAT MANDATORY SENTENCING FOR CRIMES INVOLVING A GUN SHOULD BE ENFORCED

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE (OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE
January 21, 1983

Dear Mr. Deaver,

I oppose gun confiscation. Mandatory sentencing for crimes involving a gun, should be enforced.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Peter B. Cardiello