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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/15/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: -----

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: DEPARTURE STATEMENT -- PRESIDENT AOUINO

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REMARKS: The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

FYI: RTC, WRP, RBM, FLL, PWH, JMP, AGK, PWR

David L. Chew
Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

(Rohrabacher/ARD)
September 15, 1986
5:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: DEPARTURE STATEMENT
PRESIDENT AQUINO OF THE PHILIPPINES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1986

It was truly a pleasure to welcome and meet today with Philippine President Corazon Aquino. Her courage and her commitment to democracy, mirroring those same qualities in the Filipino people, have inspired the world. It's been an honor to have her as our guest.

President Aquino and I discussed her strenuous efforts to bolster the democratic institutions of her country, and to ensure its security and strengthen its economy. I assured her that all America wants the Philippine democracy to succeed and to prosper, and that we will do what we can to help.

These have been trying times in the Philippines; President Aquino has been overseeing an historic transition. In the coming months, a new constitution will be submitted, which will pave the way for strong, democratically-elected local and national governments. In the meantime, President Aquino has been doing her level best to unite her richly diverse people under a banner of freedom and opportunity. Her efforts to reconcile all elements of her society and bring them into the democratic process are applauded here. I might add that her personal bravery in this heroic endeavor to defuse conflict has won the hearts and imagination of free people everywhere.

Despite President Aquino's efforts, however, well-armed Communist guerrillas remain a threat to democracy in the Philippines. President Aquino and I discussed her strategy to

meet this challenge. It includes attacking the root political, economic, and social problems that feed insurgencies. The second half of the formula is building the Philippine military into a professional, properly armed, and trained force that is capable of dealing with any threat.

The United States stands ready to assist President Aquino in her quest to create a stable and secure land, as well as in her commitment to invigorate the Philippine economy. During our discussions today, President Aquino reaffirmed her belief that free enterprise is the surest path to development, the surest method of opening the door of opportunity and advancement to all her people. Her government stands for free trade and is encouraging private investment. She knows in the long run nothing would better serve the Filipino people than unleashing the entrepreneurial spirit and putting the creative and economy-building power of the marketplace to work. As one might surmise, after hearing this, I'm bullish on the Philippines. I would hope American, as well as foreign investors take notice of this incredible opportunity to help build a country.

For our part, we will mold our efforts to encourage development in the Philippines. Today, for example, we discussed the idea of increasing Philippine exports to the United States, including improved treatment under our Generalized System of Preferences. We also considered ways in which the Philippines can provide a larger share of the goods and services consumed by the U.S. military facilities within that country.

Just a side note, when talking about those bases, our two countries share common interests in the peace and stability of the Pacific region. I am confident that we will continue to enjoy a strong mutual defense relationship for the foreseeable future. President Aquino reaffirmed today that the Military Bases Agreement will be respected through its current term. I understand and am comfortable with her position. The next review of our defense relations is scheduled in 1988. That gives us, and the people of the Philippines, plenty of time to think about it.

In the meantime, I will continue to ask Congress for appropriate levels of economic and military assistance, above and beyond existing U.S. base-related commitments. The latest installment of our current aid effort -- a \$100 million grant of Economic Support Funds and a \$50 million grant of military assistance -- along with a \$20 million package of medical supplies and services -- has been approved. In the future, to the largest extent possible, future U.S. aid will be in the form of grants, so as to provide the greatest benefit without exacerbating the countries' debt burden.

One last thought. Today, governments, businesses, financial institutions, and individuals are dealing with a new kind of government in the Philippines. We are dealing with a noble and honest people, people with ideals, people we can trust. We place a high value on character and hope everyone appreciates this and takes it into account.

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Thank you, and God bless you.

**National Security Council
The White House**

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CHEW REFERRAL

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

September 16, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY DOLAN

FROM: RODNEY B. MCDANIEL *RB for*
SUBJECT: Departure Statement - Aquino Visit

We have reviewed and concur in the Departure Statement with fixes as noted.

Attachment

Tab A Chew Memorandum with Departure Statement

cc: David L. Chew

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/12/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 a.m. 9/15/86

SUBJECT: REMARKS: DEPARTURE STATEMENT
 PRESIDENT AQUINO OF THE PHILIPPINES
 (9/12/86 2:30 p.m. draft)

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REMARKS: Please give your comments/edits directly to Tony Dolan with an info copy to my office by 10:00 a.m. Monday, September 15th. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

(Rohrabacher/ARD)
September 12, 1986
2:30 p.m.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

September 13, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROD MCDANIEL

FROM: DICK CHILDRESS

SUBJECT: Departure Statement - Aquino Visit

Recommend you sign and forward the memorandum at Tab I.

(Tele.) not include
Kelly, Farrar, and Sable concur.

Approve

LMP

Disapprove

Attachments

Tab I McDaniel/Dolan Memorandum

Tab A Chew Memorandum

cc: Kelly
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Sable

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THESE HAVE BEEN TRYING TIMES IN THE PHILIPPINES; PRESIDENT AQUINO HAS BEEN OVERSEEING AN HISTORIC TRANSITION. IN THE COMING MONTHS, A NEW CONSTITUTION WILL BE SUBMITTED, WHICH WILL PAVE THE WAY FOR STRONG, DEMOCRATICALLY-ELECTED LOCAL AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS. IN THE MEANTIME, PRESIDENT AQUINO HAS BEEN DOING HER LEVEL BEST TO UNITE HER RICHLY DIVERSE PEOPLE UNDER A BANNER OF FREEDOM AND OPPORTUNITY. HER EFFORTS TO RECONCILE ALL ELEMENTS OF HER SOCIETY AND BRING THEM INTO THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS ARE APPLAUDED HERE. I MIGHT ADD THAT HER PERSONAL BRAVERY IN THIS HEROIC ENDEAVOR TO DEFUSE CONFLICT HAS WON THE HEARTS AND IMAGINATION OF FREE PEOPLE EVERYWHERE.

DESPITE PRESIDENT AQUINO'S EFFORTS, HOWEVER, WELL-ARMED COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS REMAIN A THREAT TO DEMOCRACY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

PRESIDENT AQUINO AND I DISCUSSED HER STRATEGY TO MEET THIS CHALLENGE.

IT INCLUDES ATTACKING THE ROOT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS THAT FEED INSURGENCIES. THE SECOND HALF OF THE FORMULA IS BUILDING THE PHILIPPINE MILITARY INTO A PROFESSIONAL / PROPERLY ARMED / AND TRAINED FORCE THAT IS CAPABLE OF DEALING WITH ANY THREAT.

THE UNITED STATES STANDS READY TO ASSIST PRESIDENT AQUINO IN HER QUEST TO CREATE A STABLE AND SECURE LAND / AS WELL AS IN HER COMMITMENT TO INVIGORATE THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY. DURING OUR DISCUSSIONS TODAY / PRESIDENT AQUINO REAFFIRMED HER BELIEF THAT FREE ENTERPRISE IS THE SUREST PATH TO DEVELOPMENT / THE SUREST METHOD OF OPENING THE DOOR OF OPPORTUNITY AND ADVANCEMENT TO ALL HER PEOPLE.

HER GOVERNMENT STANDS FOR FREE TRADE AND IS ENCOURAGING PRIVATE INVESTMENT. SHE KNOWS IN THE LONG RUN NOTHING WOULD BETTER SERVE THE FILIPINO PEOPLE THAN UNLEASHING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT/AND PUTTING THE CREATIVE AND ECONOMY-BUILDING POWER OF THE MARKETPLACE TO WORK. AS ONE MIGHT SURMISE, (AFTER HEARING THIS) I'M BULLISH ON THE PHILIPPINES I WOULD HOPE AMERICAN, AS WELL AS FOREIGN INVESTORS TAKE NOTICE OF THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP BUILD A COUNTRY.

FOR OUR PART/WE WILL MOLD OUR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES. TODAY,(FOR EXAMPLE) WE DISCUSSED THE IDEA OF INCREASING PHILIPPINE EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES/INCLUDING IMPROVED TREATMENT UNDER OUR GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES.

WE ALSO CONSIDERED WAYS IN WHICH THE PHILIPPINES CAN PROVIDE A LARGER SHARE OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES CONSUMED BY THE U.S. MILITARY FACILITIES WITHIN THAT COUNTRY.

JUST A SIDE NOTE / WHEN TALKING ABOUT THOSE BASES, OUR TWO COUNTRIES SHARE COMMON INTERESTS IN THE PEACE AND STABILITY OF THE PACIFIC REGION. I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO ENJOY A STRONG MUTUAL DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

PRESIDENT AQUINO REAFFIRMED TODAY THAT THE MILITARY BASES AGREEMENT WILL BE RESPECTED THROUGH ITS CURRENT TERM. I UNDERSTAND AND AM COMFORTABLE WITH HER POSITION. THE NEXT REVIEW OF OUR DEFENSE RELATIONS IS SCHEDULED IN 1988. THAT GIVES US, (AND THE PEOPLE OF THE PHILIPPINES) PLENTY OF TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT.

IN THE MEANTIME, I WILL CONTINUE TO ASK CONGRESS FOR APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE ABOVE AND BEYOND EXISTING U.S. BASE-RELATED COMMITMENTS.

THE LATEST INSTALLMENT OF OUR CURRENT AID EFFORT -- (A \$100 MILLION GRANT OF ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUNDS,) WHICH I'M PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE WILL BE SIGNED BY OUR RESPECTIVE CABINET MEMBERS IN A FEW MOMENTS, A \$50 MILLION GRANT OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE -- ALONG WITH A \$20 MILLION PACKAGE OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND SERVICES -- HAS BEEN APPROVED. IN THE FUTURE, TO THE LARGEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, FUTURE U.S. AID WILL BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE THE GREATEST BENEFIT WITHOUT EXACERBATING THE COUNTRY'S DEBT BURDEN.

ONE LAST THOUGHT. TODAY, GOVERNMENTS, BUSINESSES, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AND INDIVIDUALS ARE DEALING WITH A NEW KIND OF GOVERNMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES.

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HERE.

THANK YOU, AND GOD BLESS YOU.

[AT THE CONCLUSION OF PRESIDENT AQUINO'S
REMARKS]

I BELIEVE WE ARE READY FOR THE SIGNING,
IF YOU WOULD INVITE YOUR MINISTER TO JOIN
SECRETARY BAKER.

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(ROHRBACHER)

SEPTEMBER 17, 1986

The President has seen 9/17

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THESE HAVE BEEN TRYING TIMES IN THE PHILIPPINES; PRESIDENT AQUINO HAS BEEN OVERSEEING AN HISTORIC TRANSITION. IN THE COMING MONTHS, A NEW CONSTITUTION WILL BE SUBMITTED, WHICH WILL PAVE THE WAY FOR STRONG, DEMOCRATICALLY-ELECTED LOCAL AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS. IN THE MEANTIME, PRESIDENT AQUINO HAS BEEN DOING HER LEVEL BEST TO UNITE HER RICHLY DIVERSE PEOPLE UNDER A BANNER OF FREEDOM AND OPPORTUNITY. HER EFFORTS TO RECONCILE ALL ELEMENTS OF HER SOCIETY AND BRING THEM INTO THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS ARE APPLAUDED HERE. I MIGHT ADD THAT HER PERSONAL BRAVERY IN THIS HEROIC ENDEAVOR TO DEFUSE CONFLICT HAS WON THE HEARTS AND IMAGINATION OF FREE PEOPLE EVERYWHERE.

DESPITE PRESIDENT AQUINO'S EFFORTS, HOWEVER, WELL-ARMED COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS REMAIN A THREAT TO DEMOCRACY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

PRESIDENT AQUINO AND I DISCUSSED HER STRATEGY TO MEET THIS CHALLENGE. IT INCLUDES ATTACKING THE ROOT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS THAT FEED INSURGENCIES. THE SECOND HALF OF THE FORMULA IS BUILDING THE PHILIPPINE MILITARY INTO A PROFESSIONAL, PROPERLY ARMED, AND TRAINED FORCE THAT IS CAPABLE OF DEALING WITH ANY THREAT.

THE UNITED STATES STANDS READY TO ASSIST PRESIDENT AQUINO IN HER QUEST TO CREATE A STABLE AND SECURE LAND, AS WELL AS IN HER COMMITMENT TO INVIGORATE THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY. DURING OUR DISCUSSION TODAY, PRESIDENT AQUINO REAFFIRMED HER BELIEF THAT FREE ENTERPRISE IS THE SUREST PATH TO DEVELOPMENT, THE SUREST METHOD OF OPENING THE DOOR OF OPPORTUNITY AND ADVANCEMENT TO ALL HER PEOPLE.

HER GOVERNMENT STANDS FOR FREE TRADE AND IS ENCOURAGING PRIVATE INVESTMENT. SHE KNOWS IN THE LONG RUN NOTHING WOULD BETTER SERVE THE FILIPINO PEOPLE THAN UNLEASHING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT AND PUTTING THE CREATIVE AND ECONOMY-BUILDING POWER OF THE MARKETPLACE TO WORK. AS ONE MIGHT SURMISE, AFTER HEARING THIS, I'M BULLISH ON THE PHILIPPINES. I WOULD HOPE AMERICAN, AS WELL AS FOREIGN INVESTORS TAKE NOTICE OF THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP BUILD A COUNTRY.

FOR OUR PART, WE WILL MOLD OUR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES. TODAY, FOR EXAMPLE, WE DISCUSSED THE IDEA OF INCREASING PHILIPPINE EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING IMPROVED TREATMENT UNDER OUR GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES.

WE ALSO CONSIDERED WAYS IN WHICH THE PHILIPPINES CAN PROVIDE A LARGER SHARE OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES CONSUMED BY THE U.S. MILITARY FACILITIES WITHIN THAT COUNTRY.

JUST A SIDE NOTE, WHEN TALKING ABOUT THOSE BASES, OUR TWO COUNTRIES SHARE COMMON INTERESTS IN THE PEACE AND STABILITY OF THE PACIFIC REGION. I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO ENJOY A STRONG MUTUAL DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. PRESIDENT AQUINO REAFFIRMED TODAY THAT THE MILITARY BASES AGREEMENT WILL BE RESPECTED THROUGH ITS CURRENT TERM. I UNDERSTAND AND AM COMFORTABLE WITH HER POSITION. THE NEXT REVIEW OF OUR DEFENSE RELATIONS IS SCHEDULED IN 1988. THAT GIVES US, AND THE PEOPLE OF THE PHILIPPINES, PLENTY OF TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT.

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THANK YOU, AND GOD BLESS YOU.

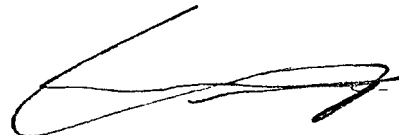
[AT THE CONCLUSION OF PRESIDENT AQUINO'S
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(Rohrabacher/ARD)
September 15, 1986
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