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THE WHITE HOUSE

CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 17, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MRS. JANE G. SMITH

SUBJECT: APPRECIATION FOR EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY FOR
THE LOSS OF ARTHUR AND SAMANTHA SMITH,
SUCCESS IN UPCOMING MEETING WITH
MR. GORBACHEV

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September 8, 1985

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. President:

I'd like to thank you and Mrs. Reagan for your expression of sympathy for the loss of Arthur and Samantha.

In your telegram you mentioned that people will remember and cherish Samantha's idealism. Too often that term is equated with naiveté, but in Samantha's case, her father and I felt that her dream of peaceful relations between the United States and the Soviet Union was based on the most practical of all considerations. She was able to see that whatever our

differences and conflicting interests,
when it comes to the need to avoid
nuclear war, what is good for
the Soviets is also good for us.
That was why she was asking our
leaders to work hard and fast to
find the means to this mutually
beneficial end.

I wish you and Mr. Gorbachev
success in your upcoming meeting.
People always say that our children
are our future, but in this case,
I really believe it is you who hold
our future in your hands. My
thoughts and good wishes will be
with you.

Sincerely,

Jane L. Smith