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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

March 8, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ⁷⁷

SUBJECT: Reply to Maureen Reagan Re: Fodor Family

Per your request, attached at Tab I is a revised letter from you to Maureen Reagan.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the revised Tab I letter to Maureen Reagan.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Revised Letter to Maureen Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Maureen,

We fully share your concern and frustration about Romania's unwillingness to permit the reunification of Mr. Napoleon Fodor's family. Over the last two and a half years, we have raised his case with Romanian officials at various levels, but unfortunately with little success. Most recently, during the December 1984 U.S.-Romanian Joint Economic Commission meeting, Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Dam discussed Fodor's situation with Romanian Foreign Trade Minister Pungan.

As you are aware, a number of prominent individuals have made appeals to the Romanian Government. In July 1984, former President Nixon sent a letter to Romanian Ambassador Malitza. Over 100 Senators and Congressmen have also expressed their concern to either Romanian President Ceauseacu or Foreign Minister Andrei.

This is a difficult case since Mr. Fodor defected from Romania. The Romanian Government's intransigence stems from its concern about the potential defection of other officials. However, the matter is not hopeless, since a precedent already exists for family reunification under similar circumstances.

We believe that by consistently indicating to Romanian officials, at various levels and through different channels, our strong interest and concern about the Fodors, we can provide the best hope for the successful resolution of this case.

In addition to our ongoing official efforts, you may wish to consider the idea of appealing on behalf of the Republican National Committee to Romanian President Ceausescu for the reunification of this family.

Thanks for sharing your concerns with me.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Ms. Maureen E. Reagan
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

MEMORANDUM FOR NICHOLAS PLATT
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Agreement: Ambassador to the United States from
the Socialist Republic of Romania

The President has reviewed and concurs in the recommendation of the Department of State that the appointment of Nicolae Gavrilesu as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Romania to the United States would be agreeable to the Government of the United States. You are requested to so inform the Government of Romania.

Robert M. Kimmitt
Executive Secretary

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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March 7, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Appointment of Nicolae Gavrilescu of Socialist Republic of Romania as Ambassador to the United States

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Nicolae Gavrilescu as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Romania to the United States (Tab 2). A biography of Mr. Gavrilescu is attached (Tab 1).

The Department believes from the information available that Mr. Gavrilescu will make a successful Ambassador to the United States and recommends that the President agree to the proposed appointment. If he concurs, the Department will inform the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania.

B. McKelvey
for Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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2. Telegram Bucharest 1078

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DOBRIANSKY

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520


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EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

March 14, 1985

The President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

For personal and family reasons I would like to end my tour this summer as United States Ambassador to Romania and return to my native North Carolina. With your concurrence we will plan to depart the post around July 8th, 1985.

It has been a tremendous honor for me to serve as your representative to Romania since October 1981. I am proud to represent an administration which has shown the greatest concern for preserving freedom and democracy around the world through a strengthened military defense, political will and resolve. Your administration has recognized that the bigger government becomes the smaller the individual.

It has been my objective to maintain balanced relations with the repressive government of Romania, while showing the friendly long suffering people of the country that the United States stands as a beacon of light on a hill to all people lacking basic political, economic, religious and other freedoms. I have endeavored to demonstrate American concern for fundamental human rights, free emigration, and individual worth and dignity, so the people themselves would have respect for the United States, its values and principles.

Similarly, Mr. President, I have strived to help protect the national security interests of the United States. This has been done by pointing out that the communist government of Romania, despite its past independent image to the contrary, remains a loyal member of the Warsaw Pact. As such, Stalinist Romania continues to collaborate with Moscow and transfers technology it acquires to the Soviets. It has allowed Soviet troop transit; it exports military arms to and trains Marxist and other guerillas and radicals around the world; and it aids radical Arab terrorists. In these matters I am grateful for the wisdom and support of the Department of Defense and DIA.

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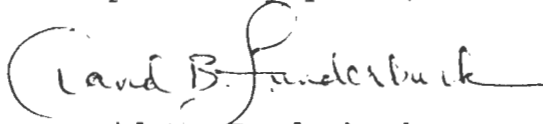
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It is my plan to return to Campbell University in my home state of North Carolina, where I feel I can best serve the interests of the United States and conservatives at this time by continuing to express my concerns in both teaching and writing.

If I can assist you in any way in the future, you know that I am available to work with dedication, loyalty and enthusiasm for your pro-freedom foreign policy goals and objectives.

Thank you, Mr. President, for all that you have done for me personally and for my family. God Bless You.

Respectfully yours,



David B. Funderburk
U.S. Ambassador to Romania
American Embassy Bucharest
APO New York 09213

Romania

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 21, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ⁷⁷

SUBJECT: Letter of Resignation from Ambassador Funderburk

Our Ambassador to Romania, David B. Funderburk, has written a letter to the President, dated March 14, submitting his resignation (Tab A), effective July 8, 1985. Attached at Tab I is a forwarding memorandum to Mr. Robert H. Tuttle.

Jack ^{jm} Matlock and Roger ^{RH} Robinson concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the memorandum at Tab I to Mr. Tuttle.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments:

- Tab I Memorandum to Mr. Tuttle, Presidential Personnel
- Tab A Ambassador Funderburk's letter, March 14

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT H. TUTTLE

FROM: ROBERT M. KIMMITT

SUBJECT: Letter of Resignation from Ambassador Funderburk

Attached at Tab A for appropriate handling is a letter of resignation from Ambassador David B. Funderburk, the U.S. Ambassador to Romania. Ambassador Funderburk indicates that he plans to depart Bucharest on July 8.

Attachment:

Tab A Letter from Ambassador Funderburk

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

March 14, 1985

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The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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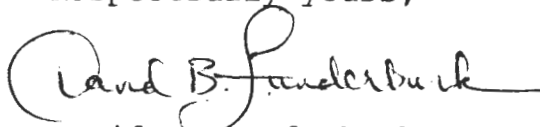
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Thank you, Mr. President, for all that you have done for me personally and for my family. God Bless You.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David B. Funderburk". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

David B. Funderburk
U.S. Ambassador to Romania
American Embassy Bucharest
APO New York 09213

Romania

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear David:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of March 14 advising me of your intent to resign your current position as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania. It is with deep regret that I accept your resignation effective upon a date to be determined.

Your ambassadorship has been marked by a firm commitment to upholding democratic ideals. In particular, your efforts to improve the human rights situation in Romania have exemplified this Administration's strong dedication to the cause of freedom and they have helped to strengthen our ties with the Romanian people. I appreciate your role in encouraging this process, which I believe serves the fundamental interests of the Romanian people and all others in Eastern Europe seeking to shape their own destinies. You are also to be highly commended for your steadfast support of our national security interests in Europe. During your tenure, you have made an invaluable contribution to the goals of my Administration in this and many other areas.

As you return to North Carolina and Campbell University, you take with you my deep thanks for a job well done and my very best wishes for all success and happiness in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

The Honorable David B. Funderburk
American Ambassador
American Embassy
Bucharest

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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April 5, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George P. Shultz *GPS*

SUBJECT: Resignation of David B. Funderburk
as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic
of Romania

I attach herewith the resignation of David B. Funderburk as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania together with a suggested letter of acceptance.

Attachments:

1. Letter of resignation.
2. Suggested letter of acceptance.

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Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania

Attached for your approval is a Memorandum for the President transmitting the resignation of David B. Funderburk as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania together with a suggested letter of acceptance.

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Memorandum for the President

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It has been a tremendous honor for me to serve as your representative to Romania since October 1981. I am proud to represent an administration which has shown the greatest concern for preserving freedom and democracy around the world through a strengthened military defense, political will and resolve. Your administration has recognized that the bigger government becomes the smaller the individual.

It has been my objective to maintain balanced relations with the repressive government of Romania, while showing the friendly long suffering people of the country that the United States stands as a beacon of light on a hill to all people lacking basic political, economic, religious and other freedoms. I have endeavored to demonstrate American concern for fundamental human rights, free emigration, and individual worth and dignity, so the people themselves would have respect for the United States, its values and principles.

Similarly, Mr. President, I have strived to help protect the national security interests of the United States. This has been done by pointing out that the communist government of Romania, despite its past independent image to the contrary, remains a loyal member of the Warsaw Pact. As such, Stalinist Romania continues to collaborate with Moscow and transfers technology it acquires to the Soviets. It has allowed Soviet troop transit; it exports military arms to and trains Marxist and other guerillas and radicals around the world; and it aids radical Arab terrorists. In these matters I am grateful for the wisdom and support of the Department of Defense and DIA.

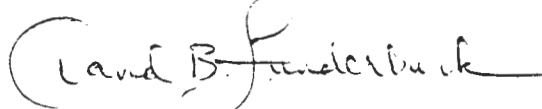
I consider that no U. S. President has more closely tapped the pulse of the American people, their traditional values and future yearnings. You have my continued prayers, wishes and support for continuing the "conservative" revolution, preserving freedom and prosperity, and gaining the respect of the world.

It is my plan to return to Campbell University in my home state of North Carolina, where I feel I can best serve the interests of the United States and conservatives at this time by continuing to express my concerns in both teaching and writing.

If I can assist you in any way in the future, you know that I am available to work with dedication, loyalty and enthusiasm for your pro-freedom foreign policy goals and objectives.

Thank you, Mr. President, for all that you have done for me personally and for my family. God Bless You.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David B. Funderburk". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

David B. Funderburk
U.S. Ambassador to Romania
American Embassy Bucharest
APO New York 09213

SUGGESTED LETTER

David
Dear ~~Mr.~~ Ambassador:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of March 14 advising me of your intent to resign your current position as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania. I accept your resignation effective upon a date to be determined.

I value your services to me and the country over the last four years. During your tenure, the Ambassadorship to Romania has had particular significance due to the Romanians' continued determination -- manifested in their attendance at the Los Angeles Olympics and in other differences with the Soviets -- to reduce the scope of Soviet control in Eastern Europe. I appreciate your role in encouraging this process, which I believe will over time serve the fundamental interests of the Romanian people and all others in Eastern Europe seeking larger means of shaping their own destinies.

As you return to North Carolina and Campbell University, you take with you my deep thanks for a job well done and my very best wishes for all success and happiness in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

The Honorable,

David B. Funderburk,
American Ambassador,
Bucharest.

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Envoy Quits, Faults Policy

Funderburk Sees
Romania Coddled

By Bradley Graham
Washington Post Foreign Service

MUNICH—After 3½ years of trying to persuade officials in Washington to toughen their approach to Romania, David Funderburk has resigned as the U.S. ambassador to Bucharest and decided to publicize the policy dispute he has waged with senior administration officials. Funderburk argues that U.S. policy toward Romania at present is largely misconceived and ineffective.

Funderburk, in an interview here Monday, called for a revision of U.S. policy and a possible end to the most-favored-nation trading status and other concessions Washington grants the Bucharest government.

Romania has received preferential U.S. treatment since the late 1960s on the basis of a foreign policy that often diverges from Moscow's. But Funderburk contends that Romania's independence is exaggerated and its ties to the Soviet Union are more extensive than Washington policy makers are willing to recognize. Moreover, he says, Romania's abysmal record on human rights and its lack of internal reforms are a mockery of declared U.S. policy goals.

For example, he said, on the surface, it looked recently as if the Romanians were complying with U.S. wishes to relax emigration constraints. Hundreds were being granted permission to leave Romania and were flooding the U.S. Embassy requesting visas.

But on closer examination, U.S. officials found they had been outwitted by Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu, he said. Many Romanians being let go turned out to be unqualified for admission to the United States.

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U.S. Envoy Quits, Charges Policy Coddles Romania

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sescu," Funderburk said. "He in effect dumped people on us like a mini-Mariel," a reference to the massive boatlift of Cubans to the United States in 1980. "Hundreds of those approved for emigration were undesirables. Meantime, many of those we wanted out are still waiting for official permission.

"This situation has created a dilemma for us," Funderburk said. "We have this long list of people asking to come to the States. About 30 or 40 of them protested outside the embassy several weeks ago. They were put up to it by Romanian authorities at the passport office.

"Ceausescu is trying to turn the tables on us. At human rights conferences, to defuse the emigration issue, the Romanians now say to us, look, you can't criticize us for not letting enough people out because many of those we've already approved to go have yet to be let into the United States."

Funderburk tells the story as an example of what he says is the need to be wary of the Romanian regime. He thinks the Reagan administration has not been wary enough.

"There is a street term the Romanians use, *smecher*, meaning someone who is sneaky, crafty, a wheeler-dealer," he said. "That applies to the government in Bucharest."

Funderburk, 41, a former university professor of history with links to conservative Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N. Car.), was appointed ambassador in 1981. He speaks Romanian and studied in Romania for two years in the 1970s on a Fulbright and other foundation grants.

In a letter accepting his resignation "with deep regret," President Reagan expressed appreciation for Funderburk's "efforts to improve the human rights situation in Romania" and commended him for "steadfast support of our national security interests in Europe."

Funderburk's 1981 Senate confirmation hearing was marked by controversy over ill-tempered statements he had authored in a 1978 pamphlet alleging the "misteaching of communism" in U.S. universities and accusing the State Department of whitewashing human rights reports on Eastern Europe.

Such remarks strained his relations with some foreign service professionals from the start. But he said he is not alone among U.S. diplomats in advocating a harder line on Romania.

He said his views are supported by a majority of the principal officers at the Bucharest embassy, and he spoke of efforts by senior State Department officials to curb such nonconformist thinking.

Accusing the State Department of disapproving of dissent in its own ranks, Funderburk said a handful of embassy officers due for reassignment are being transferred to lesser posts than they deserve in apparent retribution for having challenged current policy on Romania.

"Two at the embassy, for instance, were recently moved to out-of-the-way positions back in Washington where they will be out of the limelight," he said. "They have been put in places where they can't step out publicly and where they can be monitored. It looks like a dead end for their careers."

[State Department spokesman Ed Djerejian, responding to Funderburk's charges, said that under a "longstanding policy" in effect since the 1970s, "constructive and creative dissent is something encouraged by the State Department." Djerejian said that in addition to regular channels for diplomats abroad to make dissenting views known to Washington, there are special channels "if they feel stymied," and the "dissent-channel messages go to the top." Djerejian said the State Department had no further comment on Funderburk's allegations.]

Funderburk referred to a "network" of administration officials, primarily at the departments of State and Commerce and including some at the Central Intelligence Agency, who, he said, have dismissed or belittled evidence the embassy in Bucharest has collected documenting Romania's growing economic ties with the Soviet Union, the presence of large numbers of nonmilitary Soviet personnel in the country, the transfer to the Soviet Union of technology Romania has obtained from the West, and Bucharest's position as a major exporter of arms.

"Much evidence we sent in was overlooked and ignored," he said. "They scrambled to denigrate a lot of the material we put forward."

He complained of a tendency among some administration officials to soften criticism of human rights abuses in Romania and to lavish praise on the Bucharest government for foreign policy positions which, in Funderburk's view, often have more form than substance.

Funderburk said he raised some of his concerns directly with President Reagan in an August 1983 meeting at the White House that was attended also by Vice President Bush, then-national security adviser William P. Clark and then-presidential aide Edwin Meese III. "All seemed interested in and sympathetic with what I had to say," Funderburk said.



DAVID FUNDERBURK

... 'we were outfoxed by Ceausescu'

The problem, he alleged, rests mainly with others in the administration. "There's a difference between Reagan's stated goals and our policy as implemented," he said. "What I would like to see is the State Department implementing policy more consistently with Reagan's declared ideals."

He said he decided to speak out now after becoming free of the constraints of serving as an ambassador and after leaving a country as keenly sensitive to criticism as Romania is.

"When I went to Romania, I wasn't aware how much our policy needed change," he said. "When I realized it did, I thought that by working through the U.S. government system, we could have a major impact on policy."

"But I found that the people who we had to report to directly were unsympathetic to change or to new information. It's difficult to get anyone's attention at State if you have a view that's different because their

minds are made up. That's what I found disappointing."

U.S. policy toward Romania has been based on the premise that the public displays of independence from Moscow by Ceausescu, who has ruled Romania since 1965, are a genuine irritant to the Soviet Union and a positive example to other East Bloc states, and therefore should be encouraged.

Ceausescu has criticized the Soviet invasions of Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan. His country is the only Warsaw Pact member that refuses to let Soviet troops on its territory for maneuvers and that does not send troops to joint pact training exercises. He defied the Soviet-led boycott of the Olympic Games in Los Angeles last year, and he has scolded the Soviet Union as well as the United States for raising tensions in Europe over nuclear weapons.

Additionally, Ceausescu's ties with China and his relations with all parties in the Middle East have proved useful back channels for

U.S. policy makers. Romania is the only East European nation to have maintained diplomatic contacts with Israel since 1967.

The U.S. position was spelled out by Bush in a 1983 speech explaining the basis on which Washington differentiates among East European regimes.

"We look to what degree countries pursue autonomous foreign policies, independent of Moscow's direction, and to what degree they foster domestic liberalization—politically, economically and in their

"respect for human rights," he said. "The United States will engage in closer political, economic and cultural relations with those countries such as Hungary and Romania which assert greater openness or independence. We will strengthen our dialogue and cooperation with such countries."

Referring to the Bush speech, Funderburk said: "If you take the two goals he mentioned and measure what success we've had in Romania, we've gone backwards. We've been unable to effect any reform in terms of the economy, the standard of living or human rights with the exception of a few individual cases."

He said he would "like to see a policy that brings about greater Romanian independence from the Soviets, internal reforms and improved human rights," or, failing that, a reduction of U.S. support, "including the possible withdrawal of MFN status, fewer high-level official visits and reduced economic assistance."

But standing in the way of a policy revision, according to Funderburk, are some senior U.S. officials with a vested interest in sustaining the image of Romania as a Soviet Bloc maverick deserving of U.S. concessions.

"There are people back in Washington who will go the limit to make excuses for and to defend Ceausescu, because their jobs, promotions, careers depend on proving they were right about Romania," he said.

"So every three or four weeks, we give them something—a high-level visit, a trade concession, whatever. We ought to get more from these people for the concessions we make."

Funderburk said other western countries are ahead of the United States in reassessing formerly positive approaches to Romania. He said he had seen diplomatic reports describing increasingly negative views of Romania among several Western European states and a report by an official of a neutral European country who, after visiting most East Bloc countries recently, concluded Romania ranked worst in observance of human rights and general conditions.

To support his charges against Washington officials, Funderburk cited several instances in which he said administration members sought to refute material contrary to Romania's independent image or to temper public criticism of Romania.

■ On Soviet presence: "Our guys observed a large Soviet presence in



Romania that was not welcome news to some officials in Washington. On our own initiative, we looked in registries, checked schools, traced license plates and came up with an ungodly number of resident Soviets, including Soviet agents in factories monitoring Romanian exports to the Soviet Union. This should have been an indication that Soviet-Romanian cooperation is closer than had been reported previously and a sign that Romania is a more reliable Warsaw Pact partner than is commonly thought. Instead, the information was ignored."

■ On Soviet-Romanian trade: "I've reported that Soviet-Romanian trade relations are getting closer. But this was downplayed by some in Washington who found ways of juggling figures to suggest the increase doesn't have much meaning. Part of my argument was that the Soviet percentage in overall Romanian trade has risen. They answered me with the argument that this was only a statistical aberration resulting from a drastic cutback of Romania's imports from the West."

■ On technology transfers: "There is evidence reported by various sources that Romania has transferred to the Soviet Union technology it obtained from the West, although it denies this. Those at State concerned about maintaining or improving good relations with Romania have tended to make light of such information. In virtually every case when the sale to Romania of a particular U.S. product has been disputed among American agencies, State has argued for the sale."

"To facilitate one deal, I was asked to reconsider a negative opinion I had sent in. We were considering selling the Romanians a ground station to receive geological and agri-

cultural data from a Landsat satellite. I didn't change my mind, and the sale hasn't yet been approved.

■ On arms exports: Figures prepared by the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency on the world's leading arms exporters were published last October in Business Week. They listed Romania as the fifth largest exporter in 1982. Funderburk said Deputy Defense Minister Ilie Ceausescu, Nicolae's brother, denied that Romania exported weaponry.

~~When we reported the fact of Romania's ranking to Washington, they went bananas,~~ Funderburk said. "Agencies scrambled and said it couldn't be true. But we hadn't fabricated a thing. We were just reading from ACDA figures. The first response from Washington came back to us saying, you nasty guys, Romania couldn't have been fifth. Weeks later, we got an acknowledgment, a short and quiet one, conceding that perhaps Romania ranked within a notch or two of the published figure."

■ On human rights: Funderburk said the European Bureau at the State Department has shown a willingness to water down or delete criticism of Romania's human rights abuses, although State's own Human Rights Bureau has forcefully condemned Romanian oppression.

Funderburk said he resigned not for political reasons but out of personal and family considerations and to return to Campbell University in North Carolina to teach government studies. He agreed to meet here with this reporter, whom Romania denied entry last week because of past articles.

Funderburk said his conflicts with some senior policy makers in Washington had been compounded by the cloud under which he began as a diplomat.

"From the beginning I was branded an unseasoned, naive political appointee, a Helmsite and a radical," he said. "Efforts were made to try to isolate me and this embassy from the policy-making process."

"Word filtered back to me that Eagleburger [Lawrence Eagleburger, undersecretary of state, who retired last year] thought I was carrying on a parallel policy. At one point, he sent me an eyes-only cable which I interpreted as saying, why are you calling so much attention to human rights and let's not allow it to get in the way of a good thing."

He said he sees "Eagleburger protégés" in the State Department's European Bureau as most responsible for the policy he faults.

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REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENTS

To: Officer-in-charge
Appointments Center
Room 060, OEOB

Please admit the following appointments on Wednesday, May 22, 19 85
for THE PRESIDENT of _____:
(NAME OF PERSON TO BE VISITED) (AGENCY)

Nicolae GAVRILESCU (Romanian Ambassador to the U.S.)
Elena GAVRILESCU (Wife of Romanian Ambassador)
R. Mark PALMER, Assistant Secretary of State
Domnica BOTTEA, State Interpreter
Douglas HARWOOD, State Protocol Office

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Robert C. McFarlane
William F. Martin
Paula Dobriansky

2. PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS
AMB. NICOLAE GAVRILESCU (Gav-ree-LESS-koo)
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA
PARTICIPANTS: FAMILY - WIFE: ELENA
WH: - ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
NSC - WILLIAM F. MARTIN
PAULA DOBRIANSKY
STATE - R. MARK PALMER
INTERPRETER - DOMNICA BOTTEA
-- APPRECIATE ROMANIA'S INDEPENDENT FOREIGN
POLICY.
-- UNDERSCORE HOPE THAT ROMANIA WILL
RESPOND TO OUR HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS (FAMILY
REUNIFICATION CASES, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM), AS
THESE CAN UNDERMINE OUR EFFORTS TOWARD
IMPROVEMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS.

MEETING LOCATION

Building Oval Office
West Wing
Room No. _____
Time of Meeting 2:00 p.m.

Requested by Francesca B. Lapinski
Room No. 368 Telephone x3912
Date of request May 20, 1985

Additions and/or changes made by telephone should be limited to five (5) names or less.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Presentation of credentials to the President by the
Appointed Ambassadors of the Republic of Panama, the
Socialist Republic of Romania, and the People's
Republic of China.

Enclosed are the official documents of three Appointed
Ambassadors who are waiting to present credentials to The
President. A date and time for the ceremony has not yet been
scheduled.


for Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

Credential documents.

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Nicolae Gavrilesco (Nih-ko-LIE-yay Gav-ree-LESS-koo) -
Appointed Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Romania

Head of State - Nicolae Ceausescu (Chow-SHESS-koo), President
of the Socialist Republic of Romania

Head of Government - Nicolae Dascalescu (Dass-ka-LESS-koo),
Prime Minister

Ambassador Gavrilesco is 58, married with two children.
Previous assignments include: Minister of Sports and Tourism
(1982-84), Romanian Ambassador to the PRC (1972-78), First
Secretary and People's Council President (i.e., ranking
official) of a series of Romanian counties (1964-71, 1978-81).

Pertinent Background: Ceausescu has met with the last three
U.S. Presidents. He last visited the U.S. in 1978. Presidents
Nixon (1969) and Ford (1975) went to Romania, as did Vice
President Bush in 1983. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of
Staff, General Vessey, was in Romania March 27-31, 1985.
Ceausescu has invited you to visit Romania at your convenience.

Significant Programs or Issues: For 20 years Romania has shown
considerable foreign policy independence from the Soviets,
despite its Warsaw Pact membership. It has dissented from the
Soviet line on key military and economic issues; it was the
only Pact country to participate in the Los Angeles Olympics.
U.S.-Romanian relations hinge on three basic factors: (1)
geopolitical and security concerns, where there is a
significant confluence of U.S. and Romanian interests in
limiting Soviet control over Eastern Europe, (2) the repressive
Romanian internal scene, which is cause for U.S. concern,
particularly among religious rights groups, and (3) economic
and trade matters, where the Romanians are interested in market
access for their products and in U.S. export licenses to
modernize their industry. Romania has significantly reduced
its Western debts in recent years at cost of major reductions
in living-standards.

- Issues for Discussion: -- *Appreciate Romania's indep. f. policy; seek to
further improve bilateral relations.*
- Express our appreciation for Romania's efforts to
pursue an independent foreign policy; and our aim of
of further improving bilateral relations.
 - Underscore your hope that Romania will do more in
responding to our concerns on human rights (including
family reunification cases, and religious freedom) otherwise
because these have the potential for undermining our
efforts to improve bilateral relations.

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY
TO THE REMARKS OF THE
NEWLY APPOINTED AMBASSADOR
OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA
NICOLAE GAVRILESCU
UPON THE OCCASION OF THE PRESENTATION OF
HIS LETTER OF CREDENCE

Mr. Ambassador:

It is a pleasure for me to welcome you and to receive your Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Romania to the United States. I accept the Letter of Recall of your distinguished predecessor, Mircea Malitza, and am confident that your mission here will also enhance the relationship between our two countries.

Please convey to President and Mrs. Ceausescu good wishes and my thanks for theirs. The Romanian people have all our hopes for success, peace, and growing prosperity.

The United States attaches high value to its relationship with Romania which dates back 105 years and has attained new significance over the last 20 years through the efforts of Romanian leaders and the last four American administrations including my own. The sizes of our countries, the nature of our systems, and the scope of our geopolitical responsibilities are different. Despite these differences -- and divergences on issues such as human rights -- our relationship is sound

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because it is based on significant common interests, and we have been able constructively to deal with our differences through recognition of principles of mutual respect, equal sovereignty, and national independence. The United States has an abiding interest in Romania's destiny and in the ability of all peoples to pursue their interests without fear of outside interference. Last summer, we noted Romania's singular contribution to international understanding and the Olympics movement in sending a memorable team to Los Angeles. We appreciate Romania's efforts to establish an independent position in world affairs and we value its unique perspectives.

The relationship between our two countries is well-established and enduring. We are pleased by its continued development through trade, visits, exchanges, and political dialogue. We feel that our interests and views will continue to converge, leading to increased cooperation, as our relations mature and develop further.

Mr. Ambassador, I want to assure you that you have my administration's full cooperation in pursuit of your official duties, and its full support in seeking to further our relations.

REMARKS OF THE
NEWLY APPOINTED AMBASSADOR
OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA
NICOLAE GAVRILESCU
UPON THE OCCASION OF THE PRESENTATION
OF HIS LETTER OF CREDENCE

Mr. President:

I am highly honored to present to Your Excellency, together with the letters of recall of my predecessor, the letter through which I am accredited as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Romania to the United States of America.

On this occasion I am happy to convey to Your Excellency and to Mrs. Nancy Reagan from the President of the Socialist Republic of Romania and Mrs. Elena Ceausescu, the best wishes of good health and personal happiness, and to the friendly American people wishes of progress, prosperity and peace.

Romania pays special attention to developing in many fields its relationship with United States, appreciating its role and the particular responsibility incumbent on

the United States in international life.

The relations established between the two countries and peoples, based on the principles of the full equality in rights, the respect of national independence and sovereignty, non-interference in internal affairs and non-use of force or the threat of its use in international relations, principles consecrated in the high level Romanian-American agreements, represent a guarantee to further develop the fruitful relationship in all fields of activity between Romania and United States.

We also consider there still are many possibilities to extend and diversify the relations of collaboration between the two countries both in the field of economic cooperation, political, scientific, cultural and in the sphere of international life, for the solution of the major contemporary problems confronting mankind, and, above all, the disarmament, for the peaceful settlement of all conflicts among states, for strengthening peace, cooperation and understanding among all countries and peoples of the world.

For me personally, Mr. President, I consider it is a great honor to be able to contribute, by accomplishing the mission my President has entrusted to me, to the achievement of these noble goals and I am convinced that, in my efforts, I will be able to rely on your personal support and understanding and on the support and understanding of the American Government as well.



United States Department of State
Bureau of Public Affairs

July 1983



Official Name:
**Socialist Republic of
Romania**

PROFILE

People

Noun and adjective: Romanian(s). **Population** (1981 est.): 22.4 million. **Annual growth rate:** 0.9%. **Ethnic groups:** Romanians 88.1%, Magyars 7.9%, Germans 1.6%, Ukrainians, Serbs, Croats, Russians, Turks, and Gypsies. **Religions:** Orthodox 80%, Roman Catholic 6%, Calvinist, Lutheran, Jewish and Baptist, 4%. **Languages:** Romanian, Hungarian, German. **Education:** *Years compulsory*—10. *Attendance*—98%. *Literacy*—98%. **Health:** *Infant mortality rate*—31/1,000. *Life expectancy* (1974-77)—men 69.3 yrs., women 71.8 yrs. **Work force** (10.2 million): *Agriculture*—40%. *Industry and commerce*—25%. *Other*—35%.

Geography

Area: 237,499 sq. km. (91,699 sq. mi.); somewhat smaller than New York and Pennsylvania combined. **Cities:** *Capital*—Bucharest (pop. 2.1 million). *Other cities*—Constanta (290,226), Iasi (284,308), Timisoara (282,691), Cluj-Napoca (262,421), Brasov (262,041). **Terrain:** Consists mainly of rolling, well-watered, fertile plains; hilly in the eastern regions of the middle Danube basin. **Climate:** Moderate.

Government

Type: Communist. **Constitution:** August 21, 1965.

Branches: *Executive*—president (chief of state), prime minister (head of government), Council of Ministers. *Legislative*—unicameral Grand National Assembly (GNA) and its Council of State. *Judicial*—Supreme Court, county courts, people's courts.

Subdivisions: 40 counties (includes city of Bucharest).

Political party: Romanian Communist Party. **Suffrage:** Universal and compulsory over age 18.

Defense (1982 est.): 11.7% of net national product.

Flag: Three vertical bands from left to right—blue, yellow, and red. Centered is a coat of arms depicting a mountain forest and wheat field, with a red star atop the emblem.

Economy

GDP (1980 current prices): \$116.5 billion. **Annual growth rate:** 7%. **Per capita income:** \$5,250.

Natural resources: Oil, timber, natural gas, coal.

Agriculture (13% of GNP): Corn, wheat, oilseeds, potatoes.

Industries (63% of GNP): Mining, forestry, construction materials, metal production and processing, chemicals, machine building, food processing.

Trade (1981): *Exports*—\$12.4 billion: foodstuffs, light manufactures, fuels. *Major markets*—USSR, FRG, GDR. *Imports*—\$12.3 billion: machinery, fuel, iron ore, coking coal, cotton. *Major suppliers*—USSR, FRG, GDR.

Official exchange rate: 4.47 lei = US\$1. *Tourist rate*—12.5 lei = US\$1.

Membership in International Organizations

UN and most of its specialized agencies (including World Bank, International Monetary Fund, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade), Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CEMA), Warsaw Pact, Danube Commission, Interpol.

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July 17, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM F. MARTIN

FROM: PAULA J. DOBRIANSKY *Elise*
SUBJECT: Letter Re Romanian Emigration

Pastor Pavel Chiu of Michigan, has written Bud expressing concern for those Romanians who are denied passports and thus prevented from emigrating. He is requesting Bud's assistance in securing passports for three Romanian families (Tab II). We have reviewed and cleared the State draft reply at Tab A for release.

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Steve Steiner concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo at Tab I to Nick Platt giving NSC clearance of the draft reply -- for signature by State.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum to Platt
Tab A State Draft Reply
Tab II Letter from Pastor Chiu, June 14, 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR NICHOLAS PLATT

FROM: WILLIAM F. MARTIN

SUBJECT: Chiu Letter Re Romanian Emigration

The NSC has reviewed the attached draft reply and cleared with the indicated change. We request that this be sent to Pastor Chiu under State Department signature.

Attachment

Tab A State Draft Reply

Dear Pastor Chiu:

I am replying on behalf of Mr. Robert C. McFarlane to
~~Thank you for~~ your June 14 letter regarding the situation of the Raetchi, Dragoi and Sumalan families of Arad, Romania who wish to emigrate to the United States.

While emigration from Romania remains difficult, there has been significant progress in Romania's emigration performance since Most Favored Nation tariff treatment was granted in 1975. Since then, over 110,000 Romanian citizens have departed legally for Israel, the United States, and the Federal Republic of Germany.

Because the American Embassy in Bucharest maintains the most complete files on emigration cases, we are sending a copy of your letter to them so that they may respond to you directly about the status of these cases. You may be sure that the Embassy will be prepared to help these families in whatever ways may be appropriate.

Sincerely,

Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council

Pavel Chiu, Pastor,
Golgota Romanian Baptist Church,
1545 Pinecrest,
Ferndale, Michigan.



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Date 12 JUL 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

TO: Robert C. McFarlane From: Golgota Romanian Baptist Church
Date: 14 June 1985 Subject: Immigration Passports

WH Referral Dated: 20 June 1985 NSC ID # 8504962
(if any)

_____ The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State.

Action Taken:

- ☒ A draft reply is attached.
_____ A draft reply will be forwarded.
_____ A translation is attached.
_____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
_____ The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
☒ Other.

Remarks. The Department believes Pastor Chiu's inquiry concerns routine emigration matters. Unless the NSC perceives other reasons for a personal acknowledgment by Mr. McFarlane, the Department recommends that the response be signed by a less senior NSC official.

Tim Collins
for Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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REFERRAL

DATE: 20 JUN 85

MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: MCFARLANE

SOURCE: CHIU, PAVEL

DATE: 14 JUN 85

KEYWORDS: ROMANIA

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DRAGOI, TUTUS

SUBJ: LTR TO MCFARLANE FM GOLGOTA BAPTIST CHURCH RE IMMIGRATION PASSPORTS

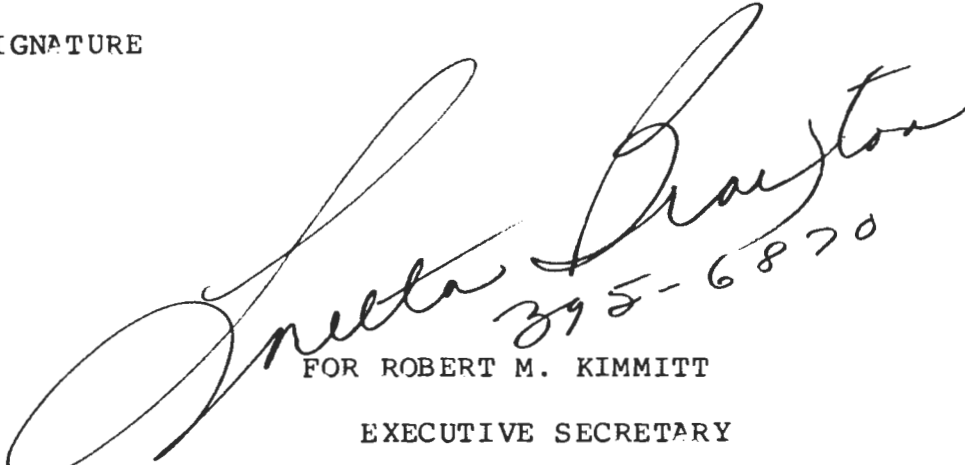
REQUIRED ACTION: PLS INVESTIGATE THESE INDIVIDUAL CASES &

PREPARE A DRAFT REPLY FOR MCFARLANE'S

SIGNATURE

DUE DATE: 27 JUN 85

COMMENTS.


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FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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GOLGOTA ROMANIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
1545 Pinecrest
Ferndale, Michigan 48220
(313) 589-3508

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June 14, 1985

Mr. Robert McFarlane
National Security Adviser
To The President of United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. McFarlane:

A few members of our church would like to request your intervention to the United States Authorities in respect to the issuance of immigration passports for the following families:

RAETCHI, MIHAI

Calea Aurel Vlaicu
Bc XII, Sc C, Apt 15
Arad, Romania

DRAGOI, TUTUS

Calea Aurel Vlaicu
Bc X24-2, Sc B, Et 3
Arad, Romania

SUMALAN, DUMITRU

Piata Vasile Rozita
Nr. 19, Bc. M, Sc. B, Apt. 1
Arad, Romania

We know these families personally and can vouch for their integrity.

These families had open immigration files at the American Embassy in Bucharest prior to August, 1982. They are still waiting for the approval of their petitions for immigration and have been waiting for more than 7 years. They desire to immigrate to the United States where they can, without persecution, worship God and educate their children in christian schools.

We, who, through God's grace, came to this blessed country and who have been through similar difficulties, realize the risks involved in someone expressing their desire to immigrate to the west. For this reason, we request your intervention to the Romanian Authorities for the liberation of these families from communism.

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Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in
this matter.

Sincerely,

GOLGOTA ROMANIAN BAPTIST CHURCH



Pavel Chiu, Pastor



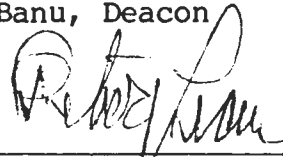
Florian Lazureanu, Deacon



Traian Ban, Deacon



Ioan Banu, Deacon



Petru Suci, Member



Aurel Chiu, Member



Marcel Ban, Member

Romania

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ROBERT HOLMES TUTTLE
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Nomination of Roger Kirk as Ambassador
to the Socialist Republic of Romania

Transmitted herewith is a Memorandum for the President transmitting the nomination of Roger Kirk, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Socialist Republic of Romania. He would succeed David B. Funderburk whose resignation the President accepted on April 29, 1985.

Approval for this nomination was received in April.

Attached is a draft press release to be used at the time of the announcement of the nomination. We would appreciate twenty-four hours advance notice of the announcement in order to advise the Government of Romania.

Attached also is the report you will wish to forward to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee regarding demonstrated competence of this nominee.

Jackie Wolcott
Special Assistant

Attachments:
As stated.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: John C. Whitehead, Acting

SUBJECT: Nomination of Roger Kirk as Ambassador
to the Socialist Republic of Romania

Attached for your approval is the nomination of Roger Kirk, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Socialist Republic of Romania. He would succeed David B. Funderburk whose resignation you accepted on April 29, 1985.

Agreement to Mr. Kirk's appointment has been received from the Government of Romania.

Mr. Kirk has been accorded security clearance based upon a full field investigation by the Department's Office of Security. All questions relating to potential conflict of interest have been resolved.

Attachments:

1. Nomination.
2. Biographic sketch.

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ROGER KIRK

Position for which considered: Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania

Present Position: Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs

Office Address: Room 6323, Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Born: November 2, 1930, Newport, Rhode Island

Legal Residence: Washington, D.C.

Marital Status: Married

Family: Wife: former Madeleine Yaw
Children: Marian Kirk Winogradoff
Julia Kirk Thompson
Sarah Kirk Love
Alan Couzens Kirk

Home Address: 3230 Woodley Road, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Education: A.B. 1952, Princeton University
1953, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

Language Ability: Russian (fluent), German (fluent),
French (fluent), and Italian (fluent)

Experience:

Military
1952-55 U.S. Air Force

Government
1949-51 General Services Assistant, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
1955-57 Executive Secretariat, Department
1957-59 Political Officer, Rome, Italy
1959-60 Staff Assistant to the Counselor, Department
1960-61 Staff Assistant to the Secretary of State, Department
1961-62 Public Affairs Adviser, Office of Soviet Union Affairs, Department
1962-63 Student, Soviet Area and Language School, Oberammergau,
Germany
1963-64 Consular Officer, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
1964-65 Political Officer, Moscow, U.S.S.R.
1965-67 Political Officer, New Delhi, India
1967-69 Political Officer, Saigon, Vietnam
1969-71 Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary on Vietnam,
Department

1971-72	Participant, Senior Seminar, Department
1972-73	Deputy Assistant Director, International Relations Bureau, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Department
1973-75	Ambassador to Somalia, Mogadiscio
1975-78	Deputy Director, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department
1978-83	U.S. Deputy (Resident) Representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, Austria
1980-83	U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations System Organizations, Vienna, Austria
1983-present	Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department

Awards:

Phi Beta Kappa, 1951
Magna Cum Laude, Princeton, 1952
Presidential Meritorious Service Award, 1984

July 1985

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DRAFT PRESS RELEASE

The White House today announced the President's intention to nominate Roger Kirk, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, as Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Romania. He would succeed David B. Funderburk.

Mr. Kirk served as a General Services Assistant in Moscow from 1949-51. He was appointed a Foreign Service Officer in 1955 and was assigned to the Department's Executive Secretariat until 1957. He then went to Rome as Political Officer until 1959. He returned to the Department in 1959 to serve as Staff Assistant to the Counselor of the Department, followed by Special Assistant to the Secretary of State from 1960-61. From 1961-62 he was Public Affairs Adviser in the Office of Soviet Union Affairs, Bureau of European Affairs. He then studied Russian Language in Oberammergau, Germany (Soviet Area and Language School) from 1962-63. From there he served as Consular Officer in Moscow, 1963-64 to be followed as Political Officer in Moscow (1964-65), New Delhi (1965-67) and then Saigon (1967-69). From 1969-71 he was Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary on Vietnam in the Department. Mr. Kirk then attended the Senior Seminar until 1972 when he was sent on detail to the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency as Deputy Assistant Director for International Relations. He was appointed Ambassador to the Somali Democratic Republic in 1973 where he served until 1975 when he became Deputy Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research in the Department. In 1978 he was appointed the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations System Organizations in Vienna, Austria with rank of Ambassador. He served there until 1983 when he was asked to serve as Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of International Organization Affairs.

Mr. Kirk was born November 2, 1930 in Newport, Rhode Island. He received his B.A. in 1952 from Princeton University where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. In 1953 he attended the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He served in the United States Air Force from 1952-55. Mr. Kirk is fluent in Russian, Italian and French. He is married to the former Madeleine Yaw and they have four children.

REPORT FOR THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

UNITED STATES SENATE

SUBJECT: Ambassadorial Nomination: Certificate of Demonstrated Competence -- Foreign Service Act, Section 304 (a) (4)

POST: Romania

CANDIDATE: Roger Kirk

Roger Kirk, a Career Minister in the Senior Foreign Service, age 54, is a Soviet specialist by training who has served with distinction in Moscow (1949-52 and 1963-65) and also has developed broad competency in key positions in other geographic settings. Abroad, he has also served in Rome (1957-59), New Delhi (1965-67), Saigon (1967-69), Somalia as Ambassador (1973-75), and Vienna as U.S. Representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency (1978-83). In Washington, his key positions have been as Deputy Assistant Director of ACDA (1972-73), Deputy Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research (1975-78), and Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of International Organization Affairs (1983 to present).

In each of his senior positions he has demonstrated not only sound political judgment but also exceptionally effective inter-personal skills, whether as manager of a large and busy staff or as negotiator dealing with suspicious-minded or hostile political leaders and diplomats. Time and again, his low-key personality, patience, tact, and persistence have proven persuasive in resolving difficult, delicate problems. He also possesses exceptional linguistic abilities, and has attained high proficiency in Russian, German, French, and Italian.

His long and intensive experience in handling East-West issues, and his outstanding performance in ambassadorial assignments where such issues figured prominently, indicate he would fare exceedingly well as Chief of Mission in Romania.

Under Section 604 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 and the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, the information above should be treated as confidential and not released to unauthorized parties.