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MR AND MRS JOHN HINCKLEY SR.
31346 BROOKLINE RD
EVERGREEN CO 80439

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PRESIDENT AND MRS RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

*No Reply
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WE ARE DEEPLY SORRY FOR THE THOUGHTLESS COMMENT ABOUT YOU WHICH THE
MEDIA ATTRIBUTED TO OUR TROUBLED SON JOHN. PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT
JOHN IS TRULY ILL AND IRRATIONAL. TRY TO FORGIVE HIM. WE AGAIN
COMMEND YOU FOR THE COMPASSIONATE WAY YOU HAVE HANDLED THIS ENTIRE
MATTER.

MR AND MRS JOHN HINCKLEY SR.

17:00 EST

MGMCOMP

Billy Herley

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 23, 1982

Dear Miss Sam and Miss Bertha:

Enclosed is the picture from the Queen and her letter to you. They were both very nice and very appreciative. She's also a fine horsewoman.

Your Grass Valley project sounds like a bit of "Heaven on Earth". I'll send the photo as you requested and a letter but, if you'll forgive me, my instinct tells me "doodles" might be overdoing it. Maybe later if something additional is desired.

I wish you well and hope your move will soon be accomplished. Mr. Shinn sounds like a truly nice person.

Best regards,

Ronald

Miss Sam and Miss Bertha Sisco
Post Office Box 148
Healdsburg, California 95448

Mrs Sam & Miss Bertha Schier

Dear Mrs Sam & Miss Bertha

I enclosed is the picture from the Queen & her letter to you. They were both very nice & very appreciative. She is also a fine house woman.

Your Grass Valley perfect sounds like ~~a~~ a bit of "Heaven on Earth." I'll send the photo as you requested & a letter but if you'll forgive me my instinct tells me "doodles" might be over doing it. Maybe later if something additional is desired.

I wish you well & hope your move will soon be accomplished. Mr. Schier sounds like a truly nice person.

Best Regards - Ronald

Rev. Bell, Grisha

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WHITE HOUSE DC

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE LAST EVENING WAS A MASTERFUL PERFORMANCE

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Charls:

Thank you for your letter of June 1 on the subject of START. As we begin the START negotiations, I greatly appreciate the support of the Committee on the Present Danger.

I agree with you that our approach contains the hope of breaking free from the fallacies that subverted SALT. And, certainly, this will not be an easy or quick negotiation. It will test U.S. resolve. Because of this, the value of your Committee's support will become even more essential in buttressing that resolve as time passes.

As you know, we have proposed a phased approach to the START negotiations. This approach encompasses all the significant elements of the strategic equation -- with significant reductions in ballistic missile warheads, the missiles themselves, and throw weight in the initial phase and with further reductions, possible inclusion of other systems, and equal limits on throw weight, below current U.S. levels, in the later phase.

Whether the results gained through this approach will be implemented in a series of agreements or in a single, comprehensive agreement will be a decision based upon the progress made, and the condition of ongoing negotiations, as the first phase of the negotiations is completed. Should we and the Soviets choose to implement those elements agreed to in the first phase while we continue to negotiate other elements, we will certainly do so in a manner so as not to prejudice other U.S. objectives. We need not prematurely restrict our flexibility on this issue.

Let me take this opportunity to set the record straight on the issue of throw weight. Throw weight is clearly a key indicator of missile destructive power, and, we, in fact, recognize and are handling the serious asymmetry in throw weight. While we will seek only indirect throw-weight limits during the initial phase of START negotiations, we will clearly stand by the principle that we expect the limits on missiles and missile warheads to result in a very significant reduction in the total missile throw weight in the first phase. Such a significant reduction will permit us to seek equal throw-weight limits directly from the Soviets in the later phase.

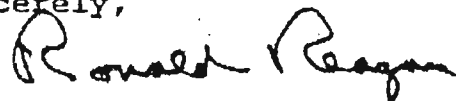
Turning to the subject of "deployed missiles," there is an association between "deployed missiles" and launchers. But the problem with SALT II was that it limited "launchers" and nothing else. In START, we intend to reduce the number of missiles, and the weapons they carry. We intend to cut ballistic missile warheads by roughly one-third, and to limit ICBM warheads to no more than one-half of the total number of ballistic missile warheads permitted. We also will reduce the number of "deployed missiles" by roughly one-half. Certainly, even at this point, this differs greatly from simply a launcher limit. In addition, we intend to take steps to limit and reduce "non-deployed" missiles, to the extent that we can, in an effectively verifiable fashion. It is missiles and the warheads they carry, not launchers, that we are trying to reduce.

Finally, I have reviewed the argument that at a limit of 850 deployed missiles the Soviets may actually increase the ratio of warheads to military targets in the U.S., and I find it basically flawed. First, the actual ratio implied by this argument is that of weapons to U.S. silos, rather than to all types of targets. The argument fails to note that we are taking action to ensure the survivability of our ICBM force in the face of multiple attacking weapons. While this action does not depend on arms reduction to be effective, it should complement

the reductions we have proposed. Second, while the number of U.S. fixed silos may be reduced as a result of our proposed reductions, the great majority of military targets in the U.S. (e.g., airfields, C³ facilities, logistics areas, conventional forces) will not be affected. With fewer overall Soviet missile weapons available, more critical U.S. non-silo installations will thus go unstruck. If, in fact, the Soviets would concentrate more of their missile weapons on our ICBM force, especially after U.S. ICBM basing has been improved, even more of the critical installations in the U.S. would survive. Third, the significant reductions in missile throw weight we are seeking in our approach will serve to reduce the Soviet advantage. Thus, the argument simply misses important aspects of the larger picture.

Once again, I thank you and your Committee for your good wishes. We are going to have an interesting and challenging period ahead. I am counting on your valuable support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "R" at the beginning.

Mr. Charls E. Walker
Chairman, Executive Committee
The Committee on the Present Danger
1800 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 6, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *WPC*

SUBJECT: Response to the Committee on the Present Danger
on START

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Committee on the Present Danger, Charls Walker wrote you a letter generally giving strong support to your START proposal, but raising questions about two issues -- throw weight and deployed missiles.

Because of the importance of this prestigious committee, we feel a substantive reply is warranted. The reply is likely to receive wide circulation. Accordingly, we have drafted a fairly detailed response thanking the Committee for its support, and elaborating on the two concerns expressed in the Committee's letter. The language is based essentially upon your decisions on the U.S. negotiating approach to START. The response has interagency approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Charls Walker and the Committee on Present Danger at Tab A.

Approve *✓ WPC*

Disapprove _____

Attachment

Tab A Letter to Charls Walker

*Original incoming from Walker forwarded to Carol C.
rec'd from Sit. Rm. 7/11*

• THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mr. President:

Mr. Meese asked me to give this to you. (Dick Darman has a copy of it. Do you want to acknowledge or would you like Dick to handle it?

Is this our Charles Walker?
Kathy

If so for the answer
Dear Charles & sign it
Ron

S.E. Have NSC do draft
in 1 day - just polite ack.
Then Darman to re. Then
I'll OK signature + your
ind. D.)

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUMDATE: 6/1/82 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: TOMORROW, 6/2/82SUBJECT: LETTER FROM CHARLS E. WALKER Re STRATEGIC ARMS NEGOTIATIONS

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Remarks:

Please provide a draft response for the President's signature by TOMORROW. Thank you.

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
(x2702)

Response:

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6/11 - called re status -
6/17 - Brought to RGD's attention - Per RGD - on Judge's desk

Committee on
THE PRESENT DANGER

1800 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. • Washington, D.C. 20036 • 202/466-7444

1 June 1982

My dear Mr. President:

We--meaning the Executive Committee of the Committee on the Present Danger--trust you will be receptive to our thoughts on your Administration's approach to superpower negotiations on strategic arms.

First, we emphatically commend the primacy placed on reducing the most destabilizing systems--ballistic missiles--and the corollary intention to make destructive power itself the key in computing strategic ratios. These elements give grounds for hope of breaking free from the fallacies that subverted SALT. We are with you 100 percent on these central points.

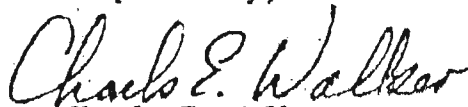
There will be formidable pressures within this country and beyond for hurrying along to agreement on any terms whatever as an escape from a putative arms race. The other side will surely be tenacious of its strategic edge purposefully built up at great cost to its economy. The combination is certain to test U.S. resolve to arrive at terms worth having.

The comprehensive agreement to be striven for must--in contrast to SALT--be so tightly drawn as to prevent the other side from piling up preponderance while professing to comply to the letter of equality. The central essence is equality of destructive power--throwweight, particularly ICBM throwweight. Whatever the negotiating sequence, no contract--in our view--should be firmed up without establishing a solution on that score.

We also feel concern about "deployed missiles" as units of account. One wonders wherein they differ from launchers--the unsatisfactory units of account in SALT II. In any event, the pertinent figure appears imprudently low, for within a limit of 850 the other side might actually increase the ratio of its retained warheads to the diminished number of military targets in the U.S., thereby bettering its intimidatory first-strike capability.

In our review, which took place last Friday, the members felt heartened by confidence in your own firm grasp of the basic issues of arms control. They also asked me to convey to you their unanimous good wishes for your safety and success in the upcoming mission to Europe.

Respectfully,



Charles E. Walker
Chairman, Executive Committee

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Margaret Hance
Mayor of Phoenix, Arizona
Phone: 602/262-7111

DATE: July 7, 1982

RECOMMENDED BY: Richard S. Williamson *Rich / SK*

PURPOSE: To thank Mayor Hance for her support at the the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) Meeting on June 19-23, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

BACKGROUND: The USCM has traditionally been a very liberal organization that has consistently called for increased federal spending to urban areas. USCM is overwhelmingly dominated by big-city Democratic mayors. Mayor Margaret Hance is President of the National Conference of Republican Mayors. She was a vocal and active supporter of the Administration during the meeting.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

1. Thank you for your support and leadership during the U.S. Conference of Mayors Meeting in Minneapolis. It is good to know that I can always depend on you to defend the Administration.
2. Being an assertive Mayor in that organization seldom places one in the most popular position.
3. The leak to the New York Times about the Administration's draft urban policy must have come at the most inopportune time for the Republican Mayors. It was a most unfortunate event.
4. I know that you and the other Republican Mayors tried to assist the Administration's Federalism Initiative and the nuclear freeze resolutions. Getting the Conference to accept cuts in the entitlement programs was quite a feat.

DATE OF SUBMISSION: July 6, 1982


ACTION Call made

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Bob Isaac
Mayor of Colorado Springs, Colorado
Phone: 303/471-6600

DATE: July 7, 1982

RECOMMENDED BY: Richard S. Williamson 

PURPOSE: To thank Mayor Isaac for his support
at the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM)
Meeting June 19-23 in Minneapolis,
Minnesota.

BACKGROUND: The USCM has traditionally been a very liberal organization that has consistently called for increased federal spending to urban areas. USCM is overwhelmingly dominated by big-city Democratic mayors. Bob Isaac is the Chairman of the Policy Committee for the National Conference of Republican Mayors. He was instrumental in garnering support for the Administration during the meeting.

- TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:
1. I want to thank you, Bob, for your leadership as Chairman of the Policy Committee of the National Conference of Republican Mayors.
 2. I realize that you have a difficult job working with the U.S. Conference of Mayors.
 3. I understand you were able to influence the Conference to urge Congress to address the issue of growth in entitlement programs.
 4. I have been trying to get the Congress to address this question for the past one-and-a-half years. It's good that you were able to get the Mayors to focus on this problem as well. Again, thank you for your support. It is truly good to know that we can depend on your leadership.

DATE OF SUBMISSION: July 6, 1982

ACTION Call made

Proposed Resolution No.49

Federal Budget

Mayor Robert M. Isaac
Colorado Springs

- 1) WHEREAS, the economic health of the entire nation is tied to the federal budget; and
- 2) WHEREAS, a major portion of that budget is, and has been for many years, totally out of control; and
- 3) WHEREAS, the spectre of increasing deficits is a major contributing factor to unacceptably high interest rates and economic stagnation; and
- 4) WHEREAS, no economic theory can bring about increased economic activity, lower interest rates, and expanded job opportunities in the private sector, unless the federal budget is brought under control and deficits are reduced substantially; and
- 5) WHEREAS, unfunded accrued liabilities in the entitlement portion of the budget have been estimated at well in excess of \$1 trillion, and if the escalation of the entitlement portion of the budget continues unchecked, the financial stability of this nation may well be destroyed; and
- 6) WHEREAS, the debate among local officials to date has centered primarily on whether additional cuts should be made in assistance to state and local governments, or from the defense budget; and
- 7) WHEREAS, neither cuts in urban programs or reduced defense spending alone can solve the long range financial problems threatening this country,
- 8) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the U.S. Conference of Mayors supports across the board budget cuts consistent with the maintenance of national security, and support for those truly in need, and urges Congress to take steps to control the escalation of entitlements and refrain from further authorization of benefit payments with automatic escalation; and
- 9) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the U.S. Conference of Mayors urges Congress to meet its budget deadlines required by law so as to permit state and local governments to plan their budgets with less uncertainty.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 12, 1982

Dear Mr. Logan:

Our mutual friends, the Darts, delivered your letter to me. Thank you for writing and thank you for what you are doing and for letting me know.

Please extend my thanks and congratulations to those who are so unselfishly contributing to this magnificent achievement. You all have every reason to be proud and, as a fellow Californian, I am very proud of your accomplishment.

Best regards,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Thomas J. Logan
Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art
559 Pacific Street
Monterey, California 93940

MONTEREY PENINSULA MUSEUM OF ART

559 PACIFIC STREET • MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA 93940

TELEPHONE (408) 372-7591

July 2, 1982

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

While many museums are suffering financial problems and are having to cut back or even close, the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art is not only functioning in the black, but is planning a ground breaking in approximately six weeks for an addition to the present building.

We are able to do this because the museum is financed mainly from private rather than public funds. We are very proud of this local support.

This financial support is equalled by 75,000 volunteer hours of five hundred some people as only the director and secretaries are salaried.

We are calling this to your attention as a successful example of the type of local self help that you have advocated.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Logan
Thomas J. Logan
Director

TJL:alc

To Mr. John King - 4114 11th St. Des Moines Iowa 50313

Dear Mr. King

Forgive me for being so late in answering your letter of May 6 but it takes awhile for mail to reach my desk. Anyway I thank you for your kind letter & generous words.

You covered a few memories of my own drive days at W.H.R. I must also say they were happy days even though the country was in the depths of the great depression.

Now you write an upbeat letter in what some say is the worst recession since those times. Believe me you brightened my day with your optimism and your outlook. I think I'm scheduled to be away from Wash. for a good part of July when you say you are taking your vacation. Being a "history buff," I think you'll find your trip very rewarding.

If you go to the Lincoln Memorial (and you should) go around to ^{each} ~~the~~ side of the giant statue of Lincoln. One profile shows the strength of the man. ~~The~~ The other profile shows his compassion. This must have been the intent of the artist and he truly succeeded.

Again thanks & Very Best Wishes

Sincerely RR

To Mr. Berleigh E. Jacobs P.O. Box 26499 Milwaukee Wis. 53226

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

Thank you for your letter to me & to Speaker O'Neill - I assume he received a copy. As you know by now we do have a bipartisan budget resolution, passed over the opposition of the Speaker. I had hoped he would join in the bipartisan effort so at the ~~the~~ leadership level we could appear before the citizens symbolizing joint, unified in this time of ec. crisis.

That unfortunately was not to be. Mr. O'Neill has made it plain he intends to continue his opposition by opposing efforts to implement the resolution.

I know how little good it does to say hang in there.
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when so many are hurting as you are but I'm convinced the recession has bottomed out. Inflation is running at only 3.7% for the last 6 months & for the first time in 3 yrs. real wages are showing an increase. You are right that interest rates are now the biggest stumbling block. They have come down from the $2\frac{1}{2}$ prime rate we inherited but they must come down much more. I assure you we are doing everything we can to bring that about. I think the July 1 income tax cut is going to help.

Believe me I'm aware of the trouble in your industry as well as the others that have been hit so hard by high interest rates. I'm convinced the answer lies in getting control of govt. spending & that we are doing.

Bret Reynolds

R.R.

To Dr. Robert L. Barker - 19050 Sherman Way #119
Pacifica, Calif. 91335

Dear Dr. Barker

Thank you very much for brightening my day. You provided a welcome boost to my morale. Back here in Wash. the "hecklers" have a cheer and every once in a while their dirge can wear one down.

I appreciate your generous words and I'll stay in there. Perhaps we both owe a thank you to that student who stopped by to express his appreciation to you.

Again my thanks for your kind letter and very best wishes.
Sincerely R.R.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear Mac:

Just a line to acknowledge your good (and kind) letter and to say it was great to see you after all these years -- since that rainy day drive to St. Louis.

I know they have me on quite a merry-go-round in St. Louis the 22nd, but I hope we'll manage to see each other.

Nancy sends her best.

Sincerely,

Ron

Reverend Raymond McCallister
227 North Sappington Road
St. Louis, Missouri 63122

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear George:

Thanks very much for your letter. I'm just back from the ranch in California -- a little homesick already, but better for having been there. I found your letter awaiting me, and thanks for all you are doing and for your kind words.

I'll get to work with our people on the matters you brought up in the attachments and see that someone gets back to you.

Nancy sends her best, and give our regards to Mrs. Christopher.

Sincerely,

Ron

The Honorable George Christopher
1170 Sacramento Street, #5-D
San Francisco, California 94108

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear Mr. Levy:

Thanks very much for your kind letter and generous words. I'm sorry to be so late in replying, but I've been in California and only just found your letter awaiting me on my return to Washington.

Believe me, I appreciate your prayers. I'm doing a lot of praying myself. If only we can come up with an end to the bloodshed, a united and viable Lebanon, removal of the P.L.O., and than return home the Syrians and Israelis, what a giant step that would be toward final peace in that troubled part of the world. We'll keep trying.

You were kind to write as you did and I'm most grateful.

Best regards,

Ronald Reagan

Mr. Edward C. Levy, Jr.
8800 Dix Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48209

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear Reverend Brown:

Thanks very much for your kind letter and your prayers. I'm grateful for both and always have need of the latter.

I was pleased to hear that John may be coming home soon. He has been in my prayers. Give him my very best regards. I enjoyed our brief phone visit and appreciate your sending me his picture.

My regards to Mrs. Brown, and best wishes to you all.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

Reverend William D. Brown
Post Office Box 96
Ithaca, New York 14850

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear Ward:

It was good to hear from you, and I want you to know I've got our people looking into the "Radio Marti" matter. After all, I'm one of the last to ever want to create a problem for WHO.

Nancy sends her best, and give our regards to Dorothy. Again, thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ward L. Quaal
Suite 370 O'Hare Plaza
5725 East River Road
Chicago, Illinois 60631

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

Dear Pete:

Just a line to thank you for the Buttram lines. I don't think I can steal any of these, but I'll keep an eye on him -- he's great.

Of course your note and the clipping made me homesick. I've been to more than a few of those Masquer affairs -- and picked up useful material.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,



Mr. Peter D. Hannaford
10960 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024

To Mr. Raymond Mc Carver 227 No. Jefferson Rd.
St. Louis Mo. 63122

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for all you are doing & for your kind words.

I'll get to work with our people on the
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see that someone gets back to you.

Nancy sends her best and give our
regards to Mrs. C. sincerely
R.R.

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on my return to Wash.

Believe me I appreciate your prayers; I'm doing
a lot of praying myself. If only we can come up with
an end to the bloodshed, a united & viable Lebanon,
removal of the P.L.O. and then return home of Syrians &
Israelis. What a giant step that would be toward
final peace in that troubled part of the
world. We'll keep trying.

You were kind to write as you did & I'm
most grateful. Best Regards

R.R.

(X) To Rev. Wm. D. Brown
P.O. Box 96 Ithaca N.Y. 14850

Dear Rev. Brown

Thanks very much for your kind letter & your prayers. I'm grateful for both & always have need of the latter.

I was pleased to hear that John may be coming home soon. He has been in my prayers. Give ~~my~~ him my very best regards. I enjoyed our brief phone visit and appreciate your sending me his picture.

My regards to Mrs. Brown and best wishes to you all.

Sincerely RR

To Ward L. Quaal Suite 370 O'Hare Plaza
5725 East River Rd. Chi. Ill. 60631

Dear Ward

It was good to hear from you and I want you to know I've got our people looking into the "Radio Marti" matter. After all I'm one of the last to ever want to create a problem for WFO.

Nancy sends her best & give our regards to Dorothy. Again thanks & Best Regards

Sincerely Ron

To Peter D. Hannaford 10960 Wilshire Blvd.
L.A. Calif. 90024

Dear Pete

Just a line to thank you for the Buttram lines. I don't think I can steal any of these but I'll keep an eye on him, he's great.

Of course your note & the clipping made me homesick. I've been to more than a few of those Maquer affairs — and picked up useful material.

Thanks again.

Sincerely Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1982

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~~To Juanita B. Baker 718~~

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1982

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I have tried my very best down through the years to help you accomplish the important goals you have sought for our state and this nation.

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During the two and one half years since you asked me to become your campaign press secretary, in February of 1980, and later to assume other tasks on your behalf, I have had the unique opportunity to share in the election of a great American President and to help shape the policies you have since implemented in the White House. Only a relatively few persons are ever offered such an opportunity, and I want to thank you personally for the privilege you have granted to me.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 19, 1982

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached is a letter of resignation from Ed Gray which I thought you would wish to see. You have already responded; but I thought you might wish to have this in mind when you drop by Ed Gray's going away party (which, as I understand it, will be put on your schedule in the near future).

Richard

Richard G. Darman

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

7-13-82

TO: *Mike Deaver*

FROM: EDWIN J. GRAY

() FYI

() Comment

This is a copy of my letter of resignation to the President which I thought you should have, pursuant to our conversation.

Ed

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 14, 1982

*Return to
Carmel Mission
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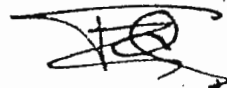
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My wife, Monique and my two daughters, Nathalie and Laure-anne, have shared with me the meaning of service to President and country and we, as a family, join together in extending to you and Mrs. Reagan our best wishes and prayers as you continue to serve this great and proud country. You, and what you stand for, mean more to us than we can ever say.

Illegitimi Non Carborundum.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'EJG' with a stylized flourish.

Edwin J. Gray
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of the White House Office
of Policy Information

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The White House

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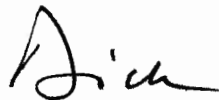
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July 16, 1982

MR. PRESIDENT:

In today's briefing for the Paul Duke interview on your relations with Congress, the subject of the "Legislative Strategy Group" came up. I thought you might be interested in the attached article on the subject.

The article is basically very favorable. In my personal opinion, the Legislative Strategy Group is an outstanding example of the kind of teamwork that Reagan Administrations are known for!



Richard G. Darman



Reagan's Legislative Strategy Team Keeps His Record of Victories Intact

The strategy group is in charge of "working the Hill," which is what the Reagan White House appears to do best, as witness its recent victory on the budget.

BY DICK KIRSCHTEN

In a fortnight devoted to foreign policy—a presidential tour of Europe and two war crises—it says something about the Reagan Administration that it bungled a United Nations vote but won a budget victory in Congress.

Even with half its key legislative strategists on the opposite side of the Atlantic, the White House domestic political apparatus operated like a well-oiled machine. By contrast, the diplomatic contingent of the President's party embarrassingly failed to transmit changed instructions from Paris to New York in time for a key June 4 U.N. vote on the Falkland Islands conflict.

There were no such foul-ups of timing or communications on June 10, when President Reagan—in the midst of NATO meetings and urgent huddles over Israel's invasion of Lebanon—placed calls from Bonn to a half-dozen Members prior to the House's adoption of a budget resolution.

As these incidents illustrate, "working the Hill" has turned out to be what the Reagan White House does best. High priority is given to congressional relations. Legislative strategy meetings are held almost daily—sometimes three or four times a day—in the office of chief of staff James A. Baker III.

Attendance at those meetings is strictly limited to the number of persons who can comfortably be seated around Baker's table—usually 8 but 10 in a squeeze. The core members of the legislative strategy group include Baker as chairman and top Reagan confidants Edwin Meese III and Michael K. Deaver. Presidential assistants Richard G. Darman, the group's coordinator; Kenneth M. Duberstein, the liaison to Capitol Hill; and Craig L. Fuller, point man for the Cabinet; round out the regulars. Cabinet officers and other

White House aides take part when invited. Because of the dominance of economic issues, budget director Dave Stockman and Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan have been in the thick of the group's deliberations.

Members of the group pride themselves on their ability to move quickly in acquiring information, reaching decisions and acting upon them. If a presidential decision is needed, the group has ready access to the Oval Office. The heady aroma of power tends to permeate their remarks. "The beauty of the group is that if the people around that table agree, they represent what's necessary to get most anything done," said one. "Our phone calls get answered, both in the Administration and on the Hill," said another.

Since there are few issues that do not have legislative implications, the Baker group becomes visibly involved in a wide range of issues. That has tended to subordinate the role of the White House policy development staff and has created some internal tensions.

There also are outside critics who feel that the legislative strategy group exercises inordinate influence over presidential policy decisions. Baker and Darman are frequent targets of right-wing commentators who charge that Reagan's conservative objectives are being thwarted by the machinations of moderate aides.

But there are few who fault the legislative results achieved thus far by the Reagan team. Keenly aware of the importance of congressional victories to the public's perception of a President's leadership, the Reagan legislative advisers have picked their fights carefully and maximized the favorable publicity that has accompanied their successes.

TWO DEAD BUDGETS

One observer who appreciates the skill with which the Republican Reagan Ad-

ministration has dealt with a Congress partly under Democratic control is Stuart E. Eizenstat, White House domestic policy staff chief in the Democratic Carter Administration, which had difficulty dealing with a Congress controlled by its own party.

In an interview, Eizenstat pointed out the parallel circumstances but different outcomes confronting Carter in 1980 and Reagan this year. In both instances, he said, "the budgets submitted by the Presidents were dead when they reached the door of Congress." Eizenstat conceded that the Reagan strategy of challenging Congress to rework the 1983 budget was far superior to the Carter tactic of "ripping up our own budget publicly and sending it back."

The Carter aide pointed out that although the results were the same in both years—a totally unacceptable budget replaced by one that Congress could live with—"we ended up dealing with charges of flip-flops and having three different budgets while they ended up claiming victory by supporting a budget rewritten on the Hill."

Eizenstat gave much of the credit to Baker's sense of strategy: "Jim Baker's a person that I have always admired from my years of working on the other side." He added that many of the Reagan Administration's legislative issues have not gone well—immigration reform, Voting Rights Act modifications, Clean Air Act amendments and the New Federalism program—but they have been managed in such a way that they "are not seen as central" to the Reagan program.

From the outset, Eizenstat said, the Reagan Administration has had its priorities clear and has been able to keep contentious issues on the back burner. It has based its budget strategy on the argument that spending cuts are needed to bring about economic recovery. "It's

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Dear Henry:

Thank you very much for your generous words and for your kind treatment of me in your fine magazine. I'm most grateful and more than a little proud.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Henry O. Dormann
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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Here is an advance copy of our July issue with your very kind article.

I deeply appreciated your taking the time to allow me to visit with you a few months ago. I hope you are pleased with what we were able to do, not only with your article and the Vice President's, but with the recurring theme throughout this issue of free enterprise and our American way of life.

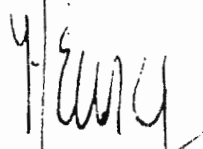
Mike Deaver and Shirley Moore have been a great help in working with us. They are such wonderful people along with the others who surround you and it has been a real pleasure for all of us associated with LEADERS Magazine.

I think the press in general gives a distorted view of what is happening in the United States and, sadly enough, I think, our own press is the main culprit but I think you will find LEADERS Magazine a departure. We are not out to attack, we are out to inform.

My most sincere thanks and deepest appreciation to you and to all on your staff.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,



HENRY O. DÖRMANN
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I just wanted to let you know how very welcome you are and how proud I am that you are a Marine.

Please give my regards to your family and, again, my thanks. God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Private First Class Vladimir Tzapp
Marine Corps Recruiting Station
102 Flatbush Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11217

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