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PRESIDENTIAL PERSONNEL OFFICE

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SUBJECT: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board:

David Meyers

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ACTION CODES:

A - Appropriate Action
 B - Briefing Paper
 C - Comment/Recommendation

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 I - Interview

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ORIGINATOR:

☒ Dunlop☐ Herrington

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November 15, 1983

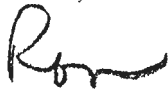
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Thank you for apprising me of your recommendation.

Sincerely,



Mr. Justin Dart, Jr.
2012 Lear Lane
Austin, Texas 78745

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bcc: Becky Norton Dunlop, Rm 145
Barbara McQuown, Rm 147

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Jo BP
DRAFT LETTER FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE / SN

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Ronald Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 10, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: BECKY NORTON DUNLOP

FROM: Susan Nalder

SUBJECT: Architectural and
Transportation Barriers
Compliance Board

The terms of four (4) members will expire on December 3, 1983. All four (4) were originally appointed by President Carter. We are now sourcing for candidates to replace three (3) and the fourth, David Myers, will be reappointed, per John Herrington.

Attached is a current membership list.

*Barbara
- did we check out
Myers with Hansen
or Brad
Reynolds yes see
letter 1/7
BND*

JUSTIN DART, JR.

2012 LEAR LANE
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78745
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FG328

John H.
This young man is a
friend of ours - I'll need to
answer this - but where are we
on this situation?
RR

October 2, 1983

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

Dear President Reagan:

I would like to ask you to consider the qualifications of David Myers in his effort to be reappointed to the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board. David has outstanding professional qualifications in the area of the rehabilitation of deaf and hearing impaired persons and is a recognized leader among disabled individuals in the country. His selection by the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) as their candidate for the opening on the A&TBCB speaks well of his extensive involvement in the deaf community and the depth of his personal experience with environmental barriers and other problems and potentials associated with deafness.

It is vitally important that organizations which authentically represent large segments of the disabled community, such as NAD, be represented in government, particularly in capacities which deal with disability. David is respected as a responsible, active, cooperative and dedicated worker toward the expansion of quality of life opportunities for people with all types of disabilities. Because of his proven competence and expertise, his strong ties to advocacy organizations of disabled people, and his positive, constructive attitudes and contributions, I feel that he offers a resource of tremendous value to the Board and the Administration.

Yours for a barrier free society,

Justin W. Dart, Jr.

PN

ACCESS TO A LIFE OF QUALITY

NAME

POL.

STATE

DATE APPOINTED

TERM EXPIRES

* ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

George Malcolm White

Ohio

1/27/81

* ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD (21)Heads of each of the following departments or agencies or their designees:

Department of HHS	Department of Justice
Department of Transportation	General Services Administration
Department of HUD	Veterans' Administration
Department of Labor	United States Postal Service
Department of the Interior	Department of Education
Department of Defense	

Eleven appointed by the President:

Mason Harry Rose V (Handicapped)	D	Calif.	12/4/79	12/3/81
William A. Passmore	D	Ind.	12/4/79	12/3/82
Carol Ann Grant (Handicapped)	D	N.C.	12/4/79	12/3/82
Kay E. Neil (Handicapped)	D	Neb.	12/4/79	12/3/82
Paul Muldawer	D	Ga.	11/18/80	12/3/83
William Reid Ralls	D	Mich.	11/18/80	12/3/83
Hale Joseph Zukas	D	Calif.	11/18/80	12/3/83
David W. Myers (Handicapped)	D	La.	1/18/81	12/3/83
Scott Moore Duncan (Handicapped)	R	Texas	3/31/82	12/3/84
Mary Alice Ford	R	Oregon	3/31/82	12/3/84
Charles R. Hauser	R	Ga.	3/31/82	12/3/84
Richard Chavez	D	Calif.	4/19/83	12/3/85
Rosemary Margaret Front (Handicapped)	R	W.Va.	4/19/83	12/3/85
Jackie O. McSpadden (Mr.)	R	Ark.	4/19/83	12/3/85

* ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION (Colorado & Kansas)Representative of the U.S.

Frank G. Cooley

R

Colo.

4/26/76

* ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT COMMISSION (Arkansas & Oklahoma)United States Commissioner

Mrs. Sharon L. Shipley

R

Ark.

5/27/83

~~John B. Luce~~~~R~~~~Ark.~~~~1/11/77~~United States Alternate Commissioner

Mr. Parn Healey

R

Ok.

5/27/83

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~~that~~ This morning
we have learned
of yet another
terrorist assault
against an
Israeli side in
Tyre (teer). It
~~was~~ was similar
to the attack
against our
Marines.



ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE

Freedom is being tested
throughout the world. In
Burma, that government
has announced conclusive
evidence ~~that~~^{of} North Korean
responsibility for the
atrocities taking the lives
of many members of the
South Korean government.
We stand with South
Korea and I will go ~~there~~^{there}
next week to carry ~~that~~^{our}
message to them: "revelation
at this atrocity, determination
to stand ~~for freedom~~ with



our friends, firm
resolve ~~is~~ in support of
freedom.

WHETHER HUMANKIND WILL SUFFER A NEW
ONSLAUGHT OF BLOODSHED AND TYRANNY HAS MUCH
TO DO WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE'S STRENGTH OF
CHARACTER AND SENSE OF PURPOSE. *#1 goal*

IN THE MIDDLE EAST, WE ARE BEING
TESTED. *#2 goal* IN SPITE OF THE COMPLEXITY AND
SPECIAL HARDSHIPS OF THE LEBANESE CRISIS, WE
HAVE STOOD FIRM. AS EVER, LEATHERNECKS ARE
WILLING TO ACCEPT THEIR MISSION AND DO THEIR
DUTY. THIS HONEST PATRIOTISM AND DEDICATION
TO DUTY OVERWHELMS US.

IN GRENADA, OUR MILITARY FORCES MOVED
QUICKLY AND PROFESSIONALLY TO PROTECT
AMERICAN LIVES AND RESPOND TO AN URGENT
REQUEST FROM THE ORGANIZATION OF EASTERN
CARIBBEAN STATES. WE JOINED IN AN EFFORT TO
RESTORE ORDER AND DEMOCRACY TO THAT
STRIFE-TORN ISLAND.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 1983

Dear Franklin:

With only a few more like you and Jane we could dispense with Diplomats and Ambassadors. Thank you for all you are doing and thank you for your letter and the enclosed message from Sami Dagher. I was deeply moved by such an evidence of love in a land where hate is so much the order of the day.

Please give Nancy's and my warmest regards to your parents and to your sons. And, again, a heartfelt thanks for your unselfish labors. You shall be in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Franklin Graham
Post Office Box 3000
Boone, North Carolina 28607

FRANKLIN GRAHAM
P. O. Box 3000, Boone, N. C. 28607

October 27, 1983

Dear Mr. President:

My father, Dr. Billy Graham, suggested that I write to you and send you a copy of the enclosed telex which I received from Lebanon the other day. He thought that it might encourage you to know that the true believers there are not only thankful for what you are doing but pray for you regularly.

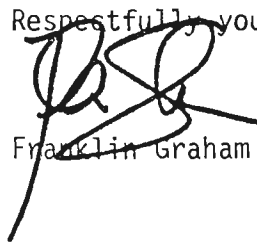
I have been involved in Lebanon since 1975, working through a local church and its pastor, Sami Dagher. Last year we were able to rebuild approximately 250 homes that were destroyed as a result of the fighting. We have also been working in the Sabra and Shatila camps and have been able to help 6,000 Palestinian families with food and medicine. We are thankful to God for the opportunities He has given to us to show His love to those less fortunate than we.

I have made over 20 trips to Lebanon and plan to return in December. I hope I will have the opportunity of preaching to the Marines while I am there.

Thank you for what you are doing for those in Lebanon. My wife, Jane, and I have three little boys and we are grateful to you for making this a safer world for them to grow up in.

God bless you.

Respectfully yours,


Franklin Graham

FG/dt

Enclosure

16690
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

(The following telex was sent on October 24, 1983,
to Franklin Graham; P.O. Box 3000; Boone, NC 28607;
from Reverend Sami Dagher; Beirut, Lebanon.)

To: Franklin Graham

We are in a state of shock. My heart is broken with sorrow and sadness because of the awful massacre of U. S. Marines which took place on Sunday morning, October 23. It shows clearly to the world the barbaric nature of our enemy. We feel with those who have lost loved ones through this senseless act of murder. We know how the American people feel; for we have gone through it ourselves. May the hope of the living Christ comfort the hearts of your people at this time.

Your nation has become a partner in the pain and suffering of our nation—this battle we are fighting together for freedom and democracy. We are so grateful for your President's stand to continue his commitment to defend the free world and its values; otherwise, it would mean that one day you would fight this battle on the borders of America.

All the church brethren prayed earnestly on Sunday morning for the families who lost loved ones and we prayed that God would give us peace and strength to fulfill the task given to us.

May the Lord richly bless you.

Love in Christ,

Sami Dagher

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November 1, 1983

Dear Tom:

Things did get a little hectic back here but the Marines and the Rangers and the 82nd Airborne with a bit of Navy and Air Force to transport them sure has the situation well in hand. Tom, I've never been so proud as I am of those wonderful young guys in uniform. What makes it so wonderful is they weren't drafted, they chose to wear those uniforms.

Bill goes to the Senate committee for confirmation tomorrow. I really think he'll do fine and won't have any trouble. Incidentally, he really wants this job and no other. By the way, and I don't want to start an argument, but George B. is really doing a fine job. He stands tall in all these things such as we've just gone through.

Thanks again for the kind words.

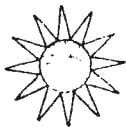
Sincerely,

RON

Mr. Thomas M. O'Brien
Building J, Suite 202
6560 North Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, Arizona 85253

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Southwest Investment and Trust

6560 N. Scottsdale Rd. Bldg. J Suite 202
Scottsdale, Arizona 85253

October 26, 1983

President Ronald Reagan
Attention: 16991
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ron:

Hooray! Hooray! We've taken a stand! Grenada may be small but it showed the era of Jimmy Carter is no longer with us. Carter gave away Angola, Iran, Nicaragua, Grenada, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, etc., etc., and the "partridge in the pear tree." He probably would have bombed downtown Dallas to show the Russians we were friendly. You are trying to pick up the pieces with a lack of foreign confidence. (Respect for you-yes, but confidence-no, due to a liberal, hold-over press.) Too bad they aren't elected. Few would survive except in Massachusetts, D.C., and New York...and a liberal House.

Solution to any vehicle entries in Beirut--just use the U.S. parking lot prongs; the ones that jet out of the ground, insuring no exit or entry unless you have paid or have been granted entry. They are remote controlled and will tear up any tire if crossed, as you know. Perhaps during these trying times it would be proper to install them at all U.S. & foreign bases NOW! (No, I don't own any stock in that company but the product works and we need more protection.) This is probably another Russian test.

Recently, in California, I got on to a Marine Base early in the morning driving Kelly's Rolls Royce. Done by accident, but I, too, could have been carrying bombs and a sleeping Marine is a better target than an awake Marine. Just a thought. (I was inland and north of La Costa--is that Pendleton?)

Also, I talked with Bob Mathias yesterday. As you know, I hired him as spokesman for one of my companies. He will be in Los Angeles for the opening ceremonies, as well as you and other dignitaries. Remember the movie about the blimp that was commandeered to blow up the Super Bowl and the President? I don't feel the Russians or their allies will show up for the '84 Games, but the PLO and Cubans already in Los Angeles could do this very same thing with the Goodyear Blimp. This is not said to alarm you, but I worry about you constantly and look for openings your people might overlook. Please secure the skies, Amigo, or don't go.

God, we never talk about ranching, riding, the open spaces or even sitting by a campfire on a crystal starlit night anymore. Just death, protection and a lack of cooperation by liberals in Washington.

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President Ronald Reagan
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September 26, 1983

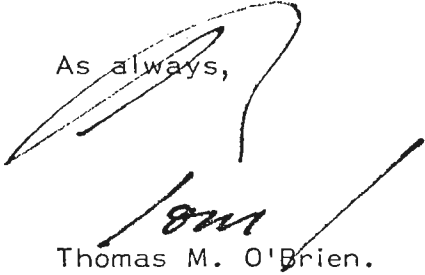
You've given up much to take care of us, and I'll never be able to thank you enough. I'll try but nothing would be sufficient.

Billy Clark will be hammered in November. I know he will not disappoint you. But my heart goes out to him, too. I feel something great is in the offing for the Judge. Perhaps the Supreme Court--or maybe even V.P. --the latter coming should you ever turn the reins over to Bush.

There was only one John Wayne and there is only one Ronald Reagan. Classics. Bush reminds me of L.B.J.

Love you, Amigo. Take care of yourself. All our love to Nancy and the Judge. See you in December.

As always,



Thomas M. O'Brien.

TMO'B/jj

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November 1, 1983

Dear Ward:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and generous words. These have been, as the man said, "times that try men's souls," but a letter like yours adds a little warmth to the sun. That goes along with the warmth I already feel when I think of those splendid young men who dropped and floated in to the Grenada shores.

Nancy sends her love to you and Dorothy as do I and, again, thanks.

Sincerely,

RON

Mr. Ward L. Quaal
Suite 3140
401 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611

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RR Dictation

The Ward L. Duval Company

401 North Michigan Avenue

Suite 3140

Chicago, Illinois 60611

Ward L. Duval

President

October 28, 1983

Telephone

312/644-6066

The President of the United States
The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

My dear Mr. President:

Knowing you all these years, respecting you and admiring you, I realize fully well the many agonizing hours you have faced this past week.

Mr. President, at any time, the burdens of the Presidency are overwhelming, but the grave responsibilities you have had cast upon your shoulders in this recent period represent a series of incredibly difficult and agonizing decisions and experiences.

Mr. President, when you were elected I wrote to you to congratulate you and told you that in my opinion because of the principles for which you stand and because of your dedication to this lovely land, there was no question, in my mind, but that you would become our greatest president in modern history. As we near the completion of three years of your first term, it is abundantly clear to one and all that that greatness obtains at all times, whether the leadership is required at home or abroad.

Last night in your presentation to the people of America you were truly tremendous. Certainly, no decent, fair-minded, American-loving individual can question that which you had to say last evening and that which you have done in leading our nation during these trying times.

On Tuesday morning, as I was leaving my room at the Mayflower to attend a business breakfast at the hotel, I learned of our going into Grenada to bring out the youngsters at the medical school and, in general, to secure this tiny but extremely important and very strategic island.

Los Angeles, California 213/277-9399 714/493-3316

The President of the United States
The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan
October 28, 1983
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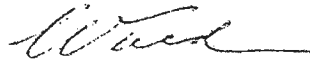
I then reflected upon my visit with you in the Oval Office on March 17 when you and I were discussing the merits of Radio Marti in one form or another. Almost concurrently, we addressed the "importance" of Grenada. Quite frankly, Mr. President, I hoped that your "decision" regarding that island would be just as that which manifest itself when our men moved ashore last Tuesday morning.

Again, I want to commend you and thank you for the truly tremendous leadership you are giving this Republic in these critical times.

Dorothy sends her love and please extend hers and mine to Nancy.

Warmest wishes, Ron.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ward L. Quaal', with a stylized, flowing script.

Ward L. Quaal

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Thanks again for the kind words.

Smiley Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 1983

Amen!
RR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KENNETH M. DUBERSTEIN *Ken D.*

I want to call to your attention a letter being circulated by Senator Bill Roth (R-Delaware) in opposition to Bob Dole's deficit-reduction package. In short, Bill argues that the Dole plan contains mostly illusory savings on the spending side and real increases on the tax side. He makes a compelling case.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 11/2/83

NOTE FOR: KEN DUBERSTEIN

The President has

seen ☒

acted upon ☐

commented upon ☒

the attached; and it is forwarded to you for your:

information ☒

action ☐

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
(x-2702)

cc: Central File - Original



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 29, 1983

DOLE DEFICIT PACKAGE CONTAINS ILLUSORY SAVINGS

Dear Colleague:

Our colleague, Bob Dole, recently unveiled a plan designed to reduce the federal deficit. Although Senator Dole's motives are commendable, the fact is that his program contains mostly illusory savings on the spending side but very real and permanent increases on the tax side. I hope you will take a very close look at the Dole plan because I am convinced that when you do you will be constrained, as President Reagan and I am, to oppose it.

The package, if enacted, would require \$38.4 billion in mandated tax increases and could go as high as \$53.8 billion in tax increases if the powers given to the President are fully implemented. He attempts to balance this program with \$60.4 billion in supposed spending reductions. A close study of this spending package indicates that the spending savings are substantially less than the real tax increases.

Let me delineate some of the real problems of the Dole proposal:

1. The plan includes \$12.4 billion in directed measures. The fact is, however, that over \$9 billion of this amount has already been recommended by my Governmental Affairs Committee and is not dependent on this package.
2. The proposal uses as its baseline the First Concurrent Budget Resolution, which is fully \$32 billion above the President's budget request. Thus, the \$10.3 billion savings he attributes to enacted or pending measures really isn't a "reduction" at all; rather, we are just slowing the amount of increase proposed by the Congressional Budget Resolution.
3. In this package \$7.9 billion is attributable to cuts in programs, such as AFDC and child nutrition. In the First Budget Resolution Congress already indicated its support for these programs. Yet the plan has the audacity to suggest that "these savings are the Administration's responsibility to veto and sustain..."

Only a magician could pull these savings out of the Congressional hat.

4. An additional \$23.8 billion in savings is attributable to new Temporary Emergency Control Powers given to the President. In order to achieve these savings, the President would have to cut Social Security and military and civilian COLAs 2½ percent in an election year while at the same time scrapping part of his tax indexing program. These savings are further conditioned upon Congress approving such cuts, which is highly doubtful.

5. The \$6 billion savings on debt service is highly speculative. It could only occur if the other savings are made.

Only one thing is for certain in this package -- taxes are going up dramatically.

Depending on the use of emergency powers, between \$25.2 billion and \$34.3 billion in new taxes will fall on the middle class, including \$6.2 billion in taxes on personal savings. At least 11 of the tax provisions directly hit the middle class. In addition, at least \$16.5 billion in new taxes fall on business.

One final but very important note -- the proposal substantially modifies the impoundment and rescission powers of the Congress by allowing the President to withhold appropriated funds. These issues are beyond the jurisdiction of the Finance Committee, and should be properly referred to other Senate Committees that have the appropriate jurisdiction. If this legislation is allowed to proceed, we will be well on the road to a serious breach of Committee responsibility.

In summary, the Dole plan lures us through doubtful spending changes into adopting a massive tax increase bill. In 1982, we were promised that for every dollar of taxes raised, we would cut spending by three dollars. Instead, we have raised spending by as much as \$1.14 for every dollar of taxes raised.

Let's not make the same mistake twice.

Sincerely,



William V. Roth, Jr.
U. S. Senate

WVR/bcg

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The President has seen _____

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KEN DUBERSTEIN

Ken D.

Congressman Lee Hamilton (D-Indiana) delivered the "Democratic response" to your radio talk last Saturday. Lee is a senior Democrat on the House Foreign Affairs Committee who has been of considerable help to us on the Lebanon situation. His speech, a copy of which is attached, has received a very favorable reaction on the Hill.

*Very good - shouldn't have a rebuttal? On shouldnt come
Reps. see more of this type*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 11/2/83

NOTE FOR: KEN DUBERSTEIN

The President has

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the attached; and it is forwarded to you for your:

information ☒

action ☐

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
(x-2702)

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The Speaker's Rooms
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
October 28, 1983

For Further Information:
Nick Cullather
225-5315

LEE HAMILTON TO DELIVER DEMOCRATIC RADIO ADDRESS

Congressman Lee H. Hamilton (D-IN), Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East, will deliver the Democratic radio address on Saturday, October 29th.

Hamilton serves on the House Intelligence Committee and is a member of the 15-member panel group named by Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. to monitor Administration policies in Lebanon.

His address will be broadcast live at 1:06 PM from NBC radio studios in the National Press Building.

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TEXT EMBARGOED UNTIL 1:06 p.m., SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

... TO CONGRESSMAN LEE HAMILTON. I REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF THE
NINTH DISTRICT OF INDIANA.

IN THE WAKE OF THE GHASTLY TERRORIST ATTACK WHICH CLAIMED THE LIVES OF OVER 225 MARINES IN BEIRUT, MANY PEOPLE ARE CONFUSED ABOUT AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN LEBANON, WHAT THE MARINES ARE DEFENDING THERE, AND WHY THEY NEED TO STAY.

IN LOOKING AT THESE QUESTIONS WE MUST FIRST PUT AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN LEBANON INTO PROPER PERSPECTIVE. WE SHOULD AVOID OVERSTATING WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO. OUR GOALS IN LEBANON ARE WORTHY AND ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE PEACE PROCESS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, BUT ACCOMPLISHING A UNITED, SOVEREIGN LEBANON IS NOT VITAL TO THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES AND THIS GOAL SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED PRIMARILY IN STRATEGIC TERMS OR AS PART OF THE EAST-WEST BALANCE OF POWER.

HOW LONG MUST THE MARINES STAY? IF WE SAY WE WILL STAY UNTIL LEBANON IS A STABLE COUNTRY AND SYRIA NO LONGER A THREAT, WE MAKE A MORE OPEN COMMITMENT THAN WE CAN AFFORD. IF WE SAY THE MARINES WILL STAY A FIXED NUMBER OF DAYS OR WEEKS, OUR COMMITMENT IS TOO FEEBLE, AND WE HAND OUR ADVERSARIES THE ABILITY TO OUTMANEUVER US. PERHAPS IT IS BEST FOR US TO SAY THAT WHEN WE JUDGE THAT THE LEBANESE ARE ON THE ROAD TO NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND A BETTER SECURITY SYSTEM IS AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTRY, OUR MARINES WILL BE ON THEIR WAY HOME.

THE UNITED STATES NEEDS A DIVERSIFIED STRATEGY IN LEBANON IN ORDER TO WITHDRAW THE MARINES BEFORE THE 18-MONTH DEADLINE WORKED OUT BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE CONGRESS. THE UNITED STATES MUST NEGOTIATE WITH THAT WITHDRAWAL IN MIND, AND IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH OUR INTERESTS IN THE REGION.

SIX GOALS SHOULD BE THE FOCUS OF AMERICAN POLICY:

THE FIRST IS AN AGREEMENT ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM LEBANON. WE MUST PRESS HARD FOR AGREEMENTS FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOME 50,000 SYRIAN TROOPS, 15,000 ISRAELI TROOPS, CLOSE TO 10,000

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PALESTINIAN GUERRILLAS AND OVER 1,000 IRANIANS, LIBYANS, AND OTHER NATIONALS.

SECOND, WE MUST WORK TO RESTART THE WHOLE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS. THAT PROCESS CANNOT WAIT FOR DEVELOPMENTS IN LEBANON. ACHIEVING PROGRESS IN THESE BROADER MIDDLE EAST PEACE TALKS MAY BE ONE WAY TO MOVE THE PEACE AGENDA IN LEBANON.

THIRD, THE PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION MUST GET UNDERWAY IN A CONFERENCE OF ALL LEBANESE FACTIONS. A CONFERENCE WILL LIKELY BEGIN MONDAY IN GENEVA. OUT OF THIS CONFERENCE MUST COME THE CRITICAL COMPROMISES LEBANON NEEDS IF IT IS TO SURVIVE. SUCH COMPROMISES MUST LEAD TO A BROADLY BASED GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY, BACKED BY INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. AMERICAN DIPLOMATS CAN HELP THIS PROCESS ALONG, BUT ONLY LEBANESE LEADERS CAN MAKE IT SUCCEED. IF LEBANESE LEADERS DO NOT SEE IT THAT WAY AND FAIL TO PLAY THEIR BEST HAND, THE MARINES WILL BE USEFUL NO LONGER AND SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN. STRONG PRESSURE TO COMPROMISE MUST BE PUT ON ALL FACTIONS IN LEBANON. THEY MUST UNDERSTAND THAT THEIR CHOICE IS UNITY OR ANARCHY, AND THAT THE HOUR IS LATE. IT IS THEIR NATION, NOT OURS, WHOSE FUTURE IS ON THE LINE.

FOURTH, AN ACCEPTABLE SECURITY STRUCTURE COULD BE BUILT UP AROUND A BETTER TRAINED AND EQUIPPED LEBANESE ARMY, APPROPRIATELY DEPOLITICIZED AND ORGANIZED TO REFLECT THE RELIGIOUS MOSAIC OF THE NATION. MILITARY AID FROM A NUMBER OF NATIONS COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE LEBANESE ARMY IN A FORM AGREED TO BY ALL FACTIONS. SOLDIERS OF OTHER COUNTRIES COULD BE ROTATED THROUGH THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE, KEEPING IT IN PLACE AS LONG AS IT WAS NEEDED BUT ALLOWING THE MARINES TO DEPART MORE QUICKLY THAN WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE OTHERWISE.

FIFTH, IN THE DAYS JUST AHEAD, WE MUST ALSO STRENGTHEN THE SECURITY AREAS IN BEIRUT WHERE THE MARINES OPERATE. WE CAN NOT ACCEPT THE NOTION THAT NOTHING CAN BE DONE TO PROTECT THE MARINES FROM

KAMIKAZE TACTICS. THERE IS NO HIGHER PRIORITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST THAN THE PROTECTION OF THEIR LIVES.

FINALLY, WE SHOULD MAKE A QUICK BUT EXHAUSTIVE INVESTIGATION OF THE TERRORIST ATTACK, WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED BY A SMALL GROUP OF UNCONTROLLABLE FANATICS SEEKING TO CREATE ANARCHY FOR THEIR OWN PURPOSES. THEY SHOULD BE DEALT WITH SUMMARILY BEFORE THEIR TWISTED VISION FOR LEBANON OVERWHELMS THE SENSIBLE VISION OF THE MAJORITY OF LEBANESE PEOPLE.

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THEY ARE SYMBOLS OF OUR COMMITMENT TO THE LEBANESE PEOPLE AND TO A SOVEREIGN, INDEPENDENT LEBANON. WITHDRAWING THEM IMMEDIATELY WOULD MAKE HOLLOW OUR INSISTENCE THAT DIPLOMACY BE GIVEN A CHANCE. WHAT WE HAVE WORKED FOR, AND WHAT THOSE MEN HAVE DIED FOR, WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED, IF NOT LOST. THE SOVIET UNION WOULD BE GIVEN MORE LEEWAY AS IT TRIES TO DOMINATE LEBANON, AND THE ENTIRE MIDDLE EAST WOULD BECOME A MORE INVITING TARGET OF SOVIET OPPORTUNITY. SYRIA WOULD NEVER HONOR ITS PLEDGE TO PULL ITS TROOPS OUT, NOR WOULD IT END ITS SUPPORT OF REBEL FACTIONS OR ITS COLLABORATION WITH IRAN. ISRAEL'S NORTHERN BORDER WOULD BE EVEN MORE VULNERABLE. MODERATE ARAB STATES WOULD BE ALIENATED FROM US, AND OUR GENERAL INFLUENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WOULD SINK WHILE THE INFLUENCE OF RADICALS ROSE. WE WOULD ALSO HAVE MORE DIFFICULTIES IN RESTARTING MIDDLE EAST PEACE TALKS AND IN GETTING THE PARTIES IN THE AREA TO TAKE RISKS FOR PEACE.

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Dear President Reagan,

I have been thinking of you so much these days. I want to just sit down and tell you about some of what is in my mind and in my heart. I don't know how you will even have the time to be reading letters from people like me, with all the priorities there must be for you. But for whenever you may get any of this, here is what I want to say. It is quite a collection of thoughts.

First of all, this fall early, there was a note in the news that you are now using a prosthetic device due to a hearing loss. I don't know what it means to you to have these kinds of personal matters described and projected in the news. But I do much work with both handicapped persons as well as the elderly. In both of these divisions of people, there are often situations of hearing loss. At the Iowa Veteran's Home, I remember how many people had a hearing aid in their med drawer. It was my job to give these folks their morning meds and with them, to give them their hearing aid for use that day. Most of the time, these people would decline. I never really knew what all was involved, only that so many of them could have had the use of the device and it would have made such a difference to them. Anyway, what I am saying, is that it is neat to have you as a role model for them! They can look to you as not only their president, but as an intelligent, informed and very distinguished man, who also has something of a handicap and still functions admirably and effectively. That has got to have a positive effect.

Now to the second matter; It was the event when a Korean plane was shot down. The whole world was shocked and then enraged that a Soviet pilot would and could reduce a group of that many human lives to a "target" to be removed. In the face of that incredible action, we in this country and even the part of the rest of the world that

was watching, saw you respond in a careful and measured way. We were aware of your anger and your sadness for the people involved. But along with that, we saw you move, in what seemed to be restrained and cautious steps, based upon the intelligence that was being fed into you. That, I believe, is what we pay you to do. I am glad and was then, that you did not pop off with angry and uncalculated responses which could have resulted in grave and unchangeable consequences. Thank you for that.

Now to the recent events in this past week. I have been watching lots of television and reading the newspapers, as I would guess has been much of the country. I work three nights a week in a nursing home. My first reaction to what I saw and heard, was tears. When I saw what had happened in Lebanon, I noticed how much Marine green looks like Army green. The young men walking around and being carried out of the blasted area all looked like Ted. I was momentarily thankful that he is "safe" in Arizona. That didn't last long tho. It was very quickly overshadowed by the realization that the "safe" is very conditional, and that Ted himself would probably be unhappy with my attitude. I knew he would probably wish he could be there and be involved. I found out later that I was right. The next tears that I cried were for the moms. I feel so sad for them.

When the Granada thing opened up, I saw and heard about the Airborne men and their involvement. I knew that Ted was undoubtedly plugged in to all that was taking place and I felt a little thrill. I have listened to him for so long talk about how great that group of men is and how much he longs to become a part. I have to say that when the students who arrived back home later, began to tell about their experiences, I heard again in my mind, a reflection of the greatness Ted had described in these men. Even tho I still know that fear that probably only a mom knows, I notice it moving over in favor of an understanding and an acceptance. Some of the students kissed American soil and wept. Others talked openly of their thankfulness for their country, their president, and told how thankful they were for

the green helmets popping up over the hill and the cheer that they said went up with the announcement; "The U.S. Army is here." I just went all warm and teary and for the first time ever, I really began to grasp in my mind and heart, some of what this young soldier of mine is all about. After I watched you on television, I did a first. I picked up the phone and I called Ted. I have not ever done that, except when his sister had brain surgery a year ago. It is important to Ted to be now making cuts with the ties at home and so we wait for him to do the calling when he feels he wants to do so. But last night I had to hear his voice, and to say to him, "I love you so much and am so proud of all that you are and of all that you want to become. And I do now understand just a little bit more than I did a week ago." Of course, he is feeling really left out because he would like to be there doing his thing.

I have taken your time again. I do that every now and then. I just needed and wanted to tell you how proud I am of you and of my country and that I am thankful that you are there and that you are you. It has been difficult in the first days of the week to hear the critical remarks directed toward you and the workings of the administration. I do happen to be an idealist and a bit naive. It is not difficult for me to trust and to believe in the line of authority. Because of that, I happen to believe that you and those who surround you have the information available to you to make the decisions that will effect the country in the most positive way. There have been those in the last decade whose behaviors and activities have tended toward eroding that kind of belief. But watching people like you and Mr. Weinberger has gone a long way toward bring back a faith in the system. I thought a lot about Iran and the hostages this week and also thought a lot about how interesting it is that a British Commonwealth island would have several hundred Cubans working there...

My feelings are so strong and pouring out onto the paper so fast that my usually poor typing skills are even more faulty! Sorry! Thanks for listening.

Don H. R. Rouse

To Mrs. Dorothy J. Nease

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