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May 11, 1987

Dear Alice and Bob:

I know I thanked you, Bob, for my necktie
but I didn't thank Alice -- hence this note.
Thank you both. I will save the tie and
it's message for very special moments.

Also, thank you both for your generous words.
I'm most grateful.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Costello
70 Great Oak Road
Manhasset, New York 11030

RR:AVH:pps

RR Dictation

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Manhasset N.Y. 11030

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Costello
70 GREAT OAK ROAD
MANHASSET, NEW YORK 11030

May 8, 1987

Mr. President

We know these are difficult and troublesome times and we want you to know that you have our admiration and support. You have made millions of your fellow citizens proud to be Americans!

The Latin slogan on the enclosed tie reflects our wishes during these difficult times.

Sincerely

Bob & Alice Costello

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 14, 1987

Dear Eddie:

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So far I haven't been able to get Congress to move on the things I've suggested -- suggested h--l, I've begged for them.

Nancy sends her very best and, from both of us, love to Fran.

Sincerely,

Ron

Mr. H. E. Chiles
Post Office Box 186
Fort Worth, Texas 76101

To Mr. H. E. Chiles P.O. Box 126 Ft. Worth Texas
76101

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Sincerely Ron

H. E. Chiles
P. O. Box 186
FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76101

(817) 731-5250

May 8, 1987

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I read with great enthusiasm the statement you made to Congress regarding measures you propose to reduce the United States reliance on imported oil.

I applaud your approach to this important issue. It seems to me that you have recommended actions that will indeed help the U. S. oil industry, while preserving the free market system.

I will personally help in any way I can to assist you in this very important endeavor.

Fran and I send our best to you and Nancy. Our prayers are with you daily.

Sincerely,


H. E. Chiles

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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DATE: 5/18/87

NOTE FOR: WILL BALL

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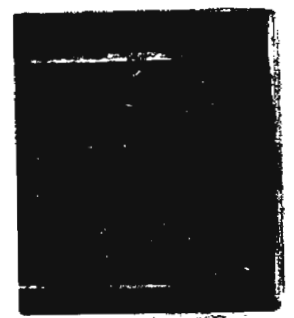
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the attached; and it is forwarded to you for your:

information ☐

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Rhett Dawson
(x-2702)

cc: The Vice President
Senator Baker
Ken Duberstein
Original to Files

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 15, 1987

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your information
is a letter from Senator Byrd
concerning trade sanctions.

Will Ball will respond on
your behalf, unless you
want to respond directly.

W
Rhett Dawson

*No That's fine for Will
to respond & I would think
we are not lifting the sanctions
until there is compliance.*

RR

490103

United States Senate
Office of the Majority Leader
Washington, DC 20510-7010

April 29, 1987

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

Dear Mr. President:

Your decision on April 17, 1987, to increase the tariffs on certain articles from Japan, in retaliation for noncompliance by the Government of Japan in implementing the provisions of our bilateral semiconductor arrangement, was justified, timely, and appropriate. As you know, the Senate adopted, by an overwhelming vote of 93-0, on March 19, 1987, a resolution urging just such retaliatory action by you.

There have been a spate of recent reports, attributed to high-ranking officials in your Administration, to the effect that the Japanese government has corrected the situation and it is now in compliance with the agreement. Lacking clear cut evidence that Japan is now implementing the agreement and that such implementation will be sustained over the long-run, I believe it would be a great mistake to lift the sanctions that you have imposed. First, the sanctions themselves were mild in their effect, imposed on only four products and at a level of value that cannot possibly have any significant economic impact on our overall economic relationship with Japan. Since the sanctions, therefore, are primarily symbolic in nature, to lift them at this time would be a symbol of something else -- American indecisiveness and confusion.

Secondly, and most important, no case has been made in any convincing manner that the Japanese are abiding by, or in good faith attempting to implement the key provisions of the semiconductor agreement. In regard to American industry access to the Japanese semiconductor market, the agreement provided that the "expected improvement in access to Japanese markets should be gradual and steady." However, the U.S. share of the Japanese semiconductor market has been flat from the time of signing the agreement last September through this February, and the March figures show a slight decline in that share, according to your Trade Representative's office, from 8.5 percent to around 8.4 percent. In order to maintain that the agreement is being implemented, there would have to be a sustainable trend for several months, gradually increasing above this level. Clearly, no such trend is yet observable.

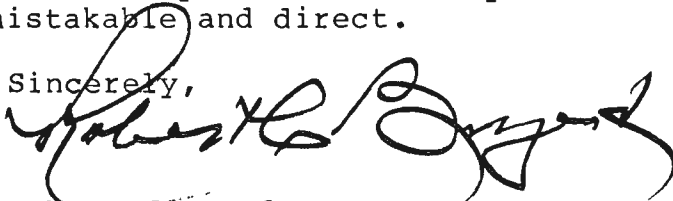
As to the provision requiring prevention of Japanese dumping in third countries, the figures for March, according to your trade office, show no improvement in the situation. Apparently, dumping has continued unabated, in that most third country sales are at least 30 percent below market value. Obviously, without verification that such practices have stopped for at least a month or more, it could not be maintained that the provision is being implemented.

In addition, there is a provision (section 3 of the Arrangement) that requires the Japanese to establish an "organization which will provide sales assistance for foreign semiconductor producers as they attempt to penetrate the Japanese market", and promotes "long-term relationships between Japanese semiconductor purchasers and foreign producers..." In fact, the shell of such an organization was established, but American semiconductor manufacturers are boycotting the organization because the Japanese are requiring cash contributions of hundreds of thousands of dollars in order for U.S. companies to have the right to participate. This "buy-in" requirement is nowhere in the agreement and seems to me to indicate a lack of good faith on the part of the Japanese to execute Section 3.

Mr. President, I believe that the United States has a historic record of abiding in good faith with agreements which we reach with other nations. We have every right to require good faith compliance in all such agreements, be they in the field of arms control or trade, and our co-signatories should expect us to act firmly if they do not live up to commitments solemnly made. It would be entirely counterproductive to lift the sanctions you rightly imposed in connection with the semiconductor matter until sustained compliance, over a period of months, can be clearly demonstrated.

If it is necessary to sustain your decision by legislative means, I stand ready to provide you with that kind of support. In your discussions with the Japanese leader, for whom I have the greatest respect, I believe it is important to convey this message in terms which are unmistakable and direct.

Sincerely,



Robert C. Byrd

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1987

PERSONAL

Dear Larry:

Kathy shared your letter with me and your op-ed piece. I'm glad an op-ed column doesn't make you a journalist. Right now I have a less than charitable view of them, at least those here inside the beltway. The Register credited you with being an author, and I agree. They could have added, a darn good one.

I just have to reply and share some information that will hopefully reassure you that I haven't gone downhill from my days as S.A.G. President. I refuse to do another "Play it again, Sam." We've made some progress, with our friend Prime Minister Nakasone's help. He's lost some political points at home because of his solid relationship with us, but he hasn't wavered. We will lift the sanctions only when and if the violators return to observing the terms of our agreement.

On the general scene, and again thanks to the Prime Minister, we've made some other gains on opening their markets, even though we still have quite a way to go. Another plus was getting them to raise the value of their underpriced "yen." But best of all we have improved the military situation, the price they pay for expenses of our forces based there, increase in the range guarded by their fleet, etc. And there have been sizeable financial aid contributions to Third World countries, including the Philippines.

Some of these things we keep quiet about so as to protect our friend, Nakasone. I hope we don't lose him in the coming elections. He truly has been a friend.

Now, when do we take on the producers again? Or should I say, how are we going to restore the S.A.G. to what it once was? Nancy sends her love, and so do I.

Sincerely,

Ron

Mr. Laurence W. Beilenson
1946 North Gramercy Place
Los Angeles, California 90068

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LAURENCE W. BEILENSEN
1946 NORTH GRAMERCY PLACE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90068
TELEPHONE (213) 467-6479

Apr. 30, 1987

Ms. Kathy Osborne
Secretary to the President.

Dear Ms. Osborne,

While the president may disagree with
the enclosed article, it may give him a laugh.

Sincerely,
Larry Beilenson

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May 87

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

TELEVISION INTERVIEW WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA FROM
EACH OF THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT COUNTRIES

DATE: Wednesday, May 27, 1987
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 11:30 a.m. (30 minutes)
FROM: Marlin Fitzwater

Marlin

I. PURPOSE

Pre-summit interview.

II. BACKGROUND

This interview with summit country television journalists will set the scene for your trip to the Venice Economic Summit, the Holy See and Berlin/Bonn. The interviews will be broadcast on evening news shows May 27.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Marlin Fitzwater
Dan Howard
Guiseppe Lugato, RAI (Italy)
Tim Ewart, ITN (United Kingdom)
Jacques Abouchar, AN-2 (France)
Naotake Mochida, NHK (Japan)
Fritz Pleitgen, ARD (Federal Republic of Germany)
Craig Oliver, CTV (Canada)

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer. In addition to being broadcast by the participants, the interview will be available to U.S. networks through cooperative arrangements.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

The President enters the Oval Office and is introduced to each participant at his seat. Individual photographs are to be taken as the President is introduced.

After the photo session, the President and the participants are seated for the interview. The first question will be asked by moderator Guiseppe Lugato of Italian Television. Each participant will ask one question, and perhaps a brief follow-up question, proceeding in turn. Mr. Lugato will end the interview. Each participant will probably have a chance to ask two questions.

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May 27, 1987

Dear Todd:

I'm sorry to be so late in answering your letter of March 10. It sometimes takes a while for mail to reach my desk, and your letter has only just made it.

Thank you for writing as you did. I'm most grateful and I'm happy to share your viewpoint -- yours and Karen's. Please give her my regards and tell her how right she is to feel the way she does.

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Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Todd L. Thornton
1537 Kirkley Road
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RR Dictation (Sample)

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RONALD REAGAN

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March 10, 1987
Todd L. Thornton
1537 Kirkley Road
Columbus, Ohio 43221

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Dear President Reagan,

On February 25, 1987, I visited the Vietnam Memorial in Washington D.C. This opportunity was made available to me through the Close Up foundation, a group which brings students to Washington for a week to learn about our government. We traveled to the memorial as part of our night tour of the city. I do not know anyone who was killed, nor do I have any friends who do, and really did not care to see this memorial.

I walked the length of the shiny graphite monster amazed by the names...the hundreds and hundreds of names. I felt indifferent. As I approached the statue of the three soldiers I heard heavy sobs coming from a dark bench. They were coming from a girl I had met this week on my Close Up trip named Karen.

I attempted to comfort her. She asked, "Why?" as her sobs became heavier. She cried, "Why did all those dads, brothers, and boyfriends have to die?" I could not understand what else she said because she was crying so hard. I too began to cry.

I cried the remainder of the tour. In group discussions later that evening, I became angry be comments made by those who do not understand. They said Vietnam was happening again in Nicaragua. With hurt and frustration I screamed that it was not.

President Reagan, I understand completely why we so desperately need to support the Contras. We need to support them so they can win their war by themselves. At one of our seminars a spokesman for Senator John Glen (D Ohio), Ron Grimes, said we should not support the Contras with money and arms. Rather, he said that when and if a problem arises we should send the American Marines. You and I both know this kind of backward liberal thinking will lead to another Vietnam.

I am upset that the people who do not understand now have control of both Houses of Congress. Mr. President, I am seventeen years old. I do not want to fight in Nicaragua anymore than the rest of the country, but I feel for the men and boys fighting for their freedom in Nicaragua under such horrid conditions. If congress thinks we cannot afford to help people help themselves fight for freedom and cannot afford to keep American boys safe at home, then we deserve to have Central America fall to Communism.

President Reagan, I strongly support you and ask that you do everything you can to get that final 40 million to the Contras. In addition, we need to continue to support the Contras- to keep Nicaragua free, and to keep American boys at home. If we stop support now, will we be sending troops to fight Soviet occupation forces in five to ten years? I do not want to go. I do not want my brother to go. I do not want my friends to go. I do not want a memorial with thousands of names for the "Nicaraguan War." Please help Mr. President.

Sincerely and dutifully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Todd L. Thornton".

Todd L. Thornton

P.s.

Karen cried again upon reading this letter. It is so hard to put the burning emotions we have down on paper. We have tried and hopefully have succeeded. Let us know how we can help.

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May 27, 1987

Dear Francis Albert:

Thanks for your letter, and I appreciate your suggestion. Problem is, I'm afraid I can't do it. For one thing, we have an Irish colleen in that job now who was for a time a Congresswoman and then a member of my Cabinet. To replace her would be to bring her world down around her ears, and I just haven't got the heart to do that.

Just between us, even if that weren't so, I'd have a problem with some of my people. Tip has joined that chorus back here that's bent on a lynching, with me in the noose. He's been saying some pretty harsh things publicly.

Nancy sends her love and, again, I appreciate your taking the time and trouble to write as you did. In a couple of weeks we'll be in Italy -- Venice and Rome.

Best regards,

Ron

Mr. Frank Sinatra
1041 North Formosa Avenue
Hollywood, California 90046

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RR Dictation

FRANK SINATRA

May 18, 1987

1041 North Formosa Ave.

Hollywood Calif. 90046

Dear Mr. President:

A suggestion! You probably get a desk full of suggestions...but I've been thinking about, what I believe to be, a pretty good positive move politically. How about Tip O'Neill as Ambassador to Ireland?

I've never spoken to him about it, nor he to me, but I get a feeling that he can taste it. It's just a thought; if not throw it in the basket.

In the meantime, stay well, stay strong, ignore the idiots...you know what you have to do.

God bless,

Francis Albert

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Best Regards
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 29, 1987

Dear Dick:

The President asked me to send you his
note regarding the enclosed cartoon, *on farmers*

Nancy

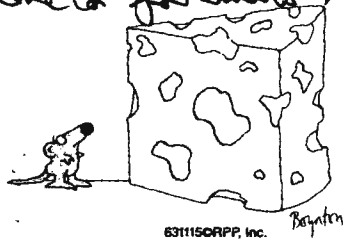
The Honorable Richard E. Lyng
Secretary of Agriculture
14th & Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20250

MEMO FROM THE BIG CHEESE:

To Sec. of Agriculture.

*Doesn't this really
show what we've done to farmers?*

Ron



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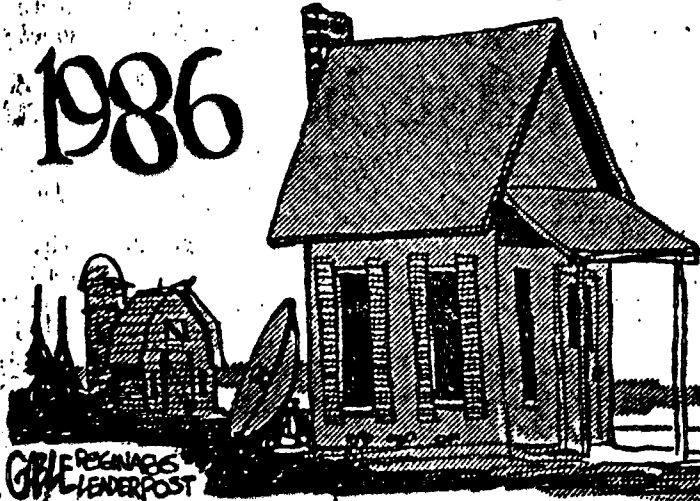
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