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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20547

August 9, 1983

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Dear Jim:

I have just sent the enclosed letter to the
President and pass it on to you for your
information. *Concerning the public view on*
Southeast Asia
Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Charles Z. Wick

(Dictated but not signed by Mr. Wick
in his absence from the office.)

The Honorable
James A. Baker III
Chief of Staff and
Assistant to the President
The White House

**United States
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Director

Washington, D.C. 20547

August 8, 1983



Dear Mr. President:

As you know, I wrote an article for the July 2, 1983, issue of TV Guide entitled, "Why Isn't TV Covering the Slaughter in Southeast Asia?" (see attachment A). The article focused on television's lack of coverage of the continuing tragedy of the Kampuchean refugees in Thailand.

Response to the article has been gratifying and sometimes touching. I thought you might be interested in some of the reactions I have received.

A woman from New Hampshire wrote: "...If donations from people who care enough to help for food, medical, shelter clothing are acceptable, please let me know. If a child needs a home, I will provide that home with lots of love and care."

A woman from Indiana said: "...We are raising a family of three and sometimes it is not easy. But I would like to know if there is anything I can do. Do they need clothing? That is something I could help with."

A man in Oregon wrote: "...I would appreciate it if you could send me an address that I might write concerning adoption of a child."

These samples represent the basic tenor of the letters I received. They indicate the fact that the public is very compassionate when confronted by the emotional dimension of political reality. This point is corroborated by the tremendous response to your recent radio talk asking for organ donors to help save the lives of small children.

Therefore I suggest we address graphically and in human terms the suffering our policies are designed to correct in El Salvador and elsewhere. By using photographs and recounting the individual misery of real Salvadoran families we can help America understand the terrible tragedy now taking place in Central America.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
THE WHITE HOUSE

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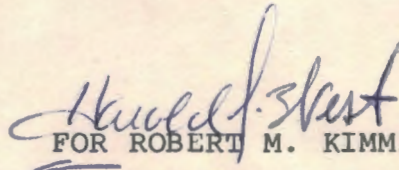
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FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

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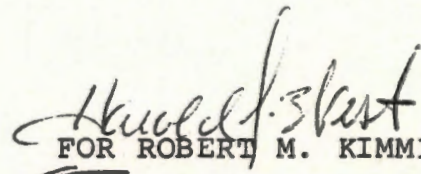
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