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Dear Reverend Carhartt:

I appreciate your concern about the situation in Central America and, yes, even your misunderstanding of what we are trying to accomplish there at the request of the El Salvadorian government.

I have no way of knowing the reliability of your informants, but I do know that a very sophisticated world-wide propaganda campaign has been at work for a long time. May I point out that the Carter Administration was convinced of the need to give economic aid and military supplies to the government of El Salvador, and we are continuing that policy on the basis of the information we have.

Reverend Carhartt, I'm sure you must realize that the person holding the job that is now mine has access to facts that are known to only a very few specialists whose job is to obtain facts upon which a President can determine policy. I am completely convinced that what we are doing is not only in the best interest of the United States, but of the free world as well.

Reverend F. Andrew Carhartt

Comments RR Dictation

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Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

Reverend F. Andrew Carhartt
3700 Baseline
Boulder, Colorado 80303

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Sincerely,

Barack Obama

Reverend F. Andrew Carrillo
1700 Baseline
Boulder, Colorado 80302

RR:AVH:pgs

RR Dictation

To Rev. F. Andrew Carhartt 3700 Baseline
Boulder Col. 80303

Dear Rev. Carhartt:

I can understand your concern about the situation in Central America and yes even your misunderstanding of what we are trying to accomplish there ~~at~~ at the request of the El Salvadorian govt.

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Sincerely

On

DRAFT ON EL SALVADOR

Dear Reverend Carhartt:

I appreciate your concern about the situation in Central America. I too am deeply moved by the tragic circumstances in which many less fortunate than our countrymen find themselves. Although I understand the conclusions you reach, I do not agree with them. Far from destroying the future freedoms of the peoples of El Salvador and Guatemala, our policy is to make possible such freedoms -- and to ensure the continued freedom of our own people.

Thank you for sharing with me your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Reverend F. Andrew Carhartt
3700 Baseline
Boulder, Colorado 80303

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ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

3700 BASELINE

BOULDER, COLORADO 80303

303-494-8094

F. ANDREW CARHARTT, PASTOR

MANSE: 442-1557

February 5, 1982

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

Dear Mr. President:

I sincerely oppose our administration's policy to do "whatever is necessary" to prevent a "leftist victory" in El Salvador. I believe this policy is not only in violation of our nation's ~~best~~ interests, but is also destructive of the basic human rights of the people of that tiny nation.

Furthermore, I believe that our USA involvement in Guatemala is in opposition to efforts by the Guatemalans to build a new socialist community in that country. It appears to me that what those people wish is quite different from the models of communism found in the USSR and China, and could, if allowed to form, provide alternatives and even corrective balances to the USSR and Chinese governments.

My feelings and convictions are informed by persons who have devoted their lives to working in El Salvador and Guatemala, who speak their language, and have provided valuable gifts of understanding to our St. Andrew congregation and to the larger community of faith in Boulder and our national faith communities. I share their belief that our USA policy is destroying possibilities for the future freedom of the peoples of El Salvador and Guatemala, and is betraying our own history of American people by supporting dictatorial and oppressive governments, and is feeding into another tragic involvement of our nation in a Vietnam-like quagmire.

It has been stated that what we have learned or not learned from Vietnam may well determine the future of human survival on this planet. I agree, and therefore strongly oppose the administration's proposals to provide additional military aid to El Salvador.

Sincerely,



F. Andrew Carhartt
Pastor

Handwritten notes:
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WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

☐ O - OUTGOING☐ H - INTERNAL☒ I - INCOMINGDate Correspondence
Received (YY/MM/DD)

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Name of Correspondent: Asia A. Bennett☒ MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Expresses their concern regarding the situation in Central America and the Caribbean.

ROUTE TO:

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Date APR 22 1982

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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FOR: Mr. William P. Clark
National Security Council
The White House

REFERENCE:

TO: The President FROM: Asia Bennett
DATE: March 22, 1982 SUBJECT: Situation in Central
America and the Caribbean

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: April 5 NSC# 067508

THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION TAKEN:

- ☐ A draft reply is attached.
- ☐ A draft reply will be forwarded.
- ☐ A translation is attached.
- ☒ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- ☐ We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.
- ☐ Other

REMARKS:



L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

April 22, 1982

Ms. Asia A. Bennett
Executive Secretary
American Friends Service Committee
1501 Cherry Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Ms. Bennett:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of March 22 to President Reagan which expressed concern over U.S. policy in Central America.

The aim of this Administration's policy in the region is not to sow "deep discord and distrust." Rather we seek a region at peace with itself, where each country can pursue its interests in accordance with the wishes of its people, free from outside threats, able to devote its energy to economic progress and the development of democratic institutions. Our policy is designed to achieve those objectives by assisting those countries in strengthening their political and economic institutions, thereby working toward the development of a community of strong and stable democratic nations able to resist foreign supported efforts at radicalization and destabilization.

The Caribbean Basin Initiative, centerpiece of our regional policy, represents a long-term economic commitment which integrates trade, aid and investment incentives to assist the countries of the area to earn their own way toward self-sustaining growth. We believe that the CBI addresses those deeply rooted socio-economic problems which make the Caribbean Basin such fertile ground for exploitation by externally supported revolution.

We seek to reduce the violence and instability in El Salvador to ease the transition to an elected government. This is also the goal of the Salvadoran people. Having already initiated far-reaching reforms in land tenure, the banking system and export trade, the government has begun a free electoral process.

The first step in this free electoral process was the March 28 Constituent Assembly election. The response of the Salvadoran people on election day was a dramatic refutation of those skeptics who claimed that free and fair elections could not be held under conditions of civil strife. Ordinary Salvadoran men and women in unprecedented numbers (over 90% of

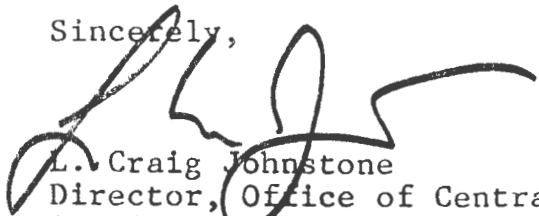
eligible voting population) courageously braved threats of reprisal by the guerrillas and at times voted within earshot of gunfire. The Salvadoran people's personal commitment to democracy and their demonstrated desire to end the violence wracking their country are an unanswerable repudiation of the advocates of force and violence.

It is true that elections in themselves will not end the violence. They are, however, an important step toward national reconciliation. The new government which emerges will have a base of popular support considerably broader than that of the present junta. Moreover, the elections may well improve the climate for discussions on bringing the extreme left back into the political mainstream. The terms of any such discussions will have to be decided upon by the Salvadorans themselves. We stand ready to offer any assistance we can to further this peaceful political evolution.

Neither have we closed the door on a dialogue with Nicaragua or Cuba. On March 15 Secretary Haig publicly stated our willingness to continue talks with Cuba. On April 9 the Department of State outlined the eight elements of a new proposal on U.S.-Nicaraguan relations. The proposal's main condition calls for Nicaragua to end its support for insurgent movements in neighboring countries. In return, the U.S. would commit itself to friendly relations with Nicaragua and renew direct economic assistance. We are currently evaluating the Nicaraguan response to our proposals and we anticipate further discussions with the GRN in the near future.

If I can provide any further information on this subject, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



L. Craig Johnstone
Director, Office of Central
American and Panamanian Affairs

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

APRIL 5, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 067508

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED MARCH 22, 1982

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. ASIA A. BENNETT
AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE
1501 CHERRY STREET
PHILADELPHIA PA 19102

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES THEIR CONCERN REGARDING THE
SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE
CARIBBEAN

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE
(OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE



American Friends Service Committee

1501 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102 • Phone (215) 241-7000

Stephen G. Cary
Chairperson

Asla A. Bennett
Executive Secretary

Colin W. Bell
Executive Secretary Emeritus

March 22, 1982

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The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

Our concern for the lives and welfare of the peoples of Central America and the Caribbean--and of U.S. government officials and citizens in the area--requires us to address you most urgently. Your Administration gives the appearance of being committed to tragically mistaken actions in the region, actions which in our view portend even greater suffering, ruin and death.

Reports of covert action plans in Central America, insufficient evidence of serious Administration attention to efforts to promote negotiations, confusing attempts to prove a Soviet-Cuban-Nicaraguan conspiracy in the region: all are sowing deep discord and distrust in the region and among the people of the United States.

The Caribbean Basin Initiative, appearing at this time of increased tension, has been criticized as an attempt to divert attention from suspicion of United States attempts to destabilize or overthrow governments in the region. Your stated respect for the independence of nations would be welcomed.

We urge you to:

1. Halt any United States complicity in terrorist actions and covert operations against the Nicaraguan government, or any government in Central America or the Caribbean.
2. Renounce a military solution in El Salvador, placing the United States' power and prestige firmly behind a process of negotiated political settlement including all parties to the conflict.
3. Enter into dialogue with Cuba, without pre-conditions on either side, to initiate a process leading to normal diplomatic and commercial relations.
4. Work with the Congress and the people of the United States to establish a new consensus on U.S. policy in the region, a policy that would be based on principles of self-determination, non-intervention, and mutual respect.

5. Work with all governments in Latin America to make the Caribbean Basin a zone of peace, free of nuclear weapons or military forces that threaten any other country.

We believe that sowing doubt and confusion, making a display of military might, allowing covert action, and applying selective economic and military aid all conflict with stated United States aims of peace, stability and prosperity and of renewed respect of allies and enemies world-wide. We fear the further erosion of respect for the United States. For the U.S. to appear to minimize the use of diplomacy is to call into question the stated U.S. desire for peace and freedom in the world.

Mr. President, we urge you to lead the parties in conflict in Central America to a negotiated, peaceful solution of their differences. You take pride in your ability to undertake bold action. Let your actions now be bold initiatives for peace, justice and progress, not the unleashing of destructive forces.

Sincerely,


Asia A. Bennett

AAB:las

cc: William Clark
Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Senator Charles H. Percy
Senator Mark O. Hatfield
Senator Robert C. Byrd
Representative Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
Representative Clement J. Zablocki
Representative Michael D. Barnes

OFFICE OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT STAFFING MEMORANDUM 00001-09
F0003-02
FG 258

DATE: 4/16/82 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: FYI

SUBJECT: 8:00 am Meetings

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BANDOW	☐	☐	ADMINISTRATION	☐	☐
BAUER	☐	☐	DRUG POLICY		
BOGGS	☐	☐	TURNER	☐	☐
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CARLESON	☐	☐	OFFICE OF POLICY INFORMATION		
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REMARKS:

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CBI Event

- Carry Over of Carribean Task Force which Enders set up last month.

EDWIN L. HARPER
 ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
 FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

March 11, 1982

TO: GREGORY J. NEWELL, DIRECTOR
PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING

FROM: KENNETH M. DUBERSTEIN *Ker D.*

REQUEST: Presidential meeting with selected Cabinet members, Congressmen, and Senators to sign the official Presidential message accompanying the Caribbean Basin legislative proposal. *COI*

PROPOSAL: To mark formal transmittal of the Administration's Caribbean Basin Initiative to the Congress, and to recognize the key Administration officials, Senators, and Congressmen who are involved in this effort.

BACKGROUND: On February 24, in a speech to the Organization of American States, the President outlined a bold and extensive proposal for assisting nations of the Caribbean Basin through enhanced trade, investment, and economic assistance. Prior to the President's speech, extensive briefings were held for the Congressional bipartisan leadership and other interested members of the House and Senate here at the White House.

The legislative proposal has now been drafted, and is ready to be sent to the Congress. Briefings are being conducted with the relevant Committee Chairmen and members of the leadership in the House and Senate. A formal ceremony will emphasize the President's personal involvement and interest in the Caribbean proposal, identify those members of the Congress who will play a leading role in consideration of the legislation, and draw public attention to this important initiative.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The Congressional participants involved have met with the President and attended or been invited to the White House briefings on the Caribbean Basin Initiative.

DATE: Wednesday, March 17, 1982 DURATION: 15 minutes
through Friday, March 19, 1982

LOCATION: The Roosevelt Room or the Rose Garden

PARTICIPANTS: List attached

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Remarks by the President, followed by signing
of the Presidential message transmitting the
Caribbean Basin proposal to the Congress.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Speech to be provided

MEDIA COVERAGE: Full coverage

RECOMMENDED BY: Kenneth M. Duberstein, Bill Clark, Jim Baker, Dick Darma

OPPOSED BY: No opposition

PROJECT OFFICERS: M.B. Oglesby, Jr.
Pamela J. Turner
John Dressendorfer

Attachment: Participants List

PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Donald Regan, Secretary of Treasury
Alexander Haig, Secretary of State
Malcolm Baldrige, Secretary of Commerce
William Brock, United States Trade Representative
Peter McPherson, Administrator, Agency for International Development

Appropriate Congressional Participants (list to be provided)

Staff

Edwin Meese, III
James Baker, III
Michael Deaver
William Clark
Richard Darman
Ken Duberstein
Pamela J. Turner
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Name of Correspondent: Bill Gradison☐ MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Enclosed a letter from William J. Stewart, 505 Teachers College (#2), Cincinnati, Ohio 45221, who offers his services to the administration in Central America.

ROUTE TO:

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April 23, 1982

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your recent letter endorsing William J. Stewart for a position in the Reagan Administration in Central America. Please know I have transmitted your recommendation, together with Mr. Stewart's background information, to the appropriate officials within the Office of Presidential Personnel to ensure careful consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Bill Gradison
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

KMD: CMP: NAP

cc: w/copy of inc, John Schrote - for appropriate action

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BILL GRADISON
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RON ROBERTS
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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FEDERAL OFFICE BUILDING
550 MAIN STREET
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45202
TELEPHONE: (513) 684-2456

Mr. Kenneth A. Duberstein
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

APR 5 1982

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Dear Ken:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter I received from William J. Stewart, Assistant Professor of Education at the University of Cincinnati, who is interested in serving this administration in Central America. I would appreciate any consideration you might be able to give Dr. Stewart and your comments as to his service possibilities.

Thanks for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Bill Gradison
Representative in Congress

BG/jb
Enclosure

University of Cincinnati



College of Education

Vocational Education

505 Teachers College (#2)
Cincinnati, Ohio 45221
Phone (513) 475-4671

February 3, 1982

The Honorable Willis D. Gradison, Jr.
First Congressional District
1117 Longworth Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gradison:

I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my support of President Reagan's program. Recognizably, he may not totally succeed, nevertheless, I am hopeful. Having always been a Republican, I feel that the present administration, has taken the first forceful step of any recent administration in attempting to get our economy back in a positive direction.

Also, I do feel that the country is moving along well in its relationships with foreign countries. Such a task is not easy. Of special concern to me is the strong, and I feel correct position that our government is taking towards El Salvador. This present attitude represents the first administration in a long time that has really been willing to indicate an interest in Central America. Because of its close proximity to the United States, Central America needs our continual attention and support. It's survival and our survival are closely tied together in many ways.

Over the years, I have traveled extensively, including numerous visits to Central America. Central America represents an area that I would like to become more closely associated. In this respect, I would like to avail myself of representing our government in some manner in this area. I feel that I could make a worthwhile contribution in a variety of ways. While partial to Honduras, I would be happy to serve in any Central American location.

As a preliminary inquiry, I would appreciate it if you would pass this letter or its information along to any governmental agency that you feel may be interested. For your information, I have served in the military for twenty years, part of the time in Central America, and I have been with the University of Cincinnati for about eighteen years.

My background is in the related fields of human resources, administration, and in the vocational/technical education area. Frankly, I feel that at the present time, I have the expertise and sensitivity required for such an undertaking.

Thank you for any consideration that you may be able to give this letter.

Sincerely,

William J. Stewart
William J. Stewart
Associate Professor of Education

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E (Kika) de la Garza

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Subject:

Encloses a letter from Peter Asmussen expressing his
views regarding the situation in Central America.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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S/S# 8212240
Date June 18, 1982

FOR: Mr. William P. Clark
National Security Council
The White House

REFERENCE:

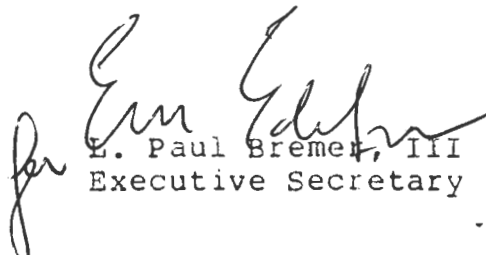
TO: Kenneth Duberstein FROM: de la Garza
DATE: 4/5/82 SUBJECT: Letter from Peter
Osmers re: views of situation in Central America
WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: 4/30/82 NSC ID# 070031

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

ACTION TAKEN:

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

REMARKS:


E. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

S/S

Dear Mr. de la Garza:

I am replying to your letter of April 5 to Kenneth Duberstein in which you forwarded a letter from one of your constituents, Peter Osmers recommending U.S. military intervention in Central America.

American troops are not wanted, needed, or appropriate to the struggle going on in Central America. The challenge we face in Central America is to steer a middle course for U.S. policy in the region and to avoid the oscillations between the extreme of neglect and inaction on one hand and intervention on the other which have so often marked our policy in the past.

We seek a region at peace with itself, free from outside threats, able to devote its energy and attention to economic progress and the development of democratic political institutions. We must follow a middle course which mounts the sustained economic, political, and military cooperation with Central America which our strategic interests and geographic proximity require.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore *7/15/63*
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

The Honorable
E. (Kika) de la Garza,
House of Representatives.

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T H E W H I T E H O U S E O F F I C E

REFERRAL

APRIL 30, 1982

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TO: KENNETH DUBERSTEIN

FROM: THE HONORABLE E. (KIKI) DE LA GARZA
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON DC 20515

SUBJECT: ENCLOSURES A LETTER FROM PETER OSMERS
EXPRESSING HIS VIEWS REGARDING THE SITUATION
IN CENTRAL AMERICA

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
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UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

*Received in 5/5-I
4/30 at 11:15 A.M. (2/1)*

April 26, 1982

Dear Kika:

Thank you for your recent letter enclosing a copy of Mr. Peter Osmer's correspondence to the President.

I will be pleased to bring this to the attention of the Office of Presidential Correspondence to see whether a reply may be sent on the President's behalf. We appreciate your interest in writing.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President

The Honorable E (Kika) de la Garza
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

KMD/CMP/NAP/las --

cc: w/copy of inc to Anne Higgins - for appropriate action
KMD-42A (1st Revision)

April 26, 1982

Dear Mike:

Thank you for your recent letter enclosing a copy of Mr. Peter Gosses' correspondence to the President. I will be pleased to bring this to the attention of the Office of Presidential Correspondence to see whether a reply may be sent on the President's behalf. We appreciate your interest in writing.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Gosses
Assistant to the President

The Honorable F. (Rick) de la Garza
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

KMD/CMP/MAP/las --

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

5 April 1982

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Mr Ken Duberstein
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs
The White House Office
Washington, D C 20500

RE: Mr Peter Osmer
Brownsville, Texas

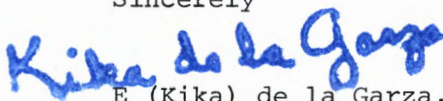
Dear Mr Duberstein

The attached correspondence from one of my constituents is self-explanatory.

Any information you can provide in this matter, commensurate with current Administration programs or policies, would be greatly appreciated.

With thanks and regards, I am

Sincerely



E (Kika) de la Garza, M C

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Dear Kika

KMD 42A



Star Route Box 4

Brownsville, Texas 78521, U. S. A.

Telephone: (512) 831-9601

March 25, 1982

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

Dear Mr. President:

In my capacity as President for our corporation, I have frequently need to travel through the export territory of the market area that we service as a manufacturer and distributor of commercial marine supplies, especially through Central America.

Until as recently as three years ago I made frequent travels to our branch in Bluefields, Department of Zelaya, Nicaragua. Throughout the "human rights campaign" of your predecessor, Mr. Carter, and especially in the final months before our pullout out of Nicaragua, we ourselves as private citizens were very much aware of the fact that Nicaragua was heading for a disaster with great communist influences being exerted even at that time which could lead to nothing but the creation of the eventual satellite of the Soviet Union. Officially even now we do not fully recognize what is happening in Nicaragua although already it would impossible not only for U.S. citizens but also for Nicaraguan citizens to travel to the location where previously our company operated i.e Bluefields, Nicaragua because it is now off limits because of "security reasons" as advised by our State Department.

Now, the headlines of our press are being grabbed by those of our Senators who believe to do us a favor by making "fact finding" trips into the country of El Salvador and reporting on their supposedly expert observance of the local conditions in the country. I personally am tired of the misleading information that comes out of such fact findings missions, because in an over simplification of facts but nevertheless true, the fact remains that we, the United States, must make up our mind as to the place and time where we will finally take a final stand against the advancement of communism.

Only a month ago I talked to a very well known businessman in the Republic of Panama who quite candidly advised me that many local business organizations, Chambers of Commerces, etc. have very little regard left for those members of our Congress that publicly ignore and deny that our actions in the past have opened the pathway to the Soviet Union's advancement throughout Central America via Nicaragua and are working currently in the conversion of the country of El Salvador into yet another "socialist" (communist) state.

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Star Route Box 4 - Brownsville, Texas 78221, U.S.A. - Telephone: (512) 831-8601

March 22, 1985

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The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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In my capacity as President for our corporation, I have frequently had to travel through the export country of the United States that we service as a manufacturer and distributor of commercial marine supplies, especially through Central America.

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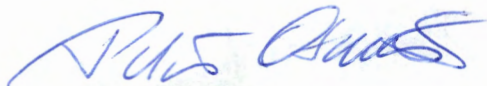
Similar comments were made by a group of Costa Rican businessmen with whom I visited last week. Our company no longer trades with Nicaragua, of course, and was forced recently to stop transactions with El Salvador as well because of the political instability there. We have no doubt that the same will soon happen to us in the country of Guatemala and possibly Honduras unless the United States act forcefully and determindly in the near future. Also, we have seen communist posters and slogans painted on the walls in ever increasing frequency along cities on the Mexican side of our border just across from Brownsville, Texas and McAllen, Texas as well as in Mexico City itself.

I for one still believe the Truman Doctrine to be as true as it was on March 12, 1947 as it is today. I also feel that unfortunately, when compared to our system of government, it is yet desirable for the many people of Central America to have a strong authoritarian (dictatorial) leadership with known levels of corruption rather than having a communist government such as the one in place in Nicaragua which still is corrupt (in their only contact with us after take over in that country for commercial transactions, several people all the way through to the top of Fishing Ministry asked for "commissions"). (Incidentally, a strange sensation beset me upon deplaning next to an AEROFLOT JET where not long ago Pan American Airlines jets were parked.) At least in such cases progress is or has been made for the broad masses of the people even though the leaders themselves enriched themselves to much greater proportions. This was personally observed in Nicaragua where now even the basic food items such as beans, rice and sugar are no longer freely available to everyone including the poor people, and which once were available to even those with little income.

Mr. President, I realize that a military intervention in Central America would not be greeted with enthusiasm by many of our own citizens, and most probable by hardly anyone in the world, but it appears to be a necessary one in order to stop the advancement of communism and preserve freedom as we know it. Else, are we willing to take that stand should communism advance all the way to Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico which is but only a few steps across the bridge that connects Brownsville, Texas with that port of entry to the Republic of Mexico?

Very respectfully yours,

B C M, INC.



PETER OSMERS
President

PO/gm

cc: The Honorable John Tower
The Honorable Lloyd Bentsen
The Honorable Kika de la Garza

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Very respectfully yours,

E. L. INC.


PETER DENNIS
President

P/D

cc: The Honorable John Tower
The Honorable Lynd B. Boren
The Honorable Mike DeLoach

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520

Jan. 15, 1981

TO: Richard Darman

Dick:

per our conversation
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Tom Enders

cc → Dolan

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Re: Central America and Caribbean basin problems

Our neighbors in Central America and the Caribbean face a deadly crisis. Plummeting export prices and soaring oil costs are ravaging their economies, driving thousands of their people to look for work here in the U.S. At the same time, the Cubans, with Soviet support, have launched an armed and largely secret campaign to establish new Marxist-Leninist dictatorships by exploiting their troubles. These grave threats to our neighbors are direct challenges to our humanity and security. If we cannot help our neighbors achieve freedom and progress, we could pay a heavy price.

In Philadelphia last October I mentioned that the United States had joined with Mexico, Venezuela and Canada to develop a program to help the nations of the Caribbean Basin. The U.S. contribution to this initiative will be comprehensive. I will shortly ask Congress for the following essentials: the authority to eliminate tariffs on Caribbean Basin products; an extension of our 10% domestic investment tax credit to U.S. investment in the Basin; and finally, emergency financial assistance to tide them over until they can earn their own way. However, we will give this assistance only if other donors also make meaningful contributions, and only if the Caribbean Basin countries commit to strong programs of self help.

At Cancun last fall I said that private enterprise built America and could do likewise in the developing world. The measures we have in mind will foster freedom: freedom to compete economically, freedom to develop without outside interference, and freedom to choose their own future. A free market approach is already turning around the situation in Jamaica. The program I have just outlined will give a similar boost to the entire Caribbean Basin.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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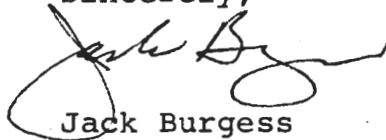
Your Excellency:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 17 to President Reagan.

The President appreciates your taking the time to voice your support for his recently announced Caribbean Basin Initiative. We in the Administration look forward to working with you in this area of mutual interest.

Thank you again for your thoughtful message.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jack Burgess", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Jack Burgess
Special Assistant to
the President

The Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D.
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis
President
United States Catholic Conference
1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005



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1312 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W. • WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

MOST REVEREND JOHN R. ROACH, D.D.
ARCHBISHOP OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS
President

REVEREND DANIEL F. HOYE
General Secretary

REVEREND MONSIGNOR THOMAS J. LEONARD
Associate General Secretary

April 7, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

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Your proposal for a new economic initiative by the United States addressed to the Caribbean Basin is a welcome step to focus U.S. attention on the issues of poverty and human needs in the Caribbean region.

While the Caribbean and Central America involve a complex blend of several elements, I believe the fundamental long-term questions there are the struggle for social justice and the protection of human rights for the people of the entire region.

I am hopeful that our country will indeed identify with their aspirations for justice and show itself ready to provide creative forms of economic support to people in need. Otherwise, I fear we shall miss a significant opportunity both for our own country and for the people in these neighboring nations.

I, therefore, support the idea of a serious, long-term economic effort in the Caribbean and Central America, and I urge that U.S. efforts in the region be of a diplomatic and economic nature. If your proposal serves as a first step to reorient U.S. policy away from military measures, it will mark a significant turning point for the image which that policy enjoys in the critical area of the Caribbean and Central America. I hope this redirection can be accomplished in a rapid and decisive manner.

Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D.
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis
President, NCCB/USCC

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

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
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I INSIST THAT THE ADMINISTRATION ENFORCE THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

THE UNITED STATES IF NECESSARY SHOULD INTERCEPT BOTH BRITISH AND
RUSSIAN VESSELS AND END FOREIGN VENTURES INTO THE AMERICAN
HEMISPHERE.

UNLESS WE DO THAT WE HAVE NO REASON TO EXPECT FRIENDSHIP FROM ANY
SISTER COUNTRY IN THE AMERICAS. WE MUST END THE CONTINUED RAPING OF
CUBA AND NICARAGUA AND NOW ARGENTINA.

THE OBVIOUS MOVE IS THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

"OUR" STATE DEPARTMENT'S CREDIBILITY IS MARRED BY ROCKEFELLER
PROXIES. TO PROVIDE AN EVEN HANDED APPROACH WILL REQUIRE THE
IMMEDIATE FIRING OF RICHARD R BURT IN CHARGE OF MILITARY AND
POLITICAL AFFAIRS, A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS AND
THE BRITISH INSTITUTE OF ROYAL AFFAIRS.

ROCKEFELLER'S EXXON OIL INTERESTS AND THE INTEREST OF A FREE AMERICAN
PEOPLE ARE NOT THE SAME.

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Received (YY/MM/DD)

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Name of Correspondent:

Tony Bonilla

☒ MI Mail Report

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Subject:

Supports the International Fasting and Prayer for Peace
in El Salvador and Central America. Urges the President to
Concede temporary refugee-Extended Voluntary Repatriation- to the
Salvadoran refugees.

ROUTE TO:

ACTION

DISPOSITION

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ACTION CODES:

A - Appropriate Action
C - Comment/Recommendation
D - Draft Response
F - Furnish Fact Sheet
to be used as Enclosure

I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary
R - Direct Reply w/Copy
S - For Signature
X - Interim Reply

DISPOSITION CODES:

A - Answered
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C - Completed
S - Suspended

FOR OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:

Type of Response = Initials of Signer
Code = "A"
Completion Date = Date of Outgoing

Comments:

Recommend NO ACTION

Keep this worksheet attached to the original incoming letter.

Send all routing updates to Central Reference (Room 75, OEOB).

Always return completed correspondence record to Central Files.

Refer questions about the correspondence tracking system to Central Reference, ext. 2590.

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Office of National President

TONY BONILLA

April 19, 1982

The Honorable Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20202

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Dear President Reagan:

I write to endorse the International Fasting and Prayer for Peace in El Salvador and Central America. Many LULAC Members fear for the lives of Salvadoran refugees who are still being apprehended by INS and deported to El Salvador and to certain death in many cases.

We call upon your Administration to do everything that is in your power to stop the violence in El Salvador and help the conditions which cause 500,000 Salvadoran refugees to come to the United States. But, until those conditions are such that it is safe for Salvadorans to return to their country, I urge you to concede temporary refuge - Extended Voluntary Departure - to the Salvadoran refugees.

Our Country should continue to be "The Land of the Free" where all people can seek freedom from oppression.

Yours truly,

Handwritten signature of Tony Bonilla

Tony Bonilla

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