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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 2, 1987



MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY R. DOLAN

DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND

DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX

SENIOR ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Tempelhof Airport,

West Berlin, Germany

As requested, this office has reviewed the June 1, 1987, 6:30 p.m. draft of remarks to be delivered by the President at Tempelhof Airport in West Berlin, Germany, on Friday, June 12, 1987. We have no legal objection or other comment.

cc: Rhett B. Dawson

#### WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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RESPONSE:

Rhett Dawson Ext. 2702

(Robinson/ARD) June 1, 1987 6:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: TEMPELHOF AIRPORT
WEST BERLIN, GERMANY
FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1987

Thank you, thank you all. Chancellor Kohl, Mayor Diepgen, ladies and gentlemen: It's an honor for me to be able to join you today at this 750th birthday party for the city of Berlin.

I'm especially pleased to be here today because -- well, it's not often that I get to go to a birthday party for something older than myself.

But if you'll permit me, I would like to say just a word about some of those it has been my privilege to meet during this visit to Berlin.

A few moments ago here at Tempelhof, I shook hands with three men who testify to the way you Berliners and we Americans play such a proud role in each others' lives: Three former U.S. Air Force pilots, veterans of one of the most remarkable operations in modern history, the Berlin Airlift.

On each flight he made, Colonel Gale Halvorsen tossed candy to the children of Berlin as his plane approached the Tempelhof runway -- yes, Colonel Halvorsen was the famous Rosinenbomber [candy bomber]. Captain Jack Bennett has many friends here today; he lives in Berlin.

As for Colonel Alan Chealander, when the Soviets blockaded Berlin, Colonel Chealander had been back in civilian life for just 8 months. He and his wife had an infant son and another child on the way, and those precious 8 months were the first Colonel Chealander had been able to devote to his family since

the long years of the War. Yet when called up for the Airlift, he never hesitated. Looking back on those days of constant hardship, of danger scorned, Colonel Chealander says simply this:
"We had a job to do, and we did it." In that sentence, hear the understatement of a hero.

I have met other heroes today, heroes of Berlin who are themselves Berliners:

Truemmerfrauen -- women who 40 years ago collected and cleaned bricks to rebuild their homes, their churches, their schools. A scholar, expelled from Humboldt University by the Soviets, who then joined in founding what has become one of the world's major institutions of higher learning, the Free University of Berlin. A political leader who in the late 1940's discovered her own party falling under Communist influence, then helped to start the the F.D.P. here in West Berlin. And, yes, veterans of the uprising of 1953.

Then, too, I have met Berliners whose actions speak with confidence of the city's present and future: A professor at the Free University who has flown in outer space as a member of the German D-1 astronaut program. Winners of the 1987 computer contest sponsored by the "Berlin-U.S.A." organization. And the director of a school where the children of many East German and Polish emigre families receive their first Western education. Incidentally, I understand that each year these pupils are among the highest achievers in all Berlin.

In each face, I've seen abiding pride in this city and its accomplishments. Indeed, there has been something deeply

moving -- something humbling -- about meeting these heroes of Berlin. And it has struck me that in this city where nothing is taken for granted -- where freedom is so deeply cherished -- you Berliners live life with a particular zest, a particular fullness. Perhaps more than the people of any other city, you, the free people of Berlin, have demonstrated to the world the value of human liberty. So it is that we have much to celebrate today. So it is that, on behalf of my Nation, I thank you.

And now, from the people of America to the people of Berlin: A very happy birthday.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506



June 8, 1987

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cc: Rhett Dawson



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June 8, 1987

ACTION

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FROM:

NELSON C. LEDSKY 706

SUBJECT:

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Peter Rodman concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the memo at Tab I to Dolan.

Approve MR

Disapprove

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Suggested paragraph on RIAS TV for Tempelhof Speech at top of page 6:

A group of RIAS employees of the first hour who helped us get the Voice of Freedom on the City's airwaves in those early post-war years and ever since. In that connection, I'm delighted to learn from Chancellor Kohl that the responsible committee of the German Bundestag has approved the release of funds for the joint financing of RIAS TV. For 40 years, Radio-in-the-American-Sector (RIAS) has been a voice of freedom. It has served Berlin well and, above all, has provided objective and balanced news to the people of East Berlin and East Germany. The great echo it receives there is evidence of the attraction of free information. It is thus not only a part of the continuing American commitment to Berlin, but it also opens another window through the wall. We are now taking another important step in moving forward to make RIAS TV a reality.

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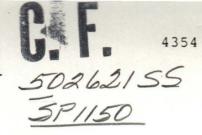
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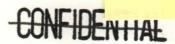
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2. WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH THE CHANCELLERY (DUISBERG) INCLUSION OF A STATEMENT ON RIAS TV IN THE SPEECH THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE AT THE BRANDENBURG GATE, AND PROVIDED THE CHANCELLERY WITH THE SUGGESTED LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN REFTEL. AFTER CHECKING INSIDE THE CHANCELLERY AND WITH THE MINISTRY OF INNER-GERMAN AFFAIRS, DUISBERG CALLED US BACK TO SAY THAT THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS TO INCLUSION OF SUCH A STATEMENT. HOWEVER, HE SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO MODIFY THE THRUST OF THE PROPOSED LANGUAGE TO MAKE IT FOCUS ON PRESENTATION OF OBJECTIVE NEWS TO THE EAST RATHER THAN ON THE BILATERAL US-GERMAN CONTEXT. THIS EMPHASIS WOULD BE MORE IN KEEPING WITH THE BASIS ON WHICH FUNDING FOR RIAS TV HAD BEEN APPROVED BY THE GERMANS. 3. ON AN INFORMAL BASIS, DUISBERG SUGGESTED REVISION OF THE PROPOSED SPEECH LANGUAGE ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES: "I AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE LEARNED FROM CHANCELLOR KOHL THAT THE RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE OF THE GERMAN BUNDESTAG HAS APPROVED THE RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE JOINT FINANCING OF RIAS TV FOR 40 YEARS RADIO-IN-THE-AMERICAN SECTOR HAS FUNCTIONED AS A VOICE OF FREEDOM. IT HAS SERVED BERLIN WELL. ABOVE ALL, IT HAS PROVIDED OBJECTIVE AND BALANCED NEWS TO THE PEOPLE OF EAST BERLIN AND THE GDR. THE GREAT ECHO IT RECEIVES THERE IS EVIDENCE OF THE ATTRACTION OF FREE INFORMATION. IT IS THUS NOT ONLY AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE CONTINUING AMERICAN COMMITMENT TO BERLIN, BUT IT ALSO OPENS A WINDOW THROUGH THE WALL. WE ARE NOW TAKING ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP IN MOVING FORWARD TO MAKE RIAS TV A

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noon on Tuesday, June 9th, with an info copy to the Senior Staff Reception office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: TEMPELHOF AIRPORT WEST BERLIN, GERMANY FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1987

Thank you, thank you all. Chancellor Rohl, Mayor Diepgen, General Mitchell, ladies and gentlemen: It's an honor for me to be able to join you today at this 750th birthday party for the city of Berlin. I'm especially pleased to be here today because -- well, it's not often that I get to go to a birthday party for something older than myself.

Let me begin by conveying the warmest greetings of the American people to all of you here today. While only a small fraction of the Berlin community can be here in this hall, our good wishes go to all the residents of this marvelous city, wherever they may live.

This is a celebration for all of Berlin. To those of you in the East who are watching on television but unable to attend in person, you are here with us in spirit. The traditional banners of Berlin's twenty districts, east and west, around this hall, remind me of the kinship that exists among all people of this city.

By its very existence and character, Berlin remains the most compelling argument for an open world. We are reminded of the many traditions of openness and democracy that have marked the history of this city.

America has a special relationship with Berlin that extends beyond formal political or economic ties. Like America, Berlin is a place of great energy, drawing creative people across

Germany and the world and turning them into productive citizens. We see our own hopes and ideals mirrored in the energy and courage of Berliners and draw strength from our joint efforts here.

This sense is symbolized by the nearly 20,000 American soldiers and airmen who work in close cooperation with Berliners to ensure the defense of our common goals. And let me make one point clear: Our troops will remain here as long as they are wanted and needed by Berliners to demonstrate to the other side that force cannot succeed.

Several thousand other Americans from all walks of life make an important contribution to the business and cultural life of this city. We have joined the centuries-old tradition of Berlin and, in a real sense, we have become Berliners.

A few moments ago here at Tempelhof, I shook hands with three men who testify to the way you Berliners and we Americans play such a proud role in each others' lives: Three former U.S. Air Force pilots, veterans of one of the most remarkable operations in modern history, the Berlin Airlift.

On each flight he made, Colonel Gale Halvorsen tossed small, candy-filled parachutes to the children of Berlin as his plane approached the Tempelhof runway. Yes, Colonel Halvorsen was one of the famous Rosinenbomber pilots who every Berliner of that generation still remembers with warmth and affection.

Another Airlift veteran, Captain Jack Bennett, has many friends here today; he lives in Berlin.

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As for Colonel Alan Chealander, when the Soviets blockaded Berlin, Colonel Chealander had been back in civilian life for just 8 months. He and his wife had an infant son and another child on the way. Those precious 8 months were the first Colonel Chealander had been able to devote to his family since the long years of the War. Yet, when called up for the Airlift, he never hesitated. Looking back on those days of constant hardship, of danger scorned, Colonel Chealander says simply this: "We had a job to do, and we did it." In those few words, hear the understatement of a hero.

I am especially pleased that Colonel Chealander and his son, who saw him only briefly before he returned to service to help fight the Blockade and who is now my own military aide, are both with us here today.

I have met other heroes as well, German heroes of Berlin.

Truemmerfrauen -- women who 40 years ago collected and cleaned bricks from the rubble to rebuild their homes, their churches, their schools, their very way of life.

A political leader who served in that one freely elected city parliament for all Berlin. But in those immediate post-war days, she discovered her own party falling under Communist influence and helped start the F.D.P. here in West Berlin.

A scholar, expelled by the Soviets from the city's old Humboldt University in the east, who then joined in founding what has become one of the world's major institutions of higher learning, the Free University of Berlin.

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A group of RIAS employees of the first hour who helped us get the voice of freedom on the city's airwaves in those early post-war years and ever since. For 40 years, radio in the American sector has been a voice of freedom and an essential part of our continuing commitment to Berlin. Now, we are taking another important step in German-American relations by moving forward to make RIAS television a reality.

An East Berlin border guard who decided to live in freedom rather than building a wall that removes even the most basic rights of freedom and self-government.

Then, too, I have met Berliners whose actions speak with confidence of the city's present and future: A professor at the Free University who has flown in outer space as a member of the German D-1 astronaut program. Winners of the 1987 computer contest sponsored by the "Berlin-U.S.A." organization. And the director of a school where the children of many East German and Polish emigre families receive their first Western education. Incidentally, I understand that each year these pupils are among the highest achievers in all Berlin.

In each face, I've seen abiding pride in this city and its accomplishments. Indeed, there has been something deeply moving -- something humbling -- about meeting these heroes of Berlin. I feel your pride in what you have done for your city, your zest for life, your confidence and hope from having overcome so many obstacles, and the strength of your commitment to overcome those that remain. You have demonstrated to the world the value of human liberty, and perhaps the courage of your

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example is the greatest gift you give to us every day of our lives.

Today, when most Americans think of Berlin, they recall our post-war relationship with this city. As we celebrate this 750th birthday, it's worth remembering that America's ties with Berlin go back many years. More than 20 American communities bear the name "Berlin." Three of our Founding Fathers -- Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, and John Adams -- negotiated a treaty of friendship and commerce with Frederick the Great in 1785, establishing a basis for the special relationship we enjoy today.

Americans were affected in other ways by this city when some of the "best and brightest" people active in Berlin sought refuge in the United States. Albert Einstein, George Grosz, Arnold Schoenberg, Kurt Weill, Mies van der Rohe -- the list of former residents of this city who changed the face of modern America is practically limitless.

So, we celebrate with you today, remembering the heroic deeds of these [indicate on-stage heroes] and all Berliners, and the long-standing relationship between our two countries. But let's not forget the painful lessons of the not-so-recent past and draw on those experiences. Together, we can build a better future for this city, for Europe, and for the world.

As we look toward the 21st century, the ideals the world associates with the free part of Berlin are gaining in recognition. History did not come to an end in 1945, and it will

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not do so now. Berlin is a city of the future. It stands as a beacon for freedom and shines brightly for all Berliners to see.

In the name of the American people, I want to congratulate all 3 million Berliners on the occasion of your anniversary. Perhaps more than the people of any other city, you, the free people of Berlin, have demonstrated to the world the value of human liberty. So it is that we have much to celebrate today. So it is that, on behalf of my Nation, I thank you.

Having witnessed your courage and determination for all these years, I am confident in extending the heartfelt best wishes of all Americans for your city's future.