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Dear Mr. Corcoran:

On May 22, you wrote to President Reaban Eurging that agricultural trade problems be addressed at the Williamsburg Summit and, if the Summit was unable to adequately address those problems, that a round of trade negotiations be held.

In preparations for the Summit, agricultural trade problems were one of the major current issues intensively discussed. At the Summit itself, we were able to bring to the attention of the heads of state present the importance we attach to improving agricultural trade conditions. There was in addition a general acknowledgement of the need to deal with these problems in the near future.

The heads of state did agree to halt protectionism, and, as recovery proceeds, to reverse it by dismantling trade barriers. We believe that this commitment will assist us in our efforts to improve agricultural trade conditions. The heads of state and government also agreed to pursue actively the current work programs in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. Both of these organizations have established programs dealing with agricultural trade problems which we hope will be effective in bringing about improved competitive conditions for US farmers.

I look forward to working with you in addressing the difficult problems facing US agriculture.

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore
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The Honorable
Tom Corcoran,
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WASHINGTON

May 27, 1983

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THROUGH:

LORETTA BRAXTON

FROM:

CHARLIE PONTICELLI Imp

SUBJECT:

"Last-Minute" Letters regarding Summit

Attached are letters to the President from Congressmen Tom Ridge, Jack Kemp, Bud Hillis, Tom Corcoran, and Senator Alan Dixon regarding the Williamsburg Summit.

Because all of these letters have reached us without time for acknowledgement prior to the Summit, we would appreciate your routing them to State for an appropriate <u>direct</u> response (with copies back to Ken Duberstein).

Thanks for your help in handling this request--

TOM CORCORAN

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

May 22, 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

When you meet with other world leaders at the Williamsburg economic summit, I urge you to focus on agricultural issues as related to our international trade policy. The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) has not been successful in resolving the myriad trade problems confronting the American agricultural community, and the time has come to recognize that agriculture, as a major American industry, cannot realistically be excluded from a comprehensive trade policy.

We need to deal with international trade issues as a totality, rather than permitting the fragmentation of our trade policy to the advantage of other nations and to our detriment. this has been happening and that we need to include agriculture under the umbrella of protection from abuse that is, at least potentially, provided under the GATT.

We achieved limited success in the Tokyo round of the GATT with agreements on meat and dairy trade liberalization and market stability. Unfortunately, on the whole, agriculture issues have not been successfully negotiated within the framework of the GATT. With the increase in tensions in the international trade arena and the growing pressure toward protectionism, it is more imperative than ever to try to resolve quickly and fairly the agriculture trade abuses that are taking place.

With particular mind to the clamor for protectionist legislation and the inherent destructiveness of trade wars, I sincerely hope that some progress can be made on the agriculture front now. the Williamsburg summit is unable to address this issue adequately, I hope you will call for another round of trade negotiations with this specific focus for discussion in mind.

Sincere

Representative in Congress

cc: Hon. John R. Block Hon William E. Brock

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Director

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

TV Usage of President Reagan's Pre-Summit Press Conference for European and Japanese TV Correspondents on May 26

Summary:

The subject press conference was seen in all of the Williamsburg Summit countries. Usage ranged from three minutes on Italian television to a thirty-minute broadcast on prime-time in West Germany and a fifty-minute program in Japan. Total estimated audience: 49 million.

Canada:

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation ran the first half hour of the press conference live at 10:30 a.m. local time to an estimated audience of 2 million. Highlights from that broadcast will be shown on the evening news.

France:

Antenne 2 broadcast six minutes of the press conference, including questions by a French correspondent, to an estimated audience of 6 million.

Great Britain:

London's Independent Television Network (ITV) carried one minute twenty-five seconds of the press conference, featuring the British Correspondent's questions. The audience for this broadcast is estimated at 10 million.

Independent TV Channel Four ran one and a half minutes from the press conference on its evening news, for an estimated audience of 3 million.

Italy:

Italian national TV (RAI I) carried 3 minutes on its 8 p.m. (local time) news broadcast, featuring the President's responses to Italian correspondent Sergio Telmon. The estimated audience was 20 million.

Japan:

The Japan Broadcasting Corporation (NHK) televised the press conference live via satellite at 11:25 p.m. local time. A five-minute introduction and ten-minute wrap-up focussed on differences between American and European viewpoints, and Japan's role in the upcoming discussions. The audience was one million.

West German:

The national television station ARD ran thirty minutes of the interview from 8:15 to 8:45 p.m. local time. The broadcast was previously announced in newspaper schedules, and had an estimated audience of 9 million.

This report covers only initial usage; subsequent usage will be reported separately.

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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

JIM SLATTERY 2ND DISTRICT, KANSAS

May 26, 1983

Kenneth M. Duberstein Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Duberstein:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the upcoming ninth Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations, which the President is hosting in Williamsburg over the Memorial Day weekend.

I appreciate you sending me a brief outline of the goals and objectives of the Summit and found the material to be both interesting and informative.

Again, thank you for your thoughtfulness in keeping me informed about the upcoming Summit and the issues that will be addressed there. I wish the event every success.

Sincerely,

JIM SLATTERY Member of Congress

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For: Mr. William P. Clark

National Security Council

The White House

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Washington, D.C. 20520

JUNE 20 1983

Dear Mr. Ireland:

I am following up on Kenneth Duberstein's interim response to your May 26 letter to the President urging that Japan further liberalize its import quotas on citrus products.

As you know, the level of Japanese citrus imports from the United States is currently set by a 1979 agreement between the U.S. and Japan which expires March 31, 1984. This agreement has provided for some increased access to the Japanese citrus market over previous levels. However, as you indicate, Japan's continued maintenance of the quotas is inconsistent with its GATT obligations and deprives U.S. producers from the opportunity to compete fully in the Japanese citrus market.

The Administration's policy therefore is to seek the elimination of the citrus quotas when the agreement expires next year. U.S. negotiators, led by the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, have already held several formal and informal meetings with Japanese officials over the last eight months to discuss the matter. Although it is difficult to predict the ultimate outcome of these negotiations this far in advance, I want to assure you that a top priority U.S. trade policy goal continues to be the attainment of full access to the Japanese market for U.S. citrus producers.

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary
for Legislative and
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The Honorable
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FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Dear Andy:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter, dated May 26, in reference to the economic summit at Williamsburg.

We appreciate having your thoughts and recommendations for addressing the issue of Japan's quotas on citrus. Although we did not receive your letter in time for consideration prior to the Summit, your comments have been brought to the attention of the appropriate advisers for a thorough review. I assure you that the concerns you have raised will continue to receive careful evaluation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein Assistant to the President

The Honorable Andy Ireland House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Mr. President:

I understand that one of the goals of the upcoming Williamsburg Summit is to firmly emphasize the need to establish the framework for broader economic recovery.

It has long been my contention that Japanese agricultural protectionism not only violates the letter and spirit of GATT, but constitutes poor economic policy for Japan. In the spirit of economic recovery I hope that you will continue, as you have in the past, to press the Japanese to reduce their quotas on citrus. 1982 figures delineate that the Japanese imported approximately 2,000 metric tons of grapefruit concentrate and virtually no orange juice concentrate. While we are looking forward to some increase in 1983 there is a great deal of room for improvement.

Why is this important for U.S.-Japanese trade relations? The Japanese citrus farmer produces an excellent orange known as the Mikan. Fine when eaten fresh, this product does not lend itself to juice consumption without blending with, for example, Florida orange juice. Florida processors must use more than one type of orange to produce a drinkable blend. Our crop is not threatened by this need, neither would be theirs.

Blending gives us year round marketability of our product. Opening up the Japanese market to blending means expanding their existing market. Their would be no competition between "theirs" and "ours."

Citrus is an excellent place to begin to open up the Japanese markets. It would not cost the Japanese anything. It could only add to their GNP and save the very influential Mikan grower segment of their economy from the ravages of over production.

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Dear Mr. Rahall:

This is in response to your April 26 letter to President Reagan, conveying your views on the problems faced by U.S. coal exporters in the context of our preparations for the Williamsburg summit meeting.

We appreciate your concern over the depressed state of a large portion of our nation's coal industry, which is particularly hard-hit at the present time because--like most energy and raw materials industries--it lags behind the rest of the world economy in emerging from economic downturns. We are optimistic, however, that as the recovery gains steam, demand for U.S. coal will pick up, both at home and abroad.

We have had detailed discussions with our summit partners and other Western countries on coal and other energy matters in the context of preparations for the summit. Work on this subject came to fruition on May 8-9 in Paris, with approval by ministers of member countries of the International Energy Agency (IEA) and for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) of a broad set of policy conclusions resulting from an exhaustive study of member country energy requirements and below the most important paragraph on coal from these policy conclusions, for your information.

"Ministers agreed that to promote on an economic basis further expansion of production, use and trade of coal and, where appropriate, of other solid fuels including lignite and peat:

- their countries should continue to reduce impediments to a major expansion of coal use in electrical power generation and in industry;

The Honorable
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- their countries should take steps to provide the infrastructure needed for increased transport and marketing of coal;
- coal-exporting countries should facilitate reliable coal exports in times of supply difficulties;
- their countries should promote the development of a flexible and diversified coal trading system, paying particular attention to the need for long-term contracts."
- I hope this information will be useful to you.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Rahall:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your recent letter urging that the preparations for the Williamsburg Summit include an examination of the problems faced by U.S. coal exporters.

We appreciate your views and concern for addressing the economic difficulties facing the coal producing regions of the Nation. Your letter is now being shared with the appropriate advisers who are working on the Summit agenda; and I assure you that the specific recommendations contained in your letter will receive close attention and consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein Assistant to the President

The Honorable Nick J. Rahall II House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Mr. President:

As you prepare for the Williamsburg Summit, I urge you to give full consideration to the devastated economy in the coal producing regions of our Nation. With 32 percent of the coal labor force unemployed, the need to increase the demand for U.S. coal in Europe and Japan should be paramount during your discussions on international trade with the leaders of Britain, France, West Germany, Italy, Canada, Japan and the European Common Market Commission over the Memorial Day weekend.

After the 1982 Versailles Summit, National Security Advisor William Clark wrote to inform me that the Summit communique specifically mentioned coal. He assured me that your Administration will place maximum emphasis on coal particularly as you prepare for the Williamsburg meeting. Earlier this year, after your meeting with Prime Minister Nakasone of Japan, the Department of State informed me that an agreement was made to establish a U.S.-Japan Energy Working Group. One of the group's task will be to examine the potential for increases in the U.S.-Japan coal trade.

You are to be commended for these actions. However, they have yet to have a noticeable effect on the coal export trade. The total annual capacity for coal at U.S. ports now stands at 320 million short tons, an improvement largely made possible due to a surge in private investment in shoreside facilities. The 105 million tons of coal exported by the U.S. in 1982 falls far short of the maximum port capacity. Without a doubt, we have the manpower and economic incentives in place to serve a greater portion of the coal requirements of Europe and Japan. The potential of U.S. coal exports is tampered only by the failure to deepen U.S. port channels and certain actions of the Interstate Commerce Commission which will serve to increase railroad rates on export coal. During my conversations with European coal buyers, these two issues were consistently raised as matters of great concern and of which cast doubt over a U.S. commitment to becoming more than a marginal supplier of coal.

When it comes to the coal trade, the role of the U.S. Administration is of crucial importance. In testimony taken by Congressional committees and during the coal trade missions conducted under the auspices of the Department of Commerce, it has been made clear that foreign coal buyers of U.S. coal are looking for signals from your Administration that you will make efforts to increase the coal trade.

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During the 1979 Tokyo Summit a pledge was made to encourage the development of the international coal trade. This pledge was reinforced during the 1980 Venice Summit and as previously mentioned, at the 1982 Versailles Summit. I ask that you follow through on these past commitments to export coal by examining the problems faced by U.S. coal exporters as part of your pre-Summit activities. These problems and the importance of coal exports to our balance of trade and the energy security of our Allies should also be made clear to the trade and finance ministers representing the U.S., the European Community, Japan and Canada who will hold a joint meeting in Paris next week. In addition, more emphasis should be placed on the importance the U.S. attaches to coal exports in the Summit communique evolving from the Williamsburg meeting.

Finally, I ask that you renew the commitment you made during your State of the Union message in January to a port modernization bill and that you review the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission to exempt railroad rates on coal export traffic from regulation.

With your assistance, Mr. President, we may work to alleviate the great suffering taking place in the Nation's coalfields by increasing the demand for U.S. coal abroad.

With warm regard, I am

Sincerely

NICK J. RAHALL, II

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Personnel for Williamsburg Summit

As we are in the last month of planning for the Summit, it is requested that your office submit a list of essential personnel for Williamsburg, keeping in mind accommodations are at a premium. This list should be submitted to my office no later than Monday, May 2nd.

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