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| 97963 | LETTER | HELMUT KOHL TO REAGAN, ENGLISH TRANSLATION R 11/18/2022 NSC/DEPT. OF STATE WAIVERS | 1 | 5/24/1983 | B1 |
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**WHITE HOUSE
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- O - OUTGOING
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- I - INCOMING
Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 8210107

Name of Correspondent: Frank Annunzio

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: writes on behalf of Mr. George Maniatis, who requests that the President withdraw Turkish troops from Cyprus by October 31, 1982.

| ROUTE TO: | ACTION | DISPOSITION | | |
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October 15, 1982

Dear Frank:

Thank you for your letter of October 5 on behalf of your constituent, Mr. George Maniatis, who has requested that the President ask "all Turkish troops to withdraw from Cyprus by October 31," and that all boundaries be safeguarded by the U.S. and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Administration appreciates your relaying this message from Mr. Maniatis. Please be assured that a copy of your correspondence has been shared with the appropriate advisory staff and carefully noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Frank Annunzio
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

KMD:CMF:MDB

cc: w/copy of ine to NSC Secretariat - P.Y.I

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INTERNAL SECURITY
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FRANK ANNUNZIO

11TH DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

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URBAN AFFAIRS

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SUPERVISION,
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230 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604
(312) 353-2525

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515
(202) 225-6661

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October 5, 1982

Mr. Ken Duberstein
Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ken:

My constituent, Mr. George Maniatis, has contacted me to relay his request to the President to ask "that all Turkish troops withdraw from Cyprus by October 31, 1982, and also that all territorial boundaries be safeguarded and guaranteed by the United States and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization."

I would be most appreciative if you would forward Mr. Maniatis' request to the President at the appropriate time.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

With every best wish, I am

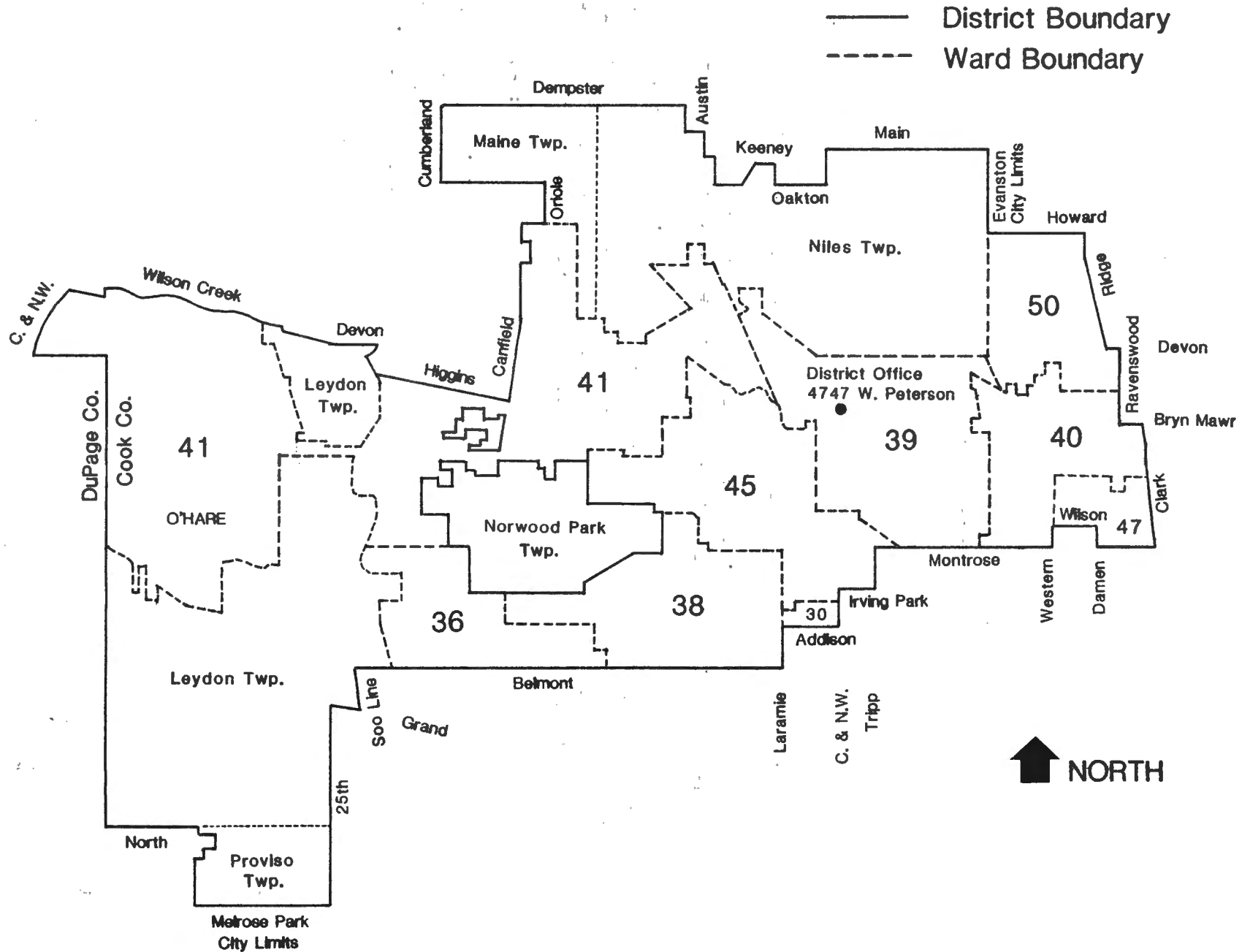
Sincerely,



FRANK ANNUNZIO
Member of Congress

FA/dah

11th Congressional District - Illinois



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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 8/21/10 1/3

Name of Correspondent: Turkish Embassy

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Unopened

ROUTE TO:

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Turkish Embassy
Washington, D.C.

NSC

The President
and Mrs. Reagan

WHITE HOUSE MAIL
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Handwritten notes: "see if AD", "check with...", "write on Nov 22 forecast", "discuss with...", "for review of system".

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WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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- Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 8210129

Name of Correspondent: Aram Kachian

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Expresses their deep concern over reports that the Turkish Government has or is threatening to initiate "Turkish Hit Squads" to retaliate against attacks on Turkish diplomats with targets being the leadership of the Armenian diaspora.

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| <u>PL Burg</u> | <u>ORIGINATOR</u> | <u>8210129</u> | <u>JTB</u> | <u>A 8211184</u> |
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 4, 1982

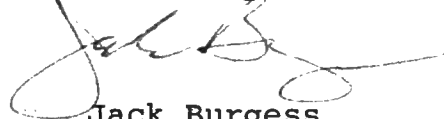
Dear Mr. Kailian:

In behalf of President Reagan, thank you for your letter of October 23 regarding Turkey's threats to retaliate against Armenians in America and elsewhere.

Since we will be meeting on November 9, I look forward to the opportunity of discussing this issue with you then.

Thank you, again, for your letter and for bringing these concerns to our attention.

Sincerely,



Jack Burgess
Special Assistant to
the President

Mr. Aram Kailian
Chairman
Armenian National Committee
212 Stuart Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116



ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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October 23, 1982

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

It has come to our attention through press reports that the Turkish Government has or is threatening to initiate "Turkish Hit Squads" to retaliate against attacks on Turkish diplomats with targets being the leadership of the Armenian diaspora. The source is attributed to General Evren, the Turkish military junta leader and high government officials.

As an American-Armenian political organization which has maintained a high diplomatic profile, we have already expressed our deep concern to officials within the State Department regarding this serious development.

With this letter, we wish to formally alert you also of our concern for the physical safety of leadership of the American-Armenian community and their organizations which have been visible and vocal in exercising their rights in order to combat Turkish propaganda and falsification of history and injustice concerning the Armenian Case. We must stress to you that the Turkish threats are to be taken seriously.

Regarding the safety of the Armenian community and organizational leaders, we request your assistance. This assistance should include, but not be limited to those leaders who desire means of self-protection; what government protection is available at the federal, state, and local levels for an individual and his family's safety; also for our churches, offices, community centers; who to contact and report any threats; what means

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are available to monitor and alert us of the entry of questionable foreign nationals; etc.

At present, there have been no direct threats from Turkish Government groups, other than statements of Evren and other officials. This correspondence is a precautionary measure and the information you provide will be disseminated to our community.

We realize that our country's laws absolutely do not permit another nation's circumvention of those laws, but, prudence and countermeasures must be considered as a means of protection. The Turkish Government's propaganda shows clearly that they make no distinction between "Armenian Terrorism" and "Armenian activism". The latter being the exercise of political rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution to its citizens. Your prompt reply and action is requested without delay.

Sincerely,


ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE
Aram Kailian, Chairman

c.c. Jack Burgess, Special assistant
to the President for public liaison

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 8211102

Name of Correspondent: Gyren Tabakian

MI Mail Report

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

Subject: Urges the President to seek justice for the five young American men who were arrested and accused of conspiracy.

ROUTE TO:

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

November 22, 1982

Right Reverend Bishop Yepren Tabakian
Primate and President
National Representative Assembly
Western Prelacy
4401 Russell Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90027

Dear Bishop Tabakian:

The November 1st mailgram from you, Reverend Yeghishe Manjikian and Dr. Onnig Keshishian, to the President has been referred to FBI Headquarters.

The investigation to which you refer is ongoing and, therefore, it would not be appropriate for the FBI to comment on any aspects of it at this time. I do, however, want to assure you that this investigation, as well as all of our investigations, is based on evidence indicating a violation of Federal law within our mandated authority.

Sincerely yours,

Oliver B. Revell
Assistant Director
Criminal Investigative Division

① - Ms. Sally Kelley - Enclosures (4)
Director of Agency Liaison
Presidential Correspondence
The White House

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

REFERRAL

NOVEMBER 10, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 107760
MEDIA: MAILGRAM, DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1982
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: BISHOP YEPREN TABAKIAN
PRIMATE AND PRESIDENT
WESTERN PRELACY
4401 RUSSELL AVENUE
LOS ANGELES CA 90027

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO SEEK JUSTICE FOR THE
FIVE YOUNG ARMENIAN MEN WHO WERE ARRESTED
AND ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY



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

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SALLY KELLEY
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THE NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE WESTERN PRELACY OF THE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF AMERICA MEETING IN GLENDALE CALIFORNIA RESOLVES TO EXPRESS THE DEEP CONCERN AND PROFOUND DISTURBANCE OF LARGE MASSES OF OUR CITIZENRY OF ARMENIAN DESCENT ANGERED BY THE ARREST OF FIVE YOUNG MEN NAMELY, VICKEN YACOUBIAN, VICKEN HOVSEPIAN, STEVE DADAIN, KARNIG SARKISSIAN AND DICKRAN BERBERIAN WHO HAVE UNJUSTLY BEEN ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY, AS LOYAL CITIZENS OF THIS LAND OF LIBERTY AND JUSTICE WE FIND THE HARRASSMENT OF LAW ABIDING CITIZENS UNBEARABLE AND UNJUST AN ACTION PRIMARILY PROMPTED BY THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT, A GOVERNMENT THAT HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN DENYING THE MASSACRE OF 1 1/2 MILLION INNOCENT ARMENIANS BY THE THEN OTTOMAN GOVERNMENT DURING WORLD WAR I. THE EXTREMELY HIGH BAIL SET FOR THE RELEASE OF THE FIVE ACCUSED SINGLED THEM OUT AND THROUGH THEM ALL AMERICANS OF ARMENIAN DESCENT FOR UNDUE PUNISHMENT. WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO USE THE PRESTIGE OF YOUR HIGH OFFICE TO SEEK JUSTICE.

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MEMORANDUM FOR BUD McFARLANE

FROM: DENNIS P. BLAIR *DBL*

SUBJECT: Request by Turkish Ambassador Elekdag that Foreign Minister Turkmen be Received by the President

Yesterday I returned on your behalf a phone call from Ambassador Elekdag. He was requesting that during Foreign Minister Turkmen's visit to Washington next month the President receive him. He cited the 7 November constitutional referendum in Turkey, the overall growing relationship and the fact that a previously scheduled meeting between the President and Turkmen was cancelled when the President was wounded last year.

I told Elekdag I did not hold out much hope for a meeting. The President was not receiving foreign ministers these days; they were dealing with our Secretary of State. I said I would raise the matter with you.

Bob Blackwill at State concurs that there is no justification for this meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That you authorize me to confirm to Ambassador Elekdag that the President will be unable to receive Turkish Foreign Minister Turkmen.

Approve PCM Disapprove _____

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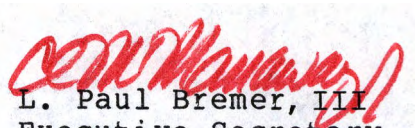
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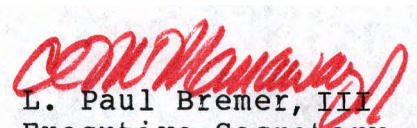
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For: Mr. William P. Clark
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: The President From: Cong. C. W. Bill Young
Date: May 5, 1983 Subject: Status of the Ecumenical
Patriarchate of the Orthodox Church
WH Referral Dated: June 2, 1983 NSC ID# 8303773
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 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.
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Dear Mr. Young:

I have been asked to respond in more detail to your letter of May 5 to the President on the status of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the Orthodox Church.

As you note in that letter, several ranking Administration figures, including the Secretary and Under Secretary Eagleburger, have met and established a dialogue with Archbishop Iakovos on this subject. We are hopeful that this dialogue and a policy of quiet diplomatic effort will produce improvement.

You are aware, of course, that this is a long-standing problem which has been further complicated by the difficult relations between Greece and Turkey in recent years. The Counselor of the Department, Ed Derwinski, who worked on the problem when he was in Congress and has continued his interest here in the Department, will be pleased to discuss it further with you personally.

You can be assured that we will continue our dialogue with the Church and our efforts to assist the Patriarchate.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

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Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary
for Legislative and
Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable
C. W. Bill Young,
House of Representatives.

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Dear Bill:

Thank you for your May 5 letter to the President urging that he call upon the leaders of Turkey to allow the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the Orthodox Church to function without interference or harrassment.

We appreciated receiving your comments in this regard. Please be assured that specific concerns and suggestions have been brought to the attention of the President's foreign policy advisers for careful review and consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President

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

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May 5, 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

On this day which you have proclaimed as "National Day of Prayer," Orthodox Christians all across the world are observing Holy Week services in preparation for the joyous celebration of Easter on Sunday, May 8th.

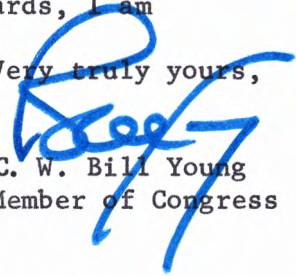
As His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos has previously discussed with you and others of your Administration, it is appropriate for Orthodox Christians to bring to the attention of the non-Orthodox Christian world the discriminatory and inhuman conditions the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the Orthodox Church is still undergoing in Turkey. For this reason, I am glad that these two events -- our National Day of Prayer and Orthodox Holy Week -- coincide this year.

The Treaty of Lausanne and other agreements were to have guaranteed the rights of the Patriarch and non-Muslim minorities in Turkey. However, it seems that extreme suppression and reprisals make it difficult for the spiritual head of the Orthodox Church to exercise his duties and ministry.

The continuity of the Patriarchate of Constantinople (Istanbul) which dates back to the Apostle Andrew is profoundly significant not only to Orthodoxy, but also to all of Christendom, as we continue to work with our ally, Turkey, we must remember to call upon its leaders to allow the Ecumenical Patriarchate to function without interference or harassment, to allow it to function freely as the Holy See of one of the world's religions.

With best wishes and personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,


C. W. Bill Young
Member of Congress

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
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19 May 1983

The Honorable
William P Clark
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
WASHINGTON DC 20500

Dear Judge Clark,

In the Ambassador's absence, I am enclosing the text of a message which the Prime Minister has asked us to forward to the President. I should be most grateful for your help in transmitting it to him.

Sincerely,

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Minister

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TO : Judge Clark

SUBJECT: Department of State Bulletin Article on Armenian
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You may be aware that a footnote to an article on Armenian terrorism in the August 1982 Department of State Bulletin caused a furor in the Armenian American community by casting doubt as to whether the Reagan Administration still recognized that the Ottoman Empire had massacred Armenians in 1915. As pressure from Armenian groups and Congress grew, I urged that the State Department disassociate itself from the controversial footnote in order to prevent political problems for the White House. Although we encountered some resistance from our European Bureau which was concerned not to give any offense to Turkey, we met with key leaders of the Armenian community, wrote to interested Congressmen and just published in the April Bulletin a disclaimer. Attached is a copy of a letter from Larry Eagleburger to Congressman Chip Pashayan which should put the issue to rest.

We now have assurances from Congressman Chip Pashayan and key members of the Armenian community that they will drop the Bulletin article as a political issue which could have been used within the Armenian community to generate anti-Reagan sentiment in 1984.

Ed Derwinski

NSC# 8302999

United States Department of State

*Under Secretary of State
for Political Affairs*

Washington, D.C. 20520

April 21, 1983

Dear Mr. Pashayan:

I especially respect the prominent leadership role you exercise in the Armenian-American community and am consequently pleased to write to you on the controversial subject of the August 1982 Department of State Bulletin article on Armenian terrorism.

May I reemphasize to you that neither the article, its accompanying note, nor footnotes were intended as statements of policy of the United States. Nor did they represent any change in U.S. policy. Policy statements which are a part of the public record remain there and speak for themselves.

As you can understand, the Administration remains deeply concerned over the concerted efforts of some terrorist groups to invoke the tragic events of 1915 as a pretext for terrorism against Turkish diplomats and private and public activities of Turkey and Turks around the world. The United States Government condemns most strongly all such acts of terror.

We sincerely desire to end this unfortunate controversy over the Bulletin article. To that end, the Department of State plans to publish the following editor's note in the next issue of the Department of State Bulletin.

The article "Armenian Terrorism: A Profile," which appeared in the August 1982 issue of the Bulletin, its accompanying note and footnotes were not intended as statements of policy of the United States. Nor did they represent any change in U.S. policy.

I hope that the above clarification will alleviate any concerns you may have.

Sincerely,



Lawrence S. Eagleburger

The Honorable
Charles Pashayan, Jr.,
House of Representatives.

**National Security Council
The White House**

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

June 13, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR SALLY KELLEY

FROM: ROBERT M. KIMMITT

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MELADY, THOMAS PATRICK

SUBJECT: Armenian Issue - Response for White House
Signature

Per your office's request, we have prepared a draft response for your use in responding to Mr. Melady's subject letter to Jim Baker.

Tab A Draft response to Melady
Tab B Melady's incoming

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Letter to Baker re: Turkish genocide against Armenian ancestors

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 13, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: PETER R. SOMMER *Peter*
SUBJECT: Armenian Issue - Response for White House
Signature

State prepared what I believe is a self-explanatory reply to a letter to Jim Baker concerning Turkish genocide against Armenians.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I, forwarding the draft response to Sally Kelley.

Approve *K* Disapprove

Don Fortier concurs.

Tab I Memo to Kelley
Tab A Draft response to Melady
Tab B Melady's incoming

PROPOSED REPLY

Dear Mr. Melady:

Thank you for your personal note concerning the Armenian issue and the tragic events of 1915. We are aware that it is a matter of great sensitivity among Armenian-Americans and want to assure you that we take a strong interest in the concerns of ethnic Armenians.

Senior Administration officials have held meetings with representatives reflecting a broad cross-section of the Armenian-American community to discuss their concerns. These discussions have been cordial, frank, and I believe mutually beneficial. The Department of State responded to the concerns of the Armenian community in an April 21 letter to Congressman Pashayan of California indicating that it would publish a clarification of the April Department of State Bulletin. The April Bulletin did include the following editor's note.

"The article, 'Armenian Terrorism: A Profile,' which appeared in the August 1982 issue of the Bulletin, and its accompanying note and footnotes were not intended as statements of policy of the United States. Nor did they represent any change in U.S. policy."

We are hopeful that this further clarification will effectively end the controversy over the Bulletin article and alleviate the concerns of the Armenian community. We appreciate hearing from you on this important matter.

Sincerely,

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April 22, 1983

P E R S O N A L

MEMORANDUM

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

From: Thomas Patrick Melady *TM*

Subject: Sympathy for the Armenians (No. 67)

1. Armenian Americans are deeply sensitive to the historic fact of the Turkish genocide against their Armenian ancestors by the Turks in 1915-1916. The Turks continue to deny the fact of the 1915-1916 genocide.
2. See attached news clip.
3. There are very few Turkish-Americans but the Armenian Americans, who voted heavily Republican in 1980, live in strategic centers like greater Philadelphia.
4. Recommendation:
 - A. President, on the appropriate anniversary in the near future, should issue a statement of clear sympathy for the Armenian sufferings of 1915-1917.
5. The Armenians have a closely knit communications network: their Churches, cultural organizations and newspapers. They should receive a copy of whatever was said on this subject.

att:

cc: Mr. Michael Deaver
Mr. Michael McManus

Beck
To: (Ann Higgins)

Armenian Ire Aroused By State Department

By TOM KUNTZ
Assistant Foreign Editor

The U.S. State Department has outraged many of the nation's 600,000 Armenians by appearing to deny that the Armenian genocide of 1915 ever took place.

As a result of statements published in an official State Department publication, members of Congress this week are sending a letter to Secretary of State George P. Shultz to demand a clarification of the Reagan administration's position on the massacres by Turks in which more than 1 million Armenians perished.

The anger has focused on a lit-

tle-publicized article on Armenian terrorism in the August 1982 issue of the Department of State Bulletin, which ends with a footnote saying, "Because the historical record of the 1915 events in Asia Minor is ambiguous, the Department of State does not endorse allegations that the Turkish Government committed a genocide against the Armenian people."

The author of the article, Andrew Corson of the State Department's Office of Security, uses the word "alleged" four times in ref-

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THE HARTFORD COURANT: Thursday, April 21, 1983

State Department Angers Armenians

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erences throughout the text to the 1915 massacres.

In response to protests from Armenians, an editor's note in the next issue of the Bulletin said the article "does not necessarily reflect an official position of the Department of State," but only the views of the author.

But that and other statements by State Department officials, which said neither the article nor the footnote represented official positions, have failed to dispel the furor.

"We have reached the point now when not only are the descendants of the perpetrators are denying the deed... but they're being aided and abetted in this by our own government," said Marjorie Housepian-Dobkin, a professor at New York's Barnard College who has written extensively on Armenian issues. She spoke in Hartford Sunday.

The letter to Shultz, drafted by Rep. Henry A. Waxman, D-Calif., and cosigned by Connecticut Rep. Nancy L. Johnson, R-6th District, among others, says the State Department's disclaimers are "ambiguous comments" that "seek to avoid the issue."

"They do not say what the official position of the United States is," the letter says. "In fact, they back off from what has been the official position of the United States."

The letter to Shultz, which was read over the telephone by a member of Johnson's staff, points out that as recently as April 22, 1981, President Reagan specifically deplored "the genocide of the Armenian people" in a proclamation honoring those liberated from Nazi death camps during World War II.

"If any new evidence has emerged since this time we would very much like to have the opportunity to review it," the letter says. "If there is none, however, the State Department's reassessment of the recorded events in 1915 is unwarranted and should be promptly and formally retracted."

"The State Department is clearly out of synch with established Reagan administration policy, which has recognized the Armenian genocide," said Laurens Avyazian of the Armenian Assembly of America in Washington.

Contacted by The Courant, the State Department's desk officer for Turkey, Diane McClellan, Wednesday refused to state the administration's position on the Armenian massacres of 1915, not even on a "deep background" basis in which her comments would not be attributed to her by name. It is unusual for a State Department desk officer to so decline comment on an issue within the officer's area of responsibility.

The article's author, Corson, also declined comment. A State Department spokesman, however, said the Department of State Bulletin's primary purpose has been to enunciate U.S. foreign-policy positions.

Armenian groups, among them the Armenian Assembly, point to the Bulletin article as proof that the State Department has complicity in a high-powered Turkish public-relations campaign to whitewash the horrors of 1915.

Most historical records of the 1915 massacres are anything but ambiguous. As the world watched, the Turks exterminated or deported on "death marches" virtually their entire Armenian population, partly because they suspected that some Armenians sided with neighboring Russia, one of Turkey's foes in the war.

The decision to commit genocide was communicated to local leaders by the Turkish interior minister, Talaat Pasha. In 1915, he stated in one of his orders that the decision had been made to "destroy completely all Armenians living in Turkey."

"An end must be put to their existence, however criminal the measures taken may be, and no regard must be paid to age, or sex, or to scruples of conscience," Pasha had said.

Ironically, a key witness to the slaughter was the State Department's own Henry Morgenthau Sr. He was U.S. ambassador to Turkey at the time and tried in vain to halt the barbarities.

"When the Turkish authorities gave the orders for these deportations, they were merely giving the death warrant to a whole race; they understood this well, and, in their conversations with me, they made no particular attempt to conceal the fact," he wrote in his book "Ambassador Morgenthau's Story."

The Turkish government denies that a genocide took place and refuses to pay reparations to Armenian survivors or descendants, as postwar West Germany did to Israel after World War II.

Turkey has stated that, at most, 200,000 Armenians died in 1915 and their deaths were not the result of a planned massacre but rather the tragedies of war in which many Turks also died.

Mithat Balkan, a Turkish Embassy spokesman, Wednesday essentially reiterated this position. He said accounts of the genocide were Armenian and Western "propaganda" and said Morgenthau's testimony is "all hearsay" based solely on Armenian and Greek sources. He disputed the authenticity of Pasha's order.

There are 5,000 to 10,000 Armenians in Connecticut, area Armenians say, and many of them plan to attend ceremonies at the state Capitol Friday.

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FROM HIGGINS, A

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

Reference:

To: The President From: FRG Chancellor Kohl
Date: May 24, 1983 Subject: Turkish Elections

WH Referral Dated: 5/27/83 NSC ID# 8303711
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 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.
- x We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
- The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
- Other.

Remarks:

Kohl's letter is simply a response to a letter from the President, and there is no substantive requirement for an additional Presidential letter to Kohl on Turkey at this time.

Laune A. Johnson
Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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TO: PRESIDENT

SOURCE: KOHL, HELMUT

DATE: 24 MAY 83

KEYWORDS: GERMANY F R

TURKEY

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SUBJ: ELECTIONS IN TURKEY

REQUIRED ACTION: RECOMMENDATIONS

DRAFT REPLY

DUE DATE: 02 JUN 83

COMMENTS: WE HAVE RECD ORIGINAL LTR. THIS IS PENDING W/ YOU

FOR THE ABOVE ACTIONS AS OF 27 MAY

FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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THE AMBASSADOR
OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Washington, 3 June 1983

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to send you the enclosed original letter from Federal Chancellor Helmut Kohl, the text of which has already been forwarded to you.

Respectfully yours,



Peter Hermes

The President

The White House

Washington, D.C.

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Translation

Federal Republic of Germany
The Federal Chancellor

Bonn, 24 May 1983

Dear Ron,

Thank you for your message regarding President Evren's announcement of the date for elections in Turkey.

I share your confidence that Turkey will return to democracy and concur with you in the view that we should support Turkey to this end.

The Federal Government has undertaken to present a conclusive report to the German Bundestag on developments in Turkey. This will afford an opportunity of commenting in a positive manner on developments in Turkey on its way back to democracy.

I look forward to seeing you again in Williamsburg.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd.) Helmut Kohl

His Excellency
Ronald W. Reagan
President of the United States of America
Washington, D.C.

BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND
DER BUNDESKANZLER

Bonn, den 24. Mai 1983

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Seiner Exzellenz
dem Präsidenten der
Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika
Herrn Ronald W. Reagan
Washington D.C.

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Lieber Ron,

für Ihre Botschaft zur Ankündigung des Wahltermins in der
Türkei durch Präsident Evren danke ich Ihnen.

Ich teile Ihre Zuversicht, daß die Türkei zur Demokratie zurück-
finden wird, und stimme mit Ihnen in der Zielsetzung überein, daß
wir die Türkei dabei unterstützen sollten.

Die Bundesregierung hat sich verpflichtet, dem Deutschen Bundes-
tag über die Entwicklung in der Türkei abschließend zu berichten.
Dies bietet sich an, um ein positives Wort zur Entwicklung in
der Türkei auf dem Wege zur Rückkehr in die Demokratie zu
sagen.

Ich freue mich, Sie in Williamsburg wiederzusehen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen



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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN ON ANNOUNCEMENT
OF TURKISH ELECTIONS.

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT TO CHANCELLOR KOHL, PRESIDENT MITTERRAND,
PRIME MINISTER THATCHER AND FANFANI AT THE EARLIEST
CONVENIENT MOMENT. THERE WILL BE NO WRITTEN TEXT.

2. QUOTE. I WAS DEEPLY PLEASED TO LEARN OF PRESIDENT
EVREN'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS WILL BE
HELD IN TURKEY ON NOVEMBER 6, 1983. TAKEN TOGETHER WITH
THE JUST-ISSUED LAW AUTHORIZING ORGANIZATION OF POLITICAL
PARTIES, LIFTING OF THE BAN ON POLITICAL DISCUSSION
AND DEBATE, AND SUBMISSION OF THE ELECTION LAW TO FULL
DEBATE IN THE CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY, FORMAL SETTING
OF A DATE FOR ELECTION MARKS SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS ON THE
ROAD TO ESTABLISHMENT OF FULL DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT IN
TURKEY. I HOPE YOU WILL JOIN ME IN PUBLICLY WELCOMING
THIS DEVELOPMENT AND IN APPLAUDING THE STEADFASTNESS
SHOWN BY THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT IN CARRYING OUT THE
RETURN TO DEMOCRACY. END QUOTE. DAM

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