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s/s	8600363

Date January 15, 1986

For: VADM John M. Poindexter National Security Council The White House

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Reference:

To: The President	From: Senator Gordon J. Humphrey
Date: December 18, 1985	
Cause of Afghan Freedom and Diplomats from Afghanistan.	Urges you to Remove All American
Referral Dated: January 8.	1986 ID# 371157 • (if any)
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Action Taken:

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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:

Executive Secretary



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

JAN 1 5 1986

Dear Senator Humphrey:

The White House has asked me to respond further to your letter of December 18 to President Reagan in which you urged the Administration to close the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan.

We share your impatience with the continued Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and the consequent destruction and loss of life, but we firmly believe that the advantages of maintaining our presence in Kabul greatly outweigh what would essentially amount to a symbolic gesture if we were to close our Embassy in Kabul. As we noted earlier, our mission serves as a valuable listening post for what is happening inside the country, cut off as it is from access by the media.

We fully agree with you that the Karmal regime, installed and maintained by Soviet military force, does not represent the will of the Afghan people. However, our limited diplomatic presence in Kabul, which consists of a skeletal staff of 20 led by a Charge d'Affaires, does not imply recognition or approval of Babrak Karmal's regime. We have never formally recognized the Kabul government, and our relations with the regime are limited to the minimum necessary administrative and consular business.

This Administration has consistently sought practical and effective means to pressure the Soviets to withdraw their troops from Afghanistan. President Reagan has made it clear to General Secretary Gorbachev that Afghanistan will continue to be an obstacle to an overall improvement in U.S.-Soviet relations. As long as the Soviet Union pursues a military solution, we will support the Afghan cause. We will continue to raise the issue of Afghanistan at every available opportunity with the Soviets; we will make every effort to keep the Afghan struggle centerstage of U.S. and world public opinion; we will encourage and support resistance alliance efforts on the battlefield and in the political arena; we will continue generously to provide humanitarian assistance to Afghan refugees in Pakistan and to promote cross-border humanitarian assistance to Afghans inside Afghanistan; and we wil

The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey, United States Senate. support UN efforts and resolutions. In short, we will continue to use all means at our disposal to maintain pressure on the Soviets to negotiate a settlement.

Sincerely,

James W. Dyer Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JANUARY 8, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE ATTN: WILL BALL

ACTION REQUESTED: DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 371157

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 18, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE GORDON J. HUMPHREY UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE CAUSE OF AFGHAN FREEDOM & URGES YOU TO REMOVE ALL AMERICAN DIPLOMATS FROM AFGHANISTAN. "SUCH AN ACTION WOULD UNDERSCORE OUR CONCERNS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS & JUSTICE, & WOULD SEND AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS ON THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR STRUGGLE."

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 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

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Date January 23, 1986

For: VADM John M! Poindexter National Security Council The White House

Reference:

To: The President From: Senator. Gordon Humphrey
Date: January 8, 1986 Subject: Writes regarding the
Cause of Afghan Freedom, and urge you to remove all American
Diplant or from Afghanistan

Referral Dated: January 12, 1986

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.

The Department of State has no objection to the proposed travel.

Other. Identical letter received from Senator Humphrey dated 12/18/86 (S/S 8600363) and answered 1/9/86. See attached copies.

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Executive Secretary

Remarks:

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January 3, 1986

Dear Senator Humphrey:

President Reagan has asked me to thank you for your December 18 letter urging that American diplomats be withdrawn from Afghanistan in order to underscore our concerns for human rights and justice.

We appreciate your detailing your concerns regarding U.S. relations with Afghanistan. You may be assured that your recommendation has been shared with the President's foreign policy advisers and will receive a further review and response.

With best wishes

Sincerely.

M. B. Oglesby, Jr. Assistant to the President

The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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United States Senate

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 18, 1985

Dear Mr. President,

I know from your moving statements that the cause of Afghan freedom is dear to your heart. That is a sentiment I share with you.

Despite the improvements in the American effort to sustain the people of Afghanistan, means remain to further improve our effort. One such is the elimination of the inconsistency in our relationship with the puppet government which the Soviets have set up in Afghanistan.

Mr. President, on the one hand, the United States is working in various ways to help the Freedom Fighters to resist the brutal puppet government in Afghanistan. On the other hand, we still maintain a diplomatic presence in the capital where that puppet government sits protected by thousands of Soviet troops.

Mr. President, the government of Afghanistan is guilty of cooperating with the Soviets in the genocide of its own people! Nearly a million Afghans have died as a result of the war, slaughtered by indiscriminate bombing of villages, search and destroy missions that kill men, women and children alike, deliberate destruction of crops designed to create starvation, and the cynical elimination of medical facilities.

The Karmal government is an illegitimate and criminal government installed by an invading power. The presence of American diplomats at the seat of that government lends that government undeserved credibility and respectability.

On December 13, the United States joined 79 other nations in a vote at the General Assembly of the United Nations to adopt the Ermcacora Report, a catalogue of human rights atrocities committed by the Soviets and their Afghan puppet government.

Mr. President, is this not the ideal time to withdraw American diplomats from Afghanistan? Such an action, following on the heels of the General Assembly vote, and coming at the time of the sixth anniversary (December 27) of the Soviet invasion, would send yet another signal that the United States is serious in its insistence that the Soviet nation who have sacrificed so heavily may choose their own destiny.

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With all due respect, Mr. President, I urge you to remove all American diplomats from Afghanistan. Such an action would underscore our concerns for human rights and justice, and would send an important message of encouragement to the Freedom Fighters on the sixth anniversary of their struggle.

With warmest regards,

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JANUARY 22, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

- ID: 365502
- MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JANUARY 8, 1986
- TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
- FROM: THE HONORABLE GORDON HUMPHREY UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: WRITE REGARDING THE CAUSE OF AFGHAN FREEDOM, AND URGE YOU TO REMOVE ALL AMERICAN DIPLOMATS FROM AFGHANISTAN. THIS ACTION WOULD SEND ANOTHER SIGNAL THAT THE U.S. IS SERIOUS IN ITS INSISTENCE THAT THE SOVIETS WITHDRAW FROM THAT COUNTRY AND ALLOW ITS PEOPLE TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN DESTINY.

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SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

January 3, 1986

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United States Senate

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TRANSMITTAL FORM

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S/S 8600480

Date January 17, 1986

For: VADM John M. Poindexter National Security Council The White House

Reference:

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To: The President	From: Senator Gordon J. Humphrey
Decision by the State Depa	Subject: Writes Regarding a Recent artment to Reverse Its Position and Agree Settlement on the War in Afghanistan
Referral Dated: January	9, 1986 ID# 371560 • (if any)
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Action Taken:

A	draft	reply	is	attached.
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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:

Platt **Executive Secretary**

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

JAN 6 1986

Dear Senator Humphrey:

I write in response to your letter to the President of 23 December in which you expressed concern about the Administration's expression of willingness to serve as a guarantor of a comprehensive settlement of the Afghanistan crisis.

As you know, the Administration has strongly supported the UN Secretary-General's search for a comprehensive Afghanistan settlement consistent with the four basic principles of UN General Assembly resolutions which have been passed every fall by increasingly overwhelming majorities. Included in these basic principles is the requirement that any solution developed at the negotiating table provide for the self-determination of the Afghan people -- all the Afghan people, including the valiant resistance fighters.

Our readiness to contemplate playing a guarantor's role most emphatically depends on the substance of the agreement worked out by the UN Negotiator in the Geneva proximity talks. This is no reversal of Administration policy; nor is it a blank check. Rather, our action simply makes public a position on which we had already been on record with the UN Secretary-General.

As I have noted, however, our agreement to be a guarantor is expressly contingent on the agreement's providing for the complete withdrawal of Soviet soldiers from Afghanistan. We have made this clear in writing to the UN Secretary General, and we have no intention of weakening our resolve to press all concerned to negotiate such a comprehensive agreement. The contemplated US role as one of the guarantor nations would be the best assurance, I would add, of a continuing American role in the evolution of the situation in Afghanistan following such an agreement.

We share your concern for the welfare of the Afghan people. We support the search for a just solution. We will not turn our

The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey, United States Senate.



backs on the valiant Afghan people. The Administration's willingness to guarantee an acceptable, negotiated settlement is consistent with this solemn commitment.

Sincerely,

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James W. Dyer Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JANUARY 9, 1986

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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ACTION REQUESTED: DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

- ID: 371560
- MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 23, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE GORDON J. HUMPHREY UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING A RECENT DECISION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO REVERSE ITS POSITION AND AGREE TO GUARANTEE IN ADVANCE A SETTLEMENT OF THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN. BELIEVES THIS ACTION TO BE A SELLOUT OF THE AFGHAN PEOPLE AND THEIR CAUSE.

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 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

> SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE Received in 5/5-1 1/8/86 - 5:00 p.m. MgS

January 6, 1986

Dear Senator Humphrey:

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President Reagan has asked me to thank you for your December 23 letter regarding the UN-sponsored talks to resolve the war in Afghanistan.

We appreciated receiving your concerns in regard to the U.S. position on any settlement and you may be assured that your letter was brought to the President's attention. Please know that your comments are receiving our careful consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr. Assistant to the President

The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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CHAIRMAN: SUBCOMMITTEE ON REGIONAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

December 23, 1985

371560

The President The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

What could be a worse fate for the Afghan people than the hellish genocide visited on them over the last six years by the Soviet Army and its puppet regime in Kabul?

There is something worse...a sellout of the Afghan people and their cause. What a cruel fate it would be were their enormous sacrifice to come to naught!

Mr. President, I fear the United States by its own actions may be drawn into what would amount to a sellout. Until recently, the State Department refused to guarantee in advance any settlement of the war, which might be reached in the UN sponsored talks underway since 1982. That is, State refused to guarantee the terms of a settlement until the terms were known.

Recently, the State Department reversed course and agreed to guarantee a settlement even though the most important terms have not yet been decided.

Supposing the terms are unfair to the Freedom Fighters? Supposing the terms leave the criminal puppet regime of Bobrak Karmal in place? From halfway around the world, are we to throw away the monumental sacrifice of life made by the Afghan people in their six-year struggle to regain freedom?

Apart from the terms of a settlement, there is a more profound question: What right have we to guarantee, i.e., enforce, an agreement "settling" the war in Afghanistan, when the only legitimate representative of the Afghan people, the Freedom Fighters, have been excluded from the negotiations? The President December 23, 1985 Page 2

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Let us be wary, Mr. President, of the element in the State Department who chronically ignore Soviet Treaty violations and who might turn a settlement of the Afghan war into a sellout. It seems to me the first step has already been taken.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Gordon J. Humphrey

cc: Secretary Shultz The Honorable Donald Regan Admiral Poindexter WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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The President White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I commend you for your kind act of receiving today the Afghan children who have come to America to be fitted with artificial limbs to replace those lost in the war in Afghanistan.

Mr. President, I write to call to your attention a glaring inconsistency in our policy regarding Afghanistan which undermines the moral position of the United States which you have enunciated on many inspiring occasions and which you demonstrate today in meeting with the Afghan children.

On the one hand, we have said we are squarely behind the people of Afghanistan in their effort to restore their country to indpendence and freedom. On the other hand, we still have American diplomats in Kabul, the seat of the puppet regime against which the Afghans are fighting.

Further, Mr. President, officials of the puppet regime in Kabul are still in Washington representing Afghanistan.

Mr. President, the Karmal regime is guilty of crimes against its own people, including making war upon its children. In the name of the children whom you have shown love this morning, in the name of the Freedom Fighters whom you have assured of our moral support on many occasions, I urge you to end the inconsistency in our policy. I urge you to withdraw American diplomats from Kabul and to send packing the diplomats from that criminal, puppet regime who are still here in Washington.

How can the world take seriously our lofty statements about Afghanistan and our kind gestures, such as yours today, while American diplomats continue in their posts in Kabul and the Karmal diplomats continue in their posts in Washington?

With warmest regards, I am

incerely yours.

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10080 NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508 380780 January 8, 1986 11.8 MEMORANDUM FOR RONALD K. PETERSON 126 WILLIAM F. MARTIN Court Clearland FROM: Department of State Draft Report on SUBJECT: S.J.Res. 240, Regarding Afghanistan 13 The NSC concurs entirely in the Department of State's draft FGL 66 " report on S.J.Res. 240, regarding Afghanistan. FGL 1-L

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Tab A State's Draft Report and Attached Resolution

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

January 2, 1986



LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislative Liaison Officer-Department of Defense National Security Council

SUBJECT: State's draft report on S.J.Res. 240, regarding Afghanistan.

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1986.

Questions should be referred to Sue Thau the legislative analyst in this office.

(395-7300),

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RONALD K. PETERSON FOR Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures CC:J. Eisenhour B. Howard



United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Department of State has reviewed Senate Joint Resolution 240, "Opposing the Soviet Union's invasion and six-year occupation of Afghanistan against the national vill of the Afghan people," introduced by Senator Humphrey on December 2, 1985.

We welcome the Congressional interest in Afghanistan which is reflected by the introduction of this resolution. Congressional support for the Afghan resistance parallels the strong stand of this Administration in opposition to the increasingly brutal Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

William L. Ball, III Assistant Secretary Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

Enclosure: Correspondence Returned

Senate Joint Resolution 240

The Honorable, Richard G. Lugar, Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate

Calendar No. 467 S. J. RES. 240

99TH CONGRESS 1st Session

Opposing the Soviet Union's invasion and six-year occupation of Afghanistan against the national will of the Afghan people.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

December 2, 1985

Mr. HUMPHREY (for himself and Mr. BOSCHWITZ) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

> DECEMBER 11 (legislative day, DECEMBER 9), 1985 Reported by Mr. LUGAR, with an amendment [Omit the part struck through and insert the part printed in italic]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Opposing the Soviet Union's invasion and six-year occupation of Afghanistan against the national will of the Afghan people.

- Whereas December 27, 1985, will mark six years since the Soviet Union invaded the independent nation of Afghanistan;
- Whereas, as a result of said invasion, over one-fourth of the prewar population has fled the country and now constitutes the largest refugee population in the world;

- Whereas Soviet and Kabul regime forces have stepped up their military campaign against the civilian population, including attacks on Pakistan's territory;
- Whereas Afghan freedom fighters have frustrated all Soviet attempts to suppress them and withstood unrelenting attacks by Soviet forces with unmatched courage and sacrifice and with high morale; and
- Whereas the Soviet invasion and repression of the Afghan nation and people has been repeatedly condemned by the Non-aligned Movement, the United Nations, the European Parliament, the Islamic Conference Organization, and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: Now, therefore, be it
 - Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 That the Senate of the United States of America—
- 4 (1) condemns the six years of aggression waged
 5 against the independent country and people of Afghani6 stan;
- 7 (2) calls for continued aid for the Afghan popula8 tion on both inside and outside Afghanistan;
- 9 (3) (2) urges expeditious conclusion of a negotiat10 ed political settlement based on—
- 11 (A) the complete withdrawal of all foreign
 12 troops;
- 13 (B) restoration of the independent and nona14 ligned status of Afghanistan;

1(C) self-determination for the Afghan people;2and3(D) the return of the Afghan refugees with4safety and honor.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

January 7, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM F. MARTIN

FROM:

JOCK COVEY

SUBJECT: Department of State Draft Report on S.J.Res. 240, Regarding Afghanistan

Attached at Tab I is a memo to Ronald Peterson concerning State's draft report on S.J.Res. 240, regarding Afghanistan.

NSC has no problem with the Department of State's draft report. Jack Matlock, Walt Raymond, Ron Sable, Shirin Tahir-Kheli, and Vince Cannistraro Concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo of concurrence to Peterson at Tab I.

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May 30,

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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

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STEVE SESTANOVICH FROM:

Afghan Alliance Visit -- Again SUBJECT:

After the aborted April visit of Afghan leaders, we told Embassy Islamabad to put the matter aside. The trip had become too divisive within the resistance alliance, was not as important as other issues we had to raise with the Paks, and could not be rescheduled with any real confidence that it would happen.

Now, however, the resistance itself has come back to us with a planned trip through Western capitals, and the Pakistanis also seem supportive. I believe we should try to get a 30 minute Oval Office meeting back on the calendar for June 16 or 18.

The UN Geneva proximity talks on Afghanistan were recessed last week, until July 30. Because they produced so little (the Sovs simply made their four-year withdrawal plan official), the Paks may feel that letting the Afghan alliance leaders come here would be a good signal of firmness to the Soviets. As for the resistance, they see that unless they gain some international stature they could well be left out of a future settlement.

These are both strong reasons for us to arrange an Oval Office meeting. In the 2 months before the talks resume, we hope to reposition ourselves and the Paks a bit on the issue of a role for the resistance in the peace process. A June meeting will also allow us to exploit the fact that the rotating alliance chairmanship is now held by Burhannudin Rabbani, the leader who best combines political effectiveness, religious legitimacy and a positive view of the West.

Don Fortier discussed these issues before the April meeting with Don Regan, who was strongly supportive.

Shirin Tahir-Kheli, Vince Canistraro and Mike/Ca e concur.

Recommendation

That you approve the revised schedule proposal at Tab A.

Approve

Disapprove

Attachment: Tab A

Schedule Proposal

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

FROM:

May 30, 1986

TO:	FREDERICK J.	RYAN, Director			
	Presidential	Appointments and	d Scheduling		

RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

REQUEST: Meet with leadership delegation of the Afghan resistance alliance.

PURPOSE: To underscore US support for the alliance during a recess in UN talks on Afghanistan.

A meeting was scheduled for April, but the **BACKGROUND:** resistance cancelled their trip after the start of a strong Soviet spring offensive. A meeting now would dramatize the US position that any settlement must reflect the views of the resistance. (The Soviets reject any role for them.) The rotating chairmanship of the alliance will be held until July 1 by Burhannudin Rabbani, the leader who best combines political and military strength, religious legitimacy, and a positive view of the West. Others leaders may accompany him, but he will act as spokesman. The Washington visit will include other meetings with senior US officials, plus Congressional events.

PREVIOUS: The President has met other members of the resistance, but none since the formation in spring 1985 of a formal political alliance of resistance groups.

DATE & TIME: June 16 (or 18 -- delegation departs 6/19) DURATION: Thirty minutes

LOCATION: Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS: The President, Secretary Shultz, Adm. Poindexter, Donald Regan

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Discussion of Afghan situation

REMARKS REQUIRED: Talking points to be provided

MEDIA COVERAGE: Full coverage at outset of meeting; President might accompany to Press Room afterwards.

RECOMMENDED BY: John M. Poindexter

National Security Council The White-House

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