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DATE RECEIVED: JANUARY 04, 1988

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE LYN NOFZIGER

SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING GENERAL ABDUL-RAHIM WARDAK,
TOP LEADER OF THE NATIONAL ISLAMIC FRONT OF

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30 December, 1987

The Honorable Howard Baker Chief of Staff The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Howard:

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Thanks for taking the time to read this. I hope things are going well for you.

Warm regards,

LYN NOFZIGER

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January 7, 1987

Colin,

General Wardak is a credible figure, but not necessarily one of great stature. Having met with Khalis, the leader of the umbrella group of the Resistance, it may not make sense for the President now to meet with someone of lower stature from a particular tribe. A publicized meeting with Wardak—the kind Nofzinger seeks—might not play well among the Resistance, and the last thing we need to do at this point is to inadvertantly rekindle tribal rivalries. Both Shirin and I feel that it would be a mistake for the President to meet with Wardak—a private, lower—level meeting would make sense.

Dennis Ross

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dennis Koss,

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#### January 5, 1988

TO: General Colin Powell

FROM: HOWARD H. BAKER, JR. CHIEF OF STAFF

Before I answer the attached letter to me from Lyn Nofziger I would like to chat about this.

Thank you.

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

SUBJECT: ENCLOSES COPY OF A WALL STREET JOURNAL ARTICLE CONCERNING SOVIET DESERTERS IN THE AFGHAN WAR AND URGES HAVING OUR GOVERNMENT INCREASE THE NUMBER OF RED ARMY DEFECTORS \*

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 28, 1987

#### Dear Mike:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your recent correspondence regarding Red Army defectors.

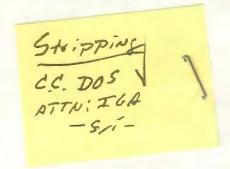
A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the appropriate officials at the Department of State for their benefit and consideration.

I sincerely appreciate your sharing your views with the Administration.

Sincerely

Cristena L. Bach
Special Assistant to the President
for Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable Michael D. Antonovich Chairman,
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Room 869
Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012





# Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

December 1, 1987

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20500

Dear My President:

Enclosed is an article from the Wall Street Journal quoting Senate testimony by Ludmilla Thorne of Freedom House concerning Soviet deserters in the Afghan war.

I urge you to use your influence to have our government increase the number of Red Army defectors who are given political asylum in this country.

Sincerely yours,

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH Chairman of the Board Supervisor, Fifth District

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Ludmilla Thorne of Freedom House, testifying Oct. 21 before the Senate Investigations Subcommittee:

If a steady flow of Red Army deserters from Afghanistan were to make its way to the West it just could act as yet another possible lever on the Kremlin leadership to force them to reconsider their policy in that country. . . .

Unfortunately, during my many meetings with U.S. government officials during these past four years, they were usually aghast at the idea that there may be a whole stream of Red Army defectors if more deserters are brought out.

So far, the United States has brought only six Soviet Army deserters to this country, while in one year alone—1985—22 others were killed during desperate attempts to escape or to gain asylum. That is not a very good record for freedom-loving America. It is estimated that there are several hundred Soviet Army defectors

and POWs, including officers, inside Afghanistan.

... I have repeatedly provided our government with the names of Soviet Army defectors who have asked for political asylum in this country. I have with me today a list of 17 such defectors.

I have been told, again and again, that the main problem with spiriting Red Army defectors out of Afghanistan is that they have to transit very briefly through a third country, and that this country doesn't want to participate in the effort, in fear of the Soviets' retribution. Yes, there are some problems with the use of transit countries [such as Pakistan], but they are not insurmountable.

I have now come to the sad conclusion that the main problem has been *this country*, and not any third country. There has been an apparent lack of resolve on the part of this administration to get these boys out.

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