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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: FEBRUARY 23, 1988

MANAGEMENT.

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. HAFIZULLAH KARZAI

SUBJECT: ENCLOSES COPY OF LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF

PAKISTAN EXPRESSING CONCERN ON THE

ASSASSINATION OF PROFESSOR SAID B. MAJROOH,

ALSO APPRECIATES THE ADMINISTRATION'S *

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Daté March 10, 1988

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FOR: Mr. Paul Schott Stevens Executive Secretary
National Security Council

The White House	į.
REFERENCE:	
To: President Reagan	
From: Mr. Hafizullah Karzai	· ·
Date: February 19, 1988	•
Subject: Letter expressing concern on the Professor Said B. Majrooh; also Policy on Afghanistan	
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United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

March 8, 1988

Mr. Hafizullah Karzai
President ad interim
The Afghan Islamic National Community
in Virginia, Maryland and DC
Apartment 304
3331 Hewitt Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20906

Dear Mr. Karzai:

I am responding to your letter of February 19 to President Reagan, thanking him for his support of the people of Afghanistan.

The cause of a free and independent Afghanistan is a top foreign policy priority of this Administration. The United States has been steadfast in its opposition to the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan since the day of the invasion in December, 1979, and will continue its support of the valiant mujahidin as long as this support is needed.

We also were shocked and saddened by the assassination of Professor Majrooh. He was widely respected by diplomats, scholars and journalists for his careful and independent analyses of the events of the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan. We share your concern about the intimidation other Afghan exiles may feel in the wake of his murder, and hope that the appropriate authorities will be able to bring his killer or killers to justice.

The Afghan people have paid a heavy price for freedom. Their long and valiant resistance to the Soviet occupation provides ample testimony of their dedication to freedom. Let us hope that this is the last year the brave people of Afghanistan will have to endure the hardship of war and suffering under foreign occupation.

Sincerely,

Edward P. Djerejian

Assistant Secretary, Acting

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Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs BRCV BRCV

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MARCH 1, 1988

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 19, 1988

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. HAFIZULLAH KARZAI PRESIDENT AD INTERIM

THE AFGHAN ISLAMIC NATIONAL

COMMUNITY IN VIRGINA, MARYLAND & DC

APARTMENT 304

3331 HEWITT AVENUE

SILVER SPRING MD 20906

SUBJECT: ENCLOSES COPY OF LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF

PAKISTAN EXPRESSING CONCERN ON THE

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ON AFGHANISTAN

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DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Hafizullah Karzai
President ad interim
of the Afghan Islamic
National Community
3331 Hewitt Ave., Apt 304
Silver Spring, MD 20906
February 19, 1988

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States White House Washington, DC

Mr. President:

The recent assassination of Professor Said B. Majrooh and the similar sad fate of several educated Afghan patriots during the previous years in Peshawar made the Afghan elite worried about their future. The educated Afghans participated in the resistance and strove for the unity of the people in Afghanistan, which is absolutely needed in these gloomy days of our history. In return they have been neglected, sometimes humiliated and even several of them brutally killed in the hotels and the streets of Peshawar. Naturally, we cannot remain passive in the face of this terrifying situation indefinitely.

Therefore, we wrote a letter to His Excellency Zia-Ul-Haq, President of Pakistan, in this respect; and herewith, we submit a copy for your consideration.

Mr. President, your unshakable will and courage brought nearly the Evil Empire to give in to reason and respect the rule of law and order in the society of nations. The world will never forget you for this great accomplishment in the interest of mankind. We hope your successors will follow your example in the future.

We Afghans are especially grateful to you for your valiant struggle for our nation's dignity and freedom, and dare to expect, now, your effort towards the protection of the rights and life of our scholars and educated people. May God be always with you.

Yours respectfully,

Hafizullah Karzai

President ad interim
of the Afghan Islamic
National Community in
in Virginia, Maryland and

Washington, DC

Hafizullah Karzai
President ad interim
of the Afghan Islamic
National Community
3331 Hewitt Avenue, Apt. 304
Silver Spring, MD 20906
U.S.A.
February 19, 1988

H. E. M. Zia-Ul-Haq President Secretariat (Public) Rawalpindi - Pakistan

Dear Mr. President:

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We Afghan refugees in the United States are shocked and deeply grieved by the sad news of Professor Said B. Majrooh's assassination in Peshawar. This is indeed a great loss to the Afghan nation. We Afghans all together condemn solemnly this horrible crime.

Professor Majrooh was a respectable scholar and loyal son of Afghanistan devoted to the cause of freedom. He was striving to show the prevailing realities to his countrymen and to lead them to the light of reason. Under the present circumstances, he considered the struggle for power an obstacle to the success of the Afghan nation's Jihad. He rightly maintained that the unity of all Muslim Afghans is prerequisite for an orderly and complete liberation of Afghanistan, and that this unity can be achieved only through the Loya Jerga, which is a specific Afghan institution produced by centuries of experience.

In fact, Professor Majrooh's assassination alarms all the educated Afghans, who struggle to free their homeland from the yoke of communists. Similarly, Aziz Ulfat had been killed in Peshawar in 1983 in order to discourage the educated Afghans from staying in Peshawar and taking part in Jihad.

Moreover, many educated civil servants and officers of the Afghan army were forced to immigrate to Europe and the United States because of the unfavorable atmosphere in Peshawar. Certainly, these efforts will never succeed to deprive the Afghan intelligentsia from having a part in the destiny of their country. The people of Afghanistan are aware of the fact that their country needs the knowledge, skill and experience of its educated and devoted sons and Afghanistan cannot be rebuilt without their services.

Excellency, we dare to add that the continuation of such crimes will create an extremely dangerous situation in Peshawar. A situation which most likely might surpass the civil war in Lebanon. This is, indeed, what the communists wish to happen.

We hope that you realize the danger and will take the necessary steps for preventing the narrow-minded selfish men from committing further crimes. For this purpose, a special effort to discover the assassins of Professor Majrooh and bring them before justice is a dire necessity. Therefore, we request, your Excellency, that this matter be investigated under your supervision by an ad hoc legal committee.

Excellency, we trust you. We believe you are a true Muslim and devoted to the defense of Islam. We Afghans are grateful to you for your unshakable support of our cause. All Mighty God says: "Be just: that is next to piety." (V-8). Accordingly, you will do, we hope, your utmost to make justice triumph. This will allow the Afghan elite to struggle effectively for the liberation of their homeland.

Yours sincerely,

Hafizullah Karzai President ad interim of the Afghan Islamic National Community

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: FEBRUARY 25, 1988

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE CHARLES WILSON

SUBJECT: WRITES ON BEHALF OF REQUEST FROM MRS. LEE SHAPIRO TO HAVE HER HUSBAND 'S BODY, HIS

SOUNDMAN AND THEIR FILM AND EQIPMENT RETURNED

TO THE UNITED STATES FROM AFGHANISTAN

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S/S	88062		
Date	April	14,	1988

FOR: Mr. Paul Schott Stevens

Executive Secretary

National Security Council

The White House

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REMARKS:

To: President Reagan	
From: The Honorable Charles Wilson	
Date: February 5, 1988	
Subject: Remains of Messrs. Shapiro and Lindelof	
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The Department of State has no objection to the proposed travel.	
Other (see remarks).	

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Dear Mr. Wilson:

Your letter to President Reagan, dated February 5, concerning a request from Mrs. Lee Shapiro to have the remains of her husband and those of Jim Lindelof, as well as their film and equipment, returned to the United States from Afghanistan, has been given to the Department for consideration and reply.

Please be assured that we have been in regular contact with Mrs. Shapiro since we first learned of the circumstances of her husband's death. We have made numerous efforts with the Afghan regime and the Soviets to get a full accounting of the circumstances of the deaths of Mr. Shapiro and Mr. Lindelof, and to recover their bodies and personal possessions. Until now, the Afgan regime and the Soviets have not given us a satisfactory response. We will continue to seek a proper accounting of the circumstances of the deaths of the two men from them.

We had earlier told Mrs. Shapiro that the resistance group which escorted her husband through Afghanistan was willing to look for his gravesite. We will soon be recontacting this group to discuss arrangements for searching for the gravesite and, if successful, returning the remains. When there is more information to report, we will be in direct contact with the families of Mr. Shapiro and Mr. Lindelof. In the meantime, should you have further questions, please call Ms. LaMoyne M. Matthews in the Citizens Emergency Center, telephone (202) 647-6179.

Sincerely,

Betsy R. Warren
Acting Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

The Honorable
Charles Wilson,
House of Representatives.

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

MARCH 4, 1988

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE ATTN: ED FOX

ACTION REQUESTED:

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 543708

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 5, 1988

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE CHARLES WILSON

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON DC 20515

SUBJECT: WRITES ON BEHALF OF REQUEST FROM MRS. LEE

SHAPIRO TO HAVE HER HUSBAND 'S BODY, HIS

SOUNDMAN AND THEIR FILM AND EQIPMENT RETURNED

TO THE UNITED STATES FROM AFGHANISTAN

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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE, 20500

SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE Dear Charlie:

Thank you for your letter of February 5 to the President regarding efforts to return to the United States the bodies of Lee Shapiro and Jim Lindelof, who were killed in Afghanistan.

We appreciate being advised of your interest in this matter, and have noted your suggestion that the President bring this matter up with the Soviet General Secretary at the earliest possible time. In an effort to be of assistance, we have forwarded your letter to the appropriate Administration officials for their careful review. You will receive a more detailed response in the near future.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

Alan M. Kranowitz Assistant to the President

The Honorable Charles Wilson House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

February 5, 1988

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I believe you are familiar with the deaths in Afghanistan of filmmaker Lee Shapiro and his soundman, Jim Lindelof. Mr. Shapiro's widow, Linda, is anxious to have the bodies of her husband and his associate returned to the United States along with their film, equipment and journals.

According to the eyewitness testimony of Abdul Malik, the interpreter-guide who accompanied Shapiro and Lindelof, the men were killed on October 9 in an aerial ambush by four Soviet helicopter gunships. After the attack, two helicopters landed and 14-16 Soviet troopers rushed out and gathered the equipment and film. The helicopters then flew away.

Shapiro and Lindelof were in Afghanistan making a film. They had been with a party of mujahideen, filming in the northern provinces. According to Mrs. Shapiro, her husband was there doing this because he was very concerned about the plight of the people in that beleagured and suffering country. He cared about the brutality and the murder committed by the Soviet regime in Afghanistan. He and Lindelof wanted the West to know the truth about the Soviets' behavior and policy in Afghanistan.

Based on the testimony of Abdul Malik, Mrs. Shapero believes the Soviets knew about her husband's and Indelof's work as journalists and deliberately hunted them down, murdered them and then stole the film, equipment and journals.



Mr. President, Soviet General Secretary Gorbachev is claiming a new openess from the Soviet Union. At this time, more than any other in the recent past, you have the opportunity to make great strides between the U.S. and the Soviet Union. Please make the return of these men's remains and their film, equipment and journals one of your highest priorities.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: MARCH 01, 1988

MANAGEMENT.

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. WILLIAM H. KLING

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET

TROOPS FROM AFGHANISTAN

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

May 6, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR SALLY KELLEY

FROM:

PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

SUBJECT:

Response to Letter from

William H. Kling, Director The Foreign Policy Project

Regarding Soviet Withdrawal from Afghanistan

The NSC staff has received from State a more appropriate and up-to-date draft response (TAB A) to Mr. Kling's letter of February 26, 1988.

Until further notice, may we suggest that this draft letter also be used in replying to any future inquiries you may receive regarding the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Attachments:

TAB A State's Proposed Response dated April 26, 1988

TAB B State/Stevens Memorandum dated March 17, 1988

TAB C Incoming Correspondence from Mr. Kling dated February 26, 1988

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

May 5, 1988

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM:

ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT:

Response to Letter from Mr. William H. Kling Regarding Soviet Withdrawal from Afghanistan

Mr. William H. Kling has written to the President regarding Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan.

We requested, and today received from the State Department, a more appropriate and up-to-date proposed reply (TAB A).

Ledsky, Rodman and Ross concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum for Sally Kelley at TAB I.

Approve DW

Disapprove____

Attachments:

TAB I Your Memorandum to Kelley

TAB A Proposed Reply dated April 26, 1988

TAB B State/Stevens Memorandum dated March 17, 1988

TAB C Incoming Correspondence from William H. Kling dated February 26, 1988

Prepared by: Shirin Tahir-Kheli

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FOR: Mr. Paul Schott Stevens
Executive Secretary

The White House	
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To: President Reagan	
From: Mr. William H. Kling	. ₹
Date: February 26, 1988	
Subject: Writes regarding the withdrawal	of Soviet
troops from Afghanistan	
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I am replying to your message of situation in Afghanistan.

Since the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in December 1979, some one million Afghans have been killed, more than five million have been driven from their country, hundreds of thousands have become homeless, and thousands imprisoned and tortured for their political beliefs. In the face of nearly universal international condemnation, Moscow attempted over the course of eight years to impose on the Afghan people an unpopular Marxist regime. The Afghan people responded with a determined armed resistance that has cost the Soviet Union up to 30,000 casualties, billions of dollars, and much prestige and credibility in the international community.

United States policy toward Afghanistan has been consistently aimed at bringing about a prompt and complete withdrawal of Soviet troops, the restoration of Afghanistan's independent and nonaligned status, self-determination for the Afghan people, and the safe return of Afghan refugees to their homes. We do not recognize the Kabul regime as the legitimate government of Afghanistan, and we would like to see a new government in Kabul which genuinely represents the aspirations of the Afghan people.

The settlement reached in Geneva on April 14, constitutes the first step toward realizing our goals in Afghanistan. The Geneva accords provide for the prompt and verifiable withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan within nine months.

As Secretary of State Shultz made clear in Geneva, U.S. support for the Afghan Resistance remains strong and will continue. In the meantime, the United States intends to continue providing humanitarian aid to Afghans inside their country. The tremendous needs for refugee resettlement and national reconstruction will require generous support from the international community.

The United States will remain steadfast in its support for the Afghan cause until its people are once again free to determine their own future.

Sincerely,

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Department of State Suggested Draft

Dear Mr. Kling:

I am responding to your letter of February 26 to President Reagan on Afghanistan.

The goals of this Administration continue to be: the rapid and complete withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan; restoration of an independent and non-aligned Afghanistan; self-determination for the Afghan people; and return of the refugees in safety and honor. To this end, we are following closely the progress of the proximity talks sponsored by the U.N., now underway in Geneva. While we are not a direct participant in these talks, we are prepared to support the accords as a co-guarantor with the Soviet Union when we are totally satisfied that the agreements will achieve these goals.

The cause of a free Afghanistan is a top foreign policy priority of this Administration. Accordingly, we will remain steadfast in our support of the brave resistance fighters in their struggle to free Afghanistan from Soviet domination.

Mr. William H. Kling, Director,
 The Foreign Policy Project,
 717 Second Street, N.E., Suite 305
 Washington, D.C.

Their long and valiant struggle provides ample testimony of the heavy price the people of Afghanistan have paid for freedom.

Sincerely,

White House Staff Member

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TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. WILLIAM H. KLING

DIRECTOR

THE FOREIGN POLICY PROJECT

SUITE 305

717 SECOND STREET, N.E. WASHINGTON DC 20002

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET

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SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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THE FOREIGN POLICY PROJECT

WILLIAM H. KLING Director

February 26, 1988

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

Dear Mr. President:

United Nations negotiations on Afghanistan begin next Wednesday. Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has proposed that, if an agreement is reached by March 15, he will begin withdrawing Soviet troops from Afghanistan 60 days later, on May 15 — but only if the United States, China and Arab nations end their support of the Afghan Freedom Fighters, the heroic <u>mujahideen</u>.

Credible news reports indicate that the State Department agreed in 1985 — evidently without your knowledge or approval — to cut off United States arms to the Afghans on the day the Soviets begin their withdrawal. Evidently you first learned of this development during your recent summit meeting with Mr. Gorbachev. In any case, you have not repudiated or rejected such a perilous policy.

Without United States assistance, the Afghan Freedom Fighters will be open to Soviet re-invasion.

Mr. President, we respectfully request that you:

- -- Order the State Department to continue aid to the Afghan Freedom Fighters until the last Soviet troops have been withdrawn from Afghanistan.
 - -- Demand that the Soviet withdrawal be completed within four months.
- Insist that the Afghan Freedom Fighters, refugees and commanders have the opportunity to determine their own government while rejecting the proposal for a "coalition government" with the communists.

Yours sincerely

William H. Kling

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TELEPHONE 841-6030

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September 23, 1987

Mr. Frank Carlucci The White House Washington, DC 20203

RE: Freeze Dried Food to the Mujihideen.

Dear Mr. Carlucci:

My congratulations to the Administration on its decision to provide the Mujihideen with 120mm mortars and mine clearing equipment.

As a former Army mortar instructor, with an interest in guerrilla warfare going back to my sophomore year at Harvard, where I taught several hundred students the basic and advanced guerrilla warfare theories of Lawrence and Mao in 1942, I have been struck by the fact you never see a picture of a Muj firing a mortar. Surprising, since the mortar is light-weight, man portable, easily concealed, has a rapid rate of fire and is otherwise an ideal guerrilla weapon. Their principal indirect fire weapon has been the 107mm rocket, often fired without a tube.

Back in April, 1982, Massoud, the best known Muj commander, attacked Bagram Airbase using mortars as well as direct fire weapons and reportedly destroyed 23 aircraft. However, later that year, when the Soviets launched two major drives into the Panjshir, Massoud complained to Sandy Gall, a British TV producer then filming the Valley, that there were only 50 mortar rounds in the entire Panjshir, and really juicy targets could not be engaged.

I note Massoud has created a number of full time 75 man mobile guerrilla groups and their T/E includes a mortar--but probably little ammo. I trust the NSC and CIA will correct this situation?

My purpose in writing, however, is to discuss another serious and potentially crippling Muj problem. The Soviets migratory genocide policy which has pulverized rural areas and driven out much of the peasant and nomad population, has resulted in severe food shortages and near starvation levels in many villages that had been supporting the fighters. By the beginning of the 1988 fighting season, the Muj food situation will probably be critical.

I have a suggestion. My hobby is long range back packing at

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altitude, where I will go as long as a month without resupply. I can only do this, because of extremely light weight, long lasting, easily prepared freeze dried food. A hiker can go for a whole day on freeze dried meals weighing just a few ounces. For example, a freeze dried beef stew dinner for two weighs only 3.3 ounces. A wide variety of freeze dried food is available for backpackers in 2 and 4 man packages and in #10 cans. Incidentally, a #10 can of freeze dried beef stew weighs only 1 lb. 4 oz. and could feed 12 Muj. There are several manufacturers who would probably be happy to produce freeze dried menus attractive to the Muj, like lamb and rice. And the label could be in Farsi/Pushtun.

This freeze dried food requires only the addition of hot water, and many a time, where I had no fire (common in Afghanistan) I have used cold water.

One healthy mule or camel could carry enough freeze dried food to feed several Muj for an entire fighting season.

Incidentally, since the Afghan Resistance is still popular with the Congress and the people, a nationwide drive to buy freeze dried food for the Muj just might work. It could be pushed in outdoor magazines and organizations. Getting people involved with the Resistance, might create, at least, some popular opposition to cutting off aid to Pakistan, resulting from the nuclear proliferation rhubarb.

At one time in my career I spent a great deal of time studying tactics and devices for guerrillas attacking military airfields. I considered mortars a prime weapon. You may recall back in 1942, when British long range patrols (going deep in the desert and then turning North) penetrated Axis airfields in Libya with three man teams and destroyed dozens of planes on the ground by covertly attaching small explosive/incendiary devices with simple time fuses. By coincidence, at that time, I was teaching the same techniques to the Harvard Guerrilla Warfare Group. Whether such an operation would be feasible in Afghanistan, I cannot say without knowing local conditions, especially the depth and sophistication of Soviet minefields, patrol patterns, etc., but thought it worth considering.

If those 120mm mortars reach the right commanders, I expect they will result in more aircraft loses than Stingers. And the country source of a mortar round is more ambiguous.

Your patience while I air one more thought and suggestion. The Soviets will make a major effort to identify and interdict Muj caravans carrying those 120mm mortars. During the Falklands War, the Soviets orbited six recon satellites in a short time. I expect

they will use their great capabilities in low orbit, real time satellites reporting directly to their quick reaction bases in Afghanistan, to identify and assist their airborne and Spetnatz units in setting up ambushes and gunship strikes. I doubt if the Muj understand this Soviet capability. They should be warned and these critical caravans should move only at night and be dispersed and hidden in the daytime. Unfortunately, KHAD seems to have an effective spy network even in areas where most of the population strongly supports the Muj, but possibly they would not be getting the info back in time for an ambush to be set up, while a real time satellite would.

Most cordially

Alan G. Grant, Jr.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM:

COLIN L. POWELL

SUBJECT:

Request for Presidential Appointment

I absolutely concur with your assessment that a Presidential meeting with Armand Hammer is not warranted. The regular channel for Mr. Hammer's discussions with the USG on Afghanistan is Mike Armacost. I believe that this is the appropriate channel.

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MEMORANDUM FOR COLIN L. POWELL

FROM:

ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT:

Request for Meeting with the President

Armand Hammer's chief interlocutor in the USG on Afghanistan is Mike Armacost. On occasion, I have joined Mike in the meeting. I believe that Mike continues to be the proper channel for any new discussions that Armand Hammer wishes to have. A meeting with the President is not warranted.

Marybel Batjer concurs.

Recommendation

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TAB I Powell/Baker Memo

TAB II Baker/Powell Memo of January 21, 1988

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 21, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL POWELL

FROM:

HOWARD H. BAKER, JR 3

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT

Armand Hammer called me this week at my home to ask once more for an appointment to see the President to report on Afghanistan. I do not recommend the meeting unless you think otherwise. I would appreciate your comments.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RONALD K. PETERSON

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FROM:

GRANT S. GREEN, IR

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SUBJECT:

State's Proposed Report on H. Con. Res. 55, Regarding the Continued Unjustified Occupation

of Afghanistan by the USSR

The NSC suggests the addition of a sentence on page 2 of the State draft on Afghanistan. It is important that the legislative referral reflect the fact that certain actions do not imply support for the Kabul regime, e.g., Senator Humphrey, who does not support the regime, travelled to Kabul earlier this year.

The specific recommended change is as follows:

On page 2, first paragraph, - insert *second sentence -

In short, our limited diplomatic presence in Kabul does not imply recognition or approval. *....This is also true of the occasional visits to Kabul by Members of Congress, journalists and others.... We therefore suggest the deletion of section seven, which argues for a review of "United States policy with respect to the continued diplomatic recognition of the" Kabul regime.

Attachment:

TAB A Incoming Correspondence (September 1, 1987) with/State's Draft Letter

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

September 11, 1987

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MEMORANDUM TO GRANT S. GREEN, JR.

FROM:

ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT:

OMB Legislative Referral

Attached at TAB I is a counterpart memo to OMB with suggested NSC additions on page 2 to the State draft (TAB A).

Ross, Ermarth and Rodman concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memo to Ronald Peterson at TAB I.

Attachments:

TAB I Green Memo to OMB/Peterson
TAB A Suggested NSC Comments

Prepared by: Shirin Tahir-Kheli



OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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September 1, 1987

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Legislative Liaison Officer-

Department of Defense - Brick - 697-1305 (06)

National Security Council - Courtney - X6534 - GF/WW (OEOB -

Room #381)

SUBJECT: State's proposed report on H.Con.Res. 55, regarding the

continued unjustified occupation of Afghanistan by the USSR.

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, SEPTEMBER 28, 1987.

Questions should be referred to Sue Thau/Annette Rooney (395~7300) the legislative analyst in this office.

RONALD K. PETERSON FOR Assistant Director for

Legislative Reference

Enclosures

cc: Bruce Sasser



United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am replying to your request for Administration views on a proposed piece of legislation, H.Con.Res. 55, "Expressing the sense of the Congress with respect to the continued unjustified occupation of Afghanistan by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

We have long supported Congressional efforts to register the strong support of the American people for the Afghan freedom struggle and appreciate the continued Congressional interest in this subject as reflected in H.Con.Res. 55. We take issue with only two elements in the draft legislation.

First, we do not support the proposed language suggesting a specific timetable for Soviet withdrawal, in this case, four months. Since we are not a party to the Geneva negotiations on Afghanistan, we have avoided taking a categorical position on the length of an acceptable timetable. At the same time, we have repeatedly made clear that the timeframe for troop withdrawals, as Secretary Shultz has said publicly, must be short and that it must be based on logistical, not political criteria. In short, it must be a timetable for a Soviet military evacuation, not a timetable for consolidation. The Government of Pakistan shares this position; we agree, moreover, with Pakistan that any such withdrawal timetable must be expressed in terms of months not years.

In light of this concern, we suggest the deletion of all references in the proposed legislation to a four month withdrawal timetable, including the complete deletion of section five. You may wish to substitute, where appropriate, language calling simply for the "prompt and complete withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan."

Second, our presence in Afghanistan in no way confers US acceptance of the legitimacy of the current Kabul regime. We have gone to great lengths to state publicly our view of that regime; we regard it as a creature of Soviet occupying forces and, as such, illegitimate and unrepresentative. We maintain no political contact with the regime; the activities of our mission are focussed on information gathering. We limit contacts with the Foreign Ministry to the Office of Protocol and then only for accomplishing such mundane tasks as obtaining visas for US personnel, arranging for the purchase of kerosene required by the Embassy's emergency generator, and delivering notes of protest or complaint.

The Honorable
Dante B. Fascell,
Committee on Foreign Affairs,
House of Representatives.

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In short, our limited diplomatic presence in Kabul does not imply recognition or approval. We therefore suggest the deletion of section seven, which argues for a review of "United States policy with respect to the continued diplomatic recognition of the" Kabul regime.

We also suggest that, in the fourth preambular paragraph, the phrase "violate international law and" be inserted after "Afghanistan" to make it consistent with the first operative paragraph of the resolution.

I hope these comments and suggested changes meet your concerns.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

J. Edward Fox
Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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