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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1984

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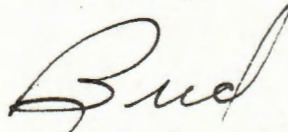
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Robert C. McFarlane

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- Tab I - Letter to Verity for signature
- Tab II - Verity-McFarlane Letter of March 27, 1984



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## ARMCO CORPORATE OFFICES

C. WILLIAM VERITY, JR.  
Chairman, Executive Committee  
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The White House

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Do you want Amb Matlock to prepare a response for your signature to Bill Verity?

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SUBJECT. LTR TO MCFARLANE FM ARMCO REQUESTING PRES MSG RE US - USSR TRADE COUNC  
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COMMENTS You prepared for the President's sig a ltr to Pearce & Green. I have spoken to  
Dodie Livingston's ofc re the Pres msg to the council. From time-to-time they have  
sent messages to these meetings, but only if the NSC deems them appropriate, pls  
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To Bob Kimmitt, NSC, for dispatch to:  
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ARMCO, Inc.  
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Middletown, Ohio 45043

RR: NSC: Livingston: -- VI2  
cc: K. Osbore/D. Livingston/B. Kimmitt, NSC/CF  
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## MEMORANDUM

## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

April 19, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR DODIE LIVINGSTON

FROM: ROBERT M. KIMMITT SUBJECT: Presidential Message to Plenary Session of  
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Attachment

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ARMCO CORPORATE OFFICES

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DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO PLENARY SESSION,  
US-USSR TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL,  
NEW YORK, MAY 22-24

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cc: K.Osborne/D.Livingston/B.Kimmitt,NSC/CF  
EVENT: MAY 22-24 (NYC)



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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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April 27, 1984

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Enclosed herewith is the Presidential message which Mr. Verity requested for the plenary session of the U.S.-USSR Trade and Economic Council.

Sincerely,

*Paula Dobriansky*

Paula Dobriansky  
Deputy Director  
European and Soviet Affairs

Attention: Ms. Anderson  
Office of the Chairman,  
Executive Committee  
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## MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM:

JACK F. MATLOCK **SIGNED**

SUBJECT:

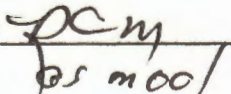
Presidential Message to Plenary Session of  
U.S.-USSR Trade and Economic Council, May 22-24,  
New York

As you recall, Bill Verity wrote you asking for a number of actions in connection with the meeting of the U.S.-USSR Trade and Economic Council in New York May 22-24. In your reply you indicated that you would support sending a message from the President to the meeting. Attached at Tab A is a draft message which has been prepared by State and reviewed by the Speechwriters.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve sending the memorandum from Kimmitt to Livingston (Tab I) for appropriate transmission of the Presidential message.

Approve



Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

## Attachments:

Tab I Kimmitt/Livingston Memo

Tab A Proposed Presidential Message

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

26 Apr

Mr. Matlock, do you or Kimmitt want

to do a short ltr fwding the requested msg

to Mr. Verity. Thank you Loretta

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1984

TO: BOB KIMMITT, NSC

Enclosed within the cardboard backing is the Presidential message to be sent to Bill Verity. I assume someone on your staff will want to dispatch it and be sure he has a response on the other points raised in his request.

Claudia Korte  
Presidential Messages

MEMORANDUM

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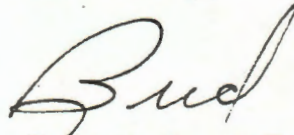
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Sincerely,

DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO PLENARY SESSION,  
US-USSR TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL,  
NEW YORK, MAY 22-24

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the Soviet ~~attendees of~~ <sup>participants in</sup> the plenary session of the US-USSR Trade and Economic Council to the United States. It is ~~well~~ <sup>encouraging</sup> that leading representatives of American industry and their Soviet counterparts can meet to discuss trade and economic issues of mutual interest. ~~at a time when US-Soviet relations are not what we might wish.~~ The U.S. government supports mutually beneficial, non-strategic trade between our two countries. Your meetings and the activities of the Council, including the Agribusiness '83 trade show in Moscow last October, demonstrate that a key element of the structure for trade between our two countries remains in place to build upon if an improvement in international conditions permits. I look forward to hearing the results of your meetings.

Ronald Reagan

National Security Council  
The White House

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Dodie Livingston's ofc re the Pres msg to the council. From time-to-time they have  
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coordinate w/ her ofc (X 2941). Thanks L.  
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