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8514478

Name of Correspondent: Mr. Mrs. Miss Danuta Christine Miller

MI Mail Report

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Subject: Parents need help getting a pension from the German Government.

ROUTE TO:

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8514478

Date MAY 24 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Ms. Danuta Christine Miller

Date: April 25, 1985 Subject: Pension for parents from
the FRG

WH Referral Dated: May 10, 1985 NSC ID# 314093
(if any)

 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.

 Other.

Remarks:

Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 24, 1985

Dear Ms. Miller:

I am responding on behalf of the President to your letter of April 25 concerning pensions for your parents from the Federal Republic of Germany.

Unfortunately, you did not provide sufficient information to allow us to consider any means of assisting your parents. Specifically, you did not state whether your parents are U.S. citizens. If they are not U.S. citizens, it would be inappropriate for us to raise this matter with German authorities and I could only suggest that they seek private legal counsel in the Federal Republic of Germany for possible litigation. Given that possibility, I have enclosed for their information a list of attorneys who practice within the consular district of the American Embassy in Bonn.

If your parents are U.S. citizens, please have them provide me their complete names, dates and places of birth, address, copies of any correspondence with German authorities, and any other pertinent information concerning their claims. This information should be sent directly to me at CA/OCS/CCS/EUR, Room 4817, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20520. Although this is a private legal matter and U.S. consular officers are prevented by Federal regulation from acting as their fiduciary or legal counsels, I will review this information to determine if we may be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'DLS' or similar initials.

Dale L. Shaffer
Consular Affairs Officer
Europe and Canada Division
Office of Citizens Consular Services

Enclosure:

As stated.

Ms. Danuta Christine Miller
Pompano Beach Club North,
101 Briny Avenue-Suite 2512,
Pompano Beach, FL 33062.

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

REFERRAL

MAY 10, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 314093

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED APRIL 25, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MS. DANUTA CHRISTINE MILLER
POMPANO BEACH CLUB NORTH
101 BRINY AVENUE - SUITE 2512
POMPANO BEACH FL 33062

SUBJECT: PARENTS NEED HELP GETTING A PENSION FROM THE
GERMAN GOVERNMENT

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

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S.K.
P.S. My mother and father have been trying to receive their pensions from the German Government for the past 7 years, and they have filled out countless papers and still have no money but empty promises. Is there any other agency they can contact? They were on the forced labor camp near Paderborn and my father was sent to Biebelfeldt. Thank you. I think they deserve a German pension so would you kindly mention it to the government of that country. Thank you.

Danuta Christine Miller

Interior Designer

8514478

(305) 946-6753

April 25th, 1985

314093

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Reagan:

Though I am not a particular fan of your, ^{but} I am sorry to hear about all the controversy over your wreath laying ceremony in Germany.

Obviously people do not understand that when one lives in a country and it is at war, one must follow the dictates of the government-good or bad.

My mother was a prisoner in Germany during the second world war and also my father. Displaced people-I believe is the term that is used.

My mother informed me that there were many innocent Germans who did not agree with the government policies, but were forced into service by the government. In fact she told me about a lady who had only one son who objected to being put into the SS. Needless to say, he was still drafted, sent to the front and killed.

I sympathize with you, and all those countless souls, allies or germans who died during the war. I am sure that many that were on the Russian front, or for that matter in Africa hated being there.

I am certainly against war, but if I live in the U.S. and a national condition comes up, I would most certainly have to follow the dictates of the country I live in. (Another example is the way the Air Traffic Controllers situation was handled).

These people who object should be ashamed of themselves for making such a big deal over this. We must learn that a NATIONAL condition is far different from murder, and yet we are so lenient with killers and murderers in this country.

These groups should spend more time campaigning for the rights of the women and children of this country to see that situations such as this do not occur again.

I lived in Australia many years and I remember the bigotry the Auzzies felt towards the Japanese. Even in this day and age I recall seeing people throwing verbal abuse at orientals.

Pompano Beach Club North Suite 2512, 101 Biriny Avenue Pompano Beach, Florida 33062

cc: Senator Lawton Chiles
German Consulate-Peoples Democratic Republic, Washington, DC.

Danuta Christine Miller

Interior Designer

(305) 946-6753

April 24th, 1985

Senator Lawton Chiles
The Federal Building
Lakeland, Florida

Dear Senator:

I am again writing to you regarding the conditions of the women and children of this country, or for that matter-any single parent, regardless of sex.

It is interesting to note how many individuals are raped and plundered by mortgage companies in the United States. I do not necessarily blame the insurance companies for their exorbitant rates and balloon mortgages that are leaving many families homeless, either because of lack of child support or illness or other extenuating conditions, since the government permits Shylocking (legally). It only takes a month or two to fall behind in some of these payments and these individuals are penalized by having their homes and their livelihoods taken from them. I think it is a deplorable condition and Congress permits these type of atrocities to be perpetrated. Hitler at least gassed people to death rather quickly-but many women (white women in particular) who do not qualify for welfare because they have received the house etc. in a divorce settlement are in positions that they cannot pay some of these payments, and when they loose their homes they are forced to run like gypsies from one condominium to another looking for accomodations that in most cases discriminate against children.

Being a real estate agent and active on the Legislative Committee, I can assure you I speak for many many people who are having difficulties and are only offered choices that are similar to being offered "cancer". You die slowly so to speak because the government cannot do anything, or will not do anything to protect the homestead rights of these people. It is a disgusting condition.

Many mothers have been dependent upon the salaries of their spouses, and if they do not receive child support or alimony they are immediately sent late notices etc. It is difficult once you find yourself in that hole, and needless to say, there is always someone around to help you out-at SHYLOCK prices. Do you think they should pay 18%, because they have been raising their families! of this country.

If there were no children-there would be no future citizens

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and therefore no need of useless government who only protect the interests of those who happen to lobby the loudest.

Thank you for your help.

Very truly yours,

Danuta

I will be attending the Legislative Meeting in Tall. on May 20 and 21 and I hope to speak with some of the Legislator's. Let us hope someone can help the white american woman and child-who by far is discriminated against more than any other color in this society. (As one child said to me recently-my mother told me to go to the Salvation Army when we were hungry.) I think that it is disgusting and shameful.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 8, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR PAT BUCHANAN

FROM: MITCH DANIELS *mitd*

SUBJECT: Attached letter

Jeff Bergner is one of ours and knows the German situation very well. If he says the interview would make sense, he's probably right.

Welcome home.

*Pat
Bill
T.*

*Mitch,
NSC prefers we hold
off until after July 4.
I'll keep track of the request.
— Tom G.
6-10-86*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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June 5, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR KEN KRIEG

FROM DAN ENGLER *DE*

RE PROCLAMATION FOR 750TH ANNIVERSARY OF BERLIN

For your information, all Senior Staff offices but one cleared this proclamation without change. We have made two changes to the version that was cleared, however -- both at the request of Bob Kruger in Counsel's Office, and we concur with them.

One change is the addition of the language "by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States" in the next-to-last paragraph, which needs to be present when no other authority is cited.

The other change is the reintroduction of a reference to "the wall that presently divides the city" -- language in the original draft -- at the end of the second paragraph, and the deletion of the opening clause of the third paragraph for style.

Believe no additional clearances are needed for these changes, because the language for the wall reference was present in the first draft and because no office requested any further changes.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 5, 1987

FOR THE RECORD --

The proclamation recognizing the 750th Anniversary of Berlin has been approved by the following Senior Staff:

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| A. B. CULVAHOUSE | per Bob Kruger 6/06/87 |
| NANCY RISQUE | per Heide Ward 6/06/87 |
| WILL BALL | per Gwen 6/06/87 |
| GARY BAUER | per M. Driggs 6/06/87 |
| FRANK DONATELLI | per Lisa 6/06/87 |
| COMMUNICATIONS | no comment per Agnes Waldron 6/06/87 |
| MARI MASENG | per Brenda Wong 6/06/87 |
| GRANT GREEN | per Julie Madison 6/06/87 |

Amy Miller
Admin. Asst. to
Anne Higgins



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

June 5, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

James M. Frey *JM Frey*
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

SUBJECT:

Berlin's 750th Anniversary, 1987

Attached is a proclamation which would recognize Berlin's 750th anniversary year.

The proposed proclamation was submitted by the Department of State and the National Security Council, and has been edited in this office.

The proposed proclamation has the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Attachment

750TH ANNIVERSARY OF BERLIN, 1987

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

Berlin, one of the world's great cities and the largest German city, this year observes its 750th anniversary. This is cause for celebration for Berliners and for all Germans, and also for the people of the United States and the rest of the world.

The history and character of Berlin and its people give powerful testimony about human nature and its capabilities. After three-quarters of a millennium and many shocks and reversals through the ages, Berlin is yet a young city -- young with all the capacity of the human spirit to renew itself, to strive and to seek, to build anew and create, and, most of all, to hope. Time and again, Berlin has overcome desolation and isolation with will, energy, and courage. Even now, its spirit towers over the wall that presently divides the city -- totalitarianism's monument to its own futility.

Today Berlin remains close to the spiritual center of the Western world. Americans have a special affinity for Berlin that goes beyond formal political or economic ties, because we feel a kinship with its spirit of strength and creativity and because we see our own hopes and ideals mirrored in the deep attachment of its people to freedom and its blessings. Thousands of Americans -- scholars, service men and women and their families, business people, diplomatic personnel, and so on -- live in Berlin and make vital contributions to the life of the city. We have helped Berlin grow, and we have shared its spirit.

As we near the end of the 20th century, we see that Berlin, though ancient, is a city of the future. We know that the courageous and freedom-loving spirit that has guided so much of Berlin's past will help ensure a future of freedom for all mankind in the years to come. "Berlin bleibt doch Berlin -- Berlin is still Berlin."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby recognize Berlin's 750th Anniversary, 1987. I call upon the people of the United States to join in celebrating and honoring Berlin's 750th anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
day of June, in the year of our Lord
nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence
of the United States of America the two hundred and eleventh.

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2. Tom Griscom/ Hotel Orologio - Venice

3. Katherine Ladd/ Hotel Orologio - Venice

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/REMARKS:

Attached is the Proclamation -- 750th Anniversary of Berlin, 1987.
Let us know if this is OK. Thanks.

FOR MORNING DELIVERY, PLEASE.

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July 23, 1987

Dear Mrs. Jensen:

Thank you very much for your beautiful letter, and I'm sorry to be so late in responding. I'm happy to have your personal remembrances of when the Berlin Wall was built, and I can see that those remembrances are linked very much to your husband and his work in Germany. Nancy and I send our heartfelt sympathy to you on your loss.

I thought you might enjoy having this proclamation of the 750th anniversary of Berlin, and I'm delighted to also send you a copy of my speech in West Berlin. I join your prayers that one day we will see that wall come down.

With our appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,

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RONALD REAGAN

Mrs. Jean A. Jensen
1632 Millcreek Way
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

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(Sample) 1632 Millcreek Way
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106
June 17, 1984

AH
President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President and Mrs. Reagan,

Your recent visit to West Berlin, Germany and your plea, President Reagan, to Mr. Gorbachev to take the Wall down, made me so happy that I wish to congratulate you on your courage and your wisdom. I and many others will support you and continue to hope and pray that your request will come true.

I am enclosing a copy of an article for you that is very precious to me with the hope that it will be of interest to you in understanding my deep feelings in regard to this terrible wall that still separates loved ones after 26 years!

Last summer I returned first to Darmstadt, Germany to the 25th Anniversary of the Germanic Area Building Program for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had the glorious experience of reunion with the young men who had worked with us, and the added bonus of meeting their wives and children.

I took my daughter Lynne, who did not accompany us on the mission, because of her marriage, so that she could enjoy this occasion and then a trip into West Berlin to see the beautiful church her father built.

It was a nostalgic, traumatic, and mingled-emotion experience to be in West Berlin again behind the Iron Curtain where we lived and worked for 2 years and 8 months right after the Wall went up.

Suffice it to say, the church and its congregation were even more beautiful than I remembered, but the Wall was uglier and sadder than ever. I know the tragedies of that Wall and I will continue to pray and hope that you will be successful in your effort to get it down, and in all the other challenges and problems you face daily.

Be thankful for each other. My husband died in January, 1985 leaving a big void in our lives, but we are thankful for what he accomplished. If the combined love, prayers and work of the people of the United States and their allies were strong enough I know that Wall could come tumbling down like the Walls of Jericho.

God bless you and yours, and our nation in all your righteous efforts.
With My Love and Best Wishes,
Mrs. Jean A. Jensen
(Widow of Mr. L. Marcus Jensen)

Dec. 5, 1964

AROUND THE CHURCH

Chapel Erected Near Wall

By DOUGLAS PALMER

Berlin—a chapel and a wall. That's the memory imprinted on the minds of the L. Marcus Jensen family, recently returned from West Berlin in the Germanic Building Mission.

The Jensens, members of Valley View Sixth Ward, Valley View Stake, returned from Berlin last June after nearly three years, but the memories linger:

Men, women and youngsters toiling despite hardships to erect a chapel, just a 20-minute drive from the barbed-wire-topped Berlin Wall which divides a people, their families and freedoms.

A chunk from the wall was given to the Jensens as a memento of their stay in Berlin by Ulrich Kohn, a member of the Neukolln Branch. ✕

Mr. Jensen supervised construction of the Tempelhof Lankwitz Branch chapel, a Church tool used to "help tear down the 'wall' around the hearts of the German people so they might understand the Gospel," Mrs. Jensen said.

Church chapels in Germany are a potent force in uniting the people and eliminating the "wall that shuts out light and truth," she added.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen and children, Carol, Mary Anne, Jay and Larry, faced the challenge of constructing a \$200,000 building in a 70-member branch where approximately 25 were active. By January 1964, building activity spurred membership rolls to 285.

Old footings from a building bombed during the war had to be dug out on the building site and the area combed with a detector for unexploded bombs, Mr. Jensen explained.

Work of U.S. Army units in



Mr. and Mrs. L. Marcus Jensen admire piece of Berlin Wall, given as memento of stay in Berlin by German Church member.

excavating the site, which saved the branch \$7,000, was praised by the building supervisor.

Eighteen building missionaries were assigned to the project under Mr. Jensen, who commended their efforts and the work of German Saints.

"The people put their hearts and souls into the work and in helping the building missionaries," Mr. Jensen said.

Women branch members and Mrs. Jensen frequently pitched in to speed construction. Several were in their 60s and 70s.

Pictures taken by the Jensens show women, young and old, digging trenches, shoveling sand, operating wheel barrows.

One member, Martha Ludwig, who lost her left arm the day before the war ended, assisted by cooking meals and working on the building. During the project Germany experienced its coldest winter in 100 years. The temperature dropped to about 10 below. Still the people pressed on, Mr. Jensen recalled.

were active in school, Church and athletic activities.

Mary Anne won a college scholarship while attending Berlin American High School, presented by the American Women's Clubs of Berlin. Carol tended children during Relief Society and worked on Golden Gleaner requirements.

Larry was a representative from his school at the Transatlantic Association of Student Councils convention. He also won letters in track and football and was a student officer. Jay was a student officer and received a basketball letter.

played dramatics and besides being inducted into the National Honor Society.

(Mary Anne teaches German and is helping conduct a Student Tour in Europe at this time 6/17/1987.)

Basketball

✕ Ulrich said this piece of the wall was taken down by our love and that was the only way it could come down.

[see next page]

"I often said I'd be willing to scrub floors to go on a mission, but I didn't realize how soon it would come true," Mrs. Jensen said, who also served on the Berlin Stake Relief Society Board and directed the 40-woman Relief Society chorus. They also proselyted and Mr. Jensen served on the high council.

Branch members arranged the noon meal at the project site for building missionaries, who dined with the Jensen family in the evening. Olga Hornke, wife of the first counselor in the Berlin Stake presidency, made meal arrangements for the missionaries.

Karl Heinz Aulfes was branch president when the building was started and Helmut Beer succeeded him about a year after construction began.

Before returning to Utah Mr. Jensen assisted in construction of a free-standing stairway at the Neukolln Branch and supervised remodeling of the mission home at Dahlem, West Berlin.

Mr. Jensen formerly served as a missionary in the Swiss German mission where he served as district president.

The Jensen children, in addition to helping on the chapel,

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July 14, 1987

The President Ronald Reagan
The White House
c/o Mrs. Ann Higgins
Special Assistant to the President
and Director of Correspondence
Room 94, OE08
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Your display of concern, courage and wisdom on June 12, 1987, in Berlin, inspired me to write.

This very act could be the beginning to unlock the door at a most opportune time of: Glasnost = Openness introduced by Mr. Gorbatschow to challenge the Russian leaders into cooperation in the reunification of the Germanies through nationwide free vote.

This plan, pioneered by America, not only as a follow-up of your idea but mostly based on our true Western ideals of freedom and unification in accordance and cooperation with our strong and trusted Allies.

When you boarded the train of thought of world politics it was already full speed on the wrong track, it still is and will be unless we catastrophically derail or switch towards:

Conciliation and not confrontation to create conditions for mutual understanding and benefits through cunning and wise diplomacy and planning. To bring about enormous potential of a turnaround. The ideology factor is our greatest offensive and defensive factor of real strength, especially among the young communistic generation.

Besides uniting one of the most ingenious and industrial people into one country again is not only constructive but futuristic and humanistic.

When Khrushchev opposed the Eisenhower and Adenauer plan to unite the Germanies, and build the wall of shame, thereby not only walling in the people (his own and part of Germanies), but also the system, because it did not work and never will (see performance statistics enclosed - from same people, same country, under 2 different systems).

This historic, dramatic event was the beginning of immense suffering and stagnation of normal world development.

Most respectfully yours,



Gys Jansen van Beek

Enclosure

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Sehr geehrter Herr van Beek,

im Auftrag von Herrn Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl danke ich Ihnen herzlich für Ihr Schreiben vom 14. Juli 1987.

Den Entwurf Ihres Schreibens an den Präsidenten der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika halte ich für sehr interessant. Die Frage der Wiedervereinigung Deutschlands und des politischen Zusammenschlusses Europas ist eine Aufgabe von historischer Dimension, der alle Bundesregierungen verpflichtet sind und waren.

Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl hat in seiner Regierungserklärung vom 18. März 1987 hervorgehoben, daß die Freundschaft und enge Zusammenarbeit mit den Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika für die Bundesrepublik Deutschland von existenzieller Bedeutung ist. Sie erhöht die Chancen, daß unsere deutschen und die europäischen Interessen Eingang finden in alle Entscheidungen zu Politik und Strategie, zu Wirtschaft und Währung in der westlichen Gemeinschaft. Grundlage dieser Freundschaft bleibt die gemeinsame Wertordnung und das gegenseitige Vertrauen, wie es gerade in den jüngsten Begegnungen zwischen Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl und Präsident Reagan sichtbar erneuert wurde.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen



(Dr. Hartmann)

Translation of Letter from Bundeskanzleramt
August 3, 1987

Dear Mr. van Beek,

On behalf of Mr. Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl I thank you very much for your letter of July 14, 1987.

I find the draft of your letter to the President of the United States very interesting. The question of a reconciliation of Germany and the political union of Europe is a task of historical dimension which all Federal Governments were and are committed to.

Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl, in his speech on March 18, 1987, emphasized that the friendship and close collaboration with the United States of America is important to the survival of the Federal Republic of Germany. It increases the chances that our German and European interests find consideration in all decisions regarding politics and strategies, trade and currency in the western union. Basis of this friendship is the common standard of values and the mutual trust, the renewal of which became especially evident during the most recent meetings between Bundeskanzler Dr. Kohl and President Reagan.

Sincerely,

(Dr. Hartman)

July 14, 1987

Bundeskanzler Helmut Kohl
Bundeskanzleramt
Adenauerallee 141
5300 Bonn 1
Federal Republic of Germany

Dear Mr. Kohl:

Enclosed please find a proposed letter to: President Ronald Reagan (copies to Pentagon and Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Washington D.C.).

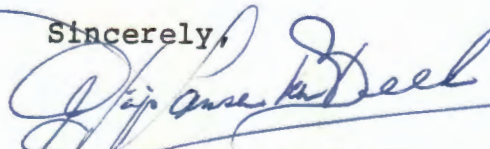
As a follow-up on Mr. Reagan's extraordinary display of courage and wisdom on June 12th, in Berlin.

Please advise, correct or add to this plan what also is extraordinary coming from a citizen of the U.S. Democratic System and a member of the Association of the U.S. Army.

I will wait for your reply before sending this of to the above mentioned places of high offices.

Also enclosed one answer from earlier writings and suggestions to the Pentagon, in cooperation with the Civilian Advisor to the Army: Dr. William Keppler. I remain most appreciative and respectful for your cooperation in advance.

Sincerely,



Gys Jansen van Beek
Route No. 9, Box 71
Caldwell, Idaho 83605
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Enclosure

cc: The Office of the Chairman Chiefs of Staff
J.C.S. Room 2E 860 Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
4645 Reservoir Rd. N.W., Washington, D.C.

President and Communist Party First Secretary
of Zhivkov has been in power for 39 years, longer
any other Soviet-bloc leader. He and his carbon
of the KGB, namely the *Durzhavna Sigurnost*,
have a reputation for obedience to Moscow, and
stringent security measures relieve the Soviets of
requirement for stationing Russian troops in
Bulgaria. Furthermore, the Russians have shown a pro-
clivity to employ the Bulgarian security service for just
about anything they wish. The Bulgarians have admit-
ted to supplying weapons to leftist insurgents in Angola,
Algeria, Mozambique and South Africa.
Weapons are smuggled into Lebanon, Yemen, Chile and Tan-
zania are known to be of Bulgarian origin. Bulgaria's
reputation as an exporter of dirty tricks lends some
credence to Italy's charges of complicity in the attempt-
ed assassination of Pope John Paul II.

Internally, Zhivkov has been ever cautious in doling
out bits of decision authority to the nation's massive
industrial and agricultural combines and has also en-
couraged small private agricultural endeavors on the
part of many industrial workers. His economic program
is not nearly so ambitious as that of Hungary, but sup-
plies are plentiful and life is good in Bulgaria. Residents
take pride in themselves on accomplishing through hard work
what others have attempted through borrowing.
Bulgaria's \$2.4 billion debt to the West is the lowest in
Western Europe.)

Many years of close ties with Moscow, tight security
and abundant supplies ensure that Bulgaria will remain
a dependable Soviet ally.

1986

Export = 16,200 Mill \$
Import = 17,600 Mill \$

German Democratic Republic

Population: 16,760,000.

Government: Communist dictatorship.

GNP: \$73 billion.

Per Capita Income: \$5,340.

Defense Expenditures: \$8 billion.

Armed Forces: Army — 116,000 (69,000 conscripts),
80,000 reserves; Navy — 14,000 (8,000 conscripts),
5,000 reserves; Air Force — 37,000 (15,000 con-
scripts), 30,000 reserves, 359 combat aircraft; Para-
military — 74,000.

Forces Abroad: 2,320.

Total Regular Armed Forces: 167,000 (92,000 con-
scripts).

The Soviet Union's relationship with East Germany is
underscored by a blend of reluctant cooperation and
reluctant concern. Moscow tolerates the German Demo-
cratic Republic's cultivation of trade with West Ger-
many only because it helps promote stability for the
economy. Most of the watching is accomplished by the
30,000 Russian troops stationed in the GDR.

Currently, a glimmer of light seems to be appearing at
the end of East Germany's economic tunnel. Of all
Eastern bloc nations, the GDR is second only to Poland
in gross debt to the West — \$12.26 billion as of 30 June
1983. In 1983, that debt was reduced by about \$1 billion
and the annual national income increased by 3.9 per-
cent, reversals of the stagnation of 1981 and 1982. This
financial turnaround prompted West German bankers
in July to grant the Easterners a guaranteed loan of \$380
million, the first of its type for the financially strapped
country in several years.

Reciprocally, East German border restrictions have
been relaxed, as have currency-exchange rules. The two
Germanys have recently entered into new postal, cul-
tural and environmental agreements that heretofore
were considered impossible.

These nudges toward Western dependency have not
gone unnoticed by the GDR's Kremlin mentors. At the
annual meeting of the Council for Mutual Economic
Assistance (COMECON) in October, East Germany
was castigated for its balance-of-payments deficit with
Moscow and for its slowly evolving dependence on trade
with the West. The Soviets threatened to reduce exports
to the Germans if this continues. The GDR, dependent
on the USSR for 90 percent of its petroleum, natural gas
and raw materials, is in a precarious position that may
eventually force it to look more and more to the West
for its economic survival.

To compound the GDR's disfavor with Moscow, an
antinuclear weapons movement, sponsored by the coun-
try's clergy and targeted on both the United States and
Soviet arsenals is becoming more visible. At a West
Germany rally in October, an East German Protestant
pastor warned that the planned NATO deployment of
Pershing II and cruise missiles would mean that "East
Germans will also get more missiles, more weapons and
less freedom." East German Communist Party
newspapers, in an unprecedented act, published several
church letters to the head of state, Eric Honecker, op-
posing both East and West nuclear weapons deploy-
ments, and a growing number of young East Germans
have been participating in church-sponsored antinuclear
campaigns. All of this has provoked fitful repression by
a government that ironically provides the West German
Communist Party with over \$20 million in support of
antinuclear activities.

Domestic problems have not kept the GDR from
meddling in foreign affairs. They still maintain a large
presence in Africa, a steadily growing involvement in
Central America, and, in November, an East German
physicist was indicted in Boston, Mass., on espionage
charges.

In spite of slowly growing tendencies toward Western
economic reliance and some loss of favor with Moscow
during 1983, the presence of 380,000 Soviet troops and a
head of state who is a staunch supporter of communist
dogma ensure the continued presence of the GDR in the
Soviet camp.

Libyan-backed rebels struck south through Chad. President Mitterrand came to the aid of the former French colony by dispatching 2,500 troops, supported by a dozen strike aircraft, which proved sufficient to halt the rebel offensive. The opposing forces were stalemated for the last half of 1983.

President Mitterrand has remained consistently anti-Moscow in his foreign policy dealings and, while keeping the French military apart from NATO control, he avidly supported the deployment of new intermediate-range missiles to NATO bases.

France's own commitment to the defense of Western Europe was bolstered in 1983 when the government announced the operational readiness of nine new S3 IRBMs and the successful testing of two new nuclear missiles and a neutron weapon. Thus, while the French are presently struggling against domestic economic problems of mountainous proportions, they still can be counted on as staunch allies in the defense of Europe.

1986

Export = 192,901 Mill. \$
Import = 187,933 Mill. \$

The Federal Republic of Germany

Population: 61,600,000.
Government: Parliamentary democracy
GDP: \$659 billion.
Per Capita Income: \$11,142.
Defense Expenditures: \$19 billion.
Armed Forces: Army — 335,500 (185,000 conscripts); Navy — 36,400 (11,000 conscripts); Air Force — 105,900 (40,000 conscripts), 501 combat aircraft; Paramilitary — 20,000; Reserves all services — 750,000.
Total Regular Armed Forces: 495,000 (236,000 conscripts).

The strength of the Atlantic alliance was bolstered by the 6 March German elections in which Chancellor Helmut Kohl was not only returned to office but his Christian Democratic Union severely defeated the neutralists who would have seriously undermined West Germany's future participation in security and economic relations with the West. Kohl's victory was cheered in London and Washington and put him in a strong position to carry out the NATO plan for installing Pershing II and cruise missiles on German soil, a plan which proceeded on schedule following a reaffirming vote in the West German parliament in November.

One of the more interesting aspects of the election campaign, and one which tends to make Kohl's victory all the sweeter, is the ham-handed intervention of Moscow to defeat Kohl and halt NATO's missile deployment plans. Soviet papers sustained an unprecedented barrage of anti-Kohl propaganda, all to no avail.

Kohl not only won the election but he supported the missile deployment in the face of mounting pacifist opposition.

However, it was Kohl's probusiness orthodoxy that appealed most to German voters who see in him the best chance to revive a badly stalled economy. The impressive rates of economic growth to which Germans have been long accustomed are no more. The 1983 increase in industrial production was little more than one-quarter of one percent. Unemployment topped ten percent with 2.5 million workers idle.

Kohl's first challenge is to administer a program of government austerity and free enterprise incentives to cure his country's financial woes. He has pledged to cut business taxes in order to encourage investment and he has instituted basic structural changes in the nation's burgeoning social welfare system.

Solving West Germany's economic problems is the biggest test Mr. Kohl faces. But he faces other major problems: from the unions who demand that the work-week be cut to 35 hours; from industry executives who argue that this would increase production costs and give the advantage to Germany's market competitors; from ecologists who decry acid rain and pesticide damage to one third of the nation's forests; from scholars who see the German educational system crumbling; and from the young who are increasingly rejecting the traditional NATO defense policies out of fear that their homes will be the first battlefield in any military confrontation between East and West.

Clearly, West Germany's postwar economic miracle has fallen on some pretty hard times. West Germans are also worried that the East-West buildup will some day turn their homeland into a battleground. These anxieties have contributed to a sense of national malaise which can only be countered by a resurgence of national pride and traditional German industriousness. Mr. Kohl has four years in which to prove that he can fulfill the responsibilities of leadership and provide the impetus to regain West Germany's standing as Europe's most affluent society.

Italy

Population: 57,400,000.
Government: Republic.
GDP: \$343 billion.
Per Capita Income: \$6,914.
Defense Expenditures: \$8 billion.
Armed Forces: Army — 258,000 (187,000 conscripts) (545,000 reserves); Navy — 44,500 (23,700 conscripts) (221,000 reserves); Air Force — 70,600 (28,300 conscripts) (28,000 reserves), 300 combat aircraft; Paramilitary — 90,000.



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

31 May 1984

Mr. Gys Jansen van Beek
Route No. 9, Box 71
Caldwell, Idaho 83605

Dear Mr. van Beek,

I read with interest your letter to me of May 10, together with the rest of your correspondence. I appreciate your taking the time to write.

Your concern for world peace is very understandable, and I want you to be assured that the plans you suggest to enhance our national defense will be looked at and seriously considered. You provided some thought-provoking ideas.

Please give my regards to Dr. Keppler. I hope that your personal fortunes take a turn for the best in the future.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. VESSEY, JR.
Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff

Now BEING FOLLOWED UP BY: COL. WILLIAM STOKES III } Chief of Staff
+ COL. FREEMAN. } office.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO, ILL.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am sorry to hear that you are unable to visit Chicago at the present time, but I trust that you will be able to do so at an early date.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
John D. White

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Date March 3, 1988

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

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To: The President

From: Mr. Gregory Myers

Date: January 15, 1988

Subject: Inner-German relations

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- 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.
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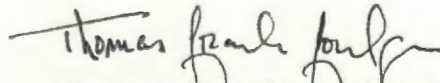
Dear Mr. Myers:

Thank you for your January 15 letter to President Reagan requesting information on the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic. I have been asked to respond on the President's behalf.

Your inquiry touches on a number of complex issues which are difficult to address fully in a short letter. In an effort to assist your research, I am enclosing a number of documents which deal with the questions you pose. The Background Notes for both countries will provide a general overview while the 1987 Human Rights Reports cover more specifically the points of interest to you. The twenty-second semiannual report of the implementation of the Helsinki Final Act for the German Democratic Republic provides considerable detail on human rights and contacts within that country. Your library of course will have other materials on the inner-German relationship responsive to your specific line of inquiry.

I am pleased to respond to your interest in German affairs. I hope these materials are of use to you.

Sincerely


Thomas Frank Foulger
East-West Affairs

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January 15, 1988

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I saw an article in the newspaper a few weeks ago about 118 Polish tourists jumping off a vacation cruise ship to get into West Germany. The article said that last year 4,625 Poles used this way to defect into West Germany. Thats 40 percent more than last year.

It sort of pondered on me that those figures were so high. Is it that easy to get into West Germany? Has there been a lot of people escaping into West Germany? Since the war has it been hard for East Germans to get into West Germany?

If it would be at all possible could you send me some information on the West and East German conflicts. I know with that your a very busy man and I thank you for your time to read this, thank you and God Bless.

Respectively yours,

Gregory J. Myers

Mr. Greg Myers

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

12 Feb 88

Memo For Department of State

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