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March 18, 1988

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MEMORANDUM FOR SALLY KELLEY

FROM: PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

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SUBJECT: Reply to Anne Kronenberg

This memorandum forwards for appropriate signature a State draft reply (Tab A) to Anne Kronenberg, who writes concerning U.S. policy toward Israel. NSC approves the draft, as amended.

Attachments

Tab A Reply to Ms. Kronenberg
Tab B Incoming correspondence

PROPOSED REPLY

Ms. Anne Kronenberg
Box 2452
Nantucket, Massachusetts 02584

Dear Ms. Kronenberg:

Thank you for your letter of January 15, 1988 concerning the disturbances in the West Bank and Gaza and U.S. policy toward Israel.

The Arab-Israeli conflict, now in its fortieth year, and the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza, now in its twenty-first year, exact a toll on the 1.5 million Palestinians in the occupied territories, and on the citizens of Israel as well. In the absence of peace and a political agreement, the prevailing atmosphere is one of mutual tension and mistrust. This environment has produced violent protest demonstrations by Palestinians and harsh security measures by Israeli authorities, *to restore order.* ~~which are sometimes inconsistent with recognized international standards.~~

For its part, the United States has consistently spoken out on the need for both sides to exercise restraint and to avoid confrontations that could lead to further bloodshed. We oppose the use of lethal force, beatings and deportations as

counterproductive to the process of peace and reconciliation. At the same time we also acknowledge the need for the preservation of order. We have voted our policy in the United Nations Security Council, noting that we do not believe that the Council should return repeatedly to the same issues.

The current unrest underscores again the urgent need for movement in the peace process. ~~We believe that direct initiative on the Middle East, recognizing the negotiations based on United Nations Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338, entered into and concluded by the parties to the conflict freely and without coercion, offer the best hope of regional leaders and developed a proposal ensuring security and recognition for Israel and realization of that, if accepted, could get negotiations going -- the legitimate rights of the Palestinians. We hope that a negotiations that would soon offer real revitalized peace process will lead soon to a substantial change political gains to the Palestinians, meet Israel in conditions in the West Bank and Gaza giving Palestinians security needs, and pave the way to a comprehensive greater control over their daily lives.~~ *We have undertaken a new Secretary Shultz has travelled to the region, consulted conflict freely and without coercion, offer the best hope of regional leaders and developed a proposal ensuring security and recognition for Israel and realization of that, if accepted, could get negotiations going -- the legitimate rights of the Palestinians. We hope that a negotiations that would soon offer real revitalized peace process will lead soon to a substantial change political gains to the Palestinians, meet Israel in conditions in the West Bank and Gaza giving Palestinians security needs, and pave the way to a comprehensive peace.*

~~However, no peace will be possible if Israel A fundamental aspect of U.S. involvement in the peace process is our historic commitment to the security of Israel.~~ *is not secure.*

President Reagan emphasized in his September 1982 initiative that ~~if the peace process is to succeed, the security and legitimacy of Israel cannot be in doubt.~~ *no one must doubt* Our military and economic assistance reflects our commitment to Israel as a free

will remain essential for giving Israel
and democratic state and ~~helps to give Israel~~ the confidence to
~~move forward in the search for~~ ^{make} peace.

believe We ~~hope~~ that all the parties involved *see the urgency of taking*
~~will regard the~~ ~~disturbances as a challenge to work harder on~~ practical steps
to bring about reconciliation, negotiations and peace. We will
stay involved and do our best to move the peace process forward.

Sincerely,

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

March 17, 1988

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM: ROBERT B. OAKLEY *RBO*

SUBJECT: Reply to Anne Kronenberg

Attached at Tab I for your signature is a memo to Sally Kelley forwarding a revised State draft reply (Tab A) to Anne Kronenberg, who writes concerning U.S. policy toward Israel. Ms. Kronenberg's letter to the President is at Tab B.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo at Tab I.

Approve *Rmt/la* Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I	Memo to Sally Kelley
Tab A	Draft reply to Ms. Kronenberg
Tab B	Incoming correspondence

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8805305

Date MAR -7 1988

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

REFERENCE:

To: President Reagan

From: Ms. Anne Kronenberg

Date: January 15, 1988

Subject: Jerusalem worker re Arab Nursing School

WH Referral Dated: February 22, 1988
NSC ID# (if any): 8801204

 The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

- A draft reply is attached. (With recommendation-- see below)
- 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 (see remarks).

REMARKS:

We recommend that the text of this reply be sent to Ms.
Kronenberg.

Joanna S. Allaf
Director
Secretariat Staff

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ANNE KRONENBERG, RN, Ed.M.

January 15, 1988

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

Dear President Reagan:

From October 19 - November 24, 1987, I was in East Jerusalem working on a proposed nursing school with an Arab hospital. As a nurse and interested American, I visited homes, communities and hospitals in both Jewish and Arab sectors. I want to share some of my personal experiences and observations with you and Mr. Schultz. In fact, a guest in the St. George Hotel at the same time as myself, was purported to be a representative of Mr. Schultz studying the Palestine situation. I'm wondering if this was valid and if so, what was gained?

Please consider my enclosed article as a serious statement objecting to your current policy of monetary support towards the Israelis generally and their arms development specifically. STOP support of all kinds towards Israel. This is the only way to force autonomy in the Territories.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

AnneKronenberg

Anne Kronenberg
Box 2452
Nantucket, MA 02584
(617) 228-6427

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"O Palestine"

Bethlehem is dark this year. The Holy Land, home of three great religions, is shrouded in mourning. Do we hear the cries? Are we responding?

I have recently returned from five weeks in East Jerusalem working on a privately funded Palestinian nursing project. I am naturally attracted to the needy and these Arabs kept me right on target. I did meet Israeli Jews sympathetic to the Palestinian-Gazan plight but in that country there is no dialoguing between Arab and Jew, no eye contact, no needless communication. Frustration, distrust, fear and hatred pervade among these Arabs, a people without a country living in a state of non-personhood.

I observed Palestinians, affable by nature, change laughing chatter to frightened whispers as inexperienced gun-toting Israeli soldier youths passed in the street. I heard repeated stories of nocturnal knocks on sleeping family doors, arrests and prison interrogation horrors. I saw bus loads of work force Arabs, some highly educated, being transported daily to Israel. And I watched Israeli soldiers prevent Arab farmers from selling their own produce in their own markets so that the Israeli Jews could sell theirs instead. In Hebron I observed nine Palestinian owned stores fronted by a barbwire fence and guarded by Israeli soldiers. A shopper must first undergo a degrading body search, hardly conducive to business. As the stores close, the Israelis take over.

On the West Bank countryside I met several Palestinian families wandering in despair amidst their flattened village. Eighty-four dwellings were bulldozed in preparation of a new Jewish settlement, the families relocated to tin shanties across the road. And I talked with a family of sixteen whose home and life savings were bulldozed to oblivion one night last August while imported Israeli Jews sang and danced on the surrounding roads. This was done as a warning to Palestinian families whose sons are suspected of PLO activities. That particular son, his wife and child have "disappeared".

And I was invited to the press conference of Mubarak Awad, the Palestinian with American citizenship who advocates non-violent approaches. The Israeli's were expelling him from the country, clearly a message to the Arabs that non-violence is also unacceptable.

The fear is real. Palestinians and Gazans are nonentities, controlled by Israel and forsaken by their Arab brothers, their dignity and hope for the future extinguished. The Israeli Jews wish they would leave and local media sources report a \$20,000 bribe is offered each departing Palestinian. Still, it is not easy to go. Those that have withstood the '48 and '67 wars are strongly nationalistic and unless on carefully documented short term visas, once out of the country can return only for brief visits.

Until recently there were university demonstrations reminiscent of our '60's except that Israeli soldiers responded with live ammunition. Some Palestinians were killed while I was there, a mother of eight, a university student or two and Bethlehem University was closed for three months by the Israelis as punishment, a common occurrence.

My concerns have been that the Gazans and Palestinians, oppressed and exploited, frustrated and angry, would explode. Now that they have, my fear is that they won't be heard. The Israelis are accusing the US of nonsupport and the media of Arab bias.

And we are told of the many prisoners taken to the hastily built prison camps and the trials. We know from former prisoners and the November disclosures reported in the Jerusalem Post that Arab political prisoners meet with the ultimate interrogation tortures.

Should the US really continue support to a country whose repressive methods echo Nazi Germany? We, as American citizens, must respond by keeping informed, speaking out, writing or wiring our representatives and President Reagan.

Somewhere lies a solution to the twenty-year Israeli-Occupied Territory outrage. Perhaps the 1988 government changes in Washington and Israel will promote the peace talks which are currently rejected. A new year is a time for new hope and new approaches.

Anne Krongenberg, R.N., M.Ed.
(202) 966-5764

**National Security Council
The White House**

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THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE

Tel-Aviv, July 8, 1988

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

Dear Mr. President,

Please accept my warmest thanks for the great privilege I have been granted to be received by you, and for the opportunity to brief you on current issues, on future problems, and on the positions of the State of Israel.

The eight years of your Presidency have been, to this day, the greatest and most rewarding hours in the relations between our two countries.

I hope and believe that this friendship between our nations is deep and solid, and for that I would like to thank you wholeheartedly again, in my own name, and on behalf of the whole Israeli Defense Establishment.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely Yours,

Y. Rabin
Yitzhak Rabin
x

NSC # 8805251



THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE

Tel-Aviv, July 8, 1988

The Hon. George Bush
Vice President of the United States
of America
Washington, D.C.
USA

Dear Mr. Vice President,

I have had again the privilege and pleasure to meet with you during my recent visit to the United States and to present to you the positions of the State of Israel.

I have found again, as in the past, an attentive ear and understanding of the needs of Israel and of its defense and security problems.

I have realized once again in Washington how solid and true is the friendship between our states. I am well aware of your personal contribution to this relationship.

Please accept my warmest thanks and appreciation.

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National Security Adviser
The White House
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USA

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I shall be very pleased if you could accept this invitation.

Knowing that we have a friend and friends at the White House, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to all of you.

Sincerely Yours,

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Date July 20, 1988

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

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REFERENCE:

To: President, Vice President and NSA Powell

From: Israeli Defense Minister Rabin

Date: July 8, 1988

Subject: Thank you letters.

WH Referral Dated: July 15, 1988

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ACTION TAKEN:

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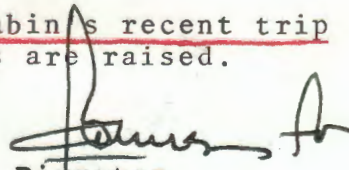
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 The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.

 Other (see remarks).

REMARKS:

These are thank you letters for Rabin's recent trip
to the USA. No substantive issues are raised.


Director
Secretariat Staff

NSC # 8805251

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FOR GEORGE VAN ERON

DIRECTOR NSC SECRETARIAT

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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S/S 8804815

Date March 3, 1988

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

REFERENCE:

To: The President
From: Dr. Isam Hamed
Date: January 1, 1988
Subject: Situation in West Bank and Gaza

WH Referral Dated: February 23, 1988
NSC ID# (if any): _____

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Department of State.

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- 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 (see remarks).

REMARKS:

Kathleen Murphy
Director
Secretariat Staff

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

Dr. Isam Hamed
c/o Ambassador Roscoe S. Suddarth
American Embassy
Amman, Jordan

Dear Dr. Hamed:

Thank you for your letter of January 1, 1988 concerning the disturbances in the West Bank and Gaza and U.S. policy toward Israel. I am responding to your group of Alumni of U.S. Universities on behalf of President Reagan.

The current unrest underscores again that the status quo is unacceptable and points out the urgent need for movement in the peace process. We believe that direct negotiations based on United Nations Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338, entered into and concluded by the parties to the conflict freely and without coercion, offer the best hope of ensuring the realization of the legitimate rights of the Palestinians and security and recognition for Israel. We hope that a revitalized peace process will lead soon to a substantial change in conditions in the West Bank and Gaza giving Palestinians greater control over their daily lives.

The United States has consistently spoken out on the need for both sides to exercise restraint and to avoid confrontations that could lead to further bloodshed. We oppose the use of lethal force, beatings and deportations. We also acknowledge the need for the preservation of order. We have explained our views publicly, including in the United Nations Security Council.

As you know, Secretary Shultz is currently engaged in an important U.S. effort to explore moving the peace process forward at this important junction. Our goal is comprehensive peace on all fronts. We believe our new blend of ideas can produce a settlement to the Arab-Israeli dispute which satisfies both the legitimate security needs of the states of the region and also satisfy the legitimate aspirations of the Palestinian people. We hope the leaders of the region will seize this opportunity to fulfill the deep aspirations for peace and a better life for all the people of the Middle East.

Sincerely,

Edward P. Djerejian,
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Near Eastern and South
Asian Affairs



S/S 8804815

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 23, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Paul Schott Stevens
National Security Council Staff

SUBJECT: Alerting NSCS on Presidential
Correspondence

Enclosed is the original of a letter to President Reagan from Isauï Hamed of the University of Oklahoma in Jordan which is transmitted for your information.

This correspondence was received in the Information Management Section of the Executive Secretariat, on February 19, 1988. A copy has been assigned to the appropriate bureau for action.

Charles G. Jackson Jr.
Director, S/S-I
Information Management Section
Executive Secretariat
647-3836

January 1, 1988

Mr. Ronald Reagan
President of the United States of America
C/O H. E. the Honorable Roscoe S. Suddarth
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
American Embassy
Amman, Jordan

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Dear Mr. President,

Along with the rest of the world, we watched in anguish and concern last month as the Palestinian Arab inhabitants of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza erupted in four weeks of violent demonstrations, with scores of deaths and over 1,500 arrests resulting from daily confrontations between the Israeli army and young Palestinians. Equally troubling to us, as Jordanians who studied at American Universities and developed deep respect and admiration for American principles of democracy and human rights, was the relatively faint-hearted and distorted reaction of the American government to the events in the West Bank and Gaza.

We are shocked to see the United States react to the recent events and deaths by trying to maintain an "even-handed" approach to the situation, by blaming both Palestinians and Israelis for the violence and loss of lives. Our years in the United States and our friendship with Americans throughout your country taught us with no ambiguity whatsoever that Americans usually react to situations of injustice, occupation or denial of human rights by boldly addressing the fundamental inequity, and working to redress it. This is what your country has done recently in the Philippines, Poland, Afghanistan, South Korea and many other cases around the world, where you rejected occupation or inequity, and actively demanded the application of justice and equal opportunity for all. You recognised violent street demonstrations as a symptom of an underlying denial of political rights, and you worked to end the violence by ending the underlying injustice which caused the violence to erupt.

Although we do appreciate the U.S. Government's recent criticism of Israel's harsh military measures and deportation policy, the U.S. has yet to accept the Palestinians' right to live in liberty, security, sovereignty and dignity.

We would have expected the United States to respond to the recent events in the West Bank and Gaza by asserting that peace can only be achieved when the occupation of one people by another is ended, and when Palestinians and Israelis enjoy equal rights in the land of Palestine.

As long as Israel and the United States refuse to accept that the Palestinian people should enjoy the right of national self-determination -- a concept which the American President Woodrow Wilson articulated for the whole world earlier this century -- we can only expect a continuation of the cycle of occupation, resistance, violence and death. We find it sad that the United States should retreat from its noble political and ethical heritage in this case, and acquiesce in an occupation which it indirectly finances and perpetuates by its three billion dollars in aid to Israel every year.

We look to the United States, in such situations, to come down on the side of universal freedom and justice, and to reaffirm the principles of the American constitution and the Bill of Rights, and to insist that freedom is, indeed, indivisible. We look to the United States to work actively for a negotiated settlement that recognises the equal rights of both protagonists, Palestinians and Israelis, rather than passively accepting and financing the Israeli occupation of Palestinian Arab land and people, while decrying the violent resistance that stems naturally from the fact of prolonged occupation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Isam Hamed - Univ. of Oklahoma	1978
Awri Saket - Univ. of Cincinnati	1963
Ali H. Abu-Ragheb - Univ. of Tennessee	1967
Zaid A. F. Malhas - Univ. of Oklahoma State	1965
Omar J. Zakaria - Univ. of Houston	1979
Ahmed Lattouf - Univ. of Tennessee	1970
Rami G. Khouri - Syracuse Univ.	1970
Narwan J. Muasher - Purdue Univ.	1981
Suhail S. Helaby - Univ. of California - S.L.D.	1966
Dr. Nayef R. Eldib - Baylor College of Medicine	1980
Ibrahim H. Abu-Ragheb - Univ. of Tennessee	1968
Jamal I. Abu-Ragheb - Univ. of Tennessee	1986
Samir I. Nashashibi - Marquette Univ.	1982
Usama Nasserdin - Univ. of Calif.	1978
Jamal Lattouf - Georgia Tech	1980
Amal Ghandour - Stanford Univ.	1986
Manal Hanzel - Univ. of Gallaudet	1986
Wald Al-Suboul - American Univ. (D.C.)	1983

Mr. Ronald Reagan
President of the United States of America
c/o H.E. the Honorable Roscoe S. Suddarth
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
American Embassy
Amman - Jordan

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TO: PRESIDENT
FROM: HAMED, ISAM

DOC DATE: 01 JAN 88

ORIGINAL SUBJECT:
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ACTION: FOR RECORD PURPOSES DUE DATE: 08 MAR 88
STATUS: C FILES: WH CODES:
STAFF OFFICER: ROSS

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THE WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 06, 1988

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. MORRIS B. ABRAM

SUBJECT: REFERS TO ERROR MADE IN HIS AUG 26 88 LETTER

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MATT ZACHARI		ORG	88/09/06		C 88/09/07
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	<i>Ben Waldman</i>	A	88/09/07		C 88/10/11
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COMMENTS: NO RECORD OF AUG 26 88 LETTER

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(212) 373-3237

September 1, 1988

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

Dear Mr. President:

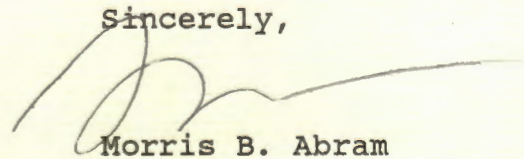
I refer to my letter to you of August 26. I regret that on page 2 thereof, the sentence appearing under arabic numeral 1, should read as follows:

1. The tone of the demarche presented to Israel this week, which we recognize was not made public by U.S. representatives.

I regret this error but wish to correct it forthwith.

With kindest personal regards and deep esteem, I am

Sincerely,



Morris B. Abram

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THE WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 20, 1988

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. LEWIS B. DASHE

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES CONCERN ON ATTEMPTS BY SOME OF
THE ADMINISTRATION'S ADVISORS TO "GET
INVOLVED" IN THE INTERNAL ELECTIONS OF
ISRAEL

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

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November 1, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR SALLY KELLEY

FROM:

PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS 

SUBJECT:

U.S. Interference in Israeli Elections

The NSC concurs with the attached State Department draft to Mr. Lewis Dashe.

Attachment

Tab A State Department Transmittal Memo

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

November 1, 1988

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SCHOTT STEVENS

FROM:

WJ WILLIAM J. BURNS

SUBJECT: U.S. Interference in Israeli Elections

Attached at Tab I is a memo from you to Sally Kelley forwarding NSC's approval of the State Department draft reply to Mr. Lewis Dashe of the Zionist Organization of America.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memo at Tab I.

Approve

WJ

Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Stevens Memo to Kelley
Tab A State Transmittal Memo of
Oct 27, 1988 w/attachments

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8829655

Date October 27, 1988

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

REFERENCE:

To: President Ronald Reagan
From: Mr. Lewis B. Dashe
Date: September 16, 1988
Subject: U.S. interference in Israeli elections.

WH Referral Dated: October 11, 1988
NSC ID# (if any): 592588

_____ 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 (see remarks).

REMARKS:

for Sandra Sullivan

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Director
Secretariat Staff

Department of State

Draft reply

Dear Mr. Dashe:

I am responding on behalf of President Reagan to your letter of September 16, 1988 regarding the relationship between our government and that of Israel.

Let me first thank you for the support you expressed for President Reagan's policy towards Israel and the Middle East. Israel is a close friend of the United States. The development of our bilateral relations over the past eight years is one of the major achievements of President Reagan's Administration.

I would like to assure you that the Administration has not, and will not, make any effort to "get involved" in the Israeli elections. The United States deals with Israel on a government-to-government basis, and we work cooperatively with all members of the Israeli Government, regardless of their political affiliation. This will continue to be our approach in the future.

I hope I have addressed your concerns.

Sincerely,

White House Staff Member

Lewis B. Dashe, President,

Zionist Organization of America,

226 South 16th Street, Suite 1303,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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REFERRAL

OCTOBER 11, 1988

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DRAFT REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF:
WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEMBER

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 592588

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1988

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. LEWIS B. DASHE
PRESIDENT
ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
MID-ATLANTIC REGION
SUITE 1303
226 SOUTH 16TH STREET
PHILADELPHIA PA 19102SUBJECT: EXPRESSES CONCERN ON ATTEMPTS BY SOME OF
THE ADMINISTRATION'S ADVISORS TO "GET
INVOLVED" IN THE INTERNAL ELECTIONS OF
ISRAELPROMPT 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, 20500SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE



ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

226 SOUTH 16TH STREET, SUITE 1303, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102 • (215) 546-1410

September 16, 1988

The President of the
United States of America
The White House
Washington
DC

Dear Mr. President:

Motivated by your strong faith in our nation, which we share, and the recognition of the importance of free democratic Israel to our interests in the Middle East region, you have proved to be Israel's fair and objective friend.

For that reason, we are disturbed by what appears to be a clumsy attempt by some of your advisors to "get involved" in the internal elections of Israel.

It would be unfortunate to negate the tremendous good you have accomplished for the benefit of both nations and the cause of peace, by actions which are perceived to be an attempt to influence the election of the candidate for prime minister who is the opponent of Israel's conservative candidate.

This is particularly painful to those of us who have been the most ardent supporters of your administration and its policies. We believe that Israel is more capable of pursuing policies favorable to United States' interest and the pursuit of peace, when it is strong and has secure defensible borders.

As Vice President Bush said recently: "...strength and clarity lead to peace; weakness and ambivalence lead to war. Weakness tempts aggressors, strength stops them!"

Respectfully yours,

LEWIS B. DASHE
President

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National Security Council
The White House

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cc: VP Duberstein Other _____

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TO: PRESIDENT

FROM: DASHE, LEWIS B

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