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WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 8/1/02

Name of Correspondent: FARHAD SEPAH BODY

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: FORMER IRANIAN AMBASSADOR TO MOROCCO EXPRESSES HIS CURRENT CONCERNS ABOUT IRAN

ROUTE TO:

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S/S # 8201157  
Date January 28, 1982

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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WHITE HOUSE  
SITUATION ROOM

FOR: Mr. William P. Clark  
National Security Council  
The White House

REFERENCE:

TO: The President                      FROM: Mr. Farhad Sepahbody  
DATE: November 21, 1981              SUBJECT: Former Ambassador to  
Morocco expresses his current concerns about Iran

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: January 15, 1982 NSC # 055804  
(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.
- An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.
- Other.

REMARKS:

*L. Paul Bremer, III*  
L. Paul Bremer, III  
Executive Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

January 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Your letter dated November 21, 1981 to President Reagan was referred to me for reply. Allow me first to convey my condolences on the death of your father and to express my understanding of your deep sadness over this loss.

The present Administration is on record regarding the U.S.'s outrage over the human rights abuses which continue to occur in Iran. I can assure you, therefore, that we share your concerns with respect to developments in Iran.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ralph E. Lindstrom".

Ralph E. Lindstrom  
Director for Iranian Affairs

The Honorable  
Farhad Sepahbody,  
Clinton Avenue,  
Salt Point, New York 12578.

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JANUARY 15, 1982

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TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 055804

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED NOVEMBER 21, 1981

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE FARHAD SEPAHBODY  
FORMER AMBASSADOR OF IRAN TO  
MOROCCO  
CLINTON AVENUE  
SALT POINT NY 12578

SUBJECT: FORMER IRANIAN AMBASSADOR TO MOROCCO  
EXPRESSES HIS CURRENT CONCERNS ABOUT IRAN

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(OR DRAFT) TO:  
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

*Received in s/s-1  
1/19/82 at 11:46a.m.  
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November 21, 1981

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*MS*  
*FA*  
The Honorable Ronald Reagan  
President of the United States of America  
The White House  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. President :

The tragic death of my ninety-six-year-old father, just a few days ago in Tehran, prompts me to write you these words as we all look forward to the festivities of Thanksgiving Day, and pause to remember all those things we have to be thankful for in America.

In a world half of whose population has lost its freedom, including my country, the United States of America, still stands as a living monument to freedom of expression, freedom of movement, freedom of choice, freedom of the human spirit. You are blessed with an economic and social system dedicated to providing as many of the good things of life to as many people as possible, a system which rewards those who work hard and show enterprise for the greater benefit of all.

When I graduated from an American University some thirty years ago, I strived with many other compatriots to implement just such a system in Iran, and we were well on the road towards achieving it. As for my father, he was an Iranian patriot-statesman, an internationally known diplomat, who helped steer Iran from a soviet occupied, economically backward, socially explosive, politically chaotic country of some sixteen million people in 1941 to a proud nation in 1978 looking towards a bright future. A nation of thirty-five million, enjoying one of the world's fastest economic growth, regarded as the Japan of the Middle East and assuring peace and stability in the Persian Gulf through which the energy-poor world received more than thirty million barrels of Iranian and Arab oil a day.

Alas, my father died seeing his country in utter ruin, chaos and despair.

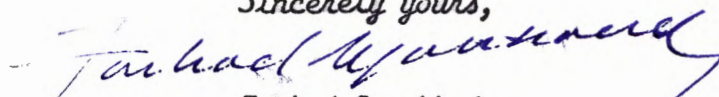
His demise in that tortured land, has left me with an immense feeling of sadness and brings back to my mind the contents of a letter I submitted to President Carter before the hostage crisis and the answer I received through the State Department. It is my earnest wish that these views have now changed, for there is nothing to hope for with the regime of Khomeyni except to surrender Iran to the soviets on a silver platter.

When President Nixon stated in 1973, that Iran is a bridge" between the East and the West, between Asia and Europe and for that matter Africa " he was reiterating what every President of the Unites States of America has said about the strategic significance of Iran in the international system since the Second World War, when

President Roosevelt characterized Iran as the "Bridge of Victory" in the Allied efforts against Hitler's Germany. For the present, the Soviet Union keeps silent, wondering where its interests are while infiltrating every level of the Khomeyni regime.

I earnestly hope that Washington will now speak out against the barbarism in Iran and dispel the impression that it does not care when the victims are iranians, or worse, that it excuses executioners who "appear" to be anti-communists. No interest is served by Iran's retreat into darkness except those of the soviets. The Regime of Khomeyni is detested today by our people, their leaders, past or present cannot be salvaged. At present, amongst iranian exiles and nationalists back home, there is no dearth of people with experience as well as with commitment to high moral values. Their cohesion, despite some still slight differences is gaining strength each passing day, it would be a mistake to discourage their hopes as it has been done in the past. They are<sup>a</sup>credible and surely the only alternative to the vacuum which will be inevitably created by Khomeyni's eventual departure from the scene. They need your support for the greater benefit of the free world and the values we share.

Sincerely yours,



Farhad Sepahbody

Former Ambassador of Iran  
to Morocco

Enclosures :

Letter to President Carter  
and answer received.

Clinton Avenue,  
Salt Point, N.Y. 12578





DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

September 25, 1979

Ambassador Farhad Sepahbody  
Clinton Avenue  
Salt Point, New York 12578

Dear Ambassador Sepahbody:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of August 26, regarding the situation in Iran. Although I would disagree with your characterization of a number of past and present conditions in Iran, I appreciate your taking the time to express your views to us.

I do think it is unfair to suggest that this Administration has been less forthright in its views on the current human rights situation in Iran than it was during the time of the Shah's Government. If anything, the reverse is true.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Henry Precht".

Henry Precht  
Director  
Office of Iranian Affairs

August 26, 1979.

*Dear Mr. President:*

Since I left my office as Ambassador of Iran to Morocco last April and came to reside in the USA, I strictly reserved my criticisms on the behaviour of the new Islamic Republic of Iran, out of diplomatic ethics and with the hope that sooner or later all factions in my beloved country would reunite in the common goal of peace, freedom and prosperity so much needed for the continued existence and further prosperity of our land.

However, in view of recent events, I am as well as all Iranian patriots, increasingly concerned about the direction taken by a totally tyrannical regime and the helplessness of Mr. Mehdi Bazargan's team of ministers, which can hardly be described as a government and is not even capable of making a token attempt at condemning the rule of terror, fratricide, suppression of all elementary human rights and freedom which has become the daily lot of Iranians.

What's even more distressing and is now a matter of common knowledge amongst all Iranians is that an actual minister of the new regime who has very close ties and links in your country, has personally attended the secret mock-trials of many of those executed for "corruption on earth" or "waging war against God and his emissaries on earth". Amongst those butchered were my cousin Amir Abbas Hoveyda ex Prime Minister and Abbas Ali Khalatbary the Foreign Minister, both generous men of high moral integrity and true patriots.

In the few months that have elapsed since the departure of the Shah, thousands of innocents victims have died and hundred of officials of the previous regime have mowed down in the dead of night without even a semblance of a trial; the Khomeini militiamen, responsible for the continued bloodbath in Iran are institutionalizing lawlessness and assassination throughout the land.

In Iran, the effect of the so-called Islamic resurgence have already been devastating. Our once prosperous country is on the verge of total socio-economic collapse. A once thriving educated student population and youth is being forced into the insanity of a movement stemming directly from the nightmare of the dark ages, transforming people into bestial mob much like the crazed followers of Reverend Jim Jones.

Before our country plunges completely into the abyss of sheer insanity, I beseech you, Mr. President, to once again voice the principles of human rights which you were so eager to expound when the previous regime was in power. Let not the trumpets of dark ages sound over our land. Do not encourage the massacre of our minorities who have previously lived in peace and prosperity in a unified land.

We Iranians, have been distressed to learn that your government which shunned the sale of arms to the Shah, proposes now to sell billions of

dollars worth of lethal armaments and even oil to a regime whose goal as it has clearly <sup>been</sup> shown is ~~the~~ total suppression and who is engaged in fratricidal onslaught against its own people, including minorities and the proud kurdish brothers who previously lived in peace and prosperity.

Needless to say, Mr. resident, many thousand of iranians have fled their tortured land, students, technocrats, businessmen, skilled technicians, middle-class people and intellectuals, all patriots are praying, that one day, in the not too distant future they will be able to return to their homeland and contribute to the growth of their country without fear of retribution, torture and death.

To the obscurity now casting its gloom over Iran, we firmly believe there is a middle - of - the way alternative based upon Iran's large middle class, the suppressed leftists, its disgruntled army and most certainly the less obscurantist parts of our moslem clergy. Iran is a country of many thousand years of history, a civilized country which will find a civilized solution in the very near future to the present darkness.

In the name of God Almighty let us disperse the clouds of darkness over our land.

Farhad Sepahbod

The Honorable Jimmy Carter  
President of the United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington D.C.

*Dg*

ID # 060393

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# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 82102113

Name of Correspondent: Joseph F. Adams

MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Requests the US Government make urgent representations to the Iranian authorities to cease at once the systematic campaign of persecution of the members of Iran's Baha'i Community.

### ROUTE TO:

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March 24, 1982

Dear Mr. Ada:

Thank you for your letter of February 8 expressing concern over the persecution of the Baha'is in Iran.

I can assure you that the U.S. Government is very much aware of the situation. The U.S. has publicly condemned the Khomeini regime's persecution of Iranian Baha'is, and in the Department of State's annual human rights report to the Congress, has charged the Iranian regime with flagrantly violating human rights and international standards of decency.

Given the absence of diplomatic relations and the Khomeini regime's rabid hostility towards the U.S., there are severe limitations on the effectiveness of the support we can provide the Baha'is in Iran. While the U.S. can do little directly to ease the situation for those in Iran, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, in cooperation with the State Department, has been liberal in granting political asylum to Iranian Baha'is in this country.

In addition, the U.S. has been active in international fora on this issue, and together with other countries, has succeeded in focusing world attention on the plight of Iranian Baha'is when the pattern of persecution emerged. The U.S., in September 1980, supported a resolution issued by the United Nations Human Rights Commission (UNHRC) Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities. The resolution expressed profound concern for the safety of Baha'is in Iran, and called on Iran to protect the Baha'i community. The same Subcommittee in September 1981 condemned the "systematic persecution of the Baha'is in Iran" and concluded that Iran's treatment of Baha'is "is motivated by religious intolerance and a desire to eliminate the Baha'is' faith from the land of its birth." More recently, in December 1981, the State Department issued a strong statement denouncing the arrest and execution of Baha'i leaders in Iran.

The U.S. intends to continue its efforts on behalf of the Baha'i community in Iran and will support renewed action by the UNHRC this year.

Sincerely,

Rick J. Neal  
Executive Assistant

The Honorable Joseph F. Ada  
Lt. Governor of Guam  
Agana, Guam 96910

*cc: R. Neal*



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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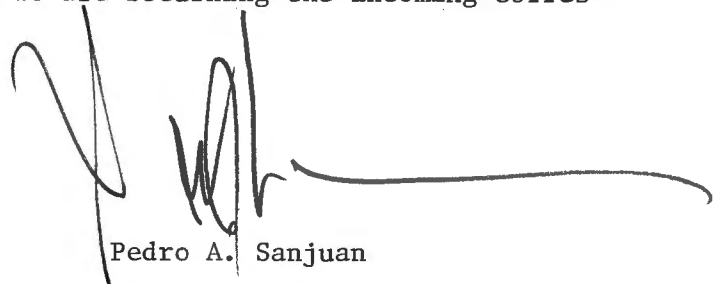
## Memorandum

To: Sally Kelley, Director of Agency Liaison  
Presidential Correspondence, The White House

From: Assistant Secretary, Territorial and International Affairs

Subject: Letter from Lieutenant Governor of Guam (#060393)

We are pleased to provide you with a draft response to the Lieutenant Governor of Guam, Joseph F. Ada, concerning the persecution of the Baha'is of Iran. As requested, we are returning the incoming correspondence and worksheet.



Pedro A. Sanjuan

Attachments

D R A F T

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Lt. Governor of Guam  
Agana, Guam 96910

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

FEBRUARY 19, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
ATTN: PEDRO SANJUAN

ACTION REQUESTED:

DRAFT REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEMBER

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 060393

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 8, 1982

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE JOSEPH F. ADA  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF GUAM  
AGANA GU 96910

SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE U. S. GOVERNMENT MAKE URGENT  
REPRESENTATIONS TO THE IRANIAN AUTHORITIES  
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PERSECUTION OF THE MEMBERS OF IRAN'S BAHAI  
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PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
AGANA, GUAM 96910  
U.S.A.

JOSEPH F. ADA  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

FEB 08 1982

*Guam*  
Honorable Ronald Reagan  
The President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I write to you about a matter of such importance that it necessitates the attention of your office.

The continued persecution of religious minorities in Iran, particularly the large Baha'i community, constitutes a gross violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms entitled to them. On behalf of the Baha'i community of Guam, myself and indeed, all believers in the principals of human rights, I respectfully request that the United States Government make urgent representations to the Iranian authorities to cease at once the systematic campaign of persecution of the members of Iran's Baha'i community.

Recalling your firm commitment to the international protection of human rights, I am certain that you will agree that the Baha'i's of Iran must be allowed to practice their religion freely, as well as enjoy all civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights now denied them.

I further suggest, Mr. President, that a means be made available for Iranian Baha'i's wishing to immigrate to the United States and other countries to escape further persecution.

The Baha'i's of Guam look to you, Mr. President, and hope that you will open the channels which will make this possible.

In view of recent reports of the escalation of summary arrests and executions of Baha'i's, your prompt and favorable consideration of this important matter will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

*Joseph F. Ada*  
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MI Mail Report

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Subject: on behalf of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the Northern Mariana Islands, expresses concern for the safety of their fellow Baha'is in Iran.

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March 24, 1982

06/660

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Sincerely,

Rick J. Neal  
Executive Assistant

The Honorable Paul M. Calvo  
Governor of Guam  
Agana, Guam 96910

R. J. Neal

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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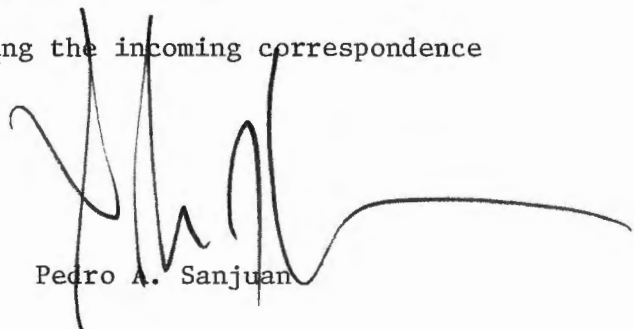
Memorandum

To: Sally Kelley, Director of Agency Liaison  
 Presidential Correspondence, The White House

From: Assistant Secretary, Territorial and International Affairs

Subject: Letter from Governor of Guam on persecution of the Baha'is  
 in Iran

We are pleased to provide you with a draft response to the Governor of Guam, Paul M. Calvo, regarding the persecution of the Baha'is of Iran. As requested, we are returning the incoming correspondence and your worksheet.



Pedro A. Sanjuan

Attachments

D R A F T

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Agana, Guam 96910

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Sincerely,

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

FEBRUARY 26, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
ATTN: PEDRO SAN JUAN

ACTION REQUESTED:

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 061660

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1982

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE PAUL M. CALVO  
GOVERNOR OF GUAM  
AGANA GU 96910

SUBJECT: ON BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE BAHAI'S OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA  
ISLANDS, EXPRESSES CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY  
OF THEIR FELLOW BAHAI'S IN IRAN

OFF. OF THE SECRETARY  
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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 62, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE



PAUL M. CALVO  
GOVERNOR

*Jim Me...*

# Territory of Guam

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AGANA, GUAM 96910  
U.S.A.

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FEB 12 1982

The Honorable Ronald Reagan  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

061660

Dear Mr. President:

The National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the Northern Mariana Islands has informed me of their concern for the safety of their fellow Baha'is in Iran. The unjust treatment and merciless executions which have been occurring in that country for the past several years have intensified into what is now an apparent systematic plan to eliminate the Baha'i faith in Iran. The confiscation and destruction of Baha'i holy places, the arrest and execution of prominent Baha'is, and the intimidation of the rank and file believers to force them to renounce their faith are actions that we in the Pacific Basin find appalling.

Guam and all citizens of the Northern Marianas are united in our belief that such wanton disregard for human life and religious freedom cannot, and must not, be allowed to continue. On behalf of the citizens of Guam and the Northern Marianas, I am appealing to you to make urgent representations to the Iranian authorities to put an end to these illegal and unacceptable persecutions.

Mr. President, your courageous and consistent cry for human rights throughout the world has been laudable. We of the Pacific Basin hope your admirable philosophy will be translated into practical action on behalf of the nearly one-million Baha'is of Iran.

Sincerely,

PAUL M. CALVO

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# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Name of Correspondent: Thomas M. Foglietta

MI Mail Report      User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Urges your immediate personal attention to the case of Terry Graham, an American journalist who has been reported to be held captive in Iran.

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### ACTION

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- F - Furnish Fact Sheet to be used as Enclosure
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- R - Direct Reply w/Copy
- S - For Signature
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Comments: NSC ID 8201818

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S/S # 8207368

Date April 13, 1982

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

FOR: Mr. William P. Clark  
National Security Council  
The White House

REFERENCE:

TO: President Reagan FROM: Con. Thomas M. Foglietta  
DATE: 2/23/82 SUBJECT: Arrest of Arnold  
Combrinck-Graham, III

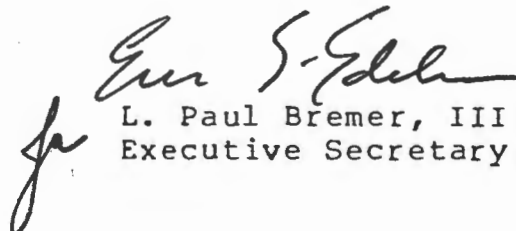
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TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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.
- Other.

REMARKS:

  
L. Paul Bremer, III  
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

APRIL 12 1982

Dear Mr. Foglietta:

Your letter of February 23, to the President regarding the reported detention of Mr. Arnold Combrinck-Graham, III, in Tehran, Iran, has been referred to the Department for further response.

Unfortunately, I am unable to provide you with any additional information regarding Mr. Graham's detention other than that contained in my letter of March 9, a copy of which is enclosed for your reference. Although the American Interest's Section at the Swiss Embassy at Tehran has received unofficial reports of Mr. Graham's detention, they have, as yet, been unable to confirm this information through the appropriate authorities in Tehran.

Please let me reiterate our concern for Mr. Graham's welfare and that of the other Americans imprisoned in Tehran and assure you we will continue to monitor the situation through the Swiss Protecting Power. As I previously indicated, should the Swiss gain access to Mr. Graham and obtain a Privacy Act release from him, we will immediately notify both your office and Ms. Chapin and provide you with all available information regarding his case.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore  
Assistant Secretary for  
Congressional Relations

Enclosure:

As stated.

The Honorable  
Thomas M. Foglietta,  
House of Representatives.

REFERRAL

DATE: 18 MAR 82

MEMORANDUM FOR: STATE SECRETARIAT

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: PRES

SOURCE: FOGLIETTA, THOMAS M

DATE: 23 FEB 82

KEYWORDS: IRAN

HUMAN RIGHTS

GRAHAM, TERRY

CO

SUBJ: REQUEST PRES ATTENTION TO JOURNALIST REPORTED BEING CAPTIVE IN IRAN

REQUIRED ACTION: DIRECT REPLY FURNISH INFO COPY

DUE DATE: 25 MAR 82

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*Arnold J. West*  
FOR MICHAEL O WHEELER

STAFF SECRETARY

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March 15, 1982

Dear Tom:

The President has asked me to acknowledge and thank you for your February 23 letter urging his immediate, personal attention to the attention of Terry Graham, a journalist who has been reported as being held captive in Iran.

Please know that your concerns in this matter have been communicated to the appropriate White House officials for prompt and thorough consideration. We appreciate your contacting us on behalf of Mr. Graham and his family, and you should be hearing further as additional information becomes available.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein  
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Thomas M. Foglietta  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

cc: w/copy of inc, NSC Secretariat - for DIRECT response  
(with copy to Ken Duberstein)

cc: Dick Dearman - FYI

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Dear Mr. Foglietta:

March 9, 1982

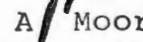
Thank you for your letter of February 23, on behalf of Ms. Virginia Chapin, regarding the reported detention of her son, Arnold Combrinck-Graham, III, in Tehran, Iran.

The Swiss Protecting Power in Tehran has informed us that it has received unofficial reports of Mr. Graham's detention. The exact reason and charges are, as yet, unclear, and the Swiss have, unfortunately, been unable to obtain confirmation of them from the Iranian authorities. In view of this, and since we do not have a Privacy Act authorization from Mr. Graham, I regret that I cannot be more responsive to your inquiry at this time. As you know, the Department's Citizens Emergency Center has been in contact with Ms. Chapin regarding this matter and will continue to keep her apprised of any future developments.

Please let me assure you the welfare of all Americans detained in Iran is of prime concern to the Department. We will continue to monitor Mr. Graham's situation through the Swiss Protecting Power in Tehran. Should they gain access and obtain a Privacy Act release from Mr. Graham, we will advise both your office and Ms. Chapin accordingly.

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Assistant Secretary for  
Congressional Relations

The Honorable  
Thomas M. Foglietta,  
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**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

DATE: 2/24/82 24 6:53 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: Letter from Congressman Thomas Foglietta re Terry Graham

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Remarks:

For appropriate action.

Richard G. Darman  
 Assistant to the President  
 and  
 Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
 (x-2702)

National Security Council  
The White House

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Remarks:

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THOMAS M. FOGLIETTA  
1ST DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

February 23, 1982

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

Dear Mr. President:

Recently, I was contacted by Ms. Virginia Chapin, who has a problem that I believe needs and merits your immediate personal attention.

Ms. Chapin's son, who travels under the name of Terry Graham, has been living in Iran for approximately ten years as a journalist. His passport identification bears his given name which is Arnold Cumbrinck Graham III.

Recent newspaper reports have indicated that Mr. Graham is being held in prison by the Iranian government. He was, according to some reports, arrested on December 8th, 1981, for carrying anti-government material.

The Overseas Citizens Emergency Office of the Bureau of Consular Affairs has been most courteous, both to my office and to Ms. Chapin. That office has not, however, been able to provide any confirmation as to the veracity of these reports.

If Terry Graham is indeed being held captive, then his mother, Ms. Chapin, would like to communicate with him. At a minimum, we would like to confirm whether or not Mr. Graham is, in fact, being held at all.

I ask that you intercede in this matter through our friends the Swiss, through the United Nations, or any other proper diplomatic channels to bring the strongest possible pressure to bear on the Iranian government in this matter.

Ms. Chapin and the American people deserve to know whether Terry Graham, who in this country would be protected by the First Amendment, is being held captive in Tehran.

I anxiously await your reply.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Foglietta".

Thomas M. Foglietta  
Member of Congress

cc: General Alexander Haig, Secretary of State  
Ms. Jeanne Kirkpatrick, Ambassador to the United Nations

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