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September 14, 1983

Dear Mayor Sharpe:

It was thoughtful of you to write. I am as appalled as you are at the shameful and brutal persecution of the members of Baha'i by the Iranian authorities.

Our influence with the regime and its current leadership is just about non-existent. They describe the United States as the "Great Satan." But we shall do what we can to continue to focus world opinion on the outrages which are being perpetrated on Iranian citizens whose only offense is their loyalty to their religious beliefs.

Sincerely,

**RONALD REAGAN**

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The Honorable Thomas E. Sharpe  
Mayor of Mount Vernon  
Mount Vernon, New York

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CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

THOMAS E. SHARPE  
MAYOR

August 25, 1983

The President  
The White House  
Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

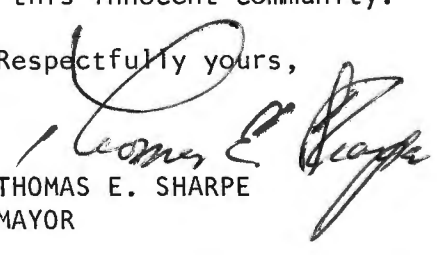
Dear Mr. President:

I wish to commend you for your statement of May 22, 1983, in which you called world attention to the plight of the members of the Baha'i Faith in the Islamic Republic of Iran and requested that government not to carry out the death sentence it had passed on twenty-two of the members of this religious community.

Although, on June 16th and 18th, sixteen Baha'is, among them ten women, were hanged in the City of Shiraz and Baha'is are still being arrested and imprisoned throughout the country, your statement insured that these senseless killings and relentless persecution will not go unnoticed.

I ask you, Sir, to use the services of your good office to continue to focus world attention on the plight of this innocent community.

Respectfully yours,

  
THOMAS E. SHARPE  
MAYOR

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**WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

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**8326305**

Name of Correspondent: Mr. Eli Warach

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

Subject: Outraged by atrocities of the Khomeini Government

**ROUTE TO:**

**ACTION**

**DISPOSITION**

Office/Agency (Staff Name)	Action Code	Tracking Date YY/MM/DD	Type of Response	Code	Completion Date YY/MM/DD
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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*1/1/83*

S/S 8326305

Date September 14, 1983

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

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Mr. Eli Warach

Date: July 29, 1983 Subject: Baha'is & Khomeini

Atrocities

WH Referral Dated: August 30, 1983 NSC ID# 165553  
(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:

*Margaret Hill*  
Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

September 1, 1983

Mr. Eli Warach, Chairman  
Mr. Ellie Weisbein, Director  
Jewish Community Relations Committee  
111 Kinderkamack Road  
River Edge, N.J. 07661

Dear Messrs Warach and Weisbein:

Your letter of July 29, 1983 to President Reagan regarding Iran's persecution of Baha'is has been referred to the Department of State for reply.

Please be assured that both President Reagan and the Department of State share your concerns about the plight of the Baha'is in Iran. President Reagan issued a statement on May 23, 1983 calling on other world leaders to join him in condemning this persecution. The Department of State has worked closely with the Baha'i community in the United States since the beginning of the Iranian revolution to seek means of alleviating the problems suffered by their co-religionists in Iran. This task is made difficult by the lack of diplomatic relations between the U.S. and Iran.

The Baha'i believe that world publicity plays a role in Iran and that continued public attention causes the Iranian regime to move more slowly against the Baha'i than might otherwise be the case. Steps taken by the U.S. Government to call international attention to this matter include the following:

-- September, 1980. The U.S. supported a resolution passed by the U.N. Human Rights Commission (UNHRC) Sub-commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, which expressed profound concern for the safety of the Baha'is in Iran and requested the U.N. Secretary



General to transmit that concern to the Iranian authorities and invite the Iranians to grant full protection of fundamental rights and freedoms to the Baha'i community and to protect the life and liberty of the members of the Baha'i community.

-- September, 1981. The U.S. supported a resolution passed by the same UNHRC Sub-commission, which noted the "systematic persecution of the Baha'is in Iran" including torture, disappearances, murder, kidnappings and other abuses, stated that the Sub-commission was convinced such treatment "is motivated by religious intolerance and a desire to eliminate the Baha'is' faith from the land of its birth", expressed "profound concern for the perilous situation facing this religious community", urged the U.N. Secretary General to continue to make representations to the Iranian authorities, and requested that he prepare material for consideration by the session of the UNHRC which would begin in February, 1982.

-- October, 1981. U.S. Alternate Delegate to the UNGA, Richard Schifter, made a speech to the Third Committee in which he called attention to the plight of the Baha'is in Iran and to the "systematic effort to eradicate their faith", giving details of the persecution.

-- December, 1981. A Department of State press statement denounced the arrest and execution of members of the Baha'i National Spiritual Assembly and called attention to the pattern of suppression into which these "despicable acts" fit.

-- March, 1982. The U.S. supported a resolution passed by the full UNHRC, which referred to the October, 1981 Sub-commission resolution and the Secretary General's report; expressed its deep concern at the continuing reports about grave violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Iran; urged the Iranian government to respect the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; requested the Secretary General to establish direct contacts with the Iranian authorities, to continue his efforts to insure that the Baha'is are guaranteed full enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms, and to submit a report on the human rights situation in Iran to the next session of the UNHRC; and kept the situation in Iran on the UNHRC's agenda for the 1983 session.

-- March, 1983. The U.S. supported a similar resolution, passed on March 8 by the full UNHRC, expressing the violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Iran; urging the Iranian government to respect the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; requesting the U.N. Secretary General "to continue efforts to establish direct contacts with the government of Iran on the grave human rights situation prevailing in that country, including the deteriorating situation of the Baha'is and taking into account the findings of the special rapporteur on the questions relating to summary or arbitrary executions"; requesting the Secretary General to submit "a comprehensive report including conclusions and recommendations" to the UNHRC; requesting the cooperation of the Iranian government with the Secretary General; and placing the human rights situation in Iran on the agenda of the UNHRC's 1984 session. The U.S. representative, in supporting this resolution, expressed our dismay over the condemnation to death of 22 Baha'is in Shiraz.

-- March, 1983. Assistant Secretary for Human Rights, Elliott Abrams in remarks to the House Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Organizations expressed the Department's dismay and alarm over reports of the death sentences of 22 Baha'is handed down by a Shiraz court.

-- The VOA has on a number of occasions included mention of persecution of the Baha'is in its Persian language broadcasts.

In addition to the above, there have been other actions taken by other countries to protest Iran's treatment of its Baha's such as the joint demarche made in Tehran by the EC-10. in March of 1983.

I hope you find the above information useful.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ralph E. Lindstrom". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Ralph E. Lindstrom  
Director  
Office of Iranian Affairs

8326305

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

REFERRAL

AUGUST 30, 1983

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:  
ORIGINATOR

REMARKS: PLEASE PREPARE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AND SEND COPY TO  
MICHAEL GALE

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 165553  
MEDIA: LETTER, DATED JULY 29, 1983  
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN  
FROM: MR. ELI WARACH  
CHAIRMAN  
JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS  
COMMITTEE  
111 KINDERKAMACK ROAD  
RIVER EDGE NJ 07661

SUBJECT: OUTRAGED BY ATROCITIES OF THE KHOMEINI  
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

*Received in S/S-I  
8/30 at 10:11am (S)*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 24, 1983

Dear Mr. Warach:

Thank you for your letter of July 29 to President Reagan concerning the atrocities of the Khomeini government.

I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your correspondence to the appropriate State Department official.

Again, thank you for sharing your views with the President.

Sincerely,



Michael R. Gale  
Associate Director  
Office of Public Liaison

Mr. Eli Warach, Chairman  
Jewish Community Relations Committee  
111 Kinderkamack Road  
River Edge, New Jersey 07661

**Jewish Community Relations Committee**

111 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, New Jersey 07661

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July 29, 1983

**8326305**

Julius Eisen  
President

Dr. James Young  
Executive Vice President

Eli Warach  
Chairman

Ellie Weissbein  
Director

President Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C. 20515

165553

Dear President Reagan:

The latest outrage perpetrated by the Khomeini government in Iran is the execution by hanging of ten women, followers of the Baha'i faith. Since Khomeini's Islamic revolution in 1979, the government has persecuted the 300,000 members of this minority sect in Iran. Over 100 Baha'i leaders have been murdered and others have been driven from their homes. Property and businesses belonging to the Baha'i have been confiscated. Individuals have been dismissed from their jobs. Baha'i schools have been closed and temples have been desecrated.

The Baha'is are a peaceful sect who preach the unity of the human race. They separated from Islam in the 19th century and are now treated as heretics whose existence is intolerable to the Moslem militants who control Iran.

"It is the beginning of the Second Holocaust," said Baha'i exile Artin Mahmondi, whose mother and cousin were executed in December 1981. The Baha'i are denied the right to emigrate. They cannot obtain identification cards necessary to purchase food and fuel. They are trapped in Iran, the victims of the Moslem reign of terror. Last year Amnesty International attested to their plight stating that "There is a deliberate government policy of religious persecution." The UN Human Rights Commission adopted a resolution deploring the oppression of Baha'is in Iran.

As Jews we understand too well the horrors of religious persecution and genocide. We cannot be satisfied with well-meaning statements of concern from international bodies. We urge that our government and other Western governments use all possible means and sanctions to stop the Khomeini regime from persecuting and murdering the Baha'is in Iran.

Sincerely,

*Eli Warach*

Eli Warach, Chairman

*Ellie Weissbein*

Ellie Weissbein, Director



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### WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 83,09,28

Name of Correspondent: H. Lee Schatz

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

Subject: Concerning personal property losses due to the seizure of the Embassy in ~~Tehran~~ Tehran.

#### ROUTE TO:

#### ACTION

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S/S# 8330684

Date 10/6/83

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

W. H. G. I.  
SITUATION ROOM

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

**REFERENCE:**

**TO:** The President **FROM:** H. Lee Schatz

**DATE:** 9/13/83 **SUBJECT:** Personal Property lost due  
seizure of Embassy in Tehran

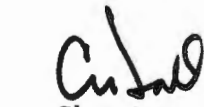
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THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY  
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**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:**

  
for Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

December 2, 1983

Mr. H. Lee Schatz  
403 Schuyler Road  
Silver Spring, Maryland

Dear Mr. Schatz:

Your letter of September 13, addressed to the President was referred to the Department of State.

In 1982 the Administration submitted draft legislation to implement in major portion the recommendations of the President's Commission on Hostage Compensation. That proposal was not acted upon in the last Congress. It was resubmitted this year, and it has now been introduced in both the Senate and House (the House bill number is H.R. 3448). However, the Commission's recommendation to increase the ceiling on employee claims for loss of personal property was not accepted by the Administration for fiscal reasons and is not contained in the proposed legislation. The Congress, of course, may be of a different mind on this point, and, if you wish, you may want to contact the House Foreign Affairs and Senate Foreign Relations Committees.

We have verified that your personal property from your apartment in Iran has been placed in custody of the Swiss Embassy, but, of course, the United States through its protecting power, Switzerland, has not been permitted to repatriate that property.

Sincerely,

*K. E. Malmborg*  
K. E. Malmborg

8330684

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

REFERRAL

OCTOBER 6, 1983

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 174718

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 1983

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. H. LEE SCHATZ  
403 SCHUYLER ROAD  
SILVER SPRING MD 20910

SUBJECT: CONCERNING PERSONAL PROPERTY LOSSES DUE TO  
THE SEIZURE OF THE EMBASSY IN TEHRAN

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SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

*Received in 5/5-I  
10/6 at 11:35 AM (CSD)*

September 13, 1983

174718

Dear Mr. President:

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S. Kelley

On September 21, 1983, two years will have passed since one of your earliest Commissions released its recommendations. The President's Commission on Hostage Compensation reached unanimous agreement on eight recommendations aimed at remedying problems faced by United States Government employees as a result of the seizure of the Embassy in Tehran in 1979. To the best of my knowledge, none of these recommendations have been acted upon. The result is that I and others like myself have personal property losses to remind us of our service in Iran.

I, and others like me, served in Iran at the request of the United States Government and payed a price. The price differed for each individual, but the Commission did a good job in recognizing this variability and made recommendations to cover most individual situations.

The Commission's findings, however, seem to have fallen on deaf ears. I haven't even been able to get answers to questions regarding your Administration's efforts to implement the recommendations. I find that very disquieting.

I was taught that individuals can make a difference and have always approached my Government service with that in mind. As an individual, however, I have met resistance, or been ignored, when it came time for my employer, the United States Government, to face responsibilities for its actions in Iran.

My major loss in Iran involved personal property. My loss was not the result of actions by revolutionaries, but resulted from the United States Government stopping payments on their rental agreement for the apartment I was assigned. My landlord contacted the Department of State more than one year after the takeover of the Embassy and indicated that my personal belongings were still in his possession and unharmed. I was never told of the response he received in requesting the back rent under the rental agreement. I assume that he was forced to take possession of my property to cover payments due from the United States Government.

I later received a call from the Department of State indicating that the Swiss Embassy in Tehran had acquired some of my belongings and wished instructions and funds for forwarding them to the United States. I have heard nothing further on the matter to indicate that the Government took any action to recover my belongings.

To add insult to injury, the United States Department of Agriculture, used methods to value my claim which were different than the methods used to establish values for State Department claims. The result is that I have uncompensated losses of nearly \$9,000 as a result of serving in Iran. (That may not seem to be a great amount of money to the Government, but it is a large sum of money to me.) The Presidential Commission addressed this and other issues. Their recommendations, however, have not been acted upon.

I ask that a full accounting of actions to implement the Commission's recommendations be provided to me. I also request that the Department of State be directed to provide me with an accounting of my belongings with the Swiss Embassy in Tehran.

I am well aware that this letter will be handled by staff officers. I hope that it at least receives attention rather than being ignored like my previous information and status requests to other Government representatives involved in the Iran incident.

Sincerely,



H. Lee Schatz  
403 Schuyler Road  
Silver Spring, Md. 20910

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 REAR ADMIRAL F. C. COLLINS JR.  
 TITLE:

ORGANIZATION:

STREET: 2590 NICKY LANE

CITY: ALEXANDRIA STATE: VA ZIP: 22311

COUNTRY:

SUBJECT: OFFERS SERVICES AS A SOURCE OF FIRST HAND  
KNOWLEDGE ON THE SUBJECT OF IRAN

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STAFF NAME: PRESIDENT REAGAN  
COMMENTS:

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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INTERNATIONAL  
SECURITY AFFAIRS

FILE 1983

F.C. Collins, Jr.  
RADM, U.S. Navy (Ret.)  
2590 Nicky Lane  
Alexandria, Virginia 22311

Dear ~~Admiral~~ <sup>Frank</sup> Collins:

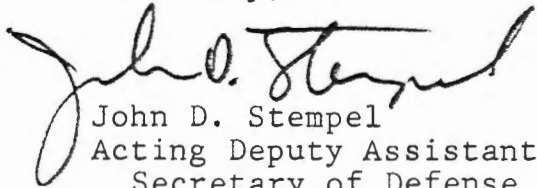
Thank you for your letter of October 30, 1983 to President Reagan concerning Iran. Your offer of assistance in this complex area of US foreign policy is appreciated greatly. Your long, successful military career and your first hand experience in Iran are recognized as valuable assets.

As you are aware, we have no diplomatic relations with Iran and the current Iranian government is unwilling to improve relations with the US. While we are open to changes in this situation, Iranian links to terrorist activities in Lebanon and elsewhere virtually have eliminated the possibility of improved relations with the US in the near future.

We remain committed to a policy of neutrality in the war between Iran and Iraq but, are not indifferent to the outcome of this conflict. We have friends and interests which are endangered by the continuation of hostilities. We continue to support constructive efforts to bring about an end to the fighting and withdrawal of forces behind international borders under conditions that will preserve the sovereignty and territorial integrity of both Iran and Iraq.

Nevertheless, we cannot accept your offer of assistance at this time. If the situation arises where your services could be helpful we certainly will contact you. We appreciate your support of our efforts and again, thank you for your offer.

Sincerely,

  
John D. Stempel  
Acting Deputy Assistant  
Secretary of Defense  
Near Eastern and South  
Asian Affairs



#177923

30 October 1983

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Mr Ronald Reagan  
President  
United States of America  
White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave  
Washington, DC

Sincerest regards,

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President  
United States of America  
White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave  
Washington, DC

Sincerest regards,  
*F.C. Collins, Jr.*  
F.C. Collins, Jr.  
RADM, U.S. Navy (Ret)

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# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

O - OUTGOING

H - INTERNAL

I - INCOMING

Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD)

rec'd  
10/8/83

Name of Correspondent: Ladan Baroumand

MI Mail Report

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

Subject: The Youth & Student Organiz. of National Movement of the Iranian Resistance forwarded a copy of its report "Iran, In Defense of Human Rights." us first nation to stand up for respect of human rights - wants us to hear their voice.

ROUTE TO:

ACTION

DISPOSITION

Office/Agency	(Staff Name)	Action Code	Tracking Date YY/MM/DD	Type of Response	Code	Completion Date YY/MM/DD
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State	<u>Exec. Secretariat</u>	R	<u>83/10/21</u>	<u>NAN</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>83/10/27</u>
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## PRESIDENTIAL REPLY

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

83 OCT 27 10:53

S/S 8332202

Date October 27, 1983

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

Reference:

To: James Baker From: National Movement of Iranian Resistance

Date: October 5, 1983 Subject: The organization forwarded copy of its book and wants comments on it.

WH Referral Dated: October 21, 1983 NSC ID# 180066  
(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.

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XX We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Other.

Remarks:

The report, Iran, In Defense of Human Rights, was sent to a large number of officials. We do not believe individual replies are necessary.

*Walter S. Flamm*  
for Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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

REFERRAL

OCTOBER 21, 1983

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
ATTN: EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

ACTION REQUESTED:  
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 180066

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 5, 1983

TO: JAMES BAKER

FROM: LADAN BAROUMAND  
THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT OF THE  
IRANIAN RESISTANCE

PARIS

SUBJECT: THE YOUTH AND STUDENT ORGANIZATION OF  
NATIONAL MOVEMENT OF THE IRANIAN RESISTANCE  
FORWARDED A COPY OF IT'S REPORT "IRAN, IN  
DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS" - U.S. FIRST NATION  
TO STAND UP FOR RESPECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS -  
WANTS US TO HEAR THEIR VOICE

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
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PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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The National Movement of the Iranian Resistance

B. P 1006 .16 M. SHARIFI R 75761 PARIS CEDEX 16

MR. JAMES A. BAKER III  
CHIEF OF STAFF

180066

THE WHITE HOUSE  
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW,  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20500  
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

The Youth and Student Organization of the National Movement of the Iranian Resistance (NAMIR) has the honour to enclose a copy of its report entitled -"Iran, In Defense of human Rights!"

We are furthermore encouraged to send you this report precisely when the Western Alliance is more than ever concerned with Human Rights throughout the world. This policy is occurring at a time in the history of international relations when both the long negligence of Human Rights and the support of dictatorship by western democracies have resulted in an explosive situation worldwide. The various experiences of the third world countries since the second world war show that the integral respect of Human Rights is the only political modus vivendi which will lead to the stability of a nation as well as the attainment of world peace.

The United States of America had been the first nation in the international arena to stand up for the respect of Human Rights: the Atlantic Charter is the embodiment of this memorable initiative. At that time, the world paid a horrifying price to comprehend that the violations of Human Rights within any nation can not solely be considered an internal problem because sooner or later, it would extend beyond its national boundary. The Iranian case is not an exception to that rule. The American hostage affair bears witness for the world of the arbitrary and tyrannical nature of Khomeini's Islamic Republic. We would like to remind you that the Iranian nation has not been as fortunate as the American hostages as the long list of execution demonstrates. There is no justice, no law, no defense, no right of appeal and the rule of the arbitrary prevails.

The only message of the Islamic Republic is tragedy, instability, inhumanity and war. We believe that only a genuine democracy and the respect for Human Rights could make of Iran a country on which the world's democracies could count on for the accomplishment of a world order based on justice and liberty, and in the struggle against totalitarianism.

The struggle for the respect of Human Rights can only succeed with international solidarity. Through you, gentlemen, we would like the American nation to hear our voice: Human Rights is our faith, our law.

Yours Sincerely

*Ladan Baroumand*

The Youth and Student Organization of

NAMIR - PARIS

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 83/11/13

Name of Correspondent: Stephen L. Bires, Jr.

MI Mail Report

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

Subject: would like to meet with someone to discuss his views re: Iran, Russia, etc.

### ROUTE TO:

### ACTION

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<u>DOS Exec. Secretariat</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>83/12/05</u>		<u>A 83/12/08</u>
	Referral Note:	<u>On behalf of James A. Baker III</u>		
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 WHITE HOUSE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

s/s 83372432 P11: 39

Date December 12, 1983

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

WHITE HOUSE  
SITUATION ROOM

Reference:

To: James Baker From: Stephen L. Bires, Jr.  
Date: November 13, 1983 Subject: Request for Meeting to  
Discuss Views Regarding Iran, Russia  
WH Referral Dated: December 5, 1983 NSC ID# 189762  
(if any)

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

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cited below.  
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proposed travel.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other.

Remarks:

*for Charles Hill*  
Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

December 8, 1983

Mr. Stephen L. Bires, Jr.  
3618 Beauregard  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78415

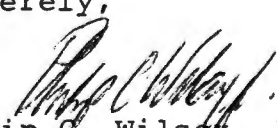
Dear Mr. Bires:

Mr. James Baker has asked that I reply to your letter of November 13, 1983 concerning a possible Iranian attempt to influence the 1983 Presidential elections. I want to thank you for the interest in foreign affairs that led you to write to Mr. Baker. With respect to your thoughtful comments on possible hostile Iranian actions, I can assure you that the United States is working energetically in several ways, with our allies and with friendly states in the Persian Gulf region to prevent the kind of Iranian activities you describe, which would be harmful to our interests.

Your resume indicates your interest in foreign affairs might include employment. Should you be interested in the Foreign Service, you may wish to write to the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service, Box 9317 Rosslyn Station, Arlington, Virginia 22209 to request information concerning the Foreign Service test which is given the first week in December of each year.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

  
Philip C. Wilcox, Jr.  
Director, Regional Affairs  
Bureau for Near Eastern  
and South Asian Affairs

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

REFERRAL

DECEMBER 5, 1983

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
ATTN: EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

ACTION REQUESTED:  
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

REMARKS: ON BEHALF OF JAMES A. BAKER, III

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 189762

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED NOVEMBER 13, 1983

TO: JAMES BAKER

FROM: MR. STEPHEN L. BIRES JR.  
3618 BEAUREGARD  
CORPUS CHRISTI TX 78415

SUBJECT: WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH SOMEONE TO DISCUSS  
HIS VIEWS REGARDING IRAN, RUSSIA, ETC.

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SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

*rec'd S/S-I  
2100 CHB 12/2/83*

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 11/11/83

RE: DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
ATTN: EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

ACTION REQUESTED:  
DIRECT REPLY TO NEW YORK COPY

REMARKS: ON SMALL N. JAMES, ELL

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT:

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

REMARKS: [Illegible]

SUBJECT ACTION IS CRIMINAL -- TO SECURE ACTION AND REPORT  
TAKEN WITHIN 90 DAYS OF REPORT, PLEASE ADVISE BUREAU  
ADDRESS: [Illegible]

ATTN: [Illegible]

PLEASE ADVISE  
DIRECTOR OF FBI  
PRESIDENTIAL SECURITY DIVISION

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Stephen L. Bires, Jr.  
3618 Beauregard  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78415

November 13, 1983

Mr. James Baker  
White House  
Washington, DC

Dear Sir:

I think that there is a dangerous possible situation which should be anticipated over the next few months, an attempt to change the outcome of the 1984 election.

It is in Iranian (and Russian) interests to see a strong Reagan Administration replaced with a weaker government. An overt Russian move would be self-defeating, but they could suggest the idea to the Iranians, and then give them political and political support.

The idea would be along these lines: An action in the Persian Gulf to close the oil flow would have a delayed but very serious economic effect on the US. The economic recovery would be aborted, and Mr. Reagan's position in November would be much more difficult.

The timing of this would require action soon, in order to allow the effects to work their way through the economy, and to allow the initial surge of popular support for the President to dissipate. Remembering that the Ayatollah's action against Mr. Carter began during this part of the political season (the November before the election), we know that he appreciates the use of timing to maximize his advantage.

The action itself would not have to be a closing of the Strait of Hormuz by Iranian forces. It might involve a direct attack or a more indirect terrorist attack against the oil terminals of the other Gulf countries, of which there are only a few. These should be anticipated particularly at this time. An Iranian-inspired coup attempt in Riyadh should probably not be ruled out, remembering the attack against the Grand Mosque in 1980.

I am very interested in all of this. I have traveled in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East (including Iran and Afghanistan). I know these areas directly. I know French, German and Spanish, and have several years experience in administrative law.

I would be happy to try to help you in this area. I would be willing to come to Washington, at my own expense, to talk with someone about this, if they think that this would be worthwhile.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

*Stephen L. Biss, Jr.*

Stephen L. Bires, Jr.  
3618 Beauregard  
Corpus Christi, TX 78415

(512)882-7491 - Office  
(512)851-2096 - Residence

**OBJECTIVE:**

Career in government area.

**PERSONAL:**

Age 34, in excellent health, married, no children.

**AVAILABILITY:**

After October 1, 1983. Willing to relocate.

**EDUCATION:**

Graduate:

1971-1972, 1973-1975: University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas. Interest and concentration in commercial area. Some courses were: Contracts, Business Associations, Federal Taxation, Mortgages, Commercial Paper, Secured Transactions, Securities Regulations, International Law, International Business and Latin American Law. Beginning and Intermediate Graduate Accounting.

Undergraduate:

1967-1970: Plan II Honors Program, University of Texas at Austin. Major in History. Particular interest in Modern History. Nine (9) hours of Economics.

High School:

1963-1967: Bishop Lynch High School, Dallas, Texas.

**EMPLOYMENT:**

1977-Present: Texas Employment Commission, Corpus Christi, Texas.

More than six (6) years experience in administrative law. Conduct hearings and write administrative decisions regarding individual claims and employer tax liability under State and Federal statutes, as well as administrative rulings. Current salary \$29,000 per year.

**OTHER INTERESTS:**

Good knowledge of French, German and Spanish. Have traveled in Europe, Middle East, Southeast Asia and Japan. Interested in business, politics and current history. Read American, French and German newsmagazines and newspapers.

**PROFESSIONAL:**

Attorney, member State Bar of Texas, licensed to practice in Texas.



THE WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

CD 071

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: JANUARY 23, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. HENRY J. KRUK

SUBJECT: REQUESTS THAT THE NEW IRANIAN STAMP, SHOWING  
A BINFOLDED AMERICAN & BURNING U. S. FLAG BE  
OUTLAWED AT THE PORT OF ENTRY INTO THE U. S.

ROUTE TO: OFFICE/AGENCY (STAFF NAME)	ACTION		DISPOSITION	
	ACT CODE	DATE YY/MM/DD	TYPE RESP	C COMPLETED D YY/MM/DD
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| *X-INTERIM REPLY         |                      |                      | * |
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REFER QUESTIONS AND ROUTING UPDATES TO CENTRAL REFERENCE  
(ROOM 75, OEOB) EXT. 2590  
KEEP THIS WORKSHEET ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL INCOMING  
LETTER AT ALL TIMES AND SEND COMPLETED RECORD TO RECORDS  
MANAGEMENT.

FEB 0 3 1984

**COPY**

Mr. Henry J. Kruk  
Past Commander  
Nathan Hale Post No. 1469  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of U.S.  
210 W. Pulaski Road  
Huntington Station, New York 11746-1523

Dear Mr. Kruk:

Your letter to President Reagan, concerning the Iranian postage stamp depicting the takeover of the American Embassy in Teheran, has been referred to the Postmaster General.

I am sure that you have already received my letter of January 25 responding to your original inquiry to Postmaster General Bolger. There is little that I can add to the information which I sent to you at that time. I would again like to thank you for taking the time to write and give us your views and those of your VFW Post.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Walter E. Duka

Walter E. Duka  
Assistant Postmaster General  
International Postal Affairs

IA1:PVandernoot:rs:6500

✓ bcc: Agency Liaison, Rm. 91, The White House

FEB 13 1964

**COPY**

Mr. Henry J. ...  
Postmaster  
Washington Station, New York 10001-1212  
110 W. ...  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of U.S.A.  
Washington Hall, Post No. 1100

Your letter to President ...  
has been referred to the ...  
concerning the ...

I am sure that you have ...  
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time to write and ...

**(Signed) Walter E. Duke**

Walter E. Duke  
Assistant Postmaster General  
International Society ...

TAI:Vanderhoop:rs:8830  
cc: Agency Liaison, Rm. 51, The White House

JAN 25 1984

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Mr. Henry J. Kruk  
Post Commander  
Bathan Hale Post No. 1469  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of U.S.  
210 W. Pulaski Road  
Huntington Station, N.Y. 11746-1523

Dear Mr. Kruk:

I am writing in response to your letter of January 16 to Postmaster General Bolger concerning the Iranian stamp depicting the takeover of the American Embassy in Teheran.

This stamp is of course repulsive to all Americans. I appreciate you taking the time to write and give your views and suggestions. I must tell you that Mr. Bolger's feelings, as those of all postal people were similar to the emotions that you and your colleagues felt. For your information I am enclosing a copy of the release which was issued during the press conference which Mr. Bolger held on this subject.

I would call your attention to the fact that recipients of mail bearing this stamp may refuse it, in which case it will be returned to Iran, at no cost to the addressee. In addition, you will see that the strongest possible protest has been issued to Iran and shared with every postal administration in the world and that these actions were taken in consultation with our State Department.

I am very grateful for your having taken the time and trouble to write and hope that you and the other concerned persons who wrote will continue to make your views known to public officials, since the exercise of this freedom is one of the hallmarks that distinguishes our great country.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Michael J. Regan

*for* Walter E. Duka  
Assistant Postmaster General  
International Postal Affairs

Enclosure

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

REFERRAL

JANUARY 31, 1984

TO: U.S. POSTAL SERVICE  
ATTN: POSTMASTER GENERAL

ACTION REQUESTED:  
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 195090  
MEDIA: LETTER  
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN  
FROM: MR. HENRY J. KRUK  
PAST COMMANDER  
NATHAN HALE POST NO. 1469  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF U. S.  
210 WEST PULASKI ROAD  
HUNTINGTON STATION NY 11746



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SUBJECT: REQUESTS THAT THE NEW IRANIAN STAMP, SHOWING  
A BINDFOLDED AMERICAN & BURNING U. S. FLAG BE  
OUTLAWED AT THE PORT OF ENTRY INTO THE U. S.

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
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## Veterans of Foreign Wars of U.S.

*Largest Veterans' Organization on Long Island*



210 W. PULASKI ROAD

HUNTINGTON STATION, N. Y. 11746

Honorable Ronald Reagan  
President of the United States  
Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington D.C. 20500

Mr. President:

We the members of Post #1469, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at our last meeting held on January 3, 1984 unanimously voted to have the stamps from Iran showing a Blind folded American, a burning United States Flag and along the side of the stamp the wording "The take over of the U.S. Spy Den," be outlawed at the Port of Entry into this country and not be allowed to enter the mail stream of our Postal Service.

These stamps violate the conditions of the Universal Postal Union under which a Postal Stamp should be issued.

We, as Veterans respect everything about our Flag and our great Nation and feel this stamp abuses all that the American people stand for. This stamp is a flagrant abuse of all criteria of a subject for a postage stamp. Enclosed is a photo copy of this Iranian issue. We hope that you, Mr. President as our Chief Executive will see our point of view and exercise your privilege as the President of the United States and have these and any future postage stamps that may be issued by another nation defaming the United States Flag and our Nation be banned from entering the mail stream of our great Republic.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

by order of Post Commander:

*Svend Hansen*  
Svend Hansen

Yours truly,

*Henry J. Gruk*  
Henry J. Gruk, Past Commander

Copies sent to: Post Master General of U.S.  
National Commander, V.F.W.  
State Commander, V.F.W.  
National Commander American Legion  
State Commander, American Legion



HARRY S. Truman

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The new 20c Love stamp will be issued at ceremonies at 11 a.m. Jan. 31 at the Children's Museum in Washington. Bolger is scheduled to be the featured speaker again; the ceremony is being held in co-operation with the Greeting Card Association.

The USPS isn't completely consistent in describing the Love stamp. Beginning with the last Love stamp, also a 20c value, it was termed a regular (definitive) issue, and it was expected to remain available without design change until rates changed.

However, the new stamp will be the second multicolor, commemorative sized Love stamp at the 20c rate. Both designs are in the new Philatelic Cata-

logue. The new stamp will be printed in gravure, with the remainder of the design intaglio (engraved).

Although the new Love stamp will be issued in time for use on Valentine's Day cards — perhaps explaining the interest of the greeting card industry — the USPS emphasizes that it is designed for other special occasions throughout the year, including weddings, birthdays, anniversaries and letters for greeting

cards. The new stamp will be printed in gravure, with the remainder of the design intaglio (engraved).

The new Love stamp will be printed on both portions of the combination gravure-intaglio press, with marginal markings that "float."

On the selvage of each pane of 50 stamps will appear a five-digit plate number representing the gravure colors red, orange, green, blue and violet (the color of the hearts, from



The new 20c Love stamp will debut Jan. 31 in Washington.

top to bottom). Each digit represents one color.

In an adjacent space will be a single-digit number representing the intaglio colors red ("USA 20c") and black (letter: (Please turn to page 7)

# U.S. to take no action in Iranian stamp case

By Stephen G. Esrati

The United States will not block mail bearing Iranian stamps showing a blindfolded American and a burning U.S. flag (*Linn's* Dec. 12, page 5).

The policy was announced Dec. 16 by Postmaster General William F. Bolger, who called the stamps "repulsive, a vicious distortion of a criminal act by Iran and an insult to all Americans."

When news arrived Nov. 10 that Iran had issued the stamp (original news reports said three stamps) to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the seizure of the U.S. embassy in Tehran, a spokesman for the USPS was immediately asked what action the United States would take under Article 28, Section 1d of the Universal Postal Union convention.

The article had been often invoked by East Bloc countries to refuse mail bearing stamps to which they took political exception (see related story on page 52).

The spokesman, Ron Powell, had not heard of the article and said he would check.

Now, more than a month later, the United States has decided it will do nothing. Bolger said the United States believes that under international convention it cannot block the mails.

Therefore, it is up to individual recipients of letters bearing the stamp to write "REFUSED" across the address. Bolger promised that such letters will be returned to the sender.

Powell checked with the in-



Mail bearing the Iranian stamp showing a blindfolded American and burning U.S. flag will not be blocked in the United States.

ternational division. It checked with the State Department.

Powell said the State Department had been consulted because of the controversial and delicate nature of the stamp. "We want to get their reading on it, although they will not be able to tell us what to do," he said.

Until Dec. 14, no policy had been adopted. The USPS was still trying to make sure the

Iranian stamp was intended for international mail.

Powell said there had been no complaints from postal patrons, and there had been no two inquiries — one from Reuters news service and the other from me.

On Dec. 15, Paul Byrnes, director of the Office of Technical and Specialized Agencies in the State Department (which deals with the UPI) said, "We have committed ourselves against interfering with the mails. We are going to protest to the UPU."

That night the Associated Press carried a story from California where a college had received an application for a mission from Iran bearing the stamp.

The local postmaster was going to call Washington the next morning to get information.

The next day the US spokesman announced that official policy of the United States would be that any post patron who objects to a stamp can give the letter back to the Postal Service for return to Iran.

It was not clear whether Iran would have to pay postage on the refused mail.

## Poll opens

the proper collectible format for two items that continue to confuse many hobbyists, catalogs and albums: plate blocks with "floating" numbers; and coil strips with the current, tiny plate numbers.

Also, the deadline for the poll has been reduced from two months to one month, since the vast majority of response arrives within the first two or three weeks. Turn to page 20 for the full story.

## Post schedules for Jan. 31

In addition, there are some discrepancies in two USPS lists for Jan. 31 withdrawals. Two items reported as having been withdrawn Nov. 30 are listed once again for withdrawal Jan. 31: the 4c Americana sheet (Literacy); and the 2c Liberty Jefferson coil. These may or may not be available through Jan. 31.

Also, the Cottrell versions of the \$4 Bighorn Sheep booklet are not listed for withdrawal in one source, but are listed in the other. It is possible, therefore, that all Bighorn booklets will be withdrawn effective Jan. 31.

Collectors are advised to order any of these items before Jan. 31, despite possible errors in the listings. All items scheduled for withdrawal are subject to stock availability.

Mail orders to the Philatelic Sales Division at the aforementioned address are subject to a \$5 minimum order and 50c service charge per order. ■

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: Parviz Shahnavaaz

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S <sup>84</sup> 8401810-11 08

Date January 31, 1984

SITUATION ROOM

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

Reference:

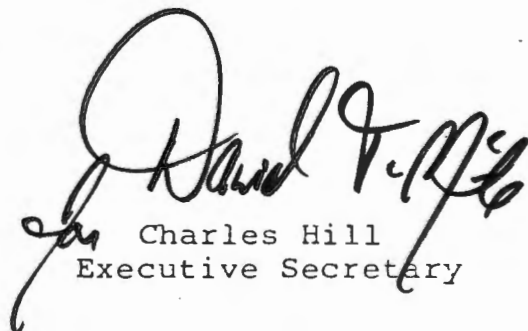
To: President Reagan From: Parviz Shahnava  
Date: 12/8/83 Subject: Asks that U.S. lends support to Iranian patriots and nationalists within Iran who seek to overthrow the tyrannical regime; seeks to reexamine the policy of containment of communist expansion also.  
WH Referral Dated: 1/13/84 NSC ID# 198099  
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\_\_\_\_\_ 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.

Remarks:

  
Charles Hill  
Executive Secretary

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January 27, 1984

Mr. Parviz Shahnava  
270 Olx Grand Central Parkway  
Floral Park, New York 11005

Dear Mr. Shahnava:

President Reagan has asked me to respond to your letter of December 8, 1983, enclosing an earlier letter dated October 17, 1983. I regret that there is no record of receipt of the October 17, 1983 letter.

As I have indicated in other correspondence, the U.S. shares many of your concerns. We do not support any particular exile group, but remain open to contacts with all. To repeat, you are welcome to call me to discuss matters Iranian at any time. The telephone number is (202) 632-0313.

Sincerely,

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James M. Ealum  
Director  
Office of Iranian Affairs

January 27, 1964

Mr. David S. ...  
870 Old Grand Central Parkway  
Roosevelt Park, New York 10007

Dear Mr. S.:

President Reagan has asked me to respond to your letter of December 8, 1963, enclosing an earlier letter dated October 17, 1963. I regret that there is no record of receipt of the October 17, 1963 letter.

As I have indicated in other correspondence, the U.S. Affairs many of your concerns. The report report any particular extra group, but remain open to contacts with all. To repeat, you are welcome to call me to discuss matters further at any time. The telephone number is (202) 632-0413.

Sincerely,

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James M. ...  
Director  
Office of Liaison Affairs

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

## REFERRAL

JANUARY 13, 1984

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

## ACTION REQUESTED:

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## DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 198099

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 8, 1983

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. PARVIZ SHAHNAVAZ  
270 O1X GRAND CENTRAL PARKWAY  
FLORAL PARK NY 11005SUBJECT: ASKS THAT U. S. LENDS SUPPORT TO IRANIAN  
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DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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# جاویدان

December 8th, 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

Over the course of our correspondence you have always demonstrated the courtesy of providing an immediate response to our letters, despite the many demands made upon your time.

To date we have not received a response to our letter of October 17, 1983. In light of your previous prompt responses, I feel that you have not had the chance to review our letter of October 17, 1983, and, therefore, have enclosed another copy for your attention.

JAVIDAN, FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF IRAN

PARVIZ SHAHNAVAZ

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# جاویدان

October 17, 1983

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

Dear Mr. President:

I write this letter out of my grave concern over the issues presented in my letter and urge you to carefully read and consider my comments.

The policy of containment of communist expansion, which has been the corner-stone of the United States' Foreign Policy since World War II, has proved to be a dismal failure. Today, the Soviet Union is not only stronger than ever, but she has managed to extend also her frontiers to the very doors of the United States of America.

It is time to ponder on the reasons for this failure. The main point in this respect seems to be the following: The Soviet Union's foreign policy is coherent and based on a clear and definite ideology with long range goals, while the United States' foreign policy lacks such an ideology and relies on short-term objectives. Experience however, has proved that without a reasonable balance between the short and long-term, no sound and viable foreign policy can exist.

The Soviets believe in the absolute superiority and truth of the Marxist-Leninist doctrine. They firmly believe that their ideology is the best one for the entire world and should therefore be imposed everywhere for mankind's sake. They offer both a method of government (dictatorship of the communist party) and a general goal (social justice and economic progress through communism).

The West, on the other hand, offers only a method of government (democracy). Its basic values, as shown with the turmoils of the sixties and the seventies, have eroded. In the past five or seven years, the United States' foreign policy has been limited to a series of reaction to Soviet initiatives. Several attempts in the direction of a more coherent foreign policy were short-lived and ended in fiasco: detente, human rights.

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In recent years different groups have tried to develop some basic principles in foreign policy. Thus the "liberals" prompted the Carter administration to help the so-called "popular movements" in the Third World. But they ignored the fact that these so-called "popular-movements", were in fact minority groups imposing their own authoritarian ideas through guerilla warfare and terrorist methods. This policy helped marxist movements in the overtake of many countries. The basic idea of such a policy is not only dangerous but also contradictory. If applied before World War 11, then the United States should have accordingly helped Hitler whose national-socialism was very popular in the Germany of the thirties.

This contradictory "liberal policy" which was more or less put into effect by the Carter administration led to disasters in many parts of the world, but their authors are still not discouraged. They further developed their "liberal" outlook concerning the Third World by adding tactical suggestions in their views, the United States should by all means use different ideological currents to confront soviet ideology. In this respect they thought that Islamic fundamentalism would be a miracle deterrent to confront soviet ideology. They believed that Islamic fundamentalism would be a strong antidote to communism in several countries and in particular, the region of the Persian Gulf, for the tennets of Islam are absolutely incompatible with those of godless marxism. They pushed the administration to perform in this new direction with the dire results that we can now observe: Iran was destabilized and is prey to a tyrannical regime Of monstrous proportions, Pakistan became a backward dictatorship and Afghanistan fell to the communists and the list continues. The outcome of this policy is a total disaster and today, the entire Persian Gulf is more vulnerable than ever before.

The mistake committed by the exponents of this theory is easy to explain. They entirely forgot that Islamic fundamentalism is as totalitarian an ideology as marxism. Its followers, alike the communists also have in view the export of their system of government.

How can the United States and her allies support such a policy and keep intact their values? The contradictions are more than obvious and the dangers of such tactical moves have been experienced long before. Let us look for example at the thirties. The great powers in those days (Britain, France) thought it smart policy to allow the rise and strengthening of Hitler for he would in their eyes counter-balance the expansion of the Soviet Union; but Hitler first destroyed the western powers and the war contributed to the consolidation of the Soviet Union.

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As for Islamic fundamentalism, history gives us two examples. First, in the Seventh century, with the Jihad, Islamic armies conquered, in less than half a century, the greatest part of the civilized world, destroying monuments and burning libraries. It took several centuries before civilization could resurface! Secondly, in the nineteenth century, the Turks used Islamic fundamentalism to bolster their drive, and soon the Ottoman empire extended from the heart of Europe to Iran and the confines of the Arabian Peninsula.

Theoretically it may be true that Islamic fundamentalism stands against communism, but it considers the West a greater threat. If not stopped now, fundamentalism is going to pour out in all Islamic countries, and then, unleash its hatred against the United States and the West. At the same time, the ensuing economic chaos and political anarchy which is bound to follow in the region, due to "Islamic policy", will pave the road wide open for the Soviet Union to extend its domination. For example, in Iran, the chaos and utter confusion engendered by Khomeyni's murderous and incapable regime, have allowed the communists to develop and infiltrate every level of the government and clergy.

The unleashing of Islamic fundamentalists advocated by so many liberals in the United States of America can be likened to the opening of Pandora's box.

Bearing this state of things in mind and the fuse burning shorter on that great powder keg called earth, it has become imperative that the United States of America and her allies, devise and apply a new coherent foreign policy. Such a foreign policy should at the same time cope with the present and develop its own long range ideological imperatives. One of the most urgent and immediate problems being indeed the restoration of stability in Iran and the Persian Gulf.

The time has come to put back the lid on Iran Pandora's box opened by the Carter administration for the Russians are strongly getting into a position to pick up fast the crumbling pieces in Iran. The Soviets are at present influencing security, military and economic affairs in our country. The grisly goings-on there are not their fault. The Iranian civil war of assassination and execution, murder and mayhem, belongs to a religion much older than Marxism-Leninism, a result of the so-called green "Islamic Belt" encouraged by the previous administration through Islamic Fundamentalism.


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While the communists in Iran, are infiltrating all levels of Tehran's regime, the Russians have drawn up in the Transcaucasus region between the Black Sea and the Caspian most of the 24 divisions usually stationed along their south-west border. The clergy in Iran, is divided between conservatives and radicals. However, the group led by Iran's president, Hojatoleslam Khamenei, strongly favors closer links with Russia, it is prominently on the rise and backed by the Russian-supported Tudeh party. The entire Iranian clergy may come soon to depend totally upon the Tudeh, or upon Soviet weapons, or indeed upon the Soviet soldiers conveniently waiting in the nearby Transcaucasus.

The Iranian wall between Russia and the Persian Gulf has crumbled away thanks to the disastrous foreign policy of the previous administration which had little love for the Shah. While the parade of horrors goes on unabated in country where the block of those to be executed is extracted before the sentence of death is passed, the present administration proposes to bolster the defense of moderate Arab countries in the Middle-East against the designs of the Soviet Union which seeks to destabilize the entire region through its proxies: Khomeyni and Khaddafi.

It would be unfortunate to repeat now the mistakes of the past damages to Iran and consequently to the free world will perhaps be irrevocable. The time has come for the United States to lend its support to the countless Iranian patriots and nationalists within and without Iran who seeks the overthrow of an evil and tyrannical regime. The disappearance of Khomeyni and Khaddafi from the scene and whose brand of Islam is used as a tool for communist penetration would serve more the cause of the free world than all the AWACS dispatched and could certainly be accomplished at a much lesser cost. It is the root-cause of the problem and the disease that has to be eliminated for the sake of humanity and all the values cherished in the free world.

JAVIDAN, FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF IRAN.

  
PARVIZ SHAHNAVAZ