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December 12, 1986

Dear Charlie:

I am deeply grateful for your warm and compassionate letter of encouragement. While some may not agree with the actions I authorized with regard to Iran, I am certain that most agree with our policy goals: to end the war in the Middle East, to prevent Soviet expansionism, to halt terrorism and to gain the release of our American hostages.

During these rather difficult times, when some can only find time to criticize, it is heartwarming to receive a word of support from a valued friend. Thank you very much.

May God bless you and your family at this very special time of year.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Charles E. Bennett House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

RWR:WLB:AMK:KRJ:hlb

cc: Alan Kranowitz - FYI

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

December 16, 1986

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your signature is a proposed response to a letter from Rep. Charles Bennett regarding Iran.

David L. Chew

THE WHITE HOUSE

December 12, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR PETER WALLISON

ALTON KEEL

FROM:

WILLIAM L. BALL, III Jet for

Subject:

Presidential Letters -- Iran

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I would appreciate your comments by the close of business today. Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

December 10, 1986

TO:

JOHN

FROM:

KATHY RATTÉ JAFFKE Office of Legislative Affairs

The Bennett letter on Iran.

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LES E. BENNETT MEMBER 3D DISTRICT, FLORIDA

ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OF SEAPOWER SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER OF RESEARCH AND PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEES

MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC STEERING AND POLICY COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN OF FLORIDA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

December 3, 1986

Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 25100

Dear Mr. President:

When the media is sniping at you and trying to give you problems and difficulties. I assume you may sometimes feel that no one is looking at your situation with understanding and good will. The purpose of this letter that I am writing to you now is to express to you that the vast majority of American people, in my opinion, want you to succeed as President and want you to know that they support your good deeds. Some of them, including myself, also know that no one is perfect and mistakes can be made when the motives may be high and proper. You should not feel that if you have made a mistake this is something that wipes out all of the good qualities that you have. After all, the Lord only made one perfect person, our Master, Jesus Christ. We all make mistakes, and the real test is what we have done in the direction of doing our best with what our best judgements tell us from time to time. On that basis, I have a strong conviction that you have nothing to regret.

There is no need to reply to this letter. I am writing to you because I have been through problems of failure, and when this occurs one has a tendency to put things out of proportion. Overall, you have done a great job for our country, and you should never forget it.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely. Your friend

Charles E. Bennett

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THE WHITE HOUSE

January 19, 1987

Dear Ms. Feehan:

On behalf of the President, I want to thank you for your recent letter of strong support. It is gratifying to see so many Americans rally behind the President, and it is most appreciated.

It there is anything that my office can do for you please don't hesitate to contact me.

Continue your good work.

Sincerely,

Cristena L. Bach

Special Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs

Ms. Joan C. Feehan City Councilmember 1327 Foothill Boulevard La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011-2137



Mayor O. Warren Hillgren

> Mayor Pro Tem J. Bixby Smith

City Council Joan C. Feehan John W. Hastings

ear President Reagan,

I am supporting you 100%. There are millions of americans that feel the same way!!

Jean & Feehan

THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MAJOR GENERAL WALTER B. PUTNAM

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT ON RECENT IRAN ARMS

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THE WHITE HOUSE

January 21, 1987

Dear General Putnam:

Thank you for your letter dated November 25, 1986, addressed to the President, which has been referred to me for response.

The President has asked me to convey his deepest gratitude for your expression of support. Particularly in light of your experience as the representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during the 1950s, your assessment of the risks and potential rewards of undertaking secret diplomatic initiatives offers valuable insights. I am certain that you will find your confidence in the President justified by the Administration's accomplishments during the remaining two years on both the domestic and foreign policy fronts.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PJW

Peter J. Wallison Counsel to the President

Major General Walter B. Putnam U.S. Air Force (Retired) P. O. Box 24 Shalimar, Florida 32579

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 21, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR PETER J. WALLISON

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX

SUBJECT:

Iran Correspondence from Major General Walter B. Putnam

The attached draft response is a variation of our standard letter of thanks for supporting the President.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-1600

December 9, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES ELMER, DIRECTOR, CORRESPONDENCE & DIRECTIVE, WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES

SUBJECT: White House Referrals: W15964, W15965 and W15967

Subject referrals are letters in support of the President's position with respect to Iran. In accordance with a conversation between the General Counsel, DoD, and Deputy Counsel to the President, on December 6, 1986, it was suggested that these items be returned to the White House Correspondence Office for reply since the subject matter is not appropriate for DoD response.

H. Lawrence Garrett, III

25 P

Walter B. (Benny) Lutnam Major General USAF (Ret) L.O.Box 24 Shalimar, Florida 32579 (904) 651-1994

November 25, 1986

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500-0001

Dear Mr. President:

Stick to your guns.

My background that allows me to make the above statement with authority consists among many other assignments of having been for over two years during the early 50s and the Korean War, the representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for military liaison and support to OPC, the portion of the CIA responsible for covert operations under Mr. Frank Wisner. I reported only to General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for these matters.

I will cite only one of many activities that were conducted as covert operations with military support during that period. Secret negotiations had been conducted in the late 40s with the government of Yugoslavia. The only portion of that activity that I will cite to you concerns the last phase of that governmental activity and was responsible for Yugoslavia divorcing itself of ties under the USSR and moving to a position of neutrality with strong ties and military support from the United States of America as time went on. The secret negotiations were culminated between a meeting of Assistant Secretary for European Affairs in the State Department, Doc McGee, Admiral Leslie C. Stevens, General Popovic, confidant of Tito, the head of Yugoslavia. My portion of that meeting was to make notes for the record which consisted of the following: (A) Tito would make his move by a press announcement only after a covert shipment of military arms that would not only allow him to resist in event of Soviet or Soviet-supported aggression, but also to declare the good faith of the United States that in the event of such an aggression, the United States and its western allies would come to Yugoslavia's rescue. (B) That shipment was \$25 million which put the OPC budget substantially over the \$100 dollars authorized per year for that activity in those days. (C) I wrote the letter that in effect was a memorandum of agreement signed by Popovic and McGee which amounted to a treaty between the United States and Yugoslavia whereby the arms shipment would proceed covertly and be in place in Yugoslavia within 30 days, and in event of premature disclosure the United States would come to the aid of Yugoslavia if necessary. (D) This letter was taken by General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to the Undersecretary of Defense for his information, to

The President Page Two

the Undersecretary of State for his information, to Chairman Vincent of the Armed Services of Congress for his information and approval, and finally I took the letter to the comptroller of the Department of Defense to secure the funds whereby the Army could release the equipment without question and as sanitized as possible to Mr. Wisner's organization to execute the delivery within 30 days.

Great care was taken that the secretaries themselves of Defense, State, and the President of the United States were not personally briefed on that activity, primarily for the reason that in event of premature disclosure of the arms shipment, the President of the United States could reasonably be allowed to deny the shipment and the agreements that caused that shipment.

The essence of this letter is that the arms shipment was made, Tito declared his neutrality as a result thereof, and more importantly, the Soviets-supported Soviet-dominated Communist country moved out from under that umbrella to neutrality and ties with Western nations.

This operation was conducted by the United States government at great risk, and I am sure in retrospect that there would have been many to criticize the United States government for this activity if there had been a media outcry, as in the current case, and a lack of support in event of a crisis by any of the presidential cabinet. This risk was taken with the President knowing full well the risks but being put in a position to plausibly deny U. S. involvement if he had to. Also, the risk was taken because of an evaluation that the Administration team would be loyal when the President needed it.

I cite this diplomatic coup which parallels in great part that action which you are currently involved in. Such great diplomatic advances can only be successful if conducted in secrecy and guarantees to the people concerned of United States action in their behalf if they are placed in peril. Also, there is no other guarantee known to me that shows good faith better than an arms shipment.

In the Iranian case you are exactly right. The strategic geopolitical position of that country deserves taking great risks to prevent its capitulation to Soviet domination.

I say again: Stick to your guns.

Benny

Walter B. Putnam Major General USAF (Ret.)

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The above has never been disclosed previously.

THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. SERPHIN R. MALTESE

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT AND OFFERS FURTHER

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SERPHIN R. MALTESE

STATE CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK

CONSERVATIVE PARTY

M. Daniels

45 EAST 29TH STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016 (212) 689-8400

December 4, 1986

Dear President Reagan.

We are behind you 100%!

you have our trust and

confidence.

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assistance - please call
upon us at any time.
God Bless you and Maney.
Sincerely

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...FROM CONSERVATIVE PARTY HEADQUARTERS...

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016
212-689-8400

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CONTACT: SERPHIN R. MALTESE

212-689-8400

CONSERVATIVES URGE SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN
CALL FOR END TO PARTISAN POLITICAL ATTACKS

Serphin R. Maltese, Chairman of the New York State Conservative Party, today urged "continued support for President Reagan".

In a statement released by the Conservatives he called "for an end to the deplorable partisan political attacks that seek to transform good faith efforts to advance national goals, into devious, evil acts, as part of an unprincipled maneuver to gut the Reagan Presidency".

Statement and Letter to Editor Follows:

"PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN, THE PRESIDENCY AND THE PRESENT CRISIS" STATEMENT AND LETTER TO THE EDITOR

BY SERPHIN R. MALTESE

CHAIRMAN, NEW YORK STATE CONSERVATIVE PARTY DECEMBER 5,1986

We in the Conservative Party were among the earliest supporters of Ronald Reagan and believe that he has truly accomplished a principled, Conservative Reagan Revolution and we are proud of our role and participation in that major national event.

First and foremost we continue to support, trust and believe in our President and his goals.

We urge all patriotic Americans to continue and renew their support for President Reagan.

We call for an end to the deplorable partisan political attacks that seek to transform good faith efforts to advance national goals into devious evil acts as part of an unprincipled maneuver to gut the Reagan Presidency.

The events of recent days have been spread across our front pages, our air waves and our tv screens with a rapidity, an intensity and a voluminosity of facts, names and events that boggles the mind and serves more to confuse and distress rather than to inform our country's citizens.

The situation has not been helped by those self-serving politicians who have sought to turn our country's travails to crass political advantage.

Those pious "would be Cassandras" who wring their hands, lament the fates and after hypocritical expressions of concern and prayers of hope that such a dire event would come to pass, speak of a destroyed, or mortally wounded or tottering presidency.

Some of those same liberal Democratic paragons of virtue are already squabbling over who will serve on or chair a plethora of committees, select and not so select, to investigate, probe, classify, inquire into and dissect every possible aspect of the present crisis.

The President himself has stated that "I've never seen the sharks circling like they are now with blood in the water". Have the vast majority of these rapacious predators and detractors ever agreed with any of the President's major policies or initiatives?

Have these liberal Democrats, who by the way gave us the Ayatollah Khomeini, weighed the possible consequences of their ill advised voracious actions? The United States should not chance even the appearance of being critically wounded, dangerously indecisive or paralyzed for the remainder of the President's term, especially under the watchful eye of the Kremlin's new leadership.

I suppose that a portion of these frenzied attacks are understandable, although still to be deplored. What "true" liberal can resist the temptation to be able to attack at the very same time the President, his National Security Council advisers, the C.I.A., the Contras, and the Angola "Freedom Fighters" all rolled up into one?

The glossing over of the President's humanitarian goals and genuine concern for the hostages and their families should give us some pause.

In the midst of the snide asides pertaining to his age and the outrageous biting political "cartoons" picturing him crumbling or falling apart, let us not forget that this decisive, innovative chief executive picked up the fallen standard from a weakened grasp and revitalized and strengthened not only this country—but additionally the institution of the Presidency.

It was his bold actions that restored our pride in America and the confidence of our allies everywhere.

Lest we forget, his encouragement and support has put new life into the anti-Communist resistance movements in Afghanistan, Angola and Nicaragua.

Those actions: --have also stopped a Communist take-over in Grenada and turned that country around.

--put a halt to Muammar Qaddafi's terror tactics and have him mumbling to himself.

- --included standing by our Allies, including Israel,

 Great Britain, West Germany and France against criminal
 terrorists.
- --in a brilliant, well executed military maneuver, have reached into the sky and plucked out an Egyptian jet carrying the Palestinian terrorist, Achille Lauro seajackers. They were triumphantly flying to safety after the craven murder and shameful disposal overboard of a wheelchair-bound American--most notable in this case because among the President's principal assistants in that praiseworthy endeavor were Vice Admiral John M. Poindexter, and Marine Lt. Col. Oliver L. North.

We are not saying that as Conservatives we agree with all aspects of the Presidents' policy moves in this matter. What we are saying is that we believe that as our elected President, he should be entitled to the "benefit of any doubt". That even if mistakes were made and although we may differ, we question neither his motives, his integrity nor his compassion. It is exceedingly difficult to condust national affairs and foreign relations on the front page of the New York Times and the Washington Post.

Our solons fall over themselves, leaving secret or confidential meetings, in their haste to reach microphones and favored members of the media and spew forth.

Secrecy and covert operations are absolutely necessary to protect our nation from an implacable enemy who will not be hobbled by the Marquis of Queensberry rules.

Through, perhaps well intentioned, rules, requirements, amendments, regulations, statutes and laws, the operations of our C.I.K. and other intelligence arms have been severely curtailed. Our nation and our President critically needs an effective independent and loyal National Security Council and staff.

We have a grave responsibility as the leader of the free world, confronted by a calculating, well-armed and dangerous enemy, to gather information, formulate policies and take action when and where necessary to protect our country and its citizens, and candidly, to help and reward our friends and hinder and punish our enemies.

The President has chosen former Ambassador Frank Carlucci as his new National

Security Council adviser. He appears to have the experience, integrity,
personal strength and ability requisite in these tough times. I trust he will
also possess loyalty to the President, the Presidency and our nation. I'm not
uncomfortable, in the case of this President, if all three receive equal import.

The President of this nation has a monumental and onerous responsibility. He is entitled to and must receive the loyal service and independent counsel of able principled advisers.

The President has acted and appointed an independent distinguished panel to evaluate the National Security Council's staff operations. In addition he is supporting Attorney General Edwin Meese's application for an independent counsel.

Since that is behind us, let us now call for the cooling down of rhetoric and an end to the vindictiveness, accusations and maneuvering for partisan political advantage.

Despite the 'clamoring of the jackals', there are no criminal acts for political or personal gain.

We must now join with our fellow Americans of all political parties to indicate forcefully that we will not permit this President to be destroyed.

In addition, we must not allow this situation to stop the momentum of the President's foreign policy initiatives.

The welfare of our nation demands a halt topronouncements by those with flawed motives who would provoke or exploit this crisis for selfish political advantage.

We believe that Ronald Reagan is a genuine American hero and a dedicated humane President whose principled actions are motivated only by love of country and his fellow man.

We suggest that all Americans, especially as we enter this holy season, send expressions of greeting and support to President Ronald Reagan.

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The Honorable and Mrs. Ronald W. Reagan

President of the United States

The White House

Washington, D.C. 20500

THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE CARLOS DE LA VEGA

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT AND UNDERSTANDING FOR ACTIONS AND DECISIONS

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January 7, 1987

Dear Mr. de la Vega:

Your telegram has just reached my desk, and I went you to know that I'm proud and grateful for your friendship.

It means more to me than words can ever express to know that I can count on your support now -- just as I have in the past.

Thank you for thinking of me, and for your prayers. May God bless you and yours during 1987.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Carlos de la Vega 628 Smith Drive Metairie, Louisiana 70005

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It means more to me than words can ever express to know that I can count on your support now -- just as I have in the past.

Dear Mr. de la Vega:

Your message has just reached my desk, and I want you to know that I'm proud and grateful for your friendship, and support make it all worthwhile.

Fagree wholeheartedly that there is an urgent need for full disclosure of all facts surrounding the Iranian arms controversy. With the appointment of an Independent Counsel and with the efforts of the Senate and House Select Committees and the Special Review Board I established, all the facts will come before the American people at the earliest possible time. We must get on with the business at hand and put this issue behind us.

Thank you for thinking of me, and for your prayers.

May God bless you and yours during 1987.

Sincerely,

Mr. Carlos de	la Vega
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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN, DLR

WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON DC

AS A MEMBER OF YOUR PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS. AS A MEMBER OF YOUR TRANSITION TEAM AND AS ONE OF YOUR APPOINTEES I HAVE SUPPORTED YOUR DECISIONS ALWAYS. TODAY AS PART OF YOUR TEAM AND AS A CUBAN AMERICAN I UNDERSTAND THE REASONS FOR YOUR ACTIONS AND DECISIONS MORE THAN EVER YOU HAVE MY FULL SUPPORT AND UNDERSTANDING

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE MARTY SILGUERO

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT AND THE

ADMINISTRATION FOLLOWING THE IRAN HOSTAGE

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THE WHITE HOUSE

January 19, 1987

Dear Mr. Silguero:

On behalf of the President, I want to thank you for your recent letter of strong support. It is gratifying to see so many Americans rally behind the President, and it is most appreciated.

It there is anything that my office can do for you please don't hesitate to contact me.

Continue your good work.

Sincerely,

Cristena L. Bach

Special Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs

Mr. Marty Silguero
Finance Director
City of Marina
211 Hillcrest Avenue
Marina, California 93933





City of Marina

211 HILLCREST AVENUE
MARINA, CALIFORNIA 93933
(408) 384-3715

December 5, 1986

The Honorable President Ronald Reagan White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Mr. President, I'm sorry at the sad state of affairs facing you and your administration as a result of the Iran hostages.

I still believe in your honesty and intentions to conduct the duties of the President of the United States to the best of your ability.

I support your past performance and future success.

Marty Silguero Finance Director

MS/ce

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. DONALD M. CLARK

SUBJECT: MAKES SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTIONS FOLLOWING THE IRAN ARMS SHIPMENTS

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California Veterans Coalition

608 20th Street, Suite 772 Oakland, CA 94612

December 01,1986

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

Dear President Reagan:

As a loyal Republican and patriotic citizen, I truly feel duty bound to assist you in these troubled political times. You are the leader of our Party and the American Government. Thus; I am committed to serve you and the First Lady.

The demagougery of the Democrats has begun to fan the fires of public emotion. Like a starving pack of wolves on the prowl, looking for an overdue kill, these beast of the wild, seek fresh carrion.....,by strongly attempting,to tarnish; your leadership image by slander and association. This evil, they feel destined to do in concert with the nefarious media, better known as the liberal press.

These denizens would like for the American Public to become all caught up in the innuendo of alleged illegal arms shipments to Iran, as being analogous to the blatant wrongdoings of the infamous "Watergate Era"!

I do not know just how vital you will consider my consulting advice to be, but I am going to offer it anyway. I can't sit idly by and let our nemisis go for the jugular vein of Chief of Staff, Donald T. Regan, a monument of -a- public servant, who I deeply admire.

Propose that you divert the public away from the manipulative sway of the Democrats by focusing them in one a home spavned crisis, such as; the insidious drug epidemic that has engulfed America. Recommend that Secretary Bennett of the Education Department be brought closer in tow with White House "damage control measures" if possible. Remember, this problem of drugs is so pervasive in its domestic rootage, that when one begins to consider its international womb, that the problem takes on the appearance of a monolith. Palpably, that same largeness of focus is what we're having with the Irangate issue. Let's end this whole mess, by

President Ronald W. Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. Page 2.

all of us concerned Republicans coming together and preventing a dark cloud from setting over the White House. Our goal is to obstruct any planned conspiracy that's bent on destroying the Administration.

Lastly, I know that I'm doing my best, in offering these words of encouragement, Mr. President, and I wish that others would come forward and do more---real soon!!!

Sincerely,

Donald M.Clark

Political Consultant

cc: Donald T. Regan, Chief of Staff

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. FRANK N. VINH

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT FOR DECISION REGARDING THE IRAN ARMS DEAL

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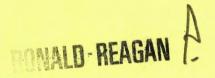
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Your letter has just crossed my desk. I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your expression of support, especially coming as it does from those who understand what is at stake in the struggle against communism. I'm confident that the American people are continuing to stand by me and my Administration, and your kind words reinforce that conviction.

This isn't always the easiest job in the world, but knowing that I have people like you behind me makes all the difference.

Thanks again, and have a happy and prosperous New Year. God bless you.

Sincerely,



Mr. Frank N. Vinh
Chairman
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2160 North Glebe Road
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January 14, 1987

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This isn't always the easiest job in the world, but knowing that I have people like you and the members of your coalition behind me makes all the difference. (I-promise to continue doing everything in my power to live up to your trust).

Thanks again, and have a happy and prosperous New Year. God bless you.

Sincerely,

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Chairman
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DECEMBER 5TH, 1986.

MR. RONALD WILSON REAGAN PRESIDENT UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON D.C.

MR. PRESIDENT:

THE INDOCHINESE AMERICAN VOTERS COALITION FIRMLY SUPPORT YOUR DECISION TO DEAL WITH IRAN IN ORDER TO SAVE US. CITIZENS OUT OF ALL TERRORIST JAILS.

YOU ARE WILLING TO TAKE A RISK BECAUSE OF YOUR LOVING CARE TO YOUR COUNTRYMEN.

ANY JUDGMENT FROM THE PRESS OR THE CAPITOL HILL SHOULD CONSIDER THIS BASIC FEELING OF A GREAT PRESIDENT.

ALSO OUR NATION IS FIGHTING AGAINST A WELL ORGANIZED INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST FRONT, OUR DUTY IS TO HELP ALL FREEDOM FIGHTERS OPENLY OR SECRETLY TO STOP THE COMMUNIST EXPANSION.

PLEASE KEEP LEADING US TOWARD THAT GOAL AND MAKE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AWARE OF THE COMMUNIST DANGERS.

RESPECTFULLY.

FRANK N. VINH

CHAIRMAN

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Note that Frank VINH is also listed as a Director of the Asian American Fund and might see letter to Jane HU -- in case you think responses are too similar.

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE RON SLATER

SUBJECT: WRITES IN SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT FOLLOWING THE RECENT IRAN ARMS SALE

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1986

Dear Representative Slater:

On behalf of the President, I want to thank you for your kind letter of support for him concerning the Iran situation. I know how much the President appreciates your patriotism and words of encouragement.

Please be assured that your comments will be shared with the President, and I know he will appreciate your support during this time.

Again, thank you for taking the time to send your important message. If I can be of any assistance in the future on other matters, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

K. Kae Rairdin

Special Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable Ron Slater
Member of the House of Representatives
of the State of Idaho
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Boise, ID 83705

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J. Raindin

House of Representatives State of Idaho

November 3, 1986

The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Probably no other government on earth is so encumbered in acting out its foreign policy than our own. Certainly the Russians have little or no internal difficulty when they choose to subvert a democratic, Western Country.

The men and women you have chosen in your administration are among the finest Americans. Colonel North is a patriot and a hero.

You, Mr. President, are the greatest American in all of our history.

Respectfully yours,

Ron Slater

Idaho State Representative

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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

ID# 446794

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. WALTER W. KRUEGER

SUBJECT: EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR TODAY AND SUPPORT FOR TOMORROW IN THE WAY OF GOVERNING THE COUNTRY

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MANAGEMENT.

Dear Mr. Krueger:

Your message has just reached my desk, and I want you to know that I'm proud and more than a little grateful to have you on my side. Your friendship and support make it all worthwhile.

Thank you for thinking of me. May God bless you and keep you during this holy season.

Sincerely,
RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Walter W. Krueger President Non Commissioned Officers Association Post Office Box 33610 San Antonio, Texas 78265

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WALTER W. KRUEGER COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR UNITED STATES ARMY (RET) PRESIDENT



Non Commissioned Officers Association • P. O. Box 33610 • San Antonio, Texas 78265 • (512) 653-6161



4 December 1986

President Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan,

Thought I would drop you a line just to let you know that we support you today and will support you tomorrow just as we have in the past because we have faith in the way you go about governing our country and that is - For the good of all Americans.

I do not suppose that you feel all that good because some of your friends turned out to be not such good friends, but around here we have got a little saying that goes "Tough Times Never Last, Tough People Do".

I am reminded of a passage from a poem written by Domingo Ortega that goes, "Bull fight critics ranked in rows fill the enormous plaza full but there is really only one who knows and that is the man who fights the bull".

All the best to you and Mrs. Reagan through the Holiday Season and throughout the New Year.

"Strength in Unity", and

Fraternally,

Walter W. Krueger

President

THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: DECEMBER 08, 1986

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: DR. RAJKO TOMOVICH

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES SUPPORT FOR COURAGEOUS STAND FOR

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WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC
DEAR MR PRESIDENT,

FROM THE 29TH WESTERN REGIONAL CONVENTION OF SERBAN NATIONAL DEFENSE ASSEMBLED IN LOS ANGELES WE SALUTE YOUR COURAGEOUS STAND FOR FREEDOM AND ASSURE YOU OF OUR FULL SUPPORT IN YOUR ENDEAVOR TO PRESERVE

DEMOCRACY AND STOP THE FURTHER ADVANCE OF COMMUNISTS EXPENDINISAM.

PRESIDENT SERBAN, NATIONAL DEFENSE OF AMERICA

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