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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON April 13, 1982

Dear Mr. Rayis:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 1 to President Reagan regarding the Iraqi government's issuance of Ordinance No. 32.

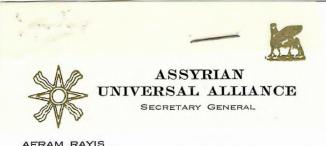
Due to the issues you raised, I am forwarding copies of your correspondence to the appropriate policy officials at the Department of State for their attention. I am confident your views will be given every consideration.

Thank you for bringing these concerns to our attention.

Sincerely,

Jack Burgess Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Afram Rayis Secretary General Assyrian Universal Alliance 9018 S. Telegraph Taylor, Michigan 48180



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AFRAM RAYIS: SECRETARY GENERAL

April 1, 1982

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Mr. Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
 of America
White House
Washington, D.C. 2052

Dear Mr. President:

The Iraqi government has issued an Ordinance No. 32, Nationalization of All the Christian Churches, taking over all their properties and funds. The aim of the Ordinance is very clear: the Baath Party of Iraq wants to strip all the Christian Assyrians of Iraq from their last vestige of religion and heritage. The government has already stopped teaching Assyrian language in all the Iraqi schools where Christian children attended. Before the present government took over, we had many Assyrian Christian private schools where the Assyrians learned their own language besides Arabic. Two years ago the Iraqi government nationalized all the Christian private schools and stopped teaching Assyrian language to our children. Now they came with this new Ordinance, No. 32, nationalizing our last hope of Christianity's method of survival.

The plan of the Iraqi government (the Baath Party) as stated in the 1981 U.S. State Department Report "is to assimilate all the minorities into the Arab nationality." After that, they will try to assimilate all the Christians into the Islamic religion also. The above Ordinance, which was signed by President Saddam Hussain last September, is another step toward Islamitizing the Christians in Iraq.

The Baath Party leaders are very shrewd; they will not start implementing the above Ordinance now until all the oppositions are purged, shut off, or bought. Then after a year or two, they will start implementing one part at a time; and in less than a decade the Ordinance will be in full power. Then slowly and gradually, the Christians either will leave Iraq forever, or those who cannot leave will convert to Islam. The Assyrians of Iraq, under many Islamic governments for thousands of years, have enjoyed freedom of religion. No government ever has interferred in the practices of their religion.

The main points of the Ordinance are as follows:

- 1. The government must approve all the clergies before they are ordained, including the bishops and patriarchs.
- 2. The government must participate fully in every Christian Religion Council Committee.

Mr. Ronald Reagan President of the United States of America April 1, 1982 Page 2

- 3. The government must approve every publication or bulletin, even the prayers before they are published.
- The decisions of the Minister of AWQAF (endowment) shall be 4. final in all matters with no right of appeal.
- 5. Supporting the religious denomination in the manner that serves the issues and orientation of the nation.

The Christian Assryian nation will not be able to accept or tolerate these genocidal rules; sooner or later they will rise and demand their constitutional and religious rights and they will be annihilated.

We are appealing to you on behalf of our Assyrian brothers and sisters in Iraq and on behalf of our Christian churches. We are appealing for your support to interfere in any way or manner to stop and eliminate this Ordinance completely. The church is our last vestige of religion and heritage that we have left to us.

Without your help we will surely find the Iraqi Moslems controlling our houses of worship and our spiritual leaders. Our Assyrian Christians and our church leaders cannot speak out now for themselves because of fear of imprisonment or death. Our fate is in your hands.

We have enclosed a translated copy as well as Arabic of Ordinance #32 which was signed and published in the government newspaper on September 10, 1981. The above Ordinance is clearly against the U.N. regulations of freedom of religion and culture and is against all the laws of the world in connection to freedom of religion for all people.

We are waiting and hoping to hear some good news from you.

Sincerely yours Sthran Ragin Afram Ravis

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Enclosure



REPUBLIC OF IRAQ ORDINANCE No. 32 for 1981 "REGULATING THE RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS"

"CHAPTER ONE": Obligations

Article One: The Ministry of Awaaf (Endowment) and religious Affairs shall undertake the organization and administration of the affairs of religious denominations and their estate (property) through the following procedure:

- (property) through the following procedure: (1. Preparation of proposals for the enactment of laws, regulations, resolutions and instructions pertaining to the care-taking of the religious denomination and having them executed after having been decided upon and legislated.
 - 2. Making facilities for the religious denominations to exercise their religious rites.

3. Care-Taking of places of worship belonging to the different religious denominations.

- 4. Care-Taking of the clergy for the various religious denominations on an equal basis and within the framework of the laws, resolutions a land regulations in force.
- 7. Taking the necessary measures to appoint the Heads of Denominations in Iraq after having been selected by their denominations and in accordance with the conditions set forth by the endowers (donors) and the DEEDS which shall be issued by the jurisdictional courts.
 - 6. Construction, maintenance and building of churches and places of worship of the religious denominations.
- 7. Supporting the religious denominations in the course of serving their religious and social goals in the manner that serves the issues and the orientations of the nation.
- \times ¹8. Supervision of the informational news material and religious printed matters to be issued by the religious denominations.
 - 9. Supervision and administration of the denominations' estate(property) in accordance with the religious rules and conditions permaining to each denomination and elimination of the obstacles thereof.
- $f^{\frac{1}{2}} \neq 10$. Full participation in the membership of the religious councils, boards and committees of the denominations.

"CHAPTER TWO": SUPREME BOARD OF THE RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS

Article Two: (1)-A supreme board shall be formed in the Ministry for the religious denominations under the chairmanship of the Deputy Minister for religious affairs and the membership of:

- a. Head of the religious denominations department in the Ministry.
- b. Head of each denomination mentioned in the Supplement of this Ordinance who has been officially appointed in Iraq or the senior representative of the denomination or whoever acts on his behalf or is nominated by him.
- c. One or more related members to be chosen by the Minister.

- (2) The Head of the religious Denominations Department shall be the deputy of the Board Chairman and shall take his place on his absence.
- (3) In the event of the absence of the denomination's representative for a valid excuse, his deputy shall take his place in the meetings.
- (4) A denomination Head or his deputy shall have no right to vote on the resolutions that do not pertain to the matters of his denominations.

ARTICLE THREE: The Board shall have the following specializations:

- 1. Discussion of the religious denominations affairs in general.
- Discussion of the suggestions of the religious denomations with respect to the building, construction and maintenance of the places of worship and submitting the necessary recommendations thereof.
- 3. Studying the problems of the religious denominations, each denomination separately, and placing solutions for them.
- 4. Discussing and studying the suggestions with respect to rendering the the material aids and support to the sona(members) of the denominations.
- 5. Discussion of the Ministry plan with regard to care-taking of the religious denominations, without affecting the conditions set forth by the endower and the provisions issued in accordance thereof.
- 6. Submitting suggestions to the Ministry with regard to the support of the religious denominations and their affairs.
- 7. Studying and discussing the matters shown in the agenda and which shall be passed to it by the Minister.
 - ARTICLE FOUR: (1) The Board shall convene once a month or whenever necessary and at the invitation of the Board chairman or two thirds at least of the members in cases of utmost need.
 - (2) The Board shall convene when at least half of its members are present; resolutions shall be made by the majority opinions of those present. In case of tie votes, the part with whom the chairman votes shall prevail.
 - (3) The Board chairman shall have the authority of inviting heads of departments and sections in the Ministry or some experts and specialists to attend the Board meetings with a view to making use of their knowledge and experience, provided they shall have no right to vote.
 - (4) The Board may delegate to the chairman or his deputy some of its powers.
- ARTICLE FIVE: The Board resolutions shall be subject to the approval of the Minister whose decision shall be final.
 - ARTICLE SIX : A certain payment or reward shall be made to the Board chairman and members in accordance with Article 26 of the Ministry law: the amount to be specified by the Minister.
 - ARTICLE SEVEN: Should a Board member fail to attend three consecutive sessions without a valid excuse, that member shall be considered to have resigned; he shall be replaced by another member in accordance with clause ONE, Article three of this ordinance.

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ARTICLE EIGHT: The Board shall have a secretariat connected with the religious denominations affairs section and shall undertake the following:

- 1. Preparation of the Beard agenda.
- 2. Ratification, verification and filing of the minutes of the meetings
- 3. Preparation of the final form of the Board resolutions and submission of same to the Minister for approval.
- 4. Following up the execution of the resolutions after having been approved.
- 5. Regulating, coordinating and specifying the dates for the Board meetings in accordance with this Ordinance.
- 6. Submission of an abstract (concentrated) about the matters contained' in the agenda, along with the elementary documents for each case.
- 7. Keeping the papers, registers and documents of the committee.
- 8. Execution of the laws, resolutions and regulations pertaining to the committee matters.
- 9. Any allocated funds to be entrusted to it by the Board Chairman or the Minister.

CHAPTER THREE: General Provisions

Article Nine:

Board resolutions, after approved, shall be binding to the Ministry and the Denominations.

- ARTICLE TEN: The Ministry may withdraw the confidence and cancel the membership of the representative of any dinomination in accordance with a reasoned resolution and by the approval of at least half the Board members: he shall be replaced by another member in accordance with section (B) of clause ONE of ARTICLE TWO of this ordinance.
 - ARTICLE ELEVEN: The Minister may issue instructions to facilitate the execution of this ordinance.
 - ARTICLE TWELVE: This ordinance shall take effect as of the date of
 - its publication in the official gazette. ARTICLE THIRTEEN: The Minister of Awgaf and Religious Affairs shall be entrusted with the execution of this Ordinance.

Written at Baghdad in the 21st day of Thil-Qa'ada, 1401 Migriya. September 10, 1981.

(Signed)

President: Saddam Husain

٣- دراسة شاكل الطوائف الدينية لكس طائفة عسلى حدةووضم الحلول لها ه ي. مناقشةود راسةالمقتسر حات بشان تقديم الأعساني ت والدعم المادي لابتما الطموائف . ه مناقشة خطة الوزارة فيما يخس رعاية الطسوائف الدينية واوقسافها دون المساس شروط الواقف والاحكسسام الصادرة بموجبها . الطوائف الدينية وشوونها γ- دراسة ومناقشة القضايا المدرجة في جدول اعماله- I والتي تحمل اليها من قبسل الوزيسر . المادة الرابعية ، أولا ستجتمع الميئة، سرة كسل شهراو كسلط اقتضبت الحاجة وبناءعلى دعبيبوة من رئيس المهيئة او من ثلثي الاعضاء على الاقل فسسسى الحالات الضمرورية . ثانيا أستنعقد الميئةبحضور نصف اعضائها على الاقسل وتتخذ القرارات باكسترية ارام الحاضرين وعنسك التمساوى يرجح الجانب الذى فيه الرئيس . ثالثما - لرئيس الميئة دعموة رومسما الدوائر والاقسام في الوزارةاو بعس الخبراء والاختصاص يسبب لحضبور اجتعباعيا تالميتةللاستغادة مسن معلوماتهم وخبرتهم على ان لا يك لهم حق التمصويت . رابعاً ... للميئةتخويل رئيسما ونائبه بعض صلاحياتها . المادة الخامسة : تخضع قسرارات الميئة لمسادقة الوزير ويعتبسر قسرار الوزير نهائيسا . الجادة السادسة : تدفع لرئيس واعضا الهيئسة مخصصات او مكسافاة وفق المادة الساد سقوالعشرين من قسانون الوزارةوتحدد نسبتها او مقسدارها من قبسسل

الوزيسسر . المادة السابعة : اذا غساب عنسو الميئسسة ثلاث جلسات متتالية ويدون عسذ رفيعتبر مستقيلا مسسن الميئة ويحل محلم عضو اخر بموجب الفقرة اولا من المادة الثالثة من هذا النظسام .

المادة الثامنية : تكبون للميئة سكرتاريسية ترتبط بقسم شدوون الطوائف الدينية وتتولى ما ياتى ب ۱۰ اعداد جداول اعمال الهیئسة • ٢- توثيق محاضر الجلسات وتدقيقها وحفظها . ···· اعداد الصيغ النها ثية لقرارات الهيئة ورفعه للمصادقسة . ٤- متابعة تنفيذ القرارات بعد الحسادقة عليها . تنظيم وتنسيق وتحديد مواعيد اجتماعات الميئة --- 0 وفق هذا النظمام . ۲ تقديم خلاصةمركزنعن القضايا المدرجة فيسمى جدول الاعمال مع اوليات كمل قضسية . γ_ حفظ اوراق وسجــلات ووثائق اللجنيــة ٨- تنفيذ القوانين والقرارات والانظمة المتعلقة بشوون الميئسة . ۹- ايةاختصاصات تناطبها من قبل رئيس الهيئسة والوزيستر م

((الباب الثالث)) احكــــام عـامـــة المادةالتاسعة : تكون قــرارات الهيئــة بعد المادقةعليها مـلزمـةللوزارة وللطوائف .

المادة العاشرة في للوزارة سحب الثققوالغا محسوية مشل اى طائفةوفق قسرار مسبب وسمبوافقة نصف اعتسا الميئةعلى الاقل ويحل محلم عضو اخر وفق البنسسسد (ب) من اولا من المادة الثانية من هذا النظام .

المادة الحادية عشرة : للوزير اصدار تعليمسات لتسهيل تنفيذ هذا النظسام . المادة الثانية عشرة : ينفذ هذا النظام من تاريست

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الدينيسة تنغيذ هذا النظسسام • كستب ببغداد في اليوم الحادي والعشرين مسسن شهر ذي القعدة لمنة ١٤٠١ هجرية • المصادف لليسوم

التاسع عشسر من شهر ايلول لمنة ١٩٨١ ميسلادية .

مـــدام حسين . رئيسيس الجمهيوريييية .

انظمي____ة رقم (۳۲) لسنسة ۱۹۸۱ نفسسام رعماية الطوائف الدينيمسة يا سمم الشسعب رئاسة الجمهورية استنادا إلى احكمام الفقرة (أ) من المادة السمابعة والخمسيين من الدستور الموقت والفقرة (اولا) من المادة السابعةعشرة من قسانون وزارة الاوقاف والمشسسو ون الدينيسة رقم (٥٠) لسمنة ١٩٨١ • صدر النظام الاتي . --((الباب الاول)) الواجيمات المسادة الاولى • تتولى الوزارة تنظيم وادار نشو ون الطوائف الدينية واوقسافها وفقسا لمساياتسي وسم ۱۱ اعتداد متسروعيات القوانين والانظمية والقسرارات والتعليمات التي تخص رعاية الطبوائيف الدينيسة والحمسل على تنفيذ ها بعد اقسرارها وتشريعها . ٢- تسميل مهمة الطسوائف الدينية في ادام شهطائرها الدينيسة . ٣- رعماية امماكسن العبادة لمختلف الطوائف الدينية • ي رعبا ية رجال الدين من مختلف الطوائف الدينيسة وبشكل متساو وضمن اطار القوانين والقمرارات والانظمة المرعيسة . ه-اتخاذ الاجرائات اللازمة لتعيين روسا الطوائف في العراق بعد اختيارهم من قبل طوائفهم وبموجب شزوط الواقفين والحجج الصادرةمن المحاكم المختصة ۲- تشييد وتعمير وبناء الكنائس والمعابد للطبوائيف الدينيسة . ٧- دعم الطوائف الدينيةلخدمة اهدافها الدينيمة والاجتمساعيدة بمسا يخدم قضمايا الاممةوتوجها تهما

٨- الاشراف على العواد الاعــلاميةوالمطبوعــات الدينية
 ٨- الاشراف على العواد الاعــلاميةوالمطبوعــات الدينية
 ٩-- الاشراف على اوقــاف الطوائف واد ارتها وبحسبب
 ١ القواعد والشروط الدينية لكسل طائفةوا زالة معوقاتها
 ٠ المشاركـة التامـة بعضوية المجالس الدينية والميئات
 ٥ واللجسان الخاصة بالطوائف

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`((الباب النساني))` الهيئة العليما للطموائف الدينيمة المسادة الثانيسة م اولا ــ تتالف في السوزارة هيئة عليا للطوائف الدينيةبرئا سةوكيل الوزارة للشموون الدينيسة وعسض سويسسة • ---ا... رئيس دائرة الطوائف الدينية في الوزارة . ب ... رئيس كسل طائفة من الطوائف الواردة فسى لمحق هذا النظام والمعين رسميا فسسسى العراق او معثل الطائفة الاقدم او مسسن ينسوب عنسه او يرشحسه . ج ... عضبو او اكبثر من المختصبين يختاره....م السوزيسر م سانيا - يكسون رئيس دائرة الطوائف الدِينية نائبا لرئيس الميئةويحسل محلسه عند غسيابسه . ثالثسامً ... في حالة عسياب مشسل الطائفة في المجلسيس بعذر مشروع ينسوب عنسه وكسيله فسسى حف___ور الاجتماعات . رابحا أ لا يحق لرئيس طائفة او معتلما التصويت عملي القرارات التى لا تخص قضايا طائفته . المادة الثالثة . تكبون للميئة الاختصاصيات التساليمية . _ ۱ مناقشة شعرون الطوائف الدينيةعسامة ۲- مناقشة مقتسر حلت الطوائف الدينية بخصوص بنا وتشييد. وصيانة المعابد ورفع التوصيات اللازمة بشانها .



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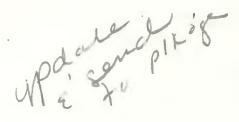
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8318741, 83-18740

Date June 30, 1983

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

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Imam Mohamad Jawad Chirri

Date: May 24, 1983 Subject: Expresses Dismay re: Arrest of about 80 members of the family of the late grand Ayatollah Sayed Muhsin al-Hakim

WH Referral Dated: June 20, 1983 NSC ID # 140/67 (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.

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United States Department of State

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Washington, D.C. 20520



June 29, 1983

The Reverend Imam Mohamad Chirri Director Islamic Center of America 15571 Joy Road Detroit, MI 48228

Dear Imam Chirri:

This is in regard to your telegrams of May 22 and 24 to President Reagan calling his attention to the detention in Iraq of the members of the family of the late Ayatollah Sayed Muhsin al-Hakim.

As you are probably aware, the United States Government does not have formal diplomatic relations with the Iraqi Government; however, we have asked the U.S. Interests Section of the Embassy of Belgium in Baghdad to look into this matter. We have, in the meantime, noted disturbing reports of the execution of three sons and three grandsons of the Ayatollah, and have asked our Interests Section to look into these as well.

The United States Government is opposed to arbitrary arrests and summary executions wherever they may occur, whether in Iraq or Iran or elsewhere in the world.

Sincerely,

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Donald A. Roberts Regional Officer for the Near East and South Asia Bureau of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JUNE 20, 1983

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROPRIATE ACTION

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

- ID: 140181
- MEDIA: TELEGRAM, DATED MAY 24, 1983
- TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
- FROM: IMAM MOHAMAD CHIRRI DIRECTOR ISLAMIC CENTER OF AMERICA 15571 JOY ROAD DETROIT MI 48228
- SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO MAKE A PLEA TO SADDAM HUSSEIN OF IRAQ TO FREE THE APPROXIMATELY 50 OR MORE RIGHTEOUS ISLAMIC SCHOLARS

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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> SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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REMARKS:

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SEE YOU USING THE POWER WHICH HE GAVE YOU IN SAVING THESE INNOCENT AND GOOD SERVANTS OF HIS.

IMAM MOHAMAD CHIRRI, DIRECTOR OF THE ISLAMIC CENTER OF AMERICA 15571 JOY RD

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

June 2, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt National Security Council

SUBJECT:

Alerting NSC on Presidential Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan from Foreign Minister Tariq Azia of Iraq which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat Information Management Section on June 1, 1983.

Charles I ackson Q Director, S/S-I.

Information Management Section Executive Secretariat ext. 23836

Anvites U.S. Reps. to attend XXV International Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmany Than 10-15 in Baghdad

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Unofficial Translation

His Excellency, Secretary State of the United States of America .

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the decision taken by the International Committee of Military Medicine and Pharmacy during its meeting in Athens, in April 1982, to accept the invitation of the Iraqi Government to host the XXV International Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy, in Baghdad from the 10th to the 15th of March 1984. The XXV Congress will be held under the patronage of H.E. President Saddam Hu ain.

I would appreciate it if Your Excellency would be kind enough to bring this invitation to the attention of the competent authorities in your country . I also wish to underline the importance we attach to the participation of your country in the XXV Congress .

The principal items which the XXV Congress will deal with are : -

- 7. Rehabilitation in Military Medicine
 - 2. Tuberculosis in the Armed Forces
 - 3. Spinal disease in the Armed Forces recruits
 - 4. Medical aspects of chemical warfare
 - 5. Miscellaneous items.

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The official programme , as well as other relevant information will be communicated , in due time , directly to the chiefs of the Armed Forces medical services .

Accept , Excellency , the assurances of my highest consideration .

Tariq Aziz Deputy Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs

Republic of Iraq

30 / 4 / 1983.

MINISTER'S OFFICE

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سيادة وزير خارجية الولايات المتحدة الامريكية

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s/s # 8402577

Date February 7, 1984

DEPARTMENT OF STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TRANSMITTAL FORM

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

REFERENCE:

TO: _____ The President _____ FROM: ____ Paul Gulbenkian DATE November 14, 1983 SUBJECT: Claim to portion of Estate of Calouste Gulbenkian in Iraq WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: 1/26/84 NSC # 200035 (if any)

THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION TAKEN:

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- X An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- _ We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.
- Other.

REMARKS:

Charles Hill xecutive Secretary

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 7, 1984



Mr. Paul Gulbenkian Post Office Box 42105 San Francisco, California 94142

Dear Mr. Gulbenkian:

Your letter of November 14, 1983, to President Reagan, regarding the ownership of the Iraqi estate of your cousin, Calouste Gulbenkian, has been referred to the Department of State for consideration.

The enclosures referred to in your letter have not been received. Will you please submit these to the Department. Upon their receipt, the Department will give this matter prompt attention.

We have been unable to locate any previous correspondence from you under the name of "Paul Gulbenkian, Prestress Service International." However, according to available records there is previous correspondence under the signature of "Jacques Paul Kourkene, Prestress Service International" regarding the same or similar matter. Would you please verify whether you are the same person.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas T. F. Huang Assistant Legal Adviser

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

JANUARY 26, 1984

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED: DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

REMARKS: ALSO REFERRED TO TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 200035

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED NOVEMBER 14, 1983

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

- FROM: MR. PAUL GULBENKIAN PRESTRESS SERVICE INTERNATIONAL POST OFFICE BOX 42105 SAN FRANCISCO CA 94142
- SUBJECT: WRITES OF HIS PROBLEM OF A TRADE POLITICAL MATTER INVOLVING THE OWNERSHIP OF THE IRAOI ESTATE OF HIS DECEASED COUSIN - HE NEED REPRESENTATION IN NEGOTIATION WITH IRAO

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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> SALLY KELLEY DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Deceived in 5/5-I 1/26 at 10;12 Am (2)

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE WASHINGTON 1/26/84

MEMORANDUM

TO: Sally Kelley

FROM: Cathy Hofgren ex6186

USTR does not have jurisdiction over this question. The letter should be referred to the State Department

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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JANUARY 26, 1984

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Mr. Ronald Reagan President of the United States of America The White House Washington, DC

Willippear Mr. President:

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In view of the attitude taken by lawyers of the Department of State in Washington, one of their Officers in San Francisco advised me to write to you directly, in order to secure answers from Fabian Kwiatek, from Thomas Huang, Robert Dalton and Edward Odom. My Senators and my Congresswoman refuse to get involved. Mot enclosed 1/30/84 provider cares

Copies of my letters to them are enclosed, including my Affidavit for Mr. Kwiatek and the earlier response from Mr. Huang.

Mr. Huang does not agree with Mr. Kwiatek. I agree with Mr. Kwiatek and I have met all his requirements, but he still has not answered after receiving my Affidavit.

Mr. Huang insists that my case is a legal matter. But it is not: it is a tradepolitical matter, involving the ownership of the Iraqi Estate of my cousin, Calouste Gulbenkian, who died in 1955. The Iraqi Minister of Oil and Minerals cannot invoke the 1972 nationalization of the Iraq Petroleum Company to also seize my cousin's 5% of IPC. Being a private individual of Iranian citizenship, having not conspired with the other oil companies against the state of Iraq by restricting oil production, and not having signed the capitulation by the other companies, Partex, the legal name for the 5% has clean hands. It must be defended by France or the USA, since I am the last claimant and possess two citizenships.

To induce Iraq to accept my version when the war with Iran is over, I have offered 50% of the 5% to Iraq, in order to, together, establish a new company IKG A. G. in Zurich, Switzerland. This company will not be a mere money machine, but will engineer and erect posttensioned prestressed concrete offshore oil drilling platforms and undersea tanks for both Western and Eastern clients, at a considerable profit.

To summarize. I need representation in negotiations with Iraq. It has an Interests Section in Washington, but they will not answer me either. They will answer you.

Respectfully yours,

Paul gullention

Navember 19, 1983

Enclosures

PAUL K. GULBENKIAN

Permanent address:

Post Office Box 42105 San Francisco 94142

OBJECTIVE

Architectural Engineer:

Petroleum Exploration and Supplies Posttensioning Steel Product Lines Business Development Structural Ceramics Strategic Systems

FORMAL EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, 1948

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Graduate School, all required course work completed for Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering, 1949

Field of training: Conceptual Civil Engineer; Registered Professional Engineer, California, 1960; Pennsylvania, 1977. Consult Catalog and Brochure. Federal rating GS-15

EXPERIENCE AS STRUCTURAL ENGINEER AND CONSULTING ENGINEER

- 71-77 Licensed GULF-DRAVO SISTEMS CORPORATION to use my unpatented inventions in prestressed construction for offshore oil fields worldwide. Self-employed since
- 70-71 Pittsburgh: Engineered 3 submersible LNG terminals for GULF OIL COMPANY (NIGERIA) LIKITED, estimated cost \$81,000,000; each structure can be refloated and towed away; highly indeterminate posttensioned concrete construction
- 66-81 San Francisco: Prime Engineer in collaboration with an Architect partnership to design FRENCH MEDICAL CENTER of 3 buildings directly for the Owners, \$7,000,000; saved \$2,000,000 through more efficient indeterminate design and sophisticated materials
- 65-76 As sole Proprietor, developed 3 patented inventions; one is being utilized profitably by a number of American posttensioning companies in nuclear generating plants and other projects
- 57-64 California: Engineered 3 buildings and 3 continuous bridges; excellent response, zero maintenance, low first cost. Also 3 structural steel building frames
- 55-83 As Directing Engineer of a long-term 50% equity business I co-founded, originated and consolidated JOSEPH T. HYERSON & SON's entry into the highly profitable posttensioning steel field on a nationwide scale through PRESTRESS SERVICE INTERNATIONAL (250,000 tons in 25-year period)
- 54-83 As Engineering Representative, established HUREAU BBR permanently into the American posttensioning market via the efforts of PRESTRESS SERVICE INTERNATIONAL (royalties collected by EUREAU BBR through PSI \$5,000,000)
- 52-54 Texas: Engineered 5 bridges, first prestressed concrete in the Southwest; saved 30% vs. steel competition on \$5,000,000

Rilingual: French and English; some ability in Russian and German

ACTIVITIES

Author POSTTENSIONING STRUCTURES: DESIGN AND TECHNIQUES (Copyright 1973)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 28, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES BAKER ROBERT MCFARLANE FROM; CRAIG L. FULLER

SUBJECT: Update for the Cabinet on Irag and Iran

I have spoken with Don Hodel who indicates that the coordination yesterday worked well on the Iran and Iraq situation.

Don will be prepared to make brief comments. I suggest that Bud might make some brief comments on the situation in Iran and Iraq. (At this point, State is not planning to send anyone to the meeting).

Following their brief comments, the President will urge the continued close coordination that existed yesterday on this matter. Draft talking points are attached.

If you have any comments or concerns let me know.

[Note: I have not advised State that this may be discussed.]

TALKING POINTS ON IRAN AND IRAQ

--Before taking up the items on the agenda, I'd like to ask George Shultz [or Bud McFarlane] and Don Hodel to discuss briefly the Iran and Iraq situation and the implications for a disruption of energy supplies.

After their comments:

- --I want to stress the importance of careful coordination on this matter. Misstatements can quickly make things worse.
- --The coordination that occurred yesterday should serve as a model.
- --State should take the lead in assessing and commenting on the situation in Iran and Iraq.
- --Energy should have the lead in coordinating any comments on the implications an energy disruption would have here in the U.S.
- --Any other comments?
- --Return to the agenda and call on Ed Meese for the Cabinet Council on Management and Administration presentation.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 16, 1984

Dear Mr. David:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 9, 1984. I appreciate your suggestion that President Reagan send a telegram to President Hussein in honor of the National Day of the Republic of Iraq. You will be pleased to know that the President has already dispatched such a telegram.

I appreciate your offer to represent the President at the National Day Reception of the Iraqi Interests Section in Washington. However, members of the White House staff have already been scheduled to represent the President at the reception.

Sincerely,

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Robert C. McFarlane

Mr. Sargon D. David 2827 West Bryn Mawr Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60659

MSC 840 5364 Copy of Jun 1184 Robert McFarlane letter attached



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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 13, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR	ROBERT C. MCFARLANE	and the second
FROM:	HOWARD R. TEICHER HRT	
SUBJECT:	Reply to Letter from Mr. Sargor	David

Attached at Tab I is a letter for your signature in response to a letter from a Mr. Sargon David, a naturalized a U.S. citizen of Iraqi birth. Mr. David has written to you previously and is a member of the Senatorial Committee's Inner Circle. In his letter at Tab A, Mr. David suggests that the President send a telegram to President Saddam Hussein in honor of the Iraqi National Day. He also offers to represent the President at the Iraqi Interests Section's National Day Reception in Washington. Your reply thanks him for his suggestion, notes that a telegram has been sent and that White House officials will attend the reception on behalf of the President.

Recommendation

That	you	sign	the	letter	at	Tab	I.		
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Tab	I	Letter	to	Sargon	David
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July 9, 1984

The Honorable Robert C. McFarlane Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs The White House Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Mr. McFarlane:

Thank you for your letter of June 11th, in reply to my letter of May 10th.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Hamdoon of the Iraqi Interests Section to attend their National Day Reception in Washington D.C. on July 17th.

I feel at this time a telegram from President Reagan to President Saddam Hussein of Iraq will contribute to improvement and even restoring full diplomatic relations between the United States and Iraq, and will serve the best interests of both countries.

Enclosed is a suggested draft of the telegram.

I will be in touch with you or your staff by telephone concerning this before any final decision, whether to attend or send my regrets.

Sincerely yours,

Sargen D. Daniel

Sargon D. David

SDD:jt Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 11, 1984

Dear Mr. David:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 30, 1984 and your comments on my remarks before the Senatorial Committee's Inner Circle on March 26. It was my pleasure to be able to address the group.

I appreciate very much your offer of assistance to the Administration. I shall keep your offer in mind should something develop in the future. Your support of the Administration's policies is very much appreciated, and I trust we will have your continued support.

Sincerely,

Robert C. McFarlane

Mr. Sargon D. David 2827 West Bryn Mawr Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60659



On the Occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Iraq the Head of the Iraqi Interests Section and Mrs. Hamdoon request the pleasure of your company at a reception on Juesday, July 17, 1984 from seven o'clock p.m. to nine o'clock p.m. Madison Hotel Regrets Only (202) 387-0171 Dolly Madison Ballroom 15th and M Streets, N.W.

> Mr. and Mrs. Sargon D. David 5507 N. Clark Street Chicago, Ill. 60640



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July 9, 1984

The Honorable Saddam Hussein President Repbulic of Iraq Baghdad, Laq

On the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Iraq, the United States Government and American people, and I personally, would like to extend our best wishes to you, your government and people.

We pray that God will bring peace and prosperity to Iraq and the entire Middle East Region.

On the same occasion I am pleased to send Mr. Sargon David to personally represent me at the Reception hosted by your Representatives, Mr. and Mrs. Nazar Hamdoon on July 17th here in Washington.

> Ronald W. Reagan President of the United States of America

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