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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 22, 1984

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I appreciate your warm letter of May 18th recalling your visit here and the very valuable discussions we had. Your visit served admirably to reconfirm the longstanding friendship between our countries, and the shared commitment of the Thai and American people to the promotion of democratic values.

Your visit also provided a welcome opportunity to continue our dialogue on matters of mutual concern. Our exchanges, in October 1981 and again in April of this year, are splendid examples of the regular consultation with allies which I value highly.

You may be certain that we are pursuing those topics you raised in Washington, including Thailand's need for more favorable FMS repayment terms to assist your military modernization program. I hope that progress will continue on those problems in refugee matters and narcotics suppression which we discussed.

Thank you for your kind and generous words of invitation to reschedule my postponed visit to Thailand. It is my strong hope that I will be able to do so next year.

Sincerely,

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION: TO: TINSULANONDA, PREM

SOURCE. PRESIDENT

DATE: 22 JUN 84

KEYWORDS: THAILAND

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SUBJ: REPLY TO 18 MAY LTR RE VISIT

REQUIRED ACTION: FOR DISPATCH

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COMMENTS.

FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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His Excellency General Prem Tinsulanonda, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand, Bangkok. Thank you for your kind and generous words of invitation to reschedule my postponed visit to Thailand. It is my strong hope that I will be able to do this next year.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 22, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE Hope SYSTEM

SUBJECT: Response to Thai Prime Minister Prem

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Signature on a letter to Prime Minister Prem.

Facts

The Thai Prime Minister was here for an official working visit on April 13. He wrote to you on May 18 (Tab B) and we have drafted an appropriate reply (Tab A).

Discussion

The Thai Prime Minister's letter is typically warm and expresses his deep appreciation for his cordial welcome in Washington. He also emphasizes the importance of the reassurance he received here to meet the security needs of Thailand.

Recommendation

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That you sign the letter to Prem at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab APresidential Letter for SignatureTab BPrem Letter to You dated 5/18/84

Prepared by: Richard Childress

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June 27, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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Facts

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Discussion

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Recommendation

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Attachments

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Prepared by: Richard Childress

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

June 19, 1984

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM: RICHARD CHILDRESS

SUBJECT: President's Response to Thai Prime Minister

On 18 May, Prime Minister Prem wrote to the President as a follow-up to his visit to the United States. The letter was typically warm and supportive (Tab B).

State has drafted and we have reviewed the proposed response (Tab A) for the President's signature.

Gaston Signar and the speechwriters concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the memorandum at Tab I to the President.
Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum McFarlane/President Tab A Letter for Presidential Signature Tab B Prime Minister Prem Letter of 18 May 1984 Tab II State Cover Memorandum dated 6/12/84 with draft response

cc: Gaston Sigur

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: President's Response to letter from Thai Prime Minister

Attached is a letter for the President's signature responding to Prime Minister Prem's letter of May 18th. Prem had recalled his April visit and thanked the President for the attention paid to Thai security needs.

Charles Hill Executive Secretary

Attachment: Letter to Thai Prime Minister

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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DATE: 05 JUN 84

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MEMORANDUM FOR: STATE SECRETARIAT

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: PRESIDENT

SOURCE TINSULANONDA, PREM

DATE: 18 MAY 84

VISIT

KEYWORDS: THAILAND

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SUBJ: PM TINSULANONDA LTR RE 13 APR VISIT

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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER GOVERNMENT HOUSE BANGKOK, THAILAND.

18 May B.E. 2527 (1984)

Dear Mr. President,

Historical File

Upon my return to Thailand after my memorable and fruitful visit to your country, I take this opportunity to express to you my deep appreciation for the warm hospitality and cordial welcome accorded to me and my party during our stay in Washington. I am also very grateful to receive your kind words about the visit in your gracious letter of recent date.

My stay in the United States reconfirmed my belief that our two nations are indeed not only historic friends but also true allies standing together in the defense of democratic ideals.

The most reassuring aspect of my mission in Washington was to have witnessed once again the ready appreciation on your Administration's part of the nature and extent of the security threat facing Southeast Asia as well as your full understanding of Thailand's position and needs as the frontline State in this region. This had been clearly demonstrated in recent years by the consistency in your efforts to relieve the economic burden on Thailand through ensuring that the increases in FMS credit and grant levels did in fact bear some relation to the scale of the threat confronting us. Your commitment to support with Congress the extension of Thailand's repayment terms beginning in 1986 will help ease that burden even further.

As we give ourselves to the task of upgrading our defense, for which you kindly gave your express support, we will be happy to receive the high level U.S. Air Force team to present a comparative briefing on advanced fighter aircraft. We were grateful indeed to have been informed during our visit that the U.S. Administration would stand by Thailand in our eventual choice of aircraft.

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, WASHINGTON D.C.

I was particularly gratified by your generous offer to make available for early delivery forty additional M 48 A 5 tanks, which step being responsive to Thailand's immediate defense needs. While we await further information on pricing and repayment terms, you may be assured that we are working hard to accommodate the purchase in our present financial plan. Your assistance in assuring us favourable pricing and payment terms would indeed be most helpful.

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I again express the hope that your duties will permit you to reschedule your postponed visit to Thailand next year. Thank you for a very pleasant visit to your lovely country.

Sincerely yours,

General P. Jinula de

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(Prem Tinsulanonda) Prime Minister of Thailand

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I AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH PRIME MINISTEP PREM AND TO DISCUSS WITH HIM EVENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. JTHIC IS THE PRIME MINISTER'S SECOND VISIT HERE WITH ME AND ON BOTH OCCASIONS HE'S PROVIDED VALUABLE COUNSEL. I AM PARTICULARLY HAPPY TO RENEW OUR PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP, ONE THAT MIRRORS THE DEEP FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE THAI AND AMERICAN PEOPLE.

THAILAND AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE A HISTORY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION GOING BACK TO 1833, WHEN WE SIGNED THE TREATY OF AMITY AND COMMERCE. TODAY, WE TOOK OUR RELATIONSHIP ONE STEP FURTHER WITH THE SIGNING OF A SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT.

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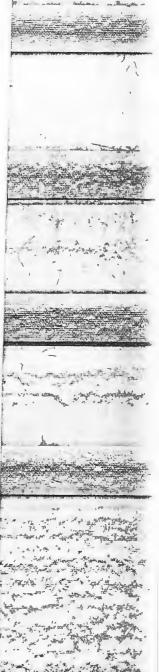
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THE 150 YEARS OF OUR RELATIONS HAVE SEEN MANY CHANGES. YET, THROUGHOUT THIS TIME, THE FUNDAMENTAL DETERMINATION OF THAI AND AMERICAN PEOPLE TO LIVE THEIR LIVES IN FREEDOM IS UNCHANGED. WHATEVER OUR DIFFERENCES OF CLIMATE OR CULTURE, IN OUR LOVE OF LIBERTY WE ARE THE SAME. THIS IS THE UNCHANGING BASIS OF OUR FRIENDSHIP. THE ECONOMIC VITALITY FOUND IN THAILAND IS SOMETHING ELSE WITH WHICH AMERICANS IDENTIFY. AMERICAN INVESTORS AND TRADERS ARE PROUD OF THE PART THEY ARE ABLE TO PLAY IN THAILAND'S GROWTH. WORKING TOGETHER, AMERICANS AND THAIS ARE BUILDING A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR BOTH OUR PEOPLES.

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PRIME MINISTER PREM WILL RETURN TO HIS COUNTRY CONFIDENT IN OUR FRIENDSHIP AND ASSURED THAT AMERICA'S COMMITMENTS REMAIN SOUND AND SOLID. AS TREATY ALLIES OF THE MANILA PACT, THE UNITED STATES FULLY APPRECIATES THE SITUATION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, AND THAILAND'S KEY ROLE IN ASEAN'S EFFORT TO PROMOTE PEACE AND STABILITY IN THAT VITAL AREA. IN RESPONSE TO THAILAND'S IMMEDIATE SECURITY REQUIREMENTS, I AM HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL MAKE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY A SIZABLE NUMBER OF M-48 TANKS. WE ALSO WILL REQUEST THE CONGRESS TO EXTEND THE REPAYMENT TERMS OF OUR SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND.

HIGH-LEVEL DEFENSE CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE, WE WILL DISCUSS THAILAND'S OVERALL DEFENSE NEEDS, INCLUDING ITS REQUIREMENT FOR ADVANCED AIRCRAFT, SOMETHING WE FULLY SUPPORT THE ADMINISTRATION WILL CONFER WITH THE CONGRESS ON THESE DEFENSE MATTERS AS APPROPRIATE.



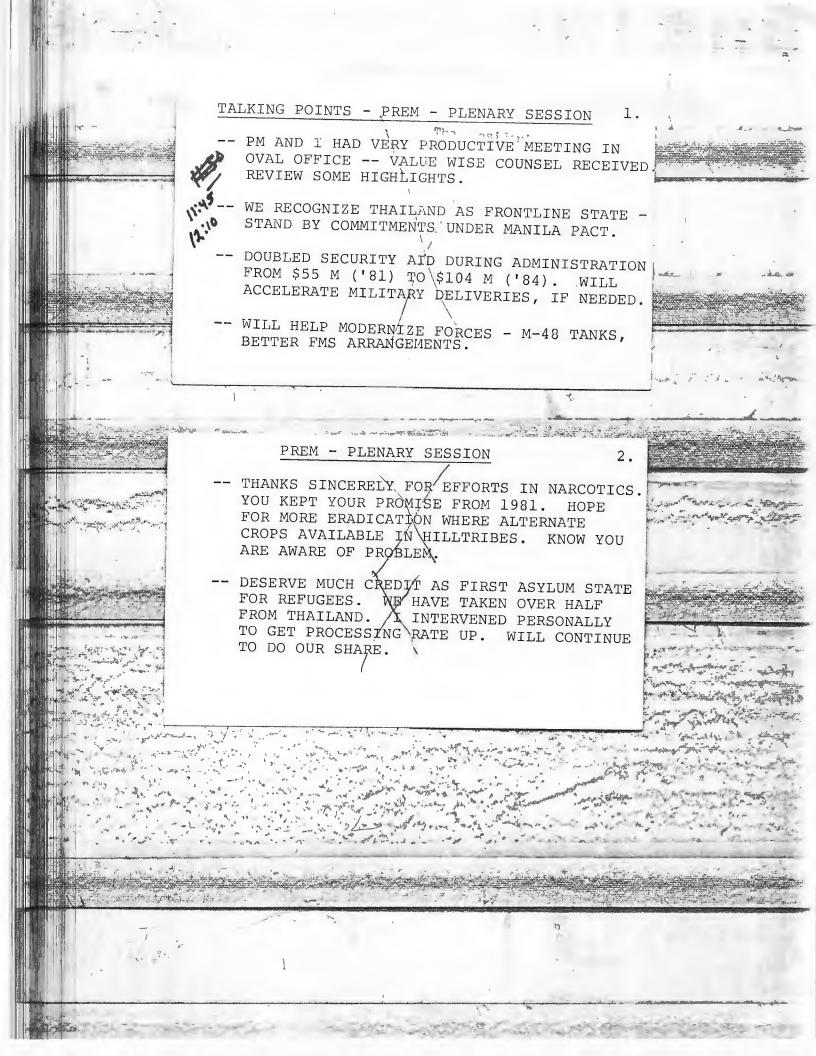
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THAILAND TODAY WILL BE CELEBRATING, BY THE OLD LUNAR CALENDAR, THE BEGINNING OF THE <u>NEW YEAR.</u> MAY I WISH YOU, MR. PRIME MINISTER, AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF THAILAND, A VERY FINE (SAWN-KRAWN) HOLIDAY, AND FOR ALL THE THAI PEOPLE, PROSPERITY, HEALTH, AND PEACE.

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WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE HAD YOU AS OUR GUEST.

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(Rohrabacher/BE) April 11, 1984 5:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRIME MINISTER PREM TINSULANONDA OF THAILAND FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 1984

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I am delighted to have this opportunity to exchange views with Prime Minister Prem and to discuss with him events in Southeast Asia and in other parts of the world. This is the Prime Minister's second visit here with me and on both occasions he's provided valuable counsel. I am particularly happy to renew our personal relationship, one that mirrors the deep friendship between the Thai and American people.

Thailand and the United States have a history of friendship and cooperation going back to 1883, when we signed the Treaty of Amity and Commerce. Today, we took our relationship one step further with the signing of a science and technology agreement.

The 150 years of our relations have seen many changes. Yet, throughout this time, the fundamental determination of Thai and American people to live their lives in freedom is unchanged. Whatever our differences of climate or culture, in our love of liberty we are the same. This is the unchanging basis of our friendship.

The economic vitality found in Thailand is something else with which Americans identify. American investors and traders are proud of the part they are able to play in Thailand's growth. Working together, Americans and Thais are building a better quality of life for both our peoples.

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Prime Minister Prem will return to his country confident in our friendship and assured that America's commitments remain sound and solid.

As treaty allies of the Manila Pact, the United States fully appreciates the situation in Southeast Asia, and Thailand's key role in ASEAN's effort to promote peace and stability in that vital area. In response to Thailand's immediate security requirements, I am happy to announce that the United States will make available immediately a sizable number of M-48 tanks. We also will request the Congress to extend the repayment terms of our security assistance to Thailand.

High-level defense consultations between our countries will continue. We will discuss Thailand's overall defense needs, including its requirement for advanced aircraft, something we fully support. The Administration will confer with the Congress on these defense matters as appropriate.

Thailand today will be celebrating, by the old lunar calendar, the beginning of the new year. May I wish you, Mr. Prime Minister, and all of the people of Thailand, a very fine Songkran [sawn-KRAWN] holiday, and for all the Thai people, prosperity, health, and peace.

We are pleased to have had you as our guest.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Thai Prime Minister's Letter to the President

Prime Minister Prem, who will visit the President on April 13th, has written thanking the President for his invitation and conveying his acceptance of it. No reply to this letter is required.

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Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Thai Prime Minister's Letter to the President

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ROYAL THAI EMBASSY WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008

March 21, 1984

Excellency,

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No. 495 /2527

I have the honor to transmit a letter from His Excellency the Prime Minister of Thailand to the President of the United States, in response to the President's invitation for the Prime Minister to pay an official working visit to Washington. I would be most grateful if the letter is promptly forwarded to the high destination.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

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Kasem S. Kasemsri Ambassador

His Excellency George P. Shultz Secretary of State Department of State Washington, D.C.

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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER GOVERNMENT HOUSE BANGKOK, THAILAND.

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Dear Mr. President,

I have received your gracious letter with much appreciation. I have also had the honour to convey Mrs. Reagan's and your own greetings and New Year wishes to Their Majesties the King and Queen of Thailand.

I wish to thank you, Mr. President, for your kind invitation for me to pay an official working visit to Washington during my planned visit to Canada and Europe in April; it is my great pleasure to accept this invitation.

I look forward very much to the opportunity of renewing our personal acquaintance, and of exchanging views on matters of mutual interests and concern. I feel confident that this visit will serve to strengthen further the close relationship between our two countries and peoples.

With my best wishes for Mrs. Reagan's and your own good health, happiness and success, I remain.

Yours sincerely,

General P. Lincola

(Prem Tinsulanonda) Prime Minister of Thailand

The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States of America, The White House, WASHINGTON D.C.

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United States Department of State

March 26, 1984

Washington, D.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

Subject: Alerting NSC on Presidential Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan from Prem Tinsulanonda, Prime Minister of Thailand. which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat Information Management Section on March 26, 1984.

Director// S/S-I Information Management Section Executive Secretariat ext. 23836



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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER GOVERNMENT HOUSE BANGKOK, THAILAND.

> The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States of America, The White House,

WASHINGTON D.C.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ROBERT MCFARLANE

FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. 46

SUBJ: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

MEETING: Time reserved for working visit of Prime Minister Prem of Thailand: 11:00 am - 30 min - briefing for visit - Oval Office

11:30 am - 45 min - meeting - Oval Office/Cabinet Room
12:15 pm - 75 min - luncheon - Residence
1:30 pm - 10 min - departure statements - Diplo. Entrance

April 13, 1984

- TIME: As shown
- DURATION: As shown
- LOCATION: As shown

REMARKS REQUIRED: Yes

MEDIA COVERAGE: Coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: NO

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MEMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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January 3, 1984

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

RECEIVEL TO: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR, DIRECTOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING

ROBERT M. KIMMITT Boy FROM:

Working Visit - Prime Minister Prem of Thailand. **REQUEST:**

Reaffirm close US-Thai relations; reassure the PURPOSE: Thai of US security commitment; offset any negative effects in ASEAN due to postponement of the President's trip.

BACKGROUND: Prime Minister Prem will be traveling to Canada April 9-12 and to Denmark on April 16. The Thai have been the most understanding of the necessity for the President cancelling his visit to Southeast Asia late last year. In addition, they have been forthcoming on a number of sensitive requests despite a general turndown from us on increased FMS levels or better terms. Thailand is the "frontline state" in ASEAN and a working visit with Prem, combined with the Mahathir visit in January, provides us the "breathing room" required because of our postponement of the President's previously scheduled travel.

PREVIOUS October 1981 (working visit). **PARTICIPATION:**

April 13-15. (Prem could probably be persuaded DATE AND TIME: to leave Thailand on April 7, so April 8 for Washington visit is also possible.)

Oval Office/Cabinet Room/Working Lunch. LOCATION:

Standard Cabinet participation. **PARTICIPANTS:**

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Standard working visit.

To follow. REMARKS REQUIRED:

Normal press plan for working visit MEDIA COVERAGE:

Robert C. McFarlane, State, DOD. **RECOMMENDED BY:**

OPPOSED BY: None.

Robert M. Kimmitt/Richard T. Childress **PROJECT OFFICER:**

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THE WITTE HOUSE

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Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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I appreciate your warm letter of May 18th recalling your visit here and the very valuable discussions we had. Your visit served admirably to reconfirm the longstanding friendship between our countries, and the shared commitment of the Thai and American people to the promotion of democratic values.

Your visit also provided a welcome opportunity to continue our dialogue on matters of mutual concern. Our exchanges, in October 1981 and again in April of this year, are splendid examples of the regular consultation with allies which I value highly.

You may be certain that we are pursuing those topics you raised in Washington, including Thailand's need for more favorable FMS repayment terms to assist your military modernization program. I hope that progress will continue on those problems in refugee matters and narcotics suppression which we discussed.

Thank you for your kind and generous words of invitation to reschedule my postponed visit to Thailand. It is my strong hope that I will be able to do so next year.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

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His Excellency General Prem Tinsulanonda Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand Bangkok

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