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WASHINGTON

March 17, 1983

The Honorable William Webster Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice 10th and Constitution Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Webster:

I am pleased that you will be able to join the President on March 28 and to speak to the coalition of anti-pornography leaders.

You are scheduled for fifteen minutes, which would include time for questions from participants. The meeting will be chaired by Mrs. Whittlesey.

Enclosed are the following items:

- 1. Agenda of the meeting.
- 2. List of the President's invitees.
- 3. A letter and packet of information for you sent by Father Morton Hill, who is the prime mover behind this coalition.

I look forward to meeting with you on March 28.

Sincerely,

Morton C. Block

Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Enclosure

WASHINGTON

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PRESIDENTIAL MEETING WITH ANTI-PORNOGRAPHY COALITION

Cabinet Room March 28, 1983 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

# AGENDA:

2:30	The Honorable William von Raab, Commissioner of Customs
2:45	The Honorable William F. Bolger, Postmaster General
3:00	The Honorable William Webster, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
3:15	The Honorable William French Smith, Attorney General
3:30	President Ronald Reagan

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Dear Judge Webster:

President Reagan, as you know, has graciously agreed to meet with various national leaders on the matter of the expanding criminal traffic in pornography and the need for vigorous enforcement of Federal obscenity laws.

We are deeply grateful for the Administration's concern about this traffic and its effects on our society, for it is a matter of grave concern to the majority of the American people.

Prior to the meeting with the President, we have been invited to meet with the heads of the enforcement agencies involved: Department of Justice, Customs Service, the Postal Service, and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In the view of those of us who met at the White House last summer to discuss the need for enforcement, the only way a policy of vigorous enforcement can be accomplished is by the coordinated forceful action of those charged with responsibility in the enforcement agencies. It seems clear that the Administration seeks an end to the lethargy and lax enforcement of the Federal obscenity laws that have persisted over the past several years.

For purposes of your information and response in this matter, we attach six specific recommendations for your consideration. We list the roadblocks and handcuffs of policy that have defeated meaningful enforcement of the Federal statutes. (Also attached is a brochure prepared for last July's meeting at the White House.) Letters similar to this are being sent to the heads of the other enforcement agencies since a coordinated effort is obviously needed.

In fact, we make one further overall recommendation, and that is that a coordinator be appointed in each of the three agencies, working with an overall coordinator in the Department of Justice.

Our presentation to you is made, after careful research and reflection, with the utmost sincerity and in a spirit of eager cooperation. We have no doubt that you will receive them in the same spirit and relate them to the correction of this threat to the common welfare.

Sincerely & Gratefully, Mnr X. Hel Morton A. Hill, S.J.

MAH:kl Attachments 475 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10115-(212) 870-3222

inc.

# March 14, 1983

LAWRENCE WELK MAH:

Suggestions for Implementation of Policy of Vigorous Enforcement of the Obscenity Laws for the Honorable William H. Webster, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

1. The perception in the F.B.I. offices, as reflected in the enclosed brochure, that the United States Attorneys will not prosecute any violation of the Federal obscenity laws unless child pornography is involved needs to be reversed. Our first recommendation is that the memorandum of the Honorable William French Smith of October 4, 1982, plus any further clarification from the Justice Department, should be circulated to every F.B.I. office.

2. We suggest that at present there are very few agents assigned full time to investigation of violations of the Federal obscenity laws. We recommend a full time agent in each of the 59 F.B.I. offices.

3. There has been a marked decline in obscenity investigations by the F.B.I. as evidenced by the chart attached which shows a drop in F.B.I. investigations of obscenity cases every year since 1978. Our third recommendation is that the cause of this decline be investigated, and corrective measures be taken.

4. The F.B.I. has published a Manual entitled "Techniques In Pornography Investigations" which, while a valuable document, has not been updated in many years. Our fourth recommendation is that this work be updated, republished and distributed to all F.B.I. offices.

The United States Attorneys' Manual Section 5. 9-75.610 entitled "Commercial Films" reads as follows:

> "Because of the increasingly pervasive dissemination, for commercial exhibition, of films which may be considered 'hard core' pornography, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at the request of the Criminal Division, has instituted a continuing review of all 'X-Rated' films being commercially distributed and exhibited. If, upon viewing such films being exhibited in local theaters, a Bureau agent reports that a film depicts explicit sexual conduct which appears to have been included in the production solely or primarily for the purpose of appealing to prurient interests, the Bureau has been advised to pursue necessary investigation to establish that the film was transported in interstate commerce, and to identify the person responsible for the shipment and those who accepted delivery. Upon development of such evidence, the Bureau will present the matter of matter to the United States Attorney for prosecutive evaluation.

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"It is urged that wherever the description of the film indicates that it is obscene under the definition set forth in Miller v. California, 413 U.S. 15 (1973), prosecutive action be considered..."

It is our belief that this procedure, authorized by Justice, is not being followed by the F.B.I. We asked an agent, supposedly charged with being an obscenity specialist in a large metropolitan city, if the procedure is being followed; and he indicated that he had never heard of the directive.

Our fifth recommendation, therefore, is that all F.B.I. offices be notified to follow this directive.

6. Finally we propose that Seminars for assigned F.B.I. agents be conducted at the F.B.I. Academy or in Washington to sharpen investigative techniques and methods of making an obscenity case, including training in legal and constitutional aspects. We would be pleased to cooperate in that endeavor by providing names of potential lecturers who have proven expertise in these fields.

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Weshington, D.C. 20535

# July 14, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Lisenbee 825 West End Avenue New York, New York 10025 the state of the

Dear Mr. Lisenbee:

This is in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests you have recently directed to numerous FBI Field Offices. In your letters you ask for information, subdivided into five categories, relevant to the investigation and prosecution of obscenity matters pursuant to Title 18, Sections 1461-1465, United States Code, for the years 1978 through 1982.

These five categories of information are not retrievable through a search of the indices to the FBI ce scal records system .: While the FOIA requires the Governme:.. to prepare for release copies of records identified by a reque ter, it does not require a Governmental agency to compile statistical data unless such information is maintained as reasonably retrievable agency records.

As a matter of discretion; the determination was and one was hade to compile, in response to your requests, certain statis-in statistical data not retrievable through a search of the central records system. This information includes the approximate number of obscenity matters investigated by the FBI and the number of convictions resultant from these investigations. For your information the majority of invaligations and convictions relate to Title 18, Sections 1462 and 1465, United States Code. In almost all instances investigations concerning Sections 1461 and 1463 of Title 18 are the jurisdiction of INA CONTRACTOR INSTRACTION OF TRANSFORTOWS, United States Postal Authorities.

Mr. Kenneth Lisenbee

The statistical data being furnished to you is broken down by fiscal year as follows:

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This letter incorporates by reference each of your individual inquiries to our Field Offices concerning the investigation and prosecution of obscenity matters. It is intended as a final response to each of those requests for information.

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Sincerely years, - U. 4

James K. Hall, Chief Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts Section Records Management Division -

WASHINGTON

March 22, 1983

Dear Mr. Maddoux,

Thank you for your letter, the tapes and the books. After listening to the tape, I agree with you that the response from your listeners was excellent.

If I can be of any help to you or your organization in the future, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Morton C. Blackwall

Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Mr. Marlin Maddoux International Reach Out Ministries P.O. Box 344726 Dallas, TX 75234

washington March 29, 1983

Dr. Robert L. Grete, Director Rocky Bayou Christian School 2102 North Partin Drive Niceville, FL 32578

Dear Dr. Grete:

It was a delight to have you and your Teen PAC here for a briefing last week. Per our agreement, following are the people who briefed you:

MOrton Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

William Barr Deputy Assistant Director for Legal Policy

Mrs. Dee Jepsen Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Mrs. Anne Higgins Special Assistant to the President and Director of Correspondence

The address for each of them is:

The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carolyn B. Sundseth Assistant to Mr. Blackwell

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1983

Dear Mr. Kemer:

Well, yours is a novel approach.

Your March 10 threatening letter demanding a job is the first of this nature I have received.

You need not bother informing Lew Lehrman of my response. I will send him copies of your letter and my reply.

The Office of Public Liaison is the President's means of facilitating communications with groups in society. We are a small staff and not equipped to handle individual case work or personnel matters.

If you are seriously interested in an appointive Federal job, you should contact the White House Office of Personnel. However, if you write that office in the same vein, you are highly unlikely to achieve your purpose.

Sincerely,

Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Mr. Eric Kemer 335 W. 51st St. New York, N.Y. 10019

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1983

Dr. Dale U. von Rosenberg 6036 Del Norte Lane Dallas, Texas 75225

Dear Dale:

How nice to hear from you after so long a time.

I well remember your help in financing my trip to a Young Republican leadership conference in Washington, D. C. in 1962. Last week I attended my 20th annual YR leadership training conference in this series. I have attended each year except 1968 when I was an injured passenger in a serious automobile accident en route to this training program.

In many ways that first political trip to Washington, D. C. was my launching in serious politics. I have no doubt that this is the best course I could have taken in life.

I have often thanked Ned Borie, Mildred Anderson, and others for helping me get started, and I am pleased to have an opportunity now to thank you. Attached is a current resume which, better than I could express in a letter, will chart the path I have taken.

Again thanks. Please drop by to see me when you are in town.

Cordially,

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Enclosure

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1983

Mr. James G. Knox, President Kaylien P. O. Box N Santee, CA 92071

Dear Mr. Knox:

This is in response to your letter of March 4 to the President regarding Dr. Fred Schwarz and the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade.

Please know that many of us on the President's staff are well acquainted with Dr. Schwarz and his good work. For instance, recently two of the President's speech writers, including Tony Dolan, the Chief Speech Writer, and I hosted Dr. Schwarz for lunch here at the White House. He is a great man.

We have no indication that Dr. SChwarz has any interest in Federal employment as you suggested. If he did, I would be pleased to try to be of assistance. You should know, however, that his books are often referred to in our discussions here and his newsletters are received here and circulated to many.

I enclose for you a copy of the President's recent speech to the National Assocation of Evangelicals at their meeting in Orlando, Florida. Don't you agree with me that the President's views are compatible with those of Dr. Schwarz?

Cordially,

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Enclosure

WASHINGTON

### April 7, 1983

Dear Jim,

You are being unfairly pilloried for your decision with respect to the July 4th celebration on the Mall.

In 1981 my wife, my son and I were jostled, pushed and shoved around the streets of D.C. by an unruly throng of drunken July 4th "celebrants after the fireworks display. Your decision means that families wishing to participate on the Mall this year will have more to appreciate and less to fear.

The federal government has no obligation to fund and host a bacchanal. In fact, you have a duty to avoid having our national Independence Day observance lose its traditional character and degenerate into an annual Woodstock on the Potomac.

By altering the scheduled entertainment, you have sent a message to the rock, swig, and snort set: "This is a familyoriented, patriotic celebration."

From our family: Thank you.

Cordially,

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Hon. James Watt Secretary, Department of the Interior 18th and C st. NW Washington, D.C. 24200

WASHINGTON

#### April 21, 1983

Mr. Richard J. Gallant Military Order of the Purple Heart 5413-B Backlick Rd. Springfield, Virginia 22151

Dear Dick:

Thank you for sending me the material from Congressman Bob Edgar regarding the future of the Veterans Administration.

The suggestion that we would move to disband the Veterans Administration is absurd.

I can assure you that no one at the White House suggested to Mr. Peter Grace's "Cost Control" group that they should operate on any premise that would involve disbanding the VA.

To the contrary, the President is firmly committed to a strong VA, one which will continue to provide benefits and high quality service to our nation's veterans.

The President has repeatedly assured veterans leaders as well as his appointees at the VA of the high priority he places on the services being rendered by the VA.

Again, thank you for calling Congressman Edgar's press release to my attention.

Cordially,

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President

WASHINGTON

Mr. Jeffrey St. John Roanoke Station Randolph, Virginia 23962

Dear Jeffrey:

Thank you for your letter of December 25 regarding Headlines and History. Sorry it took so long to get out this reply.

You do wonderful revisionist work. From the samples you sent, in one week you resanctified Lee by association with Washington, you put in a plug for bombing Hanoi, you placed blame for the War Between the States on Yankee impatience, you credited Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation with lengthening the slaughter of the War, and you demonstrated that both President Wilson and President Roosevelt were sick in the head when they made fateful decisions for our country.

I don't know whether we can get a letter to you from the President regarding <u>Headlines</u> and <u>History</u> but I have sent your letter to a friend at Presidential Correspondence for a reply.

With respect to your suggestion for preparing a series of 1983 dates for the President to use in his speeches, I wll also forward your letter and attachments to our friend Tony Dolan, the chief speech writer for the President. I think the idea has merit

I will let you know about the letter from the President, or you should check in a few days with Tony Dolan to get his further thoughts.

Sincerely,

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

cc: Tony Dolan

WASHINGTON

# April 21, 1983

Colonel Samuel T. Dickens New World Dynamics 499 S. Capitol St. Suite 406 Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Sam:

Thank you very much for sending me the lists of pro-defense organizations. I am sure they will be very useful to us.

As to your proposal for a conference, I do not believe we are currently able to turn over such a project to any outside organization. Please call me and lets discuss this further.

Cordially,

Maton

Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President

WASHINGTON

#### April 22, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

MORTON C. BLACKWELL

FROM

SUBJECT: Production of Condensed, Pro-Defense Info.

I had a very good meeting this morning with Mary McConnell who was sent over by the Department of Defense in response to your request.

She is a very bright person. She has agreed to prepare for me by next Tuesday a one or two page document on the nature of soviet military power with an emphasis on the offensive nature of the soviet build up in the last year and a half.

She is one of the Secretary's principal speech writers; she is also, it turns out, the wife of Mike McConnell who is the assistant to Mike Horowitz at OMB.

Mrs. McConnell also agreed to supply us in the following week similarly marketable pieces on the defense budget and the nuclear freeze.

I think she is a real "find". We may have here a reliable source of useable material.

# WASHINGTON May 3, 1983

Dear Rabbi Sochet,

I appreciated hearing about your forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union. It will surely be a very meaningful experience for you and your disciples, Rabbis Henry Kugelman and Moshe Berman, to make this pilgrimage to the gravesites of your ancestors in Medziboz and Berdicov.

As a descendant of the Holocaust survivors, you will surely find beautiful this moment of reunification with your great heritage.

I wish you all the success in you future endeavors.

Cordially,

Morton C. Blockwell

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Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Rabbi Boruch Sochet 1672 47th St. Brooklyn, NY 11204

WASHINGTON

May 27, 1983

The Honorable Margaret Heckler, Secretary DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Suite #615F-HHH Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Secretary Heckler:

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Peter B. Gemma, Jr., of the National Pro-Life Political Action Committee. I encouraged him to let me know your response to his request for a meeting. He now tells me that your schedulers have not been able to set up a meeting per his request.

Because the President has made so many excellent steps in this area, I think it would be possible to have a very productive and cordial meeting with these leaders. Since the writing of Gemma's letter, there have been personnel changes in some of the organizations he listed so it would be appropriate to suggest that he revise the listing of participants. I would urge you to have your staff contact Mr. Gemma to set up a meeting.

Cordially,

Morta C. Black

MORTON C. BLACKWELL Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

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1 Attachment a/s

(703) 536-7650

March 28, 1983

101 Park Washington Court

Falls Church, VA 22046

**Political Action Committee** 

Mr. Morton C. Blackwell OEOB Room 191 The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Pro-Life

Dear Morton:

National

I appreciate your assistance in helping us to arrange a meeting with Secretary Heckler. I have attatched a copy of the letter we sent to the Secretary last Friday.

Besides you and myself, I would suggest some of the following people as possibilities for the meeting:

> Steve Galebach (Office of Policy Development) Gary Curran (American Life Lobby) John Mackey (Ad Hoc Committee in Defense of Life) Doug Johnson or Dick Glasow (National Right to Life Committee) Steven Valentine (Americans United for Life)

Of course, any others you think should attend this meeting is fine with me.

Thanks once again for all your help.

Cordially,

Peter B. Gemma, Jr. Treasurer

Alternatives to Abortions International (OH) Herbert J. Ratner, M.D. Editor, Child & Family Quarterly (IL) Francis P. Fillee, Ph.D. Biologist, University of San Francisco (CA)

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John Finn, Jr. Business Executive (CA) Titles for identification only

Enclosure

A copy of our report is on file and may be purchased from the Federal Election Commission, Washington, D.C.

†Deceased

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**Pro-Life** / Political Action Committee

101 Park Washington Court Falls Church, VA 22046

(703) 536-7650

March 25, 1983

The Honorable Margeret Heckler Secretary of Health and Human Services Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Madam Secretary:

Congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Although we had a brief opportunity to speak with you at the White House on January 21, I thought it would be beneficial if you would be willing to meet with leaders of the pro-life movement again.

There are many areas of the department you now control which critically affect the right to life issue. A more in depth discussion of these critical areas may be useful to all of us trying to protect the unborn.

We would certainly appreciate it if we could arrange with your office a meeting between yourself, your chief deputy, Jack Svahn, and possibly six or seven other pro-life leaders.

We look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Cordially,

Peter B. Gemma, Jr. Executive Director

cc: Morton C. Blackwell

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John Flan, Jr. Business Executive (CA)

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A copy of our report is on file and may be purchased from the Federal Election Commission, Washington, D.C. May 25, 1983

Dear Mr. Lockie:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter and the handcrafted teapot which Mrs. Lockie presented to Morton Blackwell for me. I am grateful for the support that prompted your gift and led you to share with me your inspirational story.

I commend you for your spirit of independence and determination to succeed in your new venture. I hope you will continue to do well.

My best wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

# RONALD REAGAN

Mr. David Lockie 317 Lindley Place Bozeman, Montana 59715

os: Morton Blackwell

RR:CMF:MP:RCH:rks

WASHINGTON

May 27, 1983

Ms. Judy Shreve, Director COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS ASSOCIATION 5641 Burke Centre Parkway Burke, Virginia 22015

Dear Judy:

Frank has requested that we add you to our list of people for appropriate meetings and mailings. I am happy to do so.

We do not send out regular mailings from our office. From time to time, however, we do send out mailings, primarily Presidential documents. We do have briefings from time to time, and I will be sure you are included in appropriate ones.

Cordially,

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MORTON C. BLACKWELL Special Assisant to the President for Public Liaison

MCB: jet

cc: The Honorable Frank R. Wolf, M.C. The Honorable John F. Scruggs

# WASHINGTON

May 16, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MORTON BLACKWELL

FROM:

JOHN F. SCRUGGS

SUBJECT:

Attached request from Congressman Frank Wolf (R-VA)

I am taking the liberty of forwarding Congressman Frank Wolf's request for his constituent, Ms. Judy Shreve, to be placed on your mailing list for those individuals working in the defense field. My staff assistant, Anne Chesser, recently spoke with Ed Crowell of your office regarding the request -- at which time he advised that such requests are considered individually. This being the case, I would appreciate it if your office could notify me when a decision has been reached on whether or not Ms. Shreve should be included in your distribution list. Congressman Wolf has also contacted me personally in Ms. Shreve's behalf, and she would like a written confirmation of any action regarding her request.

Thank you for your attention in this matter, and if you have further questions, please phone my office on extension 7030. FRANK R. WOLF

WASHINGTON OFFICE: 130 CANNON BUILDING WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515 (202) 225-5136

CONSTITUENT SERVICES OFFICES: 1651 OLD MEADOW RD.

> SUITE 115 MCLEAN, VIRGINIA 22102 (703) 734-1500

19 E. MARKET ST. ROOM 4B LEESBURG, VIRGINIA 22075 (703) 777-4422 Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, P.C. 20515

May 20, 1983

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Mr. John F. Scruggs
Special Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear John:

This is to follow up on my letter of May 11 to you on behalf of Ms. Judy Shreve, a friend and constituent, who is Director, Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA), 5641 Burke Centre Parkway, Burke, Virginia 22015.

The address cited in my May 11 letter to you was incorrect, and I would appreciate your assistance in making this address change.

AFCEA serves as the government, military and industry bridge for command, control, communications and intelligence, and Ms. Shreve would very much like to be placed on an appropriate list to be notified of White House briefings by DoD and others on matters related to defense communications.

Thank you for your help in channeling this request in the proper direction as I want to be of every possible assistance to Ms. Shreve.

Sincerely, Con Dens How High rank R. Wolf Member of Congress

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ADTH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON OFFICE: 130 CANNON BUILDING WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515 (202) 225-5136

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Mr. John F. Scruggs Special Assistant to the President . for Legislative Affairs The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear John:

I am writing on behalf of Ms. Judy Shreve, a friend and constituent, who is Director, Publications and Public Relations for the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA), 5205 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church 22041 (telephone 425-8578).

AFCEA serves as the government, military and industry bridge for command, control, communications and intelligence, and Ms. Shreve would very much like to be placed on an appropriate list to be notified of White House briefings by DoD and others on matters related to defense communications.

I would very much appreciate your channeling this request in the proper direction as I want to be of every possible assistance to Ms. Shreve.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely, A state of the sta 

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Frank R. Wolf Member of Congress

# WASHINGTON

March 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:	FAITH WHITTLESEY
THRU:	M. B. OGLESBY, JR.
FROM:	JOHN F. SCRUGGS
SUBJECT:	Addition to Distribution List

Congressman Frank Wolf (R-VA) has requested that the following association be put on your list of recipients for material distributed from your office, as well as possible invitees to attend future briefings regarding Administration policy developments:

> Ms. Judy Shreve Armed Forces Communication and Electronics Association 5641 Burke Center Parkway Burke, Virginia 20015

425-8578

Thank you for your assistance.

WASHINGTON May 31, 1983

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN (Ret.) 1500 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, Virginia 22209

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

Thank you for your letter of May 18th and your very fine article on Central America.

As I told you earlier by telephone, Mrs. Faith Ryan Whittlesey, Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, is chairing an "Outreach Working Group on Central America." The purpose of these meetings is to discuss White House policy in regard to this strategically important area in order to frame those policies and concerns in such a manner as to enlist the support of outside constituent groups.

I am glad you are willing to participate and am hopeful that you will be able to attend these meetings on a regular basis. Your expertise and input will be extremely valuable.

I regret that you will not be able to attend the meeting on Wednesday, June 1. The meetings are held each Wednesday afternoon in Room #194, OEOB at 2:30 p.m.

So we can clear you into the building, please have your assistant call my office (456-2657) to let us know when you can attend.

Sincerely,

Winter C. Blackwell

MORTON C. BLACKWELL Special Assitant to the President for Public Liaison

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E. R. ZUMWALT, JR. ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY (RET.)

18 May 1983

Mr. Morton Blackwell Special Assistant to the President The White House Room 191 Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

I am looking forward to receiving the reference material on Central America. I attach a copy of a recent column which I co-authored on the subject.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,

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E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.

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Attachment

FOR SUBSCRIBERS ONLY THE ZUMWALT/BAGLEY COLUMN For release on or after Sunday, May 8, 1983 LET'S TELL IT LIKE IT IS

By Elmo R. Zumwalt and Worth H. Bagley

Freedom of speech was established many years ago as a fundamental right of American society. Our founding fathers recognized the importance of providing for a frew press as a means of keeping the public informed on matters that might affect the "common good." At that time, accuracy in the press was not a concern of the framers of the Constitution. For in going from famine to feast in regard to restrictions on a free press, the focus was on the right to publish rather than on the content of that which was put into print.

Our founding fathers could never have envisioned it at the time, but the problem that would plague us over 200 years later would be one of qualitative rather than quantitative exposure to a free press. A free press is invaluable to the preservation of a democracy. However, a free press that fails to police itself to ensure that a high standard of responsible journalism is maintained diminishes its value to those it supposedly serves.

Constrained by time demands on a daily basis, the average American today relies on one or more of three sources of news information to keep him/her apprised of world developments: newspapers/magazines, radio and television. The American public has a great deal of confidence that the news presented to it via these media will be factual. Where a subject discussed demands expertise, it is expected that the reporter possesses the necessary expertise or has consulted appropriate experts prior to presenting such news in a factual context. Unfortunately, as we have seen on numerous occasions over the past few years, this is not always the case.

Although no topic for discussion appears to be spared from such inaccurate reporting, nowhere does it occur with more frequency nor is the result more damaging then in the areas of national defense and foreign policy. Take, for example, a recent article entitled "Putting Out Fires" by syndicated columnist Joseph Kraft. In that article, which attacks President Reagan's position on Central America, Mr. Kraft states in part:

"Central America, by itself, is far down on any list of priorities. The countries between Mexico and Panama are tiny in size and population, void of strategic materials and remote from important sealanes. The assertion by U.N. Ambassador Jean Kirkpatrick that the United States has a moral stake in the area is only another way of stating it doesn't have a political or strategic stake."

An elementary appreciation of geography and the need to move our naval vessels between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans would lead one to surmise that the Panama Canal, located within the geographic areas delineated by Mr. Kraft, is not "remote from important sealanes" nor is it without strategic importance to the United States.

Additionally, an emergence of a series of anti-US governments in Central America would also affect the flow of our refined oil from the Middle East. A substantial amount of our Mideast oil is refined in the Caribbean. Unfriendly governments in Central America could provide a base from which these important oil refinery sealanes could be easily interdicted.

Finally, the domino theory, which so many anit-Vietnam War supporters scoffed at for so many years but which has now become a reality in Southeast Asia, is just as appropo in Central America. What started as an isolated insurgency in Nicaragua has spread to El Salvador, is already spreading to Honduras and Guatemala, and is showing signs of spreading to Costa Rica. It would not take long for such a movement to reach Mexico. It would be disconcerting, to say the least, to have rebellion flaring up on our southern border, watching the recently discovered vast Mexican oil reserves fall under the control of what,

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undoubtedly, would be an unfriendly government.

Thus, contrary to Mr. Kraft's statement, such facts as the military significance of the Panama Canal and the history of alleged "isolated insurgencies" underscore the stragetic importance of Central America to the United States.

For the American public to make an independent decision on matters effecting the "common good," it must be educated on facts, not fiction. The reporting of news is an important aspect of that education. However, inaccuracy in news reporting taints the entire learning process. Therefore, let's tell it like it is or not tell it at all. (c) 1983, Los Angeles Times syndicate