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TR/23-01

WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD)

85/04/26

Name of Correspondent: Harry Cohen

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: re P's trip to Germany

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June 11, 1985

Dear Mr. Cohen:

Thank you very much for your kind message and generous words. I am truly grateful and particularly so for your approval of my recent visit to West Germany. I felt from the start that I was doing the morally right thing, and feel that even more so now that the trip is over. Your message strengthens my conviction.

Sincerely,

A

Mr. Harry Cohen
949 West End Avenue
New York, New York 10025

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April 26, 1985

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President Ronald Reagan
White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I think it is time that an American President visited both a Nazi Jewish Annihilation Camp and German WW II veterans cemetery and made notes that would be helpful for the present and future from the dreadful past.

In a book by Elie Wiesel, *The Jews of Silence*, A Personal Report on Soviet Jewry, he notes that the Soviet Union doesn't have any memorials to Jewish victims of Nazism. In fact no cemeteries, just thrown into great ravines by native pogrom thugs under the direction of Nazis. No gravestones, according to the "Babi Yar" poem by Y. Yevtushenko.

Lucy S. Dawidowicz in her scholarly work, *The War Against the Jews*, lists 5,933,900 Jews annihilated by the Nazis (67% of all European Jews). In the Polish killing ground alone, 3 million Jews (90% of all Polish Jews) were slaughtered by many anti-semites under the direction of the Nazis. In the Baltic countries, White Russia, Ukraine and Russia (RSFSR) 1,480,000 Jews (48% of total Jews) slaughtered by native thugs under the direction of the Nazis. Yet the silence of the American Media is deafening when the Soviet Union will not give one memorial to the Jewish holocaust that took place on its territory (partially occupied) by Stalin's erstwhile partner Hitler. According

to Davidowicz, Hitler gave Stalin 77,000 square miles and kept only 73,000 miles for himself--part of the real estate sections of the Stalin-Hitler Non-Aggression Pact in August 1939.

Of course, when Stalin tried to pressure Hitler after getting 40 territories a bunch of more pieces like Turkey, Bulgaria, etc. that started a real explosion.

The Allies have never received any thanks from Stalin for officially warning him of Hitler's coming invasion as early as April 1939. In fact our "free" world media has been silently deafening too in its special sensitivity to the Soviet Union.

Perhaps 40-50 million Europeans and Americans died as a direct result of the real estate sections of the Hitler-Stalin pact and aborted accelerated "closing" by Uncle Joe.

I have tried, but in vain, by writing to the publishers of the New York Times and Time magazine since 1983 to print the actual Communist-Nazi "Non-Aggression" Pact which started World War II and Hitler's Reich surviving partner has not stopped with holocausts and with ^{M, L} Quislings in Afghanistan, Vietnam, Nica, Cuba, etc. ^R ETHIOPIA.

Please visit Japan and our State Department should tell how FDR "persuaded" Stalin to end his Friendship Pact with the Japan Military by "giving" him territory, including that of a loyal ally, China that fought millions of Japanese military--their occupation for 14 years, plus half of Korea and not to mention pieces of a small country like Japan to this day.

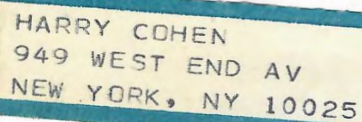
Even the budget problem is a direct result of the Communist-Nazi Non-Aggression Pact and the Communist Japanese military clique "Friendship" Pact and FDR's vain abject bribery of Stalin.

The cemeteries and death camps are as appropriate as any place to tell the story of Communist-Nazi Division of the World.

Maybe Senator Dole will find out why he still bears wounds and his many comrades didn't come back.

Godspeed. Americans, like all humans, are sometimes very slow learners, but I hope it isn't too late to start.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Harry Cohen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H" and a long, sweeping underline.A rectangular address label with a yellow background and a blue border. The text is printed in black, uppercase letters. A vertical line is drawn on the right side of the label.

HARRY COHEN
949 WEST END AV
NEW YORK, NY 10025

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WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 85/04/22

Name of Correspondent: Joan Smigoiki

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Pro-Pres' Trip to Germany

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June 13, 1985

Dear Mrs. Smigocki:

Thank you very much for your kind message and generous words. I am truly grateful and particularly so for your approval of my recent visit to West Germany. I felt from the start that I was doing the morally right thing, and feel that even more so now that the trip is over. Your message strengthens my conviction.

Sincerely, rd
RONALD REAGAN

Mrs. Joan Smigocki
3712 Astoria Road
Kensington, Maryland 20895

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April 22, 1985

Dear President Reagan,

I heard a testimony on radio this week that may be of some help to you.

The lady's name is Rose Price. She was ten years old when she was interned in a concentration camp. She was filled with hatred for those who brutalized her and her people. She thought they were Christians.

She came to America after the war, married and had children. When her one daughter came home to tell her she believed that Jesus was the Jewish Messiah she was enraged. She threw her out of the house.

Her husband was sent to speak to the Jewish believers with whom the daughter was staying and he prayed to receive his Messiah.

When yet another daughter believed in Jesus she was so furious she beat her up.

She later became a believer herself. In Germany she spoke at a meeting, several

former S S guards were in the audience. One asked her forgiveness, he said I believe I was the guard who beat you. She forgave him. He later said it was the first time he had a peaceful sleep in twenty six years. Praise God that he tells us to forgive. Thank you for trying to restore broken relationships.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Joan Smigocki
3712 Astoria Rd.
Kennington, Md.
20895

P.S. If you are interested in getting in touch with Mrs Price. Call Stan Telchin. Pastor of Living Word Fellowship.

493-5880 (He also is Jewish, his daughter believed in Jesus and he set out to prove she was wrong by taking off 9 months to study the scriptures. He is now a Pastor. He wrote his testimony in a book entitled "Betrayed"

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Subject: Pres trip to Bitburg

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133 Sisson Street
East Hartford, Ct 06118
April 27, 1985

PATRICK J. BUCHANAN
Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

On April 24, 1985, I forwarded a letter to Mr. Buchanan
with an enclosure, a letter to President Reagan.

I saw a need to make minor changes and the enclosed
copy is a revised copy.

Sorry.

Very truly yours,


John R. Marquis

Enclosure:

A letter to President Reagan.

133 Sisson Street
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April 24, 1985

THE PRESIDENT
White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Without the graves of Nazi SS troopers in the military cemetery at Bitburg, Germany, or a visit to a death camp, the President of the United States of America's trip to the Federal Republic of Germany would be meaningless.

In the United States, a person is innocent until proven guilty. If a person is found guilty that person has an identity. Jews and other people have identified Nazi SS troopers as responsible for the Holocaust. Some of the graves in Bitburg contain the bodies of SS troopers. They have an identity. The President of the United States of America will be identifying the SS, not honoring them.

Some people possess beauty and others are ugly. Some are good and others are evil. On the street of any community, I recognize beauty and ugliness, but I am unable to identify the people who are good from those who are evil. In the cemetery, the President will know that soldiers of the Waffen SS were the evil Germans. It must be recognized, however, that some are guilty of crimes and others may not be.

My mother planted roses so she could relax and appreciate beauty. But she also planted ugly flowers. For without ugliness, she knew that she would be living in an unreal world, a world without God.

In the Bitburg cemetery are the graves of good and evil Germans, and flowers. The President will be in a real environment, in the world of good and evil, of beauty and ugliness and of God.

At the former Bergen-Belsen concentration camp, the President will be in an emotional environment. But the world will know that the President of the United States of America had accepted at Bitburg cemetery the SS as guilty of killing 6,000,000 Jews. And in the hearts of people and understanding President will live.

It is unhealthy for a nation to have the deeds of its murderers remain over the heads of its innocent people.

The Office of the Presidency is the highest honor that the citizens of the United States of America bestows upon another citizen. Mr. Reagan respects that honor and the American people.

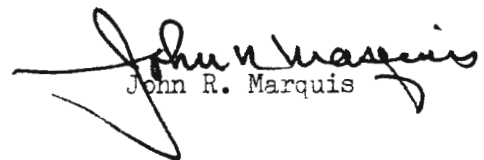
As the President, he is aware that the time has come for the United States of America and its people to respect the Federal Republic of Germany and its good people and their contributions to human rights, to human freedom, to humanity.

My mother use to say: "When I have the wisdom to respect people, then I know that God is in my heart."

I respect the President of the United States of America.

The Bitburg military cemetary and the former Bergan-Belsen concentration camp are on German soil where the United States of America will recognize good friends and people, identify murderers and be aware of their victims who were accepted by God.

Very truly yours,


John R. Marquis

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Subject: Protests President's intention to visit German Cemetery

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S/S # 8513933

DATE MAY 28 1985

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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

REFERENCE:

TO: President Reagan FROM: Chicago Ethnic Labor
Coalition
DATE: April 24, 1985 SUBJECT: President Reagan's
Visit to Germany

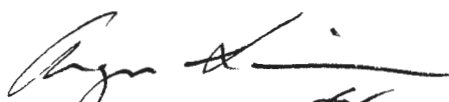
WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: 5/7/85 NSC # 313536

THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION TAKEN:

- A draft reply is attached
- A draft reply will be forwarded
- A translation is attached
- An information copy of a direct reply is attached
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below
- Other

REMARKS:


Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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WHITE HOUSE
SITUATION ROOM



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 23, 1985

Chicago Ethnic Labor Coalition
c/o Jewish Labor Committee
54 West Randolph Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Dear Concerned Americans:

I am replying to your April 24 telegram to President Reagan regarding his trip to the Federal Republic of Germany.

During his visit, the President made absolutely clear the revulsion all Americans feel for the horrors committed in the name of the German state before and during World War II, and our determination not to forget them. His itinerary included a ceremony at the site of the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp to pay homage to those who perished at the hands of the Nazis. As he said on the April 21 anniversary of the liberation of that camp and again during his own visit, "There can and should be no absolution."

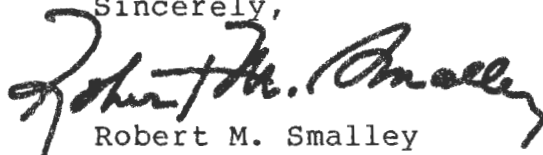
President Reagan strongly believes, as part of our efforts to learn from the experiences of this dark era, we must not reject opportunities for reconciliation. In this spirit, he was asked by Chancellor Kohl, and accepted the invitation, to visit a German military cemetery in Bitburg.

For four decades, the Federal Republic of Germany has faced up to the guilt and responsibilities of its Nazi past. It has demonstrated concretely in countless ways its commitment to democratic ideals and human rights, including standing shoulder to shoulder with us in the Alliance in defense of freedom. The President's trip to Bitburg included a visit to the large Bitburg Air Base, which houses members of both the U.S. and German Air Forces.

It is important to demonstrate, particularly to the younger generation in Germany, that although we continue to hold the nation responsible for its past, we do not consider them to bear individual responsibility for the crimes of Nazism. The President did not consider his appearance at Bitburg to represent an act of forgiveness for those crimes. Rather, it was an acknowledgment of the democratic society the German people have built. He considered this to be a positive gesture which in no way detracted from his full and

heartfelt commitment to remember and honor the victims of the Holocaust and the American soldiers who gave their lives to defeat the Nazi regime and its crimes.

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Robert M. Smalley
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Public Affairs

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

REFERRAL

MAY 7, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 313536

MEDIA: TELEGRAM, DATED APRIL 24, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

CHICAGO ETHNIC LABOR COALITION
C/O JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE
54 WEST RANDOLPH STREET
CHICAGO IL 60601SUBJECT: PROTESTS PRESIDENT'S INTENTION TO VISIT
GERMAN CEMETARYPROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE
(OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSESALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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*David Knight
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FMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON D. C.

THE CHICAGO ETHNIC LABOR COALITION PROTESTS YOUR INTENTION TO VISIT
A GERMAN CEMETERY AND THUS HONOR THE BURIAL SITE OF THOSE WHO
COMMITTED ATROCITIES AGAINST AMERICANS AND PEOPLE OF THEIR OWN
AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: *Earl Hodge*

FROM: MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Information

Action

*Since the work
put on Am. of Am. Trip
Could you determine
let's for possible
State jurisdiction. Thank*

HARRY PRINZ, ENGINEER

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April 16, 1985

Deputy White House Chief of Staff
Michael Deaver
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Washington D.C. / U.S.A.

313702

RE: The upcoming visit of the
President of the United States of America
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Dear Mr. Deaver:

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Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 8, 1985

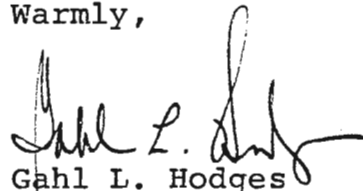
Dear Mr. Prinz,

I would like to take this occasion to acknowledge your letter of April 16 to Mr. Deaver suggesting a possible concert by Mr. Franz Lambert.

Unfortunately, by the time your letter was written, the schedule for The President and Mrs. Reagan was very much tied down and did not permit time for a performance by Mr. Lambert. We would, however, like to thank you and Mr. Lambert for the interest you showed. The President and Mrs. Reagan would have very much enjoyed a musical interlude somewhere during their hectic schedule.

We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Warmly,



Gahl L. Hodges
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2 May 1985

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MEMORANDUM TO: Paul M. Weyrich
FROM: Joyce Thomann *Joyce* ✓
SUBJECT: Bitburg - An Opportunity Lost.

It seems to me that again the conservatives have allowed the liberals to take command of an issue.

Had President Reagan ONLY visited a concentration/death camp during the Economic Summit Conference, some printing ink unquestionably would have been used to extoll that visit as a reminder to everyone of the horrors of the Holocaust. But it is the Bitburg visit which had galvanized the world's attention on the German atrocities in a manner that far transcends the focus that would have occurred had the President simply visited a death camp. Only a fool would say that the same amount of attention and printing ink would have been used had it not been for the visit to Bitburg.

The collective shudder of the world has occurred BECAUSE the President is visiting Bitburg. Auschwitz and Bitburg form the two sides of the same coin - man's ability to debase himself, to sink to the sub-human level.

Note (If we, as conservatives, espouse protecting the rights of the victims, then we must rivet attention on the criminals and their crimes. The Bitburg visit clearly has riveted world attention on the criminals in such a manner as to again re-remind us poignantly of the victims. *MANNER*

But if the world is to collectively learn anything, it must learn to bury its baseness. Those who lie in Bitburg have already had to stand the final judgment. Considering the magnitude of their atrocities, I believe that has been far more horrible than anything this world could exact.

Let us not forget, however, that for all those living today who were alive during World War II, the judgment of Auschwitz and Bitburg is ours as well. Collectively, as a world, Jew and Gentile stood by and mainly shook our collective heads in disbelief.

If we are to ask forgiveness for our comfortable complacency, our slowness to believe that man could perpetrate such horrors upon man in "our enlightened time," then let us learn to bury our baseness and work together for the future of mankind. The Auschwitz' and Bitburgs should both stand as a terrible admonition to the world to remember!

In my view, President Reagan has shown a courageousness which has not been seen in our political leaders for nearly five decades. He has stood on principle. Had world leaders stood on principle 40 years ago there would have been no death camps and the hurricane which blows across the graves of Bitburg today would only be a gentle breeze rustling the grasses between the tombstones of the fallen warriors.

For those in the White House who are in charge of communicating ideas and ideals, why have they allowed this opportunity to be lost?

JV



Office of the Republican Leader
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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WILLIAM F. GAVIN

Special Assistant to
Rep. Robert H. Michel
The Republican Leader

Pat —
Now you know
who you're real
friends are, ↓
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CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — HOUSE

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution. *PL 001-02*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida [Mr. FASCELL] that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 130), on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 390, nays 26, answered "present" 10, not voting 7, as follows:

[Roll No. 84]
YEAS—390

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Chappie
Cheney
Clay
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Coats
Cobey
Coble
Coelho
Coleman (MO)
Coleman (TX)
Collins
Combest
Conte
Conyers
Cooper
Coughlin
Courter
Coyne
Craig
Crockett
Daniel
Dannemeyer
Darden
Daschle
Daub
Davis
de la Garza
DeLay
Dellums
Derrick
DeWine
Dickinson
Dicks
Dingell
DioGuardi
Dixon
Donnelly
Dorgan (ND)
Dornan (CA)
Dowdy
Downey
Dreier
Duncan
Durbin
Dwyer
Dymally
Dyson
Early
Eckart (OH)
Eckert (NY)
Edgar
Edwards (CA)
Emerson
English
Erdreich
Evans (IA)
Evans (IL)
Fascell
Fawell
Fazio
Feighan
Fiedler
Fields
Fish
Flippo
Florio
Foglietta
Foley
Ford (MI)
Ford (TN)
Fowler
Frank
Franklin
Frenzel
Frost
Fuqua
Gallo
Garcia
Gaydos
Gejdenson
Gekas
Gephardt
Gibbons
Gilman
Gingrich
Glickman
Gonzalez
Goodling
Gordon
Gradison
Gray (IL)
Gray (PA)
Green
Gregg
Grotberg
Guarini
Gunderson

Hall (OH)
Hall, Sam
Hamilton
Hammerschmidt
Hansen
Hartnett
Hatcher
Hawkins
Hayes
Hefner
Heftef
Hendon
Henry
Hertel
Hiler
Hillis
Holt
Hopkins
Horton
Howard
Hoyer
Hubbard
Hughes
Hunter
Hutto
Hyde
Ireland
Jacobs
Jeffords
Jenkins
Johnson
Jones (NC)
Jones (OK)
Jones (TN)
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kasich
Kastenmeier
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Kennelly
Kildee
Kindness
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Kolbe
Kolter
Kostmayer
Kramer
LaFalce
Lagomarsino
Lantos
Latta
Leach (IA)
Leath (TX)
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Lloyd
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MacKay
Madigan
Manton
Markey
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Martin (IL)
Martin (NY)
Martinez
Matsui
Mavroules
Mazzoli
McCain
McCandless
McCollum
McCurdy
McDade
McEwen
McGrath
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McKernan
McKinney
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Oxley
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Parris
Pashayan
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Penny
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Perkins
Petri
Pickle
Porter
Price
Pursell
Quillen
Rahall
Rangel
Ray
Regula
Reid
Richardson
Ridge
Rinaldo
Ritter
Roberts
Robinson
Rodino
Roe
Roemer
Rogers
Rose
Rostenkowski
Roth
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Rowland (CT)
Rowland (GA)
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Russo
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Savage
Saxton
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Scheuer
Schneider
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Schulze
Schumer
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Sensenbrenner
Sharp
Shaw
Shelby
Shunway
Shuster
Sikorski
Siljander
Sisisky
Skeen
Skelton
Slattery
Slaughter
Smith (FL)
Smith (IA)

Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith, Denny
Smith, Robert
Snowe
Snyder
Solarez
Solomon
Spence
Spratt
St Germain
Staggers
Stallings
Stangeland
Stark
Stenholm
Stokes
Strang
Stratton
Studds
Stump
Sundquist
Sweeney
Swift

Swindall
Synar
Tallon
Tauke
Tauzin
Taylor
Thomas (CA)
Thomas (GA)
Torres
Torricelli
Towns
Traficant
Traxler
Valentine
Vander Jagt
Vento
Visclosky
Volkmer
Vucanovich
Walgren
Walker
Watkins
Waxman
Weber

NAYS—4
Hall, Ralph
Smith (NH)

NOT VOTING—5
Huckaby
Udall
Weaver

□ 1650

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate concurrent resolution, as amended, was concurred in.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 150, as previously passed by the House, and that my own remarks appear in the RECORD just prior to this vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. OBEY). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Mississippi?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5, rule I, the Chair announces that he will reduce to a minimum of 5 minutes the period of time within which a vote by electronic device may be taken on the additional motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.

SENSE OF CONGRESS WITH RESPECT TO PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IN MAY 1985 //

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 130).

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Addabbo
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Alexander
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Andrews
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Applegate
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Bedell
Beilenson
Bennett
Bentley
Bereuter
Bernan
Bevill
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Bilirakis
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Boggs
Boland
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Bonior (MI)
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Boucher
Boxer
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Brooks
Broomfield
Brown (CA)
Brown (CO)
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Bruce
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Burton (CA)
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Coleman (TX)
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Crockett
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English
Erdreich
Evans (IA)
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Fawell
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Florio
Foglietta
Foley
Ford (MI)
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Gray (IL)
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Hall (OH)
Hall, Ralph
Hall, Sam
Hamilton
Hammerschmidt
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Hawkins
Hayes
Hefner
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Hendon
Henry
Hertel

Hopkins
Horton
Howard
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Martin (IL)
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Martinez
Matsui
Mavroules
Mazzoli
McCain
McCollum
McCurdy
McDade
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Miller (WA)	Robinson	Stark
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Montgomery	Roth	Sweeney
Moody	Roukema	Swift
Moore	Rowland (CT)	Swindall
Moorhead	Rowland (GA)	Synar
Morrison (CT)	Roybal	Tallon
Morrison (WA)	Rudd	Tauke
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Murphy	Sabo	Thomas (CA)
Murtha	Savage	Thomas (GA)
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Neal	Schaefer	Torrice
Nelson	Scheuer	Towns
Nichols	Schneider	Trafficant
Nowak	Schroeder	Traxler
O'Brien	Schuette	Valentine
Oakar	Schulze	Vento
Oberstar	Schumer	Visclosky
Obey	Sensenbrenner	Volkmer
Olin	Sharp	Walgren
Ortiz	Shaw	Walker
Owens	Shelby	Watkins
Packard	Shuster	Waxman
Panetta	Sikorski	Weber
Parris	Siljander	Weiss
Pashayan	Sisisky	Wheat
Pease	Skeen	Whitehurst
Penny	Skelton	Whitley
Pepper	Slattery	Whittaker
Perkins	Slaughter	Whitten
Pickle	Smith (FL)	Williams
Porter	Smith (IA)	Wilson
Price	Smith (NE)	Wirth
Pursell	Smith (NH)	Wise
Quillen	Smith (NJ)	Wolf
Rahall	Smith, Robert	Wolpe
Rangel	Snowe	Wortley
Ray	Soliarz	Wright
Regula	Solomon	Wyden
Reid	Spence	Yates
Richardson	Spratt	Yatron
Ridge	St Germain	Young (AK)
Rinaldo	Staggers	Young (FL)
Ritter	Stallings	Young (MO)
Roberts	Stangeland	Zschau

NAYS—26

Army	Hansen	Myers
Badham	Hartnett	Nielson
Barton	Hillis	Petri
Boulter	Holt	Shumway
Burton (IN)	Hyde	Smith, Denny
Crane	Jeffords	Stump
Dannemeyer	Kindness	Vucanovich
DeLay	Michel	Wylie
Gregg	Miller (OH)	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—10

Bateman	Hiler	Snyder
DeWine	Latta	Taylor
Dickinson	McCandless	
Fields	Oxley	

NOT VOTING—7

Edwards (OK)	Seiberling	Weaver
Fiedler	Udall	
Huckaby	Vander Jagt	

□ 1700

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof), the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE ON BITBURG CONTROVERSY

● Mr. McCANDLESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the President's scheduled trip to Europe, including his planned visit to the cemetery in Bitburg, Germany.

One by one I have watched my colleagues and other Americans denounce

the President's decision to make the visit to a wartime cemetery containing the graves of 2,000 German soldiers, including 49 members of the Waffen SS.

As a veteran of World War II, I hold the Nazis and the Holocaust with the same loathing and revulsion as all those who oppose the trip to the cemetery.

But I also see the President's trip as an opportunity, 40 long years later, to heal the wounds between our people and the Germans. I view his trip as courageous and farsighted. The President will not be saluting dead Nazis. He will be saluting live, free Germans, who have denounced the terrible sins of Hitler. He is a President who is strong enough to make the proper, though extremely difficult, symbolic gesture in surroundings that frankly acknowledge the past, and look forward to the future.

The President's visit is not an American exoneration of the German people. They need no exoneration from us, as they have exonerated themselves. After the war, they set about becoming strong American allies. In the face of fierce domestic opposition, Chancellor Kohl accepted the placement of our Pershing missiles. His nation stands guard against another terrible enemy—rampant communism, as insidious a killer as the Nazis. Only the techniques vary, and the Communist's target is every free person worldwide.

Germans have paid the price of world shame for 40 years. I believe it's time we put the past to rest. We can remember, but not make Germany relive it day after day. The time for reconciliation is now, and I believe we are fortunate to have a strong President who sees his duty, and is prepared to do it. ●

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE—RESOLUTION DIRECTING COMMITTEE ON RULES TO UNDERTAKE INVESTIGATION CONCERNING PROXY VOTING

Mr. DAUB. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of privilege under rule IX of the House rules, and I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 151).

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. OBEY). The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 151

Whereas, Rule XI(2)(f) of the House of Representatives authorizes committees to adopt rules which allow voting by proxy;

Whereas, the practice of voting by proxy is contrary to the principles of representative democracy and create an aura of secrecy in legislative proceedings, where none should exist in a truly representative body;

Whereas, voting by proxy increases the possibility and incidences of inaccurate representations of individual Members' votes thereby impairing, the individual rights and duties of Members of the House of Representatives in their representative capacity.

Whereas, such inaccuracies further infringe upon the integrity of the legislative process and the accuracy of official House records and documents. Now, therefore, be it.

Resolved, That the House Committee on Rules shall:

- (1) Undertake an investigation concerning the matter of proxy voting;
- (2) Determine whether procedures including, but not limited to, eliminating proxy voting should be established and
- (3) Report back to the House within 45 legislative days with recommendations on how to ensure the accuracy of official House records and documents, and ensure the integrity of House committees.

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. FOLEY

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, I move to lay the resolution on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to lay on the table the resolution offered by the gentleman from Washington [Mr. FOLEY].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. DAUB. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 231, nays 187, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 85]

YEAS—231

Ackerman	Dorgan (ND)	Kaptur
Addabbo	Dowdy	Kennelly
Akaka	Downey	Kildee
Alexander	Durbin	Kleczka
Anderson	Dwyer	Kolter
Andrews	Dymally	Kostmayer
Annunzio	Dyson	LaFalce
Anthony	Early	Lantos
Applegate	Eckart (OH)	Lehman (CA)
Aspin	Edwards (CA)	Lehman (FL)
Atkins	English	Leland
AuCoin	Erdreich	Levin (MI)
Barnard	Evans (IL)	Livine (CA)
Barnes	Fascell	Lipinski
Bates	Fazio	Lloyd
Beilenson	Feighan	Long
Bennett	Flippo	Lowry (WA)
Bereuter	Florio	Lukens
Berman	Foglietta	Lundine
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Subject: Urges President to reconsider visit to German military cemetery

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DATE JUN 3 1985

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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

REFERENCE:

TO: Faith Whittlesey FROM: Mr. Christopher Michejda
DATE: April 18, 1985 SUBJECT: President's trip to
Germany

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: May 9, 1985 NSC # 313900

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REMARKS:


Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary



May 28, 1985

Mr. Christopher Michejda, President
Friends of Solidarity
Box 2244, Hoya Station
Georgetown University
Washington, D.C. 20057

Dear Mr. Michejda:

I am replying to your April 17 letter to President Reagan, sent through Faith Whittlesey, regarding his trip to the Federal Republic of Germany.

During his visit, the President made absolutely clear the revulsion all Americans feel for the horrors committed in the name of the German state before and during World War II, and our determination not to forget them. His itinerary included a ceremony at the site of the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp to pay homage to those who perished at the hands of the Nazis. As he said on the April 21 anniversary of the liberation of that camp and again during his own visit, "There can and should be no absolution."

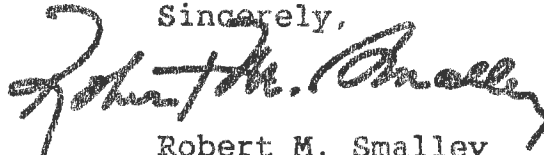
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Robert M. Smalley
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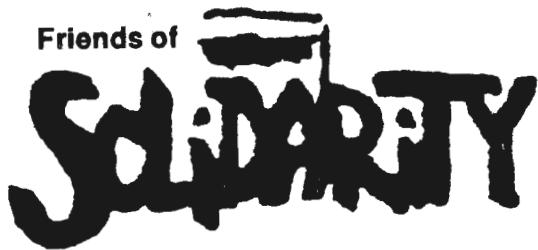
FROM: MR. CHRISTOPHER MICHEJDA
PRESIDENT
SOLIDARITY, INC.
BOX 2244, HOYA STATION
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
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BOX 2244, HOYA STATION, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20057

313900

April 18, 1985

Mrs. Faith Whittlesey
Assistant to the President for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Whittlesey:

It would be greatly appreciated if you could pass along this note to the President. We find ourselves in a difficult position for we are usually very supportive of the President. In this matter however, it appears that he was grossly ill advised.

Thank you for all your help over the years and I wish you good fortune in your new assignment.

Sincerely Yours,

Chris Michejda
President



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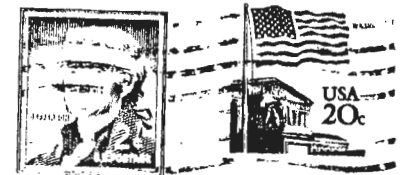
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Mrs. Faith Whittlesey
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Name of Correspondent: Andrew S. Ehrenkrentz

MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Urges President to reconsider visit to German military cemetery

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TRANSMITTAL FORM

FOR: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
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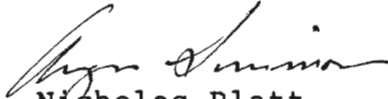
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 24, 1985

Mr. Andrew S. Ehrenkreutz
Chairman, Executive Committee
Stadium Spraw Polskich
P.O. Box 4391
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106

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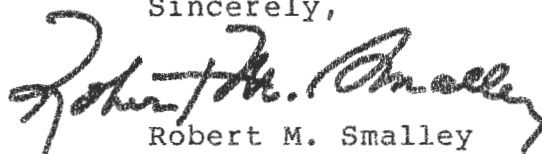
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MAY 9, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 313902

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED APRIL 15, 1985

TO: FAITH WHITTLESEY

FROM: MR. ANDREW S. EHRENKREUTZ
CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STUDIUM SPRAW POLSKICH
POST OFFICE BOX 4391
ANN ARBOR MI 48106

SUBJECT: URGES PRESIDENT TO RECONSIDER VISIT TO
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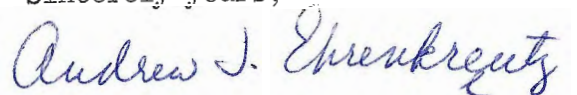
April 15, 1985

Ambassador Faith Whittlesey
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20050

Madame Ambassador:

Kindly convey the enclosed letter to the attention of the President.

Sincerely yours,



Andrew S. Ehrenkreutz

Enclosure

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April 15, 1985

The President
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20050

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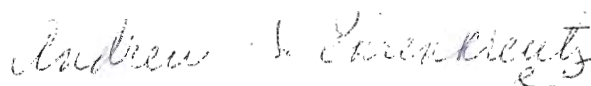
As supporters of your policy and admirers of your courage and wisdom, we beg you to reconsider your decision not to pay tribute to victims of Nazism in the Dachau concentration camp but, instead, to visit a German cemetery in Bittburg where many soldiers of dreaded Himmler's SS Divisions are buried. These two decisions are loaded with a symbolism which may deal a fatal blow to your image not just among surviving victims of Nazi crimes but among all those nations where the fight against Hitler's tyranny drew the heavy price of blood.

Our homeland, Poland, lost six million people, mostly civilians, to the premeditated murder of Hitler's German supporters. As Christians we believe in reconciliation with former enemies. The past cannot be changed, but for the sake of the future it should not be forgotten. The memory of those who died and the grief of their children deserves your respect.

As Americans of Polish extraction we are also sensitive to the tragedy of many others who were persecuted by the Nazis. More than three million Jews, citizens of Poland, suffered dreadful death in the Nazi extermination camps. The visit of Pope John Paul II, a son of Poland, in Aushwitz did not offend the feelings of those Germans who have broken with the crimes of their predecessors and want to build a new, democratic Germany.

Reconsideration of your decision will win you even greater respect in America as well as in those countries of Europe which suffered under the Nazi yoke and are now victims of yet another criminal tyranny.

Respectfully yours,



Andrew S. Ehrenkreutz
Chairman
Executive Committee

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 11, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR PATRICK BUCHANAN, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: ROBERT R. REILLY *RR*

SUBJECT: Possible European Press Interview for the President in May

Mike Leeden has very highly recommended that the President give an exclusive interview to Josef von Ferenczy while he is visiting Germany this May. Ferenczy runs a news service in Germany which reaches 50+ of the better papers. If such an interview would be possible, Mike would serve as the contact point in setting up contact with von Ferenczy. Mike's number is 654-0558.