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July 23, 1986

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PHOTO OPPORTUNITY FOR JACQUES CHABAN-DELMAS

DATE: July 25, 1986
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 10:50 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.
FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER RBM
for

I. PURPOSE

To provide photo opportunity for key French Conservative with strong pro-U.S. sympathies.

II. BACKGROUND

Jacques Chaban-Delmas, President of the French National Assembly (Parliament) and former Prime Minister, is a leader in the resurgence of conservatism and pro-American sympathies in France. He is a strong supporter of NATO and a fierce anti-Communist. Widely-respected across the political spectrum, the 71-year old Chaban-Delmas has been a close friend of President Mitterrand for over 40 years (both were prominent in the resistance movement) and now works closely with PM Chirac in pushing conservative legislation through the Assembly. He is playing a key role in Chirac's efforts to reverse the nationalization of major industries and banks that took place shortly after the Socialists took power in 1981. You may wish to commend his support for privatization of the French economy and note our own Private Sector Initiatives Program.

Chaban will want to inform you that the "cohabitation" of Socialist President Mitterrand and Conservative PM Chirac is working well, and to stress that Franco-American ties have never been stronger. He may also seek your views on the Soviet-American relationship. Like Mitterrand, he believes the Soviet economy is in a state of distress and that Gorbachev, therefore, sincerely wishes to reestablish a "detente" relationship with the U.S. and to reach an arms control accord.

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III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Donald T. Regan
John M. Poindexter
Jack F. Matlock, Jr.
Tyrus W. Cobb, NSC

Jacques Chaban-Delmas, President of the French National
Assembly
Emmanuel deMargerie, French Ambassador to the United States

IV. PRESS PLAN

No press. White House photographer available.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Photo opportunity followed by meeting in Oval Office.

Attachment
Tab A Suggested Talking Points

Prepared by:
Tyrus W. Cobb

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cc Vice President
Don Regan

TALKING POINTS

-- Welcome, Mr. President. Understand you are no stranger here. Have met with all Presidents since Ike.

-- Pleased to welcome long-time friend of U.S., staunch conservative. Know you are playing key role in promoting pro-American feeling in France, and in pushing legislation to privatize key industries/banks. That is key to economic resurgence. Proud of my Private Sector Initiatives program. As you know plans are underway for international conference in Paris on this.

-- French "cohabitation" seems to be working well. Your views?

-- Prospects good for improved Soviet-American relations. As I told Mitterrand, we are prepared for deep, verifiable reductions of nuclear weapons, but will not accept any linkage to French and British systems. I am preparing letter to Gorbachev with specific proposals. Believe Soviet economic condition gives Gorbachev incentive to seek more stable relationship. If he is willing, we are too.

-- (If raised). Cooperation on counterterrorism improving. Terrorists must be brought to justice. Must avoid deals on hostages.

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July 23, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: TYRUS W. COBB *TC*

SUBJECT: President's Meeting With Chaban-Delmas,
July 25, 1986, 10:50 a.m.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the Tab I memo to the President for his photo-op with Jacques Chaban-Delmas.

Approve *h* 7-23 Disapprove _____

All concur. *TC*

Jack Matlock, Peter Sommer, and Frank Lavin concur.

Attachments

- Tab I Memo to the President
- Tab A Suggested Talking Points

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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7/21/86

MEMORANDUM

TO: JOHN POINDEXTER

FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. *FJR*

SUBJECT: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

MEETING: Photo with French National Assembly President
Jacques Chaban-Delmas

DATE: July 25, 1986

TIME: 10:50 am

DURATION: 5 minutes

LOCATION: Oval Office

BACKUP LOCATION:

REMARKS REQUIRED: To be covered in briefing paper

MEDIA COVERAGE: If any, coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY
PARTICIPATION: No

NOTE: PROJECT OFFICER, SEE ATTACHED CHECKLIST

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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TO: FREDERICK J. RYAN, Director
Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

FROM: RODNEY B. McDANIEL *Bob for*

REQUEST: Photo opportunity for French National
Assembly President Jacques Chaban-Delmas

PURPOSE: To provide opportunity for key French
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to meet the President.

BACKGROUND: Chaban-Delmas, a prominent resistance fighter
and former PM, is a leader in the resurgence
of conservatism in France. He is a valued
friend of America and a key player in the
French "cohabitation" government.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: None

DATE & TIME: July 25, 1986

LOCATION: Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS: The President, George P. Shultz,
Donald T. Regan, John M. Poindexter,
and Jacques Chaban-Delmas

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Photo-Op

REMARKS REQUIRED: NSC will provide.

MEDIA COVERAGE: White House photographer

RECOMMENDED BY: Secretary of State George Shultz, Ambassador
Joe M. Rodgers, John M. Poindexter

OPPOSED BY: None

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REMARKS REQUIRED: To be covered in briefing paper

MEDIA COVERAGE: If any, coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: No

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MEDIA COVERAGE: White House photographer

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OPPOSED BY: None

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July 16, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: TYRUS W. COBB *Res for*

SUBJECT: Request for Presidential Photo-Op for National
Assembly President Jacques Chaban-Delmas

RECOMMENDATION

That you authorize Rod McDaniel to sign the Tab I schedule
proposal.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Frank L. Lavin

Frank Lavin concurs.

Attachments

Tab I Schedule Proposal

Tab II Incoming State Request

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 10, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR VADM JOHN M. POINDEXTER
 THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A PHOTO-OP WITH THE PRESIDENT
 BY FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT
 JACQUES CHABAN-DELMAS

Jacques Chaban-Delmas, President of the French National Assembly and consequently the fourth ranking person in the French Government, has requested a photo-op with the President for Wednesday, July 23 or the morning of Thursday, July 24. Ambassador Rodgers strongly endorses this request, as does the Department of State. We understand that Ambassador Rodgers has also raised his interest in a photo-op directly with White House and NSC staff.

Chaban was Prime Minister under President Pompidou and ran unsuccessfully as the Gaullist candidate for President in 1974. While not a likely contender for President or Prime Minister, Chaban has strong ties to Prime Minister Chirac. He is influential with the right and remains a key player in French politics. He is also a valued friend of the United States. Chaban holds a central position as National Assembly President.

Chaban views a photo-op with the President as the keystone of the visit.

Nicholas Platt
 Executive Secretary

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DATE RECEIVED: MAY 19, 1986

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. PETER W. NAUERT

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE STRONG EMERGING SUPPORT
HE FEELS THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS TOWARD THE
UNITED STATES AND OUR PEOPLE

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Date June 24, 1986

For: VADM John M. Poindexter
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Mr. Peter W. Nauert

Date: May 7, 1986 Subject: Writes regarding strong emergin
support he feels the french government has toward the United States
and our people

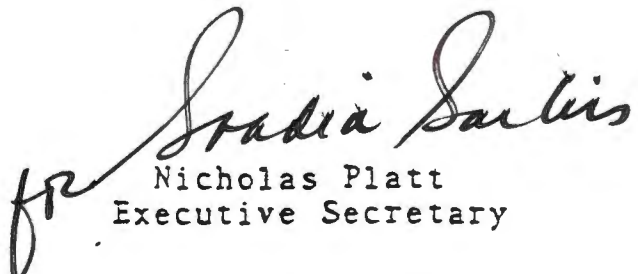
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 The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State

Action Taken:

- A draft reply is attached.
- A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- x An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
- The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
- Other.

Remarks:

for 
Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

United States Department of State

*Assistant Secretary of State
for European and Canadian Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20520*

June 24, 1986

Mr. Peter W. Nauert
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Pioneer Insurance Group
304 North Main Street
Rockford, Illinois 61101

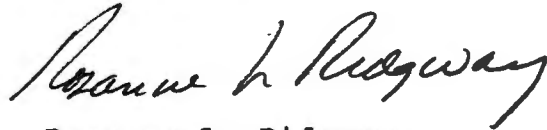
Dear Mr. Nauert:

I have been asked to reply on behalf of the President to your letter of May 7 expressing your sense of the emerging support of the French people and their government for the United States.

France is our oldest ally and one of our country's most valued friends. I can assure you that the bilateral relationship with France receives close attention at the White House and the Department of State.

Thank you for taking the time to share your observations.

Sincerely,



Rozanne L. Ridgway

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: MR. PETER W. NAUERT
CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER
PIONEER INSURANCE GROUP
304 NORTH MAIN STREET
ROCKFORD IL 61101

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING THE STRONG EMERGING SUPPORT
HE FEELS THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS TOWARD THE
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SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE



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CHAIRMAN AND
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PHONE: 815/987-5000
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May 7, 1986

The Honorable Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. President:

Earlier this month, I had the opportunity of participating in the Young Presidents' Organization University held in Paris, France. During our stay, we were hosted by Ambassador Joseph Rogers at the United States Embassy.

In addition, we were greeted and hosted by Prime Minister Jacques Chirac prior to his departure for Japan.

During my ten day stay in France, I had the opportunity to visit French industrial leaders and interact with people of France.

Mr. President, I would be remiss if I did not convey to you the strong emerging support the French Government has toward the United States and our people. Having traveled to France frequently for the past ten years, I have seen a growing change in the attitude that the French have toward Americans. Their degree of cordiality, friendliness and the eager interest in participating with us, is most notable at this time.

Now that France has a new emerging Government, the United States has an opportunity in seizing France as one of our closest allies and supporters. I do hope that you and Secretary Schultz give the necessary attention to the Government and the people of France necessary to build a strong bridge between our two countries.

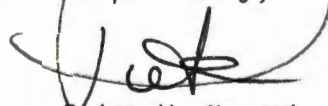
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Mr. President, I have great confidence in you as the leader of our Country and the free world. I know that you will recognize this opportunity.

Respectfully,



Peter W. Nauert

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cc: Secretary George Schultz
Ambassador Joseph Rogers

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S/S 8618608

Date June 20, 1986

For: VADM John M. Poindexter
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: White House From: Senator-Mayor Girault

Date: June 11, 1986 Subject: Thanks to President for
letter regarding Battle of Normandy Memorial Museum

Referral Dated: June 11, 1986 ID# 405374
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 The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State

Action Taken:

- x 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.
- The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
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Executive Secretary

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DRAFT STATE DEPARTMENT REPLY

Dear Senator-Mayor Girault:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 22 to President Reagan regarding the efforts of the Committee for the Battle of Normandy Memorial Museum. President Reagan was delighted to meet with you and the other members of the Committee in Washington June 16. The President fully shares your desire to memorialize this historic battle for freedom which took place in and around your home city.

As the President's personal representative to France, Ambassador Joe Rodgers will act in his place when he attends the ceremony of the laying of the cornerstone of the Battle of Normandy Memorial Museum. He will also carry with him the hopes and desires of the American people. We are acutely aware of the need to learn the lessons of history in order to proceed to the future. For myself and on behalf of the American people, I thank you for your part in this most laudable work.

Sincerely,

Mr. J. M. Girault
Senator and Mayor of Caen

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SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

May 22nd, 1986



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Mr. Ronald REAGAN
President of the United States of America
The White House
WASHINGTON, D.C.
United States of America

Dear Mr. President :

The team in charge of the American Committee for the Battle of Normandy Memorial Museum to be set up in CAEN, FRANCE, informed me of the terms of the letter you have sent them on May 12th in order to support their wish to take part in the success of this important project which is wanted and has been decided by the City of CAEN.

I am touched by this letter and want to personally express my gratitude to you for having taken this initiative.

As you recall with just reason, the Battle of Normandy, being the most important one since the beginning of time, was conclusive for the recovery of liberties over Nazism. This is the reason why, today, the City of CAEN, having been the pivot of this Battle, and according to the wording of an English historian, the anvil of victory, wants to fix firmly in collective memory both, the event itself and the sacrifice of allied soldiers, amongst whom your American fellow countrymen played a considerable part.

I was 18 years old when, on June 6th, 1944, the Allied Landings took place and I know since that time why we, my children and myself, are free people. This I know and will never forget.

The Memorial Museum will keep the memory of this tremendous Battle alive. It will also explain why the Second World War was made necessary and how, today, the dangers which jeopardize freedom and Human Rights, still remain. But I also know how much the American nation endeavours to defend those liberties.


Next September 10th will take place in CAEN the ceremony where the foundation stone of the Memorial Museum will be symbolically laid and this in the presence of representatives of the French

Government and the nations involved in the fighting of June 6th, 1944, among which the United States. Germany will also be represented. Thus, we are emphasizing our common wish to assert that the Memorial Museum will not be a celebration of the war or of the superiority of one army over another, but a place of reflection for the cause of peace, freedom and human rights.

Mr. Joe RODGERS, U.S. Ambassador in PARIS, has accepted to attend this ceremony which will be at the same time solemn, simple and meditative. I do appreciate very much his presence which he has confirmed.

Today's world is going through a difficult period and the United States in general, and yourself in particular, are acutely aware of this. The aim of the Memorial Museum is to be part of this awareness and learning from history it will be a lesson for the present and the future.

Very Sincerely Yours,



J.M. GIRAULT
Senator-Mayor

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DUE DATE: 16 MAY 86

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for Rodney McDaniel

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

NSC 8603735

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

May 9, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR ROD McDANIEL
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
NSCFROM: Don Gregg *DG*
SUBJECT: Vice President's Meeting with French
Foreign Minister Raimond

The Vice President will meet with French Foreign Minister Raimond on Monday, May 19, at 8:30 a.m. in his OEOB office. We would very much appreciate your forwarding background papers, talking points and a toast for the Vice President's use by cob Thursday, May 15. An appropriate member of the NSC staff is welcome to attend.

Thank you.

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May 21, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: TYRUS W. COBB *TC*

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SUBJECT: Request for Appointment with Jacques Chevalier

FB006-12

Fred Ikle has written you (Tab I) asking that you meet with Jacques Chevalier, Director General for Armaments in the French Ministry for Defense. Although the French Embassy has also pushed this meeting, I believe there is no reason for you to meet with Chevalier. Given the limited time Ikle gave you to respond -- 12 hours -- I indicated to his office that it probably will not be possible for you to see him.

RECOMMENDATION

That you agree I should inform Ikle that you will have to decline the meeting.

Approve Disapprove

PS Peter Sommer and Bob *Linhard* concur.

Attachment
Tab I Incoming Letter

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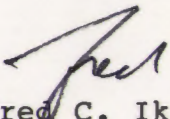
THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

21 MAY 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Request for Appointment

Jacques Chevalier, recently appointed by Minister Giraud as Director General (Delege General) for Armaments in the French Ministry of Defense--equivalent to the Under Secretary for Research and Evaluation--has requested an appointment with you on 22 May. He would prefer either the early morning, before 1030, or the afternoon, 1600 or later. In view of the Minister's expected visit next month, the French would very much like to have the meeting with you take place this week. If you can spare the time, I recommend you meet with Chevalier.


Fred C. Ikle

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BILLY GRAHAM
MONTREAT, NORTH CAROLINA 28757

August 11, 1986

Dear Nancy,

Last Sunday night I talked to the President on the phone. Please tell him that I'm sorry that I talked about several irrelevant things--I was a little embarrassed when I listened to the news the next day and found that this was the day that he was presenting his program on drugs. I didn't mean to take so much of his time.

I actually had called him to thank him for his gracious and generous words to President Mitterrand and Ambassador Rodgers about me. I am to see President Mitterrand on September 10.

We will be holding a Crusade in Paris at their new sports stadium that will be carried by satellite to thirty-one other cities in France. As you know, very few people go to church in France (whether Catholic or Protestant). The Protestants were almost eliminated during the persecutions three and four hundred years ago. However, the Protestant church is coming to life again and there is somewhat of an evangelical revival here and there. This will be the largest and the most intensive and extensive evangelistic effort held in France in the last two hundred years, and we certainly appreciate you all's interest.

You will never know what your interest in us since you have been in The White House has meant. To present me the Medal of Freedom; to invite me to San Francisco at the dinner for the Queen; to invite us on a number of occasions to The White House; and especially Ruth to the two Chinese State Dinners, which unfortunately I could not attend; and to the dinner for Prince Charles and the Princess of Wales which as you know we could not attend -- we will never forget your thoughtfulness and generosity toward us. We are deeply and humbly grateful.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy of the TIME magazine article that you might have missed in the July 28 edition, which summarizes what we have been doing in Amsterdam. This was the most representative conference ever held (secular or religious) in the history of the world -- according to the United Nations.

Nancy, I tried to reach Mike Deaver several times but unfortunately was not able to get a telephone number that worked before I went to Europe. I suspect he didn't want to talk to too many people. I still would like to talk to him and tell him that we have been having continual prayer on his behalf that God would help him go through this period of difficulty. I certainly hope and pray that it comes out alright.

Tell the President that the examination that he had this past weekend -- I have to have it about every six to eight months, and I know a little bit about it. He may remember when he had his prostate operation I visited him at the hospital in Santa Monica and read the Bible and had prayer with him. That seems so long ago!

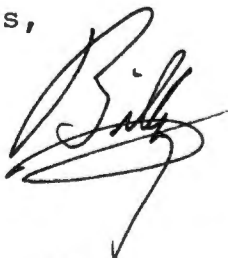
Nancy, Ruth and I both agree that you are looking younger and prettier all the time. I believe this second term really agrees with you.

If there is anything that Ruth and I could ever do for you all, please let us know.

I am going to preach a number of sermons and make several speeches on the use of drugs -- at least I can make that small contribution.

With warmest personal greetings and affection, I am

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Billy". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Billy".

Mrs. Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Summons to the "Unknowns"

Billy Graham organizes a massive training school for evangelists

To many Americans, the word evangelist may evoke visions of fashionably clad pulpit orators performing on television in vast halls before thousands of the faithful. There is, however, another category of evangelists, in the U.S. and elsewhere. In the developing nations where Protestantism shows the most vitality, far more often than not they are humble in social status, travel on foot instead of in limousines and preach in huts rather than crystal cathedrals. While their celebrity counterparts hobnob with the rich and powerful, non-Western evangelists often face harassment or imprisonment for proselytizing, even for importing Bibles.

The epitome of the American evangelistic star is the Rev. Billy Graham, 67, now in his fifth decade of traveling revivalism. But Graham has long had a concern for his less celebrated brethren. This month in Amsterdam, he greeted 8,000 preachers invited from all over the world to attend the ten-day International Conference for Itinerant Evangelists, a meeting twice as large as the first such gathering, in 1983. It was a massive \$21 million training session, made possible only by the administrative and fund-raising muscle of Graham's organization.

Graham had directed his people to seek out "the unknown young preachers, the barefoot preachers, who go from village to village, preaching and teaching." The widespread search was remarkably successful. Most of those who arrived in Amsterdam were clad in Western-style suits and sport shirts, some in tribal costumes, and they sang and spoke in a Babel of tongues. (Plenary meetings were simultaneously translated into 14 languages.)

The attendees were selected from among some 50,000 evangelists. Global sweep was one of Graham's goals, and it was attained: 185 nations and territories were represented; 80% of the preachers came from developing countries. In Nigeria, for example, organizers had tried to recruit at least one evangelist from each of that huge (pop. 105 million) nation's 137 major tribes, but in the end were able to cover only 136. Said one Graham organizer: "We looked hard for an evangelist from the last tribe, but we just couldn't find one." The throng included members of every sort of Protestant and An-

glican denomination, and even a handful from Eastern Orthodox churches.

The elaborate conference was designed to "train, equip and encourage" others who, like Graham, travel to spread the Christian message. North Americans and Europeans provided the majority of the instruction but cheerfully performed



Graham addressing itinerant evangelists

the routine chores as well, ushering and operating the weapon scanners that are now fixtures at large European gatherings. How-to workshops offered tips on everything from prison projects to street preaching to the use of drama, with continual emphasis upon methods that would be practical, efficient and inexpensive.

In the exhibit hall, 55 suppliers discreetly displayed their publications, a bewildering array of Bible translations and



Delegates from 185 nations and territories at Amsterdam conference

"They aren't educated, but they know the Bible."

the latest wares for the compleat modern missionary. While television is the engine of U.S. evangelism, it is of no use to most of these frontier workers. A hand-cranked cassette tape player was the favorite gadget for preachers who cannot afford batteries and operate in areas that lack electricity.

To ease the evangelists' economic burdens, a group called Samaritan's Purse, operated by Graham's son Franklin, allotted two shirts, a tie, a pair of socks and tennis shoes for each male attendee (only 500 women participated). "I've been praying for some shoes," said one delighted visitor. Seven tons of donated clothing were also provided to be taken home to wives and children.

The evangelists in attendance exuded simple and unshakable faith. "The hand of God protected me," said Pastor Krisnappillai Saravanapavan of Sri Lanka, recalling his banishment from his hometown and family after he converted from Hinduism to Christianity. After mission travels in Sri Lanka and India, he plans to return to his village because "that is where my call is." Christians currently constitute about 8% of Sri Lanka's population of 17 million; the growth of the faith, Saravanapavan believes, could have a positive impact on a nation suffering bloody division between Buddhist Sinhalese and his own minority of Hindu Tamils. "The Christians come from all communities in Sri Lanka," he said. "Only the Prince of Peace can unite my country."

Another participant, John Barnabas Gibbons, is an Assemblies of God evangelist who works in Ghana with policemen and soldiers. In many African nations, such men are despised because of their association with torture and murder under revolving-door dictatorships. Gibbons wants to overcome their alienation and believes that "by bringing the men of government to Christ, we can change the political and social life of the country. After all, Jesus only took twelve men to turn the world upside down."

Graham spoke three times but soft-pedaled his presence in favor of other speakers. He took quiet pride in the spiritual strength of his young colleagues. With schooling of only six years on average, "they aren't educated," he said, "but they know the Bible." And they will ensure that evangelism remains vigorous. Their average age is 31, and many will be toiling in distant places long after Graham is gone. —By Richard N. Ostling. Reported by B.J. Phillips/Amsterdam

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BILLY GRAHAM
MONTREAT, NORTH CAROLINA 28757
June 30, 1986

No Paper

Dear Nancy,

Just a brief note to say that Ruth and I have been thinking of you all in the many events that have happened since we last saw you.

TR

I held hands with Dick Gregory and Martin Luther King III during the HANDS ACROSS AMERICA on the Mall. Since we had just finished a Crusade in which practically every black church had participated I felt I wanted to do that. I was thrilled that you all decided to participate because you stole the show from others that might have had ulterior motives.

I have a request to make, and I apologize for making it!

Ruth and I are just finishing a working vacation here in southern France. We have been here nearly a month, and later this week go to Amsterdam where we have 10,000 evangelists (who do the same kind of work that I do) meeting for a ten day conference. We have been informed that more countries and territories will be represented than any event in world history. We have been working on it for about two years. It is sponsored by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association -- thus I have a major responsibility.

In September we hold a major Crusade in Paris in the new Bercy Sports Stadium. Ambassador and Mrs. Rodgers are giving all-out support and help.

While I was quite well known in France during the fifties and early sixties, I am virtually unknown now. This coming Friday I meet with the head of all the Protestant churches in France, and on Saturday I meet with the Cardinal of Paris. Not only will the meetings be held in Paris, but through the satellite in thirty-one other cities simultaneously. For the French Christians, where church attendance is almost zero, it is a tremendous undertaking.

Would like help in getting an appointment with President Mitterrand or Prime Minister Chirac.

It has been strongly suggested that I be received by either President Mitterrand or Prime Minister Chirac. The Ambassador and I both feel it would be a great help if your husband could mention to Mr. Mitterrand that our Ambassador will be approaching him about an appointment -- that I am a longtime friend -- and that he hopes Mr. Mitterrand will receive me.

I know you all are going to be under severe pressure and if it does not work out, I will certainly understand. But there is an unbelievable moral and spiritual vacuum in France at the moment and there are many Catholic, Protestant and Jewish leaders that believe we could see the beginning of a breakthrough.

Ruth and I probably will not be back in America till nearly the first of October. It has been far too long since we have seen you. But we remember you in prayer daily, and you all are doing terrific! Who would have ever dreamed the polls would be what they are. Congratulations!

With warmest personal affection to you both.

(Personally dictated by telephone
and mailed without signature)

Mrs. Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500
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