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Subject: Speech Inserts on Iran for administration  
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**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

DATE: 12/10/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NOON on 12/11/86

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RESPONSE:

David L. Chew  
Staff Secretary  
Ext. 2702

(Dolan)  
December 9, 1986  
11:00 a.m.

REMARKS FOR ADMINISTRATION SURROGATES: IRAN

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So, as Secretary Schultz said the other day: there is no constitutional crisis; to the contrary, our system of Government is working and working well. The President has taken the lead in disclosing what's wrong and setting things right. His personal qualities of candor and honesty have never been more apparent nor more useful than they have been during the Iran controversy. Together with the Congress and other agencies of Government, he is determined to get to the bottom of this issue and put this controversy behind us.

He said that if mistakes were made in our first moves in that direction, well, let's correct them, but then let's go forward. And finally he said let's go forward, as well, with helping to bring freedom and democracy to Central America.

The way things are in Washington right now that's taken courage. That's taken leadership. That's taken a man who stands taller than any President we've had in generations. That's why I'm so proud today to serve with Ronald Reagan.

(Robinson)

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**ADMINISTRATION SURROGATES ON IRAN:**

In 6 years, President Reagan's bold leadership has taken this country from malaise and indecision to a new awareness of our strength and purpose. America is once again the preeminent economic power and acknowledged leader of the free world.

The Reagan legacy is a record of accomplishment that will, I am convinced, earn him a place among the greatest of this country's leaders.

But the President didn't turn this country around by being timorous and scared. He did it by taking courageous and decisive action. First, he rescued our economy with some of the largest tax cuts ever. His critics -- and they were many, including most of establishment Washington -- predicted disaster, runaway inflation, and another Great Depression. Instead we've created an average of 250,000 new jobs a month in one of the longest peacetime expansions in history.

Those same people told him, tax reform doesn't have a chance. Again, President Reagan's triumph was America's triumph, and now we have the most modern tax code in the industrialized world, setting us on a course of progress and expansion through the end of the century.

And all because Ronald Reagan was willing to take risks, to do what he believed was right, no matter how the critics carped and complained.

And in foreign affairs, Ronald Reagan's successes have turned around the advance of communism and put freedom, once more, in the ascendant. Many of the same people who want to take



away support for the freedom fighters in Nicaragua, wanted to let El Salvador slide into the hands of the Communist terrorists there. They said it was a hopeless cause. But RR stuck by his friends in freedom, and now the Communists in El Salvador are on the run.

Many of those same critics were unhappy when RR's decisive action saved the American students on Grenada and freed that tiny nation from Communist tyranny. Some even compared the liberation of Grenada to the Soviet genocide in Afghanistan. But Ronald Reagan never hesitates to stand up for freedom and never apologizes for doing what's right.

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(Judge)  
December 9, 1986  
10:00 a.m.

REMARKS FOR SURROGATE SPEAKERS: IRAN (short)

In the last 6 years, we Americans have had many reasons to be proud of our President. When others said he couldn't do it, he brought taxes down, brought inflations down, brought interest rates down, and got America growing at the fastest rate in 50 years. When others said that once the Soviets got a foothold someplace they were there to stay, he liberated Grenada -- the first time the Soviets have been pushed out of a country in decades.

Time and again in the last 6 years, President Reagan has had the courage to do what was right, no matter what the critics said. But, let me say, I have never been as proud of him as I have been in the last few weeks.

Every President faces crises. The test of the man is not that problems like we've been hearing about come along. The test is how he handles them. In handling this crisis, President Reagan has been cool-headed. He's been open. He's acted quickly and decisively to get to the bottom of things, to get the facts out so we can get on with the business of governing our country. No President in my memory has been so strong under fire as President Reagan is now.

But that's not all. Despite the pressure, he's hasn't backed off from those parts of his policy that are right. He's kept his eye not on tomorrow's headlines, but on tomorrow's generation. He's said that for America's safety in the years to come, we must begin to establish a relationship with Iran now.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 10, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVE CHEW

FROM: TOM GIBSON *TG*

SUBJECT: Iran Issue Speech Inserts

Attached for staffing are speech inserts drafted by the Speechwriting office for distribution to Cabinet members and other principle Administration spokesmen.

Comments by noon on Thursday would be appreciated.

Thanks very much.

DEC 11 1986  
December 11, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR THOMAS GIBSON

FROM: RODNEY B. MCDANIEL *Bob for*  
SUBJECT: Speech Inserts on Iran for Administration  
Spokespersons

The NSC has reviewed the attached and feels that all the statements are appropriate. We made one suggested change in the third one. We do think the first two are a little bit more compelling than the others.

Attachment

Tab A Speech Inserts

cc David Chew

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

December 11, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. McDANIEL

FROM: DENNIS ROSS *DR*

SUBJECT: Speech Inserts on Iran for Administration  
Spokespersons

Attached are speech inserts on Iran sent to us for review. We generally think the first two are the strongest and have no particular comment on them. We would suggest that the third one should drop one clause in the last paragraph.

*PR* Peter Rodman and *WC* Bill Cockell concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memo to Tom Gibson at Tab I.

Approve *WRP* Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments:

Tab I Memo to Tom Gibson  
Tab A Speech Inserts

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So, as Secretary Schultz said the other day: there is no constitutional crisis; to the contrary, our system of Government is working and working well. The President has taken the lead in disclosing what's wrong and setting things right. His personal qualities of candor and honesty have never been more apparent nor more useful than they have been during the Iran controversy. Together with the Congress and other agencies of Government, he is determined to get to the bottom of this issue and put this controversy behind us.



(Judge)  
December 9, 1986  
10:00 a.m.

REMARKS FOR SURROGATE SPEAKERS: IRAN (short)

In the last 6 years, we Americans have had many reasons to be proud of our President. When others said he couldn't do it, he brought taxes down, brought inflations down, brought interest rates down, and got America growing at the fastest rate in 50 years. When others said that once the Soviets got a foothold someplace they were there to stay, he liberated Grenada -- the first time the Soviets have been pushed out of a country in decades.

Time and again in the last 6 years, President Reagan has had the courage to do what was right, no matter what the critics said. But, let me say, I have never been as proud of him as I have been in the last few weeks.

Every President faces crises. The test of the man is not that problems like we've been hearing about come along. The test is how he handles them. In handling this crisis, President Reagan has been cool-headed. He's been open. He's acted quickly and decisively to get to the bottom of things, to get the facts out so we can get on with the business of governing our country. No President in my memory has been so strong under fire as President Reagan is now.

But that's not all. Despite the pressure, he's hasn't backed off from those parts of his policy that are right. He's kept his eye not on tomorrow's headlines, but on tomorrow's generation. He's said that for America's safety in the years to come, we must begin to establish a relationship with Iran now.

He said that if mistakes were made in our first moves in that direction, well, let's correct them, but then let's go forward. And finally he said let's go forward, as well, with helping to bring freedom and democracy to Central America.

The way things are in Washington right now that's taken courage. That's taken leadership. That's taken a man who stands taller than any President we've had in generations. That's why I'm so proud today to serve with Ronald Reagan.

(Gilder)

ADMINISTRATION SURROGATES ON IRAN:

In 6 years, President Reagan's bold leadership has taken this country from malaise and indecision to a new awareness of our strength and purpose. America is once again the preeminent economic power and acknowledged leader of the free world.

The Reagan legacy is a record of accomplishment that will, I am convinced, earn him a place among the greatest of this country's leaders.

But the President didn't turn this country around by being timorous and scared. He did it by taking courageous and decisive action. First, he rescued our economy with some of the largest tax cuts ever. His critics -- and they were many, including most of establishment Washington -- predicted disaster, runaway inflation, and another Great Depression. Instead we've created an average of 250,000 new jobs a month in one of the longest peacetime expansions in history.

Those same people told him, tax reform doesn't have a chance. Again, President Reagan's triumph was America's triumph, and now we have the most modern tax code in the industrialized world, setting us on a course of progress and expansion through the end of the century.

And all because Ronald Reagan was willing to take risks, to do what he believed was right, no matter how the critics carped and complained.

And in foreign affairs, Ronald Reagan's successes have turned around the advance of communism and put freedom, once more, in the ascendant. Many of the same people who want to take

away support for the freedom fighters in Nicaragua, wanted to let El Salvador slide into the hands of the Communist terrorists there. They said it was a hopeless cause. But RR stuck by his friends in freedom, and now the Communists in El Salvador are on the run.

Many of those same critics were unhappy when RR's decisive action saved the American students on Grenada and freed that tiny nation from Communist tyranny. Some even compared the liberation of Grenada to the Soviet genocide in Afghanistan. But Ronald Reagan never hesitates to stand up for freedom and never apologizes for doing what's right.

An administration afraid to take risks is a paralyzed administration -- with a weak and vacillating foreign policy respected by no one. Ronald Reagan isn't afraid to take risks. The record of the Reagan Administration is one of decisive actions and amazing success stories, victories won against all odds.

When it comes to Iran, there's no question that mistakes were made lower down in the Administration, but the President's purposes were courageous, even noble. And I say more power to him.



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December 12, 1986

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Ms. Shirley Waldman  
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Send copy of this to Henry Salvatori.



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TELEPHONE 213-277-3444

December 4, 1986

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

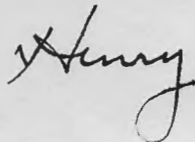
Dear Mr. President:

I enclose a letter to you from a long time, dedicated worker in the Republican Party who asked that I transmit it to you.

I believe that her suggestion is worthy of your consideration since the various investigations will continue for a long time and a direct message from you will serve to deflect the thundering howls of the media hyenas.

As always our heartfelt best wishes to Nancy and you from Grace and myself.

Devotedly,



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Enclosure

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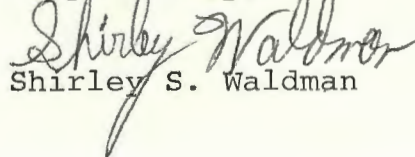
The Honorable Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Mr. President, I congratulate you on your wise decision to appoint a Special Prosecutor. I believe the "nuts and bolts" of the situation is being handled correctly and should help smooth over the doubts and questions being raised at this time. However, Mr. President, I am taking the liberty of urging you to address the nation either from the Oval Office or by addressing a joint session of Congress to get the people of the country squarely behind you in this situation. This has nothing to do with what may or may not eventually transpire as a result of the investigation. I believe the American people need to hear from you, in your own unique style, that their faith is justified, as I believe it is.

If you could say to them: "I have dealt with you fairly and honestly as your President and now I want you to do the same for me. In the spirit of fair play, I am asking you to defer judgment until all the facts are brought out, as they will be. I place my trust in the basic fairness and decency of the American people not to rush to judgement." ... I am convinced that they will respond overwhelmingly and positively. This is from a loyal American and strong Republican but I truly believe it represents the thoughts of many, many others.

Respectfully,

  
Shirley S. Waldman

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December 9, 1986

Dear Marietta:

Your letter was most gracious and touching and appreciated; and I shall pass it on to the President's office. Thank you again,

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Buchanan  
Assistant to the President

x  
Ms. Marietta M. Maxfield  
8948 Chatsworth  
Houston, Texas 77024

PJB/KF/jz (12PJB)  
cc: Anne Higgins w/incoming

Enclosed prayer for the President being offered  
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PJB:

Do you want to write a  
short note to  
Marietta Maxfield in  
response to this letter  
attached?

Ann-

Suggest -

① Handwritten  
note from PJB to  
M. Maxfield

② Copy of that  
note w/ incoming  
to Anne Higgins  
for Approp. Action.  
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November 24, 1986

Mr. Patrick Buchanan  
Presidential Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Re: Prayer Support for President Reagan

Dear Mr. Buchanan:

Please convey to President Reagan that we love him and are praying for him. The enclosed prayer for the President is being offered by a networking of Prayer Organizations, including the Greater Houston Prayer Ministry, the National Day of Prayer, Concerned Women for America prayer chapters in the Houston area, and Campus Crusade for Christ in New York and in California.

I have had calls from other parts of the country expressing a deep intercessory burden for the President in the face of the scathing media attacks on him. Prayers are being offered on his behalf by many from varied denominations and organizations.

Pat, I would really appreciate your sharing the enclosed copy of the prayer for President Reagan with him, and I trust that you will assure him of our unqualified support.

Sincerely,

*Marietta M. Maxfield*  
Marietta M. Maxfield  
City Coordinator  
National Day of Prayer

Enclosure

cc Gladys Dickelman  
Executive Director  
National Day of Prayer

THANKSGIVING WEEK  
1986  
GOVERNMENT PRAYER REQUEST

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Your Word declares that "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord..." We receive Your Blessing, Father, Who are our Refuge and Stronghold in times of trouble (high cost, destitution, and desperation).

It is written in Your Word that the heart of the king is in the hand of the Lord and You turn it whichever way You desire. Thank You, Father, for divinely directing President Reagan in all of his decisions.

Father, pour out Your Grace mightily on President Reagan, and move mightily in our land to unite your children to support President Reagan daily in prayer.

Please establish and strengthen President Reagan's administration and lead and guide and melt and mold hearts of Christians in government from both parties to make decisions establishing righteousness in America.

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Pray Jeremiah 17:18 for President Reagan against the scathing media attacks against him and his administration.

"Let those be put to shame who persecute him, but let him not be put to shame; let them be dismayed, but let him not be dismayed; bring on them the day of evil, and destroy them with double destruction."



We repent of our national sins of greed, materialism, lies and deception, and immorality evident in pornography, homosexuality, abortions, adultery, secularism and humanism. We repent of blasphemy of God in our society. We desire to be established in the Truth of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

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