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1. cable (8505215)	030056Z JUL 86, 1p <i>R 5/22/86 NLSF97-046# 5</i>	7/3/85	P1/F1
2. letter	Shimon Peres to Ronald Reagan [original], 2p <i>R " " #6</i>	6/24/85	P1/F1
3. letter	Meir Rosenne to Reagan [includes text of Peres letter], 2p <i>R " " #7</i>	6/24/85	P1/F1

RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

- P-1 National security classified information [(a)(1) of the PRA].
- P-2 Relating to appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA].
- P-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA].
- P-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA].
- P-5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA].
- P-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA].

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- F-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA].
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- F-8 Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA].
- F-9 Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA].

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UNCLASSIFIED UPON REMOVAL OF CLASSIFIED ENCLOSURE(S)

RECEIVED 28 JUN 85 18

FROM PERES, SHIMON ^{NSC} _{4/28/85}

DOC DATE 24 JUN 85

TO PRESIDENT

KEYWORDS: ISRAEL TERRORISM
HIJACKING HS

SUBJECT: PM PERES OF ISRAEL 24 JUN LTR TO PRES RE TERRORISM

ACTION: DRAFT REPLY FOR PRES SIG DUE: 02 JUL 85 STATUS D FILES ~~PA~~ PA

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8519522

Date JUL 10 1985

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

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: PM Shimon Peres
Date: June 24, 1985 Subject: Terrorism and Hijacking

WH Referral Dated: _____ NSC ID# _____
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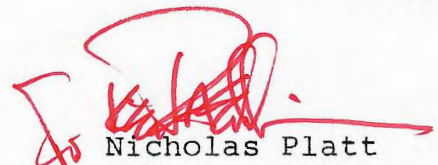
The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State

Action Taken:

- A draft reply is attached.
- A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- 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: President Reagan's reply was sent out under State 203253 (attached).

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Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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TELEGRAM

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TAGS: IS US, PREL

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN FOR PRIME
MINISTER PERES.

1. FOLLOWING IS A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN FOR
PRIME MINISTER PERES. PLEASE DELIVER AT EARLIEST
POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR SHIMON:

I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER MY THANKS, PERSONALLY AND ON BEHALF
OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR
THE ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION EXTENDED BY YOU AND YOUR
GOVERNMENT DURING THE TWA HOSTAGE CRISIS. THE SAFE
RETURN OF OUR INNOCENT HOSTAGES FROM THE CAPTIVITY THEY
ENDURED IS A SIGNAL TO THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD THAT
REFUSING TO GIVE IN TO TERRORISM AND TO TERRORISTS'
DEMANDS IS THE BEST, AND INDEED ONLY, WAY TO COMBAT AND
ULTIMATELY ELIMINATE THIS SCOURGE.

THE STRONG POSITION TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL
AGAINST SURRENDERING TO TERRORISM HAS EARNED THE RESPECT
AND ADMIRATION OF ALL THOSE, BOTH IN THE UNITED STATES
AND ELSEWHERE, WHO PRIZE THOSE VALUES, SUCH AS FREEDOM
AND JUSTICE, WHICH BOTH OUR COUNTRIES SHARE.

THE TIES BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN
STRENGTHENED BY THE ORDEAL THROUGH WHICH WE HAVE JUST
PASSED. FRUSTRATING THE EFFORTS OF THOSE WHO WOULD SEE US
DRAW APART. I AM CONFIDENT THAT YOU SHARE THIS VIEW, AND
LOOK FORWARD, AS I DO, TO WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER IN THE
FUTURE.

SINCERELY YOURS,

RONALD REAGAN. END TEXT SHULTZ

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BY MSJ, NARA, DATE 5/22/06

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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July 2, 1985

Copies to:
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Robert M. Kimmitt
National Security Council

SUBJECT: Alerting NSC on Presidential
Correspondence

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to President Reagan
from Israeli Prime Minister Peres
which is transmitted for your information.

This document was received in the Executive Secretariat
Information Management Section on July 2, 1985

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Stange".

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

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ראש הממשלה
THE PRIME MINISTER

Jerusalem June 24, 1985

Dear Mr. President,

I have already had the opportunity to express to Secretary of State George Shultz my unqualified support and admiration for the firm stand which you have adopted against international terrorism in general, and against the hijackers specifically.

Terrorism, as you have said, is indeed a "barbaric phenomenon." If we do not uproot it -- through a comprehensive and coordinated international effort -- it is bound to endanger freedom of travel, and the very way of life of the enlightened world. Terrorism must be viewed as a morbid aberration. Not as a tolerable strategy. An aberration with which we cannot come to terms, at any cost.

I am approaching you not only as a great friend of our people and the State of Israel, and not only in order to express support for the courageous policy you have adopted, but also in order to assure you faithfully that we are deeply concerned regarding the fate of the hijacked passengers of the TWA plane, and that we are praying for their well-being and their safe return home.

Our concern for the American hostages is no different from our concern for Israeli citizens taken hostage, or for our own planes when hijacked. We are together on the front line of this battle.

I would also like to assure you of our continued and unqualified determination to do whatever it takes -- both in long-term efforts and in immediate steps -- in order to sustain a firm stand against terrorism on the one hand, and to ensure that innocent people will not be harmed on the other.

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.
United States of America

ראש הממשלה
THE PRIME MINISTER

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In so doing, we are fully prepared to coordinate our efforts and to maintain an on-going dialogue, at the highest and most appropriate level, at the time and form which you deem proper.

As you may have noticed, our policy -- as manifested both in deed and in action avoided -- has been geared to assure that your firm stand, which we fully share, will ultimately be crowned with success.

This will be a victory for the entire free world.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Shimon Peres". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Shimon Peres

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BY MJH, NARA, DATE 5/27/00

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EMBASSY OF ISRAEL
WASHINGTON, D. C.

BY MSH, NARA, DATE 5/22/00

שגרירות ישראל
ישינגטון

AO/774

24 June 1985

Dear Mr. President:

I have been asked by Prime Minister Peres to transmit to you the following message:

"Dear Mr. President,

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This will be a victory for the entire free world.

Sincerely,

(sd.)
Shimon Peres"

Sincerely,


Meir Rosenne
Ambassador

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.