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The President has seen____

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 19, 1984

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MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your signature is Enrolled Bill H.R. 6311 - 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism.

This Bill has the approval of OMB, NSC, the Departments of State and Justice, USIA, AID, CIA, and the Offices of Legislative Affairs, Policy Development and Intergovernmental Affairs. The Department of the Treasury, GSA, the Office of Personnel Management, and Counsel have no objection.

LAST DAY FOR ACTION: October 23

Richard G. Darman

Note: This is scheduled to be, signed in ceremony TODAY.

The Office of Legislative Affairs requests the pen with which you sign this bill.

The President has seen

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

OCT 1 7 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6311 - 1984 Act to Comba-International Terrorism Sponsors - Reps. Fascell (D) Florida and 14 others

Last Day for Action

October 23, 1984 - Tuesday

Purpose

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Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Department of State

United States Information Agency Agency for International Development National Security Council Department of Justice Central Intelligence Agency General Services Administration Department of the Treasury Office of Personnel Management

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Approval

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In addition, the enrolled bill amends the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to:

- -- clarify the Secretary of State's authority to hire, by contract, individuals or organizations for services abroad;
- -- extend the Secretary's authority to hire overseas personnel to include local American nationals;
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- -- authorize the Deputy Secretary of State to use Government-owned vehicles for travel between home and places of official functions; and
- -- authorize USIA and the Agency for International Development (AID) to extend additional per diem benefits to security personnel and to members of the Foreign Service and employees of AID who are performing security functions abroad and are engaged in extensive travel.

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The enrolled bill passed both Houses of Congress by voice vote.

David A. Stockman Director

Enclosures

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: <u>10-17-84</u> ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: <u>11:00 a.m.</u> TOMORROW <u>10-18</u>

SUBJECT: Bill H.R. 6311 - 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President Ext. 2702

THE SCHEDULE OF PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



Friday, October 19, 1984

9:30 am (15 min)

9:45 am

(5 min)

12:00 m

National Security Briefing (McFarlane) **Oval** Office

Signing Ceremony for H.R. 6311, Anti-Terrorism Legislation (Oglesby)

10:00 amDebate Preparation(2 hrs)(Darman)

Personal Staff Time Remainder of the Day Oval Office

Oval Office

Residence

10/18/84 4:00 pm

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

October 10, 1984

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Signing ceremony for H.R. 6311, the

To allow a public opportunity for the

M.B. Oglesby,

anti-terrorism bill.

anti-terrorism functions.

TO:

FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR., Director of Presidential Appointments and Scheduling 6 WV

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FROM:

REQUEST:

PURPOSE:

BACKGROUND:

Earlier this year, the President asked Congress for a package of anti-terrorism bills including efforts to discourage hostage taking and disruption of civilian air flights. Although some of these measures were not dealt with by the Congress, H.R. 6311 does authorize additional funds for embassy security, authorizes rewards to individuals who furnish information about persons committing terrorist acts, and encourages international cooperation in combatting terrorism.

President to sign legislation which provides more money for embassy security and other

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: None on this issue

DATE AND TIME:

Prior to deadline for signature; bill has not been received at White House yet.

DURATION: 10 minutes

LOCATION:

The Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS: List attached

OUTLINE OF EVENT:

Members to arrive through the Northwest Gate and be escorted from the West Lobby to the Oval Office. The President will make brief remarks and then sign H.R. 6311.

REMARKS REQUIRED:

Briefing paper to be provided.

MEDIA COVERAGE: -PROPOSED "PHOTO": White House photographer only

President signs legislation with Members assembled behind him.

RECOMMENDED BY:

OPPOSED BY:

M.B. Oglesby, Jr.

No opposition

Attachment: Participants

PARTICIPANTS

The President The Vice President Secretary of State Shultz Appropriate House and Senate sponsors

Staff

Bud McFarlane James A. Baker Edwin Meese M.B. Oglesby, Jr.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE CLERK TRACKING SHEET FOR PRESIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS
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NOTIFICATIONS:
On any <u>major</u> transmittals to the Congress, and in (initial) <u>every</u> instance when draft legislation is sent, notify Linda Bennett (ext. 2230).
(initial) N.S.C., when appropriate (Brian Merchant, ext. 2585)
OTHER INFORMATION:

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

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October 18, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DEPUTY TO THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM:

SHERRIE M. COOKSEY SMC ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6311 -- 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism

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WASHINGTON

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS STAFFING MEMORANDUM RESPONSE

October 18, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

FROM:

LEE L. VERSTANDIG ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Bill H.R.6311 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism

I have reviewed the subject bill and recommend approval of it. Thank you.

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WASHINGTON

October 18, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER **REP**

SUBJECT: H.R. 6311 - 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism

The Office of Policy Development recommends approval of the enrolled bill.

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RESPONSE:

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Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President Ext. 2702

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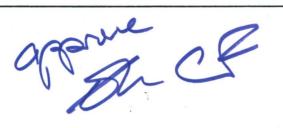
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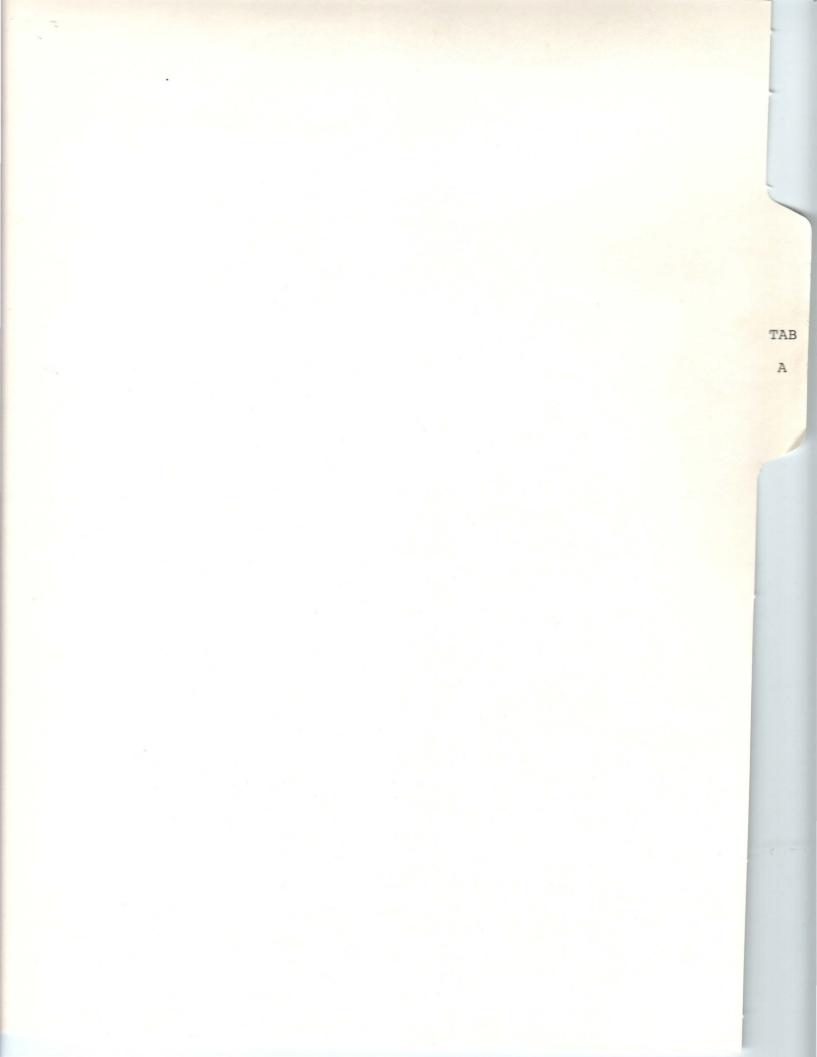
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RESPONSE: The NSC concurs in the memorandum to the President but recommends that the signing statement at Tab A be used in lieu of earlier versions. State and Defense concur in the statement at Tab A.

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PRESIDENTIAL SIGNING STATEMENT

H.R. 6311 "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism"

I have today signed into law the 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism. This act will provide resources and authorities essential in countering the insidious threat terrorism poses to those who cherish freedom and democracy. International terrorism is a growing problem for all of us in the Western world--not just the United States. While we in the Western democracies are most often the targets, terrorist attacks are becoming increasingly violent and indiscriminate. Since the first of September, there have been 41 separate terrorist attacks by no less than 14 terrorist groups against the citizens and property of 21 nations. Sixteen of these were attacks against individual citizens and 18 of these were bombings or attempted bombings in which innocent third parties were victimized.

This nation bears global responsibilities which demand that we maintain a world-wide presence and not succumb to these cowardly attempts at intimidation. In several important ways, this Act will enable us to improve our ability to protect those who serve our country overseas:

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I am grateful that the Congress has responded swiftly to my request for these authorities and resources. This Act is an important step in our multi-year effort to counter the pervasive threat international terrorism poses to our diplomatic personnel and facilities overseas. The Act complements other actions now under review and separate measures taken with our allies aimed at significantly improving our ability to thwart this menace to mankind. While none of these steps guarantee that terrorist acts will not occur again, we can be certain that the measures made possible by this Act will make such attacks more difficult in the future.

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520



OCT 16 1984

Dear Mr. Stockman:

The Department of State recommends that the President sign H.R. 6311 known as the "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism". The impetus for a majority of this bill stems from the recent bombing of the U.S. embassy in Beirut and is therefore timely and of great public interest. The enrolled bill is consistent with administration submittals of requested legislation in substance and budgetary guidelines. Further, the two key provisions of the bill (rewards for information concerning terrorist acts and security enhancement of United States missions abroad) are very important actions which will take needed steps toward improving security of personnel and property for which the President has stated his strong support.

The \$356 million authorized for Security Enhancement at United States Missions Abroad covers the first phase \$110 million security supplemental included within the FY 1985 Continuing Resolution already signed by the President. The remaining \$246 million authorized will cover the second phase 1985 security budget supplemental to be submitted in January.

I have also enclosed a draft Presidential signing statement for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Turner Acting Assistant Secretary Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

Enclosure:

Draft Presidental Signing Statement.

The Honorable David A. Stockman, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

PRESIDENTIAL SIGNING STATEMENT

H.R. 6311 "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism"

From the day this Administration took office in 1981 and the release of the American hostages in Iran was confirmed, combatting acts of terrorism worldwide and providing for the security for the United States missions abroad have been a high priority of this Administration. I have repeatedly stated this Administration's concern and intention to take whatever actions are necessary.

This Act, which I have signed, will enable us to move forward in two important ways. First, it will provide us a new tool in combatting worldwide terrorism by authorizing rewards for information concerning terrorist acts. Second, it authorizes the appropriation of \$356 million for Security Enhancement at United States Missions abroad. This authorization is another important step in our multi-year effort to counter the threats posed by international terrorism against our diplomatic personnel and facilities abroad. That long-term program of improved protection results from the intense government-wide analysis I initiated over a year ago. As the review is completed, the detailed action plan, supported by laws such as I have signed today and measures taken by our allies, will add considerably to our ability to counter this menace to all mankind.

I believe that by addressing ourselves to the prevention of terrorist acts and improving the security of people and property in our U.S. missions abroad, we are taking the essential steps.



Washington, D.C. 20547



October 15, 1984

Dear Mr. Frey:

This will respond to your request for the views of the United States Information Agency on H.R. 6311, the "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism".

This legislation would provide a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of international terrorists; would establish an Advisory Panel on Security of U.S. Missions Abroad, and authorizes sums to be allocated to both the Department of State and USIA for enhanced security at embassies and posts abroad.

Insofar as it affects USIA, this legislation is consistent with the Administration's request. It authorizes the sum of \$5,315,000 for USIA for enhanced overseas security, and requires a report from the Director of USIA no later than February 1, 1985, on the allocation of these funds.

This Agency recommends that the President sign H.R. 6311.

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Sincerely,

Marilyn Dexheimer Congressional Liaison Officer

Mr. James M. Frey Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON, D.C. 20523

GENERAL COUNSEL

OCT 15 1984

Mr. James M. Frey Associate Director for Legislative Reference Office of Management and Budget Washington, D.C.

Re: Enrolled Bill Request - H.R. 6311

Dear Mr. Frey:

On behalf of the Agency for International Development I would like to recommend that the President sign H.R. 6311, the "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism".

The Act provides additional authorities to the Department of State and other foreign affairs agencies to enable the mounting of a more coordinated and effective offensive against terrorist threats to our overseas missions.

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Sincerely Howard M. Fry



OCT 1 8 1984

Mr. James M. Frey Assistant Director for Legislative Reference Office of Management and Budget Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Frey:

Your office requested the views of the General Services Administration (GSA) on enrolled bill H.R. 6311, "To combat international terrorism."

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GSA has completed its review of this bill and offers no objection to Presidential approval.

Sincerely

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Director, Office of Management and Budget Executive Office of the President Washington, D.C. 20503

Attention: Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Dear Sir:

This responds to your request for the Department's views on enrolled bill, H.R. 6311, the "1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism."

The bill offers rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction of terrorists, urges the President to seek more effective international cooperation in combatting international terrorism and authorizes to be appropriated money for the enhancement of security at United States missions abroad.

The Department of the Treasury supports the enrolled bill and recommends that the President sign it.

Sincerely yours, Counsel General

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