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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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June 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES HILL
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Request for Appointment with President

Given his schedule during the week of June 27-July 1, the President will be unable to meet with Ambassador Walter Stoessel and the Presidential mission team on Soviet human rights performance.

Robert M. Kimmitt
Robert M. Kimmitt
Executive Secretary

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By MDA NARA, Date 1/17/06

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

June 25, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ⁷

SUBJECT: Request for Appointment with President

State forwarded a memorandum (Tab II) requesting that Ambassador Stoessel and the Presidential mission team on Soviet human rights performance meet with the President during the week of June 27-July 1. Given the President's schedule during that time, I recommend that the proposed meeting not be granted. At Tab I is a Kimmitt-Hill memorandum informing State that such a meeting is not feasible.

^{gm}
Jack Matlock concurs.

Recommendation

That you approve that Kimmitt forward the memorandum at Tab I.

Approve PCM/ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum from Kimmitt to Charles Hill
Tab II Incoming memorandum from State

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

June 23, 1983 P10: 55

WHITE HOUSE
SITUATION ROOM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Request for Appointment with the President

Ambassador Walter Stoessel, accompanied by Elliott Abrams and one other individual, is leading a Presidential mission to discuss Soviet human rights performance with government leaders in eight European countries. In view of the nature of the mission, and because Walter Stoessel will be carrying a personal message from the President, it would be desirable if the team could meet briefly with the President during the week of June 27.

They will be leaving for Europe July 4 on this Presidential mission.

Charles Hill
Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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TO CLARK

FROM HILL, C

DOCDATE 28 JUN 83

KEYWORDS HUMAN RIGHTS
FOREIGN TRAVEL

EUROPE

STOESSEL, W
ABRAMS, E

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF FOREIGN TRAVEL TO EUROPE FOR PRES MISSION ON SOVIET
HUMAN RIGHTS 5 - 13 JUL

ACTION: APPROPRIATE ACTION

DUE: 01 JUL 83 STATUS S FILES

FOR ACTION

FOR CONCURRENCE

FOR INFO

RAYMOND

MATLOCK

LENCZOWSKI

KIMMITT

COMMENTS IF YOU RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS TRAVEL PLEASE INITIAL
HERE ; IF NOT PREPARE MEMO FOR CLARK.

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Date: June 28, 1983

TO: Mr. William P. Clark
National Security Council
The White House

SUBJECT: Foreign Travel Proposal

Key Event or Purpose: Presidential Mission to European Capitals
on Soviet Human Rights

Trip Objectives: Consultations with European Leaders

Senior Participants:	NAME	TITLE	AGENCY
	Walter J. Stoessel	Consultant	State
	Elliott Abrams	Assistant Secretary	State

ITINERARY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MAJOR EVENTS & MEETINGS</u>
7/5	Paris	France	
7/6	Rome	Italy	
7/7	Vienna	Austria	
7/8	The Hague	Netherlands	
7/9	Madrid	Spain	
7/11	Bonn	FRG	
7/12	London	U.K.	
7/13	Brussels	Belgium	

Charles Hill
Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 27, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ¹⁷

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission on Soviet Human Rights
Performance: Meeting with NATO Secretary General

The Department of State has informed me that Ambassador Stoessel has been granted an appointment with Secretary General Luns and recommends that a Presidential letter be provided similar to those prepared for other leaders with whom he will be meeting. A proposed letter to NATO Secretary General Luns is attached at Tab A, with a memorandum to the President (Tab I).

Jack Matlock concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the memorandum at Tab I to the President.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments:

- Tab I Memorandum to the President
- Tab A Proposed letter to NATO SG Luns

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By msr NARA, Date 1/17/06

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission on Soviet Human Rights
Performance: Letter to NATO Secretary General

Ambassador Walter Stoessel's itinerary has been changed to include an appointment with NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns. State has recommended, and I concur, that a Presidential letter similar to those prepared for Western leaders with whom he will meet is attached at Tab A.

RECOMMENDATION

OK No

— — That you sign the letter to Secretary General Luns at Tab A.

Prepared by:
Paula Dobriansky

Attachment:

Tab A Proposed letter to Secretary General Luns

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. Secretary General:

I have asked Ambassador Walter Stoessel to make a special trip to several countries in Europe to let you know of my concern about the human rights situation in the Soviet Union. The situation concerns me because of the importance I attach to the Helsinki Final Act commitments, because of the terrible costs that are being paid by individual human beings, and because our overall relationship with the Soviets is seriously affected by human rights violations. Our Western countries have been working hard to find ways of dealing with the Soviet Union that enhance the chances for peace. Arms reduction negotiations are naturally a major focus of this effort. But I am convinced that human rights must be another, and for that reason we give it a central role in our discussions with the Soviets.

In some cases our talks with the Soviets have made us hopeful that progress is possible. Yet, at the same time, Soviet performance on human rights has deteriorated badly in several specific areas; one manifestation of this is the drastic cutback in the number of Jews and other Soviet minority groups permitted to emigrate. There is also evidence that a renewed anti-Semitic campaign is underway. The current repression of human rights points to a decision to eliminate ties between the Soviet people and the outside world that are not under the complete control of the authorities. This includes jamming of Western broadcasts, cutbacks in international telephone service, harassment of Western tourists who seek contact with Soviet citizens and the continued campaign of arrest and imprisonment of Soviets who express

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ideas not in keeping with official policy. Andrei Sakharov's exile to Gorkiy, the elimination of his direct contact with the outside world, and the difficulties his wife has experienced in Moscow symbolize this intensified atmosphere of repression.

I have, therefore, asked Ambassador Stoessel to give you our thoughts and to hear yours on how we might most effectively deal with the Soviets on this vital issue. He has an especially distinguished record of professional involvement in Soviet affairs, and no one is better qualified as an interlocutor. Ambassador Stoessel has my full confidence, and I know he will be worthy of yours.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Joseph M.A.H. Luns
Secretary General of the North
Atlantic Treaty Organization
Brussels

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

CONFIDENTIAL

June 23, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY *PD*

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission: Gonzalez Letter

In view of the recently completed visit of President Felipe Gonzalez of Spain to the United States, the Department of State has suggested that as a courtesy, an additional paragraph be added to the President's letter making reference to the success of the visit. A revised letter is attached at Tab I (the only change is in the final paragraph).

Also for the record, the penultimate sentence in the first paragraph of each letter has been changed to show "arms reduction negotiations" rather than "arms control negotiations." These pages are attached at Tab II.

John Jack Matlock and *Peter* Peter Sommer concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the letter to President Gonzalez of Spain for Presidential signature.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachment:

- Tab I Revised letter to President Gonzalez
- Tab II Revised first pages

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By *MDH* NARA, Date *1/14/05*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1983

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have asked Ambassador Walter Stoessel to make a special trip to several countries in Europe to let you know of my concern about the human rights situation in the Soviet Union. The situation concerns me because of the importance I attach to the Helsinki Final Act commitments, because of the terrible costs that are being paid by individual human beings, and because our overall relationship with the Soviets is seriously affected by human rights violations. Our Western countries have been working hard to find ways of dealing with the Soviet Union that enhance the chances for peace. Arms reduction negotiations are naturally a major focus of this effort. But I am convinced that human rights must be another, and for that reason we give it a central role in our discussions with the Soviets.

In some cases our talks with the Soviets have made us hopeful that progress is possible. Yet, at the same time, Soviet performance on human rights has deteriorated badly in several specific areas; one manifestation of this is the drastic cutback in the number of Jews and other Soviet minority groups permitted to emigrate. There is also evidence that a renewed anti-Semitic campaign is underway. The current repression of human rights points to a decision to eliminate ties between the Soviet people and the outside world that are not under the complete control of the authorities. This includes jamming of Western broadcasts, cutbacks in international telephone service, harassment of Western tourists who seek contact with Soviet citizens and the continued campaign of arrest and imprisonment of Soviets who express

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In closing, I would like to express our great satisfaction with your recent visit to Washington. Our discussions broadened the basis for mutual understanding and strengthened U.S.-Spanish ties.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Felipe Gonzalez
President of the Government of Spain
Madrid

National Security Council
The White House

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John

Yes, the Presidential mission is really just a guise to get the airplane. Otherwise it is a low-key effort to buttress our position at CSCE. There should be no announcement or other fanfare.

Bud

6/11

Bud,

Do you agree with my thought?

J

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John Poindexter	1	J	
Bud McFarlane	2	M	
Jacque Hill	3	J	
Judge Clark	4	J	A
John Poindexter	5	J	
Staff Secretary	6		D
Sit Room			

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cc: VP Meese Baker Deaver Other _____

COMMENTS

~~Bud + John:
Do this not remember
inconsistent with agreed
approach with Soviets?
UPZ
I don't think it is
if the mission stays private
and doesn't go public J~~

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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June 13, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *WPC*

SUBJECT: Ambassador Stoessel's Mission to Europe for
Consultations on Soviet Human Rights Performance

Issue: Whether to designate Ambassador Stoessel's July trip to Europe for consultations on Soviet human rights performance as a Presidential mission.

Facts: In response to increased Soviet human rights violations, George Shultz decided to intensify our efforts to combat these illegal and inhumane Soviet actions by sending Ambassador Stoessel and Assistant Secretary Elliott Abrams on a special mission to eight European countries (Austria, Belgium, England, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands and Spain) in early July. The purpose of their visit is to consult and inform our European Allies of projected U.S. efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry and other human rights issues.

In order to maximize the impact of Ambassador Stoessel's trip, State suggests that the trip be designated as a Presidential mission and that Ambassador Stoessel carry individual letters from you to the respective European heads of government. At Tab A is a draft letter outlining your concerns about the increased evidence of Soviet anti-semitism and repression of human rights. The text has been cleared by Speechwriters.

Discussion: I concur with State's recommendation and believe that Ambassador Stoessel's trip will provide us with a timely opportunity to enlist the help of our Allies in devising a common human rights policy.

RECOMMENDATION

OK No

WR — 1. That you approve the designation of Ambassador Stoessel's trip to Europe as a Presidential mission.

WR — 2. That you approve the proposed text of a letter to be delivered by Ambassador Stoessel to Heads of State.

Attachment: Tab A Proposed text

Prepared by:
Paula Dobriansky

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BY *RW* *MM* DATE 9/19/11
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Dear :

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I have asked Ambassador Walter Stoessel to make a special trip to several countries in Europe to let you know of my concern about the human rights situation in the Soviet Union. The situation concerns me because of the importance I attach to the Helsinki Final Act commitments, because of the terrible costs that are being paid by individual human beings, and because our overall relationship with the Soviets is seriously affected by human rights violations. Our Western countries have been working hard to find ways of dealing with the Soviet Union that enhance the chances for peace. Arms control negotiations are naturally a major focus of this effort. But I am convinced that human rights must be another, and for that reason we give it a central role in our discussions with the Soviets.

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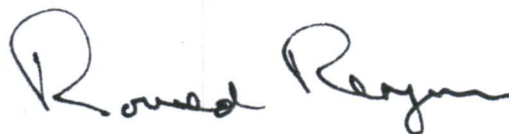
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express ideas not in keeping with official policy. Andrei Sakharov's exile to Gorkiy, the elimination of his direct contact with the outside world, and the difficulties his wife has experienced in Moscow ~~perfectly~~ symbolize this intensified atmosphere of repression.

I have, therefore, asked Ambassador Stoessel to give you our thoughts and to hear yours on how we might most effectively deal with the Soviets on this vital issue. He has an especially distinguished record of professional involvement in Soviet affairs, and no one is better qualified as an interlocutor. Ambassador Stoessel has my full confidence, and I know he will be worthy of yours.

Sincerely,



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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 7, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

SIGNEDFROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ^{PD}SUBJECT: Ambassador Stoessel's Mission to Europe for
Consultations on Soviet Human Rights Performance

Attached at Tab IV is a State memorandum on Ambassador Stoessel's prospective, early July mission to Europe. On May 12, Secretary Shultz decided to intensify U.S. efforts to combat Soviet human rights violations. As a part of this initiative Ambassador Stoessel, accompanied by Assistant Secretary Abrams, will visit eight European countries (Austria, Belgium, England, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands, and Spain) to consult and inform them of projected U.S. efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry and other human rights issues.

State suggested that in order to maximize the significance of Stoessel's trip, it be designated a "Presidential mission" and that he be authorized to deliver a Presidential letter (proposed text attached at Tab A) to the respective heads of government. State also requests the use of a USAF aircraft for intra-European travel to avoid delays and streamline the logistics of the mission.

At Tab I is a memorandum from you to the President informing him of the Stoessel trip and endorsing State's recommendations. The text of the letter has been cleared by Speechwriters. At Tabs II and III are memoranda to State (indicating approval of the Presidential mission) and to James Baker (requesting USAF Aircraft support), respectively.

John Lenczowski^{JL}, Peter Sommer^{Peter} and Walter Raymond^{WR} concur.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Approve Disapprove

2. Forward the memoranda at Tabs II and III, once Presidential approval is received.

Approve Disapprove

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES HILL
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Presidential Mission: Consultations on Soviet
Human Rights Performance

The President has reviewed and approved the recommendation of the Department of State that travel by former Deputy Secretary of State Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., accompanied by Human Rights Assistant Secretary Elliott Abrams, to apprise European leaders of our views on the Soviet human rights situation be designated a Presidential Mission. The mission should be low-key and not publicized.

The request for USAF aircraft support for this mission has been forwarded to James A. Baker, III, for appropriate action.

Robert M. Kimmitt
Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 7, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ^{rw}

SUBJECT: Ambassador Stoessel's Mission to Europe for Consultations on Soviet Human Rights Performance

Attached at Tab IV is a State memorandum on Ambassador Stoessel's prospective, early July mission to Europe. On May 12, Secretary Shultz decided to intensify U.S. efforts to combat Soviet human rights violations. As a part of this initiative Ambassador Stoessel, accompanied by Assistant Secretary Abrams, will visit eight European countries (Austria, Belgium, England, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands, and Spain) to consult and inform them of projected U.S. efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry and other human rights issues.

State suggested that in order to maximize the significance of Stoessel's trip, it be designated a "Presidential mission" and that he be authorized to deliver a Presidential letter (proposed text attached at Tab A) to the respective heads of government. State also requests the use of a USAF aircraft for intra-European travel to avoid delays and streamline the logistics of the mission.

At Tab I is a memorandum from you to the President informing him of the Stoessel trip and endorsing State's recommendations. The text of the letter has been cleared by Speechwriters. At Tabs II and III are memoranda to State (indicating approval of the Presidential mission) and to James Baker (requesting USAF Aircraft support), respectively.

John Lenczowski^{JL}, Peter^{Peter} Sommer and Walter Raymond concur.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.
 Approve _____ Disapprove _____
- 2. Forward the memoranda at Tabs II and III, once Presidential approval is received.
 Approve _____ Disapprove _____

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Attachments:

- Tab I Memorandum to the President
- Tab A Proposed text, letter to Heads of State
- Tab 'II Memorandum to Department of State
- Tab III Memorandum to James Baker
- Tab IV State's memorandum, May 27, 1983

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Ambassador Stoessel's Mission to Europe for Consultations on Soviet Human Rights Performance

Issue: Whether to designate Ambassador Stoessel's July trip to Europe for consultations on Soviet human rights performance as a Presidential mission.

Facts: In response to increased Soviet human rights violations, George Shultz decided to intensify our efforts to combat these illegal and inhumane Soviets actions by sending Ambassador Stoessel and Assistant Secretary Elliot Abrams on a special mission to eight European countries (Austria, Belgium, England, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Italy, The Netherlands and Spain) in early July. The purpose of their visit is to consult and inform our European Allies of projected U.S. efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry and other human rights issues.

In order to maximize the impact of Ambassador Stoessel's trip, State suggests that the trip be designated as a Presidential mission and that Ambassador Stoessel carry individual letters from you to the respective European heads of government. At Tab A is a draft letter outlining your concerns about the increased evidence of Soviet anti-semitism and repression of human rights. The text has been cleared by Speechwriters.

Discussion: I concur with State's recommendation and believe that Ambassador Stoessel's trip will provide us with a timely opportunity to enlist the help of our Allies in devising a common human rights policy.

RECOMMENDATION

OK No

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| — | — | 1. That you approve the designation of Ambassador Stoessel's' trip to Europe as a Presidential mission. |
| — | — | 2. That you approve the proposed text of a letter to be delivered by Ambassador Stoessel to Heads of State. |

Attachment: Tab A Proposed text

Prepared by: Paula Dobriansky

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Dear :

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I have asked Ambassador Walter Stoessel to make a special trip to several countries in Europe to let you know of my concern about the human rights situation in the Soviet Union. The situation concerns me because of the importance I attach to the Helsinki Final Act commitments, because of the terrible costs that are being paid by individual human beings, and because our overall relationship with the Soviets is seriously affected by human rights violations. Our Western countries have been working hard to find ways of dealing with the Soviet Union that enhance the chances for peace. Arms control negotiations are naturally a major focus of this effort. But I am convinced that human rights must be another, and for that reason we give it a central role in our discussions with the Soviets.

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express ideas not in keeping with official policy. Andrei Sakharov's exile to Gorkiy, the elimination of his direct contact with the outside world, and the difficulties his wife has experienced in Moscow perfectly symbolize this intensified atmosphere of repression.

I have, therefore, asked Ambassador Stoessel to give you our thoughts and to hear yours on how we might most effectively deal with the Soviets on this vital issue. He has an especially distinguished record of professional involvement in Soviet affairs, and no one is better qualified as an interlocutor. Ambassador Stoessel has my full confidence, and I know he will be worthy of yours.

Sincerely,

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER, III

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Request for USAF Aircraft Support for Stoessel Mission

Ambassador Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., former Deputy Secretary of State, will travel to Europe on a Presidential mission in early July. He will be accompanied by Human Rights Assistant Secretary Elliot Abrams. Since the itinerary for the Stoessel mission is extremely tight (eight capitals in six days), the use of a USAF aircraft (T-39) within Europe is essential to avoid delays and unnecessary logistical problems. The European itinerary would include Madrid-Rome-Vienna-Bonn-Paris-Brussels-The Hague-London. The party plans to travel to and from Europe via commercial air.

Once approved, appropriate notification should be made to the Department of Defense that this is a Presidential mission.

RECOMMENDATION

That due to the impracticality of using commercial air and the level of scheduled meetings, the request for use of a USAF aircraft within Europe be authorized.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

cc: Ed Hickey
Military Assistant

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES HILL
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Presidential Mission: Consultations on Soviet
Human Rights Performance

The President has reviewed and approved the recommendation of the Department of State that travel by former Deputy Secretary of State Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., accompanied by Human Rights Assistant Secretary Elliot Abrams, to apprise European leaders of our views on the Soviet human rights situation be designated a Presidential Mission.

The request for USAF aircraft support for this mission has been forwarded to James A. Baker, III, for appropriate action.

Robert M. Kimmitt
Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 27, 1983

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK
THE WHITE HOUSEWHITE HOUSE
SITUATION ROOM

Subject: Ambassador Stoessel's Mission to Europe for
Consultations on Soviet Human Rights Performance

1. Origin of the Mission

Over the past several months, reports from the USSR have painted an increasingly bleak picture of Soviet human rights performance, and it is evident that the situation is deteriorating even further. The circumstances are particularly bad for Soviet Jews, who are facing a resurgence of anti-Semitism (much of it officially-inspired), and a virtual shutoff of their one escape valve: emigration. The American Jewish community has become increasingly restive about this situation, as evidenced by the recent Solidarity Sunday demonstrations in New York City, and we have also heard expressions of concern from other groups about the Soviet Union's abysmal human rights performance.

As part of our response to this problem, the Secretary decided on May 12 to intensify our efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry, and to send a special mission to European capitals. The purposes of the mission will be to apprise European leaders of our views on the deteriorating Soviet human rights situation and to seek fuller Western involvement in efforts to improve Soviet human rights practices. Ambassador Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., former Deputy Secretary of State and recently retired from the Foreign Service, has agreed to lead the mission.

2. Need for Presidential Support

Ambassador Stoessel, who will be accompanied by Human Rights Assistant Secretary Elliot Abrams, plans to travel to eight or possibly nine European capitals in early July to carry the U.S. message. In order for Ambassador Stoessel's mission to have the maximum possible impact on European government leaders, it would be very desirable that his trip be designated a Presidential mission. Attached at Tab A is a draft Presidential letter to heads of government which Ambassador Stoessel could deliver at each stop on his itinerary. We strongly recommend that Ambassador Stoessel's trip be designated as a Presidential mission and that he be authorized to deliver the attached letter from the President.

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3. USAF Aircraft Support for Stoessel Mission

The itinerary for the Stoessel mission is extremely tight (eight capitals in six days), and use of a USAF aircraft (T-39) within Europe is essential to avoid delays and unnecessary logistical problems. The party plans to travel to and from Europe via commercial air, but would need to rely on movement via USAF aircraft along the European itinerary route of Madrid-Rome-Vienna-Bonn-Paris- Brussels-The Hague-London (and possibly Stockholm as a last stop). If the recommendation is accepted that Ambassador Stoessel's mission be conducted at the direction of the President, the Department requests that the White House authorize use of a USAF aircraft (T-39) and that appropriate notification be made to the Defense Department that this is a Presidential mission.

Charles Hill

Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Tab A - Draft Presidential Letter

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Robert M. Kimmitt

FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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Shoemaker - about
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1983

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have asked Ambassador Walter Stoessel to make a special trip to several countries in Europe to let you know of my concern about the human rights situation in the Soviet Union. The situation concerns me because of the importance I attach to the Helsinki Final Act commitments, because of the terrible costs that are being paid by individual human beings, and because our overall relationship with the Soviets is seriously affected by human rights violations. Our Western countries have been working hard to find ways of dealing with the Soviet Union that enhance the chances for peace. Arms reduction negotiations are naturally a major focus of this effort. But I am convinced that human rights must be another, and for that reason we give it a central role in our discussions with the Soviets.

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In closing, I would like to express our great satisfaction with your recent visit to Washington. Our discussions broadened the basis for mutual understanding and strengthened U.S.-Spanish ties.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

His Excellency
Felipe Gonzalez
President of the Government of Spain
Madrid

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1983

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WASHINGTON

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WASHINGTON

July 2, 1983

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 23, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY ^{AD}

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission: Gonzalez Letter

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In view of the recently completed visit of President Felipe Gonzalez of Spain to the United States, the Department of State has suggested that as a courtesy, an additional paragraph be added to the President's letter making reference to the success of the visit. A revised letter is attached at Tab I (the only change is in the final paragraph).

Also for the record, the penultimate sentence in the first paragraph of each letter has been changed to show "arms reduction negotiations" rather than "arms control negotiations." These pages are attached at Tab II.

Jack Matlock ^{from} and Peter Sommer ^{from} concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the letter to President Gonzalez of Spain for Presidential signature.

Approve Disapprove

Attachment:

Tab I Revised letter to President Gonzalez
Tab II Revised first pages

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1983

Dear Mr. Secretary General:

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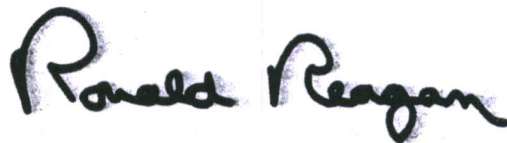
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

His Excellency
Joseph M.A.H. Luns
Secretary General of the North
Atlantic Treaty Organization
Brussels

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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June 28, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *wpc*

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SIGNED

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission on Soviet Human Rights
Performance: Letter to NATO Secretary General

Ambassador Walter Stoessel's itinerary has been changed to include an appointment with NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns. State has recommended, and I concur, that a Presidential letter similar to those prepared for Western leaders with whom he will meet is attached at Tab A.

RECOMMENDATION

OK No

— — That you sign the letter to Secretary General Luns at Tab A.

Prepared by:
Paula Dobriansky

Attachment:

Tab A Proposed letter to Secretary General Luns

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June 27, 1983

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: PAULA DOBRIANSKY *PD*

SUBJECT: Stoessel Mission on Soviet Human Rights
Performance: Meeting with NATO Secretary General

The Department of State has informed me that Ambassador Stoessel has been granted an appointment with Secretary General Luns and recommends that a Presidential letter be provided similar to those prepared for other leaders with whom he will be meeting. A proposed letter to NATO Secretary General Luns is attached at Tab A, with a memorandum to the President (Tab I).

JM
Jack Matlock concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the memorandum at Tab I to the President.

Approve *J*

Disapprove _____

Attachments:

- Tab I Memorandum to the President
- Tab A Proposed letter to NATO SG Luns

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