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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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August 21, 1986

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. McDANIEL

FROM: OLIVER L. NORTH ✓  
CRAIG P. COY ✓  
ROBERT L. EARL ✓

SUBJECT: Reply to Senator Paula Hawkins

Attached at Tab I is a letter from you to Senator Paula Hawkins, responding to her letter expressing Mr. Edmund Scott's interest in the cost of transporting Reverend Jenco's family to West Germany (Tab II).

Your response is self-explanatory, expressing the great concern for Father Jenco in the months of his captivity, and the humanitarian gesture of the American government to aid in the reunion of his immediate family.

Ron Sable, Dennis Ross, Peter Sommer concur. The State Department proposed draft is attached at Tab III.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter to Senator Hawkins at Tab I.

Approve

Disapprove

Attachments

- Tab I - McDaniel Letter to Senator Hawkins
- Tab II - Letter from Senator Hawkins of July 28, 1986 w/Enclosure
- Tab III - Platt Transmittal Form of August 14, 1986 w/ Draft Reply

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

August 27, 1986

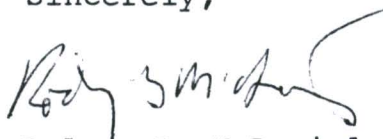
Dear Senator Hawkins:

Thank you for the inquiry on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Edmund Scott, pertaining to the costs of sending Father Jenco's immediate family to West Germany to meet him upon his release from captivity in Lebanon. As you may recall, Father Jenco was taken captive solely because he was an American. He had been working in Lebanon to assist the local population. Through nineteen months of captivity, he and his family have suffered greatly.

In situations like this there is always great concern for the health of the captives, which warrants several days of medical examinations and careful observation at a special facility like the USAF hospital in Frankfurt. In Father Jenco's case, there was particular concern because he has a history of heart ailments. As in previous releases, the Administration elected as a humanitarian gesture and a sign of American solidarity to send the immediate family to Frankfurt to permit a private reunion with their loved one during this period.

Mr. Scott notes in his inquiry that the U.S. should spare no expense in freeing its hostages from Lebanon. The Administration concurs fully, and our overriding concern has always been to secure the release of our remaining hostages. Thus, the cost of \$117,943 for an Air Force C-141 aircraft to transport the Jenco family to and from Europe was relatively small in the context of our overall effort.

Sincerely,



Rodney B. McDaniel  
Executive Secretary

The Honorable Paula Hawkins  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

July 28, 1986

Rodney B. McDaniel  
Executive Secretary  
National Security Council  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Mr. McDaniel:

Recently, my office was contacted by Mr. Edmund Scott who expressed his concern regarding the cost involved in sending Rev. Lawrence Jenco's family to West Germany to greet him. I am enclosing a copy of his telephone correspondence for your use.

Any information you can furnish about this situation which will help me respond to my constituent's concern will be greatly appreciated. Your reply may be sent to the attention of my assistant, Kerri Hartman, at the address below.

Thank you for your time and effort in pursuing this matter. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Paula Hawkins  
United States Senator

PH/kh

Enclosure

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

## CONSTITUENT INPUT

Received by Kerri Referred to \_\_\_\_\_ Date 7/28/86

General Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Edmund Scott

Address 13320 Lake Mary Jane Road

Orlando, FL 32812

Telephone Number 282-0478

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Question/Comments Called a local Republican Party office  
today to ask what the cost was for Rev. Lawrence Jenco's  
family to be flown to West Germany to greet him. Mr.  
Scott said that our government should spare no expense to  
free the hostages however, we are carrying things a bit  
too far when we fly the family over there. He said he  
doesn't want to cause a stir, just wants to know how much  
the tax payers paid to have them sent over there.

Followup \_\_\_\_\_  
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 8624583

Date 14 AUG 1986

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

Reference:

To: Senator Paula Hawkins From: Mr. Edmund Scott

Date: 7/28/86 Subject: Mr. Scott expresses his

concern and inquires about the cost of transporting Reverend Jenco's family to West Germany.

WH Referral Dated: August 5, 1986 NSC ID# 8605725  
(if any)

\_\_\_\_\_ 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.
- Other.

Remarks:

*Shirley Hoyle for*  
Nicholas Platt  
Executive Secretary

DRAFT REPLY

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The Honorable

Paula Hawkins,

United States Senate.

Mr. Scott notes in his inquiry that the U.S. should spare no expense in freeing its hostages from Lebanon. The Administration concurs fully, and our overriding concern has always been to secure the release of our remaining hostages. In the context of the overall effort, the costs to transport the Jenco family were <sup>{very small}</sup>~~negligible~~. It was a <sup>{modest}</sup>~~small~~ courtesy to a remarkable man and to his family that had suffered considerably.

Sincerely,

REFERRAL

DATE 05 AUG 86

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPT OF STATE

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DATE: 28 JUL 86

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*Suzette Houston*  
*395-6870*

FOR *Rodney B. McDaniel*  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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*In my distress I called upon the  
Lord. The Lord answered me and  
set me free. Psalm 117:5*

*This is the day the Lord has made.  
Let us be glad and rejoice in it.  
Psalm 117:24*

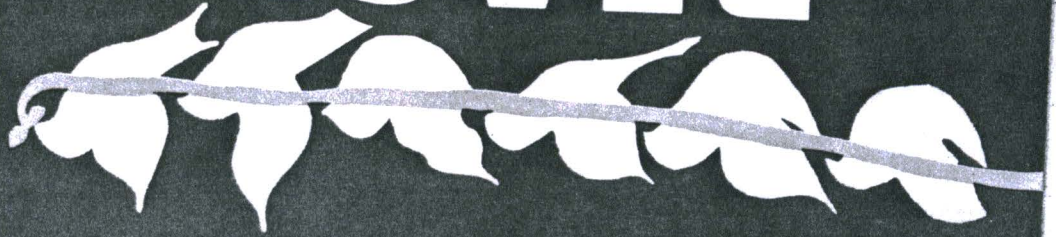
Dear Mr. Poindexter,

It is with heartfelt  
feelings that we, the family of  
Reverend Lawrence Martin Jenco, OSM,  
say

**Thank You.**

I received the pictures which are  
much appreciated. When time permits I  
hope to get a personal letter off to President  
Reagan and Mrs. Reagan. Please thank them for  
David's release. With gratitude, fellowin jencos.

PEACE



Sainte Provincial Center  
5210 Somerset St.  
Buena Park, Calif. 90621-1498

This card designed by The Reverend Lawrence Martin Jenco Family  
Joliet, Illinois 60435 August, 1986



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