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THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

September 12, 1985

The Honorable Sam Nunn United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Sam:

The President asked me to chair an Executive Branch Task Force on Combatting Terrorism. The Task Force will review and evaluate the effectiveness of US policy and programs dealing with the increasing terrorist threat, and make recommendations to the President. Congress performs an important role in combatting terrorism. I want to meet with you to get your considered views. This meeting will be the first of a series of events with Members of Congress.

Your position in the Senate provides the insight we seek during our deliberations. I would like to ask you to join a selected group of colleagues and myself for a meeting on September 16, 1985 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Roosevelt Room at the White House. The agenda will focus on Congress' role in combatting terrorism and will include current Congressional actions, constituency attitudes, and pending legislation.

Please have your staff advise my Military Assistant, Lieutenant Colonel Doug Menarchik (395-4223), of your intention to attend the meeting. I look forward to hearing your views on how we can work together to combat this vicious threat to our civilized society.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

George Bush



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

16 September 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESDIENT

THROUGH:

Craig Fuller

FROM:

SUBJECT:

J. L. Holloway, III J Holloway

Congressional Delegation Meeting On

Terrorium

Terrorism

The following members of Congress have indicated that they will attend the September 16 meeting.

Representative Daniel Senator Dole Representative Fascell Senator Thurmond Representative Ireland Senator Durenberger Senator Denton Senator Nunn* Representative Mica* Senator Johnston Senator Hatch Senator Lugar* Senator Pressler Senator Chafee*

. Senator Rudman

Senator Grassley

The following members will not be able to attend.

Senator Dixon Representative Stump Representative Hamilton Senator DeConcini Senator Specter Senator Laxalt Senator Kasten

Senator D'Amato is a possible attendee.

*Attempting to adjust schedule to permit attendance.

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR VICE PRESIDENT/CONGRESS MEETING

Date: 16 September 1985

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Place: Roosevelt Room

4:00 - 4:05 Opening Remarks by Vice President

(Terrorism Concern, Congressional Role, Solicit

Support and Advice, Task Force Status)

Press Coverage

4:05 - 4:55 <u>DISCUSSION</u>

Press Exits

- Comments from Congressional Attendees
 (Current Congressional Actions, Constituency Attitude)
- Pending Legislation (Vice President Seeks Support on Specific Legislation)
- International Meeting on Terrorism
- 4:55 5:00 Summary by Vice President

 (Again Solicit Support, Encourage Input to

 Task Force)

Senator Paul Laxalt (R/NV)

Appropriations Committee Judiciary Committee Terrorism Caucus

Senator J. Bennett Johnston (D/LA)

Appropriations Committee Terrorism Caucus

PROPOSED LIST OF ATTENDEES, 16 SEPTEMBER 1985

Senator Robert Dole (R/KS)	Majority Leader (Senate)
Senator David Durenberger (R/MN)	Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence
Senator Patrick J. Leahy (D/VT)	Judiciary Committee (Security and Terrorism Subcommittee) Vice Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence Appropriations Committee (Foreign Operations Subcommittee)
Senator Jeremiah Denton (R/AL)	Armed Services Committee Judiciary Committee (Chairman, Security and Terrorism Subcommittee) Co-Chairman, Terrorism Caucus
Senator Robert W. Kasten (R/WI)	Appropriations Committee
Representative Dan Daniel (D/VA)	Armed Services Committee (Chairman, Readiness Subcommittee) Select Committee on Intelligence
Senator Arlen Specter (R/PA)	Appropriations Committee Judiciary Committee
Representative Lee Hamilton (D/IN)	Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence
Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato (R/NY)	Appropriations Committee (Defense, Foreign Operations) Co-Chairman Terrorism Caucus
Senator Alan J. Dixon (D/IL)	Armed Services Committee Co-Chairman, Terrorism Caucus
Senator Dennis De Concini (D/AZ)	Appropriations Committee Judiciary Committee (Security and Terrorism Subcommittee) Co-Chairman, Terrorism Caucus
Senator Orrin G. Hatch (R/UT)	Judiciary Committee (Security and Terrorism Subcommittee) Select Committee on Intelligenc Terrorism Caucus

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

27 August 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Craig Fuller

VTA:

Don Gregg

Doug Menarchik

FROM:

Admiral James L. Holloway, III

SUBJECT:

Congressional Delegation Meeting on Terrorism

g L Holloway

Date: Time: September 16, 1985 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Location:

Roosevelt Room

Press Coverage: Opening Remarks only

The Vice President confirmed his commitment to this meeting during my 22 August meeting with him. He agreed that his staff will select the 12-15 Congressional attendees, subject to his approval. The Vice President indicated that this meeting is the first in a series of events with members of Congress to build their support for our potential program. This initial meeting will be to hear the views of those Congressmen who are actively engaged with the problem of terrorism.

A package of letters of invitation will be forwarded following the final decision of attendees. Please continue to use Dave Cole as our point of contact for this event.

TAB A: Proposed List of Congressional Attendees

TAB B: Proposed Agenda

TAB C: Point Paper for Press Release

Copy to: Marlin Fitzwater

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, D.C.

27 August 1985

TO: Doug Menarchik

FROM: Craig Coy

Doug,

Here is the package. Please help us by coordinating with the appropriate members of the Vice President's staff on arranging this meeting.

Thanks.

Attachment

POINT PAPER FOR PRESS RELEASE

The Vice President of the United States will meet with selected members of Congress on 16 September in the Roosevelt Room. The topic for discussion is the U.S. response to the continuing world-wide terrorist threat. Following the recent TWA 847 incident, the President asked Vice President Bush to convene an Executive Branch Task Force on Combatting Terrorism.

The Task Force, chaired by the Vice President, includes the Secretaries of State, Treasury, Defense, and Transportation; the Attorney General; the Director of the FBI; the Director of the Central Intelligence; the Director of the OMB; the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs; the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; the Chief of Staff to the President; the Chief of Staff to the Vice President; the Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs; the Executive Director of the Task Force; and others as appropriate.

U.S. citizens and our interests. Terrorists are waging a war against not only the United States, but all civilized society in which innocent civilians are intentional victims and our servicemen are specific targets.

The Task Force will review and evaluate the effectiveness of current U.S. policy and programs on combatting terrorism and formulate appropriate recommendations. Congress will play a major role in that effort. In meeting with selected members of the Congress, the Vice President will reenforce the Administration's resolve to combat terrorism and at the same time solicit Congressional support and advice. Attendees will discuss Congress' role in this effort and the development of appropriate U.S. response to terrorism.