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October 28, 1983

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH RECEIVES STRONG SUPPORT

President Reagan's address last night on events in Lebanon and Grenada has received very strong support from the members of Congress and from the public.

Poll shows support way up

- o An ABC before and after poll found that support for policies in both Lebanon and Grenada rose dramatically among 250 people who watched the speech.
- o On the way Lebanon situation is being handled:
 - -- before speech 50% approved 45% disapproved after speech 80% approved 20% disapproved
- o Are U.S. goals in Lebanon clear?
 - -- before speech 39% clear 50% not clear after speech 68% clear 29% not clear
- o On the handling of the Grenadian crisis:
 - -- before the speech 64% approved 26% disapproved -- after the speech 86% approved 14% disapproved

WTTG -- Washington's Channel 5 found overwhelming support

o Asked viewers to call after speech and received over 12,000 calls in 42 minutes (despite charge to caller). Asked: "After hearing President's speech, do you approve or disapprove the U.S. invasion of Grenada?" Results show:

87.5% yes (10,647 calls) 12.5% no (1,523 calls)

Calls received at the White House after the speech

- o By midnight, the White House had received 4592 calls commenting on the President's speech (more than twice as many as for any previous speech by him). Callers supporting the President outnumbered those with negative comments by a margin of 13-1.
 - -- Of the 4592: 4272 callers were positive 320 were negative

o Telegrams: Another 1167 commented by wire. Of these:

1102 were positive
63 were negative
2 commented without position

Congressional support

- O In his address, President Reagan said he had "seen Democratic leaders in the Congress join their Republican colleagues, send a message to the world that we are all Americans before we are anything else, and when our country is threatened, we stand shoulder to shoulder in support of our men and women in the armed forces."
- o Support was widespread from members of Congress of both parties who commented on the President's address:
 - -- Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker (R-TN), "a powerful and moving speech.... Undoubtedly it will have a unifying effect on the American people."
 - -- Rep. Paul Simon (D-IL), "...one of the President's most eloquent addresses..."
 - -- Sen. Lloyd Bentsen (D-TX), "I think he made an effective presentation..."
 - -- Sen. Nancy Kassebaum (R-KS), "...particularly eloquent" on Lebanon and made "a good case for preventive action" in Grenada.
 - -- Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Charles Percy (R-IL), Reagan "took a highly complex situation and boiled it down to its essentials."
 - -- Rep. Jim Leach (R-IA), "It was a masterful speech."
 - -- Rep. Claudine Schneider (R-RI), "The President had a very fine blend, which was more peace through law than peace through strength."
 - -- Sen. John Chafee (R-RI), "Excellent."

Other Comment

- o Governor Richard Thornburgh (R-PA), said "...the people of Pennsylvania were reassured."
- o Dan Rather, commenting after the speech, "I have an idea that this may go down as one of the President's strongest more effective speeches of his Presidency."

What the Rescued Students Said

- o In his Address, President Reagan said that Grenada "was a Soviet-Cuban colony, being readied as a major military bastion to export terror and undermine democracy. We got there just in time."
- o Here's what some of the students said:
 - -- Jeff Geller, "I've been a dove all my life, but I just can't believe how well those Rangers came down and saved us. Those Rangers deserve a lot of credit. I don't want to say anything bad about the American military. We thought we could be potential hostages. We just wanted to get out if we could."
 - -- Kathy Tracy, "...had the U.S. Army not intervened when they did, the rumor was that the Cubans would have. Their plan was perhaps a day or a day and a half behind, in which case I would not be here today."
 - -- Matthew Nadler, "Ronald Reagan made the right move."

 He said there were "plenty of Cubans" in Grenada and

 "they had more ammo, weapons and anti-aircraft
 batteries than the Army expected."
 - -- Randall Tressler, "I don't see how they would have gotten us out" without invading "because every time the State Department worked with them to get us out, they seemed to close the airport."
 - -- Jean Joel, "I don't think there is any more beautiful sight than being back in the United States, or perhaps seeing the Rangers arrive to save us. It has reinstilled my faith in the United States."
 - -- Lou Ianniello, "I think the United States did a good job. I think they realized the gravity of the situation."
 - -- Kiran Mariwalla, "I was happy it was an American invasion and not anybody else. The Rangers are the greatest guys on earth as far as I'm concerned."

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 31, 1983

BRIEFING FOR FREEDOM FEDERATION AND ETHNIC LEADERS ON GRENADA

12:30 p.m., Room 474 EOB

12:30	Welcome Linas Kojelis, Associate Director Office of Public Liaison
	Opening remarks Faith Whittlesey, Assistant to the President for Public Liaison
12:35	The situation in Grenada and the importance of the Caribbean Constantine Menges, Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Latin America, National Security Council
1:00	Central America and public opinion Peter Romero, Assistant to the Ambassador for Public Diplomacy, Department of State
1:30	Remarks The Honorable George Bush, Vice President of the United States

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR JACK

FROM:

LINAS

SUBJECT:

Request for Vice Presidential Drop-by for Ethnic

Leaders' Briefing on Grenada

Jack, I would appreciate your help in getting the Vice President to drop by our briefing for ethnic leaders next Monday. We have discussed the best approach with the Vice President's office and it would be good if you could call Julie Andrews in Jennifer Fitzgerald's office at x6522 to make the initial request. (I understand Julie once worked for you on the Reagan-Bush campaign in California). She will, in turn, get in touch with Jennifer, who is in Texas with the Vice President today or perhaps suggest that Faith call Jennifer in Texas today with the proposal.

Outline of the briefing:

Time:

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Date:

Monday, October 31

Place:

Room 474, Indian Treaty Room

Briefers:

Constantine Menges and a State Department

briefer, yet to be determined.

Participants:

80 leaders of the Freedom Federation, a coalition of 16 major East European, Asian and Cuban organizations united to oppose Soviet aggression. They have worked hard on

behalf of the President's policies in

Central America and to upgrade U.S. overseas

broadcasts.

Follow up:

After the EOB briefing, the group will meet outside of the White House to plan strategy for public campaign in the media and Congress to support the President.

Request:

For the Vice President to drop by the meeting to:

- Thank the group for their support of the President's actions in Grenada;
- Thank them for their general support of his policies in Central America; and
- 3. To emphasize that their continued active, vocal and public support will be necessary to ensure the success of the President's policies.

Time required: 5-10 minutes.

Note: It would be preferable if the Vice President could come toward the end of the briefing, between 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 25, 1983

TO:

FAITH

FROM:

LINAS

SUBJECT:

Ethnic Reaction to U.S. in Grenada

Faith, as I mentioned briefly in the morning meeting, reaction from all of the ethnic groups with which I have been in contact has been very supportive of the President's move in Grenada. In fact, there are two major events which are being organized in response to this event.

Rally in Los Angeles: A large rally (minimum 500 people) is being organized in Los Angeles this Sunday at 2:00 p.m. The main sponsors are the Coalition Against Soviet Agression and Californians for a Strong Defense. Other groups which are cosponsoring the rally are:

Polish American Congress (Southern California Division)
Baltic American Freedom League
Hungarian Freedom Fighters
Czechoslovak National Council
Cuba Independent and Democratic
Catholics for Peace Through Strength
Conservative Caucus

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20 organizations in all have cosponsored the event so far. They would like a top Administration representative to be a speaker, and would cover all travel expenses. Dolf and I are trying to find an appropriate speaker.

- Would you be available to go if necessasry?

White House Briefing for Freedom Federation: The Freedom Federation (FF) (includes East European, Asian and Cuban groups) has asked for an NSC briefing on Grenada. I have reserved Room 450 for 4:15 pm this Friday and am working on speakers.

- Would you be able to open the briefing?
- Could we send invitations (mailgrams under your signature) to Freedom Federation members (about 75) to invite them to the briefing? FF believes we would get a better response, especially from the Cubans, to come on such a short notice.

(Morton) Office near WH.

GRENADA (00122)

Anner:

Next, a VOA Editorial, reflecting the views of the U.S. Government.

Voice:

This morning at 0900 EDT, President Reagan announced that the United States was participating in a international effort undertaken at the request of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States. Forces from seven countries -- Antigua, Barbados, Dominica, Jamaica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the United States -- arrived in Grenada. Their purpose, as President Reagan stated, is to protect lives, including Americans; prevent anarchy; and provide safety on the island of Grenada, whose government has been violently eliminated over the past ten days.

The events which led to the landing of the the multinational collective security force began last October 12, with an internal power struggle among various factions of the New Jewel Movement which had seized power in Grenada in March of 1979. Events deteriorated to the point that, on October 19 of this year, Radio Free Grenada announced that the Prime Minister, three Cabinet Ministers, and a number of political leaders had been killed.

As a result of these recent events, Grenada's neighbors in the Caribbean have expressed growing concern. Their concerns have focused on the potential hazards for national and foreign residents on Grenada, with mounting indications of continuing disorder on the island, and with the implications for the Eastern Caribbean as a whole.

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The Organization of Eastern Caribbean States' action is designed to put an end to the violence so uncharacteristic in this part of the world, as well as the chaos and uncertainty resulting from the recent tragic events in Grenada. OECS spokesman have emphasized their firm intent to cooperate with the Grenadian people in restoring order.

They state that the multinational force will work with the Grenadians to restore order and respect for human rights, and to provide for the immediate needs and security of the Grenadian people, including the holding of elections as quickly as possible.

The priority of U.S. objectives, as stated by President Reagan, is to protect the lives of some 1,000 U.S. citizens on Grenada, to assist in the evacuation of those who want to leave, and to help provide stability as Grenada's neighbors help Grenada to reestablish a functioning and democratic government.

President Reagan's appearance on nationwide American television and radio emphasizes the United States' desire to calm the fears of the families and relatives of U.S. citizens on Grenada, to minimize the risks to residents on the island, and to indicate the temporary stay for U.S. troops involved in the collective security force.

Anner:

That was a VOA Editorial, reflecting the views of the U.S. Government.

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