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CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 16, 1991

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE REVEREND JAMES LLOYD KNOX

SUBJECT: COMMENDS THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO DENY
THE HOUSING LOAN TO ISRAEL

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 10, 1991

Dear Reverend Knox:

On behalf of the President, I am responding to your recent letter regarding the Middle East peace process.

President Bush has made it clear that a comprehensive Middle East peace is a high priority of his administration and that the U.S. will act as a catalyst to bring about such an agreement. The President's personal involvement and Secretary Baker's repeated trips to the region are evidence of that commitment.

We remain hopeful that all parties to the dispute, including the Palestinians, will accept our approach and facilitate our efforts. We have made it clear to Israel our opposition to a number of Israeli occupation practices, including continued settlement in the occupied territories. We have also made it clear that a comprehensive peace agreement must be grounded in the U.N. Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 and in the principle of territory for peace. This principle must be elaborated to provide for Israel's security and recognition, and at the same time, for legitimate Palestinian political rights. Anything else, the President has pointed out, will fail the twin test of fairness and security.

As the President said on September 12, we are on the brink of an historic breakthrough. With the support of the American people, a peace conference and direct negotiations between Israel and all her Arab neighbors can lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the Middle East.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

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September 13, 1991

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

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President George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

This is to commend you for your courageous stand in denying the housing loan to Israel. Israel has far too much influence US Affairs. Israelis deny the rights of Palestinians in the occupied territory and should not be allowed to build more housing.

Again, let me thank you for your integrity as you stand up to avoid powerful lobbying.

Respectfully,

James Lloyd Knox

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