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DATE RECEIVED: JANUARY 05, 1990

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: DR. ASAD KHAILANY

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO ACCEPT THE VOTE OF
THE U.S. CONGRESS AND NOT EXTEND U.S
GOVERNMENT LOANS TO IRAQ

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 9002410

Date February 5, 1990

FOR: Mr. Philip Hughes
Executive Secretary
National Security Council
The White House

REFERENCE:

To: President Bush

From: Dr. Asad Khailany

Date: December 31, 1989

Subject: Urges the President to accept the vote of the U.S.

Congress and not extent U.S. Government loans to Iraq

WH Referral Dated: February 1, 1990

NSCS ID# (if any): 102134

_____ The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

_____ A draft reply is attached.

_____ A draft reply will be forwarded.

_____ A translation is attached.

XX _____ 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 (see remarks).

REMARKS:

John M. McPhee
for Director
Secretariat Staff

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 2, 1990

Dr. Asad Khailany
President
Kurdish National Congress
of North America
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Dr. Khailany:

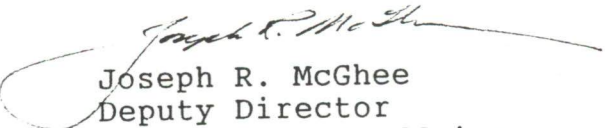
I have been asked to respond to your letter of December 31 opposing the use with regard to Iraq of the presidential waiver provision in Section 512 of the Foreign Assistance Act for 1990. Section 512 bans access to loans, credit insurance and other services of the Export-Import Bank (Exim) to nine countries, including Iraq. It also allows the President to waive the ban in the national interest.

We recognize the valid concerns you have raised regarding Iraq's poor human rights record and reported use of chemical weapons in Kurdish areas in 1988. We have stated our position on this point clearly and publicly (a copy of our 1988 Country Human Rights Report on Iraq is enclosed). For this reason the export of chemical and other weapons-related technology to Iraq is strictly banned. There have been no reports of Iraqi chemical weapons use in over a year.

The Export-Import Bank does not lend money to Iraq. A Presidential waiver would allow Iraq continued access to a short-term, rotating credit insurance facility of \$200 million that has been in existence since 1985.

I hope this information is helpful. I want to assure you that human rights considerations are an important aspect of our policy towards Iraq.

Yours truly,


Joseph R. McGhee
Deputy Director
Northern Gulf Affairs

enclosure: as stated

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FEBRUARY 1, 1990

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:
APPROPRIATE ACTION

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 102134

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 31, 1989

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

FROM: DR. ASAD KHAILANY
PRESIDENT
KURDISH NATIONAL CONGRESS OF
NORTH AMERICA
POST OFFICE BOX 15498
ANN ARBOR MI 48106

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO ACCEPT THE VOTE OF
THE U.S. CONGRESS AND NOT EXTEND U.S
GOVERNMENT LOANS TO IRAQ

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
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Kurdish National Congress of North America

P.O. Box 15498, Ann Arbor, MI 48106

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December 31, 1989

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

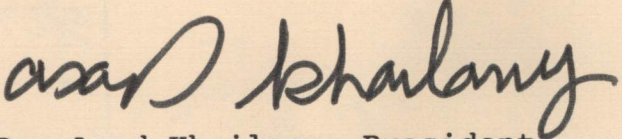
Dear President Bush:

On behalf of Kurds in the United States and in Canada, many of whom have close relatives in Iraq, we ask that you accept the vote of the U.S. Congress and not extend U.S. government loans to Iraq. Iraq is governed by a brutal criminal regime which has been called the worst abuser of human rights on the earth today. The Kurds have felt the biggest brunt of these atrocities, which have been well documented recently by Amnesty International.

May we remind you that the international community's mild reaction to Iraq's use of chemical weapons on its own Kurdish citizens in the town of Halabja, which killed 5000 persons in March, 1988, encouraged Iraq to again use chemical weapons on its own Kurdish citizens in August - September, 1988 after its ceasefire with Iran, killing untold numbers and forcing nearly 100,000 surviving Kurds to flee across the border into Turkey and Iran. Nearly a year and a half later these Kurdish refugees continue to live in deplorable, desperate conditions without hope for the future -- in fear for their lives if they return to Iraq, in extreme poverty, and even under armed guard behind barbed wire in Turkey, the children not even allowed to attend school within the camps.

The U.S. Department of State is well aware of Iraq's genocidal policies against the Kurdish people. It seems highly inappropriate for the U.S. government to support such a regime by loaning them money, and thereby become an indirect supporter of the torturing of children in front of their parents, the forced deportation of the inhabitants of thousands of Kurdish villages, the use of chemical and biological weapons as a method of intimidation, the ruthless murder of any suspected dissident including children, to name a few of the ongoing policies of the Iraqi regime. The Congress of the United States has found the courage to resist the betrayal of moral principles for economic gain. We hope that you, too, Mr. President, will agree that U.S. money loaned to Iraq will become tainted money, and the U.S. will become a tainted moneylender if you override the wishes of Congress to extend U.S. government loans to Iraq.

Sincerely,



Dr. Asad Khailany, President

cc: James Baker, III
U.S. Secretary of State

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