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P.S. John, my
brother, loved his
chats with you
on the trip - GB,

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Shirley,

attached

P. non UN

BW

Lillie gave me this letter after I gave her your edited reply to mail on the recent UN speech. We assumed you do not want this guy to get that draft?

In answer to your question about why the draft was an SMG, I expected that we would get negative mail also on the speech, so did a one reply for all. Lil will give pro-mail the GB and if any negative shows up will give it to me for some reply.

OK

BW

Shirley,

I called Edmund Hall, NSC to ask if it was ok to express commitment and to say we're working for repeal. He okayed, but questioned use of "so-called", but when I told him that's what the Pres. said in the speech he said leave it in. copy attached.

BW

These notes were attached to previous document.

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Shirley,

The President's speech at the United Nations hasn't generated much mail. Attached are typical letters. Can we just reply with a general thanks for your views and send them a copy of the speech? Lillie says we don't have such a generic response, so in case you agree with this approach, how about something like:

Dear:

~~On behalf of President Bush,~~ Thank you for your message about ~~his~~ *my* recent address to the United Nations General Assembly. The ~~President~~ appreciates your sharing your views regarding ~~his~~ *the* remarks (or... views about the speech), ~~with him~~. In light of your interest, ~~he~~ *I* thought that you might enjoy having a copy of the address. (speech).

~~With the President's~~ *B*est wishes.

GB

(why not?)

As democracy flourishes, so does the opportunity for a third historical breakthrough: international cooperation. A year ago, the Soviet Union joined the United States and a host of other nations in defending a tiny country against aggression -- and opposing Saddam Hussein. For the very first time on a matter of major importance, superpower competition was replaced with international cooperation.

The United Nations, in one of its finest moments, constructed a measured, principled, deliberate and courageous response to Saddam Hussein. It stood up to an outlaw who invaded Kuwait, who threatened many states within the region, who sought to set a menacing precedent for the post-Cold War world.

The coalition effort established a model for the collective settlement of disputes. Members set the goal -- the liberation of Kuwait -- and devised a courageous, unified means of achieving that goal.

And now, for the first time, we have a real chance to fulfill the U.N. Charter's ambition of working "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and nations large and small to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom." Those are the words from the Charter.

We will not revive these ideals if we fail to acknowledge the challenge that the renewal of history presents.

In Europe and Asia, nationalist passions have flared anew, challenging borders, straining the fabric of international society. At the same time, around the world, many age-old conflicts still fester. You see signs of this tumult right here. The United Nations has mounted more peacekeeping missions in the last 36 months than during its first 43 years. And although we now seem mercifully liberated from the fear of nuclear holocaust, these smaller, virulent conflicts should trouble us all.

We must face this challenge squarely: first, by pursuing the peaceful resolution of disputes now in progress; second, and more importantly, by trying to prevent others from erupting.

No one here can promise that today's borders will remain fixed for all time. But we must strive to ensure the peaceful, negotiated settlement of border disputes.

We also must promote the cause of international harmony by addressing old feuds. We should take seriously the Charter's pledge "to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors."

UNGA Resolution 3379, the so-called "Zionism is racism" resolution, mocks this pledge and the principles upon which the United Nations was founded. And I call now for its repeal.

Zionism is not a policy; it is the idea that led to the creation of a home for the Jewish people, to the state of Israel. And to equate Zionism with the intolerable sin of racism is to twist history and forget the terrible plight of Jews in World War II and, indeed, throughout history. To equate Zionism with racism is to reject Israel itself -- a member of good standing of the United Nations.

This body cannot claim to seek peace and at the same time challenge Israel's right to exist. By repealing this resolution

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September 25, 1991

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

My commendations and applause on your statement before the United Nations on the "Zionism is racism" resolution. It was moral and practical leadership at its best. If the UN is to regain its original purpose, it must drop its amoral attack on Israel. It is appropriate that the President of the United States lead this struggle.

Congratulations.

Sincerely,


Abraham H. Foxman
National Director

AHF/nmh

*Mr. President
Your choice of words were
very sensitive, meaningful and
beautiful. Thank you -*

