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September 29, 1994

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On this day, we celebrate the lives of those who have died as well as those whose lives can still be saved if we press forward in our common goal of global cooperation. As we continue our efforts to realize that vision for a safer, more peaceful world, I join you in expressing my deep respect and heartfelt appreciation to the families and friends of America's true heroes.

Bill Clinton

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Date: 9/29/94
To: Hahn
NSC Staff Officer

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Signature: L. B. Hahn
NSC Staff Officer
for Executive Secretary

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DRAFT DATE / LETTER DATE: Sep 26 1994 /

CORRESPONDENCE #: 1822386

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CC: Joni Stevens
John Podesta

ENCLOSURES AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

parts of 3/15/94 speech *HOLD TO HAND CARRY*

I am honored to send greetings to ^{all} those gathered at Arlington Cemetery ^{National} to ^{remember} ~~pay tribute to the~~ ^{have Americans} who lost their lives during Operation Restore Hope in Somalia.

^{start} The ~~No-Greater~~ Love Remembrance Ceremony is a glorious ^{Lifting} memorial to the ^{heroic} struggle of our men and women in uniform who served so valiantly and sacrificed so much in Somalia. In March, I ~~paid tribute~~ in Fort Drum, New York, ^{I paid tribute} to the soldiers who were returning from their ^{that} important mission ~~in Somalia~~ ^{On this occasion} honoring ^{lives} the deaths of the forty-four Americans who ^{did not return} ~~lost their lives in Somalia~~. The United States owes a lasting debt of gratitude to ^{set} these courageous ^{Patriots} men and women. While we can never fully repay that debt, I hope that the friends and families of those who died will take some measure of comfort in knowing that ^{their service here was} ~~our efforts were not in vain~~. ^{went} American soldiers did not go to Somalia to conquer, but on a mission of mercy, a mission accomplished, a mission to be proud of.

On this day, we ^{celebrate the lives of} remember those who have died as well as those whose lives can still be saved if we ^{press forward in our} ~~all work toward a~~ common goal of ^{global} peace and unity. ^{cooperation} As we continue our efforts to realize ^{that} our vision for a safer, more peaceful ^{world} place in which to live, I join with No-Greater ^{you in expecting my} ~~deep respect and heartfelt appreciation to the families and friends of~~ ^{American fallen soldiers}

SEP 28 1994

~~Love in honoring the brave men and women of the Armed Forces who are
no longer with us. God bless you all.~~

CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO:

~~A Time of Remembrance~~
No Greater Love
c/o Ms. Carmella LaSpada
1750 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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WASHINGTON

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 3, 1994

I am honored to send greetings to all those gathered at Arlington National Cemetery to remember the brave Americans who lost their lives during Operation Restore Hope in Somalia.

In March, at Fort Drum, New York, we honored the soldiers who were returning from that important mission. Today, I join your homage to the forty-four Americans who did not return. The "No Greater Love" ceremony is a fitting tribute to the tireless struggle of the men and women of our armed services who served so valiantly -- and sacrificed so much -- in Somalia. All Americans owe them a lasting debt of gratitude.

To the family and friends of those courageous soldiers, may you find some measure of comfort in the knowledge that your loved ones did not serve in vain. Theirs was a mission of mercy: a mission accomplished, a mission of which to be proud. I know that no words or deeds can calm your grief or make whole your loss. I can only express my deep respect -- and the gratitude of our nation -- to those who gave their lives so that others might live. There is no greater sacrifice. There are no greater heroes.

Bill Clinton

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REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE - COMMENTS

To:

Christopher

fwd to Hahn

Date Due:

TODAY!!! 9/29

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Subject:

Memorial to fallen Soldiers in Somalia

Requested By/Addressed To:

NO Greater Love (to be read by TONY LAKE!)

Background:

Hi - Is this good to go? Mr. Lake will deliver to the memt.

Thanks! Lori

Signature:

Lori Abname

Date:

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Will I do
we're doing a
message
Do you want to
see someone
JDM

94 SEP 7 P2:11

September 6, 1994

Dear John,

The enclosed letter is an invitation for President Clinton to be the keynote speaker at the October 3 No Greater Love Remembrance Ceremony honoring those who died during Operation Restore Hope in Somalia.

The only organization in the United States providing programs of friendship and care for families of the Americans who died in service to our country or by acts of terrorism.

As you are aware, memories are short and after the initial newsworthy item of an American's death, it fades away from public view and the families are left to heal alone. The President's participation in this tribute would reinforce his image as a caring and compassionate leader and assure the grieving families that he indeed does and will remember those Americans who served under his command.

This will be the first time that the families who have lost a loved one in Somalia will have been brought together to share their burden and find solace in each other. Many of them will be coming from as far as the southwest and the mid-west.

I would appreciate it if you would pass this letter to the appropriate person.

Thanks for your help.

Warmest regards,

Carmella

Carmella

pm 9/22:

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September 6, 1994

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The only organization in the United States providing programs of friendship and care for families of the Americans who died in service to our country or by acts of terrorism.

On Monday, October 3, 1994, in Section 60, at Arlington National Cemetery, No Greater Love will dedicate a tree and memorial stone honoring those who died in Operation Restore Hope, Somalia. This tribute will bring together for the first time the families of the 44 Americans who died in this peacekeeping mission.

No Greater Love would be honored if you would be the keynote speaker. Your personal presence at this ceremony will do much to assure the families that you will never forget those Americans who served under your command.

Ambassador Robert B. Oakley and General Wayne Downing, USA, have agreed to give remarks. We have invited the Secretaries of the Army and the Air Force, and LtGen Robert B. Johnston, Commander USMC Forces, to participate in the Roll Call of Remembrance. The ambassadors from the other 18 countries who suffered casualties in Somalia have been invited to place their country's flag on the Remembrance Panel. Children of those Americans killed will unveil the memorial stone. A copy of the program format is enclosed.

We would appreciate your reply by September 16. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Carmella LaSpada
Founder/CEO

Enclosures

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DRAFT PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies

[to be decided]

"Morning Has Broken"

[choral group]

Presentation of Colors

Armed Forces Joint Color Guard

Pledge of Allegiance

[to be led by family members]

Retirement of Colors

Introduction of Families of

Operation Restore Hope Casualties

Carmella LaSpada, *Founder/CEO, No Greater Love*

"Heros"

Bebe Gribble, *No Greater Love Vocalist*

Remarks

Ambassador Robert B. Oakley, *former U. S. Ambassador to Somalia* [confirmed]

GEN Wayne Downing, USA, *Commander-in-Chief Special Operations Command* [confirmed]

Keynote Speaker

President Bill Clinton [invited]

Roll Call of Remembrance

The Honorable Togo D. West, Jr.

Secretary of the Army [invited]

The Honorable Shelia Widnall

Secretary of the Air Force [invited]

LtGen Robert B. Johnston

Commander USMC Forces [invited]

Placing of Flags the Remembrance F

Representatives from the United States and the other 18 countries who had casualties during the Peacekeeping Mission in Somalia

"No Greater Love"

[choral group]

Prayer of Dedication

Father Michael Klarer, LT, CHC, USNR

No Greater Love Chaplain

Unveiling of Memorial Stone and

Dedication of Tree

[children of family members]

No Greater Love Pledge of Peace

Recited in English by *a child of a U. S. casualty*

Recited in Somali by *a Somali child*

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

[choral group]

Placing of Remembrance Wreath

President Bill Clinton [invited]

Ambassador Robert D. Oakley

General Wayne Downing, USA

Carmella Laspada

Taps

"God Bless America"



A Time of Remembrance
for those who died in Operation Restore Hope, Somalia

No Greater Love
cordially invites you to attend
a Tree Dedication and Unveiling of a Memorial Stone
on Monday, October 3, 1994
at noon
Section 60, Arlington National Cemetery

RSVP card enclosed

Luncheon following ceremony
Sheraton National Hotel
Columbia Pike and Washington Boulevard
Arlington, Virginia

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WASHINGTON

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Bill Clinton

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A ceremony
to honor those who died in

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Arlington National Cemetery
October 3, 1994

American Medical Association

Physicians dedicated to the health of America



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Date: 9 / 14 / 94

To: ROBERT G. BELL
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE
PRESIDENT

From: LARRY E. JOYCE
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Message: Bob -

Ben Pilla received this. Do you
know anything about it?

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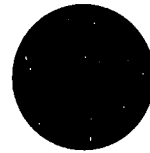
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Robert E. Mullock
Baidoa Orphanage
PO Box 2369
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August 31, 1994



Dear Sirs:

I sympathize greatly with you, your family and the families of the US Rangers lost in Mogadishu, Somalia during the October 3 and 4 action.

I know many of families were concerned about the accuracy of the military report of what happened that day.

As a volunteer relief worker in Somalia, I have met not only some of the American families, but also some of the Somali families as well and have noted the similarity of grieving and concern that the issue has never been properly finalized.

Enclosed is an invitation to send a delegation of family members of those that were lost October 3 and 4 to meet with the Somalis, including Mohamed Farah Aidid to discuss what really happened that day.

If you wish to pursue this matter, please contact me.

Yours truly and with my deepest regrets for
your loss.

Robert E. Mullock

enclosure

**XAFIISKA GUDDOOMIYAHA
(CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE)**



**SOMALI NATIONAL
ALLIANCE**

Ref: SNA/XG/4/219/94

Date: 20 AGO. 1994

**TO: THE GRIEVING OF US RANGERS AND DELTA FORCE FALLEN
SERVICEMEN IN MOGADISHU, SOMALIA.**

**RE: INVITATION TO MEET WITH THE GRIEVING SOMALI FAMILIES
IN MOGADISHU.**

Dear Madame/Gentlemen,

I would like to reassure you that both Somalis and American families had suffered from the outcome of the unprovoked US military adventurism staged by US/UNOSOM high echelons and policy-makers.

Our side had suffered more in depths and intensity by the direct impact of an overwhelming and invading hostile US firepower, biased and misleading of US mass-media and the orchestrated military offensive opted by UNOSOM military junta.

As people to people, and family to family, we are prepared to meet you to find a common grounds for a genuine rapprochement. The Somali People at large and SNA supporters and its leadership in particular, never declared war against the well-wishing American people nor had we ever crossed the Atlantic Ocean to escalate armed confrontations with the American people. To be honest with you, we never threatened the lives of any American citizen nor had we hindered any US interest known to us. The stark truth was that we were only confined on the defensive side; merely concerned of defending our God given rights and dignity as free people.

In relating to you untold human tragedy, the Somali people in general and in particular the residents of Mogadishu and Kismaio had languished for months of unrelented military operations and follow up repercussions by an occupation army. The result was a toll of human tragedy and loss of immense properties. From the Somali side, we lost over 13,000 of civilian lives of all social strata and almost three-times as much of wounded casualties, a good number of them handicapped for life. Together let's explore some legitimate questions yet to be answered:

- a) Why had the American Army waged an unprovoked war on the SNA supporters and its leadership?

- c) Was the political and social setbacks we both suffered a worthwhile respite in regard to US/UNOSOM efforts?
- d) And, how to speed up reparation processes for the Somali people?

To put our souls in peace, we propose to organize a social gathering of Somalia-American grieving families in Mogadishu in the hope to succeed in normalizing and improving the public relation of our two people.

Together, I believe that where others failed to redress the past tragedies, we may overcome all the strains for the benefit of all parties concerned.

Please be assured that your security will be taken care of during your stay in Somalia.

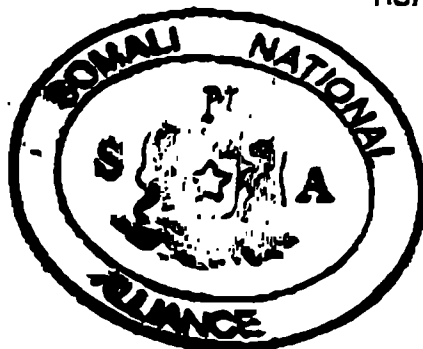
Please accept my sincere regards and considerations.

With best regards.

PEACE, JUSTICE UNITY & DEVELOPMENT



Mohamed Farah Aidid
Chairman



9/14

Bob,

Received a call from Ben Pilla, father of Ranger killed in Mog. He received a letter purported to be from Mohammed Aideed, brought to the U.S. by someone who was doing volunteer work at an orphanage in Baidoa. Letter invites Pilla to come to Somalia to meet with others who lost relatives in war crimes committed by U.S. Pilla called Joyce and Smith to see if they received similar letters. They haven't.

I asked Pilla to fax me a copy of the letters he received - one from Aideed and the forwarding letter from relief worker (from Cape May, NJ). I told Mr. Pilla that we would check with State to see what they knew and with Law Enforcement agencies to see if they might know of any SNA activity in U.S. and to see if they thought that Mr. Pilla might be in any danger.

Awaiting FAX.

Ben Pilla's phone number (609) 692-1680

2/Keith

9/15/94

12:50 p.m.

Bob,

Ben Pilla called again today wanting to know authenticity of "Mullock" LTR (attached), and even mentioned going to the press. I asked him to await your return before taking any action, if possible -- he said he would. Please call him ASAP! 609-692-1680
Sandie

TL comments to FoxTV

What lessons from Somalia apply to 10/3
Haiti?

- why did USS
- deliver.
- keep int. at stake
- clear when mission will be achieved

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



September 30, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT BELL

SUBJ: Somalia Memorial Ceremony at
Arlington Cemetery

Bob:

Attached FYI is the program for the Somalia memorial ceremony at Arlington on Monday, Oct. 3 at 12:00 p.m.

As noted on the program, Tony Lake will read a message from the President during the ceremony and place a wreath at the conclusion.

Reed

AN AMERICAN'S PRAYER

by David Whitfield

Dear Lord,

As the sun sets on another day, glowing softly in the west,
Please set a special place aside for our wonderful country's best.

For the selfless men and women who knowingly give their all,
Who stand guard 'round our banner and shall never let it fall.

They leave behind both spouse and child to protect and preserve our land.
They leave behind both hearth and home, in service great and grand.

They endure heartache and hardship for an occasional word from home,
They endure sharp criticisms, and often feel alone.

But Lord, please touch their souls tonight--somehow let them know we care,
That we're standing right behind them even when they're "Over There."

And Lord, if they're wet and cold in the darkness of a wild and rolling sea,
Or sweltering in the desert sand and waiting patiently;

If they're soaring through the silver clouds, or standing guard out in the rain,
If they're laughing, living, loving or in quite heartfelt pain;

Please, Lord, tonight embrace them; soldiers, sailors, one and all,
For they dearly love their country, and they daily give their all.

For the young American away from home for the first time in his life,
And the Officer far away from his children and his wife;

For the women dressed in olive drab, instead of skirts or jeans--
Because when you say "Patriot," they can tell you what it means.

And Lord, if before the night is through, Heaven's Gate should open wide,
And a Solider, Airman, Sailor, or Marine should step inside;

If he straightens to attention with a clicking of the boot,
And proudly states his presence with a textbook-sharp salute;

Embrace him, Lord, and love him in Your great and perfect way;
For he was one of the best, Dear Lord, the Pride of the U.S.A.

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Arlington National Cemetery
October 3, 1994

Patrons

Lane Kirkland, President, AFL-CIO Executive Council

*Robert Georgine, President, Building and Construction
Trades Department*

Jake West, President, International Association of Iron Workers

*A. L. "Mike" Monroe, President, International Brotherhood
of Painters and Allied Trades*

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A Tradition of Remembrance

We gather here today to remember those who gave the last measure of devotion, their lives, in service to their nation and their comrades. Each loved by family and friends. Each so desperately missed and needed in those lives and the life of our country.

We gather to comfort the children - their children and *all* the children who are innocent victims of war or terrorism. For theirs is the most enduring sacrifice. Their pain is imprinted on lives only just beginning to be lived, and their question - Why? - will echo long after our voices are stilled.

For more than 22 years, No Greater Love has been sponsoring annual ceremonies of remembrance at Arlington National Cemetery for those who died in service to our country or by acts of terrorism. The men and women who are buried in this most hallowed ground are silent reminders of the cost of war and hatred in the world.

Our message and our mission are to let you, the families, know that we honor your loved ones and we will always remember them.

They are not forgotten. We salute you.

*Board of Directors
No Greater Love*

The Tragedy of Somalia

In 1988, a full-scale bloody civil war broke out in Somalia resulting in the collapse of President Mohammed Siyad Barrels regime in January 1991. The fall of this regime left the Somali national government and social institutions in disarray. The political instability and precarious security situation caused many relief agencies to leave the country in 1991, resulting in severe food shortages. After the government's collapse and before the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission, 75% of the population was displaced, 90% of the Somali people suffered from malnutrition, and 4.5 million people were on the threshold of starvation.

Operation Restore Hope

The U.S. launched a military airlift in August 1992 to deliver food to sites in Somalia. American soldiers first came on shore in December 1992, leading a multinational military coalition that began moving food to the starving in a land that had lost more than 350,000 people to hunger, disease and warfare in the preceding year.

With the famine broken, Washington turned over the humanitarian mission to the United Nations in May 1993, but it quickly deteriorated into a small scale war that ended after 18 Americans and an estimated 300 Somalis were killed in a firefight in Mogadishu on October 3-4, 1993.

During the peacekeeping mission, over 300,000 Somalis were treated by U.S. military medical corps and more than 850 patients were flown out of Somalia. More than 23 schools were started and over 20 tons of educational supplies and 92,744 tons of cargo were distributed. In addition, the Navy Seabees and the Army Corps of Engineers repaired or built over 1,200 miles of roads.

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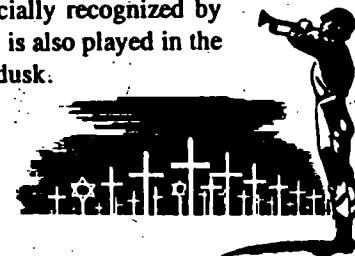
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ANNUAL DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

February 26	<i>World Trade Center Tragedy</i>
February 28	<i>Persian Gulf War</i>
March 29	<i>Vietnam War</i>
April 25	<i>Iran Hostage Rescue Mission</i>
May 17	<i>USS Stark Incident</i>
May 29	<i>All Wars and Conflicts</i>
June 8	<i>USS Liberty Incident</i>
July 20	<i>Astronauts who lost their lives</i>
July 27	<i>Korean War</i>
September 2	<i>World War II</i>
September 16	<i>POWs-MIAs</i>
September 20	<i>Children who died in Wars or Conflicts</i>
October 3	<i>Operation Restore Hope (Somalia)</i>
October 7	<i>Journalists who died in Wars or Conflicts</i>
October 22	<i>Victims of Terrorism</i>
October 25	<i>Operation Urgent Fury (Grenada)</i>
November 11	<i>World War I</i>
December 12	<i>Gander Air Disaster</i>
December 20	<i>Operation Just Cause (Panama)</i>
December 21	<i>Pan Am Flight 103 Tragedy</i>

"TAPS"

The bugle call "TAPS" has its origins on a battlefield of the Civil War. After the Union suffered a large number of casualties near Richmond, Virginia, Brigade Commander Colonel Butterfield reflected with sadness upon the men in his company that he had lost in the battle that day, July 2, 1862. Unable to read music, he composed a melody and hummed it to an aide who wrote it down in musical notation. The company bugler played it that night to honor their dead comrades. Its use spread throughout both the Union and Confederate armies, and was officially recognized by the United States Army in 1874. Today, Taps is also played in the military to mark the lowering of the Flag at dusk.



No Greater Love

No Greater Love is the only organization in the United States providing annual programs of remembrance, friendship and care for those whose loved ones died in service to our country or by acts of terrorism. No Greater Love was established in 1971 with the simple mission of creating national remembrance ceremonies to bring together these families helping them find hope and meaning in their loss. Over time No Greater Love ceremonies have become more than quiet tributes of remembrance and comfort. These events serve as a beacon to people around the world, calling forth and reinforcing all efforts to create a world where, someday, new remembrance ceremonies will be unnecessary.

This nonprofit, nonpolitical, educational, humanitarian organization is a 501(c)(3) organization that is sustained by contributions from the general public and through CFC #1143.

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Washington, D.C. 20006
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*"It isn't enough to talk about peace.
One must believe in it. And it isn't
enough to believe in it. One must work
at it."*

Eleanor Roosevelt

The Ceremony Site

Arlington National Cemetery is the resting place of heroes. It is our Nation's greatest shrine. Today's ceremony is taking place in Section 60 where three of the soldiers who died during Operation Restore Hope are buried.

The Memorial Tree

The American Sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*) is one of America's most noble and handsome native trees and grows to a height of 70 or more feet. The tree's five-pointed leaf, resembles a star. A member of the witchhazel family, its sweet sap gives the tree its name. Traditionally, the gum from its bark was used for healing.

The American Sweetgum is an eternal reminder of the sacrifice your loved ones made to help a suffering people in Somalia. The memorial tree was donated by Campbell & Ferrar Nurseries, Inc. of Alexandria, VA.

The Memorial Stone

At the base of the Memorial Tree is a commemorative black granite stone, designed and donated by Bob Thomas of Columbia Gardens, Arlington, VA. The inscription on the stone reads:

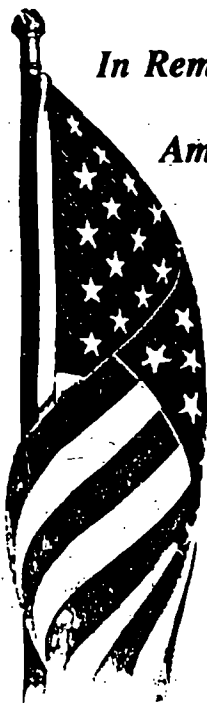
OPERATION RESTORE HOPE SOMALIA 1992 - 1994

In sacred memory of those who died in a distant land
rekindling the flame of hope
for a suffering people.

Dedicated by



October 3, 1994



In Remembrance

Americans Who Died in Operation Restore Hope 1992 - 1994

Matthew K. Anderson
Domingo Arroyo
Brian P. Barnes
Anthony D. Botello
Donovan L. Briley
Daniel D. Busch
James M. Cavaco
William D. Cleveland, Jr.
David J. Conner
Robert L. Daniel
Robert H. Deeks
Roy S. Duncan
William C. Eyler
Thomas J. Field
Earl R. Fillmore, Jr.
Raymond A. Frank
Lawrence L. Freeman
Gary I. Gordon
Mark E. Gutting
Daniel L. Harris
Christopher K. Hilgert
Cornell L. Houston

James Casey Joyce
Richard W. Kowalewski, Jr.
James H. Martin, Jr.
Timothy L. Martin
David J. Mehlhop
Mike E. Moser
Edward J. Nicholson
Keith D. Pearson
Jesus Perez
Dominick M. Pilla
Mark A. Quam
Ferdinand C. Richardson
Ronald N. Richerson
Matthew L. Rierson
Don D. Robretson
William A. Rose
Lorenzo M. Ruiz
Randall D. Shughart
James E. Smith
Anthony R. Stefanik, Jr.
Eugene Williams
Clifton P. Wolcott

***"A nation reveals itself not only by the citizens it produces,
but also by the citizens it honors, the citizens it remembers."***

John F. Kennedy

NO GREATER LOVE MEMORIALS at Arlington National Cemetery

VIETNAM

First plaque in the Memorial Display Room honoring Americans killed in Southeast Asia--dedicated October 26, 1977.

POWS-MIAS

Memorial Tree and Stone for POWs & MIAs--dedicated April 9, 1983.*

VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

Memorial Tree and Stone for victims of terrorism--dedicated October 23, 1984 (first anniversary of U.S. Marine Barracks terrorist attack in Beirut).*

JOURNALISTS

Memorial Tree and Stone in memory of journalists who died covering wars or conflicts for the American people--dedicated October 7, 1986.*

KOREAN WAR

Meditation Bench in honor of Americans killed in Korea--dedicated on July 27, 1987.*

WORLD WAR I

Memorial Tree and Stone honoring Americans who died in World War I--dedicated November 10, 1989.*

VIETNAM

Memorial Tree and Stone honoring Americans who died in the Vietnam War--dedicated November 10, 1991.

WORLD WAR II

Memorial Tree and Stone honoring Americans who died in World War II--dedicated December 8, 1991.*

PERSIAN GULF

Memorial Tree and Stone honoring Americans who died in the Persian Gulf -- dedicated February 28, 1992.*

SOMALIA

Memorial Tree and Stone honoring Americans who died in Somalia--dedicated October 3, 1994.*

*A "first" at Arlington National Cemetery in honor of this group of Americans, according to Tom Sherlock, Historian, Arlington National Cemetery.

No Greater Love Pledge of Peace

No Greater Love decided not only to remember the heavy costs of war and terrorism on children, but to utilize their energies, and in 1985 created the No Greater Love Pledge of Peace. Hundreds of thousands of youngsters throughout the world have made this Pledge.

The Pledge of Peace is an on-going program in cooperation with the United Nations. Its purpose is to make children aware of the power and responsibility that each human being has to bring about world peace. No Greater Love has been designated a United Nations Peace messenger.

The No Greater Love Children's Pledge of Peace laser disk, containing signatures of children from 100 countries, was flown as part of the official flight kit aboard the ill-fated "Challenger," January 28, 1986. The disk was one of the few items miraculously recovered from the ocean floor after the tragedy, and has been displayed at the United Nations and the U.S. Capitol.



***"As a legacy and gift
to the children who will be born
and live on this Planet Earth,
I hereby commit myself to fostering peace.
I promise to do everything I can to help create
a common future of peace and justice
for all human beings."***

written by Louis M. Savary
Vice President, No Greater Love

In Remembrance

Those From Other Countries Who Died in Somalia During the U.N. Peacekeeping Mission 1992 - 1994

Bangladesh

Belgium

Canada

Egypt

France

Greece

India

Italy

Malaysia

Morocco

Nepal

Nigeria

Norway

Pakistan

Tunisia

Turkey

United Arab Emirates

Zimbabwe

P R O G R A M

Master of Ceremonies

Jim Bohannon
Nationally Syndicated Talk Show Host
Mutual Broadcasting System

"Morning Has Broken"

Bebe Gribble, *No Greater Love Vocalist*
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Presentation of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by family members of Operation Restore Hope casualties:
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Retirement of Colors

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"On Eagle's Wings"

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Placing of Flags of Nations on the Remembrance Panel

Somali children and representatives of the other 18 countries who
suffered casualties during the Peacekeeping Mission in Somalia

Placing of Remembrance Roses at the Somalia Flag

Two Somali children

"Somaliayey Toosa" A Somali song of hope

Children of Somalia

Prayer of Dedication

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Unveiling of Memorial Stone and Dedication of Tree

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"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Bebe Gribble and Michael Gribschaw

Placing of Remembrance Wreath

The Honorable Anthony K. Lake, Ambassador Robert B. Oakley,
GEN Wayne A. Downing, USA, Carmella LaSpada

Taps



***A Time of Remembrance
for those who died in Operation Restore Hope, Somalia***

**No Greater Love
cordially invites you to attend
a Tree Dedication and Unveiling of a Memorial Stone
on Monday, October 3, 1994
at noon
Section 60, Arlington National Cemetery**

RSVP card enclosed

**Luncheon following ceremony
Sheraton National Hotel
Columbia Pike and Washington Boulevard
Arlington, Virginia**

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approximately 50 min.

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SOMALIA REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

OCTOBER 3, 1994

Family Guest List

September 29, 1994

Family of	Name			
Arroyo, Domingo	Ortoc, Ramonita Lopez, Carmen	S O	Elizabeth Elizabeth	NJ NJ
Barnes, Brian P.	Barnes, James	S	Cole Camp	MO
Botello, Anthony	Gean, Ann	S	Wilburton	OK
Daniel, Robert	Daniel, Paula Daniel, Mr./Mrs. Lee	H S	Mary Esther Gray	FL GA
Deeks, Robert H. Jr.	Melissa Deeks	H	Fort Worth	TX
Duncan, Roy	Duncan, Carmen	H	Navarre	FL
Eyler, William	Eyler, Louise	S	Chellicothe	MO
Frank, Raymond	Frank, Wilma	H		CA
Gutting, Mark	Gutting, Barbara/Gene	S	Lowell	MI
Hilgert, Christopher	Ryder, Daniel/Barbara	S	New Albany	IN
Houston, Cornell	Houston, Carmen	H	Mobile	AL
Joyce, James	Joyce, Larry/Gail Joyce, Deanna	S H	Chicago Plano	IL TX
Kowalewski, Richard	Papes, Patricia	S	Vermilion	OH
Martin, James	Martin, Kori	H	Belleville	IL
Martin, Timothy	Martin, Linda	H	Fayetteville	NC
Mehlhop, David	McCoy, Chris Mehlhop, Bette Mehlhop, Paul Sentman, James Herrmann, John Suesser, Mariann Stephens, Sandra	B S B O O O O	Patchogue Orlando Boston Lake Ronkonkoma Alexandria Garden City Oklahoma City	NY FL MA NY VA NY OK
Moser, Mike	Moser, Henry Hanson, Russell	S O	Mount Ayr Rochester	IA MN
Quam, Mark	Wilcott, Joann Quam, Lawrence Quam, Anna	S S H	Arlington Madison Mary Esther	TX WI FL
Smith, James E.	Smith, James/Caroline	S	Long Valley	NJ
Stefanik, Anthony	Stefanik, Anthony (Sr.) Stefanik, Catherine	S H	Johnsontown Ft. Walton Beach	PA FL
Williams, Eugene	Williams, Georgia	S	Chicago	IL
Wolcott, Clifton	Wolcott, Christine	H		KY

Key

Rel = Relative
S = Son
H = Husband

B = Brother
O = Other

Mac Dill Air Force Base

**U.S. Special Operations Command****FAX Transmission**To (Name): Susan MiltoDate: 29 Sep 94Organization: No Greater LoveTime: 5 pmFrom: Chet JusticeFAX #: 202/783-1168Header plus 0 pages***This is an unclassified document*****Message:**

Voice: 202/783-4665

Susan:

Here are the people coming up from MacDill.

GEN Downing

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas C. Maffey, U.S. Army, aide

Chief Master Sergeant Michael I. Lampe, U.S. Air Force, senior enlisted advisor

Chaplain (Colonel) Frank M. Ornhurn, U.S. Army

Colonel Robert E. Pilnacek, U.S. Army, public affairs officer, will be flying in from Wyoming for the ceremony.

Let me know if you need more info. Thanks

VOICE: (813) 828-4600

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MacDill AFB, Florida 33621-5323

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Guest List for
NO GREATER LOVE
Dedication Ceremony
at Arlington Cemetery

USASOC

LTG Scott, CG, USASOC
MAJ Rocks, ADC
CSM Bone, CSM, USASOC
Chaplain (COL) Hicks, USASOC Chaplain

CAG

COL McCabe, CDR, CAG
COL Wismann
MSG Perdue
SFC Mabry
MSG Verheul

Mrs. Linda Martin - Widow + 3 Children
(Diana, Cathrine, Jessica)

USAJFKSWCS

MG Garrison, CG, USAJFKSWCS
CPT Johnson, ADC

USACAPOC

COL Blanchette, DCO, USACAPOC (lives in VA)

USASFC (5th SFG(A))

COL Noe, 5th SFG(A) Commander
CSM Clough, 5th SFG(A) CSM
LTC Whitley, 2nd Bn CDR
CSM Ballogg, 2nd Bn CSM

(unsure of Deeks family involvement)

160th SOAR

COL Brown, CDR, 160th (T)
LTC Irish, XO, 1st Bn
MAJ Heydt, 160th Chaplain

75th Ranger Regiment

COL Jackson, CDR (T)
(CPT Newell (Adjutant) is working on their list of names)

Ms. Patricia Papos - Mother of Richard Kowalewski
+ 1 child

**SOMALIA REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY
EMBASSY ACCEPTANCES**

September 30, 1994

EMBASSY	REPRESENTATIVE	#	TELEPHONE/FAX
Bangladesh			202-342-8372/202-333-4971
Belgium	Mr. J. Verbeke, Minister Mr. Jeurissen, Attaché		202-625-5842/202-333-8483
Canada	Colonel W. M. Holmes, Military Attaché	1	202-682-7776
Egypt	Ambassador Ahmed Maher El Sayed Mrs. El Sayed	2	202-895-5433/202-244-4319 (Contact: Elaine)
France	Colonel Henri Derousseaux de Medrano Assistant Military Attaché	1	202-944-6000/202-944-6538
Greece	LTC Emmanovil Barnias	2	202-934-5695/202-232-2605
India			202-939-7000/202-265-6656
Italy			202-966-3754/202-537-1109
Nepal	Mr. Pradeep Khatiwada, Charge d'Affaires Lt. Col Prakash B. Basnyat, Military Attaché	2	202-667-4550/202-667-5534
Nigeria			202-986-8400/202-986-8449
Malaysia	Mr. Zainol, Counselor	1	202-328-2700/202-483-7661
Morocco	Mr. Mohammed Slaoui, Political Counselor		
Norway	Major General Olav Aamoth	1	202-944-8954/202-237-0437
Pakistan	Ambassador Maleeha Lodhi	1	202-939-6212/202-265-5302
Tunisia			202-862-1850/202-862-1858
Turkey	Mr. Bahadir Kaleli, First Secretary	1	202-659-8200/202-659-0744
United Arab Emirates			202-338-6500/202-337-7029
Zimbabwe			202-332-7100/202-483-9326

SOMALIA REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

September 30, 1994

State Department / Other Acceptances

The Hon. Richard Moose	Under Secretary for Management
Ambassador David Shinn	Director of East African Affairs
Ambassador Robert Gosende	Former U. S. Special Envoy to Somalia
Richard McCall	Chief of Staff, U.S. Agency for International Development
Geraldine Kam	Assistant to Secretary Moose
Theodore Andrews	Somalia Desk
Stevenson McIlvaine	Task Force Director, Somalia Coordination
Philip Suter	Office of Political and Military Affairs

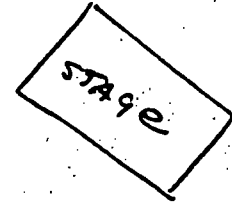
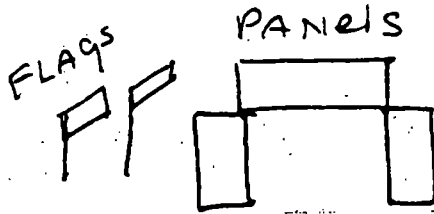
Acceptances of Veterans Organizations

American Gold Star Mothers
AMVETS
American War Mothers
Gold Star Wives of America
Korean War Memorial Fund
Marine Corps League
Military Order of the Purple Heart
Polish Legion of American Veterans
Veterans of Foreign Wars (National) Veterans of Foreign Wars & Auxiliary Post 9862, Gaithersburg, MD
Vietnam Veterans Institute
Women's Army Corps Veterans Association
Women In Military Service Memorial Fund
Women Marines Association
Women's Overseas Service League

Acceptances of Somali Organizations

Adamiga Organization
American Somali Council
Somali Community Services
Somali Relief Federation
Somali Development Council
Somalia NGOs Working Group
SORRA

SEATING DIAGRAM



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| _____ EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES _____ |

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Open seating for military and veterans organizations

STAGE SEATING

Gribble
(Singer)

Mohamud*

Darman*

Martin*

Wolcott*

Oakley Downing LaSpada Bohannon

Lake Scott Johnston Anderson

PODIUM

* Children who will recite the No Greater Love Pledge of Peace

**DIRECTIONS TO
ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**

Cross Memorial Bridge. As you approach the entrance to the cemetery, inform the guards you are attending the No Greater Love Ceremony. You will be permitted to continue into the cemetery.

Turn left onto Eisenhower Drive, then turn left onto Bradley Drive, where U. S. Air Force traffic guides will direct you to parking near Section 60.

**DIRECTIONS FROM ARLINGTON
NATIONAL CEMETERY TO THE
SHERATON NATIONAL HOTEL
(703-521-1900)**

From Section 60 make a right turn onto Eisenhower Drive. Make a right turn onto Memorial Drive. Continue to circle. Enter the circle in the middle lane. Yield to approaching traffic coming across the Memorial Bridge. Three-quarters of the way around the circle follow the signs to Virginia exiting left on 395, South.

From 395 exit onto Columbia Pike at the Navy Annex. Continue on Columbia Pike through the traffic light (passing the Navy Annex/Henderson Hall on your right).

Approximately 1/2 mile, turn right on Orme Street at the Sheraton National Hotel (visible from Columbia Pike).

Make the second left into the parking garage entrance. Parking is complimentary.