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DEAR PRESIDENT CLINTON,

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR VICTORY. YOU ARE A PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE,
A PERSON WHO TRULY CARES, AND A GREAT FRIEND TO ME. I WANTED YOU TO
KNOW THAT DANNY AND I HAVE DONATED THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT ALLOWABLE IN
SUPPORT OF YOUR DEFENSE FUND. WE BOTH LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU
AND MRS CLINTON AT THE TREE LIGHTING IN DECEMBER.

WITH WARMEST REGARDS,

TONY BENNETT

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November 3, 1998

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

I pray that this letter finds you and your family sound in health and strong in spirit as we approach the coming holiday season.

It is with sadness of heart that I write to you now to inform you of another blow to freedom of religion and freedom of expression suffered by the Greek Orthodox citizens of Turkey and His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Earlier this week the Turkish government dismissed the Board of Trustees of the Theological School of Halki on trumped-up charges of "mismanagement" and "propaganda against the Turkish government." As you know, Halki is not only the site of a thousand-year old patriarchal monastery, it is also the location where His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew hosts an annual international symposium on the environment. This yearly event is a leading forum of religious and scientific reflection on ecology in the world.

The Turkish General Authority for Public Institutions effected these egregious dismissals within days after you signed legislation passed by the Congress of the United States which confirmed the basic rights of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople both to operate freely and to reopen its venerable Theological School of Halki. This high-handed measure by the Turkish authorities stands, therefore, as an open act of defiance against the American people and their government, as well as an act of repression against the native Turkish citizenry of Orthodox faith.

When His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew visited the United States last year, he brought a message of peace, love, and reconciliation. This latest move by the Turkish government is yet another attempt to silence the universal message of Orthodox Christianity. In 1941 President Franklin D. Roosevelt said that the United States would never seek to procure peace and national security at the cost of other people's freedom. Mr. President, it is my prayer that the Lord our God will strengthen, inspire, and guide you to use your honorable office to protect and uphold the rights of the flock of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople and of all persecuted people of faith throughout the world.

With heartfelt prayers for the blessings
of the season,

Chalchis
✠ SPYRIDON
Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church
in America

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Archbishop Spyridon**

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3 November 1998

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500-2000

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President Clinton:

I am VERY disturbed over a pro
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The disaster was traumatic enough. Now, we have families that are trying to put their lives back together by investing their own money in housing located in the disaster area. They wish to start over with a better place to live in a neighborhood that everyone in our community hopes will be a model of determination by people who are overcoming adversity.

One of the major roadblocks, it seems, is the insistence of the Little Rock office of HUD that they cannot accept our Action Plan as a Revitalization Strategy. Believe me, we have repeatedly talked over our strategy and now have implemented a PLAN. This PLAN is well thought out, is equitable to all participants, and PROVIDES diversification by mixing low and moderate incomes in rebuilding this area. This is a point I am personally proud and pleased with and feel is in following the guidelines HUD set out for our community.

Arkadelphia has one of the most well developed revitalization strategies of a City our size in Arkansas and the nation and can be accessed on the web sit of DINA Arkadelphia through InfoSeek. I have personally visited this site many times.

I cannot stand by any longer and see bureaucrats in Little Rock and Washington making decisions and dictating on whom the rules of the game after they have been agreed upon in writing. Innocent survivors of our disaster are being unfairly affected,

I am pleading for your help for the people of our community. Please see if you can intervene and remove the apparent roadblocks and "red tape" that have tangled and stopped our efforts to resolve this situation as quickly as possible. The current inaction seems to be preventing a sound sensible solution to help the PEOPLE of Arkadelphia! These pcople are my neighbors and friends and do not need to be treated in this manner.

Thank you for your kind attention and you have my sincere thanks for any assistance you may offer.

Sincerely,

Dick Rudolph
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November 2, 1998

President William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you as the representative of the American Jewelry Industry on Jack Smith's Task Force at the National Center for Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation. Jewelry is one of the nine industry sectors chosen at the Vancouver-Pacific Rim Economic Summit for voluntary early sector trade liberalization. After a positive start to negotiations with industry leaders in other APEC and European nations and their respective national trade ministries, China is derailing the negotiations. We need your help.

The American jewelry industry, highly significant to the economy of both Rhode Island and Massachusetts from the time of the American Revolution, has lost 30% of its jobs since 1977. We suffer from a one-sided reduction of trade barriers into the U.S. under GATT. A labor intensive, craft-based industry such as jewelry experiences enormous competition from less-developed nations with low labor and environmental compliance costs. We continue to try to grow our industry through investment in research and development, automation and creative design. Our goal is to replace our lost domestic market caused by the influx of foreign goods with our economically competitive, world class products exported to developing markets such as China, now the world's largest consumer of gold jewelry.

Mr. President, your assistance along with inroads being made by the Honorable Charlene Barschevsky is crucial. We ask only for a level playing field of mutually reduced tariff and non-tariff measures. Consider these facts:

- The Chinese export approximately \$1 billion in jewelry and gems to the U.S. and pay little or no duty.
- We pay 110% duty on our imports of gold jewelry and jewelry related products from China.
- The Chinese have non-tariff measures including a "Catch 22" requirement demanding that Chinese companies secure import licenses from the Bank of China which rarely grants them.
- China's intransigence regarding trade negotiations has led to a weakening of the determination of other countries notably Malaysia and Indonesia to move forward on trade liberalization.

We ask you to advocate for early sector trade liberalization. Interestingly, easier access to U.S. and European jewelry materials and parts (findings), combined with Chinese craftsmanship on decorative jewelry elements would enhance China's own export potential. It is a fact that these materials are already highly sought after by the burgeoning Chinese jewelry industry. With your firm action in support of trade liberalization with APEC, the jewelry sector would be the model for how the world could move toward more open trade and China could demonstrate joint leadership with the United States in the Pacific Basin.

My colleagues and I on both sides of the Pacific urge you at the summit level and U.S. Trade Representatives at the ministerial level, to make this a high priority at the Economic Summit this week.

Respectfully yours,

LEACH & GARNER COMPANY



Edwin F. Leach II
President

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Edwin F. Leach II
President

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Dear Bruce,

Some of the most gratifying accomplishments of my Administration have come from the work we have done together to preserve America's great natural legacy for future generations. I am especially proud of our efforts to preserve Yellowstone National Park by acquiring the New World Mine; to protect the priceless old growth redwoods of California's Headwaters Forest; and to recognize the priceless resources of Utah's Grand Staircase-Escalante region through their designation as a National Monument.

As we look forward to the final two years of my second term, I would appreciate your giving me any recommendations you may have for further appropriate exercise of my authority under the Antiquities Act to protect objects of historic or scientific interest on federal lands.

I will consider and weigh any such proposals seriously in the overall context of our effort to save the most valuable, unique and threatened places in America as a legacy for our children and grandchildren.

Sincerely,

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Call me about
this as soon as
possible. We need
to turn it around
for Monday. Phil

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date

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To: George Frampton

From: The Staff Secretary

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 11/5

To: Maria Belknap

From: The Staff Secretary

I received this memo
this afternoon, I think from
MSC. Is it old news
by now?

Phil

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U.S. AGENCY FOR
INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

November 3, 1998

The Administrator

MEMORANDUM FOR: The President
FROM: J. Brian Atwood
SUBJECT: Response to Hurricane Mitch

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Brian Atwood".

The devastation suffered by the countries of Central America goes well beyond anything experienced in the last half century. The death and destruction it has wrought surpasses the 1972 earthquake in Nicaragua. That tragedy destroyed the city. The hurricane and floods have destroyed the entire Northwest of the country. The latest estimates of casualties exceed 7000 and the true death toll may never be known, as thousands still remain missing. The grimmest episode occurred when the volcanic lake in rural Nicaragua collapsed and the ensuing mud slide buried the four villages below. This event may account for the largest single loss of life in this tragedy (610 dead, over 1900 still missing).

Honduras has borne the brunt of this hurricane. From one end of the country to the other, the wind and floods have produced devastation. The coastal towns in the north caught the storm center, with most of the homes destroyed and hundreds of thousands displaced. The capital city of Tegucigalpa and the economic center, San Pedro Sula, have been cut off by the rising floods that have taken out 95 bridges and damaged 75 more. The Ambassador has described it as a "country of islands." The mayor of Tegucigalpa was killed while trying to survey the damage when his helicopter crashed. President Carlos Flores Facusse has said that his country has been "mortally wounded" and has appealed for international assistance.

USAID has brought its resources to bear with immediate food, water and search and rescue teams financed through our Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA), but it is clear to me that the level of effort will need to be substantially augmented during the next several weeks. Preliminary assessments are now available from Honduras and Nicaragua, which were the hardest hit, but we expect to have additional requirements from El Salvador and Guatemala. A substantial portion of the economic infrastructure in Nicaragua and Honduras was razed with truly staggering humanitarian, social and political consequences. The close relations that we share with these countries--through ties of people, geography, travel and trade--merit a substantial effort on our part.

Honduras The head of the Central Bank noted that as a result of the heavy losses to agriculture as well as other areas of the economy, the expected growth of GDP this year will plummet from a positive 5% to a negative 2%. Beyond the immediate needs of feeding those displaced, the country's main infrastructure (roads, power, water) will need to be restored. Tegucigalpa is cut off from land resupply for food or other goods. Priority needs to be placed on restoring the principal arteries between Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula and between Tegucigalpa and the southern coast. Getting water and fuel into Tegucigalpa has been a focus of USAID and SOUTHCOM relief efforts thus far.

Nicaragua Agriculture accounts for 30% of this country's GDP and 60% of its exports, employing one-third of the work-force, but a much higher percentage in the areas hit by the hurricane. Some 400,000 people have been displaced by the hurricane and are in need of food and shelter. An estimated 134 communities are totally isolated by the flooding and mud slides. A real concern exists over the threat to public health posed by cholera, dengue and malaria. USAID's proposed response will focus in the areas of food, shelter, agriculture (flood control, crop restoration), public health and infrastructure.

USG and Donor Response

USAID has activated all available mechanisms to respond to this situation, led by our Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance. To date, some \$5 million has been programmed with the bilateral USAID missions in each country exploring what existing resources can be channelled for emergency assistance. We will provide substantially more assistance in the immediate future, both disaster relief and food aid. Emergency health funding of \$500,000 has been made to the Pan American Health Organization, and that will grow. OFDA's efforts have received substantial support from the U.S. military, particularly in the deployment of air assets for assessment, delivery of relief supplies and equipment and search and rescue. I hope this will be the precursor to a much larger effort by the military which reflects the level of need and the importance of a response to these close neighbors of the United States.

We met this morning with Ambassador Aguirre of Nicaragua who had just returned from his country to survey the damage. A similar meeting is scheduled tomorrow with the Honduran Ambassador to the U.S. We met this afternoon with representatives from the Inter-American Development Bank, World Bank and International Monetary Fund who indicated that through reprogramming of the existing and approved loans, some \$100 million could be made available to each country in the next few months. An IDB team leaves for Honduras tomorrow and will be in Nicaragua on Saturday. In addition, the IDB has \$1.2 million for hiring disaster/technical experts. Similar teams will also be dispatched to El Salvador and Guatemala this week. In my discussions with IDB President Enrique Iglesias today, he said that the IDB would be prepared to finance immediate needs, particularly bridges. We are scheduling a meeting on Thursday with Mr. Iglesias to tie that promise down. Planned donor conferences for 1999 for Honduras and Nicaragua will be moved forward and refocused in order to deal with reconstruction needs.

I believe that the U.S. Government will have to pursue significant additional funding as part of an emergency international donor effort to help reconstruct countries which have lost years of development effort in a few short days. I recognize budgetary constraints. However, in past catastrophic disasters in this hemisphere, such as the Managua earthquake and the floods in Peru we sought and obtained from Congress substantial emergency supplemental assistance. This disaster is comparable and hopefully the response of the American people will be as generous.

Mr. President, given the magnitude of this disaster, I view our actions to date as only providing a preliminary response. I am prepared to travel to Honduras and Nicaragua as soon as our embassies believe it would be most useful to further underscore your announced commitment to stand by the people of those countries and help them cope with this tragedy.

cc: The Honorable Madeleine K. Albright
 Mr. Samuel Berger
 The Honorable Jacob Lew
 Mr. Thurgood Marshall, Jr.

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November 4, 1998

Handwritten signature: Sandra Mackey

President Bill Clinton
White House
Washington, DC

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Dear Mr. President:

I want to thank you for your valiant efforts at Wye Plantation. Israelis, Palestinians and, most of all, Americans owe you a great debt of gratitude for salvaging the Oslo Peace Process. I am sorry to observe that your work may not be done. Please know that you have broad support from ordinary Americans in your struggle with Benjamin Netanyahu. For twenty years, I have lectured on the Middle East to foreign policy groups, civic groups, women's groups and church groups all over the country. Over those years, I have seen frustration with Israel mount among non-Jewish Americans. Now I am seeing it among a sizeable percentage of Jews who feel that Netanyahu's policies are a great danger to Israel and detrimental to American interests. Now that the Congressional elections are over, I believe you have the opportunity to nail Likud's hide to the wall without paying any significant political price outside the hardcore supporters of Israel within the Jewish community and the religious right. Among the vast majority of non-Jewish voters, there is a growing anger among people who long ago tired of pouring their tax money into a state whose government continually slaps the United States in the face. Moves to punish Israel economically for failing to execute its part of the Wye Memorandum would play well with most of the electorate.

Now if I might add a couple of comments about the present crisis with Saddam Hussein. I applaud your restraint and commend your policy of letting the Security Council take the lead in enforcing its resolutions. In order to keep the question focused on Saddam Hussein and not the Iraqi people, it might be helpful to make the point that American concern with Iraq's weapons of mass destruction includes the danger they pose to Iraq's population. Not only is there the environmental dangers of such weapons but the reality that Saddam Hussein has used poison gas against his own population.

If military action does prove necessary, please consider the following: Do not target the infrastructure - electrical power grids; water supplies, etc. - necessary to the everyday life of the ordinary Iraqi. Instead hit Saddam's palaces, the Parade Ground in the center of Baghdad, Tikrit (his village and the center of his clan), his internal security installations, and the enclaves in which the elite of the regime live. These are all either symbols of Saddam's power or rewards to those willing to do his bidding. By destroying these particular targets, the punishment of non-compliance with Security Council Resolutions is delivered to his own house, threatening that which drives him - his own personal power.

The other logical target is Saddam's weapons installations. My only caution here is to make absolutely sure that a military strike does not release chemicals into the air. A few gassed Iraqis would unleash anti-American hysteria across the Arab world, canceling out any gains achieved by an American hit against Saddam.

I don't know if Guy Smith told you or not but I have talked the Iraqis into giving me a visa and permission to travel in Iraq for the purpose of researching a book. I am leaving for Amman on Nov. 20 and expect to arrive in Baghdad on Nov. 23. If all goes well, I will leave Baghdad around Dec. 12. I will send you a brief report when I return.

Again, I appreciate your efforts to preserve the Oslo Peace Process.

Sincerely,


Sandra Mackey

EMBASSY OF THE
ARGENTINE REPUBLIC
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November 2, 1998

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

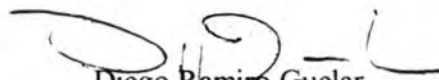
Dear Mr. President:

I have the pleasure to forward to you a gift from the President of the Argentine Republic.

President Menem would like you to try some wines from his winery in Argentina, "Bodegas Saúl Menem e Hijos".

Hoping that you enjoy them, I remain

Respectfully yours,


Diego Ramiro Guelar
Ambassador

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Buenos Aires, October 1998.

Dear sir:

We are very proud to offering you our wines so that you can taste them and enjoy a unique experience.

We are MENEM'S CELLARS, founded in 1929 by the father of our president Carlos Saúl Menem.

We are sure that you will agree with us about the excellence of our products.

We need your help and support in order to export our products and introduce them in your market.

Very truly yours.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Leonardo Francisco Spadone', with a stylized, flowing script.

**Leonardo Francisco Spadone
General Manager**

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