

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 18, 2000

Ambassador Robin L. Raphel
US Embassy, Tunis
Department of State
Washington, Dc 20521-6360

Dear Robin:

What a beautiful family photo! You all look like life in Tunisia agrees with you. Thank you for your good wishes and all the news about your adventures.

These are interesting times, as we help our friend juggle so much. Very best wishes to you and the girls for the coming year.

All the best,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

P.S. We recently sent you a few more pictures from the roundtable at the Residence, which you should receive soon.



Melanne,

December 1999

Tunis, Tunisia

With the new millenium fast approaching I find myself a bit intimidated by profound expectations, but relieved at the prospect of no more suspense over Y2K! Politics in Tunisia this year revolved around October elections, the first with more than one presidential candidate. While this may seem modest (opponents polled less than 1 percent!), the concept of opposition to the president, still lacking in many countries, is now established here. The election campaign brought vicious criticism by the leftist French press, which ironically redounded well for the U.S. -- the Tunisians are currently more eager to cooperate with us than their former colonial masters on a range of issues. Tunisian motives are of course more sophisticated and nuanced, but we are making the most of this windfall as we need all the help we can get given the demise of our aid programs here in the early 1990s and our general tendency to neglect bilateral relationships when the Cold War ended.

The guestrooms were often full in 1999. I joined a friend who had fought with the King's Royal Rifle Corps in Tunisia on a journey to WWII battle sites, including El Hamma and the Mareth Line near the Libyan border. Fascinating and poignant history. Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea were here in March. As in South Asia, her visit, however difficult to prepare(!) paid off several-fold in bilateral good will. Tunisia hosted the first visit by NATO's Standing Mediterranean Naval Force in November. The Germans and Turks did most of the work, but I visited the USS Spruance, anchored a lonely five miles offshore in deep water, and sailors went to American homes for Thanksgiving dinner.

Alexandra, now 13, is a strong-minded, relentlessly logical, well-organized young lady who brings to mind the bumper sticker "hire a teenager while they still know everything." In her small but diverse (40 nationalities) international school she is active in student council and music, traveling to Spain and Morocco for regional choir concerts. She has become very adept at handling her favorite horse Ruby on weekend rides. Anna, 9, excels in all the arts, and is particularly creative in drawing and writing. She, too, enjoys music and riding. A spunky, French-speaking Reed College undergrad looks after the girls, and studies Arabic in her spare time. Both girls are preparing for the spring musical "Annie", which both now happily could do in French. They traveled solo this summer to Cape Town, Miami, San Francisco, Washington and summer camp in New Hampshire, returning with passports and wallets in tact! I spent the same 6 weeks in steamy Washington chairing a promotion panel. We were mercifully spared the agonizing experience of recent years when only a small portion of the deserving could be promoted, so all the long and sometimes tedious deliberations were worth it!

It is hard to believe that our Tunisian adventure will come to an end next summer as my cohort of career ambassadors makes way for a new crop. Typically I do not yet know what I will be doing next. And it might well change again in 2001 after the dust settles around the new foreign policy team! So I am practicing patience, the best antidote to a potentially anxious time...

All the best to you and yours for the new millenium.

We will be thinking about you as the year unfolds, wishing you patience, energy, & wisdom in your endeavors. Thanks again for the Tunis visit.

Lots of love,

Rachel + girls

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January 4, 1999

Karen Ruckman
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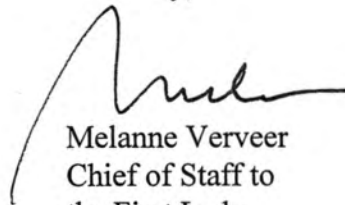
Dear Karen:

Thank you for your letter, fabulous photos and good wishes.

I will pass your letter on to Mrs. Gore. You are certainly involved in interesting projects. We hope you, Alan and Emma had a great Christmas and we wish you a wonderful New Year.

Happy holidays!

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

December 29, 1998

Karen Ruckman
4530 Dexter St., NW
Washington, DC 20007

Dear Ms. Ruckman:

Thank you for your letter and good wishes.

I will pass your letter on to Mrs. Gore's office and
~~appreciate the work you are doing.~~

Happy holidays!

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

*Karen -
fabulous photos +*

*You are
certainly involved in
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*We hope you, Alan &
Ernie had a great
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wonderful
New Year.*



December 7, 1998

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to The First Lady
Office of the First Lady
Room 100 OEOB
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne,

This letter is long overdue, and I apologize for that. I want to thank you for getting me into the press pool for the First Lady's visit to Belfast in September 1998. In addition to being a good photography opportunity, it was a remarkable experience to be part of the "Vital Voices: Women In Democracy" conference.

During my earlier two visits to Northern Ireland, I have gotten to know women involved in cross-community projects, so I know first-hand how important the First Lady's visit and focus has been for them. I am enclosing prints of you and the First Lady from the visit. I also have a growing body of documentary photos which I hope to have published (with Alan's words) in the near future.

It was good to see you at the October WLF event, and to chat with your Georgetown University friend. That evening, during the introduction of Tipper Gore, I learned that she is working on a book about the homeless, and I have just written a letter to her, which I attach, relating to the fact that we have overlapping photography interests focusing on special constituencies. As you will see from the letter, not only do I mention you and the Women's Leadership Forum, I also seek a meeting with Mrs. Gore. If you can be of any assistance in this regard, I'd appreciate it.

Alan and I would love to get together with you and Phil, but Alan keeps telling me you are the busiest couple in town! If we don't see you during the holidays, please know that we think of you fondly -- and frequently -- and send you our love and best wishes.

Fondly,

Karen

THE WHITE HOUSE
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January 25, 1999

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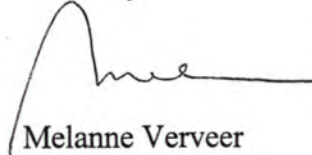
Dear Nan,

Thank you for your letter and for conveying the invitation for the First Lady to participate in *Link Up!* this June 8, 9 and 10 in New York City.

Reaching out to children through the arts, as you know, is very important to Mrs. Clinton. However, it is not yet certain whether her schedule will permit her to accept your kind invitation. But I have forwarded the request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling to the First Lady. As the dates for the event draw near, her office will be in touch.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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January 13, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff
Office of the First Lady
The White House
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Melanne,

At my sister, Laura Pomerantz's request, I am forwarding a packet of information to you regarding a very special Carnegie Hall educational outreach program for children called, *Link Up!*

My sister will be chairing the event which takes place on three successive days - June 8, 9 and 10, 1999. As you can see from the cover letter to me, Chuck and Iris Schumer are Honorary Co-Chairs of the event. They would really like to have Hillary's participation and, hopefully, her attendance at the event on any one of the three days.

People call me all the time asking me to use my best efforts to get Hillary to attend one event or another. I usually decline to use any influence I might have in that way. However, this combination I can't resist: my sister chairing the event and the exceptional nature of this children's educational program!

I would greatly appreciate it if you could pass this along to her with my enthusiastic endorsement.

Warm regards,

Nan

Nan Rich
National President

Enclosures

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Eric -
Give to
Patti -
Copy to me
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January 5, 1999

Ms. Nan Rich
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Dear Nan:

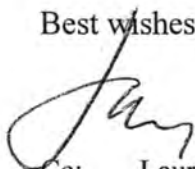
I had breakfast with Chuck Schumer and Laura this morning to discuss our 1999 Spring Luncheon, which supports the extensive program in place to provide arts education in New York City. Chuck and Iris Schumer are Honorary Co-Chairmen of the event this year and are very much in favor of securing Hilary Rodham Clinton's participation, and perhaps attendance, as well. Laura asked me to send you some information on both the program and the luncheon, which you graciously agreed to pass on to Mrs. Clinton.

As you know, the Spring Luncheon is our annual fundraiser in support of the Hall's educational outreach program for children, **LINKUP!**, which services 22,000 New York City public school children each year. The event also showcases **LINKUP!** to a wider funding community and features a noon children's concert in the Main Hall followed by a 1-2:30 p.m. luncheon in Carnegie Hall's Rohatyn Room. This event is planned within the context of our Annual Fund goal of \$10 million and we aim to net upwards of \$200,000. The 1999 luncheon is scheduled for three successive days in June - Tuesday, June 8, Wednesday, June 9 and Thursday, June 10, 1999.

The theme for our 1998/99 **LINKUP!** season is *The Composer's World: From Sketch to Score*, focussing on the process of composition through the study to two very diverse figures in music history - Ludwig van Beethoven and renowned contemporary composer, Philip Glass. Mr. Glass will be an active participant in our **LINKUP!** season and this unique collaboration will culminate in the Children's Concerts, featuring portions of Beethoven's Fifth and Ninth Symphonies, along with Philip Glass' "The Dam" from *Itaipu* and his "Knee 5" excerpt from *Einstein on the Beach*.

My thanks for your help in this effort and your enthusiasm for the Hall's continual efforts to broaden the scope of our educational activities. I'm sure Laura will keep me posted on your progress.

Best wishes,



Cc: Laura Pomerantz

Thanks so much!

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 12, 1999

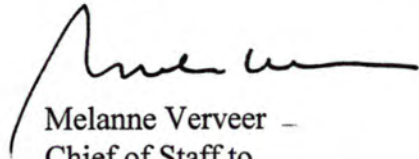
Henry Richardson III
Professor of Law
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Dear Mr. Richardson:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter recommending George Dalley for Administrator of AID. I am certain Mr. Dalley will be given every consideration.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer -
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



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January 8, 1999

The First Lady
Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC

Re: Mr. George Dalley

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

We have met and talked briefly at the very beginning of the President's first Administration, at the party in Northwest Washington given for both of you by the Black Yale Law Graduates. You both honored us by joining us for the entire event and, apparently, enjoying yourselves, as did I.

It has come to my attention that Mr. George Dalley is being considered for nomination as Administrator of the Agency for International Development. I have known and worked with Mr. Dalley for over twenty years, since his tenure as Deputy Assistant Secretary in the International Organizations Section of the State Department in the Carter Administration, and mine on the National Security Council Staff in charge of African policy. From then to now, as I have worked with Mr. Dalley on Africa-related projects and groups, I have always been impressed with his abiding commitment to finding pragmatic ways to assist the development of African peoples, whether as policy maker, Commissioner, major legislative aide in the House of Representatives, lobbyist, partner at a major law firm, from Senegal to South Africa. The same can be said of his long work on Caribbean development and trade issues. I have been in the field with him in South Africa and witnessed his commitment on the ground.

Further, I have been equally impressed, knowing of his long and distinguished service on Capitol Hill and in positions such as Commissioner on the Civil Aeronautics Board and including his distinguished law practice in this city, with his ability to understand both the players and the state of play at a given time of a proposed policy or piece of legislation, and generally to get things done in executive agencies and on the Hill. Again, much of his considerable ability in this regard has been focussed on development-related issues. And finally I have been even more impressed by George himself. His combination of legal, organizational and policy skills, his ability to mobilize people around valuable projects, the respect in which he is held by those with whom he works, his steadfastly democratic values, and his implicit trustworthiness do, for me, speak for themselves.

Thus I take the liberty of commending George Dalley to you as a longstanding professional colleague and as a trusted friend. Should the President decide to nominate him for Administrator, he will have a leader who can work well within the State Department and with the Hill through the recent organizational changes. And, he will have nominated someone who is committed to the sufficient integrity of AID to enable it to efficiently fulfill its development mission in the context of buttressing the wider goals of U.S. policy. The balance of the President's Administration could not, in my opinion, be better served by anyone more qualified, regarding the contribution of AID to the considerable and valuable legacy that you both have established.

Please accept my very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Henry J. Richardson III
Professor of Law
Yale Law '66.

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February 16, 1999

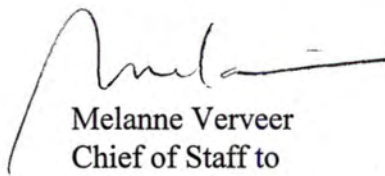
Senator Jack Reed
320 Hart Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Reed:

Thank you for forwarding the Trinity Repertory Company's invitation for the First Lady to attend the 1999 Pell Awards for Excellence in the Arts on April 15. I have notified the Company that plans for Mrs. Clinton's spring schedule are still being developed and I don't know at this time whether it will be possible.

As the date for the event approaches, we will be in touch. Best wishes and thank you for bringing this request to our attention.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

*R***JACK REED**
RHODE ISLAND

COMMITTEES

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3903

January 22, 1999

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500-0005

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

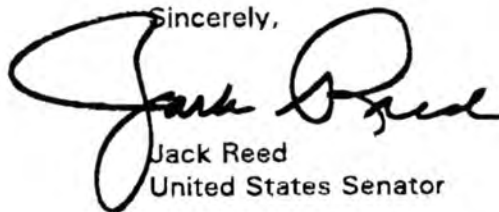
I write to extend an invitation to the 1999 Pell Awards for Excellence in the Arts. The awards dinner will be held in Providence, Rhode Island on April 15, 1999.

The Trinity Repertory Company, one of New England's most respected performing arts companies and host of the awards dinner, is eager for you to attend this event. As you may know, the Pell Awards celebrate excellence and achievement in the arts, a fitting tribute to Senator Claiborne Pell's lifetime commitment to these ideals.

I encourage you to consider this invitation. The 1999 Pell Awards for Excellence in the Arts will be an important event, and your presence would be greatly appreciated. However, should you be unable to attend the event, Trinity Repertory Company is hopeful you would consider filming a short video tribute to Senator Pell and this year's award recipients, which could be shown at the event. Enclosed is a letter of invitation from Trinity which provides additional details about the event.

If you need any additional information concerning this event, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Jack Reed
United States Senatorcc: Oskar Eustis, Trinity Repertory Company
Senator Claiborne Pell

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April 7, 1999

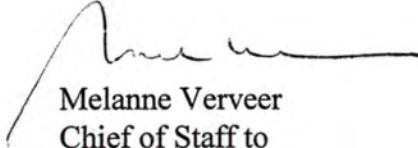
Kavita N. Ramdas
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Dear Ms. Ramdas:

Thank you for the newsletter, *Raising Our Voices* and your invitation to the First Lady to visit the Global Fund offices when she is in Palo Alto. We follow your work and applaud the Fund's efforts to create better lives for women around the world.

We will keep your offer on file should an opportunity present itself when the First Lady is in the Palo Alto area.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

March 5, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer:

Thank you so much for sending me a copy of the First Lady's speech. I read it with interest.

I also appreciate the invitation to the Millennium Dinner which, unfortunately, I will not be able to attend. I still hope that Ms. Clinton will consider visiting the Global Fund offices when she is next in Palo Alto; it would be an honor to have her here.

I am enclosing our most recent newsletter, *Raising Our Voices*, which may be of interest to both you and the First Lady.

Sincerely,



Kavita N. Ramdas
President

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Raising Our Voices

NEWS FROM THE GLOBAL FUND FOR WOMEN

FEBRUARY 1999



Panchita insists that Roberto accompany her to the family planning clinic. They have fallen in love but Panchita does not want an unintended pregnancy. She is working in a family's home and attending school. Grupo de Trabajo Redes produced this popular education serial about Panchita to illustrate the challenges and resources for domestic workers in Lima, Peru.

Latin American Women's Groups Fight to Defend Reproductive Rights

Grantees of the Global Fund for Women are at the heart of the struggle to ensure reproductive rights for women and girls in Latin America. Facing the opposition of religious institutions and working in a conservative political landscape, these women's organizations have mobilized public support for improving access to abortion and contraception as a means to protect the lives and health of millions of women.

Over 6,000 women die each year in Latin America of complications arising from illegal abortions, which is the leading cause of maternal mortality in Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Guatemala, Hon-

duras, Panama, Uruguay, and Venezuela. In countries around the world where abortion has been decriminalized, maternal mortality rates dropped up to 50%. Currently, Cuba is the only country in Latin America where abortion is legal on request; and as a US territory, Puerto Rico also allows abortion on request. In Belize, Barbados, and Guyana, abortions are permitted for reasons of socio-economic hardship.

In most of South and Central America, a woman's right to govern her body, sexuality, and fertility is strongly

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Women Lead Efforts to Rebuild Communities After Hurricane Mitch

"This is not a consequence simply of heavy rains, which have also caused damage, but of soil erosion, deforestation, and years of plundering, which have caused suffering all over the planet and especially in Central America.

"For this reason, we can only write from our pain and fury. Pain for the loss of human lives; for the grave misery in which thousands of families are living; rage at the irresponsibility and incompetence of the national and local governments. In the face of disaster, the first to respond were the people, the women's movement, organized civic groups, and a few state institutions like the police and army."

—Grupo Venancia, Matagalpa, Nicaragua, November 15, 1998

Hurricane Mitch barreled into Central America last October and remained stationary over Honduras and Nicaragua for over a week. The result: over 11,000 people dead, almost 2 million homeless (most without adequate food or temporary shelter), agriculture, hospitals, schools and roads wrecked. Contaminated water, hunger, and inadequate medical care will likely result in many more deaths. Honduras and Nicaragua were among the world's poorest before the hurricane hit; it will take years to recover from the devastation they have experienced.

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May 5, 1999

Patricia Rosenfield
Strengthening Human Resources in Developing Countries
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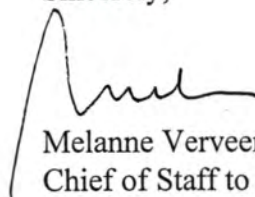
Dear Pat:

Thank you for your letter and the information about the Carnegie Corporation's developing countries program.

As you know, promoting educational opportunities for women in developing countries is the single most important contribution that can be made to promote progress. I know Mrs. Clinton would want me to convey her appreciation for the Corporation's vital work, along with her best wishes to you and your colleagues.

Please stay in touch and thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
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Program Chair
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April 21, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne,

Thank you so much for sharing with me the moving and thoughtful speech given by the First Lady on February 18, 1999, as part of the Eleanor Roosevelt Lecture Series in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights. I am circulating the speech widely here at the Corporation because it so beautifully captures the commitment that we all feel here to children and to enhancing a commitment to a humane world.

I also wanted to let you know that the developing countries program at the Corporation is now, with strong encouragement from President Gregorian, strengthening its focus on enhancing educational opportunities for women in Africa. We are going to focus particularly on undergraduate education. We will examine ways to provide scholarships for women who would not otherwise be able to attend college and how best to ensure that the university environment is congenial and conducive for women to stay and to flourish. In case you have not seen them, I am enclosing a copy of the guidelines for the entire Corporation, which may be of interest to the First Lady as well.

Once again, thank you so much for sharing this powerful speech with me. I look forward to keeping in touch (and perhaps seeing you at the taxi stand soon again!).

With best regards.

Sincerely,

Pat

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May 10, 1999

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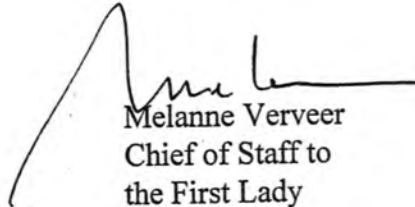
Dear Molly:

Thank you for your note and for forwarding Mrs. Masiello's invitation to the First Lady.

I have forwarded the request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. We'll keep the invitation on file for future consideration.

Please convey Mrs. Clinton's appreciation for EPIC's important work, along with her best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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MOLLY RAISER
3318 O STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20007

Sunday

Dear Melanne,

Enclosed please find a letter from the wife of Buffalo's mayor. The organization of which she writes is superb. The event would be excellent for Hillary, not only politically but intrinsically. (Patsy Bagleip's father is) was a family court judge in upstate New York who is one of its supporters.) The work that EPIC does speaks to all of Hillary's major issues, national and international.

Please consider this invitation whether or not she is a candidate. Thanks.

Best,
Molly

THE WHITE HOUSE
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May 21, 1999

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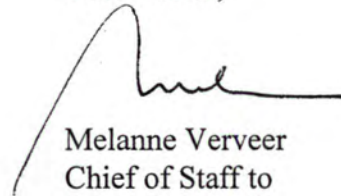
Dear Frank:

Thank you for forwarding Michael Goldenkranz's invitation for the First Lady to speak at Washington Middle School's Graduation on June 17.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton will be in Europe in mid June and will be unable to accept the invitation. We have sent a regret to Michael.

Hope all is well at Fannie Mae and with you and yours.

Best wishes,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

May 13, 1999

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Dear Frank:

Thank you for forwarding Michael Goldenkranz's invitation for the First Lady to speak at Washington Middle School's Graduation on June 17.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's ~~schedule in June is very full~~ *will be in Europe in mid June +* *unable to* and will not allow her to accept the invitation. Enclosed is a ~~copy of the letter I've sent notifying Mr. Goldenkranz that the~~ *We have sent a regret to* ~~First Lady will be unable to attend.~~ *you, Michael.*

Hope all is well at Fannie Mae and with you.

Best wishes,

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



FannieMae

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April 6, 1999

Ms. Melanne Verveer
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Dear Melanne:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from a parent of a student at my old junior high school in the central city of Seattle requesting the First Lady or Chelsea to consider speaking at their graduation ceremony. Should their schedule allow it, an appearance by one or both of them would clearly be a highlight and something that would seem to fit well within the First Lady's priorities.

Many thanks for giving this letter consideration.

Sincerely,

FDR:rrc

Enclosure

cc: Michael Goldenkranz

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 15, 1999

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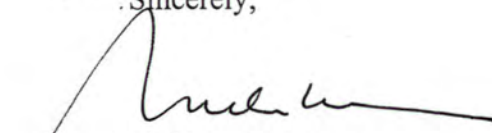
Dear Ms. Reiss:

Thank you for the invitation for the First Lady to meet with the UJC Campaign group in Israel later this month, which was forwarded to us by Debbie Mohile.

As you no doubt know by now, Mrs. Clinton's plans to travel to Israel this month have been postponed. However, she conveys her appreciation for you and your colleagues' thoughtfulness, along with her best wishes for a successful tour.

All the best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

United Jewish Communities

May 25, 1999

Debbie Mohile
Fax no. 202 456-5218

Dear Debbie,

I was trying to reach you today regarding the United Jewish Communities Campaign Chairmen and Directors mission to Uzbekistan and Israel June 20-28, 1999.

We are planning to take a group of 150 Campaign Chairmen and Directors from all over the United States to Uzbekistan and Israel. These participants are distinguished lay and professional leaders representing leading businesses and professions across the United States. They are top decision makers in their communities. This annual mission is offered to communities that raise a million dollars or more to the UJA Federation Campaign. Our mission includes Campaign training in both in Uzbekistan and Israel. The focus of the mission is seeing first hand the work of our overseas agencies, JDC and JAFI and where our dollars go.

While we are in Israel we would be very honored to have the First Lady and Chelsea join us whenever possible.

I will call you tomorrow to discuss,

Charles R. Bronfman
Chairman of the Board

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Sincerely,

Gail Reiss

Assoc. VP for Programs &
Constituencies

p.s. I am enclosing a copy of the latest itinerary and roster for the Campaign Chairmen and Directors Mission.

UZBEKISTAN WOMEN & CAMPAIGN CHAIRS
SUGGESTED WORKING ITINERARY 5/22/99

MONDAY, JUNE 21

2250 Arrive in Tashkent via LH 624.

VIP Service at airport

Meet, assist and transfer to hotel (Porters and luggage truck). Light Dinner tray in each room (sandwiches, fruit, cookies, drink); bottled water and small gift

OVERNIGHT: INTER-CONTINENTAL HOTEL, TASHKENT

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

Buffet Breakfast in the Crystall Hall (Podium and microphone) Welcome by chairs, introduction JAFI/JDC

Briefing by scholar.

AM JDC Program - Home Visits??? Synagogue???

1230 Buffet Lunch in the Crystall Hall

1330 City Overview

1430 JAFI Visit - Ulpan and Aliya Process

1530 Depart for JAFI Home Visits

1730 Arrive at hotel and relax.

1930 Dinner in the Amir Timor Ballroom with invited guests (Podium and microphone)

OVERNIGHT: INTER-CONTINENTAL HOTEL, TASHKENT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

Buffet Breakfast in the Crystall Hall (Podium and microphone)

GENERAL CAMPAIGN - BUKHARA

0700 Transfer to the airport.

0800 Charter flight departs Tashkent for Bukhara

0920 Arrive in Bukhara and transfer to the New Bukhara Hotel

1000 Briefing by scholar at hotel with cold refreshments

1100 Visit Labi Hauz, Medrasa, Machala - Private House, Synagogue, Youth Club and School

1230 Touristic - Visit Trading Dome and opportunity for souvenirs or go directly to hotel

1330 Relax at New Bukhara Hotel - Day Rooms

1500 Bucharian Wedding including Kosher Barbecue Lunch

1715 Transfer to the airport

1800 Charter flight departs Bukhara for Tashkent

1920 Arrive in Tashkent and transfer to hotel.

2100 Dinner at Alisher Navoi Park catered by the hotel.

WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN - SAMMARKAND

- 0730 Transfer to the airport.
0830 Charter flight departs Tashkent for Sammarkand
0930 Arrive in Sammarkand and transfer to Khalandarov's House
1015 Briefing by scholar at hotel with cold refreshments
1130 Visit to Jewish Cemetery, Hesed Chanan, Bucharian Synagogue, JAFI Office - Womens Group & Children's Group, Children's Choir
1400 Kosher Barbecue Lunch at President's Place with Jewish Community / Bucharian Folklore etc.
1600 Touristic - Tamerlan's Mausoleum and Registan Square (Tilya Kori only)
1715 Transfer to the airport
1800 Charter flight departs Sammarkand for Tashkent
1900 Arrive in Tashkent and transfer to hotel.
2100 Dinner at Alisher Navoi Park catered by the hotel.
OVERNIGHT: INTER-CONTINENTAL HOTEL, TASHKENT

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

- Buffet Breakfast in the Crystall Hall (Podium and microphone) Check-Out from hotel
1000 Depart hotel for Summer Camp
1030 Arrive at JAFI Summer Camp
1330 Transfer to the airport
1400 Charter Check-in & VIP Service
1530 Depart by charter from Taskent to Tel Aviv
1750 Arrive in Tel Aviv
Dinner with children participating in the JAFI progrms (Selah and Na'aleh) and give them regards and presents from their parents whom you met in Uzbekistan

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM HILTON AND KING DAVID

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

- Breakfast
Workshop
Briefing and update on the "Kosovo Crisis and the Jewish Issue"
Depart hotel for the North
*Visit Hadera and meet with recent Jewish olim from Kosovo and Yugoslavia.
*Visit Maagan Michael and meet with ethnic Albanian refugees.
*Visit Neurim and meet with young Jewish refugees from Yugoslavia who have arrived without their parents and are being hosted by the Youth Aliyah village on a special JAFI program.
*Visit Raanana and meet with Jewish mothers and children on a special aliyah mission program for Jews of Serbia.

Proceed to a special lunch saluting the people of Israel who were responsible for the unbelievable campaign to raise funds to aid the Kosovo refugees.

Return to Jerusalem

Attend Kabbalat Shabbat at the Western Wall

Festive Shabbat dinner

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM HILTON AND KING DAVID

SATURDAY, JUNE 26

Breakfast

Opportunity to attend Shabbat Services

Walking tour of Jerusalem - Melitz "Al Kav Hatefer" exploring different neighborhoods.

Attend a special study session with Rabbi Michael Melchior

Afternoon Workshop - Best Practices

Havdalah at Hotel

Afternoon and evening free

OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM HILTON AND KING DAVID

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

Breakfast

Depart hotel

Visit cutting-edge social service programs sponsored by JAFI and JDC, for an opportunity to witness these services first-hand and speak to some of the people whose lives are enriched by these programs.

Lunch & Caucus

Afternoon at leisure

Attend a cocktail reception at the home of Charles Bronfman

Festive Farewell Party

Depart for Ben Gurion Airport for your flight back to the United States

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Atlanta	Cooper	Carol		991820W 0030	Tashkent / Samarkand
Atlanta	Gruenhut	Elaine		991820W 0031	Tashkent / Samarkand
Baltimore	Cardin	Shoshana		991820G 0031	Tashkent / Bukhara
Baltimore	Glaser	Ronnie		991820W 0050	Tashkent / Samarkand
Baltimore	Rosenzweig	Susan		991820W 0051	Tashkent / Samarkand
Broward	Gober	Debbie		991820W 0062	Tashkent / Samarkand
Broward	Rosen	Kathy		991820W 0063	Tashkent / Samarkand
Broward	Schwartz	Sharon		991820W 0064	Tashkent / Samarkand
Buffalo	Gendler	Charlotte		991820W 0056	Tashkent / Samarkand
Buffalo	Reis	Ellen		991820W 0057	Tashkent / Samarkand
Charlotte	Bernstein	Cary		991820G 0047	Tashkent / Bukhara
Charlotte	Goldstein	Meg		991820G 0046	Tashkent / Bukhara
Chicago	Cherner	Beth		991820W 0020	Tashkent / Samarkand
Chicago	Cohen	Jeffrey		991820G 0051	Tashkent / Bukhara
Chicago	Harris	JoAnn		991820W 0049	Tashkent / Samarkand
Chicago	Kleper	Ann-Louise		991820W 0041	Tashkent / Samarkand
Chicago	Platt	Wendy		991820G 0071	Tashkent / Bukhara
Chicago	Zoller	Lois		991820G 0018	Tashkent / Bukhara
Cincinnati	Baron	Robert		991820G 0025	Tashkent / Bukhara
Cincinnati	Haberer	Marty		991820G 0026	Tashkent / Bukhara
Cleveland OH	Gertman	Holly		991820W 0024	Tashkent / Samarkand
Cleveland OH	Weiss	Laura		991820W 0048	Tashkent / Samarkand
Dallas	Hoffman	Harriett		991820G 0044	Tashkent / Bukhara
Dallas	Lain	Leone		991820G 0073	Tashkent / Bukhara
Dallas	Prescott	Dan		991820G 0043	Tashkent / Bukhara
Dallas	Statman	Andrea		991820G 0074	Tashkent / Bukhara
Dayton	Cohen	Joanne		991820W 0036	Tashkent / Samarkand
Dayton	Kress	Marcia		991820W 0038	Tashkent / Samarkand
Denver	Mark	Mimi		991820W 0040	Tashkent / Samarkand
Denver	Topelson	Francine		991820W 0021	Tashkent / Samarkand
Detroit	Alter	Peter		991820G 0008	Tashkent / Bukhara
Detroit	Klein	Linda		991820G 0022	Tashkent / Bukhara
Detroit	Linder	Laura		991820G 0019	Tashkent / Bukhara
Gr. Chattanooga	Lebovitz	Michael		991820G 0015	Tashkent / Bukhara
Greater East Bay	Brody	Donald		991820G 0057	Tashkent / Bukhara
Greater East Bay	Dinaburg	Ana		991820W 0039	Tashkent / Samarkand
Greater East Bay	Felson	Claudia		991820W 0037	Tashkent / Samarkand
Greater East Bay	Pottruck	Betsy		991820W 0089	Tashkent / Samarkand
Greater East Bay	Sacks	Adene		991820G 0070	Tashkent / Bukhara

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Hartford	Rubenstein	Richard		991820G 0054	Tashkent / Bukhara
Hartford	Seltzer	Jaime		991820G 0060	Tashkent / Bukhara
Hartford	Steinberg	Paula		991820G 0058	Tashkent / Bukhara
Hartford	Weinberg	Jody		991820W 0071	Tashkent / Samarkand
Hartford	Weinstein	Mickey		991820W 0069	Tashkent / Samarkand
Houston	Burger	Linda		991820G 0011	Tashkent / Bukhara
Houston	Jacobson	Suzanne		991820W 0042	Tashkent / Samarkand
Houston	Levine	Fred	Velva	991820G 0004	Tashkent / Bukhara
Houston	Pozmantier	Sidney	Irving	991820W 0006	Tashkent / Samarkand
Indianapolis	Glazer	Nancy		991820G 0014	Tashkent / Bukhara
Indianapolis	Marks	Gigi		991820G 0013	Tashkent / Bukhara
Jacksonville FL	Levine	Mitchell		991820G 0002	Tashkent / Bukhara
Jacksonville FL	Margolies	Alan		991820G 0001	Tashkent / Bukhara
Kansas City	Jacobson	Bev		991820W 0059	Tashkent / Samarkand
Kansas City	Seidler	Sue		991820W 0058	Tashkent / Samarkand
Los Angeles	Warner	Ken		991820G 0049	Tashkent / Bukhara
Louisville	Gordon	Diane		991820W 0079	Tashkent / Samarkand
Louisville	Klein Wagner	Sara		991820W 0078	Tashkent / Samarkand
Memphis	Graber	Larry		991820G 0053	Tashkent / Bukhara
Memphis	Marcus	Norris		991820G 0028	Tashkent / Bukhara
MetroWest NJ	Goldner	Ellen		991820G 0020	Tashkent / Bukhara
MetroWest NJ	Klinghoffer	Lori		991820W 0046	Tashkent / Samarkand
MetroWest NJ	Schwartz	Adam		991820G 0021	Tashkent / Bukhara
MetroWest NJ	Zucker	Alicia		991820W 0090	Tashkent / Samarkand
Miami	Blumenfeld	Evi		991820W 0084	Tashkent / Samarkand
Miami	Joseph	Larry		991820G 0039	Tashkent / Bukhara
Milwaukee	Deshur	Penny		991820W 0043	Tashkent / Samarkand
Minneapolis	Rubin	Barbara		991820W 0014	Tashkent / Samarkand
Minneapolis	Strauss	Marcy		991820W 0013	Tashkent / Samarkand
Monmouth County	Feldman	Elise		991820W 0087	Tashkent / Samarkand
Monmouth County	Gases	Howard		991820G 0052	Tashkent / Bukhara
Monmouth County	Seeman	Maddy		991820W 0065	Tashkent / Samarkand
New Orleans	Ungar	Roselle		991820W 0066	Tashkent / Samarkand
New Orleans	Wise Oreck	Julie		991820W 0053	Tashkent / Samarkand
New York	Effron	Barry Joel		991820G 0036	Tashkent / Bukhara
New York	Solomon	Carole		991820G 0005	Tashkent / Bukhara

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Omaha	Monsky	Pam		991820W 0009	Tashkent / Samarkand
Omaha	Noddle	Nancy		991820W 0012	Tashkent / Samarkand
Omaha	Perelman	Jan		991820W 0011	Tashkent / Samarkand
Palm Beach Co	Adler	Dorothy		991820G 0012	Tashkent / Bukhara
Palm Beach Co	Levine	Carole Ann		991820G 0010	Tashkent / Bukhara
Palm Springs	Ginsberg	Cora		991820G 0045	Tashkent / Bukhara
Palm Springs	Grossman	Susie		991820W 0074	Tashkent / Samarkand
Palm Springs	Urbach	Judith		991820W 0077	Tashkent / Samarkand
Philadelphia	Bauchner	Susan		991820W 0045	Tashkent / Samarkand
Philadelphia	Cutler	Susie		991820W 0044	Tashkent / Samarkand
Philadelphia	Levin	Sharon		991820W 0047	Tashkent / Samarkand
Phoenix	Bottner	Mim		991820W 0033	Tashkent / Samarkand
Phoenix	Swirnoff	Terri		991820W 0085	Tashkent / Samarkand
Pinellas County	Friedman	Bonnie		991820W 0008	Tashkent / Samarkand
Pittsburgh	Finkelstein	Jeffrey		991820G 0029	Tashkent / Bukhara
Pittsburgh	Kann	Richard		991820G 0030	Tashkent / Bukhara
Portland OR	Feldman	Jen		991820W 0016	Tashkent / Samarkand
Portland OR	Georges	Linda		991820W 0015	Tashkent / Samarkand
Portland OR	Philip	Rita		991820G 0006	Tashkent / Bukhara
Portland OR	Rogoway	Laurie		991820G 0007	Tashkent / Bukhara
Rhode Island	Adler-Lustig	Kim		991820W 0088	Tashkent / Samarkand
San Diego	Goldstone	Adele		991820G 0037	Tashkent / Bukhara
San Diego	Scher	Mary Ann		991820G 0038	Tashkent / Bukhara
San Diego	Schuster	Sherron		991820W 0054	Tashkent / Samarkand
San Diego	Sherman	Barbara		991820W 0005	Tashkent / Samarkand
San Francisco	Cohen	Eve		991820W 0029	Tashkent / Samarkand
San Francisco	Rothenberg	Wendy		991820W 0028	Tashkent / Samarkand
San Jose	Steres	George	Cheryl Zatkin- Steres	991820G 0048	Tashkent / Bukhara
San Jose	Tanowitz	Jyl		991820G 0050	Tashkent / Bukhara
Sarasota	Lederman	Jan		991820G 0059	Tashkent / Bukhara
Sarasota	Lucow	Milt		991820G 0024	Tashkent / Bukhara
Sarasota	Lucow	Audi		991820W 0022	Tashkent / Samarkand
Sarasota	Weisblatt	Donna		991820W 0060	Tashkent / Samarkand
Seattle	Goren	Barry	Suzanne	991820G 0032	Tashkent / Bukhara
Seattle	Ross	Neil		991820G 0033	Tashkent / Bukhara

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So. Palm Beach Cty	Phillips	Roxane		991820W 0027	Tashkent / Samarkand
So. Palm Beach Cty	Seaman	Dotti		991820W 0025	Tashkent / Samarkand
St Louis	Bluestone	Laura		991820W 0091	Tashkent / Samarkand
St Louis	Lederman	Ruth		991820G 0061	Tashkent / Bukhara
St Louis	Sarver	Jay		991820G 0003	Tashkent / Bukhara
St Louis	Sarver	Shelley		991820W 0001	Tashkent / Samarkand
St Louis	Wishne	Lori		991820W 0004	Tashkent / Samarkand
Tampa	Gardner	Cathy		991820W 0080	Tashkent / Samarkand
Tampa	Jaffe	Carol		991820W 0081	Tashkent / Samarkand
Tidewater	Sandler	Annie		991820W 0023	Tashkent / Samarkand
Toledo	Cooper	Wendy		991820W 0067	Tashkent / Samarkand
Toledo	Morse	Fagie		991820W 0068	Tashkent / Samarkand
UJA STAFF	Agron	Vicki		991820G 0066	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Bickoff	Andrea		991820G 0072	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Dagan	Nechemia		991820G 0042	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Feldan	Jessica		991820W 0035	Tashkent / Samarkand
UJA STAFF	Hyman	Gail		991820G 0068	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Komito	Bonnie		991820W 0055	Tashkent / Samarkand
UJA STAFF	Mahlab	Tikva		991820G 0040	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Reiss	Gail		991820G 0041	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Shandler	Marc		991820G 0056	Tashkent / Bukhara
UJA STAFF	Solow-Dubin	Susan		991820G 0062	Tashkent / Bukhara
Washington DC	Gropper	Elisa		991820W 0072	Tashkent / Samarkand
Washington DC	Zeidman	Rochelle		991820G 0023	Tashkent / Bukhara
Youngstown	Lipkin	Andy		991820G 0016	Tashkent / Bukhara
Youngstown	Shapiro	Dick		991820G 0017	Tashkent / Bukhara

No. of Principals 141, No. of Spouses/Guests 4, Participants 145

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 11, 1999

Petre Roman
President, Parliament of Romanian Senate
Bucharest

Dear Mr. Roman,

I appreciated hearing from you regarding your concerns about the plight of children in Romania and the lack of adequate resources to address the challenges. I hope that there will be continuing support from governments and NGOs to help fill the gaps.

In light of the severe financial problems that Romania is facing, I am pleased the US government, through USAID, will increase its funding in the following way: we are planning to provide \$14 million in balance of payments support to the government, which could permit budget support targeted at children institutionalized in orphanages, "Scoli Speciale" (Special Schools), and "Camin Spoeciale" (Children's Hospitals). This could finance such essential needs as food and clothing for the children, and emergency repairs to schools.

The US government is also planning to provide an additional \$5 million to help targeted communities recover from the impact of the Balkans conflict. While we will be consulting Romanian authorities regarding specific activities, it is most likely they will include credit programs for small and medium enterprises.

Our government looks forward to working in close collaboration with your government to improve the social safety net to help children in need.

With warm regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

ROMANIA

In light of the severe financial problems Romania is currently facing, the USG plans to show its support for Romania by adding funding in addition to the regular program as follows:

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7 [These funds are subject to the congressional notification process, and are currently pending with the Congress, but the USAID Mission in Bucharest can answer any specific questions and give information on the current status of each program.]



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help support
child dev.
can work together

Dear Melane,
This is the letter I talked to you about.
Incidentally, the IMF Board will discuss
the Stand-By Agreement with Romania on
August 5th.

On the children's issue, Mary Landrieu
has just returned from Romania. We are
now planning a broad 5 years plan of
accelerated desinstitutionalisation of children.
I'll keep you posted on that.

Thank you again and happy
holidays (if any!)

Claircea

Melane

Concerns playing of children
w/deg prog to support them -
hope that there will be
our govt & Noo County
working together that work together
to address red'ce Rom. & some

Continue
to work
fill
gaps



Parliament of Romania
Senate

PRESIDENT

Bucharest, March 2, 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

My name is Petre Roman and I am currently President (Speaker) of Romania's Senate. Romania is a European country about the size of Maryland and a population of 22 million. Its chief geographical landmarks are the big river Danube, the Black Sea and the Carpathian Mountains. It is described, I think with good reason, as a beautiful country. Its long history has been quite eventful, with difficult periods entailing great suffering for the people. After 50 years of strong-hand regimes, 45 of them under communist rule, the people of Romania rose courageously against Ceausescu's personal dictatorship and the communist structures created by Soviet occupation. In December 1989, at the time of the Romanian Revolution, I was a professor and scientist with a life long thirst for freedom. It was only natural that I should join the protesters in the streets during the popular uprising against Ceausescu and his communist stooger.

Mrs. CLINTON
The White House
Washington, D.C.

The square where your husband addressed a huge crowd of enthusiastic Bucharesters in July 1997 was the place where, on the night of December 21-22, 1989, we had erected and manned a barricade. Some of our friends died there. It could have lost our lives, too. Just a few days after of the downfall of Ceausescu's regime, I became Prime Minister of Romania's provisional revolutionary government.

One of the little known realities I had to face in the wake of the Revolution was the dramatic plight of abandoned children and children with AIDS. In no other area, had the communist regime shown its true face so much as it had in this one: it was all lies, cynicism and cruelty. The abandoned and unwanted children many of whom had come into the world because of inhuman legislation and harsh enforcement of regulations prohibiting any sort of family planning - were isolated from society in prison-like orphanages designed to turn institutionalized children into blind instruments of the regime. Moreover, the resources allocated to such institutions, were patently insufficient.

Despite the efforts I made as a Prime Minister and subsequently, the situation of abandoned children remains critical.

The international community of free democracies stood by us and helped substantially to alleviate the plight of these children. I am still grateful for the opportunity Barbara Walters gave me back in 1990, on a 20-20 programme, to address the American public on that subject and to ask for their support.

4-AUG-99 WED 23:20

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FAX NO. 2305963

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Last fall, my wife Mioara returned from a meeting of the wives of dignitaries in South-Eastern Europe, held in Sofia, with a book you kindly offered to and inscribed for her.

To me, *It Takes a Village and Other Lessons Children Teach Us* was a reading both revealing and inspiring.

I am addressing the First Lady of the United States, of course, but also the author of that book.

Romania is still going through a difficult period of structural reforms in its economy and administration. These reforms are as painful as they are necessary. Recently, I was deeply impressed when reading the message your husband gave to the American people on June 13, 1995, in reply to a Republican plan for massive budget cuts: "But the pain we'd inflict on our elderly, our students, and our economy just isn't worth it."

Currently, the Government of Romania is negotiating the terms of a stand-by agreement with the IMF, the signing of which depends on further budget cuts. While assessing the effects of these additional sacrifices, I recalled the veto your husband opposed to a budget cuts bill in January 1996, because 1.5 million children would have been thrown into poverty by the bill. Present estimates show that the effect of the IMF's requirements for Romania will throw another 100,000 families, and therefore another 200,000 children, into dire poverty.

It is a positive sign that most citizens in my country admit the necessity of reforms and choose to accept the accompanying pain, but I can hardly see how we could impose such pain on those who are in no position to choose. It

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is precisely the children who, according to expert studies, make up the most disadvantaged social category in present-day Romania.

In fact, I had the unpleasant surprise to learn that the bill I proposed during the election campaign for the presidency of Romania in the fall of 1996, under which the direct benefits for children eventually grew five-fold, had been criticized by the IMF and was accepted only as a result of a battle I had to put up for it.

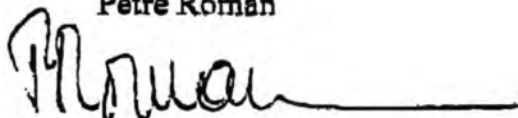
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Yours most sincerely,

Petre Roman



NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

8/27/99

Eric,

Here's the original
of the letter we helped
you answer.

Steve Flanagan
69/51

Melanne Verveer

Steve, p's advise
as how to
respond.

Mircea Dan Geoana
The Ambassador of Romania

1607 23rd Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008
Tel. (202) 387-6901 • (202) 332-4848/ext. 122

Dear Melanne,

I was asked to convey
to the First Lady the attached
letter of the President of the
Romanian Senate. It touches
upon an intricate subject,
but it reflects a situation I
know Mrs. Clinton and
you would be sensitive to.
I would appreciate your
reactions and (like always)

valuable guidance. Family yours,
Mircea

Parlamentul României

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Parliament of Romania
Senate

PRESIDENT

Bucharest, March 2, 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

My name is Petre Roman and I am currently President (Speaker) of Romania's Senate. Romania is a European country about the size of Maryland and a population of 22 million. Its chief geographical landmarks are the big river Danube, the Black Sea and the Carpathian Mountains. It is described, I think with good reason, as a beautiful country. Its long history has been quite eventful, with difficult periods entailing great suffering for the people. After 50 years of strong-hand regimes, 45 of them under communist rule, the people of Romania rose courageously against Ceausescu's personal dictatorship and the communist structures created by Soviet occupation. In December 1989, at the time of the Romanian Revolution, I was a professor and scientist with a life-long thirst for freedom. It was only natural that I should join the protesters in the streets during the popular uprising against Ceausescu and his communist stooger.

Mrs. CLINTON
The White House
Washington, D.C.

The square where your husband addressed a huge crowd of enthusiastic Bucharesters in July 1997 was the place where, on the night of December 21-22, 1989, we had erected and manned a barricade. Some of our friends died there. It could have lost our lives, too. Just a few days after of the downfall of Ceausescu's regime, I became Prime Minister of Romania's provisional revolutionary government.

One of the little known realities I had to face in the wake of the Revolution was the dramatic plight of abandoned children and children with AIDS. In no other area, had the communist regime shown its true face so much as it had in this one: it was all lies, cynicism and cruelty. The abandoned and unwanted children – many of whom had come into the world because of inhuman legislation and harsh enforcement of regulations prohibiting any sort of family planning – were isolated from society in prison-like orphanages designed to turn institutionalized children into blind instruments of the regime. Moreover, the resources allocated to such institutions, were patently insufficient.

Despite the efforts I made as a Prime Minister and subsequently, the situation of abandoned children remains critical.

The international community of free democracies stood by us and helped substantially to alleviate the plight of these children. I am still grateful for the opportunity Barbara Walters gave me back in 1990, on a 20-20 programme, to address the American public on that subject and to ask for their support.

Last fall, my wife Mioara returned from a meeting of the wives of dignitaries in South-Eastern Europe, held in Sofia, with a book you kindly offered to and inscribed for her.

To me, *It Takes a Village and Other Lessons Children Teach Us* was a reading both revealing and inspiring.

I am addressing the First Lady of the United States, of course, but also the author of that book.

Romania is still going through a difficult period of structural reforms in its economy and administration. These reforms are as painful as they are necessary. Recently, I was deeply impressed when reading the message your husband gave to the American people on June 13, 1995, in reply to a Republican plan for massive budget cuts: "But the pain we'd inflict on our elderly, our students, and our economy just isn't worth it."

Currently, the Government of Romania is negotiating the terms of a stand-by agreement with the IMF, the signing of which depends on further budget cuts. While assessing the effects of these additional sacrifices, I recalled the veto your husband opposed to a budget cuts bill in January 1996, because 1.5 million children would have been thrown into poverty by the bill. Present estimates show that the effect of the IMF's requirements for Romania will throw another 100,000 families, and therefore another 200,000 children, into dire poverty.

It is a positive sign that most citizens in my country admit the necessity of reforms and choose to accept the accompanying pain, but I can hardly see how we could impose such pain on those who are in no position to choose. It

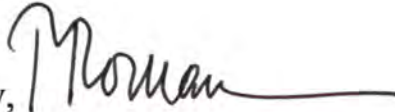
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 20, 1999

Mary A. Regula
President and Founding Chair
National First Ladies' Library
Saxton McKinley House, 331 Market Avenue South
Canton, OH 44702-2107

Dear Mary:

Thank you for your letter and many kind words. I know the First Lady greatly enjoyed seeing the library firsthand and was very impressed by your many achievements in Canton. Again, please accept her appreciation for all you and your colleagues have accomplished, along with her very best wishes.

It is difficult to know at this early date whether Mrs. Clinton's schedule will permit her to participate in an event next year. You should go ahead and make your arrangements without depending on her. You know she will join you if she can. Let us know what date you choose.

All the best as always.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

September 17, 1999

Mary A. Regula
President and Founding Chair
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Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer
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August 25, 1999

**Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvannia Avenue
Washington, DC 20500**

Dear Melanne:

I appreciate you note and comments, but I especially appreciated your attendance at the Canton event. I can't tell you how thrilled I was to see you that day. You've become a good friend of the library and mine as well, and I cherish that friendship.

I'm hoping that this request is not too early. The millennium year will be a busy one for the First Lady, I know, and the senate campaign will add to it. We need to do a "First Ladies' Salute First Women" event either in March, women's history month or later after the primaries. We will, of course, accommodate the First Lady's schedule.

Since it is the millennium year, we thought we would hold it at the Smithsonian and honor all the former living first ladies, as well as five first women. The focus would be on their individual, unique contributions to our nation's history, just as President Clinton recently gave the Medal of Freedom to all our past presidents.

Of course, as always, a reception at the White House for the honorees would be fantastic! It would add so much prestige and recognition to the main event. It would also help us raise a challenge grant of a million and a half dollars for our new education and research center.

Please again thank Hillary for her interest and strong support of this project. She has truly been a guiding force for us, and we love her for it.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding a date when the First Lady would be available to attend the award dinner and also regarding the reception at the White House.

Sincerely,

**Mary A. Regula
President and Founding Chair**

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 14, 1999

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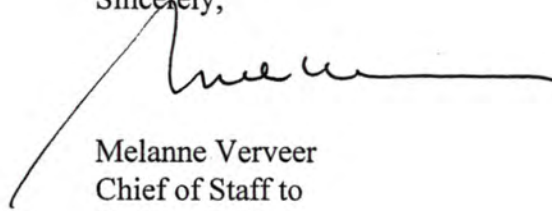
Dear Direttore:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to participate in "Le stelle della moda," on September 19 in Rome.

Mrs. Clinton will not be able to accept your kind invitation. She conveys her appreciation to you and your colleagues for your efforts to bring relief to those who are suffering from the effects of the devastating earthquake that hit Turkey.

All the best.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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Ms. Melanne Vermeer

Chief of Staff to the First Lady

Ms. Hillary Clinton

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RAIUNO Italian National TV is currently preparing a very important event, "Le stelle della moda" Sept 19th 20.50 (prime time audience reached in the past years around 8.000.000) where the most important designers, such as Versace, Valentino, Fendi, Armani, will show their autumn-winter collection.

The stage is exceptional: the recently restaured Piazza del Popolo, one of the most beautiful squares in Rome. The collections will be presented by famous top models and also very important musical guests will take part.

The aim of our show is to raise funds in aid of the recent earthquake disaster in Turkey, especially for the children involved.

Therefore, we would be most pleased if Ms. Hillary Clinton would be our guest star.

Thanking You very much and waiting for a reply at Your earliest convenience.

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 Il Direttore



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 13, 1999

Dr. Mamphela Ramphele
Vice-Chancellor
University of Cape Town
Private Bag, Rondebosch, 7701 South Africa

Dear Dr. Ramphele:

We were so pleased to learn from Jim Wolfensohn about your new position as a Managing Director at the World Bank. Congratulations!

I know you will be greatly missed at the University of Cape Town but you are coming to the World Bank at an important time in a very important capacity to make a difference. Donna Shalala brought your son to dinner at my house earlier this year. He is most impressive.

We look forward to spending time with you when you're here next year.

Best wishes,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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THE CHAIRMAN

September 1999

Dr Mamphela Ramphele
Vice-Chancellor
University of Cape Town
Private Bag , Rondebosch, 7701
South Africa

Dear Mamphela

On behalf of the University of Cape Town community in the U.S., I am writing to wish you well as you prepare to leave our University for new challenges and opportunities with the World Bank in Washington.

In a short time you have done much for the University, helping it to stay a strong, independent and indispensable African institution. In the U.S. you have unfailingly been a vigorous spokesperson for UCT, for South Africa and for the entire region as well as an indefatigable traveler. We know that we can count on your continued interest and enthusiasm from your new base.

As an educator, you have been ever open to new ideas and practices, while upholding UCT's commitment to research and education of quality, academic freedom and excellence with equity. We have learned much from you in a very short time.

We know that the University of Cape Town, at the very foot of Africa, is well placed to meet the new century. We look forward with both high hopes and confidence to a bright future for this special African institution.

Yours sincerely

Vincent Mai
Chairman

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a note to*

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from
me -
congrats*



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September 1999

Dear Vincent

I wanted you to know that I have accepted a position as one of the four Managing Directors of the World Bank. The job, to be based in Washington, entails global responsibilities for the Bank's interventions in Human Development, including Education, Health, and Social Services.

Therefore, I anticipate leaving my post as Vice-Chancellor at UCT sometime in the middle of 2000. In the meantime, a process will be put in place to select and appoint a successor.

It is an honor and privilege to have been Vice-Chancellor of UCT. My association with UCT, and affection for it, will continue. As you know, I accepted the position of Vice-Chancellor because I knew that UCT had a unique role and a unique responsibility in South Africa at a special moment in our nation's history. During my Vice-Chancellorship several thousand talented young women and men have earned UCT degrees. Our curriculum has been revamped. We have balanced our budget. We have begun the physical renewal of our historic campus and we have taken the process of transformation forward.

I have learned much at UCT and am extraordinarily grateful for the thoughtful energy, the commitment and the talent of my colleagues that has enabled me to address my objectives. As a UCT graduate and as the parent of a recent UCT graduate, I assure you that my interest in and loyalty to the institution will only continue to grow.

The time has come for new leadership to take UCT into the next century, just as the time has come for me to assume new responsibilities in a global environment.

It is never easy to begin to say farewell, but I do so believing completely that UCT's values and strengths will both thrive and grow.

I thank you and the entire UCT community in the US for your collective support. You have been the very best of partners and I look forward to staying in touch with you all.

Yours sincerely

Mamphela Ramphele

The University of Cape Town Fund Inc.
509 Madison Avenue, Suite 1014
New York, NY 10022.5501



Hillary Clinton
Office of the First Lady
Attention: Melane Ververr
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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October 14, 1999

Ambassador Nancy Ely-Raphel
Box 254 Prazakova 4
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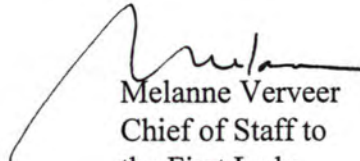
Dear Ambassador Ely-Raphel:

Enclosed are photos taken with the First Lady during the President's visit to Slovenia. We would be grateful if you and your staff would forward the photos to the right people, with Mrs. Clinton's compliments.

Mrs. Clinton was very pleased to visit Slovenia, albeit briefly, and to learn firsthand of the progress that is taking place. Thank you for your gracious hospitality and everything you did to make the visit such a success.

Very best wishes and hope all is well in Ljubljana.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 1999

Michelle Richards
1680 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-3455

Dear Michelle:

Thank you for your note and the copy of the letter supporting the President's 21st Century Community Learning Centers program.

The administration appreciates you and your colleagues' support for the Learning Centers initiative. Giving every student the opportunity to learn and succeed academically is fundamental. Thank you for your leadership and vital work on behalf of quality education for all our children.

Very best wishes and hope all is well with you.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

*It was
great to
hear from
you!*



Thanks

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO:

Melanne Verveer

FROM:

Michelle Richards
Director of Federal Relations and Policy

COMPANY:

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RE:

Support \$600 Million for 21st Century
Community Learning Centers

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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Hi Melanne! Hope you are doing well! I am working over at Voyager Expanded Learning now. Thought you might like a copy of this letter on the importance of supporting the President's request for the 21st Century Learning Centers program to help end social promotion. Hope it helps! Thanks, Michelle



October 25, 1999

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

The following organizations, representing millions of parents, teachers, students, educators and others concerned about our children's education, would like to thank you for your leadership in promoting quality extended learning opportunities and high academic achievement for all students. When you called on states and school districts to end social promotion, you cited the critical importance of quality after-school and summer school programs to give students extra help they need to succeed. We urge you to continue to make this issue a top priority and to ensure that the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is funded at your requested level of \$600 million.

As you articulated last year: "Along with ending the practice of ending social promotion, we must provide extra help for children after school and in the summer so that we don't just identify children as failures, but instead say, 'We're going to give you more help until you succeed.'" The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is the only federal program explicitly designed for the creation of after-school and summer school opportunities. Unfortunately, current funding levels are well below the growing need. For FY 1999, only 176 of the over 2,030 applications could be funded. Your proposed funding level of \$600 million would expand the program to serve a total of 1 million children across the country.

Our nation's public schools need assistance to ensure that every child is able to meet high expectations for learning. We appreciate your support of programs like 21st Century Community Learning Centers, which will give students the time and tools to succeed.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure that all students have access to quality educational and related services so they can reach high standards and beyond.

Sincerely,

Council of Chief State School Officers
Council for Exceptional Children
International Reading Association
National Association for College Admission Counseling
National Association of School Psychologists
National Education Association
National PTA
National School Boards Association
School Social Work Association of America
Voyager Expanded Learning

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 9, 1999

Steven Rubenstein
Sr. Vice President
Rubenstein Associates, Inc.
1345 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10105-0109

Dear Steve:

Thank you for your letter and many kind words. The Morasha School in Warsaw was one of the highlights of the First Lady's visit to Warsaw. She felt privileged to be able to visit the school and to meet the faculty and children. She has been inspired by Ronald's work around the world and the commitment it evidences. Thanks for everything you did to make the visit such a success!

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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Steven Rubenstein
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October 22, 1999

Ms. Melanne Ver Veer
Chief of Staff
Office of the First Lady
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

I just wanted to say a belated thank you to you for the First Lady's visit to the Lauder Morasha School in Warsaw. Ronald was honored to have her attend and spend time with him and the students.

Needless to say, she was wonderful with the children and they were all thrilled to have her tour their school.

Your staff was a pleasure to work with and I was greatly appreciative of your willingness to accommodate Ronald's requests.

Again, thank you.

Sincerely,



Steven Rubenstein

THE WHITE HOUSE
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December 10, 1999

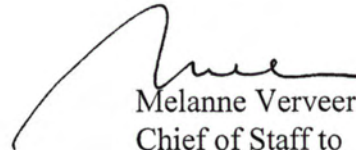
Roberta Ramo
Modrall, Sterling, Roehl, Arris & Sisk
Sunwest Building, 500 Fourth St., NW #1000
Albuquerque, NM 87102-2183

Dear Roberta:

Katy and I thank you for the subscription renewal to New Mexico Magazine. We will continue to enjoy your thoughtful gift all through the coming year and I will long to get some time off in splendid Santa Fe!

Very best holiday wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

A one-year subscription to the
New Mexico Magazine
has been purchased in your name
beginning with the February 2000 issue.

Happy Holidays!

Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.

Roberta Cooper Ramo

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 13, 1999

Dr. Ellen Reeder
Curator of Ancient Art
The Walters Art Gallery
600 North Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Ellen:

Thank you for your letter and information about "Gold of the Nomads." The Scythian exhibition looks fascinating and I read the materials with great interest. I know how hard you worked on making it possible, and I can't wait to see the exhibition. I saw some of the works when I was in Kiev with the President and they are exquisite.

Congratulations on your new position at the Brooklyn Museum of Art. If there is an opportunity for Mrs. Clinton to accept your kind invitation to visit the Museum, we will let you know.

Our very best to you.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



GOLD OF THE NOMADS

Scythian Treasures from Ancient Ukraine

November 8, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff of the First Lady
Office of the First Lady
West Wing, Second Floor
The White House, Room 100
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer,

I enclose here a copy of the exhibition catalogue, a copy of the ten minute exhibition film, and a press folder for "Gold of the Nomads: Scythian Treasures from Ancient Ukraine". I have sent Hillary a catalogue copy and film, and I enclose here also a copy of the letter I am sending to her.

All of us associated with the exhibition have been deeply appreciative of the interest you have taken and the efforts you have made on its behalf. Ambassador Buteiko was at the opening in San Antonio this weekend and was very pleased with what he saw and with the publicity we have received thus far. He assured us that he will continue to press for the pectoral's inclusion, an absence that is tremendously disappointing. There is no question that the pectoral could bring exponentially heightened visibility to Ukraine by its inclusion.

On January 1, I will assume the position of Deputy Director for Art at the Brooklyn Museum of Art, where the Scythian exhibition will open on October 29, 2000. The museum, I know, needs no introduction, but I do want to emphasize that Hillary would be warmly welcomed there at any time, before or at the time of the exhibition opening. And as Curator of the Scythian exhibition, I will remain involved with this project throughout its tour, which

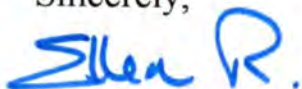
The Walters Art Gallery

600 North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

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will now extend to Toronto, and, in late 2001, to Paris. Perhaps at some point I will have the pleasure of meeting you in person.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Ellen Reeder
Curator of Ancient Art

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 4, 2000

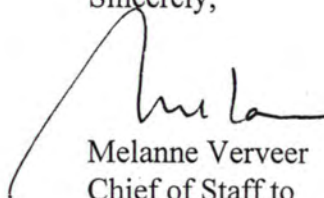
Dr. Ellen Reeder
Deputy Director for Art
Brooklyn Museum of Art
200 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 01238

Dear Dr. Reeder:

Thank you for your letter about the pectoral and the "Gold of the Nomads" exhibit. I know every intervention is being made to the Ukrainian government. I know from previous efforts, however, that this has proven to be very difficult.

Very best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



**GOLD
OF THE NOMADS**

Scythian Treasures from Ancient Ukraine

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December 12, 1999

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TO:

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GOLD OF THE NOMADS

Scythian Treasures from Ancient Ukraine

December 12, 1999

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Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer,

The Scythian exhibition from Ukraine is being very well received, with a fine article in the **New York Times** this weekend. However, the **pectoral** is yet to be included in the exhibition. In consideration of President Kuchma's imminent visit to Washington, I write to you with appreciation for any effort you might be able to make on behalf of a request for the piece directly to him during his visit. I know how busy Hillary is and am not sure if she will have an opportunity to meet with President Kuchma.

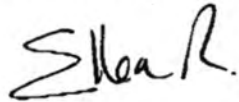
John Tedstrom at the National Security Council has been brought up to date on the pectoral issue, and I am hopeful that through this route Vice President Gore will be made aware of the importance of the exhibition and of the pectoral. When Ambassador Buteiko was in San Antonio for the opening a few weeks ago, he expressed his commitment to do what he could to secure the loan of the pectoral, but a request on a very high level from the American side would obviously be a significant factor.

It is our hope that the pectoral might be loaned for the venues of Baltimore, Los Angeles, and Brooklyn, which could then share the costs of its transport and courier accompaniment; these costs of about \$50,000 (without any unanticipated extra stipulations from Ukraine) would be almost too high

for any one museum to absorb on its own.

Thank you for your help. The London based **Art Newspaper** will be writing an article on the exhibition, and the **Smithsonian** magazine will also publish an article on the Scythians and Ukraine. More press is developing: nice articles in **Southern Accents** and **Baltimore**, for example. But we need the pectoral to lift this exhibition to the dazzling level. You may be aware that, in his recent book, Thomas Hoving (former Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art) listed the pectoral as one of the fifteen top works of art in the world. It would be good for Ukraine to have this kind of evaluation better known.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ellen R.", written in dark ink.

Dr. Ellen Reeder

(I will start this week as Deputy Director for Art at the Brooklyn Museum of Art)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 6, 2000

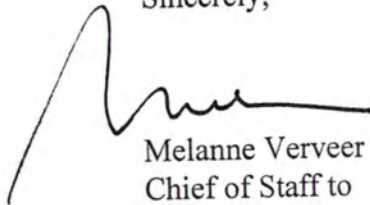
Hon. Robert Rubin
Director & Chairman of the Executive Committee
Citigroup, Inc.
153 East 53rd Street, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10043

Dear Bob:

I hope that you've had a bit of a respite before taking on another demanding set of obligations. We miss you here. Few have accomplished so much in government (as history will surely record) with such great humanity.

I'm sending on the attached request in case you haven't seen it. Thanks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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February 25, 2000

Mr. Robert Rubin
Chairman of the Executive Committee
Citigroup
153 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10043

Dear Mr. Rubin:

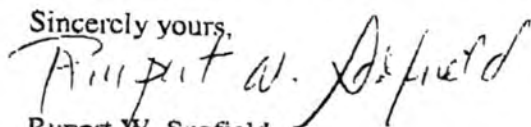
On April 6, 2000, Her Majesty Queen Rania Al-Abdullah of Jordan will present an award to First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton on behalf of FINCA International for the support she has given to microcredit programs all over the world. The award will be presented at a dinner to be given at Cipriani, 110 E. 42nd Street in New York City. We write to ask if you would be willing to serve as co-chair of the event with Her Majesty Queen Rania. We understand that you may not be available on April 6. However, by lending your name as co-chair, you would help us convey the importance of this event and microcredit to corporate representatives of the financial sector whom we plan to invite and who can ultimately play a critical role in the microcredit movement.

As you know, FINCA is one of the world's premier microcredit organizations, serving 130,000 low-income clients in 17 countries with small loans, a structured savings program, and support for their tiny businesses. Not only have we brought financial services to underserved populations on five continents, we have helped to bring women into the mainstream economics of many developing countries. Most important, we have helped them and their families to escape poverty through productive employment. Over the past ten years, Citigroup has supported FINCA in these efforts, providing grants to our programs in Latin America and the U.S., and support for the technical assistance we provide our programs, as well as the systems to ensure that we can prudently manage our portfolio and assets. This support has been vital to our success, and we are honored to have enjoyed this decade-long partnership with Citigroup.

You know that Mrs. Clinton has been a steadfast supporter of microcredit, visiting FINCA programs on four continents, urging continued support of the microcredit industry, and bringing publicity to the cause.

We felt that you would be an excellent choice for co-chair. We believe that your serving in that capacity would highlight Citigroup's contribution to the growth of microcredit over the past decade, and its commitment to innovative solutions to poverty. We sincerely hope that you'll consider our request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rupert W. Scofield". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rupert" being more prominent.

Rupert W. Scofield
Executive Director

Copy: Melanne Verveer, Office of the First Lady

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 9, 2000

Ms. Lois Quam
Chief Executive Officer
Ovations
9900 Bren Road East
Minnetonka, MN 55343

Dear Lois:

Thank you for the copy of *Understanding USA*, which is truly fascinating. I've loved paging through the facts.

It sounds like you're doing well. Doesn't the health care task force seem like a very long time ago?

All the best,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 13, 2000

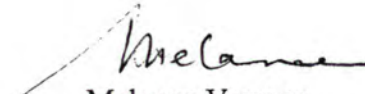
Ms. Karen Ruckman
4530 Dexter Street, NW
Washington, DC 20007

Dear Karen:

Thank you for letting us know about Kristina Bonilla, and her interest in writing about Mrs. Clinton. I have passed Ms. Bonilla's information on to the First Lady's Press Office and they will get back to her.

It was wonderful to see you at the Project Children event. Happy Easter!

Very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanne", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

April 13, 2000

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4530 Dexter Street, NW
Washington, DC 20007

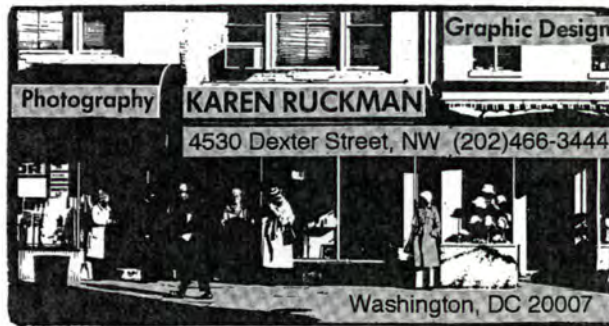
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and know ~~they will be happy to assist her.~~ *which will get back to her.*

It was wonderful to see you at the Project Children
event. ~~Hope to see you again sometime soon.~~ *Happy Easter!*

Very best wishes,

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



(R)

Lissa -
Could you
pls call
me w/ a
number

March 27, 2000

Dear Melanne,

The mother of a classmate of Emma's, Kristina Bonilla, writes for Hello! Magazine, a Spanish language publication. Kristina has recently written features on Karenna Gore and Cindy McCain. I am enclosing those copies so that you can see how she writes and look at the accompanying photo spreads.

Kristina would like to do a similar piece on Hillary. I believe that this is a good opportunity for the First Lady because the magazine is the largest Spanish language publication. It is also published in English.

If you believe that this is a good opportunity, perhaps you could have someone in your press office get in touch with Kristina at 202.363.5775. 

We enjoyed seeing you and Phil at the Project Children event, and look forward to seeing you again soon!

Warmly,

Karen
Karen

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 9, 2001

Luella Goldberg
7019 Tupa Drive
Minneapolis, MN 55435

Dear Luella,

Thank you for your note and holiday greeting, which I've passed on to the President and First Lady. It is always wonderful to hear from you!

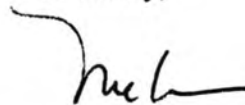
We are coming to an end here. It's been an incredible eight years. I don't know what I'll be doing after the 20th, but you should be able to continue to get mail to Hillary through her new office in the Senate:

Attn: Alice Pushkar
Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Alice worked with her here and if you write her a personal note, I'm sure she'll send your letters along.

Very best wishes to you and yours. It's been a pleasure to get to know you.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady

January 7, 2000

Luella Goldberg
7019 Tupa Drive
Minneapolis, MN 55435

Does this MN
address look right?

yes, she
lives
in MN.

Dear Luella,

Thank you for your note and holiday greeting, which I've passed on to the President and First Lady. It is always wonderful to hear from you!

We are all busy preparing for the end of the administration and Mrs. Clinton's move to the Senate. I don't know what I'll be doing after the 20th, but you should be able to continue correspondence with Mrs. Clinton through her new office in the Senate: *Senator Clinton, Senate office Bldg*

Very best wishes and hope all is well with you.

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady

Coming to an end here. It's been an incredible 8 yrs.

*mail
to
Hillary*

with

to you & yours. It's been a pleasure to get to know you.

D.C. 20510

attn:

*Alicia
Pushkar.*

*Alicia worked
with her here
& if you write
her a personal
note, I'm
sure she'll
send your
letters along.*

from the desk of
LUELLA GOLDBERG

©

12-16-00

Dear Melanne,

Perhaps this will be the last
time I will be improving on your good
nature to forward a message ^(our holiday greeting) to

Hillary and the President. Oh, will
you continue to be involved with
Hillary as Senator?

Is there some way that I am
going to be able to continue to communicate
directly with Hillary, and how do I
find out how to do it? Any help
along those lines would be greatly
appreciated.

Happy Holidays and Thanks for
your help through the years -

LueLLa

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 9, 2001

Mr. Timothy J. Regan
V.P. & Director of Government Affairs
Corning Incorporated
1350 I Street, NW #500
Washington, DC 20005-3305

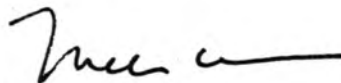
Dear Mr. Regan:

Thank you for your letter and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to visit Corning Incorporated on January 31.

As you know, Mrs. Clinton's schedule this month is very full. However, I've forwarded your request to Mrs. Clinton's Senate office. If there is an opportunity for her to accept your kind invitation, her Senate staff will be in touch with you.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady

January 7, 2001

Mr. Timothy J. Regan
V.P. & Director of Government Affairs
Corning Incorporated
1350 I Street, NW #500
Washington, DC 20005-3305

OK

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Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady

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December 5, 2000

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
OEOB Room 100
Washington, D.C. 20500

Re: Invitation for Senator-elect Clinton to visit Corning Incorporated in Corning,
New York

Dear Ms. Verveer:

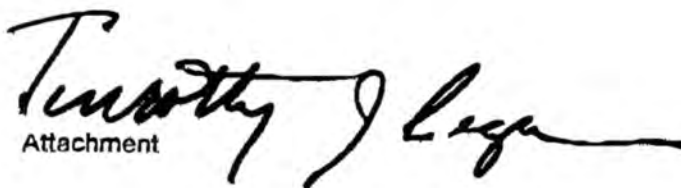
It turns out we have something in common – a great respect for Phil Verveer. As you know, Phil has represented Corning on a number of issues, and I have asked for his help in submitting a letter of invitation to Senator-elect Clinton to visit Corning Incorporated in Corning, New York, on January 31 for a meeting with senior managers. Attached for your information is a copy of the letter.

We understand that the Senator-elect is being inundated with meeting requests. We are wondering if you could expedite the processing of this one as we are trying to organize a schedule for the event. We appreciate how difficult it will be for her to attend, since the Senate may well be in session on January 31. Nonetheless, we wanted to make the invitation because the people in the community are very interested in hearing from their new Senator.

Again, I appreciate anything you can do to generate a response.

All the best.

Sincerely,


Attachment

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