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June 14, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE *h*

FROM: SAMUEL MOYN *Sm*

SUBJECT: Presidential Correspondence -- Reply to Bob Dole

Attached at Tab I is your memo to the President conveying a reply to Bob Dole, who wrote urging you to adopt conditions for a NATO victory.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum to the President
Tab A Reply to Bob Dole
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
SUBJECT: Reply to Bob Dole

Purpose

Respond to a letter from Bob Dole.

Background

Bob Dole wrote urging you to accept nothing less than a NATO victory in Kosovo, which he defines as a defeated and deposed Milosevic, the withdrawal or destruction of all Serb forces in Kosovo, and the return of the Kosovar Albanians under the protection of a NATO force.

In your reply, you thank the Senator for his constructive advice during the course of the air campaign. You explain your policy with regard with Kosovo now that the air strikes have ended: in the short term, to provide security through participation in KFOR; in the long term, to bring democracy and stability to the region through the Southeast Europe Initiative. You conclude by asking for his support in these ventures.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Bob Dole at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Reply to Bob Dole
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter on NATO's Kosovo policy. I have greatly valued your thoughts on this question over the past several months and your work with the Kosovar Albanians.

I shared all along your view that NATO needed to prevail in this conflict. I am glad to report to you - as I did to the American people the other night - that NATO's determined action to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo compelled Belgrade to capitulate to NATO's conditions. Nineteen resolute democracies came together and stayed together through the toughest challenge since the end of the Cold War. Their perseverance is all the more remarkable because no NATO country had territorial ambitions on the FRY. Rather, the collective action resulted from the simple conviction that we could not begin the 21st century by allowing the purveyors of ethnic hatred and violence to cause unspeakable suffering and misery with impunity.

I know you share my pride in the achievements of those who brought us to this point: above all, the fine men and women of our armed services whose performance throughout has been so outstanding. International diplomatic efforts - including those of our Russian allies - were also critical in bringing an end to the conflict on NATO's terms.

Our involvement in Kosovo has entered a new phase as we work to bring short-term security and long-term stability to this troubled region. I have decided to commit 7,000 troops to the largely European Kosovo Force (KFOR) that NATO has organized to restore peace to Kosovo. With KFOR's rapid entry into Kosovo, under NATO command and control and NATO rules of engagement, the process of bringing the refugees home to Kosovo in safety and self-government is underway. Already, the United Nations and relief agencies are channeling vital humanitarian supplies to the hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians driven from their homes by Belgrade's brutal repression.

We will also be a driving force in the international community's longer-term effort to promote democracy and stability in this

region. We are working closely with the EU on a Stability Pact for Southeast Europe. Our European partners must provide most of the resources for this project, but it is in America's interest to do our part as well in order to guarantee a democratic future for the region and better lives for those who live in it.

I firmly believe that in standing up to Milosevic and his war-making machine, America's leadership will in the long term promote a safer, more secure world. I will appreciate your support as we move forward to make these policies work. Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Bob Dole
901 15th Street, N.W.
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Washington, D.C. 20005

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter on NATO's Kosovo policy. I have greatly valued your thoughts on this question over the past several months and your work with the Kosovar Albanians.

I share your view that NATO must prevail in this conflict, and we will. At the close of the twentieth century, we cannot allow Milosevic to succeed in his brutal campaign of ethnic cleansing and prevent attainment of our goal of lasting peace in an undivided and free Europe.

NATO air strikes are imposing a heavy price on Milosevic. We see the impact of our campaign in the protests against his policies, the desertions in his army, and the difficulties his troops are having maintaining their grip on Kosovo. Milosevic's recent indictment by the ICTY will make clear to the Serbian people who is responsible for this conflict and who is prolonging it.

As we pursue the intensive air campaign, we are also working with our allies and the Russians on a diplomatic track. However, we have made it clear to Belgrade that the NATO air strikes will not stop until Milosevic clearly and demonstrably accepts NATO's conditions, withdrawing his forces from Kosovo and allowing the refugees to return to their homes with security and self government.

If Milosevic accepts our terms, we are ready to deploy an effective security presence to help implement the agreement. NATO has now endorsed an updated plan for around 50,000 troops of which the United States would contribute about 7,000 to be deployed in Kosovo following an agreement.

NATO is also updating its assessment of deploying a ground force into Kosovo without Belgrade's consent. I have made clear that I have not ruled out any options. But I continue to believe that we will achieve our objectives on our current course.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

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May 3, 1999

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President
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Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Six weeks ago, you and our NATO allies made the decision to wage war against the morally bankrupt Belgrade regime of Slobodan Milosevic. I firmly believe this was the right decision at the time, but will only remain the right decision in the eyes of history if NATO achieves an unequivocal victory over Milosevic, and frees Kosova and all of Serbia from his murderous rule.

As we have seen in recent weeks, the pressure is building among certain segments of Capitol Hill and in some NATO capitals to bring this conflict to an end -- even though the goals that we and our allies have said are non-negotiable have not been attained. There may even be those in your administration who share this view.

These pressures will likely grow in the aftermath of Jesse Jackson's mission to Belgrade and the release of US soldiers who were apprehended by Serbian forces. While, like all Americans, I welcome the overdue release of these captured soldiers, everyone knows that this was just a ploy by Milosevic to "rehabilitate" himself in the eyes of the world. After all, as our soldiers were being released, thousands of Kosovars were being brutally pushed out of their homes to join the million already forcibly exiled in scenes reminiscent of the Second World War.

I am writing to you to express my firm belief that ending this conflict without a NATO victory -- which means a defeated and deposed Milosevic, the withdrawal or destruction of all Serbian forces in Kosova, and a settlement providing for the safe return of all Kosovar Albanians to their former homes under the protection of a NATO force -- is fraught with danger for America's interests. We must seek a just peace, a stable peace, and a permanent peace. Milosevic's reign of terror must end.

Today you will be meeting with the Russian envoy to discuss possible "diplomatic solutions." It is essential that we recognize that the Russians are not motivated by humanitarianism and democratic principles, but by their affinity for this destructive Belgrade regime and a desperate desire to return to the center of global politics. Any compromise deal that Milosevic is willing to sign and the Russians are willing to support cannot possibly be in the long-term interests of the United States and NATO. Furthermore, any proposal for you to meet

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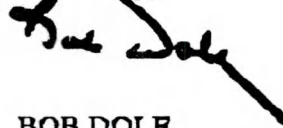
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directly with the war-criminal Milosevic is designed to bring dishonor upon the Office of the Presidency and to diminish the position of the United States as leader of NATO and the free world.

Mr. President, nothing could be worse than surrendering our principles, values, and credibility because we lack the will to do what it takes to win. I believe that you must clearly articulate to the American people what is at stake in this conflict – namely, the stability of the region, the future of the most successful alliance in history, and the principles of human dignity and freedom upon which this country is founded. If you do this, I am confident that they will support you as you make the decisions necessary to bring NATO to victory, including the deployment of US ground troops.

History will record that, at the end of the twentieth century, the United States and its NATO allies had the means to defeat a brutal, belligerent, but second-rate dictator in Europe. The only question not yet answered is whether history will record that there was the will to do so.

Sincerely,

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June 14, 1999

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE *b*

FROM: SAMUEL MOYN *Sm*

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

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Concurrences by: Mike Hurley; Mark Tavlarides *Sm*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEIN

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Purpose

Respond to Representative Rohrabacher on Kosovo.

Background

Representative Dana Rohrabacher wrote during the air strikes to suggest a revision of policy, and suggested arming the KLA as the best route to a democratic future in the province.

In your reply, you thank the Representative for his constructive advice during the course of the air campaign. You explain your policy with regard with Kosovo now that the air strikes have ended: in the short term, to provide security through participation in KFOR; in the long term, to bring democracy and stability to the region through the Southeast Europe Initiative. You explain why you think it is critical at this point that the KLA disarm now in accordance with their commitments at Rambouillet. You conclude by asking for his support in these ventures.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letters at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Letters to Representative Rohrabacher
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Representative Rohrabacher:

Thank you for your letter on Kosovo. I deeply appreciated your insights on how best to resolve the conflict. I considered your perspective seriously during the air campaign. While we differed on means, we shared the same objective: to end the violence and provide all Kosovars the security and self-government they so very much deserve.

I am glad to report to you - as I did to the American people the other night - that NATO's determined action to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo compelled Belgrade to capitulate to NATO's conditions. Nineteen resolute democracies came together and stayed together through the toughest challenge since the end of the Cold War. Their perseverance is all the more remarkable because no NATO country had territorial ambitions on the FRY. Rather, the collective action resulted from the simple conviction that we could not begin the 21st century by allowing the purveyors of ethnic hatred and violence to cause unspeakable suffering and misery with impunity.

I know you share my pride in the achievements of those who brought us to this point: above all, the fine men and women of our armed services whose performance throughout has been so outstanding. International diplomatic efforts - including those of our Russian allies - were also critical in bringing an end to the conflict on NATO's terms.

Our involvement in Kosovo has entered a new phase as we work to bring short-term security and long-term stability to this troubled region. I have decided to commit 7,000 troops to the largely European Kosovo Force (KFOR) that NATO has organized to restore peace to Kosovo. With KFOR's rapid entry into Kosovo, under NATO command and control and NATO rules of engagement, the process of bringing the refugees home to Kosovo in safety and self-government is underway. Already, the United Nations and relief agencies are channeling vital humanitarian supplies to the hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians driven from their homes by Belgrade's brutal repression.

The KLA presents a delicate problem. I took seriously your suggestion that the West arm them. But I firmly believe that staying the course with NATO's conditions proved the best option. As you know, the KLA committed to demilitarize at Rambouillet and have begun doing so now that KFOR is providing security to the province. We believe that the credible protection KFOR will provide to all Kosovars, whether ethnic Albanian or Serb, is the best hope for encouraging these peoples to live together in peace rather than torn apart in violence.

In that spirit, we are working closely with the EU on a Stability Pact for Southeast Europe. Our European partners must provide most of the resources for this project, but it is in America's interest to do our part as well in order to guarantee a democratic future for the region and better lives for those who live in it.

I firmly believe that in standing up to Milosevic and his war-making machine, America's leadership will in the long term promote a safer, more secure world. We will consult with you as events warrant and would appreciate your support as we move forward to make these policies work. Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Dana Rohrabacher
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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President William J. Clinton
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

As the conflict in the Balkans continues and the costs keep escalating, it is disturbing that one effective way of shortening the conflict and achieving our ends is being ignored. Instead, of relying totally on American military might and the courage and blood of our airmen and soldiers, we should be giving the people of Kosovo the means to fight their own battle. The Kosovars have always declared their willingness to stand up for themselves, if they were provided the weapons they need to do so.

Some Kosovars are already fighting in the KLA and other nationalistic military organizations. The U.S. should have long ago been supporting and bolstering the strength of the KLA and other nationalist organizations. Our support could be used to strengthen and empower the honest and democratic elements within the Kosovar resistance, as well as take the burden off American military personnel.

There are complaints that there is no exit strategy for an American military commitment in the Balkans. The exit strategy, Mr. President, is recognizing a free and independent Kosovo and arming the Kosovars so they can defend themselves. Recognition of a Kosovar government-in-exile and the equipping and training of the democratic elements within the resistance could begin immediately.

Sincerely,

Dana Rohrabacher
Member of Congress

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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June 14, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE *bs*
FROM: SAMUEL MOYN *sm*
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEIN

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Purpose

Respond to Representative Blagojevich on Kosovo.

Background

Representative Blagojevich wrote during the air strikes to suggest a revision of policy, including a partition of Kosovo to allow a diplomatic solution.

In your reply, you thank the Representative for his constructive advice during the course of the air campaign. You explain your policy with regard with Kosovo now that the air strikes have ended: in the short term, to provide security through participation in KFOR; in the long term, to bring democracy and stability to the region through the Southeast Europe Initiative. With respect to the partition proposal, you respond that it is neither practically feasible nor theoretically consistent with your goal of healing differences in the region. You conclude by asking for his support in these ventures.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letters at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Letters to Representative Goodling and Hayes
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Representative Blagojevich:

Thank you for your letter on Kosovo. I deeply appreciated your insights on how best to resolve the conflict. I considered your perspective seriously during the air campaign. While we differed on means, we shared the same objective: to end the violence and provide all Kosovars the security and self-government they so very much deserve.

I am glad to report to you - as I did to the American people the other night - that NATO's determined action to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo compelled Belgrade to capitulate to NATO's conditions. Nineteen resolute democracies came together and stayed together through the toughest challenge since the end of the Cold War. Their perseverance is all the more remarkable because no NATO country had territorial ambitions on the FRY. Rather, the collective action resulted from the simple conviction that we could not begin the 21st century by allowing the purveyors of ethnic hatred and violence to cause unspeakable suffering and misery with impunity.

I know you share my pride in the achievements of those who brought us to this point: above all, the fine men and women of our armed services whose performance throughout has been so outstanding. International diplomatic efforts - including those of our Russian allies - were also critical in bringing an end to the conflict on NATO's terms.

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We will also be a driving force in the international community's longer-term effort to promote democracy and stability in this region. We are working closely with the EU on a Stability Pact for Southeast Europe. Our European partners must provide most of the resources for this project, but it is in America's interest to do our part as well in order to guarantee a democratic future for the region and better lives for those who live in it.

I take your suggestion to partition the province very seriously. I want to assure you that I have had our regional experts study this option closely, as they did every other possible course, before I decided along with our allies to insist on the territorial integrity of Kosovo. In particular, we do not believe the Serb cathedral and historic places you mention are localized enough to permit the partition you suggest. Since it is not feasible to divide these groups from one another, we are insistent - as we were in Bosnia - that they learn to live together in safety and prosperity. Both Rambouillet and our current policy call for the integrity of the FRY; after an interim period during which KFOR will protect all Kosovars, Albanian and Serb, and their respective cultural monuments and treasures, the FRY will maintain sovereignty over the region.

I believe we can encourage these peoples to heal their differences. I regret having myself oversimplified history in the past when speaking of "ancient ethnic hatreds" as the source of this region's current troubles. It is more accurate, I have since learned, to observe that while tensions among the different groups have been endemic, the kind of atrocities we helped end were unprecedented.

I firmly believe that in standing up to Milosevic and his war-making machine, America's leadership will in the long term promote a safer, more secure world. We will consult with you as events warrant and would appreciate your support as we move forward to make these policies work. Thanks again for your letter.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Rod Blagojevich
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
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April 12, 1999

Honorable Samuel R. Berger
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Dear Mr. Berger:

I appreciate all of the leadership you have shown as National Security Advisor, and I write this knowing that the decisions that you confront in Kosovo are very difficult.

Current U.S. policy in Kosovo clearly stems from the best intentions, but I believe after nearly three weeks of bombing we must reevaluate our policy in the region. I believe the time has come to seriously consider non-military options, including a plan for partition, to achieve our immediate and long-term policy objectives in the Balkans.

As you know all too well, the Balkans are a complicated, dangerous area. For six centuries, three vastly different cultures have clashed violently in Kosovo. These battles are not over something so simple as land or even as valuable as mineral rights, but rather ones in which each party believes they are guided by a higher authority in a fight for the survival of their people.

As we have seen in recent weeks, these 14th century hatreds are a formidable match for 21st century military technology. Placing U.S. troops on the ground in the midst of this conflict will only make matters worse. Unlike our policy in Bosnia, which I have consistently supported, this conflict would inevitably be far more difficult and dangerous to American forces. Therefore, instead of embarking upon a dangerous and costly military escalation in the region, I believe we should broker a diplomatic agreement centered on the partition of Kosovo.

A workable plan for stabilizing Kosovo must take the following factors into account: First, it must keep in Serbia as many of Kosovo's sacred Orthodox cathedrals and historic places as possible. These shrines are central to the Serbian people and have deep emotional and spiritual meaning. Second, the partition should seek to place as many Albanian homes as possible within an area of self-rule contiguous to Albania. Third, we must make the Russians a major party to any partition agreement. Russian resentment over the NATO air strikes is strengthening the hands of that country's ultra-nationalists, and this clearly is not in our national interest. Fourth, the partition boundary should be drawn as much as practicable along naturally defensible lines that will provide real security for both Albanians and Serbs. Lastly, any lasting settlement in the Balkans rests on the foundation of a secure and stable Albania and its contiguous, autonomous

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region. To that end, the U.S. and our allies should fund a new "Marshall Plan" for Albania, providing resources for refugee resettlement both in Albania and Albanian Kosovo. Such a plan should include debt relief for Albania and transitional aid to a functioning market economy.

Although hard-line elements of both parties to the current conflict would find a partition settlement objectionable, I believe such a resolution is the best and most viable option in the region. Under a carefully crafted partition, many Albanians would be free to return home under the prospect of self-rule. The Serbian people, who have suffered under Milosevic's regime, would be spared more bombing and a protracted ground war with NATO forces. Similarly, the U.S. would be spared a long and costly war that would result in the loss of American lives. Perhaps most importantly, Europe's most explosive region would have new cause for peace and stability in the 21st century.

While some may argue that a partition plan would represent a victory for President Milosevic, I believe this viewpoint is far too simplistic. A partition like the one outlined above would return many Kosovars to the province while safeguarding the religious and historic sites that have allowed Milosevic to rally nationalist support for his brutal policies. Moreover, once the fighting stops we can begin to do what we should have done long ago: mobilize democratic opposition to Milosevic's regime, much the same as we did when Solidarity emerged as the opposition in Communist Poland.

As long as NATO military action continues, there is no hope for democracy in Serbia. Contrary to conventional wisdom, air strikes do not weaken Milosevic, they only strengthen his hold on power. Our current policies are strengthening Milosevic and driving his opposition underground. Even worse, as with the assassination of leading Serbian opposition journalist Slavko Curuvija on Sunday night, Milosevic is using NATO action as cover for permanently silencing democratic opposition.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss these issues with you in greater detail. In the meantime, however, I hope you will give my proposal very serious deliberation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Rod R. Blagojevich
Member of Congress

TO: BERGER

FROM: BLAGOJEVICH, ROD

DOC DATE: 12 APR 99
SOURCE REF:

KEYWORDS: KOSOVO
DEFENSE POLICY
LEGAL ISSUES

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PERSONS: MILOSEVIC, SLOBODAN

SUBJECT: SUGGESTS CONSIDERATION OF NON-MILITARY OPTIONS IN KOSOVO & PLAN FOR
PARTITION

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR BERGER

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June 14, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE *bs*

FROM: SAMUEL MOYN *sm*

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to the President forwarding a draft response to Representative Steny Hoyer.

Concurrences by: Mike Hurley; Mark Tavlarides *MT*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for the President

Tab A Proposed Response

Tab B Incoming Correspondence

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEIN

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Purpose

Respond to a supportive letter from Representative Hoyer.

Background

Representative Steny Hoyer wrote during the air campaign to applaud your strong leadership on Kosovo. He argued against any compromise with Milosevic and called for accelerated preparation for deployment of ground forces. Citing his work with the Helsinki Commission, he asserted that Milosevic's aggression must not stand and that the Serb leader should be brought to justice as a war criminal. He also suggests greater support for the OSCE.

In your response, you explain your policy with regard with Kosovo now that the air strikes have ended: in the short term, to provide security through participation in KFOR; in the long term, to bring democracy and stability to the region through the Southeast Europe Initiative. You mention how heartened you are by ICTY's indictment of Milosevic. You explain the strong support your Administration is giving to the Hague Tribunal and the role you foresee for the OSCE in bringing peace to the Balkans. You conclude by asking for their support in these ventures.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Attachments

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

Tab A Letter to Representative Hoyer
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Steny:

Thank you for your letter on Kosovo. I deeply appreciated your determination that NATO not stand idly by while ethnic cleansing proceeded in the Balkans.

I am glad to report to you - as I did to the American people the other night - that NATO's determined action to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo compelled Belgrade to capitulate to NATO's conditions. Nineteen resolute democracies came together and stayed together through the toughest challenge since the end of the Cold War. Their perseverance is all the more remarkable because no NATO country had territorial ambitions on the FRY. Rather, the collective action resulted from the simple conviction that we could not begin the 21st century by allowing the purveyors of ethnic hatred and violence to cause unspeakable suffering and misery with impunity.

I know you share my pride in the achievements of those who brought us to this point: above all, the fine men and women of our armed services whose performance throughout has been so outstanding. International diplomatic efforts - including those of our Russian allies - were also critical in bringing an end to the conflict on NATO's terms.

Our involvement in Kosovo has entered a new phase as we work to bring short-term security and long-term stability to this troubled region. I have decided to commit 7,000 troops to the largely European Kosovo Force (KFOR) that NATO has organized to restore peace to Kosovo. With KFOR's rapid entry into Kosovo, under NATO command and control and NATO rules of engagement, the process of bringing the refugees home to Kosovo in safety and self-government is underway. Already, the United Nations and relief agencies are channeling vital humanitarian supplies to

the hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians driven from their homes by Belgrade's brutal repression.

Because of your work with the Helsinki Commission, I particularly value your insight into the ongoing humanitarian crisis. I am sure you were as heartened as I was by Justice Arbour's recent announcement that the ICTY has indicted Slobodan Milosevic; no longer will political leaders think they can commit such brutal crimes with impunity. The United States strongly supports the Tribunal's work and we are the principal contributor to it of information on alleged war crimes in the region.

We will also be a driving force in the international community's longer-term effort to promote democracy and stability in this region. I agree with your suggestion concerning the role of the OSCE in Kosovo. We support an active role for the OSCE in implementing the civilian aspects of a peace settlement and do not envision lifting the FRY's suspension from the organization. In addition, we are working closely with the EU on a Stability Pact for Southeast Europe. Our European partners must provide most of the resources for this project, but it is in America's interest to do our part as well in order to guarantee a democratic future for the region and better lives for those who live in it.

I firmly believe that in standing up to Milosevic and his war-making machine, America's leadership will in the long term promote a safer, more secure world. We will consult with you as events warrant and would appreciate your support as we move forward to make these policies work. Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Steny Hoyer
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2005

April 9, 1999

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

Dear Mr. President:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your strong leadership in attempting to resolve the crisis in Kosovo. I want you to know that I support your efforts wholeheartedly and agree with you that we must see this action through until our objectives are attained. I stand ready to assist you in these efforts in any way I can.

As the former Chairman and now Ranking Member of the Helsinki Commission, I have followed with great distress the tragic events associated with the dissolution of the former Yugoslavia. It is abundantly clear, as you have stated, that the situation in Kosovo is a continuation of the conflict instigated by Slobodan Milosevic in Croatia in 1991 and in Bosnia-Herzegovina from 1992 to 1995. In his pursuit of political power, he has created the worst humanitarian crisis in Europe since World War II. In my view, what he and his thugs are undertaking is genocide. He is a war criminal.

Therefore, I write to you, Mr. President, to urge you to continue to hold firm and take the decisive steps necessary to ensure that Milosevic does not succeed in manipulating the West into acquiescing to his apparent idea of an ethnically-cleansed Kosovo. Negotiating a settlement now with Milosevic should be rejected. It would be tragic if the United States were to agree to compromises it will later regret while Milosevic remains in power. This particularly applies to what might be Milosevic's aim – the partition of Kosovo.

I believe we must maintain the course of intervention, and prepare now for the deployment of ground troops in Kosovo. Milosevic likely believes that ground troops would be deployed only if a settlement is reached; dissuading him of this could encourage him to rethink his responses. Deployment will, admittedly, be difficult. In planning for deployment, we must take into account various actions Milosevic might take. His forces in Kosovo have spread out and dug in, and may be preparing for a guerilla war. Ethnic Albanians remaining in Kosovo (and more than half the Albanian population is still in Kosovo) are vulnerable to further atrocities or use as human shields.

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
April 6, 1999
Page Two

I also believe we must work to ensure that Milosevic is indicted for war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide by getting any and all available information to the Hague. As you know, last year the Congress passed by an overwhelming majority S. Con. Res. 105 which called for the indictment of Milosevic by the War Crimes Tribunal. Once indicted, U.S. policy can no longer include meeting with Milosevic or signing any agreement with him.

Finally, I would suggest that, in 1999, you make the fullest use of the OSCE as the "conscience of Europe," supporting strongly the eventual redeployment of an OSCE mission to Kosovo that, along with a peacekeeping presence, will resuscitate a now threatened civil society. Even after the Kosovo conflict is over, the OSCE will need to prevent a spillover effect in neighboring Macedonia and Albania. I would hope that you will continue to actively oppose lifting Yugoslavia's suspension for the foreseeable future, and use the OSCE to promote the needed building of democracy in Serbia.

Again, Mr. President, I thank you for your leadership and will work with you to ensure that we prevail.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



STENY H. HOYER

THE WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 14, 1999

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE STENY HOYER

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO REJECT NEGOTIATING A
SETTLEMENT WITH SLOBODAN MILOSEVIC AND TO
ENSURE THAT MILOSEVIC DOES NOT SUCCEED IN
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June 14, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE *GS*
FROM: SAMUEL MOYN *Sam*
SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Representative Hoeffel and 17 other representatives wrote the President requesting he not rule out the use of ground forces if the NATO air campaign does not achieve its aims. They also request that the U.S. military begin preparing for such a contingency. The response and your memorandum to the President are attached.

Concurrence by: Mike Hurley; Mark Tavlarides *Jan*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Memorandum to the President
Tab A Letter to Representative Hoeffel
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEIN

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Purpose

Respond to Representative Hoeffel and 17 colleagues regarding Kosovo.

Background

Representative Joseph Hoeffel and seventeen other Representatives wrote requesting that you not rule out the use of ground troops if air strikes do not achieve NATO's objectives. They believed ground forces might be the only way to stop Milosevic's ethnic cleansing. They also urge that our military begin making preparations for such a contingency.

You thank the Representatives for their constructive advice during the course of the air campaign. You explain your policy with regard with Kosovo now that the air strikes have ended: in the short term, to provide security through participation in KFOR; in the long term, to bring democracy and stability to the region through the Southeast Europe Initiative. You conclude by asking for their support in these ventures.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Outgoing Letters
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Joseph:

Thank you for your letter on Kosovo. I deeply appreciated your determination that NATO not stand idly by while ethnic cleansing proceeded in the Balkans.

I am glad to report to you - as I did to the American people the other night - that NATO's determined action to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo compelled Belgrade to capitulate to NATO's conditions. Nineteen resolute democracies came together and stayed together through the toughest challenge since the end of the Cold War. Their perseverance is all the more remarkable because no NATO country had territorial ambitions on the FRY. Rather, the collective action resulted from the simple conviction that we could not begin the 21st century by allowing the purveyors of ethnic hatred and violence to cause unspeakable suffering and misery with impunity.

I know you share my pride in the achievements of those who brought us to this point: above all, the fine men and women of our armed services whose performance throughout has been so outstanding. International diplomatic efforts - including those of our Russian allies - were also critical in bringing an end to the conflict on NATO's terms.

Our involvement in Kosovo has entered a new phase as we work to bring short-term security and long-term stability to this troubled region. I have decided to commit 7,000 troops to the largely European Kosovo Force (KFOR) that NATO has organized to restore peace to Kosovo. With KFOR's rapid entry into Kosovo, under NATO command and control and NATO rules of engagement, the process of bringing the refugees home to Kosovo in safety and self-government is underway. Already, the United Nations and relief agencies are channeling vital humanitarian supplies to the hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians driven from their homes by Belgrade's brutal repression.

We will also be a driving force in the international community's longer-term effort to promote democracy and stability in this region. We are working closely with the EU on a Stability Pact for Southeast Europe. Our European partners must provide most of the resources for this project, but it is in America's interest to do our part as well in order to guarantee a democratic future for the region and better lives for those who live in it.

I firmly believe that in standing up to Milosevic and his war-making machine, America's leadership will in the long term promote a safer, more secure world. We will consult with you as events warrant and would appreciate your support as we move forward to make these policies work. Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely,

Representative Joseph M. Hoeffel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-3813

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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April 16, 1999

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As the crisis in Kosova mounts and the number of refugees and victims of Slobodan Milosevic's campaign of brutal aggression grows, we urge you to leave all military options open to accomplish our national goals. Specifically, we ask that you not preclude the use of United States ground troops as part of the NATO mission if the airstrikes prove to be inadequate to meet our aims. It may be that only NATO ground forces will be able to create a secure environment for the return of the refugees and to stop Milosevic's brutal abuse and murder of innocent civilians.

We further ask that you take all appropriate operational measures to fully prepare the United States armed services for the contingency of sending American ground troops to the region as part of the NATO force. As we have seen with the introduction of the Apache helicopters into this mission, it takes time to put all of the necessary components in place to wage an effective war against Milosevic. Acting swiftly at this critical juncture to develop an operational plan will make any future effort more productive and limit the risk of further ethnic cleansing in Kosova.

Mr. President, we appreciate your consideration and resolve, and join you in expressing our gratitude for all of the brave men and women taking part in this crucial mission.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Hoegel

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Ernest L. Engel

Joseph Crowley

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 26, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR GLYN T. DAVIES
NSC Executive Secretariat

FROM: JANET MURGUIA
Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Attached are copies of letters sent to the President by various Members of Congress. Since these letters address national security issues, we would appreciate your assistance in drafting the responses.

Thank you very much for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call Eli Joseph at x67500.

The following is a brief description of the letters:

- 1) Sen. Max Cleland (D-GA), Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS) and Sen. Olympia J. Snowe (R-ME), concerning the current situation in Kosovo and the Snowe-Cleland Amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act of 1999;
- 2) Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-HI), concerning the President's upcoming meeting with Prime Minister Obuchi of Japan and next year's G-8 summit to be hosted by Japan;
- 3) Sen. George V. Voinovich (R-OH) and Sen. Michael D. Crapo (R-ID), concerning the current situation in Kosovo;
- 4) Rep. Benjamin A. Gilman (R-NY), concerning the future stability of Southeastern Europe in light of the current conflict in Serbia-Montenegro;
- 5) Rep. Benjamin A. Gilman (R-NY), recommending the sale of long-range early warning radar to Taiwan;
- 6) Rep. William F. Goodling (R-PA), concerning the current situation in Kosovo;

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- 7) Rep. Joseph M. Hoeffel (D-PA) and seventeen other Members of Congress, concerning the current situation in Kosovo;
- 8) Rep. Cynthia McKinney (D-GA), concerning possible human rights violations at the Buenos Aires Yoga School in Argentina;
- 9) Rep. Jose E. Serrano (D-NY), concerning the American military presence on the Island of Vieques;
- 10) Rep. Christopher H. Smith (R-NJ), concerning the NATO summit and countries that have expressed an interest in joining the Alliance;
- 11) Rep. Christopher H. Smith (R-NJ) and four other Members of Congress, expressing concern over the massive inflow of foreign aid into Indonesia in light of upcoming national elections; and,
- 12) Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA), enclosing a copy of his remarks from the floor of the House of Representatives on April 21 concerning the current situation in Kosovo.

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 22, 1999

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE JOSEPH M. HOEFFEL

SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT TO TAKE ALL
APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO FULLY PREPARE THE
U.S. ARMED SERVICES FOR THE CONTINGENCY OF
SENDING AMERICAN GROUND TROOPS TO THE KOSOVA

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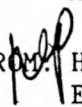
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ENGEL, ELIOT L
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June 14, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *BS*

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 11, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on June 11.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Assistant to the Vice
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Executive Secretary
Department of State

COL. MARIA I. CRIBBS
Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

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Staff Assistant to the
Representative of the U.S.
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President for International
Economic Policy

MS. RYAN CONROY
Executive Secretary
Agency for International
Development

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 11, 1999 ~~(C)~~

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on June 11, 1999. ~~(C)~~

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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KOSOVO POINTS FOR POTUS HILL CALLS

- I wanted to let you know that Secretary General Solana has just announced the suspension of airstrikes.
- It's clear that the Serb forces are beginning to withdraw.
- As we begin the transition to the difficult task of implementing the peace, I wanted to let you know how much I have appreciated your efforts over the last several weeks. I know that many of your colleagues have had doubts about our approach -- and I know that you have worked at several key points to keep these divisions from undermining our efforts. It has been a very difficult period, and I appreciate what you have done.
- This is the end of the war but the beginning of the peace. The Europeans will take the resource lead in helping stabilize and rebuild the region but we will have to do our part. Hope I can count on you to help with that.

Situation on the Ground

- As you know, last week, I announced our commitment of 7,000 troops to KFOR. The MEU is now offloading from Thessalonika and will head north. Forces in Germany are also preparing to deploy.
- NATO is now getting ready to activate the 50,000-soldier force. It will have robust rules of engagement and NATO command and control. Special provisions have been made to incorporate other countries, and over a dozen have already indicated an interest in participating.
- Wes Clark will be the overall commander, with British general Mike Jackson the commander in theater. Jackson was the first commander of the UK-led sector in IFOR, where he earned great respect from George Joulwan.
- The 7,000 US troops will constitute less than 15 percent of the force. The allies already have over twice that number in Macedonia, ready to deploy into Kosovo, and additional allied troops are enroute.
- Would welcome Russian participation but only under unified command headed by NATO.
- KFOR is sized and intended for deployment in a permissive environment. Nonetheless there will be risks, which we will seek to minimize. The military technical agreement is meant to carefully synchronize the withdrawal of Serb forces with the

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introduction of KFOR. We have also used all our contacts with the KLA to remind them of their commitments to cooperate and demilitarize.

- One of KFOR's main tasks will be to establish the secure environment for the refugees to return. In parallel, we will be moving quickly to set up an international civil presence, led by the United Nations but with important contributions from the OSCE and EU.
- The civil presence will set up an interim administration, administering Kosovo until provisional local institutions can be put in place, and establishing an international police force until local police can be trained.
- We are working closely with the UN, OSCE and EU to get all these mechanisms in place. The EU will host a donors' conference, and has agreed to take the lead role in reconstruction.
- As the international civil presence is established, and local institutions and police take shape, KFOR will be able to shed its responsibilities and reduce in size, consistent with the overall security environment.

Dealing with Belgrade

- As this scenario unfolds, we will achieve our immediate objectives for Kosovo. However, we will need to continue working toward our longer-term objectives for Belgrade.
- It should be increasingly apparent to the Serbian people that a government headed by a war criminal cannot bring them into Europe and rebuild what he has caused to be destroyed. Indeed, much of our information campaign over the last eight weeks has been aimed at promoting this belief.
- While providing humanitarian assistance to the Serb people, we will want to keep the regime under isolation and sanctions until there is political reform. We will continue to support leaders like Djukanovic who show the courage to stand up to Milosevic and follow the path of democracy.
- Ultimately, we want all indicted war criminals in The Hague for a fair trial. Two days ago, SFOR picked up yet another, and sent him on his way.

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COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 4, 1999 ~~(S)~~

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the
Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo on June 4. ~~(S)~~


Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Principals Committee

DATE: June 4, 1999

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TIME: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Principals Committee Meeting
on Kosovo ~~(C)~~

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CIA:
John Gordon
John McLaughlin

OVP:
Leon Fuerth
Leslie Davidson

AID:
Harriet Babbitt

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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The USG will ensure to the extent possible that its planning for humanitarian assistance can accommodate either the early return of refugees to Kosovo following Belgrade's acceptance of NATO's conditions or their continued accommodation outside Kosovo through the winter. (Action: State, USAID) (S)
- DOD will examine the feasibility of military air drops of humanitarian rations and other essential supplies to IDPs in Kosovo during the initial phase of KFOR deployment. (Action: DOD) (S)
- The Secretary of State will press the French foreign minister to retract his government's proposals to limit the scope of the military-technical agreement to be concluded between COMARRC and FRY authorities. (Action: State) (S)
- The USG will press NATO to move forward in preparing for KFOR deployment, even if issues concerning its legal framework remain unresolved. (Action: State) (S)
- The USG will press the Kosovo Liberation Army to cooperate with the withdrawal of FRY forces and the deployment of KFOR and to abide by the commitment to demilitarization from Rambouillet. (Action: State, DOD) (C)
- The USG will find and help promote a suitable candidate for the UN special representative for Kosovo. (Action: State, NSC) (S)

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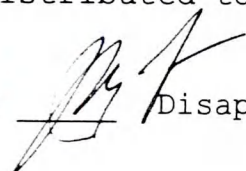
FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 4, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on June 4.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve 

Disapprove _____

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Tab I Memorandum for Signature
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER (K)
LARRY STEIN JS

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on Kosovo

Purpose

Respond to Senator Dorgan regarding the Milosevic indictment.

Background

Senator Byron Dorgan wrote condemning Slobodan Milosevic's unconscionable brutality in Kosovo and urged your support of ICTY in its efforts to indict, apprehend and punish war criminals. He urged you to make this a priority among our aims in the Kosovo conflict.

In your reply, you note that you are heartened by Justice Arbour's recent announcement of Milosevic's indictment. You further explain, as you did in Florida, your Administration's strong support for ICTY's work, which includes information sharing and funding. You note that NATO will not rule out future contacts with Milosevic should he meet the non-negotiable conditions.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Attachments

Tab A Outgoing Letter
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Byron:

Thank you for your letter concerning Mr. Milosevic's campaign of ethnic cleansing in Kosovo. This effort to systematically displace an entire people from their land because of their ethnicity has been an affront to all peace-loving nations, and that is why NATO intervened. The end of the air strikes and the entrance of KFOR into Kosovo to secure a safe environment do not diminish Mr. Milosevic's accountability for his acts.

I know you were as heartened as I was by Justice Arbour's announcement of the indictment of Milosevic and his associates for crimes against humanity and other war crimes. The indictment sends the clear message that those who order such brutal crimes will not do so with impunity.

The United States supports the work of the Hague Tribunal more than any other nation. For six years, this support has been unstinting. While the Tribunal is an independent body, we have urged it to pursue its investigation of war crimes in the former Yugoslavia. We will continue to provide as much relevant information as we can to the Tribunal as it solidifies the case against Milosevic.

I am gratified by Congressional cooperation on this issue, especially the approval of supplemental funding for the Tribunal. This funding will help greatly in our efforts to deepen and intensify our support.

I very much share your sense of the importance of International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia's work and look forward to your continued support as we work to bring peace and justice to this war torn region.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Byron L. Dorgan
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I have supported the air strikes that the United States and NATO have launched against Mr. Milosevic and his troops, who have been conducting ethnic cleansing, genocide, and other unspeakable horrors against the Albanians in Kosovo.

As the air strikes have continued and negotiations with the Russians serving as intermediaries have begun, I have become concerned that this conflict may be resolved without holding Mr. Milosevic accountable for his despicable actions.

In short, any negotiated settlement to this conflict that allows Mr. Milosevic to remain in power is a tragic mistake that would undermine the basis for NATO engagement in the Balkans.

For this reason, I have been insisting that the United States and NATO countries use their influence to have Mr. Milosevic indicted and tried before the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) to answer for his crimes. I do not understand the reluctance of the United States or the NATO countries to aggressively pursue that as a primary objective.

Mr. President, I will only continue support for these air strikes if our policy is to bring Mr. Milosevic to justice and hold him accountable before the ICTY for the unspeakable war crimes he and his troops have committed against the Albanian Kosovars. In my judgement, negotiating a settlement with Mr. Milosevic that leaves him in power and fails to prosecute him as a war criminal would be an abysmal failure of the efforts of the United States and NATO to end the suffering and repression of the Albanian Kosovars.

I am introducing legislation in the U.S. Senate today calling on your administration to aggressively support the prosecution of Mr. Milosevic as a war criminal. I hope the Congress will pass that resolution soon. Regardless of the outcome, however, I will not support continued air strikes if the United States and NATO don't demand that Mr. Milosevic be held accountable. He must be held up as an example to the world that we are tireless in our pursuit of justice.

Sincerely,



Byron L. Dorgan
U.S. Senator

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MEMORANDUM FOR GLYN T. DAVIES
NSC Executive Secretariat

FROM: JANET MURGUIA
Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Attached are copies of letters sent to the President by various Members of Congress. Since these letters address national security issues, we would appreciate your assistance in drafting the responses.

Thank you very much for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call Eli Joseph at x67500.

The following is a brief description of the letters:

- 1) Sen. Byron L. Dorgan (D-ND), concerning the current situation in Kosovo;
- 2) Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN), concerning the current situation in Kosovo;
- 3) Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin (D-MD) and sixty-two other Members of Congress, concerning the current situation in Kosovo; and,
- 4) Rep. Benjamin A. Gilman (R-NY), concerning the President's potential visit to Bangladesh.

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June 12, 1999

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SUBJECT: Cancellation of Kosovo ExComm Meeting

The Kosovo ExComm meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 1999 has been cancelled. Also, the 8:30 a.m., SVTS on Kosovo is canceled.



Greg Schulte
Special Assistant to the President
for the Implementation of the Dayton Accords

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June 11, 1999

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: GREG SCHULTE

FROM: SAMUEL MOYN

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence on ICTY/Kosovo

Senator Dorgan wrote the President to denounce Milosevic and urge our cooperation with ICTY. The response and your memorandum to the President are attached.

Concurrence by:  Mike Hurley; David Wippman; Mark Tavlarides

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

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June 11, 1999

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Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
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Glyn T. Davies
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DATE: June 5, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Deputies Committee Meeting
on Kosovo (S)

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

CIA:

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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- SACEUR should have a plan to increase the intensity of air strikes if Belgrade refuses to conclude an adequate military-technical agreement with COMARRC. (Action: JCS) (S)

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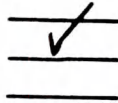
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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *JS*

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 5, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on June 5.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve *JS/NH* Disapprove _____
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Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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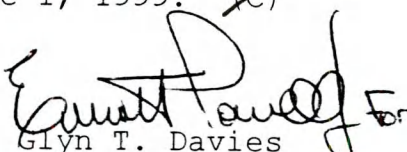
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Thomas Pickering

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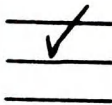
Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The USG should allow the USAID-funded civil airdrops to proceed, while ensuring that the pilots are fully briefed on the risk environment and Belgrade's declarations that such flights would constitute a "hostile act." (Action: USAID) ~~(C)~~
- Planning for the civil airdrops should be widely publicized so as to help deter Belgrade from threatening the aircraft involved. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~
- The USG should explore possibilities for securing multi-lateral funding for the civilian air drop operations. (Action: State, USAID) (U)
- Subject to confirmation by NSC Principals, the USG should pursue a UN lead for the international provisional administration (IPA) in Kosovo.
- Under this concept, a UN Special Representative would direct the IPA and administer four functional areas overseen by the following organizations: (1) humanitarian support -- UN; (2) governance support (civil administration, international police, provisional judicial administration) -- UN; (3) institutional development (elections, democratization, police training, human rights) -- OSCE; (4) reconstruction -- EU.
- Next steps in implementing the concept entail consulting key allies, confirming support for a UN lead at the upcoming G-8 Foreign Ministers meeting, consulting Congress and engaging UN, OSCE and EU planners on an urgent basis. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on June 1, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on June 1.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve  Disapprove _____

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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June 2, 1999

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SUBJECT: Kosovo ExComm Meeting

There will be a Kosovo ExComm meeting on Friday, June 4, 1999, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., in room 180 of the Old Executive Office Building. An agenda is attached.

Please call in your attendees date of birth and social security number by NLT COB, June 3.

Greg Schulte
Greg Schulte
Special Assistant to the President for
the Implementation of Dayton Accords

Attachment

AGENDA FOR KOSOVO EXCOMM MEETING
June 4, 1999

- I. International Police Force Progress Report.State
- II. Training Indigenous Police.State
- III. Criminal Justice System.State
- IV. FRY Deserters.State
- V. KFOR Planning.OSD/JCS