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September 3, 1998

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: RICHARD A. CLARKE *ss*

FROM: STEVEN SIMON *ss*

SUBJECT: Taliban and Usama bin Ladin

The President asked about a UPI item reporting that bin Ladin has assured the Taliban that he would refrain from further attacks launched from Afghanistan. Attached is an information memorandum on this issue.

Concurrence by: Jay Greer *ss*

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the attached memorandum to the President.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum to the President

Tab A August 25 Morning Summary

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E.O. 12958, As Amended,
White House Guidelines, August 28, 1997
By *JGP* NARA, Date *08/24/06*

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Taliban Guarantees Regarding Usama bin Ladin

You asked about a report that the Taliban had gotten Usama bin Ladin to agree not to stage additional attacks from Afghanistan.

The Taliban have repeatedly assured the U.S. and Saudi Arabia that they would restrain bin Ladin from attacking us or the Saudis from his base in Afghanistan. These assurances came after bin Ladin's move to Qandahar in early 1997, after his late 1997 interview in which he threatened the U.S., and in May 1988 after his speech broadcast from Khost. The Taliban also claimed to have extracted a promise from bin Ladin not to attack in a letter from him late last year. Despite these assurances, UBL continued to plan attacks, surveil targets, deploy attack teams, smuggle and stockpile weapons and explosives while a "guest" of the Taliban.

Until now, the Taliban had little incentive to enforce restrictions on bin Ladin, since they share his ideology and rely on his resources. This said, it is not clear that the Taliban leadership understands the full reach of bin Ladin's operational capabilities, despite the fact that he has used Taliban communications now and then to contact his operatives; they may believe that by keeping him in Afghanistan they are actually constraining his ability to attack.

The attacks against Khost, however, clearly caught the Taliban's attention. On August 22, Mullah Omar joined a phone call initiated by one of his subordinates to a mid-level State Department official, in which Omar proposed a dialogue regarding bin Ladin. We accepted, sent them a paper on bin Ladin, his terrorist network and the treat he poses to U.S. interests, and are now waiting for his emissary to meet our people in Islamabad. Although the dialogue is not likely to result in Taliban action against bin Ladin, Omar's interest in it might

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Chief of Staff

reflect tensions within the Taliban on the issue of haven for bin Ladin.

In any case, the Taliban track record on assurances makes their latest assurances unpersuasive. Mullah Omar remains in firm control of the movement and continues to refer privately to bin Ladin as a "water jar," (i.e., a life giving force). Thus, he would not be inclined, at this point, to do what we require: expel bin Ladin to us or the Saudis.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Pressing Blair for Actions Against Usama Bin
Laden Associates in the United Kingdom

Because of the peculiarities of British law, the United Kingdom has long been a relative safe haven for supporters and associates of Middle East terrorists. In the weeks since the embassy bombings, both President Mubarak and Crown Prince Abdullah have asked us to urge the British to take action against terrorists operating from their soil.

By the time you meet with Tony Blair, he is expected to have pushed a new anti-terrorism law through an emergency session of parliament. The Queen is expected to approve it on Saturday. Although the new law's focus is on Northern Ireland, it also includes measures that will give the government new authorities to combat global terrorism. Most significant is the provision that makes it illegal to conspire to commit terrorism abroad.

In your meeting with Blair, you should strongly encourage him to immediately begin using this new provision against associates of Usama Bin Laden and other Islamic extremists. We have strong evidence that Bin Laden cells exist in London, that they are actively engaged in conspiracies abroad, and that they often use British financial institutions to move money destined to assist terrorists. Talking points are at Tab A.

On a related matter, we are beginning to make progress on implementing your executive order blocking the assets of Usama Bin Laden and his associates held in U.S. banks. Bank of America has identified and frozen a number of accounts under the control of Salah El Din Idris, the present owner of El-Shifa Pharmaceutical Industries Company, at their London and Jersey (Channel Islands) branches. When these accounts were first blocked last week, they held slightly over \$10 million. Since then, additional deposits have been made to bring the total

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blocked up to about \$25 million. It seems that Idris has not attempted a withdrawal and therefore may not yet be aware that his funds have been blocked.

It is unclear what will happen when Idris becomes aware of this blocking action. The most problematic scenario involves him taking legal action against our blocking order in British courts, where there is little legal precedent for such a case. While Treasury urges that you not discuss this specific matter with Blair, we have included general talking points on the need for the UK to cooperate fully with our efforts to freeze terrorists' financial assets.

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September 1, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COORDINATION GROUP ON
INTERNATIONAL CRIME

FROM: RICHARD A. CLARKE *RA Clarke*
SUBJECT: SCG Meeting Rescheduled

SCG Rescheduled: The SCG meeting postponed on Tuesday, September 1, 1998 has been rescheduled and will be this Friday September 4, 1998. Please note that the Money Laundering Sub-Group report to the SCG originally scheduled for this SCG will not take place at this time. The agenda, meeting time, location, and topics are as follows:

SCG Agenda for Friday, September 4, 1998 10:00-12:00

Where: OEOB, Room 552

Participants: SCG Members (plus one)

Agenda: 10:00 Opening - Richard A. Clarke
10:05 Continued Diplomatic Initiatives &
Institutional Development Sub-Group Report:
Corruption Brief/VP Conference (State)
10:35 Update on Russia/CIS Policy Paper (State/Justice)
10:50 Briefing on the status of EO 13526 1.4c, (b)(3), (b)(7)e
11:05 Nigeria/Africa Sub-Group Report (State/Justice)
11:50 Other Business/Closing Remarks -
Richard A. Clarke

All participating agencies are reminded that they should arrange access to OEOB for all of their participants by providing their full names, DOBs and SSNs NLT 3PM the day prior to the session to Ms. Carolyn Dollar at 202-456-9361.

Questions concerning the items above may be directed to Director William Wechsler at 202-456-9351 or Director Fred Rosa at 202-456-9361.

Copy: SCG Sub-Group Chairs; Departmental SCG Coordinators

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The U.S. Secret Service. The Secret Service shall be the lead agency for security design/planning and implementation, and will identify and coordinate the appropriate Secret Service anti-terrorism measures and counterterrorism assets (and, if necessary, the assets of other agencies in mutual agreement with those agencies) that will be needed to effect the overall security requirements (including EO 13526 1.4g

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The FEMA Director, U.S. Secret Service Director, and FBI Director shall ensure that their respective lead agency responsibilities are fully coordinated and effectively implemented. Unless mutually agreed upon between the Directors or their designees, the Secret Service and the FBI will maintain full command and control of their respective agency assets in all circumstances and incidents.

Defense, State, Energy, HHS, Transportation and EPA shall, consistent with their authorities and appropriations, make available specialized units in support of security operations, crisis management, and consequence management. (C)

The Attorney General and Secretary of the Treasury, in cooperation with other concerned Principals including the Director/OMB, should within 120 days submit for my approval a plan to implement this decision. The plan should, inter alia, cover (C)

-- Command/control arrangements of the FBI, Secret Service, FEMA, DOD and other relevant agencies; (S)

-- how to achieve quickly an air space security capability centered on the enforcement arms of the Treasury (U.S. Secret Service and U.S. Customs Service); (S)

-- any required changes in funding and/or legislative authorities. (U)

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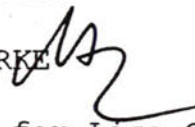
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September 1, 1998

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR GLYN T. DAVIES

THROUGH: TRACEY A. JACOBSON
FROM: RICHARD A. CLARKE 
SUBJECT: Travel Request for Lisa Gordon-Hagerty

Travel Authorization is hereby requested for Lisa Gordon-Hagerty to travel to Tel Aviv, Israel on Saturday, September 12, 1998, returning to Washington, D.C. on or about Saturday, September 19, 1998. Mrs. Gordon-Hagerty will be attend briefings regarding the Israeli Weapons of Mass Destruction Preparedness Program.

NSC will pay Mrs. Gordon-Hagerty's travel expenses and lodging.

Concurrence: Bruce Riedel

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the requested travel and sign the Travel Authorization Form at Tab I.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I NSC Travel Authorization Form

Tab II Memorandum to the Department of State

COPY

DATE: September 1, 1998

NSC STAFF TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

1. TRAVELER'S NAME: LISA E. GORDON-HAGERTY
2. PURPOSE/EVENT (Include Dates): To attend Israeli briefings regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction Preparedness.
3. ITINERARY (Please Attach Copy of Proposed Itinerary): See Attached
4. DEPARTURE DATE: 9/12/98 RETURN DATE: 9/19/98
DEPARTURE TIME: 7:50PM RETURN TIME: 8:59PM
5. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION:
GOVT AIR _____ COMMERCIAL AIR XX POV _____ RAIL _____
OTHER _____
6. ESTIMATED EXPENSES:
TRANSPORTATION _____ PER DIEM Rate \$270.00 OTHER MISC \$150
TOTAL _____
7. WHO PAYS EXPENSES: NSC XX OTHER _____
IF NOT NSC, DESCRIBE SOURCE AND ARRANGEMENTS: _____
8. WILL FAMILY MEMBER ACCOMPANY YOU: YES _____ NO XX
IF SO, WHO PAYS FOR FAMILY MEMBER (If Travel Not Paid By Traveler, Describe Source & Arrangements): _____
9. TRAVEL ADVANCE REQUESTED: N/A
10. REMARKS (Use This Space to Indicate Any Additional Items You Would Like to Appear on Your Travel Orders): Request for Actual Expense
Lodging. Hotels were arrange by the American Embassy in Israel at \$180.00 per night.
11. TRAVELER'S SIGNATURE: LISA E. GORDON-HAGERTY
12. APPROVALS: Senior Director RICHARD A. CLARKE
Director of Administration TRACEY A. JACOBSON
Executive Secretary GLYN T. DAVIES



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FOR: GORDON HAGERTY/LISA

12 SEP 98 - SATURDAY
AIR TRANS WORLD AIRLINES FLT:30 COACH 750P
LV WASHINGTON REAGAN
DEPART: MAIN TERMINAL 900P
AR NEW YORK JFK
ARRIVE: TERMINAL 5
GORDON HAGERTY/ SEAT-19D
AIR TRANS WORLD AIRLINES FLT:884 COACH 1000P
LV NEW YORK JFK
DEPART: TERMINAL 5

EQP: 727 STRETCH
01HR 10MIN
NON-STOP
REF: FJCGOP

MULTI MEALS
EQP: BOEING 767 300
10HR 50MIN

13 SEP 98 - SUNDAY
AR TEL AVIV TLV 250P
GORDON HAGERTY/ SEAT-396

NON-STOP
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19 SEP 98 - SATURDAY
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11HR 55MIN
NON-STOP
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01HR 14MIN
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Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: NSC Staff Foreign Travel Notification

Purpose of Travel:

Lisa Gordon-Hagerty will travel to Tel Aviv, Israel to attend Israeli briefings with respect to Weapons of Mass Destruction and Counterterrorism from September 12, 1998 to September 19, 1998.

<u>Itinerary:</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Major Event</u>
12-19 September 1998	Tel Aviv, Israel	Attend Briefings

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

SAMUEL BERGER 

SUBJECT:

Taliban Guarantees Regarding Usama bin Ladin

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The Taliban have repeatedly assured the United States and Saudi Arabia that they would restrain bin Ladin from attacking us or the Saudis from his base in Afghanistan. These assurances came after bin Ladin's move to Qandahar in early 1997, after his late 1997 interview in which he threatened the United States, and in May 1988 after his speech broadcast from Khost. The Taliban also claimed to have extracted a promise from bin Ladin not to attack in a letter from him late last year. Despite these assurances, UBL continued to plan attacks, surveil targets, deploy attack teams, smuggle and stockpile weapons and explosives while a "guest" of the Taliban.

Until now, the Taliban had little incentive to enforce restrictions on bin Ladin, since they share his ideology and rely on his resources. This said, it is not clear that the Taliban leadership understands the full reach of bin Ladin's operational capabilities, despite the fact that he has used Taliban communications now and then to contact his operatives; they may believe that by keeping him in Afghanistan they are actually constraining his ability to attack.

The attacks against Khost, however, clearly caught the Taliban's attention. On August 22, Mullah Omar joined a phone call initiated by one of his subordinates to a mid-level State Department official, in which Omar proposed a dialogue regarding bin Ladin. We accepted, sent them a paper on bin Ladin, his terrorist network and the threat he poses to U.S. interests, and are now waiting for his emissary to meet our people in Islamabad. Although the dialogue is not likely to result in Taliban action against bin Ladin, Omar's interest in it might

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Tab A August 25 Morning Summary

SITUATION ROOM MORNING SUMMARY

August 25, 1998

NEAR EAST/SOUTH ASIA

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Tab A August 25 Morning Summary

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