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October 28, 1999

President William J. Clinton
C/o Nancy Hernreich
Director of Oval Office Operations
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Washington, D. C. 20500

11-3-99
To Burkhardt
for Reply

Dear Mr. President:

Hopefully, you remember me as one of your classmates in the School of Foreign Service. I am writing on behalf of a very good friend of mine, Bruce Cotta, who serves with me in a local Rotary Chapter in Newport, R. I. (my hometown). I have known Bruce for several years. Recently he returned from a reunion with Vietnam veterans with whom he served in 1968. The organizer of that reunion had found Bruce from his Internet address. At that reunion he learned that his commanding officer and another officer had forwarded letters to the Department of the Army recommending Bruce for the Congressional Medal of Honor and they were surprised that he had not received the award. They have resubmitted those letters but I felt that I would do what I could to bring it to the attention of your office to see if Bruce could be properly recognized. I have enclosed those letters and would be very grateful for your assistance in correcting an apparent injustice.

I can be reached at 401-848-7710 and at my address of 400 Bellevue Avenue, Suite 102, Newport, R. I. 02840. Please accept my thanks in advance for your efforts in this matter. Incidentally, I do executive recruiting and if I can be of assistance at the end of your term please contact me. I suspect you may not need my help however.

Very sincerely yours,

Frederick W. Faerber III
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*Thank you
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126 W Main Road, Middletown RI 02842

October 23, 1999

Mr. Patrick Kennedy
Congressman
249 Roosevelt Ave.
Pawtucket, RI 02860

RE: Award of the Congressional Medal of Honor

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

I recently attended a reunion of the 25th Infantry Division, my unit while a soldier in Viet Nam. It was my first contact in 30 years with other veterans of my Division. While renewing acquaintances, it was brought to my attention that I had been formally proposed for the Congressional Medal of Honor back in May of 1968. Unfortunately, for some reason, the records were either lost or destroyed.

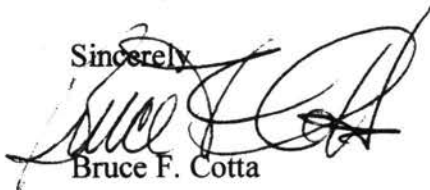
My old platoon leader has decided to resubmit the original proposal, with a separate write-up from one of the squad leaders still in contact with the platoon leader. The squad leader had proposed me for the Distinguished Service Cross or higher. He wasn't aware that Lt. Monaghan had proposed the Medal of Honor.

I would truly appreciate the help of your office in reviewing the attached proposals, submitting the proposals through proper channels, and at least giving a twice wounded Viet Nam Veteran and fellow Rhode Islander the opportunity to receive such a high distinction.

On a personal note, as a business owner, and current Middletown Rotary President, I appreciate the work you have done for our community.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Bruce F. Cotta

CC: Andy Andrade, President, Middletown Town Council

Submittals: DD214, Letters from William Monaghan and John Squire, AP write-up,
June 1968

October 21, 1999

William C. Monaghan
705 W. Valley Forge Rd.
King of Prussia Pa. 19406

Department of the Army
Awards and Medals

Arlen Specter, U.S. Senator Pa.

While in Vietnam I wrote up the following soldier for the Congressional Medal of Honor. After recent contact with him I discovered he never received the award. I would like to resubmit this award letter.

Cotta, Bruce (Doc) Specialist 4 U.S.A.
2nd Platoon, Company "A", 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division
Award: Medal of Honor
Date of Action: 19 May 1968
Theater: Republic of South Vietnam
Reason: For gallantry in combat action, above and beyond the call of duty, at the risk of his life.

Specialist 4 Bruce Cotta distinguished himself by heroic actions on 19 May 1968, while serving as Medic with the 2nd Platoon, Company "A", 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division in the Republic of South Vietnam.

In an area known as the Hobo woods, III Corps, South Vietnam, the 2nd Platoon embarked on an ambush patrol at approximately 2000 hrs, 18 May 1968. The patrol consisted of 16 men of the 2nd Platoon, including one 2nd Lieutenant Platoon Leader, one Medic Spec 4 Bruce Cotta, one R.T.O. and one Forward Observer and 12 lightweapons Infantrymen. Also attached were one Flamethrower and one Doghandler with one German Shepherd patrol dog.

I had done a OH-1 Helicopter recon of the ambush site during daylight around 16:30 hrs that afternoon. I observed terrain consisting of heavy vegetation with many thick hedgerows and numerous trails. There were some areas of bomb craters from old B-52 strikes. I saw quite a bit of enemy movement and activity on the trails that were partially hidden from above.

As the ambush patrol carefully moved toward the ambush position approximately 2100 meters out from the 1st Battalion base camp perimeter, contact was made with a well entrenched force of North Vietnamese regulars. Suffering no casualties the 2nd platoon ambush patrol broke contact and returned to the battalion base camp to resupply with ammunition including new equipment for the Flamethrower.

I discussed the situation with the commander of "A" company, the battalion commander, and battalion executive officer. It was decided that the patrol would return to the point of contact, just 200 meters outside the battalion base camp and establish an ambush at a strategic location.

At approximately 2230hrs, the patrol deployed at a crossroad of two trails with full observation of the series of hedgerows where contact had been made earlier. We set up a "L" shaped ambush with headquarters team responsible for rear security, two kill teams to the front, and one kill team to the left. We waited.

We could hear the N.V.A. moving around all night. I doubt anyone slept a wink.

At 0510 hrs, 19 May 1968 shortly before dawn it started. Mortars began to hit the battalion base camp, with the short rounds hitting close to our position. Then the bugle sounded and whistles began to blow. The N.V.A. soldiers were attacking right over our ambush position to get to the Battalion base camp. We blew 14

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claymore mines at point blank range and our flame-thrower opened up. The N.V.A. were confused. they began to attack us

with chicom grenades, small arms fire, mortars, R.P.G.s and their own flame-thrower. we fired our M-108, M-60s, M179 grenade launchers and 90mm recoilless rifle. We threw hand grenades and some of us even got into hand to hand combat (Oh, if we only had our bayonets mounted)

The ambush worked to the maximum, but it quickly became a blood bath. the ambush patrol suffered casualties, four dead (three Infantrymen and the Flamethrower), fourteen men wounded and one dog wounded.

At the beginning of the ambush, Spec-4 Bruce Cotta picked up a chicom grenade that had landed among the headquarters team and heaved it back at the enemy saving the Lieutenant, R.T.O., and F.O. as well as our medic - himself. Within seconds another chicom grenade hit him in the head and bounced off - again he saved others because his head is so hard the grenade bounced far enough away that it only did minor scrappnel damage to his comrades, although it seriously wounded him.

As the N.V.A. soldiers directed their attack on our position and zeroed in their mortars, we began to receive wounds from scrappnel and small arms fire.

With complete disregard for his own safety, Spec-4 Cotta did what he always did best. he crawled from one wounded man to another treating their wounds so we could continue in the battle to hold back a greatly numerically superior, well-equipped enemy force.

Although seriously wounded himself, Spec-4 Cotta continued to treat our wounded men. Six of the men told me that without Spec-4 Cotta treating their wounds, they would have been physically unable to withdraw from their position and return to the safety of the 1st Battalion perimeter.

If our medic Spec-4 Cotta had not been brave enough to crawl and roll through the heavy enemy fire and exploding mortars to treat the wounds and keep up the morale of the men of the ambush patrol there is no doubt in my mind that we would have been quickly overrun and all killed.

The 18 man ambush patrol stopped the North Vietnamese Army unit from directly attacking the 1st Battalion base camp and saved it from catastrophic losses.

Spec-4 Bruce Cotta was responsible for keeping the ambush patrol functioning together through his valorous actions. He saved many lives with his medical expertise and courage and he also kept me informed of the number of dead and wounded so I could evaluate the situation and make the decision when to withdraw to avoid further casualties.

Courageous and caring men like Spec-4 Bruce Cotta don't come along very often. You are lucky to meet a man like him once in your life. There are quite a few men alive today because he served beside them in Vietnam and

because he was diligent enough to learn as much as he could about treating battlefield wounds and because he always got to a wounded or injured soldier no matter how dangerous the situation.

For his heroic and courageous actions on 19 May 1968, while facing death in the eye, in the Republic of South Vietnam and because his personal bravery and dedication to duty reflect the highest traditions of the 25th Infantry Division and the United States Army, Spec-4 Bruce Cotta deserves to wear the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Footnote: Spec-4 Bruce Cotta spent 12 months in Vietnam with the 25th Infantry Division as a medic and was involved in many hostile actions. He always performed courageously putting the welfare of his fellow soldiers above his own safety. He, time and again, applied field dressings to the wounds of many men who were thereby saved from infections, loss of limbs and in many cases, death on the battlefield.

Footnote: The N.V.A. unit which we ambushed has been described as regimental size.

Footnote: Different follow up reports on this action have described 47 freshly dug enemy mass graves. 362 enemy soldiers killed and between 300 to 400 enemy soldiers killed

Sincerely,

William C. Monaghan, 1st Lieutenant Infantry, U.S.A.

05338499 SS# (b)(6)

2nd Platoon Leader, "A" Company, 1st Battalion
5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division

October 21, 1998

Department of the Army Awards and Decorations
Washington, DC

TO WHO IT MAY CONCERN:

RE: Award of the Distinguished Service Cross or Higher to:
Specialist 4 Bruce Cotta, Medic A Company
1st Battalion, 5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division
For Extraordinary Heroism

Republic of Viet Nam
May 19, 1968

The second Platoon of A Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, was sent on ambush patrol in the Ho Bo Woods. Specialist Four, Bruce Cotta was a medic attached to the second platoon. At approximately 5:10 a.m., a large force of NVA Regulars started passing through the hedgerow directly to the front of the ambush. The claymore mines were detonated. Immediately, the platoon started taking casualties from the heavy small arms and mortar fire from the overpowering size NVA force.

Specialist Four Doc Cotta, with total disregard for his own safety, started moving around the ambush site administering what aid he could to the wounded. While crawling to one position still under heavy fire, Doc Cotta was struck in the head by a Chicom grenade thrown by an NVA soldier. The grenade landed among four platoon members. Without hesitation, Doc Cotta picked up the grenade, threw it in the air away from the four men, only to be seriously wounded himself from the aerial explosion of the grenade.

Although wounded and bleeding, he continued crawling from position to position helping others who were wounded. Finally, when the order was given to withdraw, the seriously wounded Doc Cotta assisted in helping the other wounded back to the safety of the Battalion perimeter. Specialist 4 Bruce "Doc" Cotta saved at least four lives that morning, maybe more. I know I was one of them.

John Squire
A Company Squad Leader
123 Belmont Drive
Boothwyn, PA 19061

Grenade Bounces Off Lowell Medic's Head

Associated Press

SAIGON—Army Spec. 4 Bruce Cotta, a medic from Lowell, Mass., is convinced his hard head saved his life when a Viet Cong grenade bopped him square on the skull.

The 21-year-old soldier attached to the 25th Infantry Division, was the A Battalion that came under heavy enemy mortar and rocket grenade fire recently 21 miles northwest of Saigon. Someone cried "medic" and Cotta inclined his head towards the wounded man.

"Suddenly something hit me on the head," Cotta recalled. "I saw stars. I felt my head to see if it was still there. It was, along with a big goose egg."

In the light of the flares overhead, Cotta saw on the ground the hand grenade that had just struck him. He picked it up and heaved it away and it exploded moments later. Pieces of the grenade wounded Cotta in the leg. Despite his wound the Army reported, Cotta went on to give medical aid to the wounded comrade.

"I still don't know why it didn't go off sooner," Cotta said later. "I'm just glad that I have a hard head and Charlie—Viet Cong—has second-rate grenades."

FIRST FILLER REPORT RECORD
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The President of The United States of America
President William Bill Clinton
The White House
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Mr. President

Emerergency

My name is Joseph Morris from New Orleans Louisiana; I was the young man that was being held by the Iranian Government in prison for Two Years. It was by your hands personal that I was release from that prison call (AVIN /209). I thank you for all the assistance. I have travel to Washington DC to have my passport release so that I can travel to Russia for my wife and daughter who live in a town next to Chechnya. When I was release and sent to Turkey I had to obtain a loan from the United States Government to One See a doctor and two be able to travel back to the United States.

I full understand now that it was wrong for me to travel through Iran. I was a new Muslim at the time full of love for (God). I was thinking that it be ok for me to travel through Iran to attend (HAJJ) one of the most special times for a Muslim. I was beat and beat by the Iranian Intelligence and there or part's that I'm unable to speak about. I return to the United States unable to fine a job. The U.S. Government did not trust me to work for the Government and the Muslims did not trust me because it's hard for them to understand the Iranian Government in prison a new Muslim. I have been working minimum wage job's to care for my family this is the reason I have been unable to repay the government for the loan. I have been seeking work overseas in the Middle East, the only problem that I have when it come to the passport. The company is not willing to pay in advance large amount of money.

My wife have informed me of the following that she need for me to travel to Russian at once for her and my daughter. She now fears for her life and the life of my two-year-old daughter. She was buying food one day and two Russian policemen stopped her and remove her (HIJAB) then place her in the street to be run over. The Muslims are being miss treat by the Russia government the U.S. Government have full knowledge of this.

I' ask you the following question sir, If this was your wife and daughter will you just stand by and let this take place. I have sent the letter attached to United States Department of State Account Receivable Division, Mr. Chauncey R. Lynch at phone (703) 875-6771 to permit me to pay some of the funds that I have and obtain a limited Passport to travel to Russia for my family. I have been informed that the President of The United States could not assist me. This I can't and will not believe in

11/3/99

Send to Burkhardt?

Yes

No

NBC

I ask that you please understand that my wife and daughter have no male to care for her and my daughter. My family have no food water are heat for days its cold over there. I have been unable to speak to my wife in over five days. I ask you which mean more to the United States Government. The life of two people are (\$ 4,800,00).

I have made plans to travel at once to Russia I will fly on British Airway my flight booking number for me and my family is (UFU8W8) AND (UFVFWU) I will travel on 1st of Nov 1999 the booking is under the name of.

Joseph Morris
Irina Morris
Anzhelika Morris (Two year old)

I will like to ask for your assistance one more time, please help me to maintain the dignity of my Muslim family to remove them from being miss treat by the Russian Government.

I can only be reach by this e-mail address I have no phone number.
(j.morris.meci@worldnet.att.net).

Regards,



Joseph Morris, Jr

United States Department of State
Accounts Receivable Division
P.O. Box 9644
Arlington, Va 22219

26 October 1999

Chauncey R. Lynch
Chief, Accounts Receivable Division

EMERGENCY

This letter will be a request to have a limited Passport to travel from Washington DC to Moscow Russia to deliver my wife and daughter from the area know as Chechnya. This area has come under the control of the Russia Military and Police. The U.S. Government has full knowledge of the war between the Russian Government and the Muslim Government of Chechnya. My family live in the next town from Chechnya. The Muslims in and around the area know, as Chechnya are miss treat by the Russian government.

My family has no food no water heat for days I have receive all this information and the following from my wife. I have been out of contact with my family for one week how. She and by daughter was buying food one day when two policemen stopped her and removed her (HIJAB) And place her in the street to be run over by a bus, she was call all types of names because she was Born Muslim. My wife now fear for her life and the life of my Two Year Old daughter. My wife has no male to care for her and my daughter. This is the reason for my letter asking the United States Government for the release of my passport for a limited time so that I can maintain dignity of my Muslim family. I understand that I receive a loan from the United States Government after being in prison for Two Years in Iran.

I was the one that was beat by the Iranian government. I was the one that was place into a single cell for five and half months. I was the one that had all most die in that prison and I was the one that lost a friend that was hang by the Iranian Government for being a American Muslim. Yes I agree to the Loan for my return to the United States. I was very sick and had to pay the doctor bills in Turkey.

When the Government had full knowledge of and American that was in a prison for months and beat etc etc etc. Was that person treat like a low class person (No No No) I was, because I'm Muslim.

The President of the United States Bill Clinton was the one that had me release from this prison and I think the President. Now my family needs my help.

I was on my way to (HAJJ) when the Iranian Government arrested me for being American Muslim. I had Visa for Iran and Kuwait.

I will like to repay the loan so that I can travel to Saudi Arabia for (HAJJ). If you have knowledge about Muslim, it's their duty to travel for Hajj.

I have been unable to find a job in this country that will pay more than Minimum wage. I have to feed and clothe my family first. Will the United States Government Like for me to Stop Feed and clothes my family and repay the loan amount of (\$4,800). The amount, which have been increase by interest payments on the loan. I will not cease following the laws of Islam. First of all (Allah) second to care for my family.

I will like to pay the funds to the United States Government in Payments, at the same time I'm willing to pay part of the funds to have my passport release on limited to travel to Russia for my family.

I don't have all the funds to pay the United States Government for the following reason. I have to purchase three airline tickets from Russia to (L.A.) Ca

I have reservations as follow"

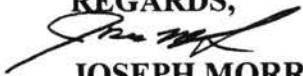
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- 1. Joseph Morris**
- 2. Irina Morris**
- 3. Anzhelika Morris**

THIS IS A EMERGENCY I HAVE TO TRAVEL AT ONCE TO RUSSIA I CAN BE REACH BY THIS E-MAIL ADDRESS. (j.morris.meci@worldnet.att.net). I HAVE TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON DC TO TAKE CARE OF THIS PROBLEM. I HAVE NO PHONE NUMBER.

I HAVE RECEIVE INFORMATION THAT MY PASSPORT WILL NOT BE RELEASE TILL THE FULL AMOUNT HAVE BEEN PAID.THIS MEAN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES DON'T ONCE AGAIN CARE FOR THE LIFE OF MY FAMILY. THAT THE FUNDS COME FIRST THEN MY FAMILY. I WILL LIKE TO HAVE WRITTEN CONFIRMATION PLEASE.

REGARDS,



**JOSEPH MORRIS
MUHAMMAD-YUSUF**

Joseph Morris.

THE President of the United States
of America.
The White House, Over Office
1600 Pennsylvania Ave
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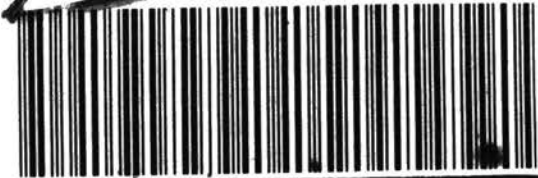
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Florida Department of Agriculture
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Bob Crawford
Commissioner

October 15, 1999

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

I appreciate your support of the immediate implementation of the April, 1999 agricultural cooperative agreement covering trade in citrus with China. The citrus industry in Florida provides over \$8 billion economic impact to our state, and the industry's continued viability and future success are of paramount concern to me and the entire state of Florida.

Pursuant to the April 1999 agricultural cooperative agreement, phytosanitary experts from China must inspect the commercial citrus groves in Florida, California, Arizona and Texas and implement protocols for citrus trade between our nations before commercial shipments may enter China. I applaud the efforts of the U.S. Trade Representative's Office to expedite their visit, and I will be grateful for any additional attention you can give to this matter.

Since the inspection visit from China has as yet not been scheduled, I wrote Vice Chairman Tian, who I hosted in our state in 1998, expressing our desire for the inspection visit to occur so that the agreement can be implemented. In November, I will send a delegation of staff from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to China. They are scheduled to meet with officials from the State Administration for Exit-Entry Inspection and Quarantine (SAIQ) of the People's Republic of China on this and other issues. I have directed them to identify the obstacles facing their visit to our country, to encourage their visit to Florida as soon as possible and to identify any obstacles to our state's trade with China.

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Send to Burkhardt?

Yes

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The Honorable William J. Clinton
October 19, 1999
Page Two

I am aware that the implementation of this Agreement comes at a time when the United States is participating in negotiations for China to join the World Trade Organization. I am very supportive of the accession of China to the WTO if China is willing to abide by WTO requirements. While I am consistently supportive of your administration's efforts in this regard, I do believe that China's move to implement this previously negotiated agreement is in order and I urge you to press for this implementation so that trade with China in the commodities in this agreement including citrus can begin as soon as possible.

We have awaited the scheduling and the arrival of the inspection team from China since the agricultural cooperative agreement was signed last April. Our stated goal is to begin shipping Florida citrus products to that country during this citrus season which has already begun. Your continued assistance in this trade effort will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



BOB CRAWFORD
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE



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☐ Urgent

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Dear Mrs. Betty,

Please re-do the previous letter you did for Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church. They are celebrating their "Homecoming". I believe the letter that went to them indicated it was their Anniversary.

Please see original letter and a letter dated October 26, 1999 stating the correction.

Thanks in advance,

Mickey
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Carolyn -
Can we do a
"Correction"?
Betty

October 26, 1999

Dear Mickie,

I can not thank you enough for your willingness to request a change in the letter with the President's signature. I regret that in an attempt to emphasize the history of the Church, it was misleading in my desire to have a greeting addressing "St. Paul Homecoming". The message received was so congenial. I was very happy with the contents.

While it is an error I regret, it may helped prevent this mistake from occurring in letters from the Mayor and Councilwoman, as they received the same request. I plan to contact them today.

Again, please express my sincere appreciation. The expediency with which I got a response is only due to such a special and personable person as yourself, having such genuine friends and family.

God bless.

Sincerely,


Hilda Flowers

(200) 301-3246152
450-1210

October 13, 1999

Dear Mickie,

Thank-you so very, very, much for agreeing to help me obtain a letter of greeting from the President for our church souvenir booklet. As you will note from the letter, we want to go to print by November 15. Correspondence should be addressed to me at the Church. Should you need to call me at work 202/223-9040, ext. 125 or at home 301/585-0808, please do so.

Again, I appreciate your helpfulness.

Sincerely,

Hilda

Hilda Flowers

Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church

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(202) 882-7088 (Office)

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October 13, 1999

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

On October 25, 1856, a group of freed men founded Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church (A.M.E.). In its early history, the church was known as the "E" Street Mission, the Saint Paul Society and the Saint Paul Chapel. In 1859, the founders and supporters purchased land on Eighth Street, Southwest, on which the first edifice was built. As a result of urban redevelopment of the Southwest area, in 1958, Saint Paul was relocated to its present location, Fourteenth Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C. This month, we enter 143 years of spiritual growth and outreach to the community thru many ministries. On November 21, we are planning to host a Saint Paul-Homecoming celebration.

This letter is written to ask if you would send us a greeting for our souvenir booklet for this occasion. Our goal is to raise funds to make improvements in the basement of this edifice, so that we can broaden our services to the community and members. We are excited about welcoming home former members of this congregation for fellowship and to support this project. Saint Paul would be honored for your support through your message in our booklet, which will be distributed to all. (We plan to send the material to print the week of November 15.)

Thank you and may God continue to bless you as you lead us into the 21st Century.

Sincerely,

Hilda M. Flowers

Hilda M. Flowers

Co-Chairperson

Saint Paul-Homecoming Committee



The Reverend Rodger Hall Reed, Sr., M.Div., D.D., D.H.L., Minister
5015 - 14th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011 (202) 829-0717

To NSC



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Office of the President

October 26, 1999

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The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

FOR
BRIEFING
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NOV 8th

Dear Mr. President,

We are all thrilled that you will deliver the **1999 Herbert Quandt Memorial Lecture** of Georgetown's Center for German and European Studies! Indeed, given the Center's mission to advance collaboration between the United States and Germany, no time for this address could be more fitting than the 10th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. Your reflections on our nations' history and your vision for our shared future course will make this event a momentous one for our students and faculty, and indeed for U.S.-German policy. Georgetown is deeply proud to be hosting this address.

For your information, I enclose some material about the Center, which is housed within the School of Foreign Service. As you know, the Center was launched in 1990 through a grant from the German Government, and will be named next year the BMW Center for German and European Studies, in recognition of BMW AG's generous \$10 million gift to endow the Center, the Quandt Lectureship, and the Graf Goltz Professorship for the Center's director. Also enclosed is a copy of the program from the inaugural Quandt Lecture, delivered by Roman Herzog, President of the Federal Republic of Germany, in July 1997, as well as the text of Mr. Herzog's address. Of course, I would be happy to provide any additional information you or your staff would find helpful.

We look forward very much to welcoming you back to the **Hilltop on November 8**. In the meantime, with gratitude and very warmest wishes,

God bless.

Handwritten signature of Leo J. O'Donovan.

Leo J. O'Donovan, S.J.

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Enclosures

It will be a grand day
for the Hilltop. Thanks
so very much!



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Center for German and European Studies*

Programs of Study	The Center for German and European Studies offers an interdisciplinary Master of Arts in German and European studies (MAGES) degree that can also be pursued jointly with a Ph.D. in economics, German, government (comparative politics or international relations), or history. The center seeks to prepare talented graduate students to work creatively and effectively with their European counterparts in positions of leadership in international business, government, or nongovernmental organizations, as well as in academia. Graduates are multilingual and possess detailed knowledge of German and European economies, political systems, and histories, as well as the European integration process and contemporary European international affairs. The MAGES program requires a two-year, full-time, interdisciplinary course of study. The program combines a ten-course restricted curriculum with a six-course concentration. In the restricted curriculum, students take one required core course in each of the five MAGES disciplines: comparative politics, cultural studies, economics, history, and international relations. In addition to these five classes, students take one interdisciplinary course on the European Union. Students then choose three of the five MAGES disciplines as areas of strength and take one further course in each. The tenth course is a common, interdisciplinary capstone seminar, which is part of the master's project. In addition to the ten-course curriculum, students choose an area of concentration in which they take six electives. The joint MAGES/Ph.D. programs are designed for students with well-defined doctoral aspirations who wish to augment their Ph.D. course work with a multidisciplinary regional focus on Germany and Europe. Students enroll in all MAGES core curriculum courses and apply their elective course work to requirements for their respective Ph.D. programs. While foreign language study is not a formal part of the MAGES curriculum, by the end of the first year, all students must have proven oral and written proficiency in a major European language other than English, and by the end of the second year, significant ability in a second European language. One of these languages must be German. All students are required to prepare a master's project during their second year of study. The most appropriate form of this project as well as the length is determined by the student's area of concentration. It may take the form of a more traditional scholarly inquiry or of a major project linked, for example, to an internship. The Center organizes a colloquium in the spring during which these projects are presented to fellow students and faculty members. MAGES students completing the first year of the program serve as commentators.
Research Facilities	The Lauinger Library, which houses more than 1 million research books and documents, is a government documents depository. The George C. McGhee Library houses an additional 10,000 volumes pertaining to international affairs. Students also have access to the libraries and graduate course offerings of other leading universities in the Washington metropolitan area. The Library of Congress, foreign embassies, and government and nongovernment organizations dealing with international affairs provide students with model laboratories for exploring both academic research issues and current events relating to Germany and Europe. The Center also annually funds 2 postdoctoral resident scholars as research associates who are available for students to consult.
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Cost of Study	Tuition for 1999–2000 is \$10,140 per semester.
Living and Housing Costs	All graduate students live in nearby off-campus neighborhoods in Washington, D.C., and suburban Virginia and Maryland. The Office of Off-Campus Housing maintains an online database to assist students in locating accommodations. Students should allow at least \$1000 per month for living costs (e.g., room, board, books, personal expenses).
Student Group	The program attracts students with wide-ranging interests and diverse educational and professional backgrounds, all of whom share a common interest in German and European affairs. There are 20 students in each incoming class, allowing for close interaction between students and faculty. Pursuing both master's and joint MAGES/Ph.D. programs, students have and develop strengths in different academic areas, enabling them to draw upon and learn from each other's expertise. The result is a cooperative environment that promotes a very high level of intellectual exploration both in and outside the classroom.
Location	Washington, D.C., is an ideal educational setting for students of international affairs. The government agencies, research institutes, cultural organizations, and consulting firms provide students with numerous internship possibilities, helping them to develop professional skills. Students are also encouraged to undertake summer internships in Europe. In addition, the Center regularly sponsors lectures and symposia that draw the domestic and international scholarly community to Georgetown. The Center is also the frequent host of lectures and seminars by prominent European and American scholars, government officials, business leaders, and journalists.
The School	The Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service is the oldest and largest school of international affairs in the country; it has a tradition of excellence in teaching and in promoting scholarly and policy research in the field.
Applying	An undergraduate education showing strengths in multiple disciplines is recommended. One course each in the principles of microeconomics and macroeconomics is required, as is a high level of proficiency, equivalent to three years of college-level instruction, in a European language other than English. Exposure to a second European language is strongly encouraged. Three letters of recommendation, at least two of which should be academic; a strong performance on the GRE General Test; a 500-word personal statement and a representative academic or professional writing sample are required. There is a \$50 nonrefundable application fee for applicants who submit baccalaureate credentials from a U.S. institution and a \$55 fee for applicants who submit undergraduate credentials showing baccalaureate equivalency from international institutions.
Correspondence and Information	MAGES Admissions Center for German and European Studies InterCultural Center, Suite 501 Georgetown University Washington, D.C. 20057-1022 Telephone: 202-687-5602 Fax: 202-687-8359 E-mail: cgescat@gunet.georgetown.edu World Wide Web: http://www.georgetown.edu/sfs/cges/

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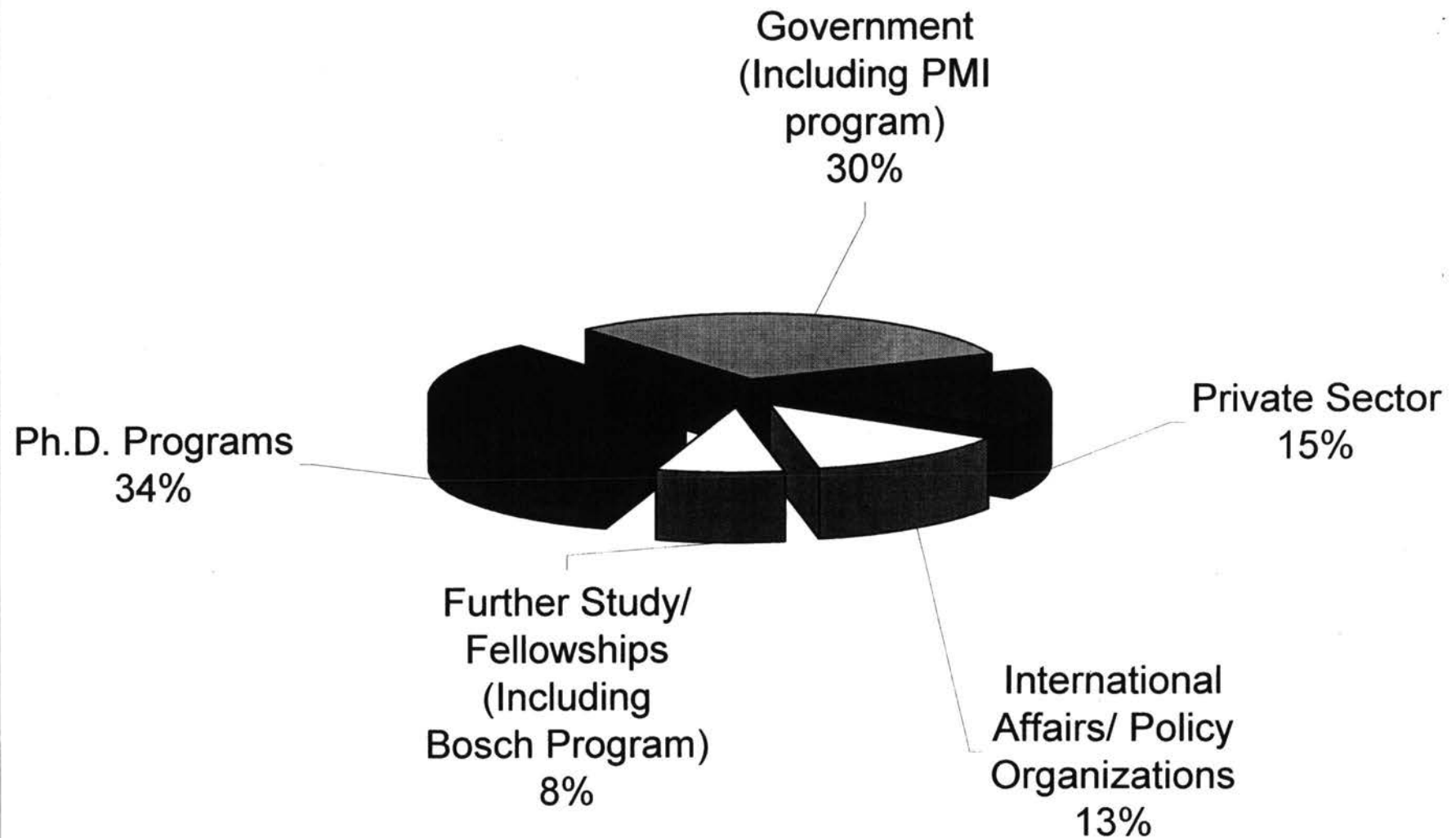
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Foundry United Methodist Church

J. Philip Wogaman
Senior Minister

November 2, 1999

Dear Mr. President:

It was good to see you and Hillary in church last Sunday. I'm sorry we didn't deal with the Egyptian airplane tragedy—at the time of the service I simply didn't know it had happened! (It will be a part of our concerns during next Sunday's All Saints service.)

Meanwhile, I have been visited by Daniel Muhunda, an outstanding former student of mine at Wesley Seminary who is Executive Secretary for International Affairs of the All African Conference of Churches. He was also in the service on Sunday and this afternoon visited in my office, expressing the deep concern of the Conference of Churches for the deteriorating situation in the Congo.

He asked me to deliver the memorandum that follows. My inclination is not to bother you with such messages, but this seems different. He is a man of great sensitivity and intelligence, and he has high credibility with people like Archbishop Tutu and (I believe) former President Mandela. I know that you are also deeply concerned about the human tragedies of central Africa. Daniel reports that you are highly regarded in Africa, and he believes that the right word from you might make an important difference.

Grace and peace,

Phil

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington DC

FROM: Reverend Ngoy Daniel Mulunda-Nyanga
International Affairs Executive Secretary
AACC International Affairs Desk



COPY: Dr. Philip Wogaman

SUBJECT: APPEAL TO INTERVENE IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

DATE: November 1, 1999

Mr. President,

Greetings from the 170 member churches and 20 national councils of churches in 39 African countries who are members of the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC).

The AACC is deeply saddened by the atrocities that are being perpetrated by the armies of Burundi, Uganda and Rwanda that have occupied much of the territory of the Democratic Republic of Congo since August 2, 1998. The AACC and its member churches have made efforts through meetings, consultations, visits and letters to the political leaders of Congo, Rwanda and Uganda to put an end to this war that has killed many innocent women, children and elderly people.

The AACC welcomed with joy the signing of the Lusaka Agreement by all the parties involved in the conflict and had hoped that this could put an end to the war. It is with deep sadness that we are coming to make a special appeal to you to say a word for this war to stop, as the centurion told Jesus when his son was dying: "If you say a word, my son will be healed. You don't have to go to my house". We are convinced, Mr. President, that a firm position from you would immediately bring an end to this war. You do not have to send troops but only your words will stop the war and save thousands of people who are dying every minute in that vast central African nation.

What we have noticed since the signing of the Lusaka Agreement is that Mr. Paul Kagame of Rwanda and Yoweri Museveni of Uganda are not ready to stop this war.



Mr. President, the AACC would like to propose some of the measures that could be taken to force the leaders of Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda to withdraw their troops once you so order:

1. Suspension of U.S. military cooperation with Rwanda and Uganda until their troops are withdrawn to the borders. All US military instructors to be withdrawn into Kenya where they will train African peacekeeping forces. Disqualification of the participation of these invading forces in any United Nations peacekeeping force training.

2. Suspension of visas to enter the United States of America to Rwandan, Ugandan and Burundian officials until their troops are out of Congo. (Burundian troops are occupying the towns of Kalemie and Moba.)

3. Halt of economic cooperation and activities with the above countries and ask all US partners to do the same, especially the United Kingdom.

4. Suspension of all financial assistance from the United States, the World Bank and the IMF to Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda.

5. Recall the United States envoys from Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda. Such a major step will send a serious signal to these countries and we are sure that in less than three months, the war will end.

The following indicate that Rwanda and Uganda are not willing to end the war and justify your taking a firm stand:

1. NEW TROOPS AND WAR EQUIPMENT SENT TO THE FRONT LINES

Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi continue to send troops and heavy war equipment to the front lines. Massive killings to intimidate the people continue. The recent discovery of mass graves containing bodies of women and children is an indication of the type of violence and ruthless killings taking place since the Agreement was signed. Attacks in violation of the Lusaka Peace Agreement continue.

2. SETTLING OF UGANDANS AND RWANDANS ON CONGOLESE SOIL

Since last month, many people from Rwanda and Uganda are being taken and settled into the Democratic Republic of Congo, occupying the lands of the people who have been either killed or displaced by the war. According to our member churches on the scene, the occupying forces of Rwanda and Uganda are conducting massive killings to clear villages where their people can settle to make sure that they continue to have access to the Congo. This is why mass killings are being conducted to intimidate and displace the people.

3. RAPE OF WOMEN BY HIV POSITIVE SOLDIERS

It has long been a strategy of Uganda to exterminate the Congolese who live in villages bordering Uganda and Rwanda. Mr. President, as you know, Uganda is one of the most HIV infected countries in the Great Lakes Region. Many HIV positive Ugandan soldiers have been sent into Congo raping women and young girls. Congo is expecting to have villages wiped out by the AIDS pandemic. As death by Aids takes a long time and the Agreement has been signed, now massive killings are being conducted. We cannot hide these atrocities from you Mr. President. As a body of Christians we find it important for you to be informed so that you can make an executive decision to intervene for humanitarian reasons.

4. TENDENCY TO CREATE A NEW REBEL MOVEMENT

Early October, under the instigation of Rwanda, the traditional chiefs held a meeting where they called for the arming of young persons to defend their lands. This may seem all right to somebody who does not know what is happening on the ground. Church leaders in the region told us that Rwanda and Uganda would like to create a new rebel faction which would be made up of young Congolese. This new faction will not be bound by the Lusaka Agreement and will therefore continue the war. This is a strategy that is being used.

5. LOOTING OF CONGOLESE RESOURCES

The scandalous looting of Congolese natural resources goes on unpunished. Gold, diamond, timber, coffee and properties belonging to Congolese are daily taken to Rwanda and Uganda. We want to tell you, Mr. President, that the question of Rwandan and Ugandan border security is an excuse. If these two countries were serious about the claim of border security they should not be 1500 kilometers inside the territory of Congo. Our records show that the security question is not resolved in Rwanda, Uganda or Burundi despite the fact that they occupy the region and control the borders. This is to tell you that the primary reason they are in Congo is to loot the country and settle their people because of scarcity of land in their respective countries.

It is because of conflict over resources that Ugandan and Rwandan forces fought for three days in Kisangani, destroying the infrastructures that were remaining in that area. Today tension is very high in the region between the two armies who might again fight on the Congolese soil to delay the implementation of the Lusaka Peace Accord.

6. STRATEGY TO ANNEX PART OF KIVU TO RWANDA

One of the aims of Rwanda is to annex the Kivu Region to Rwanda or to push it to declare its independence. This is being done through putting in place an administration that depends on Rwanda, a "marriage" between Kivu and Kigali held without consulting the Congolese authorities. The leaders of Uganda and Rwanda enter Congo like it is their own country.

The project to annex Kivu is a real one because President Bizimungu of Rwanda continues to claim that Kivu belonged to Rwanda before the Berlin Conference and that therefore the borders should be reviewed. Many strategies are put in place to either annex the region by force or to push the defenseless population of Kivu to declare their independence.

Mr. President, the above examples are showing that the danger of a long and protracted war is intact and peace will not come unless serious major actions are taken to stop what is going on.

On the side of Congo, the AACC wanted to know where President Kabila stands in the process. It is with satisfaction that we noticed his willingness to see the war end. Recently he allowed church members and civil society representatives from the rebel-occupied territories to enter the capital Kinshasa and organize a meeting to reflect on the Lusaka Agreement. He sent ministers to explain the government position and its willingness to enter the dialogue with the rebels as soon as they were ready. By allowing the forty- five delegates from the rebel-occupied territories, the Government of Congo has implemented one of the clauses of the Agreement that allows people to freely move in the country once the parties sign the agreement.

During their meeting the Churches and Civil society called for the political space to be opened. The Government is ready to do it during the proposed inter Congolese dialogue which is another key element of the Lusaka Agreement. We have noted with satisfaction the willingness and openness of President Kabila's government to implement the agreement and start the reconstruction of the country. We think that he needs to be encouraged because Congolese people have suffered.

Mr. President, the AACC is convinced that such a firm stand from you will change the situation in the region and spare many lives. Any delay prolongs the suffering of the people of the Congo and increases the number of dead people and broken families. While we are aware of the tragedy that Rwanda went through and the need to continue helping that nation to reconstruct, it is our Christian belief that the atrocities that country is committing in the Congo cannot be ignored.

Mr. President, we want to acknowledge and thank you for all your efforts that led to the signing of the Lusaka Agreement and continue to encourage you to stand with the Congolese people for them to enjoy peace before your term is over. The greatest gift you will give to the people of Congo in particular and the people of the Great Lakes Region in general is to stop this war while you are still in office. This will allow the people of Congo to enter the new millennium with joy and peace that would have come through you.

We, at the All Africa Conference of Churches, Mr. President, are convinced that God is going once again to use you as his instrument of Peace. It is with you that God is bringing Peace to the Middle East, with you God has brought hope of peace in Northern Ireland on the symbolic day of Good Friday, and we believe that with you God is going to bring Peace to Congo and the Great Lakes Region. With you God is bringing hope and relief to the people of Kosovo. Even though this memo is on the Congo, we ask you to remember the Sudan and to support the IGAD initiatives. Any other initiative would be disruptive and delay the peace process in the Sudan. The recent symbolic meeting between the Secretary of State and the Head of SPLA was very well appreciated. Please support the people of South Sudan and President Moi who is leading the IGAD.

Mr. President, say one word, and peace, hope, and life will come to Congo and the Great Lakes Region. Death will run away.

May God Almighty who chose you to lead this great nation and the world use you now to stop the war and its massive killings, abduction and exploitation of children, and displacement of people in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Yours sincerely,



Reverend Ngoy Daniel Mulunda-Nyanga
Executive Secretary for International Affairs
All Africa Conference of Churches
Nairobi, Kenya

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Foundry United Methodist Church

J. Philip Wogaman
Senior Minister

November 2, 1999

Dear Mr. President:

It was good to see you and Hillary in church last Sunday. I'm sorry we didn't deal with the Egyptian airplane tragedy—at the time of the service I simply didn't know it had happened! (It will be a part of our concerns during next Sunday's All Saints service.)

Meanwhile, I have been visited by Daniel Muhunda, an outstanding former student of mine at Wesley Seminary who is Executive Secretary for International Affairs of the All African Conference of Churches. He was also in the service on Sunday and this afternoon visited in my office, expressing the deep concern of the Conference of Churches for the deteriorating situation in the Congo.

He asked me to deliver the memorandum that follows. My inclination is not to bother you with such messages, but this seems different. He is a man of great sensitivity and intelligence, and he has high credibility with people like Archbishop Tutu and (I believe) former President Mandela. I know that you are also deeply concerned about the human tragedies of central Africa. Daniel reports that you are highly regarded in Africa, and he believes that the right word from you might make an important difference.

Grace and peace,

Phil

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington DC

FROM: Reverend Ngoy Daniel Mulunda-Nyanga
International Affairs Executive Secretary
AACC International Affairs Desk



COPY: Dr. Philip Wogaman

SUBJECT: APPEAL TO INTERVENE IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

DATE: November 1, 1999

Mr. President,

Greetings from the 170 member churches and 20 national councils of churches in 39 African countries who are members of the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC).

The AACC is deeply saddened by the atrocities that are being perpetrated by the armies of Burundi, Uganda and Rwanda that have occupied much of the territory of the Democratic Republic of Congo since August 2, 1998. The AACC and its member churches have made efforts through meetings, consultations, visits and letters to the political leaders of Congo, Rwanda and Uganda to put an end to this war that has killed many innocent women, children and elderly people.

The AACC welcomed with joy the signing of the Lusaka Agreement by all the parties involved in the conflict and had hoped that this could put an end to the war. It is with deep sadness that we are coming to make a special appeal to you to say a word for this war to stop, as the centurion told Jesus when his son was dying: "If you say a word, my son will be healed. You don't have to go to my house". We are convinced, Mr. President, that a firm position from you would immediately bring an end to this war. You do not have to send troops but only your words will stop the war and save thousands of people who are dying every minute in that vast central African nation.

What we have noticed since the signing of the Lusaka Agreement is that Mr. Paul Kagame of Rwanda and Yoweri Museveni of Uganda are not ready to stop this war.



Mr. President, the AACC would like to propose some of the measures that could be taken to force the leaders of Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda to withdraw their troops once you so order:

1. Suspension of U.S. military cooperation with Rwanda and Uganda until their troops are withdrawn to the borders. All US military instructors to be withdrawn into Kenya where they will train African peacekeeping forces. Disqualification of the participation of these invading forces in any United Nations peacekeeping force training.

2. Suspension of visas to enter the United States of America to Rwandan, Ugandan and Burundian officials until their troops are out of Congo. (Burundian troops are occupying the towns of Kalemie and Moba.)

3. Halt of economic cooperation and activities with the above countries and ask all US partners to do the same, especially the United Kingdom.

4. Suspension of all financial assistance from the United States, the World Bank and the IMF to Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda.

5. Recall the United States envoys from Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda. Such a major step will send a serious signal to these countries and we are sure that in less than three months, the war will end.

The following indicate that Rwanda and Uganda are not willing to end the war and justify your taking a firm stand:

1. NEW TROOPS AND WAR EQUIPMENT SENT TO THE FRONT LINES

Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi continue to send troops and heavy war equipment to the front lines. Massive killings to intimidate the people continue. The recent discovery of mass graves containing bodies of women and children is an indication of the type of violence and ruthless killings taking place since the Agreement was signed. Attacks in violation of the Lusaka Peace Agreement continue.

2. SETTLING OF UGANDANS AND RWANDANS ON CONGOLESE SOIL

Since last month, many people from Rwanda and Uganda are being taken and settled into the Democratic Republic of Congo, occupying the lands of the people who have been either killed or displaced by the war. According to our member churches on the scene, the occupying forces of Rwanda and Uganda are conducting massive killings to clear villages where their people can settle to make sure that they continue to have access to the Congo. This is why mass killings are being conducted to intimidate and displace the people.

3. RAPE OF WOMEN BY HIV POSITIVE SOLDIERS

It has long been a strategy of Uganda to exterminate the Congolese who live in villages bordering Uganda and Rwanda. Mr. President, as you know, Uganda is one of the most HIV infected countries in the Great Lakes Region. Many HIV positive Ugandan soldiers have been sent into Congo raping women and young girls. Congo is expecting to have villages wiped out by the AIDS pandemic. As death by Aids takes a long time and the Agreement has been signed, now massive killings are being conducted. We cannot hide these atrocities from you Mr. President. As a body of Christians we find it important for you to be informed so that you can make an executive decision to intervene for humanitarian reasons.

4. TENDENCY TO CREATE A NEW REBEL MOVEMENT

Early October, under the instigation of Rwanda, the traditional chiefs held a meeting where they called for the arming of young persons to defend their lands. This may seem all right to somebody who does not know what is happening on the ground. Church leaders in the region told us that Rwanda and Uganda would like to create a new rebel faction which would be made up of young Congolese. This new faction will not be bound by the Lusaka Agreement and will therefore continue the war. This is a strategy that is being used.

5. LOOTING OF CONGOLESE RESOURCES

The scandalous looting of Congolese natural resources goes on unpunished. Gold, diamond, timber, coffee and properties belonging to Congolese are daily taken to Rwanda and Uganda. We want to tell you, Mr. President, that the question of Rwandan and Ugandan border security is an excuse. If these two countries were serious about the claim of border security they should not be 1500 kilometers inside the territory of Congo. Our records show that the security question is not resolved in Rwanda, Uganda or Burundi despite the fact that they occupy the region and control the borders. This is to tell you that the primary reason they are in Congo is to loot the country and settle their people because of scarcity of land in their respective countries.

It is because of conflict over resources that Ugandan and Rwandan forces fought for three days in Kisangani, destroying the infrastructures that were remaining in that area. Today tension is very high in the region between the two armies who might again fight on the Congolese soil to delay the implementation of the Lusaka Peace Accord.

6. STRATEGY TO ANNEX PART OF KIVU TO RWANDA

One of the aims of Rwanda is to annex the Kivu Region to Rwanda or to push it to declare its independence. This is being done through putting in place an administration that depends on Rwanda, a "marriage" between Kivu and Kigali held without consulting the Congolese authorities. The leaders of Uganda and Rwanda enter Congo like it is their own country.

The project to annex Kivu is a real one because President Bizimungu of Rwanda continues to claim that Kivu belonged to Rwanda before the Berlin Conference and that therefore the borders should be reviewed. Many strategies are put in place to either annex the region by force or to push the defenseless population of Kivu to declare their independence.

Mr. President, the above examples are showing that the danger of a long and protracted war is intact and peace will not come unless serious major actions are taken to stop what is going on.

On the side of Congo, the AACC wanted to know where President Kabila stands in the process. It is with satisfaction that we noticed his willingness to see the war end. Recently he allowed church members and civil society representatives from the rebel-occupied territories to enter the capital Kinshasa and organize a meeting to reflect on the Lusaka Agreement. He sent ministers to explain the government position and its willingness to enter the dialogue with the rebels as soon as they were ready. By allowing the forty- five delegates from the rebel-occupied territories, the Government of Congo has implemented one of the clauses of the Agreement that allows people to freely move in the country once the parties sign the agreement.

During their meeting the Churches and Civil society called for the political space to be opened. The Government is ready to do it during the proposed inter Congolese dialogue which is another key element of the Lusaka Agreement. We have noted with satisfaction the willingness and openness of President Kabila's government to implement the agreement and start the reconstruction of the country. We think that he needs to be encouraged because Congolese people have suffered.

Mr. President, the AACC is convinced that such a firm stand from you will change the situation in the region and spare many lives. Any delay prolongs the suffering of the people of the Congo and increases the number of dead people and broken families. While we are aware of the tragedy that Rwanda went through and the need to continue helping that nation to reconstruct, it is our Christian belief that the atrocities that country is committing in the Congo cannot be ignored.

Mr. President, we want to acknowledge and thank you for all your efforts that led to the signing of the Lusaka Agreement and continue to encourage you to stand with the Congolese people for them to enjoy peace before your term is over. The greatest gift you will give to the people of Congo in particular and the people of the Great Lakes Region in general is to stop this war while you are still in office. This will allow the people of Congo to enter the new millennium with joy and peace that would have come through you.

We, at the All Africa Conference of Churches, Mr. President, are convinced that God is going once again to use you as his instrument of Peace. It is with you that God is bringing Peace to the Middle East, with you God has brought hope of peace in Northern Ireland on the symbolic day of Good Friday, and we believe that with you God is going to bring Peace to Congo and the Great Lakes Region. With you God is bringing hope and relief to the people of Kosovo. Even though this memo is on the Congo, we ask you to remember the Sudan and to support the IGAD initiatives. Any other initiative would be disruptive and delay the peace process in the Sudan. The recent symbolic meeting between the Secretary of State and the Head of SPLA was very well appreciated. Please support the people of South Sudan and President Moi who is leading the IGAD.

Mr. President, say one word, and peace, hope, and, life will come to Congo and the Great Lakes Region. Death will run away.

May God Almighty who chose you to lead this great nation and the world use you now to stop the war and its massive killings, abduction and exploitation of children, and displacement of people in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Yours sincerely,



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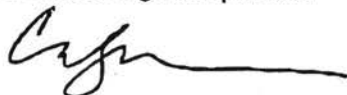
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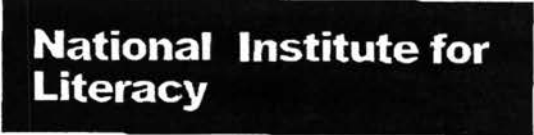
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L'Ambassade de la République Togolaise présente ses compliments au Département d'Etat et a l'honneur de lui faire parvenir ci-joint, pour remise à Son Haut Destinataire, le message de condoléance et de sympathie que Son Excellence GNASSINGBE EYADIEMA, l'Président de la République Togolaise adresse à Son Excellence Monsieur BILL CLINTON, Président des Etats-Unis d'Amérique, suite à l'accident du Boeing 767 d'Egypt d'Air, survenu le dimanche 31 Octobre 1999 au cours duquel un nombre d'américains ont péri.

L'Ambassade de la République Togolaise remercie le Département d'Etat et saisit cette occasion pour lui renouveler les assurances de sa haute considération. /- *By*

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November 3, 1999

The Honorable Erskine Bowles
201 North Tryon Street
Suite 2450
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Dear Erskine:

Thanks for sending your article from North Carolina magazine. I like how your Rural Prosperity Task Force sounds -- and you're right, it does relate well to our New Markets initiative. I've asked Gene Sperling to discuss this with you further.

It was great seeing you recently -- hope we get another chance to visit soon.

Sincerely,

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MR. President -

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Helping rural areas prosper will enrich our urban areas, too

THERE'S nothing I have less patience for than blue ribbon commissions. In my experience, they are announced by a marching band, suck up inordinate amounts of resources, then issue reports that collect dust on a shelf somewhere.

So what am I doing in charge of one?

Last month I joined Gov. Jim Hunt, Senate President Pro Tem Marc Basnight and House Speaker Jim Black in announcing the N.C. Rural Prosperity Task Force. I agreed to head it because I think it will be different, and I think it can make a difference on a subject that matters.

The Task Force is a bipartisan group of 25, representing a good cross section of the state, including bankers, economic developers, educators, entrepreneurs, environmental experts, farmers, foundation heads, local elected officials, professors and small business people from urban and rural areas. This task force has one thing in common – a commitment to helping rural communities find ways to grow and prosper.

This is a critical time for our rural communities. By the year 2000, more than half of our state's population is going to be centered in just 15 urban counties; our state's record growth in the 1990s has mostly been focused in the areas along our interstate corridors. At the same time, we have never been more interdependent as a state; those of us who live in cities depend on our rural communities for scenic beauty, food, air quality, water, wood and good workers. If rural North Carolina fails, we will all feel the pinch.

Our state's economy is in a significant transition, and that transition is challenging rural communities in unprecedented ways:

◆ Labor intensive manufacturing companies are increasingly moving out of the country. In the first six months of this year we have lost more than 20,000 jobs due to permanent layoffs and plant clos-

BY ERSKINE B. BOWLES

ings. We are replacing them with more capital intensive companies, companies that pay fewer people with greater skills higher wages. We can't stop this change, and in many ways we shouldn't want to, but it presents a particular challenge to our rural communities, who are more dependent on traditional manufacturing jobs for people who have been laid off.

◆ Total farm income in our state was down more than 13 percent in 1998 versus 1997, and experts estimate we won't see a recovery for another 18-24 months. Prices of what is now our biggest agricultural product – hogs – are down 40 percent. The impact of falling prices for hogs, milk, corn, soybeans and cotton ripples through our rural agricultural communities.

◆ Tobacco prices continue to languish, with falling quotas and production. A recent study by the N.C. Rural Economic Development Center estimates job losses resulting from the tobacco settlement to be anywhere from 14,000 to 26,000 jobs.

This "triple whammy" is having impacts across our state, but the impacts are most significant in our rural areas where the manufacturing base is less diverse and where farm income is a critical part of the economy.

What can a task force do to help? Before I outline what we will be doing, let me tell you what we *won't* be doing. We won't be a bunch of "suits" sitting inside our offices saying "You oughta" and "You gotta" and here's some more money to throw at the problem. We won't be issuing a report full of pie in the sky recommendations. And we won't be telling people that what works in Robbinsville will work in Robbins.

We *will* be listening. Over the next five months, we will tour the state, listening to the concerns and commitment of people across North Carolina – the high school student who is planning to move away because she can't find a job in her home county; the laid off textile worker who needs retraining for the high tech textile

plant that's coming to town; the farmer who can't make ends meet with rock bottom commodity prices; the rural entrepreneur who can't find the start-up capital to get a great idea off the ground; the small business person who can't locate the facility in a rural community because of a lack of skilled labor and physical infrastructure, including bandwidth.

In addition, we will hear from working groups focused on key issues we know to be critical to the success of rural economic development:

Infrastructure: Improving water, sewer and natural gas service, building roads and rail, improving the availability of information technology.

Education: Helping rural schools get the tools they need to prepare students; training and retraining workers, studying innovative regional cooperation efforts.

Economic and community resources: Finding new ways to encourage small business and tourism growth; recruiting new businesses to rural areas; increasing the capacity of rural communities to make change.

I won't pretend to be an expert on rural North Carolina. But I assure you our task force will be good at evaluating ideas and setting priorities. And with the diverse skills represented in the members, I'm confident we will come up with a series of achievable, real world recommendations.

But ultimately the most important things won't be the changes that occur on the books in Raleigh, but on the backlots in rural North Carolina. Some people from rural communities have told me they don't want to change. They don't want their towns to lose their warmth, their scenery, their natural beauty, their community spirit. Ultimately, I hope this task force, by working with communities, can discover some of the tools they need to become what they want to be. No task force should presume to make that decision without them.

The remaining task force meetings will be held from 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on the following dates: Sept. 10, James Sprunt Technical Institute, Kenansville; Oct. 29, Tyrrell Center, Columbia; Dec. 3, Raleigh.

Erskine Bowles is managing director of Carousel Capital in Charlotte. He is a former head of the U.S. Small Business Administration and former Chief of Staff of the White House.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C.

William J. Jefferson
Second Congressional District
of Louisiana

Dear Mr. President,

You were wonderful to us throughout our campaign for governor, and my family, our supporters, and I will always be grateful to you.

That we did not succeed was in no sense due to your lack of help to us, for you supported our every request.

There was a feel to our campaign that brought to mind the networks calling of the Carter-Regan race based on East Coast results, before some voting took place in California and other points west. Democrats and even African American Democrats drifted into the belief that the race for governor was over before the first vote was cast, resulting in an extremely low turnout that robbed us of critical votes. Somehow we must figure this out. In any event please to that we thank you for your love you.

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**Mr
President
Bill Clinton
White House
Washington D.C.
U.S.A.**

Bamberg, 06.10.1999

Dear Mr Clinton,

my name is Susanne Kuhlbusch, I'm 18 years old and go to 13th grade of the Eichendorff-Gymnasium in Bamberg. I'll do my examinations in april 2000 - but before, I have to write a professional study about the theme „Bill Clinton's stay in Bamberg“.

I tried already to get information about your stay, but it's very difficult to get clear facts or answers.

Of course I know that you are very busy, but I hope that you could tell me something about your memories and impressions of Bamberg and your guest-family !?

I appreciate this and thank you very much,

Susanne Kuhlbusch

with love & remembrance from one East German to the President

Dear
Thank you for your letter.
I visited Bamberg in 1969,
staying at the home of my
friend Rüdiger Lorenz, who
met at Congregation University
in 1967 at a conference on the
community. Rüdiger took me around
the beautiful city, the right of
remembrance especially the lovely
church and the "Bamberg Rider".
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Businessmen are financing front groups

By Jack Kelley
USA TODAY

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WASHINGTON — More than a year after the U.S. Embassy bombings in East Africa, prominent businessmen in Saudi Arabia continue to transfer tens of millions of dollars to bank accounts linked to indicted terrorist Osama bin Laden, senior U.S. intelligence officials told USA TODAY.

The money transfers, which began more than five years ago, have been used to finance several terrorist acts by bin Laden, including the attempted assassination in 1995 of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Ethiopia, the officials said.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is expected to raise the issue with Prince Sultan, the Saudi defense minister, during his visit to Washington next week. Saudi Arabia, the main U.S. ally in the Persian Gulf, has pledged to fight terrorism.

According to a Saudi government audit acquired by U.S. intelligence, five of Saudi Arabia's top businessmen ordered the National Commercial Bank (NCB), the kingdom's largest, to transfer personal funds, along with \$3 million diverted from a Saudi pension fund, to New York and London banks.

The money was deposited into the accounts of Islamic charities, including Islamic Relief and Blessed Relief, that serve as fronts for bin Laden.

The businessmen, who are worth more than \$5 billion, are paying bin Laden "protection money" to stave off attacks on their businesses in Saudi Arabia, intelligence officials said. Bin Laden, whose family runs the largest Saudi construction firm, has called for the overthrow of the Saudi government.

The money transfers were discovered in April after the royal family ordered an audit of NCB and its founder and former chairman, Khalid bin Mahfouz. U.S. officials say Mahfouz is now under "house arrest" at a military hospital in the Saudi city of Taif, intelligence officials said.

His successor, Mohammad Hussein Al-Amoudi, also heads the Capitol Trust Bank in New York and London, which U.S. and British officials are investigating for allegedly transferring money to bin Laden. Amoudi's Washington lawyer, Vernon Jordan, could not be reached for comment.

Mahfouz's son, Abdul Rahman Mahfouz, is on the board of Blessed Relief in Sudan. Suspects in the Mubarak attack are linked to the charity.

Bin Laden faces U.S. criminal charges for allegedly masterminding the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania that killed 224 people. Bin Laden, who is in Afghanistan, denies the charges.

Saudi Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan declined to comment on the reports.

11/3/99

Send to Burkhardt

Yes

No



Justin L. Coleman
11/03/99 10:47:31 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Brian A. Barreto/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: Bishop Manuel Castaneda (North Carolina)

Sounds good. We'll send it along whenever you have it.
Brian A. Barreto

Brian A. Barreto 11/03/99 10:41:33 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Justin L. Coleman/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: Bishop Manuel Castaneda (North Carolina)

FYI - This is regarding the paperwork that I am going to forward to you.

Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Brian A. Barreto/WHO/EOP on 11/03/99 10:41 AM -----

Brian A. Barreto 11/03/99 10:32:14 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Mickey Ibarra/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: Bishop Manuel Castaneda (North Carolina)

I wanted to let you know what happened with the note that you sent me regarding Bishop Manuel Castaneda.

As you recall when the President traveled to NC he met Bishop Castaneda. The Bishop gave his card to the President and upon his return to the WH the President sent it to you. You then forwarded it to me. According to all of the notes Bishop Castaneda was interested in speaking with someone about the problems that Hispanics were having with receiving aid due to flooding damage.

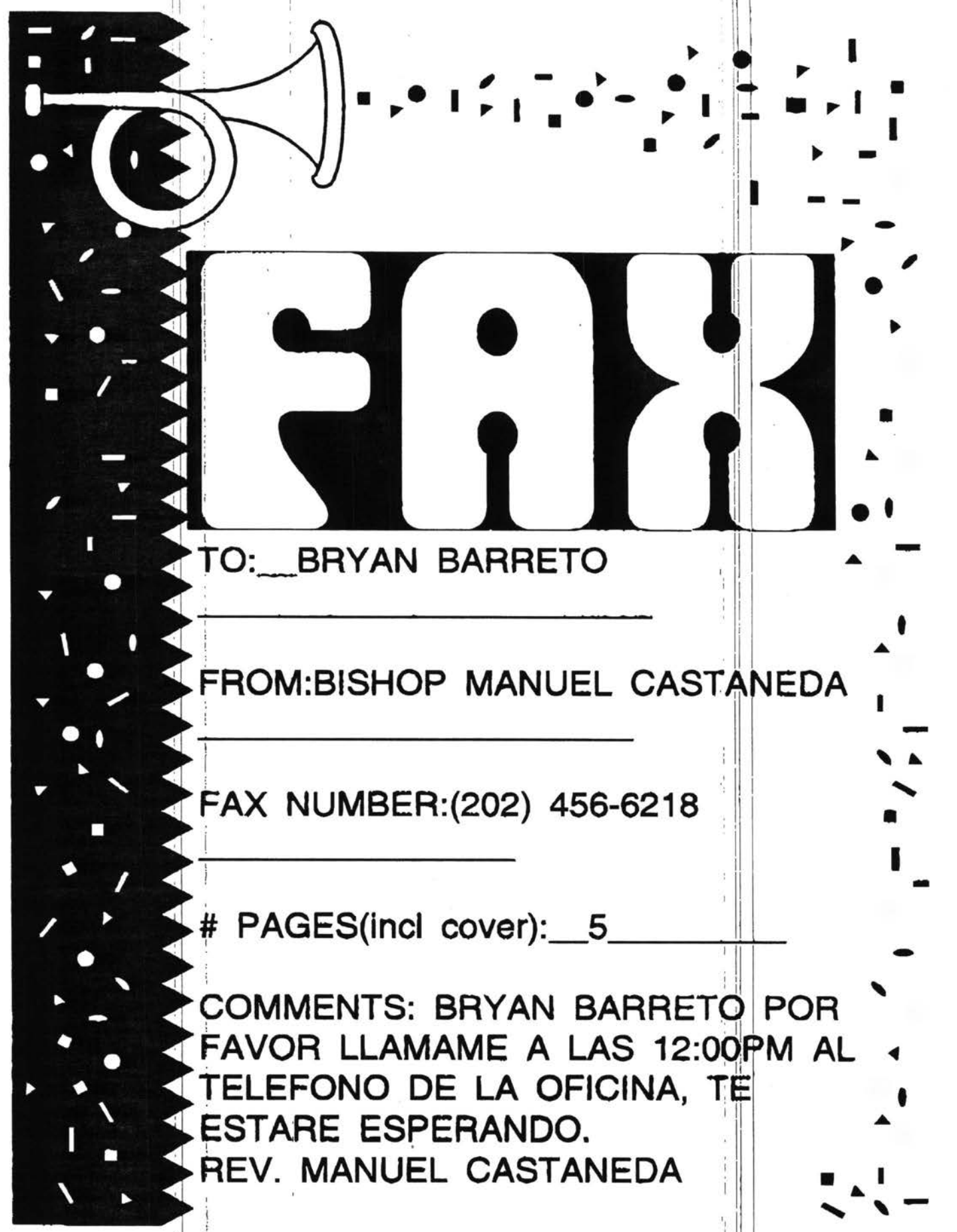
After placing numerous calls to the Bishop and finally speaking to him I have learned that he is interested in speaking to someone about his 2 year old immigration case. According to the Bishop he applied for a

religious visa and has been waiting for an answer for the past two years. I asked him if he wanted to address aid due to flood damage and he said no, that he only wanted to speak to someone about his immigration case.

I asked the Bishop to send me information regarding his case and I will be forwarding this back to Staff Secretary and to Agency Liaison. I also explained to the Bishop that someone from Agency Liaison will contact him in the near future.

According to Staff Secretary the President will be notified that the information has been passed to Agency Liaison and that he will be helped.

Hope this is helpful.



FAX

TO: BRYAN BARRETO

FROM: BISHOP MANUEL CASTANEDA

FAX NUMBER: (202) 456-6218

PAGES(incl cover): 5

COMMENTS: BRYAN BARRETO POR
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REV. MANUEL CASTANEDA

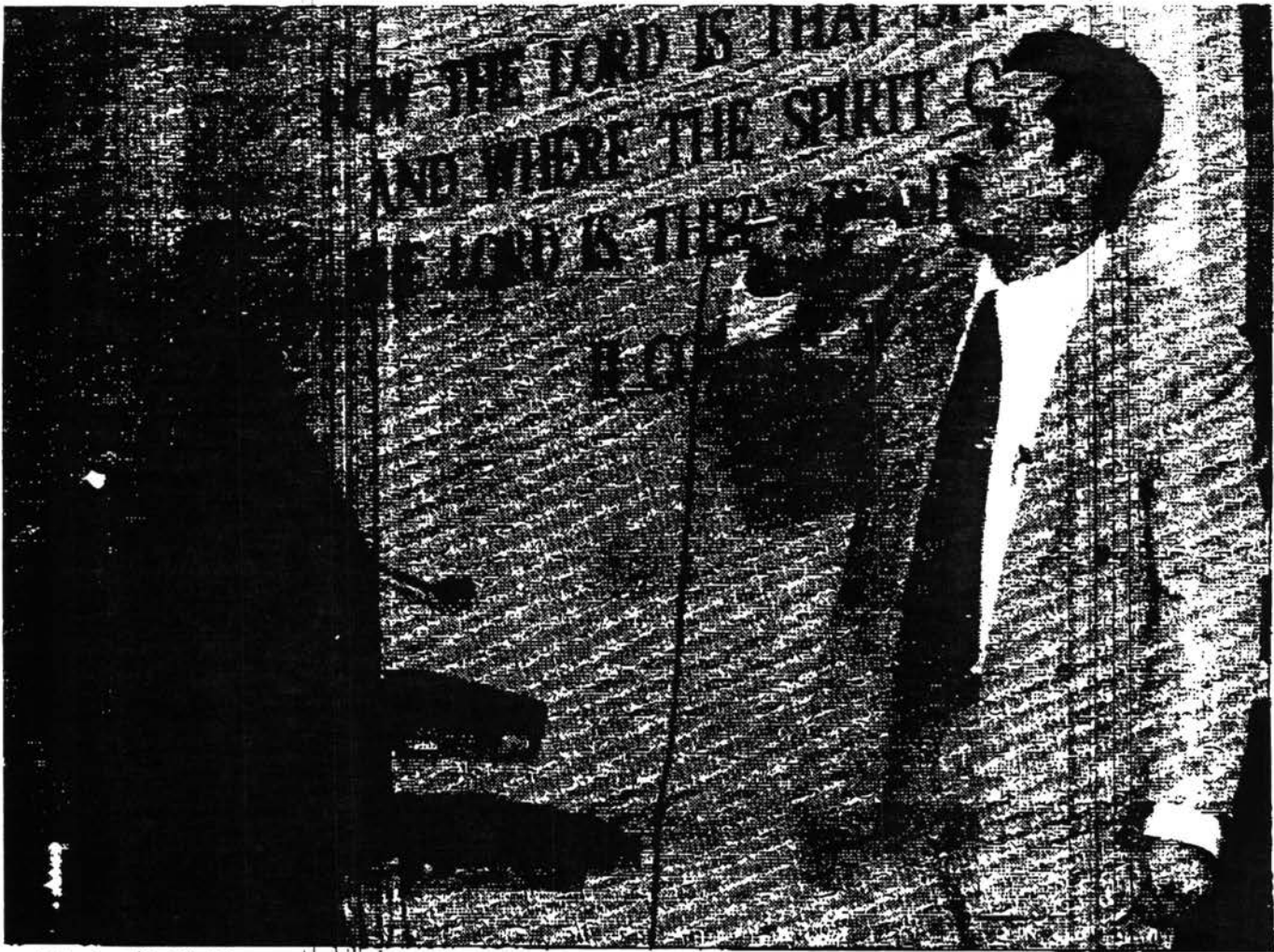


Community observes National Day of Prayer

Photos by Ralf Walters

The Tarboro Ministerial Association sponsored a local observance of the National Day of Prayer Thursday on the town square. Ministers from about 10 local churches took part in the noon service. Above, those in attendance solemnly bow their heads. At left, Rev. Manuel Castaneda of La Roca Church leads them in a prayer for unity. Other ministers led prayers for the family, youth, the nation, local leaders and world peace. A trumpet-player and a vocalist also provided music for the outdoor service. The melodies so thoroughly vexed the soul of a judge in the nearby courthouse that he sent a deputy to demand that they "hold it down."





Rosalinda (right) sings while her brother-in-law Rosalinda preaches during a La Roca service Thursday

Latino church searching for a home

Notice of Action



RECEIPT NUMBER SRC-98-074-52332		CASE TYPE I360 PETITION FOR AMERASIAN, WIDOWER, OR SPECIAL IMMIGRANT
RECEIPT DATE January 14, 1998	PRIORITY DATE January 13, 1998	PETITIONER N C CONFERENCE OF THE PENTECOSTAL
NOTICE DATE April 30, 1999	PAGE 1 of 1	BENEFICIARY A70 660 723 CASTANEDA, JOSE M.

ANNIGJE BUWALDA
JUST LAW INTERNATIONAL PC
9689 C MAIN STREET
FAIRFAX VA 22031

Notice Type: Approval Notice
Section: Special Immigrant-Religious
Worker, Sec.101(a)(27)(C)(ii)

The above petition has been approved.

The petition indicates that the person the petition is for is in the United States and will apply for adjustment of status. He or she should contact the local INS office to obtain Form I-485, Application for Permanent Residence. A copy of this notice should be submitted with the application.

If the person for whom you are petitioning decides to apply for a visa outside the United States based on this petition, the petitioner should file Form I-824, Application for Action on an Approved Application or Petition, with this office to request that we send the petition to the Department of State National Visa Center (NVC).

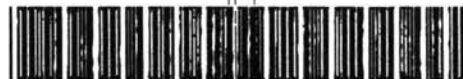
The NVC processes all approved immigrant visa petitions that require consular action. The NVC also determines which consular post is the appropriate consulate to complete visa processing. It will then forward the approved petition to that consulate.

Please read the back of this form carefully for more information.

THIS FORM IS NOT A VISA NOR MAY IT BE USED IN PLACE OF A VISA.

Please see the additional information on the back. You will be notified separately about any other cases you filed.

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TEXAS SERVICE CENTER
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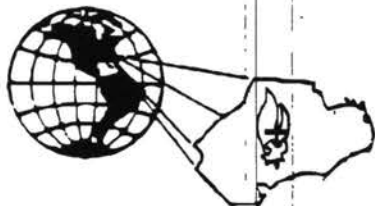


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January 5, 1998

U.S. Immigration Service

Dear Sirs:

Greetings!

It is a pleasure to write on behalf of Pastor Manuel Castaneda and to assist in a petition for religious visa for him.

Pastor Castaneda is doing a fine job for us. He is pastor of the La Roca Pentecostal Holiness Church, Tarboro. I have known him personally since June, 1996. At that time he had already been in Tarboro, N.C. starting the church some nearly two years ago. He joined the Pentecostal Holiness Church in August of 1996. He is an ordained minister in good standing with us.

Pastor Castaneda is not only one of our pastors, he also assists in the starting of other Hispanic churches. He went on a partial supplement with the Conference in April of 1997 (\$200.00 per month). This was increased to \$400.00 per month in September of 1997. The money supplement is a reimbursement for expenses incurred in his work to start other churches.

He recently was appointed to serve on a ministerial examining committee for Hispanic credentials.

Pastor Castaneda is paid by the La Roca church. La Roca is one of 175 Pentecostal Holiness Churches in the N.C. Conference. The N.C. Conference is one of the Conferences of the International Pentecostal Holiness denomination, headquartered in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This denomination as it now is was begun in 1911. A copy of the 501 (c) 3 exempt letter is attached.

As a member of the Conference both Pastor Castaneda and the La Roca Church pay dues to the Conference. La Roca manages its own affairs, bills, buildings, etc. The Conference offers supervision as needed and serves as a parent umbrella. Each local church has its own tax ID number 56-201 2994.

"Where the Spirit is Lord, there is liberty!"

As a minister in the Conference, Pastor Castaneda pastors, preaches in seminars and evangelistic campaigns, marries, etc. He is qualified to perform all the duties of a minister of the gospel.

This is the first time the N.C. Conference, to my knowledge, has served as a petitioner for a religious worker visa. I have written identifying letters for a couple of other Hispanic pastors.

Pastor Manuel Castaneda should be approved. He is doing an excellent job and has become a vital member of his community and our church.

Sincerely,



D. Chris Thompson
Evangelism / World Missions Director
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE
PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH, INC.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Assistant to the President and
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

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For the President's
dear friend
and into his.
His understanding
is the same.
Our common
and response.

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9-28-99

9/28/99

Millones de almas para
"Jesucristo" en este avance final.

Y el Señor añadía cada día la
iglesia los que debían de ser
salvos. Hechos 2:47



Bishop Manuel Castaneda
215 Booth Lane
Tarboro, N.C. 27886
Casa (252) 823-2506
Iglesia (252) 823-8712

SPECIAL help.

Should we send to
Berkhardt?

MICKEY Y es ☐
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cc: Cabinet Affairs -
Yes ☐
no ☒

FEAR ISSUE

This man says
Huganier needs
special help in
N.C. after flooding
Someone should
contact him

October 29, 1999

Mr. President,

The enclosed Resolution is self-explanatory. As Vice Chairman of Medical Park Hospital's Board of Trustees, I know first hand how devastating these cuts are and it will be even worse as time goes by.

✂ Please do whatever you can to help hospitals to continue to serve their patients in a way that provides the best health care we can.

Much love to you and the First Lady.

Sincerely,

11-3-99
To Burkhardt
for Reply



George Frazier

THE GEORGE FRAZIER INSURANCE AGENCY

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RESOLUTION CALLING ON CONGRESS AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE BBA RELIEF NOW TO AMERICA'S HOSPITALS

Whereas Congress and the Clinton Administration, in order to achieve a balanced federal budget, made massive cuts in Medicare spending from 1998 – 2002 as part of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA); and

Whereas these cuts were originally estimated to reduce Medicare payments to hospitals and health systems by approximately \$53 billion over those five years; and

Whereas reliable, independent estimates now project that these reductions actually will cost hospitals and health systems as much as \$71 billion over those five years; and

Whereas BBA Medicare cuts have significantly reduced the availability of vital health care services for all patients; and

Whereas access to these and other services will be further reduced as the most severe Medicare reductions take affect in 2000, 2001 and 2002; and

Whereas there is a growing federal budget surplus that can and should be used to repair these unintended consequences of the Balanced Budget Act;

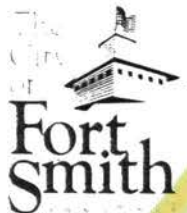
Therefore, be it resolved that the Governing Board of Medical Park Hospital calls on Congress and the Clinton administration to

1. Restore Medicare funding for America's hospitals and health systems before completing business and recessing this year; and
2. Commit a minimum of \$25 billion in additional Medicare funding for hospitals and health systems to repair the unintended consequences of the BBA's Medicare cuts.

Members of the Board:

Charlton Bradley
W. Delbert Dwyer
Dale E. Jones MD
Robert

George J. Hargis
CEO
JAT Edwells CNO/COO
MAA Balch CFO



RAY BAKER
MAYOR

Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington DC 20510

11-3-99

To Burghardt
for Reply

Staff. Sc. 92
Please fax this
into your
office. May
show to help
won't all
be at all
possible
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Dear Mr. President:

We implore you to use your best efforts to reestablish the Weather Service Office in Fort Smith to properly serve Western Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma.

This community has suffered a severe degradation in weather service to which the National Weather Service turns a deaf ear. The community together with our congressional delegation, whose support has been outstanding, has argued our case to all who would appear to be in a position to remedy the loss. We have sent delegations to two meetings of the Modernization Transition Committee - one in Evansville, Indiana in June and one in Boise, Idaho in September. The MTC displayed sheer arrogance and disdain for the loss of service suffered in this community. The Committee ignores the letter of the law and redefines the standard to suit their needs from one situation to the next. In sum, they have found that there is no degradation of service from the elimination of this weather station.

Not only has Western Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma suffered degradation from the loss of the Fort Smith Office, but the Nation as a whole was fed a bill of goods when sold the NexRad and the Automated Surface Observation Systems. The NexRad system by the weather service's own data barely reaches a 20% success rate when a 50% rate is considered the minimum threshold. We enclose two reports for your consideration. The thicker report is the material submitted to the Modernization Transition Committee for the Evansville hearing including statements from many local and state officials. The later report is by the Committee attending the Boise, Idaho meeting complete with the data presented at that meeting evidencing a degradation of service.

Not only does the National Weather Service deny that there has been an obvious degradation of service, but they defend the cost of reestablishing this office by quoting a sum for a full service office. We have not and do not now believe that a full service office is necessary. The minimum service that would correct the degradation would be full time meteorologists making local weather observations including aviation weather observations for use by the public including air carriers, short term forecasts up to twenty-four hours, and the ability to warn of severe weather and impending tornadoes. The National Weather Service denies such an office can exist, but they obviously set the rules and can change them to meet this need.

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October 25, 1999

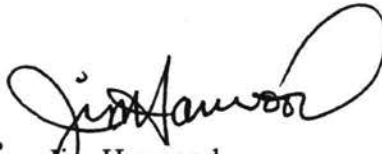
Mr. President, this can be cured by a telephone call from you to Secretary Daley. The congressional delegation has expressed their fullest support for the restoration of these services at the Fort Smith Regional Airport.

Will you support the citizens of Western Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma by making that call?

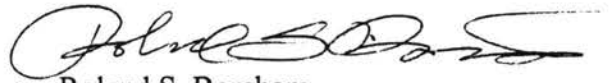
Sincerely,



Ray Baker
Mayor



Jim Harwood
Chairman of the Board
Chamber of Commerce



Roland S. Boreham
Chairman, Baldor Electric
(Former Meteorologist)



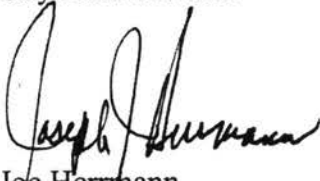
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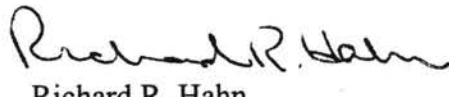
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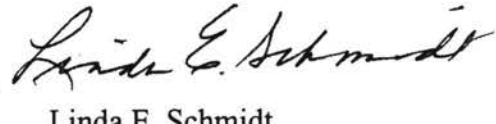
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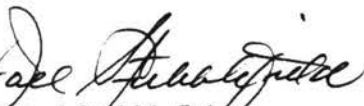
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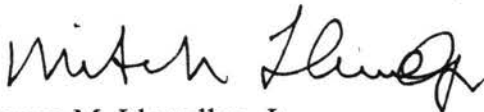
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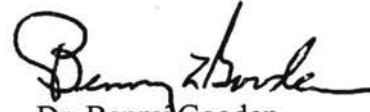
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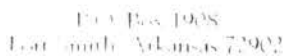
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Leaders fight closing of NWS office

BY JENNIFER GILL
TIMES RECORD

In the form of a letter to President Clinton, city leaders are contesting the looming closing of Fort Smith's National Weather Service office.

"We implore you to use your best efforts to reestablish the Weather Service Office in Fort Smith to properly serve Western Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma," the letter opens. "This community has suffered a severe degradation in weather service to which the National Weather Service turns a deaf ear."

Appealing to Clinton or Secretary of Commerce William Daley may be the only way the Fort Smith office will remain open.

Two meetings since June — one at Evansville, Ind., and the other at Boise, Idaho — led a federal Modernization Transition Committee in September to recommend the closing of the city's NWS office. Daley will decide whether to follow the committee's recommendation or allow the office to remain open.

The NWS is in the midst of a nationwide pro-

gram to upgrade weather-observing systems, part of which is the reorganization of its local field offices from 256 offices to 121 offices.
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Letter to President Clinton

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letter states. "(The NWS) denies such an office can exist, but they obviously set the rules and can change them to meet this need."

The weather service installed a \$4.5 million Doppler radar on a Fort Chaffee ridgeline in late 1997, and NWS officials say the radar adequately covers the region.

Officials who signed the letter include Fort Smith Mayor Ray Baker, Fort Smith City Administrator Bill Harding, Fort Smith Chamber of Commerce Chairman Jim Harwood, Fort Smith Chamber of Commerce President Billy Dooly, Baldor Electric Chairman Roland S. Boreham, Brad Jesson of Hardin, Jesson & Terry and Fort Chaffee Public Trust Chairwoman Linda Schmidt.

Also, Airport Commission Chairman Joe Herrmann, Manufacturing Executives Association President Richard Hahn, Airport Manager Robert Johnson, Westark College President Joel Stubblefield, Times Record Editor Jack Moseley, Fort Smith Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Benny Gooden and James M. Llewellyn Jr., coordinator of the NWS Citizens' Task Force.

Reporter's e-mail: jgill@sutimes.com

**SUMMARY OF
MODERNIZATION
TRANSITION COMMITTEE
HEARING**

ON THE FORT SMITH WEATHER STATION

**SEPTEMBER 28, 1999
BOISE, IDAHO**

**BOB JOHNSON
WAYNE JOHNSON
MITCH LEWELLYN**

OPINION

Weather service: Coldly arrogant, can't take heat

On Oct. 1, 1890, Congress gave specific responsibilities for public safety to the National Weather Service. An act now pending in Congress guts the intent and meaning of that law. It deserves to die.

Perhaps the most arrogant of all federal agencies, the weather service deserves special attention from Congressman Asa Hutchinson and U.S. Sens. Tim Hutchinson and Blanche Lincoln.

This is the agency that spent \$700 million, which was matched with another \$700 million from the Federal Aviation Administration and the Department of Transportation, for a national radar network that was supposed to vastly improve the detection of storms. The success rate of that \$1.4 billion system for this area and the rest of America is only 20 percent. The American people were promised that it would be at least more than 50 percent accurate. Did we get ricky-dooed or what?

Obviously, the National Weather Service wants plenty of funding and none of the responsibility of actually warning and protecting the American people from dangerous weather conditions.

The weather service, of course, says it is doing a wonderful job. For example, it has issued more tornado warnings than you can imagine since it failed to issue one when the real thing inflicted \$300 million damage on Fort Smith and Van Buren.



JACK MOSELEY

To me, that says two things. First, those wonderful weathercrats in Tulsa are good at issuing false alarms and scaring people to death, all to cover their backsides because of their big boo-boo in 1996. Second, they don't care how much inconvenience they cause public schools, hospitals, nursing homes, area factories, etc. After all, when a tornado warning is issued, people are supposed to take cover.

The ultimate arrogance of the weather service toward Fort Smith came recently at a public hearing on whether to continue to keep or close the weather office here. For all intents and purposes, the office already had been closed and so-called services to this region shifted to the office in Tulsa.

Since the shift to Tulsa, that office has failed to warn incoming pilots (private and commercial) of ice on local runways. It has experienced its contract employees sleeping on the job here. It has failed to warn of thunder and lightning in the area of the airport. And to the inconvenience and delay of local air travelers, it has failed to provide airline pilots with information they must receive under

federal regulations in order to take off.

Most reasonable people, I think, would agree that all this constitutes a decline in the quality of service we are getting by long distance and remote control out of Tulsa.

Sadly, the government commission, which is supposed to remedy injustices of the weather service bureaucracy, has caught that federal government disease that breeds contempt for taxpayers and their reasonable concerns. When told of our problems with the weather service, members of this commission insisted there has been no decline in the quality of weather warning protection in Fort Smith. Indeed, all the events presented as evidence of a decline in the quality of service and public safety were just isolated events. They even ridiculed our witnesses.

I hope and pray that this community does not have to endure a weather-related tragedy, such as the airline crash earlier this year in Little Rock, because of the arrogance and blind stupidity of the weathercrats in the National Weather Service.

Heaven help us; the National Weather Service won't!

Life, luck and -30- —**JACK MOSELEY.**

Times Record Editor Jack Moseley's column appears Sunday and Wednesday. His e-mail address is jmoseley@sttimes.com

**COMMUNITY OPPOSITION TO THE DOWNGRADING
AND CLOSING OF THE FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE**



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SUBMITTED TO THE MODERNIZATION TRANSITION COMMITTEE
ON THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1999

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