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SUBJ: CONDOLENCE MESSAGES FROM PRESIDENT NIXON ON DEATH
OF FORMER VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT ELEAZAR LOPEZ
CONTRERAS

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT
TO PRESIDENT CALDERA AND MRS. MARIA TERESA NUNEZ DE LOPEZ
CONTRERAS: BEGIN QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

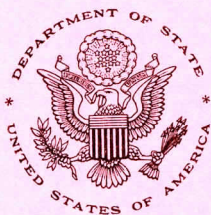
IT WAS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I LEARNED OF THE DEATH
OF FORMER PRESIDENT LOPEZ CONTRERAS. ON BEHALF OF THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE I EXTEND DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO YOU
AND TO ALL VENEZUELAN

SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON.

DEAR MRS. LOPEZ: PLEASE ACCEPT MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES AND
THOSE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON THE DEATH OF YOUR HUSBAND,
PRESIDENT ELEAZAR LOPEZ CONTRERAS. OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH
YOU IN THIS TIME OF SORROW. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON
END QUOTE.

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SUBJ: TRUMAN CONDOLENCES

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PRESIDENT CALDERA: BEGIN QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE ON THE DEATH OF FORMER PRESIDENT HARRY S TRUMAN.

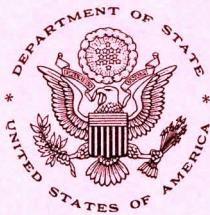
MR. TRUMAN'S COURAGEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO HUMANITY ADVANCED THE CAUSE OF PEACE AT MOMENTS WHEN PEACE SEEMED MOST THREATENED. FREE MEN AND WOMEN EVERYWHERE MUST SURELY GRIEVE AT HIS DEATH.

I HAVE ASKED THAT YOUR SYMPATHIES BE EXTENDED TO MRS. TRUMAN AND HER FAMILY. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END QUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESIDENT CALDERA'S MESSAGE: BEGIN QUOTE EN NOMBRE DEL GOBIERNO DE VENEZUELA Y EN EL MIO PROPIO LE ENVIO MI MAS SINCERA PALABRA DE CONDOLENCIA CON MOTIVO DEL SENSIBLE FALLECIMIENTO DEL EXPRESIDENTE HARRY S TRUMAN ILUSTRE HOMBRE PUBLICO QUIEN ESTUVO AL FRENTE DE ESA NACION EN MOMENTOS CRUCIALES PARA EL DESTINO DE LA HUMANIDAD. END QUOTE.

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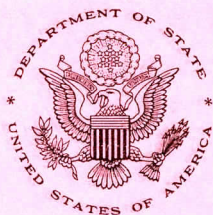
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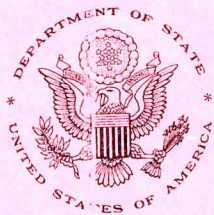
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PRESIDENT CALDERA: BEGIN QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WANT TO EXPRESS OUR
DEEPEST APPRECIATION FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON THE
DEATH OF PRESIDENT LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON. HIS SUDDEN
PASSING IS A SAD MOMENT FOR ALL MY FELLOW CITIZENS WHOSE
LIVES HAVE BEEN ENRICHED BY HIS VISION.

LYNDON JOHNSON WAS A DYNAMIC LEADER, A MAN OF GREAT ABILITY
AND UNSHAKEABLE COURAGE. EVEN AS WE MOURN HIS DEATH, WE
ARE GRATEFUL FOR HIS LIFE, AND IT IS INDEED COMFORTING TO
THE JOHNSON FAMILY, TO MY COUNTRY, AND TO ME TO KNOW THAT
YOU ARE THINKING OF US AT THIS TIME.

WITH MY BEST WISHES, SINCERELY, END QUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESIDENT CALDERA'S MESSAGE:
BEGIN QUOTE A NOMBRE DEL GOBIERNO Y DEL PUEBLO DE VENEZUELA
Y EN EL MIO PROPIO HAGO LLEGAR A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA MIS MAS
SINCERAS EXPRESIONES DE PESAR CON MOTIVO DEL SENSIBLE
FALLECIMIENTO DEL EX PRESIDENTE LYNDON B. JOHNSON. END

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January 23, 1973

Dear Mr. Vene:

It was with great pleasure that I was recently informed of the exchange program between your baseball club, El Guacatapuro de Oro, and an American team from New York City.

The common Venezuelan and American devotion to baseball is an important bond between our two peoples. Sports play a very positive role in strengthening international relations. In this respect, I believe that such stars as Victor Davalillo, Cesar Tovar, Luis Aparicio, David Concepcion, and Gonzalo Marquez are not only highly successful ambassadors of goodwill, but they have also set examples to be followed by Americans and Venezuelans alike.

Our relationship with Venezuela is a special one, and we have enjoyed a long history of warm and cordial relations. The participation of your team is an outstanding example of the kind of initiative that helps to bring people together in an atmosphere of mutual understanding, respect, fair play and sportsmanship.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Mr. Juan Vene

Caracas, Venezuela

Sent to Mr. Joe Donnelly

9 34 Sherman Street
Huntington, New York 11743

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DONNELLY, JOE
EL GUAICAIPURO DE ORO
BEISBOL CLUB.

January 24, 1973

Dear Jack:

Thank you for your January 19 letter to the President endorsing the request for a Presidential message to be taken to Caracas, Venezuela, by the amateur team of newspaper and wire service baseball reporters.

We appreciate learning of your support of this request, which, you may be assured, will be given careful consideration.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Richard K. Cook
Special Assistant

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Honorable John W. X Wydler
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

cc: w/incoming to Eliska Hasek for further handling.

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1. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO
FOREIGN MINISTER CALVANI: BEGIN QUOTE

YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE ON THE DEATH OF
FORMER PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED
AND WILL BE PASSED ON TO THE JOHNSON FAMILY. END QUOTE.

2. FYI FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF CALVANI'S MESSAGE: BEGIN
QUOTE

EXPRESO A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA MIS SINCEROS SENTIMIENTOS DE
PESAR CON MOTIVO DEL SENSIBLE FALLECIMIENTO DEL
EX-PRESIDENTE LYNDON B. JOHNSON COMA A QUIEN CORRESPONDIO
CONDUCCIR LOS DESTINOS DE SU PATRIA EN MOMENTOS SUMAMENTE
COMPLEJOS Y DIFICILES. END QUOTE.

3. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF
SECRETARY'S MESSAGE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. ROGERS

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TO: The President
FROM: John A. Volpe
SUBJECT: Highlights of Latin
American Trips,
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITEHOUSE

PROFUNDAMENTE AFECTADO POR LA TRAGEDIA DE JARTUM COMA
QUE HOY CONMUEVE AL MUNDO Y EN LA CUAL PERDIERON LA VIDA
ALTOS FUNCIONARIOS DIPLOMATICOS DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS Y
BELGICA COMA LE EXPRESO EXCELENTISIMO SENOR PRESIDENTE
COMA EN NOMBRE DEL PUEBLO Y GOBIERNO DE VENEZUELA ASI COMO
EN EL MIO PROPIO COMA MI MAS SENTIDA CONDOLENCIA

RAFAEL CALDERA

PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA

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March 21, 1973

Memorandum for: NSC Secretariat
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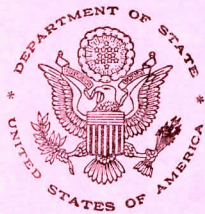
Subject: Condolence Messages to the President
on the Deaths of Ambassador Noel and
Mr. Moore

Attached are copies of condolence messages
to the President from Presidents Caldera,
Alvarez, and Diori, General Ramanantsoa, and
the Secretary General of the Federation of
Port and Maritime Workers of Ecuador with
translations.

George D. Ward
Secretariat Staff

Attachments:

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT CALDERA:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR
THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE ON THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF
AMBASSADOR CLEO A. NOEL, JR., AND MR. GEORGE C. MOORE.

THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF PEOPLE EVERYWHERE ARE
THREATENED BY THE KIND OF SENSELESS BRUTALITY THAT CAUSED
THIS TRAGEDY. I BELIEVE IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL
NATIONS TO ELIMINATE TERRORISM, AND I HOPE YOU WILL JOIN
WITH US IN WORKING TOWARD THAT GOAL. WITH MY BEST
WISHES. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON UNQUOTE WHITE HOUSE
DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO
RELEASE BY RECIPIENT. PLEASE INFORM DEPARTMENT IF TEXT
RELEASED.

2. FOR POST'S INFORMATION, FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF CALDERA'S
MESSAGE: QUOTE PROFUNDAMENTE AFECTADO POR LA TRAGEDIA DE



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JARTUM COMA QUE HOY CONMUEVE AL MUNDO Y EN LA CUAL
PERDIERON LA VIDA ALTOS FUNCIONARIOS DIPLOMATICOS DE LOS
ESTADOS UNIDOS Y BELGICA COMA LE EXPRESO EXCELENTISIMO
SEÑOR PRESIDENTE COMA EN NOMBRE DEL PUEBLO Y GOBIERNO DE
VENEZUELA ASI COMO EN EL MID PROPIO COMA MI MAS SENTIDA
CONDOLENCIA UNQUOTE.

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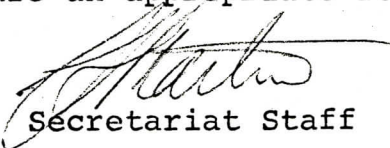
April 3, 1973

Memorandum for: NSC Secretariat
The White House

Subject: Cable to President Nixon from
Latin American Youth Leader

Mr. Fernando Folco Riccio cabled the President on March 23 expressing gratitude for the President's efforts on behalf of world peace and development.

The Department recommends that the Embassy in Caracas evaluate Mr. Folco Riccio and the organization of which he claims to be President, Latin American Youth Alliance Committee, and prepare an appropriate reply.


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Attachment:

Mr. Riccio's cable.

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO FOREIGN MINISTER
CALVANI OF VENEZUELA; PRESIDENT OF THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FOR INFORMATION OF POSTS, FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE OF APRIL 4,
1973, FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO DR. ARISTIDES CALVANI, PRESIDENT
OF THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

QUOTE

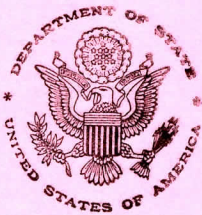
HIS EXCELLENCY:

"IT IS WITH PLEASURE THAT I EXTEND MY WARMEST BEST
WISHES, AND THOSE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA, TO YOU AND YOUR FELLOW FOREIGN MINISTERS
AS YOU BEGIN THIS HISTORIC ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF AMERICAN STATES. THE DISCUSSIONS--AND THE DECISIONS--
OF THIS GATHERING CAN HAVE A DECISIVE INFLUENCE ON THE
SHAPE OF FUTURE RELATIONS WITHIN THE AMERICAN FAMILY.

"THOSE RELATIONS HAVE GONE THROUGH AN IMPORTANT
TRANSITION OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. THE DAYS OF
PATERNALISM HAVE ENDED. THE DAYS OF PROMISING MORE THAN
COULD EVER BE REALIZED HAVE ALSO ENDED. IN THE PROCESS,
EACH OF OUR COUNTRIES HAS TAKEN A CAREFUL LOOK AT ITS

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OWN SITUATION--AT ITS PROBLEMS AND WHAT IT COULD DO ABOUT THEM. I AM CONVINCED THAT WE HAVE NOW LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR AN ENTIRELY NEW AND BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP, FOR WHAT I SOME TIME AGO CALLED A 'MATURE PARTNERSHIP' IN THE AMERICAS.

"THAT KIND OF PARTNERSHIP IMPLIES MANY THINGS. IT IMPLIES THAT THERE ARE COMMON GOALS TO WHICH WE ASPIRE. IT IMPLIES A TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN ONE ANOTHER. IT IMPLIES THAT WE CAN ATTAIN OUR GOALS MORE EFFECTIVELY BY PURSUING THEM MORE COOPERATIVELY. ABOVE ALL, IT IMPLIES THAT WE CONSIDER INTERDEPENDENCE AN ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT IN THE LIFE OF OUR HEMISPHERE.

"THERE ARE OBVIOUS DIFFERENCES AMONG US. SOME COUNTRIES ARE LARGE AND OTHERS SMALL. SOME ARE MOVING FORWARD RAPIDLY IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WHILE OTHERS FACE VERY DIFFICULT BARRIERS TO PROGRESS. EACH COUNTRY HAS ITS OWN UNIQUE SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT. YET WE HAVE DEVELOPED IN THIS HEMISPHERE AN UNDERSTANDING OF THOSE DIFFERENCES, AND A RESPECT FOR THE WAYS OF OTHERS.

"IT WOULD BE A PROFOUND MISTAKE, HOWEVER, FOR US TO CONCENTRATE TOO MUCH ON OUR DIFFERENCES. FOR DOWN THAT ROAD LIES ONLY CONTROVERSY AND CONFRONTATION.

"I HOPE THAT IN THE DISCUSSIONS THAT LIE AHEAD WE CAN FOCUS ON THE AREAS WHERE OUR INTERESTS CONVERGE. THERE ARE MANY SUCH AREAS. SOME CONCERN US UNIQUELY AS COUNTRIES OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE. OTHERS--SUCH AS BUILDING A SOUND AND RELIABLE MONETARY SYSTEM, AND ENCOURAGING THE FAIRER AND FREER FLOW OF TRADE--ARE OF CONCERN TO COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD.

"THIS MONTH HONORS PAN AMERICAN WEEK AND ALSO MARKS THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE OAS CHARTER OF 1948. IT IS AN AUSPICIOUS TIME TO RENEW OUR FAITH IN THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM BY BEGINNING TO PLAN OUR COMMON FUTURE. IT IS MY HOPE THAT YOUR DELIBERATIONS WILL POINT THE WAY TO A STRONG NEW RELATIONSHIP AMONG OUR PEOPLES AND OUR GOVERNMENTS AS WE FACE TOGETHER THE PROBLEMS--AND THE OPPORTUNITIES--OF OUR TIME.
RICHARD NIXON"

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Dear Mr. President:

The Apollo lunar landing program conducted by the United States has been brought to a successful conclusion. Men from the planet Earth have reached the first milestone in space. But as we stretch for the stars, we know that we stand also upon the shoulders of many men of many nations here on our own planet. In the deepest sense our exploration of the moon was truly an international effort.

It is for this reason that, on behalf of the people of the United States I present this flag, which was carried to the moon, to the people of Venezuela, and this fragment of the moon obtained during the final lunar mission of the Apollo program.

If people of many nations can act together to achieve the dreams of humanity in space, then surely we can act together to accomplish humanity's dream of peace here on earth. It was in this spirit that the United States of America went to the moon, and it is in this spirit that we look forward to sharing what we have done and what we have learned with all mankind.

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

His Excellency
Dr. Rafael Caldera
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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TO: Secretary of State

FROM: The President

SUBJECT: Presidential Determination
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Brazil, Chile, Colombia,
and Venezuela re sale
of F-5 military aircraft

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Dear Mr. President:

I have submitted to the Congress of the United States my fourth annual review of American foreign policy. In it I have described the major developments in our policies during the past year and over the course of my first term. I have also set out the issues and opportunities which I believe lie ahead. As this document reflects my personal thoughts on international affairs, I wanted you to have a copy.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Dr. Rafael Caldera
President of the
Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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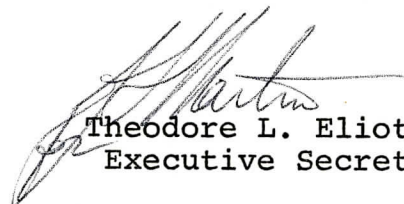
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letters from the President of
Venezuela, Dr. Rafael Caldera,
to President Nixon

The Embassy of Venezuela has transmitted to the Department two letters from the President of Venezuela to President Nixon, with the request that the letters be forwarded to the President.

The letters are responses to President Nixon's letters to President Caldera of May 10 and May 11, 1973 which were handed to Caldera by Secretary Rogers on May 14 on the occasion of his visit to Caracas. Neither letter from President Caldera requires a reply.

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Theodore L. Eliot, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Two letters of May 25, 1973 to President Nixon from the President of Venezuela
2. Translations of letters

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Miraflores, May 25, 1973

Mr. President:

It was a great pleasure for the people and Government of Venezuela to receive the visit of His Excellency William P. Rogers, Secretary of State of the United States of America, who delivered to me your letter of May 11.

In my conversation with Mr. Rogers and during his talks with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Venezuela, we listened to him with great interest, and ideas were exchanged on vital issues of world and regional importance, such as the reform of the Organization of American States and the cooperation which the countries of this Hemisphere can lend in the task of ensuring international peace and equity, which should constitute one of the most cherished goals of this generation.

I also gave very special consideration to Mr. Rogers' report on the petroleum import policy currently in force in the United States, which opens up opportunities for greater access of Venezuelan oil to the vast United States market.

On the same occasion, I was pleased to express to Mr. Rogers, with all frankness and sincerity, my government's views on relations between our two countries and between the United States and Latin America in general.

His Excellency

Richard Nixon,

President of the United States of America,

Washington, D.C.

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I hope that the report which Mr. Rogers makes to you will reflect the same positive result that we attribute to his visit, and that he will have carried away the impression that the traditional friendship which unites our two nations will continue to produce the fruits of cooperation and good understanding.

My wife joins me in expressing, in turn, to you and Mrs. Nixon the friendly regard and cordial best wishes which you expressed toward us.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed] R. Caldera
Rafael Caldera

Miraflores, 25 de mayo de 1973

Muy apreciado Señor Presidente:

Para el pueblo y el Gobierno venezolanos fue muy grato recibir la visita del Excelentísimo Señor William P. Rogers, Secretario de Estado de los Estados Unidos de América, quien me hizo entrega de su apreciada carta del 11 de los corrientes.

En la oportunidad en que conversé con el Excelentísimo Señor Rogers, así como en las entrevistas que éste celebró con el Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores de Venezuela, lo oímos con el mayor interés y cruzamos ideas acerca de vitales cuestiones de importancia mundial o de alcance regional, como las relacionadas con la reforma de la actual Organización de Estados Americanos y con la cooperación que los países del nuevo mundo pueden prestar en la empresa de asegurar la paz y la justicia internacionales, lo cual debe constituir uno de los más anhelados objetivos de las generaciones del presente.

Di, así mismo, muy especial consideración a la exposición que nos hizo el Señor Rogers sobre la nueva política de importación de petróleo, actualmente en vigencia en los Estados Unidos, la cual abre amplias posibilidades para un mayor acceso del petróleo venezolano en ese vasto mercado.

En la misma ocasión, me fue grato expresarle al Señor Rogers, con toda sinceridad y franqueza, los puntos de vista de mi Gobierno acerca de las relaciones entre nuestros dos países y entre los Estados Unidos y la América Latina en general.

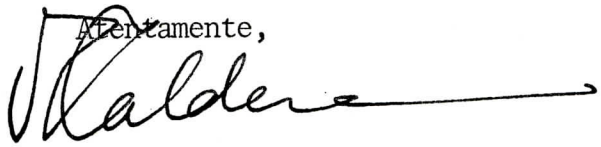
Yo espero que el informe que ha de presentarle el Excelentísimo Señor Rogers refleje el mismo resultado francamente positivo que nosotros atribuimos a su visita y que él se habrá llevado la impre-

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sión de que la tradicional amistad que une a nuestras dos naciones continuará traduciéndose en frutos de cooperación y buen entendimiento.

Mi esposa se une a mí para retribuir muy atentamente a usted y a la distinguida señora de Nixon los amables saludos y cordiales votos que tuvieron a bien enviarnos.

Atentamente,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. Caldera', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rafael Caldera

Al Excelentísimo Señor
Richard Nixon
Presidente de los Estados Unidos de América
Washington, D.C.

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Washington, D.C. 20520

June 21, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Presentation volume of
President Caldera's speeches

Attached is a presentation volume in Spanish of Venezuelan President Caldera's speeches with an inscription dated May 15, 1973, the date on which the Secretary called on Caldera. The translation of the inscription is "To President Richard M. Nixon, with my wishes for better Hemispheric understanding."

A suggested acknowledgment is attached.

for Theodore L. Eliot, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Presentation volume.
2. Draft acknowledgment.



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PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING TO PRESIDENT CALDERA ON OR
BEFORE JULY 5, 0001: THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA JOIN ME IN EXTENDING TO YOU AND TO THE PEOPLE OF
COSTA RICA WARM WISHES AND SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON
THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF VENEZUELA.
I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES WILL CONTINUE TO GROW IN THE YEARS
AND AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO PROMOTE HUMAN UNDERSTANDING
AND PEACE AND PROGRESS IN THE WORLD. RICHARD NIXON
UNQUOTE

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 10, 1973

Dear Mr. President:

It was indeed thoughtful of you to favor me with an inscribed volume of your speeches which I received from Secretary Rogers. I value your friendship and share your hope that, working together, we can achieve a new era of hemispheric partnership and cooperation for the Americas.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard Nixon", with a stylized, flowing script.

His Excellency
Rafael Caldera Rodriguez
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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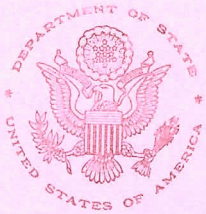
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1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING TO PRESIDENT CALDERA: QUOTE:
YOUR MESSAGE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE WAS
DEEPLY APPRECIATED AS A SYMBOL OF THE FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL
RESPECT WHICH UNITES OUR TWO PEOPLES. RICHARD NIXON
UNQUOTE:

2. FYI THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE ORIGINAL CON-
GRATULATORY MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT FROM PRESIDENT
CALDERA: QUOTE: CON MOTIVO DE CELEBRARSE UN NUEVO
ANIVERSARIO DE LA INDEPENDENCIA DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE
AMERICA, EN NOMBRE DEL PUEBLO DE VENEZUELA HAGO LLEGAR A
VUESTRA EXCELENCIA LOS MEJORES AUGURIOS POR LA PROSPERIDAD
Y FELICIDAD DEL PUEBLO NORTEAMERICANO. EN TAN IMPORTANTE
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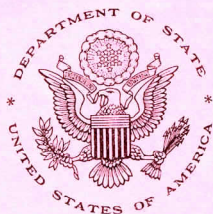
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NACIONAL, CONTRIBUIRAN AL FORTALECIMIENTO DE LAS RELACIONES
ENTRE NUESTROS DOS PUEBLOS Y AL DESARROLLO DE LA PAZ EN EL
MUNDO. UNQUOTE.

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1. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT CALDERA FROM THE PRESIDENT: QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR MESSAGE OF CONCERN DURING MY RECENT ILLNESS WAS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. PLEASE ACCEPT MY THANKS FOR THE KIND WISHES YOU EXPRESSED. WITH BEST REGARDS. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON UNQUOTE.

2. FYI: TRANSLATED VERSION OF MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM PRESIDENT CALDERA FOLLOWS: QUOTE I SINCERELY REGRET YOUR ILL HEALTH AND HOPE THAT YOU WILL SOON RECOVER. UNQUOTE. END FYI.

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FROM:

PETER FLANIGAN

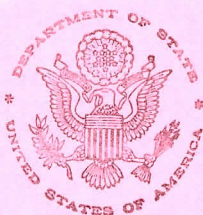
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At Jim Akins' initiative, State Department and Ambassador McClintock were discussing with the Venezuelan Government a proposal under which the Orinoco tar belt would be developed. The essence of the proposal was a bilateral investment agreement between the US and Venezuela which was designed to assure private US investors that the enormous amounts of capital necessary for the development would be secure. Would you please find out from the Department where this proposal stands so we can decide whether or not to push it forward at this time.

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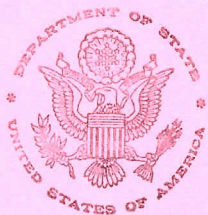
2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT-ELECT:

YOU HAVE MY MOST SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA.

I KNOW THAT YOU AND ALL VENEZUELAN'S TAKE PRIDE IN THE PEACEFUL AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESS WHICH HAS CONFERRED THIS GREAT OFFICE UPON YOU. AS YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS, WE IN THE UNITED STATES SHARE THAT PRIDE, JUST AS WE SHARE YOUR DEDICATION TO REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN THE COMMON CAUSE OF PEACE AND JUSTICE FOR OUR PEOPLES AND FOR OUR HEMISPHERE.

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YOU HAVE MY VERY BEST WISHES FOR THE SUCCESS OF YOUR
GOVERNMENT.

SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON. UNQUOTE.

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Mrs. Nixon's Tentative Schedule
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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: United States Delegations to Attend
the Inaugural Ceremonies of the
Presidents-elect of Venezuela and Brazil

This Government has accepted the invitations of the Governments of Venezuela and Brazil to be represented at the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Their Excellencies Carlos Andres Perez and General Ernesto Geisel as President of Venezuela and of Brazil, respectively.

The inaugurations are scheduled to be held at Caracas on March 12 and at Brasilia on March 15.

The White House has announced the designation of Mrs. Nixon as the President's Personal Representative to head the United States Delegations to the inaugural ceremonies, and has requested that the following-named persons be designated to attend these ceremonies as Representatives of the President, with the rank of Special Ambassador:

Venezuela:

Robert McClintock, American Ambassador
to Venezuela
Nicholas H. Morley, of Miami, Florida
(distinguished international businessman)

Brazil:

John Hugh Crimmins, American Ambassador
to Brazil
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVID PARKER

FROM: TERRY O'DONNELL

Joao Augusto
Dave, per your request Bill Codus invited Ambassador and Mrs. *Andres*
*Castro of Brazil and Ambassador and Mrs. *Aguilar of Venezuela
to attend the send-off ceremony for Mrs. Nixon on Monday,
March 11.

The Aguilars have accepted and Minister and Mrs. Diniz will
represent the Castros. Ambassador Castro has departed for
Brazil.

Codus will make arrangements for the Aguilars and the Dinizes
to fly down Monday on the aircraft Mrs. Nixon will use for her
trip to South America.

Ambassador and Mrs. Aguilar wish to return to Washington after
the ceremony. Perhaps there will be seats available on Air Force II
for them.

Minister and Mrs. Diniz would like to be driven to Miami after
the ceremony. They will make their own return arrangements.

CC:
Steve Bull
Bill Codus
Bill Gulley
Bill Henkel
Jerry Warren

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March 10, 1974

Dear Mr. President:

On the occasion of your inauguration as President of Venezuela, I have asked Mrs. Nixon to represent me and to convey my warmest congratulations to you and the Venezuelan people.

Our two countries share a common dedication to the cause of freedom. We are both practicing democracies. We are united by long-standing ties of friendship. Our economies have a complementary relationship which makes the health and well-being of each of mutual importance.

Your election provided the hemisphere and the world an exemplary demonstration of democracy in action. You take up the duties and responsibilities of the presidency at a moment of great opportunity and great challenge. I am confident that you will meet that challenge in ways which will advance the welfare of the people of Venezuela and contribute to the progress of the Americas.

We in the United States look forward to maintaining the friendly and constructive relationship between our countries and to working closely with you in responding to the great opportunities of the future.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

His Excellency X
Carlos Andres Perez
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 10, 1974

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Dear Mr. President:

As your term in office comes to a close, I want to note that I have been pleased to have known and worked with you during these past five years. I well recall your State Visit in June, 1970 and the eloquence with which you then expressed the hopes and aspirations of your people.

Under your distinguished leadership, Venezuela has moved forward toward greater national development and individual well-being and social justice. Not only has your government helped to meet the aspirations of your people, but Venezuela's firm commitment to freedom and democratic principles has served as a model and source of inspiration to all the Americas.

I value the opportunities I have had of working with you and shall always remember with pleasure our association. Mrs. Nixon joins with me in extending to you and your family our warmest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Dr. Rafael Caldera
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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LDX TO: Air Force 26000

Saturday, March 16, 1974

SUBJECT: Morning Newspaper Coverage of
First Lady's Trip

BALTIMORE SUN: Front Page - 6X6" photo - Smiling First Lady chatting with Brazilian Protocol Officer -- Mrs. Nixon said "I'm in your hands," after he told her the ceremony for Pres. Geisel would be delayed. Mrs. Nixon received a 6 minute standing ovation at the ceremony. --- Picture followed by two column story describing the inauguration ceremony, Story noted that representatives from 88 nations were present --- "Among them was Mrs. Richard M. Nixon."

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS; Pg. 6, Lovely smiling picture of the First Lady chatting with smiling Veneauelan youngster during parade in Caracas, honoring President Perez. Lead under story also notes Mrs. Nixon went on to Brasilia -- where she received a standing ovation upon her arrival at swearing-in ceremony for Gen. Geisel.

NEW YORK TIMES: Page 3, Good picture of Mrs. Nixon listening attentively to inauguration ceremony in Brasilia. On First Lady's right, Amb. Crimmins. Also shown in photo is Pres. Pinochet of Chile and Pres. Bordaberry of Uruguay, with their aides. --- Long, three column story, noting "chiefs of state of three Latin American nations and Mrs. Richard M. Nixon led the delegations from 88 countries attending..." --- after description of ceremony, it also notes "Mrs. Nixon, who is being given the honors of a chief of state, received a standing ovation when she entered the hall. -- After taking the oath of office Gen. Geisel gave special thanks for the presence of the Presidents of Uruguay, Bolivia and Chile, and Mrs. Nixon and the Papal representative."

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

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DE RECONOCIMIENTO POR EL AMISTOSO GESTO QUE CONSTITUYO EL
ENVIO DE LA MISION ESPECIAL QUE CON DIGNIDAD Y ALTURA REPRESENTO
A VUESTRO GOBIERNO EN LOS ACTOS DE LA TOMA DE POSESION DEL CARGO

DE PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA PUNTO HAGO PROPICIA
LA OPORTUNIDAD PARA HACER LLEGAR A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA LOS SENTI-
MIENTOS DE MIS MAS ALTA CONSIDERACION Y ESTIMA

CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA

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TO: Dr. Kissinger

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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter from Venezuelan President Perez
to the President

Venezuelan President Carlos Andres PEREZ^{*} has sent the attached letter to the President to inform him that he took office March 12. The letter also expresses Perez' desire to strengthen the close and cordial relations that exist between the two countries.

Mrs. Nixon attended the Inauguration of President Perez at which time she delivered a message of congratulations from the President and an invitation to Perez to visit the U.S. Therefore, no response is required.


George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary

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1. Letter to the President
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Your Excellency:

I am honored to report to you that on March 12, 1974 I was inaugurated as President of Venezuela, pursuant to the results of our national elections of December 9, 1973.

In so doing, I take pleasure in expressing my fervent wish to work toward strengthening the close and cordial relations that fortunately prevail between our two nations, a task for which I am very pleased to anticipate your valuable support.

I convey to you best wishes for the prosperity of your country and your personal well being.

Carlos Andres Perez

Miraflores Palace
Caracas
March 20, 1974

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Carlos Andrés Pérez

Presidente de la República de Venezuela,

Al Excelentísimo Señor

Richard M. Nixon,

Presidente de los Estados Unidos de América.

Tengo a honra participar a Vuestra Excelencia que el día 12 de marzo de 1974 he tomado posesión de la Presidencia de la República de Venezuela, en virtud de la elección recaída en mí en los comicios populares del 9 de diciembre de 1973.

Al hacer esta participación a Vuestra Excelencia, pláceme expresarle el ferviente deseo que me anima de procurar que sean cada vez más estrechas y cordiales las relaciones que felizmente existen entre nuestros dos países, para cuyo designio me es muy grato contar de antemano con el valioso apoyo de Vuestra Excelencia.

Hago votos por la prosperidad de Vuestra Nación y por la ventura personal de Vuestra Excelencia.

Carlos Andrés Pérez

Palacio de Miraflores, en Caracas, a los veinte días del mes de marzo del año de mil novecientos setenta y cuatro. ~



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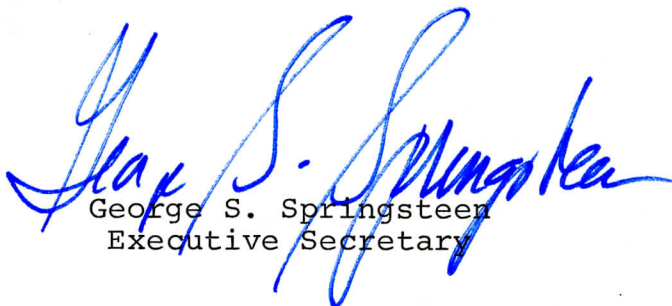
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. PETER FLANIGAN
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: US-Venezuelan Oil Problems

This paper is in response to the Flanigan-Pickering memo of December 20, 1973, requesting an analysis of present and prospective Venezuelan oil policy, with particular attention to U.S. interests. Completion of the paper was delayed pending the inauguration of the new Venezuelan Government, so as to assess its oil and related economic policies.

The paper describes the oil goals of the new government as perceived from its actions and statements before and during its two months in office. It examines the U.S. interest in Venezuelan petroleum in the light of fast-moving international and domestic events. Finally, it recommends that the timing is not right for entering into negotiations with Venezuela for a bilateral energy agreement.


George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary

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US-Venezuelan Oil Problems

Summary and Conclusions

Oil dominates the economy and politics of Venezuela. In 1973, it accounted for a quarter of the country's GNP, two-thirds of its budgetary revenue, and over 90 percent of its export earnings. A founder of OPEC, Venezuela opposes reduction of current high oil prices partly to maintain an offset to its declining production potential. Its ultimate goal is national control over its energy resources. The new government expects to nationalize the oil industry within two years; it is sensitive and so far negative toward suggestions that foreign firms will be needed to exploit the oil resources of the Orinoco Tar Belt. President Perez apparently hopes to try to use Venezuelan oil as leverage for obtaining commodities in short supply and guaranteed markets for his country's exports. He also accepts that the Venezuelans' oil revenue must be partially used to assist LA consuming states.

The United States receives approximately one-third of its petroleum imports from Venezuela. Its continued supply during the Arab boycott underscored the value of Venezuelan oil to the U.S. We wish to maintain or increase the level of our imports from this country, but we do not believe it necessary to offer special trade concessions at this time to do so. Venezuela's ability to threaten us with a supply cutback or to find new customers for the oil traditionally allotted to the United States is reduced by the Saudis' willingness to place additional crude on the market as well as Venezuela's relatively high petroleum prices and inability to substantially switch from the U.S. market without disrupting the sales from other OPEC countries. On the other hand, if current high prices and consequent high levels of petroleum revenues continue for an extended period, the GOV may be more inclined than formerly to reduce production for conservation reasons. A cooperation arrangement, more or less along the lines of that we envisage with Saudi Arabia, might later prove mutually desirable provided we can define the net benefit to the United States.

During the next few months, the USG should demonstrate our desire for close and cooperative relations with Venezuela, but we should delay initiatives designed to achieve a bilateral or general economic agreement. President Perez has already signaled his intention to negotiate the question of nationalization directly with the companies rather than through government-to-government channels. The outcome of this effort, particularly the nature of the reversion settlement reached, will importantly influence our relations with Venezuela and the possibilities of future understandings between us. An effort to initiate bilateral discussions at this stage could be more detrimental than helpful to achieving constructive economic arrangements with Venezuela.

Venezuela's Oil Policy: Present and Future

Venezuela, a founding member of OPEC, has been in the forefront of those oil producers demanding high prices. It believes the country's planned developmental projects can absorb a large part of the revenue the high prices are generating. In 1973, total oil revenues amounted to \$3.2 billion; for 1974, some projections range as high as \$10 billion. To lessen the country's economic over-reliance on petroleum, oil revenues are being earmarked for expansion of agriculture, steel, aluminum, petrochemical, and other industries.

The demand for continued high prices also reflects the new government's (as well as the previous administration's) concern for the country's declining production potential. In 1970 production potential peaked at 3.7 million barrels/day; by 1973, it had declined to 3.2 million barrels/day, with expectations for further annual declines set at 150,000 - 200,000 barrels/day. Additionally, in mid-April of this year, for conservation purposes, Venezuela announced its intention to cut production by 5 percent in order to reduce the amount of gas being flared. The continuation of high prices could influence the GOV to pay greater heed to the "conservation" movement of Perez Alfonso. For years, this elder statesman has advocated production cutbacks in order to extend the life and long-term revenues of the country's oil resources. On the other hand, the quadrupling of the posted prices over the past year should be an encouragement to increased production potential.

It can be anticipated that Venezuela will oppose any efforts within OPEC to reduce prices. It is likely in fact to continue to set its posted price above the OPEC levels since it can do so and remain competitive in its two major foreign markets, the United States and Canada.

Accelerated nationalization will be the initial stage of the oil policy of the new President Perez. He has widespread support across the entire Venezuelan political spectrum for this view. A special commission has been established to determine the national "consensus" for the timing and terms of the accelerated reversion of oil concessions to the state. Perez has promised nationalization within two years even though the original contracts provide for noncompensated reversion to occur between 1983-1996. A key issue will be whether the companies will be compensated for this earlier loss of their concession rights. President Perez had indicated his preference for beginning the negotiations on the basis of company proposals.

The companies appear to have accepted the inevitability of nationalization. In the light of the rapidly changing world oil situation, they, in general, tend to see long-term crude oil access arrangements as more meaningful than the retention of production concessions. The companies think Perez will prove to be a tough and shrewd negotiator, but they believe his pragmatism will keep nationalistic inflexibility under control. Exxon, the parent of the largest foreign owned oil company in Venezuela -- Creole -- has already informally approached Perez. So has at least one other company. Some observers expect the reversion negotiations to be completed by the end of the year.

There are no indications that the new government will change Venezuela's approach to the development of the country's untapped conventional oil reserves and the exploration and exploitation of the Orinoco Tar Belt. The government still prefers that its state-owned oil company develop the reputedly significant conventional reserves, even though it probably lacks the personnel and technical know-how to do it expeditiously or even all on its own.

Venezuelans are particularly sensitive about the Orinoco Tar Belt, which they see as important to their economic future. They distrust foreigners' intentions toward exploiting this oil, and passing comments from U.S. officials that international cooperation would be needed to develop the Tar Belt have generated angry headlines in Caracas. While the new government cannot and will not ignore the political sensitivity of this issue, it can be expected to recognize at some point that foreign resources and expertise are required to exploit the estimated 70 billion barrels of recoverable heavy oil. However, the Perez government must make the first move, and it will probably not do so at least until the reversion issue is settled.

Some of Venezuela's surplus oil revenues may be used in furthering its aspirations for enhanced leadership on the Latin American and world scene. Perez has offered to establish a special fiduciary fund in the Inter-American Bank to assist poorer LA states. Venezuela is expected to participate in any special assistance funds established by OPEC. The Perez government has refused, however, to reduce prices on its oil to assist its poorer neighbors, preferring to sell instead to countries, such as Brazil and Mexico, that can pay the going rate.

Venezuelan Oil and U.S. Policy

Venezuela is our single largest petroleum supplier, furnishing almost one-third (1.7 million barrels/day) of our oil imports. Our major interest is continued access to Venezuelan petroleum at least at the existing level of supply. We would welcome, however, any increase in Venezuelan production of conventional oil and, over the longer-term, its bringing into production of the petroleum reserves in the Orinoco Tar Belt.

The U.S. differs fundamentally with Venezuela over the question of price. We do not believe that the current high crude oil prices are sustainable. We doubt that OPEC will be able to sustain the cohesion necessary to hold production at levels necessary to maintain the current excessive prices without some attendant political exigency, such as the recent Arab-Israeli conflict. The recent joint announcement by the U.S. and Saudi Arabia to pursue the establishment of a broad cooperative arrangement should add

to the already indicated inclinations of the Saudis not to play the role of "Texas" for the other members of OPEC, at least until the price drops considerably.

Hopefully, the USG will not have to become involved in the reversion settlement. Both President Perez and the companies favor their attempting to work out the nationalization question on their own. The company representatives, with whom we have spoken, appear relatively confident that a mutually satisfactory arrangement can be reached. If, however, the reversion process goes badly, it could lead to serious confrontation between the GOV and the oil companies and could have an adverse impact on our overall bilateral relations. Such a situation would tend to make extremely difficult future cooperation in developing Venezuela's energy resources.

A Bilateral Energy Agreement: How Possible and Desirable?

The oil world has changed radically since 1972 when the USG proposed to the Venezuelan Government a bilateral energy agreement. The Venezuelans regard their bargaining position as much stronger than previously. They would not find very attractive our earlier offer for preferential import treatment for their oil in return for their guaranteeing U.S. companies' capital investments and reasonable profits in developing the Tar Belt. Our Embassy in Caracas believes that when the Venezuelans are ready to negotiate an energy agreement, they will demand special concessions for their exports on more favorable terms than those found in our generalized preference scheme included in the Trade Reform Act.

What would be the benefit, if any, to the U.S. if it pushed for a bilateral energy agreement in the near future?

President Perez is not prepared at this time to commit his government to cooperation with the oil companies to exploit the untapped conventional oil reserves and the Tar Belt. No movement on this point can be expected until, at least, after the dust has settled on the nationalization issue. Consequently, if we try to negotiate an agreement soon, the best we could hope to obtain, if that, is a Venezuelan commitment to maintain her level of oil exports to us and not reduce current production. The Venezuelan price for even this would be high in terms of trade concessions.

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It is possible, indeed probable, that Venezuela will not seriously cut back her oil exports to us even without any agreement. Its insistence on exceptionally high prices for its oil reduces the possibility of selling additional quantities to Europe, as long as Middle East oil is flowing. Also Venezuela could not push a substantial additional amount of its oil on non-U.S. markets, even at lower prices, without displacing the oil already going to these markets from her OPEC competitors. Furthermore, since our market is important to Venezuela for its other exports, it will hesitate to use its oil as a political weapon against us.

On the other hand, in contrast to our view, the Venezuelans believe that current high oil prices will continue indefinitely. Should they prove correct, the GOV could cut production by as much as 50 percent without seriously hampering the country's economic growth. The conservationists strongly favor such action and would vigorously support government moves in this direction.

A cutback of this magnitude would sharply reduce US oil imports from Venezuela. However, most of this loss could be made up from other suppliers provided the Venezuelan action was neither complemented by a new Arab embargo nor part of a general OPEC cutback in production.

Government-to-government negotiations at this time could hamper progress in the parallel ownership talks between the GOV and the companies and run the risk of politicizing the issue even more than is currently the case. In addition, it would be desirable to have a firmer idea of just what the USG plans to do under Project Independence before we make a decision on a bilateral energy agreement with Venezuela. Inter-agency task forces are now engaged in work designed to produce by October a specific blueprint of this Project for the President. Anticipated US requirements for Venezuelan conventional and heavy oils over the next decade and a half will depend on the domestic energy policies we decide to pursue.

Conclusion

This is not the time for the US to take the initiative with Venezuela for bilateral energy negotiations. The new Perez government is preoccupied with accelerating the reversion of ownership of the current oil concessions. Hopefully this can be accomplished smoothly without serious detriment to the financial and supply interests of the companies. Also, the new government does not yet wish to enter into arrangements that would expand foreign

exploitation of Venezuelan conventional and heavy oil reserves. Later when the Perez Government has gotten through this first phase of its oil policy, we may be able to fashion an agreement that exchanges our commercial and technical benefits on a satisfactory basis for enhanced Venezuelan oil production and constructive use of its funds. We should in the interim be receptive to the mutual interests of both countries in the world energy situation and prepare for the day when Venezuelan desires are closer to ours in formalizing energy relations.

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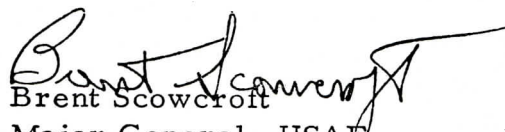
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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

The President has reviewed and concurs in the recommendation of the Acting Secretary of State that the appointment of Miguel Angel Burelli Rivas as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Venezuela to the United States would be agreeable to the Government of the United States. You are requested to so inform the Government of Venezuela.


Brent Scowcroft
Major General, USAF
Deputy Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

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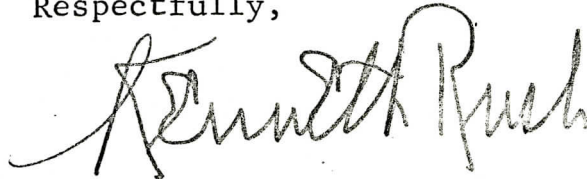
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Dear Mr. President:

The Government of Venezuela has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Dr. Miguel Angel Burelli Rivas as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Venezuela to the United States. A thorough review of United States Government records reveals no grounds for objection.

I believe this appointment would be satisfactory. If you concur, I shall be pleased to inform the Government of Venezuela.

Respectfully,

Kenneth Rush
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Mr. Secretary of State:

Pursuant to instructions received from my Government, I have the honor to request the agrément of the United States Government for the appointment of Dr. Miguel Angel Burelli Rivas as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Venezuela in the United States.

Dr. Burelli Rivas' curriculum vitae is enclosed.

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Andrés Aguilar M.,
Ambassador

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The Honorable
Henry Kissinger,
Secretary of State,
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Broadcasting Station Director, Newspaper Editor,
Journalist.
Professor of Economics, School of Humanities;
Professor of Mining Legislation and International
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Chef de Cabinet, and Acting Minister of Foreign
Affairs.
Minister of Justice.
Served with the Venezuelan Foreign Service in Mexico,
United Nations, Washington.
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary in
Colombia and subsequently in Great Britain.

During his mission in London he established the Simón Bolívar Chair at Cambridge University. Presidential candidate in the 1968 and 1973 elections.

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