

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 31, 1990

Dear Ambassador Kennedy:

Congratulations on the occasion of the Fourteenth Annual Joint Business Conference of your Council and its counterpart on Taiwan. Since their founding in 1976, the two Councils have played a vital role in promoting and strengthening economic ties between the United States and Taiwan. I am certain that this joint conference will prove to be mutually rewarding.

We Americans have been deeply impressed by Taiwan's economic achievements and by the steps taken toward democratic reform. In many ways Taiwan is becoming a model of how to create a more open and prosperous society. We hope this progress will continue.

Taiwan is one of our largest trading partners and holds huge foreign exchange reserves. With these factors come new responsibilities to help achieve fairer, more balanced trade. We are pleased with the steps Taiwan has taken to reduce its trade surplus with the United States over the past three years. This represents good progress, but much remains to be done. We must all continue efforts to liberalize our economies, to correct the structural imbalances, and to remove the remaining impediments to an open trading system. This is a matter requiring serious, ongoing attention if both the United States and Taiwan are to continue to prosper.

On a personal note, let me take this occasion to pay tribute to the contribution you have made as Chairman of the U.S. Council. Since their inception, you have played a major role in the development of the United States and Taiwan Economic Councils which in turn have promoted

better economic and trade relations between our peoples. However, your list of accomplishments does not end there. Through your work as Secretary of the Treasury and Ambassador to NATO, as Chairman of Continental Bank in Chicago, and as a leader in your church, you have made many important contributions to both the public and private sectors. Barbara and I wish you a happy and healthy retirement.

Please convey my appreciation to the members of both Councils, as well as my best wishes for a productive conference and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David M. Kennedy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" being more prominent and the last name "Kennedy" following in a similar style.

The Honorable David M. Kennedy
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84124

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