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W. DOUGLAS SCAMMAN, JR.
SPEAKER

THE CHIEF of STAFF
has seen

November 26, 1990

John Sununu
Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington DC 20002

Dear John,

I recently returned from a fact-finding trip to Taiwan and I wanted to share some of our findings with you.

The main focus of our research was education, but one of the most serious concerns I brought from Taiwan involves a foreign policy matter.

There is a growing perception in both Taiwan and Mainland China that the United States will not intervene if Mainland China threatens the sovereignty of Taiwan. The day we left Taiwan an editorial in a Mainland newspaper said the United States had proven its inability to defend its allies when Kuwait was invaded. It is obvious that the government of Mainland China thinks (and hopes) that the United States would not act quickly to prevent Communist China from invading and annexing Taiwan.

Taiwan is a vital ally to the United States and a strong voice for Democracy in the Far East. They need and deserve to know that the United States will help defend Taiwanese sovereignty in the face of aggression from the Mainland.

All eight members of our group, including state representatives Elizabeth Hager and William Kidder, very strongly urge President Bush to let both the people of Taiwan and the government of Communist China know in no uncertain terms that the United States is unwaveringly committed to the liberty of allies like Taiwan.

We spent a great deal of time in Taiwan dealing specifically with education and observed that they had considerably fewer administrative positions in their education system than we do. One elementary school we visited had 6000 students and only 13 administrative employees, not including teachers. The American education system could certainly save millions of dollars at the federal, state and local level by reducing administrative costs.

One final note - I have a number of concerns about the recent election here in New Hampshire that I'd like to discuss with you. Perhaps we can get together the next time you visit New Hampshire, or discuss it over the phone when your schedule permits.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.
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Speaker of the House

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WASHINGTON

December 21, 1990

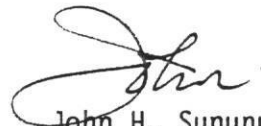
Dear Doug,

Thank you for your note on your trip to Taiwan. It sounds like it was very interesting and very productive.

I would be happy to talk with you in the next week or so about the recent elections. Call me over Christmas. Nancy and I will be spending a few days up there trying to relax.

I hope you, Stella, and the whole Scamman clan have a great Christmas!

Sincerely,



John H. Sununu
Chief of Staff

Mr. W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.
Speaker
New Hampshire House of Representatives
Concord, New Hampshire 03301