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DATE RECEIVED: MARCH 22, 1991

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE CHARLES E. GRASSLEY

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO IMPRESS UPON THE
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WASHINGTON

May 16, 1991

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

April 19, 1991

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: TIMOTHY E. DEAL *TE*

FROM: MEG LUNDSAGER *ML*

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence - Senators Grassley
and Lautenberg

SIGNED

Senators Grassley and Lautenberg wrote to the President asking him to resist any effort on the part of our allies, Germany and Japan in particular, to reduce their contributions to Desert Shield/Desert Storm (Tab II). The draft replies inform them that Germany acted expeditiously to meet its 1991 commitment and that we expect other allies to do the same (Tab I).

Concurrences by: Virginia Lampley, Richard Haass, *RL*
Robert Hutchings, and Douglas Paal *DP*

Recommendation

That you sign the letters at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Replies to Senators Grassley and Lautenberg
Tab II Incoming Correspondence

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FROM: SCOWCROFT

DOC DATE: 16 MAY 91
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO SEN LAUTENBERG ON ALLIES CONTRIBUTIONS TO GULF WAR

ACTION: SCOWCROFT SGD LTR

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CHARLES E. GRASSLEY

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1501

March 20, 1991

Mr. Bush

President George Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

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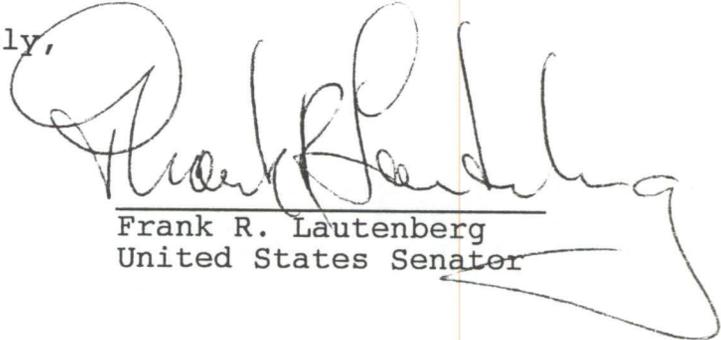
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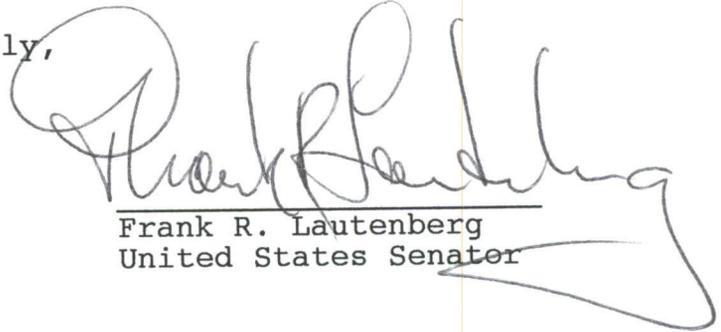
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