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DATE RECEIVED: MAY 08, 1991

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE JAMES A. TRAFICANT JR.

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO PUBLICLY CONDEMN THE
IRANIAN REGIME'S EXPANSIONIST ACTIONS AND ITS
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IN IRAQ

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Thank you again for your interest in writing.

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

JUN 20 1991

Dear Mr. Traficant:

Thank you for your letter to the President of May 7 expressing concern about reports of attacks into Iraq conducted by Iranian Revolutionary Guards. The White House has asked me to respond.

We are aware of reports that Iranian government forces have taken part in anti-regime uprisings and attacks on Iranian dissident encampments in Iraq. While some limited border violations appear to have taken place, we cannot confirm the degree to which such incidents have been sanctioned or directed by the Government of Iran.

Nevertheless, this issue remains a matter of concern to this Administration and our coalition partners, and one that we will continue to monitor closely. President Bush, speaking at a press conference during his visit to Canada in March, warned of the dangers of destabilizing Iraq. He said that "I think Iran knows our view . . . that grabbing territory would be counterproductive . . . I will say today that Iran must not, and should not, try to annex any of the territory of Iraq."

I hope this information is useful in addressing your concerns.

Sincerely,

Janet G. Mullins
Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

The Honorable
James A. Traficant, Jr.,
House of Representatives.

TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S 9109331

Date July 8, 1991

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FOR: Mr. William F. Sittmann
Executive Secretary
National Security Council Staff
The White House

REFERENCE:

To: President Bush

From: Cong. James A. Traficant, Jr.

Date: May 7, 1991

Subject: Ltr. re concern that Iran has implemented a policy & military interference in Iraq that threatens regions stability

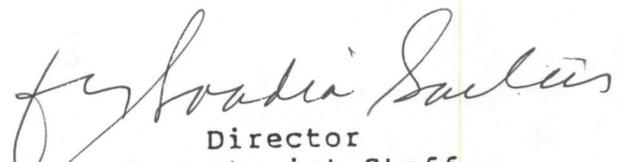
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The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

- A draft reply is attached.
- A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.
- The Department of State has no objection to the proposed travel.
- Other (see remarks).

REMARKS:


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Dear Mr. President:

Now that the Persian Gulf war has ended, it is time to focus on the recent activities by Iran. One of the reasons for U.S. involvement in the Persian Gulf war was to safeguard the stability of the region. Iran is a threat to that stability.

News reports indicate that Iran has implemented a policy of political and military interference in Iraq that threatens the entire region's stability. On March 18, 1991, Iran's Spiritual Leader, Khamenei, was quoted as saying, "We are most hopeful that an Islamic regime will come about in Iraq." He reiterated that statement on April 5, 1991.

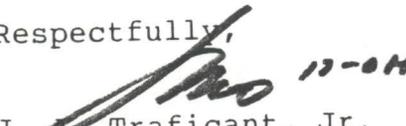
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Respectfully,


J. A. Traficant, Jr.
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TO: PRESIDENT

FROM: TRAFICANT, JAMES A

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