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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. VINCE RYAN

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO GIVE SANCTIONS TIME TO
WORK AGAINST IRAQ AND REQUESTS THAT CONGRESS
BE CONSULTED PRIOR TO LAUNCHING WAR AGAINST
IRAQ

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 19, 1990

Dear Mr. Ryan:

On behalf President Bush, thank you for your message regarding the situation in the Persian Gulf.

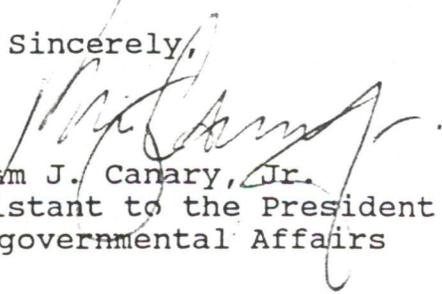
The United States and the rest of the world have made it clear that Iraq's aggression and its violations of international law cannot be allowed to succeed. Iraq has pillaged and plundered Kuwait. That once-peaceful land is now struggling for survival.

As you no doubt know, the world, in a series of increasingly stiff United Nations Security Council resolutions, has roundly condemned these acts by Saddam Hussein. This unprecedented international cooperation exists because important principles are at stake. The world community cannot allow a ruthless dictator like Saddam Hussein to swallow up another sovereign country, to use innocent people in Iraq and Kuwait as pawns and human shields, or to dominate oil reserves that are vital to the world's economic security and stability.

President Bush wants a peaceful end to this crisis, and he remains hopeful that the intense pressures being brought to bear against Iraq by the international coalition will achieve that objective. The President, determined to go the extra mile in pursuit of a peaceful resolution, decided to send Secretary of State Jim Baker to Baghdad and to receive the Iraqi Foreign Minister in Washington. He remains resolved, however, that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait without condition, and comply with the other United Nations Security Council resolutions.

On Thanksgiving Day, the President expressed his personal gratitude, and that of the American people, to the brave men and women in our all-volunteer Armed Forces who are sacrificing for this cause of freedom. He appreciates your comments and suggestions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



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December 10, 1990

The Honorable George Bush
The President of the United States
The White House
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Dear President Bush:

As do Admiral William J. Crowe, Jr. and General David Jones, I, too respectfully encourage you to give sanctions against Iraq time to be fully effective prior to any type of offensive action against that hostile nation.

Additionally, I believe Congress should be consulted fully prior to any decision to launch war against Iraq.

Respectfully,

Vince Ryan

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