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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 12, 1991

Dear Senator Cochran:

Thank you for forwarding a copy of your concurrent resolution calling for an international war crimes trial of Saddam Hussein.

As you know, violations of the laws of war are a matter of grave concern to the Administration. In accordance with Security Council Resolution 674, we continue to gather evidence of war crimes. We also are currently conducting a review of possible action with our U.N. and Coalition partners.

Sincerely,

Brent Scowcroft

The Honorable Thad Cochran United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510-2402

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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March 4, 1991

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Washington, D.C. 20500

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

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FROM:

RONALD E. VONLEMBKE

SUBJECT:

Letter from Senator Cochran on War Crimes

Senator Cochran has introduced a concurrent resolution encouraging the President to take diplomatic steps to convene an international war crimes tribunal to try Saddam Hussein for his unprovoked war against Kuwait and Israel, his treatment of innocent civilians, and abuse of Coalition prisoners-of-war (Tab II).

Attached at Tab I is a letter to Senator Cochran thanking him for sharing his views and advising him that the war crimes issue is undergoing review.

Concurrence by: Richard Haas and Virginia Lampley

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Senator Cochran at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Letter to Senator Cochran
Tab II Incoming Correspondence

102D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. CON. RES. 7

Urging the establishment of an international tribunal with jurisdiction to judge and punish Saddam Hussein for offenses committed against the citizens of Kuwait and Israel and against prisoners-of-war.

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March 13, 1991

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With best regards,

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