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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 16, 1991

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE GEORGE E. BROWN JR.

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO LEAD THE U.S. IN
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HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE FLEEING THE
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May 16, 1991

Dear Congressman Brown:

Thank you for your letter of April 15 to the President about the situation in the Persian Gulf.

All of us in the Administration share your deep concern and the anguish of all Americans over the brutal use of force and of repression by the government of Iraq against Kurdish and other Iraqi civilians. The President has made clear that, "We want the suffering of those refugees to stop, and in keeping with our nation's compassion and concern, we are massively helping." At the President's direction, the United States initiated in early April what soon became the largest U.S. relief effort mounted in modern military history.

This effort was and is unprecedented; the scale of the problem has proven to be even greater. Thus, President Bush, after consulting with our European partners and the UN Secretary General, announced on April 16 a greatly expanded relief effort. This new effort entails the U.S. military establishing several temporary encampments in northern Iraq where relief supplies for refugees will be made available in large quantities and distributed in an orderly way. It also provides for adequate security for the Kurds by U.S., British, and French air and ground forces. It is our hope that the responsibility for operating these facilities can be handed over in the very near future to the United Nations and international relief organizations.

As you know, the goal of the international coalition -- the liberation of Kuwait -- has been achieved. While we all agree that the Iraqi people would be better off under new leadership, it is also clear that the best interests of the United States would not be served by intervening militarily in a protracted civil war stemming from long-standing enmity between Iraqi factions. We will, however, continue to work for an Iraq in which all people would be able to return to their homes, free to live in peace.

The Administration will continue to monitor carefully the situation in Iraq and to serve as a catalyst for stability in the region. Thank you for your suggestions and for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brent Scowcroft", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brent Scowcroft

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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April 30, 1991

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM: RICHARD N. HAASS 

SUBJECT: Letter to Congressman Brown

**SIGNED**

Attached is the response to a letter sent by Congressman Brown addressing the refugee and humanitarian needs in the Gulf.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the response to the Congressman Brown at Tab I.

Ginny  Daley concurs.

Attachments

Tab I Letter to Congressman Brown  
Tab II Letter from Congressman Brown

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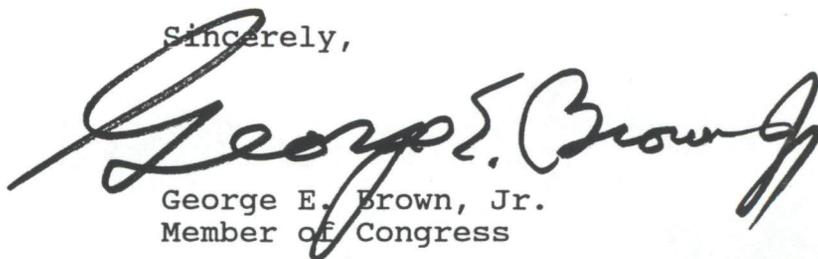
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