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DATE RECEIVED: MAY 17, 1991

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. TALAL JALABY

SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE IRAQI PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING GLOBAL SOLIDARITY FOR THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST DICTATORSHIP

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

REFERENCE:

To:  The President

From: Mr. Talal Jalaby

Date: May 12, 1991

Subject: Requests the President's support for the Iraqi people
         who are seeking global solidarity for their struggle
         against dictatorship

WH Referral Dated: May 21, 1991
NSCS ID# (if any): 239231

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:

[Signature]
Director
Secretariat Staff
June 27, 1991

Mr. Talal Jalaby  
Coordinator  
American Iraqis for Democracy and Justice  
P.O. Box 614  
Cerritos, CA. 90702

Dear Mr. Jalaby:

Thank you for your May 13 letter regarding the Iraqi people and the evolving situation in the country.

Saddam Hussein has a great deal to answer for. Both President Bush and Vice President Quayle have made it clear that the U.S. government will not consider renewed relations with the Iraqi regime nor, at this juncture, would the United States favor any easing of sanctions as long as Saddam remains in power. Nevertheless, it would be inappropriate for the United States to attempt to determine the shape of a successor regime. As President Bush has said, this is a matter for the Iraqi people to decide.

The United States has a clear interest in the course of events in Iraq. Now that Operation Provide Comfort has enabled hundreds of thousands of Kurds to return home in safety, we will continue to support UN relief activities, including deployment of a UN guard force, throughout the country. More broadly, U.S. policy will continue to advance our vision of a democratic, tolerant Iraq which respects the rights of all its citizens, including Kurds, and lives at peace with its neighbors.

Sincerely,

Ronald E. Neumann  
Director  
Office of Northern Gulf Affairs (Iran and Iraq)
THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

MAY 21, 1991

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 239231

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED MAY 12, 1991

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

FROM: MR. TALAL JALABY
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SUBJECT: REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE
IRAQI PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING GLOBAL
SOLIDARITY FOR THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST
DICTATORSHIP

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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May 12, 1991

Mr. George Bush
President
White House
Washington, DC 20270

RE: SUPPORT FOR THE IRAQI PEOPLE

In light of recent crisis in Iraq, American Iraqis for Democracy and Justice calls upon your office to lend support for the Iraqi people who are helplessly seeking global solidarity for their struggle against brutal dictatorship.

American Iraqis for Democracy and Justice is an independent organization that promotes peace, democracy and justice in Iraq. It is a coalition of Americans of Iraqi descent who hail from different walks of life and have different religious, political and ethnic background. Among its members are many qualified professionals with recognized achievements in their own fields and a record of civil service.

American Iraqis for Democracy and Justice calls upon all people, agencies, peace loving nations of the world community to adopt the cause of peace, justice and humanity in Iraq. We invite you to join us in:

1. The establishment of a constitutional democracy in Iraq.

2. The formation of a new system of government which will recognize human rights, protect minority rights and uphold freedom of expression, press and religious beliefs.

3. The call for free and genuine elections in Iraq supervised by the United Nations and other international watch bodies.

4. Support Iraqi people against Saddam and his totalitarian brutal dictatorship. Recognize the Iraqi opposition movement as a legitimate representative of the Iraqi people's aspiration for peace, democracy and justice. Consult and coordinate with the Iraqi opposition front on matters related to the future of Iraq since Saddam's regime does not represent the Iraqi people.
5. Saddam Hussein and his totalitarian Baath dictatorship should be isolated and denied any credibility. The economic embargo should cover all forms of trade, arms shipment, exchange of intelligence and technology. Limited sale of oil may be permitted for the in-kind payment for food, medicine and other essential humanitarian necessities. All the stages involved in this process must be strictly controlled by international watch bodies to ensure that Saddam does not direct these resources to other than the need of Iraqi civilians.

6. Saddam Hussein and his ruthless Baath party machine are responsible and should be held accountable for the horrific tragedies and enormous suffering that have taken place over the past 23 years and continue to take place today;

a) Millions of Iraqis and others have been subjected to torture, execution and human abuse.

b) Military aggression on neighboring states, genocidal policies of liquidation and deportation, callous scud attacks on civilian targets, and the global economic uncertainty.

c) Damage to the environment by dumping huge amounts of oil into the Persian Gulf. Major pollution to the atmosphere through torching of oil wells.

Your support will be highly appreciated by the suffering people of Iraq and will be a victory for causes of peace and justice.

Yours truly,

Talal Jalaby
(Coordinator for American Iraqis for Democracy & Justice)
RE: PARTIAL LIST OF CRIMES DURING TWO DECADES OF DICTATORSHIP IN IRAQ

A partial list of crimes and war crimes committed by Saddam Hussein and his regime during 23 years of absolute dictatorship are:

1. Crimes against the citizens of Iraq of all ethnic, ideological and religious backgrounds.
   a. Widespread use of torture, summary execution and disappearance of individuals without charge or trial on the hands of clandestine secret police forces.
   b. Liquidation of all opposition groups inside and outside Iraq through similar means.
   c. Deportation of thousands of Iraqi families across the borders, depriving them of their citizenship and confiscating their property.
   d. Indiscriminate bombardment of towns and villages during the uprising of Iraqi people.
   e. Genocide against the Kurds in northern Iraq and the Shiite in southern Iraq, resulting in mass exodus of Iraqis to neighboring countries facing untold horror if staying behind and sub-human conditions when fleeing across the borders.

2. Crimes against the citizens of Kuwait during six and half months of brutal occupation.
   a. Subjugation of the citizens through torture and summary execution.
   b. Rape of Kuwaiti women.
   c. Shooting of young Kuwaitis at their doorsteps in front of their parents for suspicious of helping the resistance.
   d. Abduction and disappearance of thousands of Kuwaiti citizens who are feared dead.
   e. Looting of banks and major institutions then their destruction.
   f. Full scale destruction to the infrastructure of Kuwait and its economy.
3. Crimes against the environment by dumping Kuwaiti oil into the Persian Gulf then torching 90% of all Kuwaiti oil wells.

a. The oil spill in the Persian Gulf resulted in the biggest damage in the history of mankind to marine life and marine facilities.

b. The smoke from burning oil wells is considered the largest environmental damage to the atmosphere of this planet, needless to mention the waste of millions of tons of oil for years to come.

4. Crimes against neighboring countries through wars, destruction, spread of horror and fear, displacement of population, scud attacks on civilian and economical targets and sudden influx of refugees to neighboring countries creating unmanageable refugee crisis.

5. Crimes against the whole globe by introducing tension, fear and economic uncertainty. The separation and loss of loved ones in military operations against Saddam's aggression.