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Subject: Proposed Executive Order entitled "Transferring Certain Foreign Government Assets held by Domestic Banks"

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MEMORANDUM FOR DESIGNATED AGENCY HEADS
(SEE ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST)

FROM: Robert G. Damus
Acting General Counsel

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks"

Attached is a proposed Executive order entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks."

It was prepared by the Department of State, in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 11030, as amended.

On behalf of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, I would appreciate receiving any comments you may have concerning this proposal. If you have any comments or objections, they should be received no later than close of business Tuesday, October 13, 1992. Please be advised that agencies that do not respond by the October 13, 1992 deadline will be recorded as not objecting to the proposal.

Comments or inquiries may be submitted by telephone to Mr. Mac Reed or Ms. Bess Weaver of this office (Phone: 395-5600; Fax: 395-7294).

Thank you.

Attachments - Distribution List
Proposed Executive Order

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Comments:
TRANSFER OF CERTAIN IRAQI GOVERNMENT ASSETS HELD BY DOMESTIC BANKS

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), section 5 of the United Nations Participation Act of 1945, as amended (22 U.S.C. 287c), and section 301 of title 3 of the United States Code, in order to apply in the United States measures adopted in United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 778 of October 2, 1992, and in order to take additional steps with respect to the actions and policies of the Government of Iraq and the national emergency described and declared in Executive Order No. 12722,

I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, hereby order:

Section 1. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the provisions of United Nations Security Council Resolution 778 with respect to blocked funds and other assets described in Section 2 of this order, or received from the United Nations in repayment of funds and other assets transferred pursuant to Section 2 of this order. For this purpose, the Secretary of the Treasury is
...delegated and authorized to exercise all authorities vested in
the President by the International Emergency Economic Powers Act

Sec. 2. Upon a determination by the Secretary of the
Treasury that funds - or other assets in which the Government of
Iraq or its agencies, instrumentalities, or controlled entities
have an interest represent the proceeds of the sale of Iraqi
petroleum or petroleum products, paid for by or on behalf of the
purchaser on or after August 6, 1990, any United States financial
institution is directed and compelled to transfer such funds - or
other assets held by it or carried on its books to - the Federal
Reserve Bank of New York, when, to the extent, and in the manner
required by the Secretary of the Treasury -.

Sec. 3. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as fiscal
agent of the United States, is hereby authorized, directed and
compelled to receive certain funds and other assets in which the
Government of Iraq or its agencies, instrumentalities, or
controlled entities have an interest, and to hold, invest, or
transfer such funds and other assets, and any earnings thereon,
when, to the extent, and in the manner required by the Secretary
of the Treasury in order to fulfill the rights and obligations of
the United States under United Nations Security Council
Resolution 778.
Sec. 4. Compliance with this order, or any regulation, instruction, or direction issued under this order, including, authorizing, directing or compelling the transfer of the blocked assets described in Section 2 of this order, shall, to the extent thereof be a full acquittance and discharge for all purposes of the obligation of the person making the same. No person shall be held liable in any court for or with respect to anything done or omitted in good faith in connection with the administration of, or pursuant to and in reliance on, this order or any regulation, instruction, or direction issued hereunder.

Sec. 5. For the purposes of this order, the term "United States financial institution" means any United States citizen, permanent resident alien, juridical person organized under the laws of the United States, or any person located in the United States, which is engaged in the business of accepting deposits, making, granting, transferring, holding, or brokering loans or credits, or purchasing or selling foreign exchange or securities, including, but not limited to, depository institutions, banks, saving banks, trust companies, securities brokers and dealers, clearing corporations, investment companies, and U.S. holding companies, U.S. affiliates, or U.S. subsidiaries of the foregoing. This term includes branches, offices and agencies of foreign financial institutions which are located in the United States, but not such institutions' foreign branches, offices, or agencies.
Sec. 1. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this order. The Secretary of the Treasury may redelegate any of these functions to other officers and agencies of the Federal Government. All agencies of the Federal Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of this order.

Sec. 7. Nothing contained in this order shall create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable by any party (other than the United States) against the United States, its agencies or instrumentalities, its officers or employees, or any other person.

Sec. 8.
(a) This order is effective immediately.
(b) This order shall be transmitted to the Congress and published in the Federal Register.

The White House,
October __, 1992
Name of Correspondent: P. Bredy

MI Mail Report

Subject: Proposed Executive Order entitled: "Transfer of certain Iraqi Government assets held by Domestic Banks."

ROUTE TO:

Office/Agency (Staff Name)

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Comments: I called from Phl. Bredy's office to say that I concurred in the order to transfer Iraqi assets so they can be used to destroy Iraqi weapons & compensate victims.

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To: FICE

From: WCO

I received the attached at
2:15 p.m., 10/20/92.
It had been mistakenly delivered
to Paul Beade earlier today.
WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/19/92  ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 11:00 a.m. 10/20
PROPOSED EXECUTIVE ORDER ENTITLED -- "TRANSFER OF CERTAIN IRAQI
GOVERNMENT ASSETS HELD BY DOMESTIC BANKS"

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REMARKS:
Please provide any comments directly to this office by 11:00 a.m.
on Tuesday, 10/20. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Richard Darman

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks"

SUMMARY: This memorandum forwards for your consideration a proposed Executive order that was prepared by the Department of State. The proposed order would implement United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 778 ("Resolution 778") of October 2, 1992, concerning the use of frozen Iraqi assets.

BACKGROUND: Resolution 778 provides that frozen Iraqi oil proceeds may be used to fund essential UN activities concerning Iraq. The essential UN activities include the destruction of Iraqi weapons and the compensation of victims of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The proposed Executive order would implement Resolution 778 with respect to the United States. Among other things, the order would direct the Secretary of the Treasury ("Treasury") to take all actions necessary to carry out Resolution 778. It would direct U.S. financial institutions to transfer the relevant Iraqi funds to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York ("Federal Reserve"). It would direct the Federal Reserve to hold or transfer such funds as may be required by Treasury to fulfill U.S. obligations under Resolution 778.

None of the affected agencies, including the Federal Reserve System, objects to the proposed Executive order.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend that you sign the proposed Executive order.

Attachment
MEMORANDUM

Re: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks"

The attached proposed Executive Order was prepared by the Department of State. The Office of Management and Budget, with the approval of the Director, forwarded it to this Department for review with respect to form and legality. The proposed Order will authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury to carry out United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 778 of October 2, 1992, concerning the use of blocked Iraqi assets. It will also direct financial institutions holding blocked Iraqi assets, as directed by the Secretary, to transfer those assets to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The proposed Order is approved with respect to form and legality.

Timothy E. Flanigan
Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel
The President,
The White House.

My dear Mr. President:

I am herewith transmitting a proposed Executive Order entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks." This proposed Executive Order was prepared by the Department of State. The Office of Management and Budget, with the approval of the Director, forwarded it to this Department for review with respect to form and legality.

The proposed Executive Order is approved with respect to form and legality.

Respectfully,

Timothy E. Flanigan
Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel
Honorable William P. Barr  
United States Attorney General  
Washington, D.C. 20530  

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Enclosed, in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 11030, as amended, is a proposed Executive order entitled "Transfer of Certain Iraqi Government Assets Held by Domestic Banks." The proposed Executive order was prepared by the Department of State. The proposed order would implement United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 778 ("Resolution 778") of October 2, 1992, concerning the use of frozen Iraqi assets.

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Your staff may direct any questions concerning this proposed Executive order to Mr. Mac Reed of this office (202-395-5600).

This proposed Executive order has the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Damus  
Acting General Counsel

Enclosures
EXECUTIVE ORDER

TRANSFER OF CERTAIN IRAQI GOVERNMENT ASSETS HELD BY DOMESTIC BANKS

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), section 5 of the United Nations Participation Act of 1945, as amended (22 U.S.C. 287c), and section 301 of title 3 of the United States Code, in order to apply in the United States measures adopted in United Nations Security Council Resolution No. 778 of October 2, 1992, and in order to take additional steps with respect to the actions and policies of the Government of Iraq and the national emergency described and declared in Executive Order No. 12722,

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Sec. 2. Upon a determination by the Secretary of the Treasury that funds or other assets in which the Government of Iraq or its agencies, instrumentalities, or controlled entities have an interest represent the proceeds of the sale of Iraqi petroleum or petroleum products, paid for by or on behalf of the purchaser on or after August 6, 1990, each and every United States financial institution is directed and compelled to
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Sec. 4. Compliance with this order, or any regulation, instruction, or direction issued under this order, licensing, authorizing, directing or compelling the transfer of the blocked funds and other assets described in Section 2 of this order, or funds and other assets received from the United Nations in repayment of funds and assets transferred pursuant to Section 2 of this order, shall, to the extent thereof, be a full acquittance and discharge for all purposes of the obligation of the person making the transfer. No person shall be held liable in any court for or with respect to anything done or omitted in good faith in connection with the administration of, or pursuant to and in reliance on, this order or any regulation, instruction, or direction issued hereunder. The operation of this order shall have no effect on rights, debts, and claims existing with respect to funds or other assets prior to their transfer to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

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THE WHITE HOUSE,