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## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 12, 1990

Dear Ms. Cvitkovich:

On behalf of President Bush, thank you for your message concerning the situation in the Middle East.

The President has condemned the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq as naked aggression, and he has called for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all Iraqi forces. He has been encouraged by the broad, international support for the United Nations Security Council's resolutions condemning Iraq's illegal occupation of Kuwait and imposing mandatory economic sanctions against Iraq. The degree of individual and collective compliance with those sanctions thus far has been heartening.

The United States is committed to the security and stability of the Persian Gulf. American does not seek conflict, nor does it seek to chart the destiny of other nations. However, President Bush has made clear America's intention to stand by its friends, saying, "No one, friend or foe, should doubt our desire for peace, and no one should underestimate our determination to confront aggression."

The sovereign independence of Saudi Arabia and our other friends in the Middle East is of vital interest to the United States. Not just our country but most of the nations of the world depend on imported oil, a large share of which comes from this region. Iraq's history of aggression poses a threat not only to the freedom of Saudi Arabia and other nations in the Persian Gulf but also to the stability of the world's economy. As the President pointed out, "Our jobs, our way of life, our own freedom and the freedom of friendly countries around the world would all suffer if control of the world's great oil reserves fell into the hands of one man, Saddam Hussein. So, we've made our stand—not simply to protect resources or real estate, but to protect the freedom of nations. We are striking a blow for the principle that might does not make right. Kuwait is small. But one conquered nation is one too many."

Therefore, President Bush responded to the Saudi request for U.S. assistance in defense of their homeland by ordering American armed forces to deploy to Saudi Arabia. He has also responded to a request from the Emir of Kuwait to coordinate multinational efforts to enforce sanctions aimed at convincing Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait and restore Kuwait's independence. He is heartened by the number of other countries—including Arab nations—that have joined this international defense effort.

The President appreciates the comments and suggestions of individual Americans concerning this matter of grave importance to our national security.

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September 5, 1990

President George Bush President of the United States Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Common Council of the City of East Chicago, Indiana, at their last council session of August 27, 1990 expressed their concern and their support on your actions on the crisis in Saudi Arabia.

The Common Council as a whole body support you in every way. God Bless you and give you the strength to guide you during these stressful times.

Very truly yours,

Dolores A. Cvitkovich

City Clerk

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cc: Senator Lugar

Congressman Visclosky