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June 10, 1991

The Honorable John H. Sununu  
Chief of Staff  
The White House

Dear John:

I am pleased to send you herewith a newly released U.S. Information Agency publication, *Inferno: The Legacy of Destruction in Kuwait*. This pamphlet documents, in vivid human terms, the toll of Saddam Hussein's efforts to destroy the nation and the people of Kuwait. Its graphic photos testify to the extraordinary devastation of Kuwait's infrastructure and environment, as well as to the immeasurable suffering of its people.

USIA has just begun distribution of 23,000 copies of the pamphlet, in English and Arabic, to our embassies and USIS posts worldwide.

*Inferno* is the second USIA publication focusing on the conduct of the Gulf War and the fate of the Kuwaiti people. Our earlier pamphlet, *Seven Months to Freedom*, traces the crisis from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August, through Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, to the liberation of Kuwait. A copy of the earlier pamphlet is also enclosed.

These publications document for foreign audiences the brutal conduct of Iraqi forces in Kuwait and the remarkable response of the international community in defeating their aggression.

I hope that you will find them both to be relevant and effective and would welcome your comments.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Henry E. Catto  
Director
March 12, 1991

President George H.W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The airlift to Kuwait City, carrying ten volunteers and 55,400 pounds of hospital supplies, was an unqualified success.

There were a number of very tender and poignant vignettes which took place during the trip, which hopefully you may see (or parts of them) on an NBC three-part segment which will show nationally on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 13th, 14th and 15th.

Three of your White House staff: Col. Lawrence Mohr, Lt. Commander Allen Roberts and Lt. Commander Ellen Shebuski were invaluable members of the team, as were our other AmeriCares volunteer doctors from Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York and the Mayo Clinic.

But this whole airlift program would never have even gotten off the ground last week had it not been for the good offices of Bob Gates, who cut through the bureaucratic red tape and made this whole chapter possible. I wish you would convey our profound thanks to Bob -- because he was really the one who made it happen.
I wish you well on your forthcoming trip, and please know that Leila and I continue to keep you and Bar in our prayers.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Bob

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TO: PRESIDENT

FROM: MACAULEY, ROBERT C

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