THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 24, 1991

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your signature is a proposed Executive Order entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait."

This Order was submitted by Treasury and is concurred in by OMB, Justice, NSC, and the Offices of Cabinet Affairs, Communications, Legislative Affairs, and Policy Development. Counsel has no legal objection.

Thank you.

Phillip D. Brady
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Richard Darman

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

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None of the affected agencies objects to the proposed Executive order.

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Attachment

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- STENCILED -
EXECUTIVE ORDER

# 12771

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Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel
WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7/23/91  ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 7/24/91 4:00 PM

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TITLE: Terminating Sanctions, In Whole or In Part, with Respect to Kuwait

TYPE DOCUMENT: PROCLAMATION

RECEIVED: 7/23/91 Time: 7:00 a.m./p.m.

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TO PHILLIP D. BRADY'S OFFICE:

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NOTIFICATIONS:

Each time a message, report, etc., is xmitted to the Congress, call OLA -- x2230.

NSC, when appropriate -- Brenda Hilliard; Ex. Sec's. Office -- x6534.

OTHER INFORMATION: Whether or not the E.D. on Terminating Sanctions w/respect to Kuwait has to go to the Congress is to be decided by Foreign Assets Control at Treasury, per Mac Reed.
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Washington, D.C. 20503  

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MEMORANDUM FOR PHILLIP D. BRADY

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

Pursuant to your request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed Executive Order.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.
WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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**RESPONSE:**
No comments.

Thanks,

Elizabeth Luttig

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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RESPONSE: July 24, 1991

TO: PHILLIP BRADY

The NSC concurs with the attached executive order.

William Sittmann
Executive Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR PHILLIP D. BRADY

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

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(c) any rights or duties that matured or penalties that were incurred prior to the effective date of this order.

Sec. 3. This order shall take effect immediately.

THE WHITE HOUSE,
TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

I hereby provide notice, consistent with section 586C(c)(2) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1991 (Public Law 101-513), of my intention to terminate, in whole or in part, no sooner than 15 days after the date of this notice, the sanctions imposed with respect to Kuwait pursuant to Executive Orders Nos. 12723 and 12725.

GEORGE BUSH

THE WHITE HOUSE,


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White House
MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM: Mac Reed
Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

The following Executive branch departments and agencies do not object to the proposed Executive order:

1. White House Counsel's Office ........ S. Rademaker (395-5026)
2. Department of Justice .................. M. Wysocki (514-8847)
3. Department of State ..................... W. Davis (647-4463)
4. Department of Defense ................... S. Brick (697-1305)
5. Department of Agriculture ............... G. Broadway (382-1272)
6. Department of Commerce ................. P. Dalmut (377-3151)
7. Department of Transportation .......... T. Herlichy (366-4687)
8. Department of Energy ..................... N. Kumar (586-8618)
10. Export-Import Bank of United States ......... S. Macomber (566-8334)
12. Council of Economic Advisors ........... A. Williams (395-5042)
13. United State Trade Representative ... J. Bolton (395-3150)
MEMORANDUM FOR DESIGNATED AGENCY HEADS
(SEE ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST)

FROM: Robert G. Damus
Acting General Counsel

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled
"Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

Attached is a proposed Executive order entitled "Revoking
Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait."

It was prepared by the Department of the Treasury 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 Friday, July 19, 1991. Please be advised that agencies
that do not respond by the July 19, 1991 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: 202 395-5600;
Fax: 202 395-7289).

Thank you.

Attachments - Distribution List
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President and Chairman of the Board
Export-Import Bank of the United States
Executive Order _____ of July, ___ 1991

Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait


I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, find that the expulsion of Iraq's occupation forces, the return of the State of Kuwait to its people, and the restoration of the lawful Government of Kuwait terminate the need for Executive Order No. 12723 of August 2, 1990, and Executive Order No. 12725 of August 9, 1990, blocking property of the Government of Kuwait and prohibiting transactions with occupied Kuwait. Those orders were issued to protect the assets of the Government of Kuwait which were subject to United States jurisdiction, and to prevent the transfer of any benefit to Iraq based on its invasion of Kuwait, in implementation of United States foreign policy and in conformity with applicable resolutions of the United Nations Security Counsel.

I hereby revoke Executive Orders No. 12723 and 12725. This revocation shall not affect any action taken or proceeding
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THE WHITE HOUSE
EXECUTIVE ORDER

REVOKING EARLIER ORDERS WITH RESPECT TO KUWAIT


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THE WHITE HOUSE,
WHITE HOUSE
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MEMORANDUM FOR PHILLIP D. BRADY

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER SR
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Proposed Executive Order Entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

Pursuant to your request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed Executive Order.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.
WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7/23/91        ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 7/24/91 4:00 PM

PROPOSED EXECUTIVE ORDER ENTITLED "REVOKING EARLIER ORDERS WITH
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REMARKS: Please forward your comments/recommendations directly to this office no later than 4:00 PM, Wednesday, July 24. Thank you.

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 "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait"

SUMMARY: This memorandum forwards for your consideration a proposed Executive order that was prepared by the Department of the Treasury. The proposed order would terminate the economic sanctions imposed in August 1990 with respect to Kuwait.

BACKGROUND: Executive Orders Nos. 12723 of August 2, 1990, and 12725 of August 9, 1990, blocked Kuwaiti property subject to U.S. jurisdiction and imposed trade, travel, and financial sanctions against Kuwait. The orders were issued to prevent Iraq from gaining any U.S. benefits from its invasion of Kuwait.

On March 8, 1991, after the liberation of Kuwait, you notified Congress of your intention to terminate the Kuwaiti sanctions. In implementing your decision, the U.S. Government, through general licenses, authorized the resumption of trade and financial transactions with Kuwait and unblocked Kuwaiti property subject to U.S. jurisdiction. To complete the process, the proposed Executive order would revoke the two August 1990 Executive orders that imposed the sanctions on Kuwait.

None of the affected agencies objects to the proposed Executive order.

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

Attachment
Honorable Dick Thornburgh  
United States Attorney General  
Washington, D.C. 20503  

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Enclosed, in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 11030, as amended, is a proposed Executive order entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders with Respect to Kuwait." The proposed order, which was prepared by the Department of the Treasury, would terminate the economic sanctions imposed in August 1990 with respect to Kuwait.

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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
The President,
The White House.
My dear Mr. President:

I am herewith transmitting a proposed Executive Order entitled "Revoking Earlier Orders With Respect to Kuwait." This proposed Executive Order was submitted by the Department of the Treasury. The Office of Management and Budget, with the approval of the Director, forwarded it to this Department for review of its form and legality.

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

Respectfully,

J. Michael Luttig
Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel
MEMORANDUM

Re: Proposed Executive Order Revoking Earlier Orders With Respect to Kuwait

The attached proposed Executive Order was submitted by the Department of the Treasury. The Office of Management and Budget, with the approval of the Director, forwarded it to this Department for review with respect to its form and legality.

The proposed Order will revoke Executive Orders Nos. 12723 of August 2, 1990, and 12725 of August 9, 1990, which blocked Kuwaiti property subject to United States jurisdiction and imposed trade, travel, and financial sanctions against Kuwait. This revocation is proposed pursuant to findings that the expulsion from Kuwait of Iraq’s occupation forces, the restoration of Kuwait to its citizens, and the reinstatement of Kuwait’s lawful government have obviated the need for additional sanctions. The President notified Congress on March 8, 1991 of his intention to terminate Kuwaiti sanctions.

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J. Michael Luttig
Assistant Attorney General
Office of Legal Counsel
EXECUTIVE ORDER

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