**THE WHITE HOUSE**
**CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

**INCOMING**

**DATE RECEIVED:** FEBRUARY 19, 1991

**NAME OF CORRESPONDENT:** THE HONORABLE PORTER GOSS

**SUBJECT:** URGES THE PRESIDENT TO HOLD SADDAM HUSSEIN AND IRAQ ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE DELIBERATE RELEASE OF MILLIONS OF GALLONS OF OIL IN THE WATERS OF THE PERSIAN GULF

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February 26, 1991

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The President shares your outrage over this deplorable act, and I have shared your comments regarding this matter with him. I have also taken the liberty of providing your remarks to several of the President's foreign policy and national security advisors so that they, too, are aware of your strong belief that Saddam Hussein should be held accountable for his acts.

Thank you again for your interest in writing.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. President:

We are deeply concerned about the deliberate release of millions of gallons of oil in the waters of the Persian Gulf and the devastating impact this immoral action will have on the economic stability, the marine life, and the wildlife of the region.

The evidence is overwhelming that Saddam Hussein is responsible for this deplorable act. We cannot stand by and allow this type of activity; Saddam Hussein must be held accountable for the needless destruction of the region's ecosystems and the threat of contamination to the water supplies of several Gulf states.

In the aftermath of the Exxon Valdez disaster, it is especially troubling to see such disrespect for the environment. Even after almost two years of rigorous clean-up attempts in Prince William Sound, Alaska, the ecosystem of the Alaska region still suffers. And, that was an incident that involved only a fraction of the oil we have seen flood the Persian Gulf waters. The innocent citizens of the Gulf States will feel the repercussions of this ruthless environmental terrorism for years to come.

The United States and the United Nations should strongly denounce this act of aggression against the environment and economic security of the region; and we have introduced resolutions to this effect. Mr. President, we hope we can count on your support in our efforts to deplore this wanton act and urge the United Nations Security Council to hold Saddam Hussein and Iraq financially, legally and morally accountable in the form of post-war reparations or any other measure the United Nations may find effective and acceptable.

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