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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Report to Congress on Iraq

Purpose

To transmit to Congress a report on the Iraqi emergency stressing the need to maintain economic sanctions.

Background

You are required by the International Emergency Economic Powers Act to report every six months to Congress on the status of the Iraqi emergency. Treasury has prepared the report (Tab B) which has inter-agency clearance.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the report to Congress on Iraq at Tab A.

Attachments

Report to Congress Tab A

Letter from Treasury Secretary Tab B

Copy of February 1992 Report Tab C

> cc: Vice President Chief of Staff

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

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To the House: 8-3-92 (3:00p) J. The Senate: 8-3-92 (3:03p).

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THE WHITE HOUSE,

August 3, 1992.

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THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY WASHINGTON

July 27, 1992

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, you are required every six months to submit a report to the Congress concerning the Iraq emergency declared in Executive Order No. 12722 on August 2, 1990. In addition, under the National Emergencies Act, you are required to report to Congress during each six-month interval of a declared national emergency the total expenditures incurred during that interval by the United States Government which are directly attributable to the exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the declaration of emergency.

Enclosed is a proposed report covering events under the Iraq emergency declaration during the period February 2, 1992, through August 1, 1992. The proposed report indicates in its initial paragraph that it is a combined report submitted pursuant to each of the foregoing statutes. The current report under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act is due to Congress on August 2, 1992.

Your last report to Congress on Iraq under the foregoing statutes, dated February 11, 1992, is also enclosed for your reference.

I recommend that you sign and transmit the proposed report to the Congress. The report has been reviewed and approved by the Department of State.

Respectfully,

Nicholas F. Brady

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary (Jacksonville, Florida)

For Immediate Release

August 3, 1992

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GEORGE BUSH

THE WHITE HOUSE, August 3, 1992.

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DUE: NLT noon 7/29/93*

^{*} The Notice must be published in the <u>Federal Register</u> prior to the <u>Emergency</u> anniversary date of <u>August 2nd</u>. The notification to the Congress is to be made <u>after</u> filing with the <u>Federal Register</u>.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

August 1, 1992

MR. PRESIDENT:

This report is due to Congress Monday morning, August 3.

Thank you.

Phillip D. Brady

Message to the Congress on the Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to Iraq February 11, 1992

To the Congress of the United States:

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(including environmental damage and natural resource depletion claims). In addition, the Governing Council agreed to begin expedited consideration of claims of individuals for up to \$100,000 as of July 1, 1992, and set July 1, 1993, as the deadline for filing this category of claims with the Commission.

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THE WHITE HOUSE,

Message to the Congress on the Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to Iraq February 11, 1992

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1. Since my last report, important and rapid progress has been made in establishing the framework for processing U.S. and other nations' claims against Iraq for damages arising from its unlawful invasion and occupation of Kuwait. The Governing Council of the U.N. Compensation Commission has adopted criteria for various categories of claims, including small and large claims of individuals, claims of corporations, and claims of government and international organizations

(including environmental damage and natural resource depletion claims). In addition, the Governing Council agreed to begin expedited consideration of claims of individuals for up to \$100,000 as of July 1, 1992, and set July 1, 1993, as the deadline for filing this category of claims with the Commission.

In a claims census conducted by the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (FAC) during the first quarter of 1991 pursuant to section 575.605 of the Iraqi Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR Part 575 ("ISR"), reports of claims from approximately 1,100 U.S. nationals were received. Included were claims for items such as personal property looted or destroyed in Kuwait, loans or other obligations on which Iraq has defaulted, and lost future business or concession rights. Inasmuch as these claims have not been submitted to a formal claims resolution body, much less adjudicated, their actual

aggregate value is not known.

2. FAC has issued 199 specific licenses (51 since my last report) regarding transactions pertaining to Iraq or Iraqi assets. Specific licenses were issued for payment to U.S. or third-country creditors of Iraq, under certain narrowly defined circumstances, for pre-embargo import and export transactions. Additionally, licenses were issued for conducting procedural transactions such as the filing of legal actions and for legal representation. Pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolutions 661, 666, and 687, specific licenses were also issued to authorize the exportation to Iraq of donated medicine, medical supplies, and food intended for humanitarian relief purposes.

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3. Various enforcement actions discussed in previous reports continue to be pursued, and additional investigations of possible violations of the Iraqi sanctions have been initiated. These are intended to deter future activities in violation of the sanctions. Additional civil penalty notices were issued during the reporting period for violations of the IEEPA and ISR with respect to attempted transactions involving Iraq, and substantial

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After investigation by FAC and the U.S. Customs Service, a Virginia corporation and its export director were convicted in U.S. District Court for conspiracy and violations of the ISR. Investigation revealed that the corporation and its export director continued to engage in activities that were in violation of the Executive orders and the ISR after August 2, 1990. The corporation and its export director performed contracts in support of a government industrial project in Iraq, and engaged in prohibited transactions relating to travel by a U.S. person to Iraq. After conviction, the corporation was fined \$50,000 and the export director sentenced to 5 months' incarceration, 5 months' supervised work release, and 2 years of supervised release administered by the Department of Justice.

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Since the Iraqi government tends to operate its international fronts as interlocking networks of third-world countries and key individuals, the SDN program is an important tool in disrupting Saddam Hussein's nuclear, military, and technological acquisitions efforts. The impact is considerable: all assets with U.S. jurisdiction of parties found to be Iraqi SDN's are blocked; all economic transactions with SDN's by U.S. persons are pro-

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