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September 12, 1980

Dear Mr. Robinson:

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House of Representatives.

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Sincerely,

GW

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

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1st District, New Hampshire

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September 15, 1980

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Secretary Edmund S. Muskie
Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Secretary Muskie:

I have recently been contacted by several constituents concerning reports that Raoul Wallenberg may still be alive and is actually being held in a Soviet prison.

I would appreciate any information you might be able to supply concerning these reports, and any data that might be available regarding the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg. Any steps that are being taken by the State Department in order to ascertain the current situation would be of interest to me and to my constituents, and I would certainly advocate measures to obtain his freedom.

Thank you very much for your time and cooperation, and I will be looking forward to hearing from you on this matter.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

Norm D'Amours

NORMAN E. D'AMOURS
Member of Congress

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September 15, 1980

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary,
Congressional Relations
U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

Recently, I have received numerous letters from my constituents concerning the whereabouts of Mr. Raoul Wallenberg.

I would like to urge you to continue your efforts to determine from the Soviets the fate of Mr. Wallenberg.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Dave Durenberger
United States Senate

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Dear Mr. Howard:

Thank you for your letter of September 9 on behalf of your constituents concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

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Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary
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Dear Mr. Weiss:

I am replying to your letter of August 27 requesting that Secretary Muskie meet with members of the family of Raoul Wallenberg and staff from the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust studies.

As you may know, Secretary Vance met with Wallenberg's half sister when she visited the United States last year to encourage the formation of committees of private citizens concerned with this case. The Department of State continues to monitor the case and recently advised the Soviet Union that we believe it owes the family and the world more information about Wallenberg's fate.

Unfortunately, however, Secretary Muskie's very busy schedule during the coming period precludes his meeting with members of the Wallenberg family for the time being. I assure you that the Department continues to monitor all significant developments in this tragic case and will inform you should any new information come to light.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
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The Honorable
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Dear Senator Chiles:

Thank you for your letter of September 4 on behalf of a number of your constituents (SF2-77) concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The Department's records show that Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish mission in Budapest, Hungary during World War II and disappeared in January 1945 after Soviet troops arrived. The Soviet Union responded in February 1957 to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government by stating that Mr. Wallenberg died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Although the Swedish Government officially raised the Wallenberg case on numerous subsequent occasions, citing several witnesses who claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviets have provided no additional information.

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Sincerely,

G.W

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

Enclosure:

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September 25, 1980

Dear Senator Culver:

Thank you for your letter of September 8 on behalf of a number of your constituents concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

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Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary
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PATRICIA M. DERIAN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRE.

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1. SUMMARY: OBSERVATION OF THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF RAOUL WALLENBERG'S ARREST IN BUDAPEST HAS BROUGHT FORTH A STATEMENTFROM FOREIGN MINISTER ULLSTEN THAT THE CASE IS STILL ACTIVE, A DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE THE SOVIET EMBASSY, AND AN APPEAL FOR ABOYCOTT OF THE MOSCOW OLYMPIC GAMES. THE WALLENBERG FEDERATION HAS CONFIRMED ITS PLANS TO ARRANGE A PUBLIC HEARING IN STOCKHOLM IN MAY. RAOUL WALLENBERG HAS ALSO BEEN PROPOSED AS RECIPIENT OF THE NOBEL PRIZE BY A SWEDISH POLITICIAN. PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS ON THE POST-WWII HANDLING OF THE WALLENBERG AFFAIR MAY SOON BE RELEASED BY THE GOS. END SUMMARY.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER ULLSTEN MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON JANUARY 16: QUOTE. TOMORROW IT IS 35 YEARS AGO THAT RAOUL WALLENBERG WAS APPREHENDED IN BUDAPEST BY THE SOVIET MILITARY. THESE DAYS PEOPLES IN MANY COUNTRIES ARE REMINDED ABOUT RAOUL WALLENBERG'S

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THOUSANDS OF JEWS FROM A CERTAIN DEATH IN NAZI EXTERMINATION CAMPS. THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT HAS EVER SINCE 1945 TRIED TO CREATE A CLEAR PICTURE OF RAOUL WALLENBERG'S FATE. REPEATED REQUESTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT WITHOUT RESULT. THE DEMAND FOR A COMPLETE REPORT THEREFORE REMAINS UNCHANGED. END QUOTE.

3. THERE WERE DEMONSTRATIONS IN BOTH STOCKHOLM AND GOTEBORG ONJANUARY 17. IN STOCKHOLM SOME 500 PERSONS MARCHED TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY, WHERE THEY ATTEMPTED TO PRESENT A PETITION APPEALING FOR RAOUL WALLENBERG'S REUNIFICATION WITH HIS FAMILY IN SWEDEN. FROM BEHIND LOCKED GATES, A SOVIET EMBASSY OFFICIAL DECLARED THAT THIS WAS A MATTER WHICH ALREADY HAD BEEN DEALT WITH AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE PETITION.

4. INGRID GARDE-WIDEMAR, PRESIDENT OF THE RECENTLY-FORMED SWEDISH RAOUL WALLENBERG FEDERATION, IN A SPEECH TO THE DEMONSTRATORS, APPEALED TO ATHLETES NOT TO GO TO MOSCOW FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

5. ALSO, RECENTLY, THE SWEDISH PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT THERE IS A NEW WITNESS IN THE WALLENBERG AFFAIR. THIS PERSON, WHO WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS, REPORTEDLY CLAIMS THAT IN 1978 HE WAS TOLD BY A KGB OFFICER IN THE SOVIET UNION OF A SWEDE WHO HAD BEEN TRYING TO GET OUT OF THE USSR FOR 34 YEARS.

6. THE WALLENBERG FEDERATION PLANS, TOGETHER WITH THE SAKHAROV COMMITTEE, TO ARRANGE A HEARING ON THE WALLENBERG AFFAIR IN STOCKHOLM THIS MAY. ABRAHAM


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KALINSKI REPORTEDLY WILL COME TO STOCKHOLM FOR THIS, AND PERHAPS OTHER "WITNESSES" AS WELL.

7. THE GOS ANNOUNCED SOME WEEKS AGO PLANS TO RELEASE PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS IN THE WALLENBERG AFFAIR COVERING THE EARLY POST-WAR YEARS, PERHAPS BEGINING IN JANUARY, BUT THESE HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO APPEAR.

8. A SWEDISH LIBERAL PARTY MP, OLLE WASTERBERG, RECENTLY PROPOSED TO THE NORWEGIAN NOBEL COMMITTEE

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THAT IT AWARD THE 1980 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE TO WALLENBERG.
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Washington, D.C. 20520

October 20, 1980

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Dear Mr. Cotter:

Thank you for your letter of September 2 concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The U.S. government has been interested in the Wallenberg case since it first came to light at the end of World War II. We have sought a full and adequate response about Mr. Wallenberg's fate from the Soviet Government a number of times, most recently in December 1979. That initiative resulted in a formal written reply from the Soviets in February 1980 reaffirming their claim that Mr. Wallenberg died in 1947. They also stated that they had informed the Swedish Government directly of their latest findings and suggested that they would have no further information on this matter in the future. Given the current state of U.S. - U.S.S.R. relations and the tone of the February reply, we doubt the Soviets would be responsive to further bilateral inquiries about Mr. Wallenberg.

We have also attempted to gain information in other ways. U.S. officials conducted extensive interviews with the five Soviet dissidents exchanged for two Soviet spies in April 1979. None of the five ex-prisoners could confirm or lend credence to rumors that Mr. Wallenberg is still alive. We are continuing to question Soviet emigres on this matter.

As Mr. Wallenberg is a Swedish citizen, we have cooperated with the Swedish government in past attempts to shed light on his fate. We will continue to support Swedish efforts.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Patricia M. Derian
Assistant Secretary for Human
Rights and Humanitarian Affairs

The Honorable
William R. Cotter,
House of Representatives.

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January 24, 1980

Hon. Cyrus R. Vance
Sec. Department of State
2201 C. Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Vance:

I share with my congregation, the world Jewish community, and all those concerned with basic civil rights, the concern for the plight of Raoul Wallenberg. As you probably know, during World War II, Mr. Wallenberg on assignment from the Swedish government helped to save thousands of individuals from Nazi destruction. After the war he was taken into custody by the Russian military in Budapest. Very little has been heard about him since and although Russian authorities claim that he died in 1947, a letter smuggled out of a Russian prison camp in 1975 indicated that Mr. Wallenberg was still alive.

Raoul Wallenberg's life attests to high levels of dignity and morality that individuals can strive towards even in the face of mass injustice and societal prejudice.

I urge you as an individual concerned about human rights to press for information about Mr. Wallenberg's whereabouts and to demand his release and his rights to the basic human rights of freedom and dignity.

Sincerely,

Howard Seldin-Sommer

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***SUBJECT: POST-WAR WALLENBERG DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED***

1. SUMMARY: SECRET DOCUMENTS ABOUT THE RAOUL WALLENBERG CASE, DATING FROM THE PERIOD 1945-49, WERE RELEASED BY THE GOS ON JANUARY 31. THE IMMEDIATE REACTION OF THE MEDIA TO THE NOW PUBLIC INFORMATION HAS BEEN STRONG CRITICISM OF THE WAY MATTERS WERE HANDLED IN THE FIRST YEARS AFTER WALLENBERG'S DISAPPEARANCE. END SUMMARY.

2. ALL BUT A FEW DOCUMENTS FROM THE YEARS 1945-49 HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED -- 1900 PAGES IN ALL. WITHOUT SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION, THESE DOCUMENTS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN RELEASED UNTIL THE END OF THE CENTURY. ONE COMPLETE SET HAS BEEN POUCHED TO EUR/NE.

3. THE FIRST REACTION OF THE SWEDISH MEDIA HAS BEEN UNANIMOUS STRONG CRITICISM OF THE WAY THE WALLENBERG CASE WAS HANDLED BY THE GOS. AMBASSADOR STAFFAN SODERBLOM (WHO SERVED IN MOSCOW 1944-46) AND FM OSTEN UNDEN ARE SINGLED OUT. THE MEDIA DISCERN FOUR INSTANCES WHEN RAOUL WALLENBERG WAS LET DOWN BY SWEDISH AUTHORITIES:

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(A) ON APRIL 12, 1945, SODERBLOM DECLINED A US OFFER

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TO ASSIST SWEDEN IN A JOINT DEMARCHE TO THE SOVIET FOREIGN OFFICE;

(B) SODERBLOM MET IN PERSON WITH STALIN ON JUNE 14, 1946. WHEN WALLENBERG WAS MENTIONED, SODERBLOM SAID THAT HE WAS CONVINCED THAT WALLENBERG HAD BEEN KILLED IN HUNGARY OR HAD DIED IN AN ACCIDENT;

(C) SWEDEN'S CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN 1947, ULF BARCK-HOLST, REPORTED TO THE MFA THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD HINTED TO HIM THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO EXCHANGE WALLENBERG FOR SOVIET SPIES IN SWEDISH PRISONS. THE FOREIGN MINISTER AT THE TIME, OSTEN UNDER, SAID "NO;"

(D) AMBASSADOR ROLF SOHLMAN DECLINED YET ANOTHER OFFER FROM THE U.S. TO MAKE A JOINT DEMARCHE IN 1949.

4. COMMENT: IN THE INTERST OF PROVIDING HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE, IT IS USEFUL TO RECALL THAT SWEDEN IN THOSE DAYS BOTH FELT THREATENED BY THE USSR AND HARBORED A SINCERE HOPE THAT IT EVENTUALLY WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH OPEN AND FRUITFUL RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.
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***SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR US ASSISTANCE IN TRACKING RAOUL WALLENBERG CASE LEAD***

1. EMBASSY MAY INFORM STENHOLM THAT, IN ACCORD WITH OUR DESIRE TO MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO CLARIFY THE FATE OF WALLENBERG, THE DEPARTMENT HAS CHECKED AVAILABLE FILES. UNFORTUNATELY, NO INFORMATION WAS FOUND RELATING TO STENHOLM'S POSSIBLE LEAD IN THE CASE.
2. THE EMBASSY SHOULD FURTHER NOTE TO STENHOLM THAT WE CO-OPERATE CLOSELY WITH THE GOS IN DEALING WITH THE WALLENBERG AFFAIR. WHILE WE UNDERSTAND THE PROFESSIONAL REASONS WHICH LEAD STENHOLM TO NOT WANT TO SHARE HIS INFORMATION WITH THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT, WE WOULD FEEL OBLIGED TO INFORM THE GOS OF ANY FIRM INFORMATION THAT WE MIGHT DEVELOP. VANCE

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 13, 1980

The Honorable J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

On June 14, 1979 I wrote to President Carter urging him to "inquire about Raoul Wallenberg's situation during (the President's) meetings with President Brezhnev" in Vienna. I received an answer from Douglas J. Bennett, Jr. which made no reference to any discussions in Vienna which concerned the Wallenberg situation.

On October 31, 1979, I again wrote the President and mentioned that during the radio program, "Ask the President," he indicated that discussions were held concerning the Wallenberg matter. On November 20, 1979, Frank Moore wrote "The President has asked me to show your letter to several of his advisors, so that they might be aware of your interest. A more detailed response should be forthcoming."

On December 14, you wrote me and mentioned briefly some of the efforts of the State Department in this matter and reassured me of the President's interest. Because Mr. Moore's letter mentioned that a number of advisors had seen the letter and that I should expect a detailed letter responding to my letter, I was not sure whether your response was the final communication in this series.

At this point, I must assume that it was. However, I am discouraged that I must ask again for more information about the discussions which were held in Vienna concerning Mr. Wallenberg. I am enclosing copies of the correspondence I have had concerning this matter and I hope that I will receive an informative and responsive answer to my request.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin

Carl Levin

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June 18, 1973

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

Dear Mr. President:

I realize that this is an extremely important and busy time for you. But I hope that you will be able to find time during your discussions with President Brezhnev to inquire about the case of Mr. Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved thousands of Jews in Hungary during World War Two.

I understand that Mr. Wallenberg may be alive and in a Soviet prison. As you know, Mr. Wallenberg's humanity saved thousands of Jews from certain death at the hands of the Nazis. In light of the recent information which indicated that Mr. Wallenberg may still be alive, I urge you to inquire about his situation during your meetings with President Brezhnev.

I would also like to convey to you the strong positive feeling of the American people towards your efforts to bring lasting peace and stability to the world. Our thoughts are with you during this most important meeting.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin,
United States Senator

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Dear Senator Levin:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of June 14 to President Carter concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

According to Department of State records, Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish Mission in Budapest, Hungary, during World War II, and disappeared in January of 1945 following the arrival of Soviet troops in Budapest. In response to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government, the Soviet Government in February 1957 stated that Mr. Wallenberg had died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Despite the fact that the Swedish Government has officially raised the issue of Mr. Wallenberg's fate on a number of subsequent occasions, citing the fact that several persons claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviet Government has provided no additional information.

Mr. Wallenberg's half brother, Mr. Guy Von Dardel, has continued to pursue the question of the fate of his half brother with the Swedish Government and Red Cross. Since the Swedish Government and Red Cross are thoroughly familiar with Mr. Wallenberg's case, we believe they are in the best position to make inquiries to the Soviet authorities in the event that further representations would be believed helpful.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Bennet, Jr.
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Carl Levin,
United States Senate.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 31, 1979

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

Dear Mr. President:

During the nationally broadcast "Ask The President" radio program, I heard you mention that you had discussed the unfortunate matter of Raoul Wallenberg with Soviet President Brezhnev.

As you may remember, before the Vienna summit, I wrote you to ask that you "inquire about this situation during your meetings."

In response to my letter to you, Assistant Secretary of State Douglas Bennet, Jr. did not tell me that you brought up this matter in your discussions. I would like to ask that you provide me with as much information about the actual discussions as is available.

My interest in the case continues to grow as I learn of more information showing that Mr. Wallenberg may have been seen alive as recently as 1975, and that he may still be alive in a Soviet prison.

I was pleased to hear you discuss the Wallenberg situation with the compassion you expressed. I am encouraged by your continued interest in his safety.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 20, 1979

Dear Senator Levin:

The President asked me to acknowledge his receipt of your letter of October 31 regarding the case of Raoul Wallenberg. The President appreciates your comments; as you know, he shares your concern.

The President has asked me to show your letter to several of his advisers so that they might be aware of your interest. A more detailed response should be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

Frank Moore

Frank Moore
Assistant to the President
for Congressional Liaison

The Honorable Carl Levin
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Levin:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of October 31 to the President concerning the Raoul Wallenberg case.

The President is greatly concerned about Mr. Wallenberg and has directed that we continue our efforts to ascertain his situation. In that spirit, and in the context of the President's remarks on the Wallenberg case responding to a question from Mrs. Annette Lantos on the radio show "Ask the President," the Department of State on July 21 and again on October 26 requested the Soviet Embassy here to reply formally to our representations. To date we have not received a reply.

Please be assured that we share your interest in Mr. Wallenberg's fate and that we are continuing our efforts on his behalf. We will, of course, inform you of any development in this matter and, if you wish a more detailed briefing on this subject, would be happy to provide it.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Carl Levin,
United States Senate.

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2. IN CALL ON DAS BARRY FEBRUARY 29 SOVIET MINISTER COUNSELOR VASEV HANDED FOLLOWING NON PAPER ON WALLENBERG CASE. VASEV SAID THAT PAPER WAS THE SAME AS THAT GIVEN TO THE SWEDES IN DECEMBER. BARRY ASKED IF SOVIETS HAD ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON CASE; VASEV SAID NO.

3. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF NON PAPER: QUOTE AT THE REQUEST OF THE SWEDISH SIDE, MATERIAL AND INFORMATION RELATING TO THE CASE OF R. WALLENBERG HAS BEEN EXAMINED MORE THAN ONCE. THE FACTUAL SIDE WAS CONVEYED

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TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN IN 1957.

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ALTHOUGH THE SOVIET UNION IS CONVINCED THAT THERE IS NOT AND CANNOT BE ANYTHING NEW IN THE QUESTION OF THE FATE OF R. WALLENBERG, WHO DIED IN JULY 1947, IT TREATED THE APPROACH OF THE SWEDISH SIDE WITH DUE ATTENTION.

ALL ASSERTIONS TO THE EFFECT THAT R. WALLENBERG REMAINED IN THE SOVIET UNION AFTER 1947 DO NOT CORRESPOND WITH REALITY. THIS CONCLUSION APPLIES IN FULL MEASURE ALSO TO THE "STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES" WHICH ARE MENTIONED IN THE APPROACH OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN OF JANUARY 3, 1980 AND ALSO IN THE LETTER OF THE PRIME MINISTER OF SWEDEN OF AUGUST 22, 1980 (SIC).

CONSIDERING THEREFORE THAT THE QUESTION OF R. WALLENBERG HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED, THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT CANNOT BUT SS REGRET THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN, INSTEAD OF REJECTING FANTASIES AND SPECULATIONS, FINDS IT NECESSARY TO CAST DOUBT ON THE SINCERITY OF THE SOVIET UNION IN THIS CASE. IN THE SOVIET UNION WE ARE PROFOUNDLY CONVINCED THAT MUTUAL TRUST OF THE GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES OF BOTH COUNTRIES IS A NECESSARY CONDITION FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET/SWEDISH GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS IN WHICH BOTH OF OUR COUNTRIES ARE INTERESTED TO AN EQUAL DEGREE. END QUOTE.

4. EMBASSY STOCKHOLM SHOULD INFORM MFA OF FOREGOING, POINTING OUT THAT WE DO NOT BELIEVE SOVIETS ARE LIKELY TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION. VANCE

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Dear Senator Levin:

Thank you for your letter of February 13 reiterating your deep interest in the case of the missing Swedish diplomat, Raoul Wallenberg.

Following discussions on this subject in Vienna, and as reported to you in my letter of December 14, 1979, the Department raised this matter with the Soviet Embassy twice more -- in July and in October, 1979 -- seeking further clarification on Wallenberg's fate. We pressed the Soviets again in December for a full and adequate response. Regrettably, the Soviets failed to respond to our requests until one week ago -- on February 29 -- when they formally and in writing reaffirmed their claim that Wallenberg had died in the USSR during July, 1947. The Soviets also stated that they had informed the Swedish Government directly of their latest findings and suggested that they would have no further information on this matter in the future.

Given the current worsened state of our relations with the Soviet Union and the tone of the February 29 reply, we do not believe that the Soviets would be responsive to further inquiries about Raoul Wallenberg.

Incidentally, you will be interested to know that extensive interviews were conducted with each of five prominent Soviet dissidents exchanged for two Soviet spies in New York City last April 27 on the possibility that Wallenberg was still alive in Soviet prison camps. None of the five ex-prisoners could confirm or lend credence to such rumors.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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The Honorable
Carl Levin,
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Dear Mr. Bellenson:

Thank you for your letter of January 10 addressed to former Assistant Secretary Bennet concerning the fate of Mr. Raoul Wallenberg. I sincerely regret the delay in this reply.

According to Department of State records, Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish mission in Budapest, Hungary, during World War II, and disappeared in January of 1945 following the arrival of Soviet troops in Budapest. In response to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government, the Soviet Government in February 1957 stated that Mr. Wallenberg had died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Despite the fact that the Swedish Government has officially raised the issue of Mr. Wallenberg's fate on a number of subsequent occasions, citing that several persons claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviet Government has provided no additional information.

Mr. Wallenberg's half-sister, Mrs. Nina Lagergren, and his half-brother, Mr. Guy von Dardel, have continued to pursue the question of the fate of their half-brother with the Swedish Government and the Swedish Red Cross. Since the Swedish Government and Red Cross are thoroughly familiar with Mr. Wallenberg's case, we believe they are in the best position to make inquiries to the Soviet authorities in the event that further representation would be believed helpful. On occasion, Swedish authorities have asked the U.S. Government to verify information or otherwise to assist in efforts

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The Honorable
Anthony C. Beilenson,
House of Representatives.

to clarify the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. We have done everything possible to comply with the Swedish Government's requests, and shall continue to do so.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 1, 1980

The Honorable J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear ~~Mr.~~ Brian Atwood:

Thank you for your letter of March 7 providing me with further information on the State Department's activities on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg. I remain most interested in this unresolved matter.

I appreciate receiving the information contained in your letter. I understand the effect that current relations with the Soviet Union must have in the processes involved in this situation.

However, I do hope that the Department will continue to monitor all developments in this matter. It is also important that the Department continue to cooperate with the Swedish government, and other groups interested in the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. As you know, there are many who believe that the Soviet Union has not been forthcoming in providing details about the circumstances of Mr. Wallenberg's "death" and has not responded to suggestions that Mr. Wallenberg may still be alive in the Soviet Union.

I believe that it is most important for the United States to remember that Mr. Wallenberg's activities in Hungary were intiated by the American War Refugee Board.

Thank you again for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Carl

Carl Levin

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April 1, 1980

Dear Mr. Atwood:

It has come to my attention that the then Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, created a panel of five State Department officers in 1973 to review the case of Raoul Wallenberg. As a sponsor of the Free Raoul Wallenberg Committee in the United States, I have been compiling information which would shed light on this country's involvement with Mr. Wallenberg, specifically through the War Refugee Board. I would thus be quite interested in obtaining, if possible, any of the materials the 1973 panel may have put together in the course of its work. I would appreciate your assistance in reviewing the State Department's records on this matter and hope to hear from you shortly.

Sincerely,

Daniel Patrick Moynihan

Mr. J. Brian Atwood
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April 17, 1980

Dear Senator Levin:

Thank you for your kind letter of April 1, concerning your continued interest in Raoul Wallenberg.

You may be assured that the Department will continue to monitor all developments in this tragic case. You should also know that earlier this month George Vest, Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, raised the Wallenberg case again with the Soviet Charge, Vladilien Vasev. Mr. Vest stressed our hope that the Soviet Government will be more forthcoming, concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, than it has been in previous responses to our request for information.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
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The Honorable
Carl Levin,
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*SUBJ: RAOUL WALLENBERG HEARINGS POSTPONED*

1. (U) ON APRIL 24, THE SWEDISH WALLENBERG COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED POSTPONEMENT OF THE RAOUL WALLENBERG HEARINGS PLANNED FOR STOCKHOLM MAY 2-4. SCHEDULED PARTICIPANTS HAD INCLUDED FOUR AMERICANS, AMONG THEM ELIZABETH MOYNIHAN, WIFE OF SENATOR MOYNIHAN. THE REASON GIVEN FOR THE POSTPONEMENT IS THE LABOR UNREST WHICH LED TO A BREAKDOWN OF SWEDEN'S AIR TRANSPORT NETWORK ON APRIL 25, AND MAY WELL CONTINUE BEYOND MAY 1.

2. (C) EMBASSY INQUIRIES WITH THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER (MFA'S MAN ON THE WALLENBERG CASE) DISCLOSED THAT ALTHOUGH THE STRIKE AND COMMUNICATIONS TIE-UP IS A LARGE FACTOR, PERHAPS MORE TELLING REASONS FOR THE POSTPONEMENT ARE:
--THE DATES HAD BEEN POORLY CHOSEN, FALLING AS THEY DO IN THE MIDST OF A 4-DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND IN SWEDEN;

--NOT ONLY FOR THIS REASON, THE RESPONSE TO INVITATIONS WAS POOR AND LIKELY PUBLICITY OPPORTUNITIES WERE COMING TO SEEM LIMITED;

--THE COMMITTEE WAS UNABLE TO UNCOVER

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AT THE HEARINGS.

3. (C) WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED ALSO BY SENIOR MFA OFFICIALS THAT THE DECISION TO POSTPONE WAS STRICTLY THAT OF THE COMMITTEE AND WAS TAKEN WITHOUT THE ADVICE OR INFERENCE OF THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT. NEW DATES MAY BE SET FOR SOMETIME IN THE AUTUMN, BUT THIS IS NOT AT ALL CERTAIN.
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Dear Senator Moynihan:

Thank you for your letter of April 1 reaffirming your interest in the case of Raoul Wallenberg.

We have been unable to verify that any panel was created in the State Department in 1973 to review the fate of Raoul Wallenberg. However, our records indicate that in October of that year Dr. Kissinger, then National Security Adviser, disapproved a letter to Mr. Wallenberg's mother responding favorably to her request that we approach the Soviet Union on the fate of her son. Our records do not indicate the context in which the decision was taken.

The Department of State shares your concern for this heroic man and has cooperated closely with the Swedish Government and with the Wallenberg family in their efforts to determine his fate. Secretary Vance met last July with Mrs. Nina Lagergren, Mr. Wallenberg's sister, and assured her of our desire to help. Moreover, other State Department officers have conferred with her, with other family members and with Swedish officials on several occasions and we have voluntarily supplied them with a compilation of documents from our files. (A set of these documents is enclosed. All have been declassified.) Also we assisted last year in arranging for the Swedes to interview five prominent Soviet dissidents who had been exchanged for two Soviet spies. Unfortunately, none of the five prisoners could confirm or lend credence to the possibility that Wallenberg was still alive in a Soviet prison camp.

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The Honorable
Daniel P. Moynihan,
United States Senate,
Washington, D.C.

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Throughout, our primary concern has been to obtain Wallenberg's release if he is still alive or, if he is not, a fuller knowledge of the circumstances of his death. The Department raised this issue with the Soviet Embassy in July of 1979 and in the absence of a reply followed up in October and December. Finally, on February 29 of this year, the Soviets responded, casting no new light on the matter and simply reasserting their claim that Wallenberg had died in 1947. George Vest, Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, subsequently raised the matter again with the Soviet Charge, Vladillen Vasev. Mr. Vest stressed our dissatisfaction with the Soviet response and our hope that the Soviet Government will be more forthcoming.

You may be assured that our active concern in this tragic matter will continue, and that we will pursue all leads that may develop.

Sincerely,

BW

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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Secretary of State Edmund S. Muskie
State Department
2201 C. Street N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

On behalf of the Dean of our institution, Rabbi Marvin Hier, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and to thank you for taking the office of Secretary of State at such a difficult time for our country. May you go from strength to strength in all your future endeavors.

I am communicating with you directly at the request of Dr. Guy Von Dardel, brother of Raoul Wallenberg, and of the numerous survivors in our community who were saved through the incredible actions of this great human being. Thirty-five years after this "angel of mercy" was kidnapped while holding a diplomatic post in Budapest, there is still strong reason to believe that Raoul Wallenberg may still be alive in the Soviet Gulag. President Carter, to his credit, has taken up the issue with the Soviets on numerous occasions unfortunately with no discernable results to date. The Wallenberg family, Simon Wiesenthal, our institution, and other interested parties are all convinced that if, in fact, he still is alive his fate is unequivocally linked to the ongoing concern and involvement of the highest officials representing the governments of the free world.

I am, therefore, requesting on their behalf an early meeting with you in order to delineate their concern as well as to update you with the latest information.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter,

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Abraham Cooper
Assistant to the Dean

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cc: Marvin Hier
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1. (C) SUMMARY: FOREIGN MINISTER ULLSTE WILL RAISE THE WALLENBERG CASE WITH GROMYKO DURING HIS MAY 29-30 VISIT TO MOSCOW. SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE CLAIMS OF A NEW SELF-STYLED WITNESS. END SUMMARY.

2. (S) FOREIGN MINISTER ULLSTEN WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW TO MAKE THE FIRST SWEDISH DEMARCHE TO THE SOVIETS THIS YEAR ON THE WALLENBERG CASE. (THERE WERE TWO IMPORTANT DEMARCHES IN 1979.) HE WILL DO SO CERTAINLY WITH SOME TREPIDATION, SINCE THE LAST TIME A DEMARCHE WAS MADE AT THIS LEVEL DURING A SOVIET OFFICIAL VISIT TO SWEDEN, WE UNDERSTAND THE SOVIETS THREATENED TO BREAK OFF THE TALKS.

3. (S) OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT HE WILL SAY THAT THIS CASE CONTINUES TO HAMPER GOOD RELATIONS. HE WILL ASK FOR INFORMATION AS TO WHY WALLENBERG WAS ARRESTED IN 1945. HE WILL POINT OUT THAT WITNESSES HAVE CONTRA-

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IN THE 1950'S THAT WALLENBERG DIED IN A MOSCOW PRISON IN 1947. HE WILL URGE STRONGLY THAT THE SOVIETS UNDERTAKE A NEW INVESTIGATION AND WILL OFFER TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT. ALL THIS WITHOUT MUCH OPTIMISM.

4. (C) SWEDISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN TALKING TO A NEW SELF-PROCLAIMED WITNESS, WHO CAME OUT OF THE SOVIET UNION THE BEGINNING OF 1979 AND IS NOW RESIDING IN BERLIN, WHERE HE IS ACTIVELY SEEKING PERMISSION TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES. HE IS ISAAC ABRAMOVITJ MILLER. SOME TIME AGO MILLER RESPONDED TO AN ADVERTISEMENT FROM THE DANISH SAKHAROV COMMITTEE SSEKING INFORMATION ON WALLENBERG. HE CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN WALLENBERG ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN SIBERIAN PRISON CAMPS, INCLUDING HAVING BEEN TOGETHER WITH HIM FOR A FIVE-STRETCH BETWEEN 1947 AND 1952. HIS CLAIMS WERE ORIGINALLY MADE PUBLIC IN THE DANISH PRESS. TRANSLATIONS OF TWO SWEDISH ARTICLES WILL BE POUCHED TO EUR/NE. A SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL WHO TRAVELED TO BERLIN LAST WEEK TO INTERVIEW MILLER RETURNED ALMOST TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT MILLER DID NOT KNOW OR SEE WALLENBERG AND THAT HE MAY BE MAKING UP THE SOTRY IN THE BELIEF THAT IT COULD HELP OBTAIN ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES. WHAT HE SEEMS TO KNOW ABOUT WALLENBERG HE COULD HAVE GOT FROM PRESS SOURCES. HE WAS UNABLE TO SUGGEST MORE THAN VERY VAGUELY THE NAMES OF OTHERS WHO MIGHT HAVE SHARED HIS EXPERIENCES, AND THESE FEW CLAIMS ARE BEING CHECKED WITH FRG AND ISRAELI SERVICES.

5. (C) THE TRAIL HAS ALSO LED TO ISRAEL, WHERE A FRIEND OF MILLER'S BY THE NAME OF NEUMAN (UNCERTAIN SPELLING)





NOW APPARENTLY IS CLAIMING THAT HE TOO SAW WALLENBERG IN 1978. THERE IS NO REASON YET TO GIVE THIS CLAIM CREDENCE.

6. (C) THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS TAKING A NEW LOOK, HOWEVER, AT INFORMATION GIVEN IN 1974 BY MENACHAM MELZER, NOW RESIDENT IN VIENNA, WHO CLAIMED IN 1974 THAT HE GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO WALLENBERG AT A CAMP NORTH OF VORKUTA (CHALMER-JU) IN THE SUMMER OF 1948. THIS CAMP IS IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA THAT MILLER HAS REFERRED TO.

7. (C) ALL IN ALL, THERE IS VERY LITTLE THAT IS NEW AND

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PERSUASIVE FROM THE NEW "WITNESSES" IN THE WALLENBERG CASE. WE REPORT THIS LATEST IN PART TO UNDERLINE THAT THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS LEAVING NO INFORMATION UNCHECKED. WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY ALSO TO REITERATE SWEDISH APPRECIATION FOR THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE US AUTHORITIES OVER THE PAST YEAR IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.
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June 20, 1980

The Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith adopted a number of resolutions relating to important foreign policy issues at its recently concluded National Commission Meetings in New York. I wish to bring the following resolutions to your attention:

1) Resolution on Jerusalem

2) Resolutions on Soviet Jewry

3) Resolution on Iraq

4) Resolution on Europe

5) Resolution on the Growth of Reverse Discrimination in the U.S. Foreign Service

6) Resolution on the Copenhagen Conference

7) Resolution on Raoul Wallenberg

8) Resolution on Speaking out on Behalf of Jewish Communities Outside the United States

9) Resolution on Ethiopian Jewry

10) Resolution on the Middle East

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We hope you will consider these resolutions which address a number of crucial foreign policy issues affecting our country.

Sincerely,

Maxwell E. Greenberg

Maxwell E. Greenberg
National Chairman

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# RESOLUTION

## RAOUL WALLENBERG

WHEREAS, Raoul Wallenberg, a member of a prominent Swedish Christian family was single-handedly responsible for saving some one hundred thousand European Jews from Nazi death camps during his extraordinary mission of mercy in Budapest, Hungary, during 1944; and

WHEREAS, Wallenberg was last officially seen under arrest in the escort of several Russian soldiers soon after the Soviets liberated Budapest, in January of 1945; and

WHEREAS, the Soviets denied any knowledge of Wallenberg, until early 1957, when they claimed he had died in a Soviet prison in the year 1947; and

WHEREAS, reports have continued to surface throughout the years citing contact with a Swedish person being held prisoner in the Soviet Gulag; and

WHEREAS, evidence indicates that the Swedish person is Raoul Wallenberg; and

WHEREAS, history has revealed that heroic acts, such as Wallenberg's, were tragically rare during the massacre of European Jewry; and

WHEREAS, the significance of this symbol of man's concern for his fellow man has been tainted by the Soviet wall of silence that surrounds his fate; and

WHEREAS, the Soviet Union that holds Wallenberg prisoner has a long history of repression of basic human rights and individual freedom;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith calls upon the Soviet Union to reveal the true facts surrounding the imprisonment of Raoul Wallenberg and to release him immediately; and

FURTHERMORE, the Anti-Defamation League urges the President of the United States to take all steps towards obtaining the release of Raoul Wallenberg;

AND FURTHERMORE, to implement this resolution, the Anti-Defamation League will appoint a special commission of five National Commissioners to cooperate with the international Raoul Wallenberg committees.

ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI B'RITH, JUNE 2, 1980

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HOWARD W. CANNON
NEVADA

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

June 23, 1980

The Honorable Edmund Muskie
Secretary of State
Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20525

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please find enclosed petitions received by me from 2,500 of my Nevada constituents concerning the case of Raoul Wallenberg. A copy of my letter to these petitioners is also enclosed for your information.

These petitions request the release of Raoul Wallenberg from imprisonment by the Soviet Union, should he be alive.

Consistent with the sentiments expressed in the petitions, I respectfully request that these petitions be transmitted through your department to the highest proper Soviet authority. I would deeply appreciate it if you would notify me upon the successful delivery of these petitions.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Howard W. Cannon
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Thank you for your efforts in the petition drive for the release of Raoul Wallenberg.

As you know, the heroic Mr. Wallenberg disappeared after being assigned to Budapest by the Swedish mission in 1945. It was learned later that he had been captured by the Soviet Union that same year. The Soviet Union claims Mr. Wallenberg died in prison in 1947, but reports by fellow prisoners have claimed that he was seen during the 1950's. All attempts to get information on Mr. Wallenberg from the Soviet Union have led nowhere and the Soviets continue to consider the matter closed, despite claims that Mr. Wallenberg is still alive.

I support your efforts to free Mr. Wallenberg, should he still be alive. I am pleased to inform you that I have delivered the petitions to the Soviet authorities through the Office of Soviet Relations, Department of State. While any sudden change in the situation appears unlikely, given the current state of Soviet-American relations, your efforts are commendable.

It is only through active petition efforts such as yours that any hope rests for more information and a complete investigation. Rest assured that the matter is being pursued by both American and Swedish authorities, and that I will continue to monitor the situation closely.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

HOWARD W. CANNON

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SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES
on the campus of yeshiva university of los angeles

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June 26, 1980

Mayor Erastus Corning, II
City Hall
Albany, N. Y. 12207

Dear Mayor Corning:

The Holocaust has long been referred to as a watershed in the history of mankind; a time during which the darkest side of human behavior emerged. It will ever serve as a reminder and warning of this potential of man's inhumanity to man.

There were those, however, who in the midst of the madness stood up and fought tyranny and whose capacity of humanity and heroism shone brilliantly against the darkness of Genocide. And one man, Raoul Wallenberg, stands above the rest. For here was a man whose country (Sweden) was not at war, whose financial security was guaranteed (his family was known as the Rockefellers of Sweden) but who nonetheless carelessly risked his life time and again to save tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews from the clutches of the Nazi Genocide during the closing months of the Second World War. Raoul Wallenberg is credited with saving thirty thousand Jews directly and perhaps as many as 70 thousand indirectly from the same fate which befell six million of their brethren. Unfortunately, and inexplicably, the Russians kidnapped and incarcerated Wallenberg at the end of the Second World War and only twelve years later claimed that he had died in prison in 1947. However, on the basis of testimony recently reaching the West from the Gulag, members of the Wallenberg family, Simon Wiesenthal, the famed Nazi hunter, and other interested parties, are not convinced that Wallenberg is dead. All efforts to date to verify his fate with the Soviet authorities have gone unheeded.

The Wiesenthal Center is asking our public officials and institutions to recognize the acts and legacy of this great man on what will be his 68th birthday - August 4, 1980 - be it through proclamation or executive order. We also strongly urge you to incorporate into your statement or resolution support for U.S. diplomatic representatives' efforts at upcoming international human rights meetings. We will then personally deliver all these proclamations to the Wallenberg Tribunal now scheduled for Stockholm this fall.

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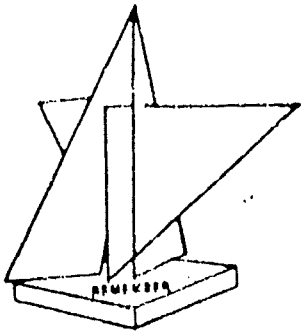

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We sincerely appreciate your involvement in this issue and we look forward to working closely with members of your staff in order to maximize the impact of this symbolic gesture. If I can be of any assistance in answering any questions, please do not hesitate to call upon me directly.

Sincerely yours,

Abraham Cooper

Rabbi Abraham Cooper
Assistant to the Dean
Director of Outreach Programs

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# United States Senate

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The Honorable J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary of State
for Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to Eric Hochstein, of my staff, from Rabbi Abraham Cooper, of the Simon Weisenthal Center for Holocaust Studies. It contains a request for material which the Center would like to obtain as part of its research and activities on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg, the missing Swedish diplomat. As you know, I have been deeply involved in the Wallenberg case and I have communicated my interest to you a number of times in the past year.

I recently met with Rabbi Cooper to discuss the present situation. We discussed the possibility of scheduling a meeting, as referred to in his letter, for August 4th, Wallenberg's birthday. I would appreciate any assistance that you might be able to provide concerning both the "Freedom of Information Act" materials and the meeting.

If you need any further information concerning these requests, please feel free to contact Mr. Hochstein at 224-3267.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin

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SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES
on the campus of yeshiva university of los angeles

June 23, 1980

Mr. Eric Hochstein
c/o Senator Carl M. Levin
3327 Dirksen Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Eric,

Since I don't know the mechanism of obtaining information based on the "Freedom of Information Act", I am hereby requesting Senator Levin's assistance in asking for access to all U.S. governmental documents (especially State Department) relative to Raoul Wallenberg's appointment, work in Budapest and subsequent incarceration by the Russians. Whatever is necessary for us to do in order to obtain this information, we stand ready to do but we would naturally like to expedite the matter as quickly as possible.

This past Thursday night the Wiesenthal Center hosted Per Anger to an over-flow audience. Interest in the issue is most definitely on the rise around the country. We have not as yet heard anything from either Carter or the State Department in reference to our request for an August 4th meeting. Perhaps you could give a call to Jim Doane to find out what is going on. Be well.

B'vracha,

Abraham Cooper

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Assistant to the Dean
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July 8, 1980

Mr. James Doane
Office of Soviet Union Affairs
Department of State
Room 4219
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Doane:

I am writing on behalf of Dr. Guy Von Dardel, brother of Raoul Wallenberg, to request your specific and personal involvement in determining the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg.

I am sure I do not have to recount his story to you: the actions of this tremendous individual were instrumental in saving the lives of numerous human beings. Thirty-five years after the kidnapping of this Swedish diplomat while he held a diplomatic post in Budapest, Raoul Wallenberg may still be alive in the Soviet Gulag. President Carter himself has brought this issue to the attention of the Soviets on numerous occasions, unfortunately with no positive results thus far.

You are also most likely aware of the ongoing congressional interest in this matter -- the special orders which have been called, and the many letters which have been written. If Raoul is still alive, his fate will depend on the concern and involvement of the highest officials representing the governments of the free world.

It is my hope that you personally share these concerns, and that this concern will be multiplied and ultimately result in the release of Raoul Wallenberg.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Bob Dornan

Robert K. Dornan
Member of Congress

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Hon. Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
2201 C St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Secretary: Ed

It has been called to my attention that you have been contacted by the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies urging that you meet with members of the Raoul Wallenberg family on or about August 4 (Raoul Wallenberg's 68th birthday).

I am sure that you are aware to the work of the Free Wallenberg Committee and of the growing concern in our country over the Wallenberg case.

I would urge you to meet with the Wallenberg family as a demonstration to them and to all who share their concerns, that the Wallenberg case is a priority concern of our government.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Phil

PHILLIP BURTON
Member of Congress

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J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
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/S/

W. Beverly Carter

The Honorable Erastus Corning II
Office of the Mayor,
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June 30, 1980

Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
United States Government
Washington, D. C.

RE: Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies

Dear Secretary Muskie:

I am enclosing photostats of a communication from the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies and a copy of my answer and ask that you do everything you can that is appropriate in the circumstances.

Our paths have not crossed since '68 but I do want to congratulate both you and the country. My kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

MAYOR

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CITY OF ALBANY
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June 30, 1980

Rabbi Abraham Cooper
Assistant to the Dean
Director of Outreach Programs
Simon Wiesenthal Center for
Holocaust Studies
9760 West Pico Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90035

Dear Rabbi Cooper:

Thank you for your letter of June 26th in regard to the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies. This is a most impressive communication and I am going to send copies of it to the Secretary of State Muskie and ask that he take all appropriate steps in connection with this.

Sincerely yours,

MAYOR

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SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES
on the campus of yeshiva university of los angeles

June 26, 1980

Mayor Erastus Corning, II
City Hall
Albany, N. Y. 12207

Dear Mayor Corning:

The Holocaust has long been referred to as a watershed in the history of mankind; a time during which the darkest side of human behavior emerged. It will ever serve as a reminder and warning of this potential of man's inhumanity to man.

There were those, however, who in the midst of the madness stood up and fought tyranny and whose capacity of humanity and heroism shone brilliantly against the darkness of Genocide. And one man, Raoul Wallenberg, stands above the rest. For here was a man whose country (Sweden) was not at war, whose financial security was guaranteed (his family was known as the Rockefellers of Sweden) but who nonetheless carelessly risked his life time and again to save tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews from the clutches of the Nazi Genocide during the closing months of the Second World War. Raoul Wallenberg is credited with saving thirty thousand Jews directly and perhaps as many as 70 thousand indirectly from the same fate which befell six million of their brethren. Unfortunately, and inexplicably, the Russians kidnapped and incarcerated Wallenberg at the end of the Second World War and only twelve years later claimed that he had died in prison in 1947. However, on the basis of testimony recently reaching the West from the Gulag, members of the Wallenberg family, Simon Wiesenthal, the famed Nazi hunter, and other interested parties, are not convinced that Wallenberg is dead. All efforts to date to verify his fate with the Soviet authorities have gone unheeded.

The Wiesenthal Center is asking our public officials and institutions to recognize the acts and legacy of this great man on what will be his 68th birthday - August 4, 1980 - be it through proclamation or executive order. We also strongly urge you to incorporate into your statement or resolution support for U.S. diplomatic representatives' efforts at upcoming international human rights meetings. We will then personally deliver all these proclamations to the Wallenberg Tribunal now scheduled for Stockholm this fall.

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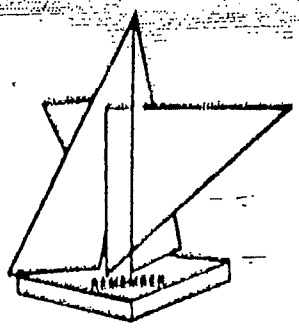


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We sincerely appreciate your involvement in this issue and we look forward to working closely with members of your staff in order to maximize the impact of this symbolic gesture. If I can be of any assistance in answering any questions, please do not hesitate to call upon me directly

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# SOCIAL ACTION UPDATE

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SOCIAL ACTION UPDATE #4

SPECIAL ALERT

## RAOUL WALLENBERG: ACCOUNTING FOR THE LOST HERO OF THE HOLOCAUST.

*"He gave us the sense that we were still human beings ... he came himself. He talked to us and showed that one human being cared about what was happening to us"*
*—survivor*

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### WHO IS RAOUL WALLENBERG?

A Swedish diplomat (non-Jew) who at the behest of the American War Refugee Board and at grave risk to his own life, went to Hungary in 1944 to coordinate the efforts to rescue Jews from the hands of the Nazis. Wallenberg set up headquarters in Budapest and began by offering protection to any Jew who had links to Sweden. Later, he extended his operations by establishing "international houses" under the protection of the Red Cross in which thousands of Jews were granted refuge. When the Nazis initiated a forced march of Hungarian Jews, Wallenberg followed the marchers saving those whom he could save and assisting the others by providing them with food and clothing. Tens of thousands of Jews were saved as a result of his actions.

### WHERE IS HE NOW?

He was taken prisoner by the liberating Russian forces in 1945, and subsequently disappeared. Later, the Soviet Government asserted that he had died in prison in 1947. Testimony by refugees from Soviet imprisonment and a former KGB agent indicate that he is currently being held in a Siberian insane asylum.

### WHY DID THE SOVIETS ARREST HIM?

There is no obvious reason for Wallenberg's arrest or his detention. Various theories have been advanced including Russian suspicion of espionage, Russian fear of Western influence in postwar Hungary, and seizure by Soviet officials of refugee aid funds that Wallenberg was in charge of. Continuing to hold him is an outrageous violation of law, morality, and decency—especially now when so many former SS officers have been set free.

### CAN ANYTHING BE DONE TO FREE HIM?

The Soviet Government has frequently shown sensitivity to public opinion in the West. Exiled dissidents are unanimous in their advocacy of public pressure from the West on the Soviet Union. Furthermore, the USSR is hosting the 1980 Olympics, and are very anxious to avoid international embarrassment. If public attention were focused on Wallenberg's fate, perhaps the Soviets could be forced to respond. The governments of the United States, Sweden (of which Wallenberg is still a citizen), and Hungary should also be persuaded to approach the Soviet Union on behalf of Wallenberg.

### WHAT IS THE WIESENTHAL CENTER DOING?

In order to promote international attention and concern, the Wiesenthal Center will be participating in and filming the proceedings of an International Tribunal on the Wallenberg case slated for Stockholm, Sweden in May, 1980. The Tribunal will bring together for the first time witnesses from around the globe, and a distinguished international panel led by Simon Wiesenthal and Winston Churchill, III will evaluate the testimony. In advance of the Tribunal, the Center has urged members of the United States Congress to endorse the proceedings.

*Because of a nationwide strike in Sweden, this has been postponed until the Fall of 1980.

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Raoul Wallenberg proved that one person's actions can make a difference.

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Rabbi Cooper had requested information the Department maintains on the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg and had also asked to meet with Department officials on August 4.

Rabbi Cooper's request for information on Raoul Wallenberg is being processed under the Freedom of Information Act. The Information and Privacy Staff will correspond directly with Rabbi Cooper concerning the provisions of the Act and the status of his request.

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Sincerely,

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The Honorable
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The Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
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Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We would like to ask your assistance concerning Raoul Wallenberg. Since a great deal of information is available about him, we will not burden you with an extensive elaboration of his case except to relate the following facts.

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We are extremely concerned about his fate. Is he alive? Where is he? And what has happened to him?

Therefore, we respectfully request that at the forthcoming Helsinki Commissions follow-up meeting in Madrid, the case of Raoul Wallenberg be put on the agenda and vigorously pursued by our delegation.

With best wishes,

Ed Derwinski
Ranking Minority Member
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Sincerely,

Walter L. Cutler
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Don Bonker,
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MR. OLEG SOKOLOV
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, USA DEPARTMENT
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
MOSCOW, USSR

DEAR MR. SOKOLOV:

SENATOR HOWARD W. CANNON, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE, HAS REQUESTED THE EMBASSY TO TRANSMIT THE ENCLOSED PETITIONS SIGNED BY RESIDENTS OF THE

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Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ed,

I am sure you have been approached many times to enlist your support on behalf of the tragic plight of Raoul Wallenberg, the young Swedish Christian diplomat who, when on a U.S. State Department sponsored mission single-handedly saved 100,000 European Jews from Nazi annihilation. He was last seen in the escort of several Russian officers soon after the Soviets occupied Budapest.

This letter is simply to emphasize that I am extremely concerned over the fate of Wallenberg and I request that you, as Secretary of State, make the resolution of this tragedy one of the top priorities of your office.

I realize that world events don't take a vacation; however, I hope you get a chance to enjoy Maine in general, and Webhannet in particular, this summer.

Kindest personal regards,

Joel

I. Joel Abromson

cc: Gordon D. Zacks

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Mr. James Doane, Jr.
Bilateral Relations Desk
Office of Soviet Union Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Doane:

I understand that the Secretary of State has been asked to meet with the family of Raoul Wallenberg on August 4, which is his 68th birthday, in order to encourage our government to continue its search for the whereabouts and freedom--is he is still alive--of this World War II hero.

I fully support this meeting, and pledge myself to help in any way that I can to continue to find out the truth about Mr. Wallenberg.

Sincerely,

Mike Barnes

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The Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

We would like to ask your assistance concerning Raoul Wallenberg. Since a great deal of information is available about him, we will not burden you with an extensive elaboration of his case except to relate the following facts.

In response to a request from the American War Refugee Board and the World Jewish Congress, Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg went to Budapest in 1944 after the Nazis began deporting Hungary's 700,000 Jews to extermination camps. Working personally for seven months, Wallenberg is credited with saving about 100,000 Hungarian Jews from extermination.

When the Russians captured Budapest in January of 1945, Raoul Wallenberg disappeared. The Soviets insist that he died in 1947, but over the ensuing three decades there have been eyewitness reports that Wallenberg is alive in a Soviet prison.

We are extremely concerned about his fate. Is he alive? Where is he? And what has happened to him?

Therefore, we respectfully request that at the forthcoming Helsinki Commissions follow-up meeting in Madrid, the case of Raoul Wallenberg be put on the agenda and vigorously pursued by our delegation.

With best wishes,

Ed Derwinski
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on Foreign Affairs

Don Bonker
Chairman
Subcommittee on International Organizations

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Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Phillip Burton,
House of Representatives.

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Rabbi Abraham Cooper
Assistant to the Dean
for Holocaust Studies
9760 West Pico Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90035

Dear Rabbi Cooper:

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William T. Shinn, Jr.
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J. Brian Atwood
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Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It has been called to my attention that you have been contacted by the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies urging that you meet with members of the Raoul Wallenberg family on or about August 4 (Raoul Wallenberg's 68th birthday).

I am sure that you are aware to the work of the Free Wallenberg Committee and of the growing concern in our country over the Wallenberg case.

I would urge you to meet with the Wallenberg family as a demonstration to them and to all who share their concerns, that the Wallenberg case is a priority concern of our government.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP BURTON
Member of Congress

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July 29, 1980

Dear Mr. Dornan:

I have been asked to reply to your letter to Secretary Muskie of July 8 concerning your interest in the Raoul Wallenberg case.

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Given the current depressed state of our relations with the Soviet Union and the tone of the February 29 reply, we do not believe that the Soviets would be responsive now to further inquiries now about Raoul Wallenberg.

Unfortunately, the Secretary's very busy schedule precludes his meeting with the Wallenberg family during the period you suggested. I assure you that the Department continues to monitor all significant developments in this tragic case and will inform you should any new information develop.

Incidentally, you will be interested to know that extensive interviews were conducted with each of five prominent Soviet dissidents exchanged for two Soviet spies in New York City on April 27, 1979, on the possibility that Wallenberg was still alive in Soviet prison camps. None of the five ex-prisoners could confirm or lend credence to such rumors.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary for
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The Honorable
Robert K. Dornan,
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Dear Senator Cannon:

I have been asked to reply to your letter to Secretary Muskie of June 23 concerning the case of Raoul Wallenberg.

I have forwarded the petitions enclosed with your letter to Ambassador Watson in Moscow for his consideration. You will understand that we must leave it to the Ambassador to decide when and at what level the matter might be raised with the Soviet Government.

I assure you that the Department continues to monitor developments in this tragic case and we will inform you when the petitions have been delivered to the Soviet Government.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
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The Honorable
Howard W. Cannon,
United States Senate.

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1. DEAR SENATOR CANNON:

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS SENT US YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 23, 1980, TO SECRETARY MUSKIE REGARDING THE FATE OF SWEDISH DIPLOMAT RAOUL WALLENBERG.

ON AUGUST 12, 1980, THIS EMBASSY SENT THE PETITIONS WHICH ACCOMPANIED YOUR LETTER TO THE USSR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WITH OUR REQUEST THAT THEY BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE APPROPRIATE SOVIET AUTHORITIES.

I MUST REPORT TO YOU THAT OUR PREVIOUS APPROACHES ON THE WALLENBERG CASE, INCLUDING A NUMBER MADE THIS

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SINCERELY,

MARK GARRISON, CHARGE D'AFFAIRES. GARRISON

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AUGUST 1980

Dear Mr. Weiss:

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The Honorable
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ACTION MEMORANDUM

S/S

August 14, 1980

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To: The Acting Secretary

From: EUR - George S. Vest

Raoul Wallenberg Case

Mr. I. Joel Abromson wrote to the Secretary on July 22. He would like to enlist our support in determining the plight of Raoul Wallenberg who is believed to be still alive in the USSR.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter at Tab 1.

Attachments:

1. Letter for signature
2. Letter from Mr. I. Joel Abromson

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Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ed,

I am sure you have been approached many times to enlist your support on behalf of the tragic plight of Raoul Wallenberg, the young Swedish Christian diplomat who, when on a U.S. State Department sponsored mission single-handedly saved 100,000 European Jews from Nazi annihilation. He was last seen in the escort of several Russian officers soon after the Soviets occupied Budapest.

This letter is simply to emphasize that I am extremely concerned over the fate of Wallenberg and I request that you, as Secretary of State, make the resolution of this tragedy one of the top priorities of your office.

I realize that world events don't take a vacation; however, I hope you get a chance to enjoy Maine in general, and Webhannet in particular, this summer.

Kindest personal regards,

Joel

I. Joel Abromson

cc: Gordon D. Zacks

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. McIntyre:

In accordance with established procedure, there is transmitted herewith a proposed report on S.Con.Res. 110, to honor Raoul Wallenberg and to request that the Department of State take all possible action to obtain information concerning his present status and secure his release.

Please inform the Department whether there is any objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
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Enclosure:

Six Copies of
Proposed Report

The Honorable
James T. McIntyre, Jr., Director,
Office of Management and Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 18, 1980

Mr. J. Brian Atwood
Department of State
Congressional Relations
2201 C Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

The attached communication is submitted for your consideration, and to ask that the request made therein be complied with, if possible.

If you will advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me with your reply, I will appreciate it.

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Very truly yours,

Paul Trible

M.C.
Paul Trible, 1st, Virginia District.
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Re: Raoul Wallenberg, Prisoner in Russia, USSR
From: Charlie I. Olman,

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CHARLES I. OSMAN, D.D.S., LTD.

Congressman Paul Trible
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

August 14, 1980

Dear Sir,

We are deeply concerned as to the condition of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who, during World War 2, was directly responsible for saving thousands of lives in Europe. There have been recent indications that he is alive and a prisoner in Russia. It is vital that the USSR be encouraged to account for him. Do you have any information on this matter?

Sincerely yours,

C Osman

Charles I. Osman

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# SOCIAL ACTION UPDATE NO. 6 — SUMMER 1980

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FROM: SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES
9760 WEST PICO BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90035

July, 1980

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE REQUIRED
PLEASE RESPOND WITHIN 10 DAYS

Evidence is mounting that Raoul Wallenberg, the man who saved the lives of more than 25,000 Hungarian Jews in World War II through his personal intervention, may still be alive in the Soviet Gulag.

Wallenberg, a Swedish diplomat and a Christian, was the only man from the entire free world to volunteer to go to Hungary to help its people in 1944 -- a time when so much of the world refused to confront or even acknowledge Hitler's plan to destroy Europe's Jewish population. He was sent to Budapest by the American Refugee Board to coordinate a rescue mission.

Time and again, Wallenberg risked his own life, using his authority as a diplomat to personally intervene and save men, women and children from the gas chambers. It was Wallenberg himself who went to train stations to distribute Swedish passports by climbing atop deportation trains and handing them to all who could reach him. It was Wallenberg who insisted that these people were then under the protection of the Swedish Government and that they be allowed to detrain. It was Wallenberg who confronted Adolf Eichmann face to face twice during these dramatic days. It was Wallenberg who personally established "international houses" which flew the Swedish flag and at which more than 10,000 Jews were sheltered. It was Wallenberg who used his own funds to help save these people, who showed overriding concern for the poor and the indigent among them.

In this way, he not only saved the lives of more than 25,000 Jews, he saved their faith as well. He gave them the courage to resist Nazi oppression. Truly, it can be said that through his brave actions, he preserved the highest ideals and cherished values of the Western world.

In 1945, Wallenberg was taken prisoner by Russians who captured Hungary. The reasons why are not fully understood. He was sent to Moscow and disappeared into the Soviet prison system without charge or trial. The Russians at first denied any knowledge of Wallenberg. Later they changed their story to claim that he died in prison in 1947. However, there have been repeated reports from reliable eye witnesses that Wallenberg was alive in the Siberian "Gulag" after the alleged date of his death. In fact, the latest information came in a phone conversation from a Soviet Jew, Jan Kaplan, who was promptly rearrested by the Soviet authorities and has not been heard from in a year.

The Wiesenthal Center, at the request of members of the Wallenberg family, has made personal representations to the Swedish Government and has met with high White House and State Department officials, as well as with leading members of the U.S. Senate. We have implored the Swedish Prime Minister to utilize Sweden's participation in the 1980 Moscow Olympics to pressure the Soviets to clarify Wallenberg's fate.

President Carter and Secretary of State Muskie have been asked to commemorate Wallenberg's 68th birthday August 4th by meeting with his family and by committing the administration to pressing the issue at the highest levels with the

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Soviets, including at the upcoming Helsinki Accord Review Conference this fall. The Center has also contacted Governors and Mayors to celebrate (and memorialize) Wallenberg's birthday.

This fall, witnesses will gather from all parts of the world to offer testimony about this "lost hero" of the Holocaust at an international tribunal to be held in Stockholm, Sweden. Members of the Tribunal panel will include Simon Wiesenthal, British members of Parliament Winston Churchill and Lord Gerry Fitt, Jenner, Nobel Laureate Andres Lwoff, Gideon Hausner, and Elie Wiesel.

The Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies will not only attend this Tribunal, but has been granted exclusive rights to film it. We hope to reach millions of viewers with the film by arranging to have it shown on public Educational Television stations across the country. In this way, we hope to raise a public outcry -- an outcry which can force the Russians to respond.

Raoul Wallenberg risked his life over and over again so that others would be spared from the inhuman cruelties of the Nazis. Help us to save him. As Simon Wiesenthal pleaded: "It is as important to find Wallenberg as it is to find Nazis -- it is a matter of Jewish honor not to forget this holy man. We must leave no stone unturned until the whole truth is known about his fate."

If this noble man is alive, we must do everything in our power to find him and free him. You can do something right now to help force the USSR to account fully about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and to spread the word of his heroism and plight. You will find the list of officials who should be contacted immediately below. Write or cable them today.

With hope,

Abraham Cooper

Rabbi Abraham Cooper, Assistant to the Dean

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| WRITE: | Secretary of State Edmund Muskie<br>2201 C St. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036 |
| CONFRONT: | The Russians with the message that Wallenberg is not forgotten, and that his fate is linked to future relations between East and West.<br>Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin<br>Embassy of Union of Soviet Socialist Republics<br>1125 16th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 |
| URGE: | Your Washington Representatives to get involved.<br>House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515<br>United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510 |
| ENCOURAGE: | Your Governor and Mayor to recognize Wallenberg's legacy. |
| REMIND: | The Swedish Government that the eyes of the world are upon it.<br>Ambassador Wilhelm Wachtmeister<br>Embassy of Sweden<br>600 New Hampshire, Suite 1200<br>Washington, D.C. 20037 |

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1. ON AUGUST 22, UNDER A LETTER SIGNED BY ACTING USA DEPARTMENT CHIEF ANTOLI MYSHKOV, THE SOVIET MFA RETURNED THE WALLENBERG CASE PETITIONS SENT TO US BY NEVADA SENATOR HOWARD CANNON. THESE PETITIONS HAD BEEN TRANSMITTED TO THE MFA ON AUGUST 12, UNDER LETTER SIGNED BY ACTING POLCONS (REFTEL A).

2. THE FOLLOWING IS AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF MYSHKOV'S LETTER: DEAR MR. DJEREJIAN: IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 12, I WOULD LIKE TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT, WHICH MUST BE WELL KNOWN TO THE AMERICAN SIDE, THAT THE SOVIET UNION IN 1957 INFORMED SWEDEN ABOUT THE FACT THAT R. WALLENBERG DIED IN 1947. IN RESPONSE TO THE CORRESPONDING INQUIRIES, EXPLANATIONS TO THIS EFFECT HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE TO THE USA STATE DEPARTMENT. IT IS
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SPECULATIONS ARE SEIZED UPON AND PETITIONS ARE DISSEMINATED, THE BASIS OF WHICH IS NOT AN INTEREST IN THE "FATE OF WALLENBERG" BUT RATHER AN EFFORT TO POISON THE INTERNATIONAL ATMOSPHERE AND IN PARTICULAR SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS. HAVING IN MIND THE ABOVE, THE PETITIONS FORWARDED WITH YOUR LETTER ARE BEING RETURNED.

3. COPIES OF THE EXCHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE AND THE ORIGINALS OF THE PETITIONS ARE BEING POUCHED TO EUR/SOV. ASSUME DEPT. WILL INFORM SEN. CANNON.

4. COMMENT: THE SOVIET RESPONSE IS EVEN MORE UNINFORMATIVE THAN THE SOVIET NON-PAPER DELIVERED TO EUR DAS BARRY ON FEBRUARY 29, 1980 (REFTEL B). GIVEN SOVIET STONEWALLING ON THIS CASE, WE DOUBT WHETHER THE SOVIETS WILL ACCEPT ANY FUTURE PETITIONS TRANSMITTED BY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, BUT WE WILL CONTINUE TO RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH THEM FROM TIME TO TIME TO INDICATE OUR INTEREST IN A FULL EXPLANATION OF WALLENBERG'S FATE. END COMMENT. GARRISON



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August 27, 1980

Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
The Secretary
Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I have had inquiries as to what the Department of State might be doing to maintain as an active question directed to the Soviet Union the matter of the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swedish national who was active during World War II in assisting many Hungarian Jews to escape the Nazi extermination efforts.

My understanding is that a number of these excapees now are grateful, productive citizens of the United States.

From time to time in recent months, news media accounts have recalled reported sightings of Wallenberg in Soviet prisons or mental hospitals, despite the Gromyko insistance that he died a prisoner in 1947.

(Why the anti-Nazi humanitarian, Wallenberg, should have been taken prisoner by the Soviets in the first place remains a substantial question.)

Your comments would be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Kenneth Robinson

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# Congress of the United States
## House of Representatives

August 27, 1980

Mr. Walter L. Cutler
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Cutler:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 13th regarding my suggestion that Secretary of State Muskie and his staff schedule a meeting with members of the family of Raoul Wallenberg and staff from the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies of Los Angeles.

While I appreciate the statement of concern contained in your letter, I note that it did not directly address the request for a meeting.

I would like to reiterate that I believe such a meeting is appropriate and useful. The Raoul Wallenberg situation deserves the personal attention of the Secretary and I hope that such a meeting can be arranged.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

August 28, 1980

Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

Bill Thom

M. C.

Please provide any information available on Jan Kaplan as well as Mr. Wallenberg.

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Melvin C. Hartman, N.Y. inquiring about Raul Wallenberg.

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August 25, 1980

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Secretary of State Edmund Muskie
2201 "C" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 2036

Re: Raoul Wallenberg

My dear Secretary of State:

Upon return from vacation I read the Social Action Update from Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies re the above captioned person.

Americans are concerned whether Mr. Wallenberg is alive.

Americans are concerned as to what happened to Jan Kaplan who reported that Mr. Wallenberg is alive.

Please do your utmost to determine what has actually happened to these courageous people.

Yours truly,

Melvin C. Hartman

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cc: Soviet Ambassador
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August 28, 1980

Honorable Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
2201 C Street
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I have recently received from one of my constituents a plea on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg, formerly a Swedish diplomat, who went to heroic lengths to save many Jews and Christians during the Second World War. It is reported that Wallenberg is alive somewhere in the Siberian Gulag.

Would you be so kind as to advise me of what is known of Wallenberg's fate, and what actions, if any, have been taken to urge his release on humanitarian grounds?

Thanking you in advance, I remain

Sincerely,

Jesse Helms

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 28, 1980

Department of State
Congressional Relations
Room 7251
Washington, D.C. 20520

REGARDING ATTACHED LETTER FROM:

Mary Lynn Marshall

Dear Sir:

Attached is a letter recently received in this office. Please provide us with a report on this matter at your earliest convenience and return the correspondence to Senator Nelson.

PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Noelle Burke

Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Nedelman

JEFFREY NEDELMAN
Administrative Assistant
to Senator Nelson

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Bobbie Davis

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Washington, D.C. 20520

Please respond to the attached inquiry in duplicate and return the enclosure. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bill Proxmire
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Secretary has asked me to reply to your request for Executive Branch comments on S.Con.Res. 110.

The State Department has no objection to the first operative part of S.Con.Res. 110. Indeed, we consider it most appropriate to honor Raoul Wallenberg since he did so much to help others during World War II.

It should be noted that following discussions on this subject in Vienna in June 1979, the Department raised the matter with the Soviet Embassy twice more, seeking further clarification of Wallenberg's fate. We pressed the Soviets again in December for a full and adequate response. Regrettably, the Soviets failed to respond to our requests until February 29 of this year, when they formally and in writing reaffirmed their claim that Wallenberg had died in the USSR during July, 1947. The Soviets also stated that they have informed the Swedish Government directly of their latest findings and indicated they would have no further information on this matter in the future.

It is our judgement that, given the current depressed state of our relations with the Soviet Union and the tone of the February 29 reply, the Soviets are unlikely to be responsive to further inquiries about Raoul Wallenberg.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

The Honorable
Frank Church,
Chairman,
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August 29, 1980

Dear Senator Magnuson:

Thank you for your letters of August 19 on behalf of a number of your constituents concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The U.S. Government has been interested in the Wallenberg case since it first came to light at the end of World War II. We have sought a full and adequate response about Mr. Wallenberg's fate from the Soviet Government a number of times, most recently in December 1979. That initiative resulted in a formal written reply from the Soviets in February 1980 reaffirming their claim that Mr. Wallenberg died in 1947. They also stated that they had informed the Swedish Government directly of their latest findings and suggested that they would have no further information on this matter in the future. Given the current state of U.S.-U.S.S.R. relations and the tone of the February reply, we doubt the Soviets would be responsive to further inquiries about Mr. Wallenberg.

We have also attempted to gain information in other ways. U.S. officials conducted extensive interviews with the five Soviet dissidents exchanged for two Soviet spies in April 1979. None of the five ex-prisoners could confirm or lend credence to rumors that Mr. Wallenberg is still alive.

Sincerely,

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

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Correspondence returned.

The Honorable
Warren G. Magnuson,
United States Senate.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

September 3, 1980

*Respectfully referred to*

Department of State
Congressional Liaison Office
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Friends:

I would appreciate learning of the Department's current activities to locate Raoul Wallenberg. The Department's letter can be sent to David Higham in my Washington office.

Thank you for your help.

*Very respectfully,*

James J. Florio

*M.C., 1st-NJ District.*

re: Raoul Wallenberg.

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July 21, 1980

Congressman James J. Florio
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman:

I understand that Raoul Wallenberg is presently being held in an insane asylum by the Soviet Government.

Who Raoul Wallenberg is needs no identification; I am certain you are aware of who he is and why he is being held.

Since he is non-Jewish, I consider it outrageous that the Soviet Government has seen fit to falsely allege his death and deny that he is alive, purely because of his efforts to rescue persecuted Jews from the Nazis.

Regardless of your persuasion, I feel that you should participate in any effort to free this man, and I call upon you to lend your support and help in doing so.

This transcends any religious or political aspect. This is a simple matter of humanity and morality.

Your help is needed, please do so.

Very truly yours,

Carl Auerbach

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Mr. J. Brian Atwood
Ass't. Sec., Congressional Relations
Department of State
2201 C Street
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

I have recently received the enclosed correspondence regarding a matter involving your agency, and because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries, I would appreciate having your comments and views.

Your early consideration of this matter will be appreciated. If convenient, I would like to have your reply in duplicate and to have the enclosure returned.

Please refer to SF2-77 in your reply.

With kindest regards, I am

Most sincerely,

Lawton Chiles

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Re: Fate of Raoul Wallenberg in a Russian prison.

From: Stanley Bernstein + others

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August 18, 1980

Hon. Senator Lawton Chiles
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat whom the Russians say died in prison in 1947, may still be alive. Only the Soviet government knows the whole truth.

I think we should know it, too. Perhaps, you can find time to become involved in this question.

Thank you.

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

September 4, 1980

The Honorable
Edmund S. Muskie
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Enclosed are copies of S.Con.Res. 117, "Expressing the sense of the Congress that the President should convey to the Soviet Government the deep concern of the Congress and the American people for the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and that the United States delegation to the Madrid Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe should urge consideration of the case of Raoul Wallenberg at that meeting by the signatories to the Helsinki Final Act," introduced by Senator Moynihan et al on August 26, 1980.

The Committee would appreciate receiving coordinated Executive Branch comments on this concurrent resolution at an early date.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Frank Church
Chairman

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 26 (legislative day, JUNE 12), 1980

Mr. MOYNIHAN (for himself, Mr. PELL, Mr. BOSCHWITZ, and Mr. CHURCH) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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# CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the President should convey to the Soviet Government the deep concern of the Congress and the American people for the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and that the United States delegation to the Madrid Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe should urge consideration of the case of Raoul Wallenberg at that meeting by the signatories to the Helsinki Final Act.

Whereas in July 1944, at the request of the American War Refugee Board and the Swedish Government, Swedish Diplomat Raoul Wallenberg undertook a mission of mercy to

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Budapest, Hungary, as a result of which thousands of Hungarian Jews were saved;

Whereas considerable evidence exists that Raoul Wallenberg was abducted by Soviet forces in Hungary in 1945, in violation of international standards of diplomatic immunity;

Whereas Soviet officials originally denied having custody of Wallenberg, but subsequently stated that a prisoner named "Walenberg" died in a Soviet prison in 1947;

Whereas reports from former Soviet prisoners indicate that Wallenberg may not have died in 1947 but may still be alive in a Soviet prison;

Whereas the significance of Wallenberg's heroic and humanitarian actions has been obscured by the wall of silence that surrounds his fate;

Whereas the continued internment of Wallenberg, if indeed he is still alive, is a direct contravention of the Final Act of the Helsinki Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which states: "The participating states will respect human rights and fundamental freedoms * * * and fulfill in good faith their obligations under international law * * *"; and

Whereas the purpose of the Madrid Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to be held in November, as stated at the Belgrade Conference held in 1978, is to "continue the multilateral process initiated by the CSCE" to review compliance with the Helsinki Final Act: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that the
3 President should express to the Soviet Government the deep
4 concern of the Congress and the American people for the fate

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1 of Raoul Wallenberg, and should urge the Soviet Govern-
2 ment to cooperate fully in ascertaining his fate.
3 SEC. 2. It is further the sense of the Congress that the
4 United States delegation to the review meeting of the Con-
5 ference on Security and Cooperation in Europe which will be
6 held in Madrid in November 1980 should urge that the case
7 of Raoul Wallenberg be considered at that meeting by the
8 signatory countries to the Final Act of the Helsinki Confer-
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# Congress of the United States
## House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

September 9, 1980

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for Congressional
Relations
Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

I have received a number of inquiries concerning the welfare and whereabouts of Mr. Raoul Wallenberg, a former Swedish diplomat who saved more than 25,000 Hungarian Jews during World War II.

It is my understanding that in 1945 he was taken prisoner by the Russians when they capture Hungary. In this connection, I would appreciate any information the Department may have on the status of Mr. Wallenberg.

With many thanks for your assistance, I am

Sincerely,

Jim Howard

JAMES J. HOWARD
Member of Congress

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Senator Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
1850 McNamara Federal Building
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# United States Senate

September 9, 1980

Respectfully referred to: J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

Re: Raoul Wallenberg

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

Don Riegle
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Re: Fate of Raoul Wallenberg in the Soviet Union.
From: Steven B. Haffner

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STEVEN B. HAFFNER

SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN 48075

August 19, 1980

United States Senator Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
1207 Dirksen Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Riegle:

It is important that the United States government use whatever pressure which might be brought to bear upon the Soviet Union to bring about the release of the imprisoned Raoul Wallenberg.

Wallenberg is a true hero to those of us who believe in freedom, liberty, and human dignity.

I implore you to use your good offices to assist in locating and freeing Raoul Wallenberg.

Very truly yours,

LAW OFFICES OF STEVEN B. HAFFNER

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Congress of the United States
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Department of State
Congressional Liaison Office
Washington, D.C. 20520

Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

James M. Corman

PLEASE REPLY TO: JAMES CORMAN
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14545 Friar Street
Van Nuys, California 91411
ATT: MRS. BARRETT

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Re: The fate of Raoul Wallenberg in the Soviet Union.
From: Jaime Gesundheit

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Architect AIA

13848 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 4 / Sherman Oaks, California 91423 213/788-2855

12 August 1980

Honorable James Corman
Representative, 21st District
14545 Friar Street
VanNuys, California 91404

Dear Congressman Corman:

This letter is to communicate my deep concern for the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg. It is beyond comprehension that a person of such heroic background can be left forgotten. I implore you as a human being and as an elected offical to use the powers which have been given you to determine first if this man is alive, and if so, to then join the movement to locate him and to free him.

Very sincerely,

Jaime Gesundheit
Architect, AIA

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington, D.C. 20520

August 27, 1980

Ms. Jaime Gesundheit
13848 Ventura Blvd.
Suite 4
Sherman Oaks, California 91423

Dear Ms. Gesundheit:

Thank you for your letter to Secretary Muskie concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The Department's records show that Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish mission in Budapest, Hungary during World War II and disappeared in January 1945 after Soviet troops arrived. The Soviet Union responded in February 1957 to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government by stating that Mr. Wallenberg died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Although the Swedish Government officially raised the Wallenberg case on numerous subsequent occasions, citing several witnesses who claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviets have provided no additional information.

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Sincerely,

William J. Dyess
Assistant Secretary-Designate
for Public Affairs

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September 10, 1980

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Dear Senator Mathias:

Thank you for your inquiry of August 21 on behalf of a number of your constituents concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The Department's records show that Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish mission in Budapest, Hungary during World War II and disappeared in January 1945 after Soviet troops arrived. The Soviet Union responded in February 1957 to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government by stating that Mr. Wallenberg died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Although the Swedish Government officially raised the Wallenberg case on numerous subsequent occasions, citing several witnesses who claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviets have provided no additional information.

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Sincerely,

Brian Atwood

J. Brian Atwood
Assistant Secretary
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Dear

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I am responding to your letter on November 17 concerning the case of Raoul Wallenberg.

As you may know, the United States Government has been concerned over the fate of Raoul Wallenberg since the case first came to light at the end of World War II. We have taken every appropriate opportunity to ask Soviet authorities for a clarification on the Wallenberg case. The Soviet authorities have persisted in maintaining that Wallenberg died in 1947 but have provided no further details. When we received reports which indicated the possibility that Wallenberg might still be alive, we raised the matter with the Soviets on numerous occasions throughout 1979. They finally answered, formally and in writing, in February of 1980, stating that Wallenberg had died in July of 1947. They also informed the Swedish Government of this finding and indicated that they would have no further information on Wallenberg in the future.

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gain information regarding his fate. In December of 1980, at the Madrid CSCE Review Conference, the United States delegation voiced its support for the position of the Government of Sweden when the Swedish delegation urged renewed efforts to resolve the Wallenberg case. In addition, representatives from the American Embassy in Stockholm attended sessions of the hearing on the Wallenberg case held in Stockholm in January of 1981. In April of 1981, Ambassador Max Kampelman, speaking in Madrid at a CSCE plenary session, stated that the Wallenberg case was one that "will not go away." Ambassador Kampelman noted that the refusal of the Soviets "to appreciate the human factor which is symbolized by the Wallenberg case is stimulating even further interest." He stated that "the tragic mystery of Raoul Wallenberg is unnecessarily becoming a divisive international issue."

Most recently, in October of 1981, the President signed into law a bill, passed overwhelmingly by both houses of Congress, making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary U.S. citizen. Although making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American does not confer any new legal right on the United States in terms of international law, honoring Wallenberg in this fashion does make clear to the Soviets the extreme seriousness with which the American Government and people view Soviet conduct in the Wallenberg case. Wallenberg's actions during World War II were

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those of a humanitarian of extraordinary courage. By making him an honorary American citizen, we have made the Soviets aware of our continued dedication to the effort to resolve the mystery of Wallenberg's fate.

The United States Government will continue to express concern over the Wallenberg case at every appropriate opportunity. We intend to cooperate fully with the Government of Sweden and all other interested parties in a persistent effort to obtain information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

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January 15, 1982

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

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Sincerely,

Richard Fairbanks
Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 8, 1982

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Mr. Brian Atwood
Sec. for Congress. Relations
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Atwood:

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Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Orrin Hatch

Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senator

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Senator Orrin Hatch
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Hatch:

Please acquaint yourself with the circumstances of the detention and imprisonment of Raoul Wallenberg, Sweden's Attaché to Hungary in 1945. Then, please use all of your influence to exert pressure on the State Department to secure his release from the Soviet prison. He now holds an honorary U.S. citizenship status and should be accorded all the belated help we can offer him.

Take whatever measures are necessary including cutting off grain shipments, technical assistance or any other goods and services exported to Russia until he is free. As one of your constituants I expect you to realize the importance of speed. We are 37 years late taking any action. Please help him.

Sincerely

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 12, 1982

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Mr. Richard Fairbanks
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Fairbanks:

Enclosed is a letter from my constituent, North Carolina, which discusses the case of Raoul Wallenberg. is anxious to know just what steps have been taken by the State Department to follow-up the action taken by the Congress to confer honorary U.S. citizenship on Wallenberg. It is rumored that he still survives in the Soviet Gulag; and that being the case, surely we should convey to the Soviets our very keen interest in his welfare and our strong desire that he be freed.

I would be interested in your comments so that they may be forwarded to .

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

Jesse Helms

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Dear Senator Hatch:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of April 8 enclosing correspondence from concerning the case of Raoul Wallenberg.

The United States Government has been concerned over the fate of Raoul Wallenberg since the case first came to light at the end of World War II. We have taken every appropriate opportunity to ask Soviet authorities for a clarification on the Wallenberg case. The Soviet authorities have persisted in maintaining that Wallenberg died in 1947 but have provided no further details. When we received reports which indicated the possibility that Wallenberg might still be alive, we raised the matter with the Soviets on numerous occasions throughout 1979. They finally answered, formally and in writing, in February of 1980, stating that Wallenberg had died in July of 1947. They also informed the Swedish Government of this finding and indicated that they would have no further information on Wallenberg in the future.

The Wallenberg case remains a matter of concern for the United States Government, and we have continued our efforts to gain information regarding his fate. In December of 1980, at the Madrid CSCE Review Conference, the United States delegation voiced its support for the position of the Government of Sweden when the Swedish delegation urged renewed efforts to resolve the Wallenberg case. In addition, representatives from the American Embassy in Stockholm attended sessions of the hearing on the Wallenberg case held in Stockholm in January of 1981. In April of 1981, Ambassador Max Kampelman, speaking in Madrid at a CSCE plenary session, stated that the Wallenberg case was one that "will not go away." Ambassador Kampelman noted that the refusal of the Soviets "to appreciate the human factor which is symbolized by the Wallenberg case is stimulating even further interest." He stated that "the tragic mystery of Raoul Wallenberg is unnecessarily becoming a divisive international issue."

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As [illegible] mentioned in her letter, in October of 1981, the President signed into law a bill, passed overwhelmingly by both houses of Congress, making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary U.S. citizen. Although making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American does not confer any new legal right on the United States in terms of international law, honoring Wallenberg in this fashion does make clear to the Soviets the extreme seriousness with which the American Government and people view Soviet conduct in the Wallenberg case. Following the October signing ceremony, we again raised the Wallenberg case with the Soviets via diplomatic channels to make the Soviets officially and formally aware of our continued dedication to the effort to resolve the mystery of Wallenberg's fate.

Let me assure you that the United States Government will continue to express concern over the Wallenberg case at every appropriate opportunity. We also intend to continue to cooperate fully with the Government of Sweden and all other interested parties in a persistent effort to obtain information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler
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April 16, 1982

Dear Senator Helms:

Thank you for your letter of April 12 on behalf of [illegible] concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The Department's records show that Mr. Wallenberg was assigned to the Swedish mission in Budapest, Hungary during World War II and disappeared in January 1945 after Soviet troops arrived. The Soviet Union responded in February 1957 to repeated inquiries by the Swedish Government by stating that Mr. Wallenberg died in a Moscow prison on July 17, 1947. Although the Swedish Government officially raised the Wallenberg case on numerous subsequent occasions, citing several witnesses who claimed to have seen him alive during the 1950's, the Soviets have provided no additional information.

The U.S. Government has been interested in the Wallenberg case since it first came to light at the end of World War II. We have sought a full and adequate response about Mr. Wallenberg's fate from the Soviet Government. After receiving reports suggesting that Wallenberg might still be alive, we raised the matter with the Soviets on numerous occasions in 1979. That initiative resulted in a formal written reply from Soviet authorities in February 1980 reaffirming their claim that Mr. Wallenberg died in 1947. They also informed the Swedish Government of this finding and repeated their position that they would have no further information on this matter.

However, the Wallenberg case remains a matter of concern to us. We have attempted to gain information regarding his fate in other ways. In this regard, U.S. officials conducted extensive interviews with the five Soviet dissidents exchanged for two Soviet spies in April 1979. None of these ex-prisoners could confirm or lend credence to rumors that Wallenberg is alive. At the December 1980 session of the Madrid Review Meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), we supported the Swedish position urging renewed efforts to resolve the Wallenberg case. In addition, U.S. representatives attended hearings on Wallenberg held in Stockholm in January 1981.

The Honorable
Jesse Helms,
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Max Kampelman, co-chairman of the U.S. delegation to the CSCE, raised the Wallenberg case in a CSCE plenary session in Madrid in April 1981. He noted that the matter "will not go away," and that the Soviets' refusal "to appreciate the human factor which is symbolized by the Wallenberg case is stimulating even further interest." Ambassador Kampelman went on to state that "the tragic mystery of Raoul Wallenberg is unnecessarily becoming a divisive international issue."

More recently, President Reagan signed into law in October 1981 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Mr. Wallenberg. This legislation does not affect Mr. Wallenberg's citizenship, which remains Swedish, nor does it render to the United States any new legal rights to work on his behalf. However, we hope that our honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion will make the Soviet authorities aware of the seriousness with which the American Government and people view Soviet conduct in this case. To further stress our dedication to resolve the mystery surrounding Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels immediately after he was made an honorary U.S. citizen.

Let me assure you we intend to continue our cooperation with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler
Acting Assistant Secretary
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

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Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

Samuel S. Stratton M. C.

28th District
New York

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Dear Congressman Stratton:

On September 22, 1981, the Government of the United States conferred honorary citizenship on Raoul Wallenberg of Sweden for having rescued more than 100,000 Hungarian Jews from certain death at the hands of the Nazis in 1944. In particular, this Resolution (S.J. RES. 65, Report No. 97-169, Calendar No. 234, by Senator Pell), stated that:

> "Whereas Raoul Wallenberg, with funds and directives supplied by the United States, provided food, shelter, and medical care to those whom he had rescued;
> Whereas the Soviet Union, in violation of Wallenberg's Swedish diplomatic immunity and of international law, seized him on January 17, 1945, with no explanation ever given for his detention and subsequent imprisonment;
> Whereas Raoul Wallenberg has been a prisoner in the Soviet Union since 1945;
> Whereas reports from former prisoners in the Soviet Union, as recent as January 1981, suggest that Raoul Wallenberg is alive;
> Whereas history has revealed that heroic acts of salvation were tragically rare during the massacre of millions of innocent human beings during World War II; and
> Whereas the significance of this symbol of man's concern for his fellow man has been tainted by the wall of silence that surrounds the fate of Wallenberg:..."

Morality in all of its aspects is the means for preserving a way of life for every community. The morality of the American society has been consistently based on the worth of the individual. It was this concern for the worth of the individual that inspired Raoul Wallenberg to leave the relative safety of his native Sweden to go to the hell of occupied Europe in 1944 in order to save as many individual Jews as he could. He felt that whoever saves a single soul, it is as if he had saved the whole

world. In a period of just under a year, Raoul Wallenberg accomplished this task for over a 100,000 such souls. Now I believe that it is the responsibility of the United States to make every effort to rescue its honorary citizen Wallenberg from the fate which the Soviets have so cruelly dealt him. There have been many cases of men coming out of the Soviet prison system after forty years. Wallenberg has now been there for some 36 years, and the available evidence clearly indicates that he is still alive. As long as that possibility exists, it seems unthinkable that free men should abandon him to his fate.

On September 22, 1981, the United States took the first concrete step to help Mr. Wallenberg. It is extremely important that this step of honorary citizenship not be the last step. Accordingly I am writing to urge you as a member of the United States Congress to continue to act on behalf of Mr. Wallenberg by presenting President Reagan with a follow-up request that he take all possible steps to ascertain from the Soviet Union the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg and to secure his return to freedom.

In this highly mechanized and impersonal world, it is all too easy to quickly forget the fate of an individual like Raoul Wallenberg. In dealing with a power like the Soviet Union, it is important that efforts to help Mr. Wallenberg be continued until a firm resolution of his situation is obtained from them. Wallenberg displayed an exceptionally heroic act of courage in undertaking his duties in Hungary in 1944 when such displays were extremely rare. It can be said that they are even rarer today. He clearly did not deserve the fate which he received in the Soviet Union. Accordingly I hope that you will accede to my request by urging the United States Government and President Reagan to continue to work diligently to take all possible steps necessary in order to finally secure the freedom of this man.

I thank you for your time and consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

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June 21, 1982

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Dear Mr. Stratton:

I am responding to your letter of May 21 enclosing correspondence from your constituent, [redacted], concerning U.S. Government actions on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg. B6

As you know, making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American citizen was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how much we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union. Following the signing ceremony which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American, we called in Soviet Ambassador Dobrynin to make the Soviet government formally and officially aware of our continued dedication to find out the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate. To date, we have not received a response from the Soviet Government, but we shall continue in our effort to resolve the tragic mystery of Wallenberg's fate until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in this case.

We have pressed our effort both on a bilateral basis and at international forums, such as the CSCE Review Conference in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In this regard, on February 25 our representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission, Mr. Michael Novak, urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture, which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely, a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else, in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time."

We have also continued to work closely with the Government of Sweden to try to confirm reports that have come to light about Wallenberg. To date, we have been unable to confirm any of the reports suggesting that Wallenberg might still be alive. We intend to continue to cooperate fully with the Government of Sweden and all other interested parties in a persistent effort to obtain

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information that will clarify the fate of this brave man. We will also continue to express concern over the Wallenberg case at every appropriate opportunity, both publicly and in our diplomatic communications with the Soviet Union.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary for
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September 17, 1982

Dear

I have been asked to respond to your letter of August 23 to Secretary Shultz concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

As you know, the Department of State, Congress, and the President have often expressed strong concern about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg. Last year, the President signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American citizen was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how much we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union. Following the signing ceremony which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American, we made the Soviet Government formally and officially aware of our continued dedication to finding out the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate. To date, we have not received a response from the Soviet Government, but we shall continue in our effort to resolve the tragic mystery of Wallenberg's fate until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in this case.

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Sincerely,

Raymond F. Smith
Officer-in-Charge
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Senator Howard Metzenbaum
8405 Federal Building
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
March 8, 1983

Department of State
Congressional Liaison
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20520

RE: Raoul Wallenberg whereabouts of (Soviet)

P6 Enclosed is a copy of a letter from( I would appreciate any information you may have concerning this matter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Patricia Phelan

Patricia Phelan
Administrative Aide to
Senator Howard Metzenbaum
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Dear Mr. Metzenbaum,

What of Raoul Wallenberg?

On Oct 5, 1981, Pres. Reagan signed the bill making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. What has been done since to seek information concerning his whereabouts?

Even at this late date it is not too late to take the Soviets to task about this matter.

Simon Wiesenthal, just nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, said that as honored as he was, he would rather the prize went to Raoul Wallenberg.

Please do anything you can to find Raoul Wallenberg.

Sincerely,

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March 23, 1983

Dear Senator Metzenbaum:

I am responding to a letter from your administrative aide, Patricia Phelan, enclosing correspondence from your constituent, [redacted] regarding Raoul Wallenberg.

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The Department of State, Congress, and the President share a strong concern about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and we are taking every appropriate opportunity to make this known to the Soviet authorities. As you may know, last year President Reagan signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American citizen was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how much we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union. Following the signing ceremony which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American, we made the Soviet Government formally and officially aware of our continued dedication to finding out the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate. To date, we have not received a response from the Soviet Government, but we shall continue in our effort to resolve the tragic mystery of Wallenberg's fate until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in this case.

We have pressed our effort both on a bilateral basis and at international fora, such as the CSCE Review Conference in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In this regard, last year our representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission, Mr. Michael Novak, urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture, which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely, a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else, in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At this year's session of the Commission, on February 22, Alternate Representative Walter Berns again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most noble spirits." Mr. Berns suggested that the UN Human Rights Commission's working group on disappearances be authorized to "make a renewed search and a full report" on the case "involving the most famous of all

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We have also continued to work closely with the Government of Sweden to try to confirm reports that have come to light about Wallenberg. To date, we have been unable to confirm any of the reports suggesting that Wallenberg might still be alive. We intend to continue to cooperate fully with the Government of Sweden and all other interested parties in a persistent effort to obtain information that will clarify the fate of this brave man. As Ambassador Max Kampelman noted at a CSCE plenary session a year ago, the Wallenberg case is one that "will not go away;" the Soviet failure "to appreciate the human factor which is symbolized by the Wallenberg case" only serves to stimulate further interest. The United States Government will continue to express concern over the Wallenberg case at every appropriate opportunity, both publicly and in our diplomatic communications with the Soviet Union, and we expect that this matter will be raised again in Madrid and elsewhere.

If we can be of assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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HOWARD H. BAKER, JR.
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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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Dear

Thank you for your letter and enclosed petition concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

I believe the United States Department of State has remained fully apprised of Sweden's efforts on behalf of Mr. Wallenberg and both governments remain constant in our efforts to locate this hero and honorary American. In a closed society such as the Soviet Union, however, this task is especially difficult.

I will send your petition to the Department of State as you requested and I appreciate your interest in this case.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.

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April 27, 1983

Dear Senator Baker:

Thank you for forwarding the Department a copy of your April 12 letter to regarding Raoul Wallenberg.

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The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

As you may know, President Reagan signed into law in October 1981 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It made the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To further emphasize our dedication to resolve the mystery surrounding Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels immediately after he was made an honorary U.S. citizen. As yet, we have not received a response from them. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the

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genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most noble spirits." He suggested the U.N. Human Rights Commission's Working Group on Disappearances be authorized to "make a renewed search and a full report" on the case.

We continue to work closely with the Swedish Government to investigate reports alleging that Mr. Wallenberg might still be alive. Thus far, we have been unable to substantiate this information. Nevertheless, we will maintain a cooperative effort with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

Sincerely,

Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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August 10, 1983

Dear Vice President Bush

I am writing to you to ask your help in determining the fate of Raoul Wallenberg

Mr. Wallenberg was a Swedish diplomat who helped to save the lives of thousands of people in Hungry from the Nazis during World War II. It appears that Mr Wallenberg was arrested by the Soviets who by mistake thought he was a spy. In 1953 the Soviets did admit that they had arrested him, but said he had died shortly

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after his arrest. However, many people who have been released from the Soviet Union believe he may still be alive, but in prison.

I believe the American government should try and determine the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, and if he is alive and being held a prisoner, the government should do all in its power to help him gain his release.

I would appreciate it if you would advise me of any action you or the government has or will take concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

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Thank you for your help, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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August 22, 1983

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Thank you for your recent letter concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

It was thoughtful of you to write, and I appreciate your having taken the time to seek information concerning Mr. Wallenberg. In an effort to assist you, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to the Department of State so they might correspond with you directly.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

George Bush

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Date September 1, 1983

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For: Mr. Donald P. Gregg
Office of the Vice President
The White House

Reference:

To: The Vice President From: [illegible] 86

Date: August 10, 1983 Subject: Raoul Wallenberg

WH Referral Dated: August 22, 1983 NSC ID# (if any)

_____ The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State.

Action Taken:

_____ A draft reply is attached.

_____ A draft reply will be forwarded.

_____ A translation is attached.

_____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.

X An information copy of a direct reply is attached.

_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.

_____ The Department of State has no objection to the proposed travel.

_____ Other.

Remarks:

Will R. Rifkind
for Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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August 30, 1983

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P6 Dear

I have been asked to respond to your letter to Vice President Bush concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

We share your strong concern about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and we are taking every appropriate opportunity to make this known to the Soviet authorities. As you may know, in 1981 President Reagan signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American citizen was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how much we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union.

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Sincerely,

James F. Schumaker
Officer-in-Charge
Bilateral Relations
Office of Soviet Union Affairs

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# United States Senate

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September 1, 1983

Our File: 3244170024

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2201 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Director:

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested.

YOUR FINDINGS AND VIEWS, IN DUPLICATE, ALONG WITH RETURN OF THIS MEMO PLUS ENCLOSURE, WILL BE APPRECIATED.

Please refer to the constituent name and file number.

Reply to:

Senator Rudy Boschwitz
210 Bremer Bldg.
419 N. Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101

re: welfare of Raoul Wallenberg

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Rudy

Rudy Boschwitz
United States Senator

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August 4, 1983

Senator Rudy Boschwitz
U.S. Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Boschwitz:

I just finished reading Righteous Gentile by John Bierman. In it, you were mentioned as a co-chairman of the American Free Raoul Wallenberg Committee.

The book states that very little concrete action is being taken by the State Department to find out if Wallenberg is still alive and to secure his release from the Communists. It seems like even if a strong interest in Wallenberg existed, it would take extraordinary measures to persuade the Russians to cooperate.

Nonetheless, I would like to find out what I could do to help. Could I contribute money to your committee? Would it be possible for Wallenberg to win the Nobel prize and thereby embarrass the Soviets into doing something? Is there an office in the State Department I could appeal to directly? Please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Senator Boschwitz:

I am writing in response to your letter enclosing correspondence from your constituent, [redacted] B6 your file 3244170024, regarding Raoul Wallenberg.

I would like to assure you that, the Department of State and the Administration as a whole are deeply concerned about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and are taking every appropriate opportunity to make this known to the Soviet authorities.

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The Honorable
Rudy Boschwitz,
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I hope the above information provides some idea of the various avenues currently being pursued by the State Department in our efforts to resolve the mystery surrounding the case of Raoul Wallenberg. Please be assured that our attention will not be swayed from this matter regardless of the time or difficulty that may confront us.

If we can be of assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler
Acting Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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PLEASE DIRECT FINAL REPLY TO THE ATTENTION

OF CAROL STASZEWSKI.

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September 28, 1983

**United States Senate**

ACTION is assigned

Respectfully referred to:

Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations

Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

Alan J. Dixon
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Re: Requesting the release of Raoul Wallenberg a Swedish citizen currently imprisoned in Soviet Union.

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September 14, 1983

The Hon. Alan J. Dixon
215 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Senator Dixon:

I am writing to you in behalf of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swedish citizen currently imprisioned in the Soviet Union. Actually, no one knows if he is alive as he was taken there in 1945 after the defeat of the Germans in Hungary.

As a Jewish citizen of Hungarian descent, the release of Wallenberg has an especial importance for me. My grandparents, aunt and my father most probably would have perished had it not been for Wallenberg. I would like to see some action taken to see if Wallenberg is still alive and if so, some steps taken to insure his release.

Raoul Wallenberg is a Swedish citizen. Since Sweden is a neutral country, this gave him diplomatic immunity during World War II. Hearing of the plight of Europe's Jews, he went to Hungary to assist them. By fashioning false Swedish passports, Wallenberg was able to save hundreds of thousands of Hungarian Jews from death at Auschwitz, Treblinka and the like.

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So please, consider these facts and bring up the plight of Raoul Wallenberg on the Senate. He needs to get out of the Soviet Union.

Very truly yours,

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October 14, 1983

Dear Senator Dixon:

Thank you for your inquiry of September 28 on behalf of concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

As you may know, President Reagan signed into law in October 1981 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It made the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To further emphasize our dedication to resolve the mystery surrounding Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels immediately after he was made an honorary U.S. citizen. As yet, we have not received a response from them. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most

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We continue to work closely with the Swedish Government to investigate reports alleging that Mr. Wallenberg might still be alive. Thus far, we have been unable to substantiate this information. Nevertheless, we will maintain a cooperative effort with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

On August 3, 1983, Edward J. Derwinski, Counselor of the Department, testified in Congress on the subject of Raoul Wallenberg. As he stated then, "Our position has remained consistent and clear. Until the Soviets provide a full clarification of Wallenberg's fate, the United States will not accept as final the Soviet assurances that Wallenberg died in 1947 . . . I can assure you categorically that this matter will be raised again in every appropriate forum."

Sincerely,

Alvin Paul Drischler
Acting Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

Enclosure.

Correspondence returned.

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Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs
Room 2/WW
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

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November 8, 1983

Dear Mr. Duberstein:

This is prompted by your expressed interest in the written requests by Senator Specter, Representative Fish, and possibly others, that the President issue a Presidential Directive concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

I'm writing in behalf of the Wallenberg Committee of Greater Philadelphia to let you know of (1) President Reagan's personal interest in Raoul Wallenberg's freedom; (2) the necessity that the language of such a presidential directive [illegible]t the language of PL 97-54 and President Reagan's signing statement; and (3) continuing Congressional and public interest in Raoul Wallenberg's freedom.

1. President Reagan's personal interest is reported in the attached Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report article (marked), which shows the President's direct responsibility for expeditious passage of PL 97-54. We also attach copies of President Reagan's references to Raoul Wallenberg on Feb. 2 and Apr. 11 of this year. (We have heard, but been unable to find confirmation from any printed source, that President Reagan has made a personal telephone appeal to the Soviet President for Raoul Wallenberg's freedom -- if your staff can conveniently verify this we would be grateful for the information).

2. The language of PL 97-54 (attached) is "all possible steps," and President Reagan's language at the signing ceremony (attached) is "we're going to do everything in our power."

The language of the Presidential Directive should follow

this expressed Congressional and Presidential intent rather than substitute unintended weakness (words such as "appropriate," "reasonable," "necessary," and so on). Obviously inappropriate, irrational, and needless steps are not going to be taken; the importance of "all possible" in the directive is to be true to Congressional and Presidential intent by making Wallenberg's freedom a priority for action by the relevant agencies instead of simply a stated concern.

Therefore we support the unmodified proposed presidential directive Senator Specter has offered (copy with his letter, attached). Senator Specter's proposal follows the form of President Reagan's Presidential Directive of March 25, 1983 (Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents, March 28, 1983 issue, at pp. 462-463).

3. October 20th House passage of a follow-up resolution on Raoul Wallenberg (attached), after an Oct. 5th letter to the President signed by 40 members of Congress (Congressional Record copy attached), follows an Aug. 3d oversight hearing on implementation of PD 97-54 that we expect to be the first of a series of such hearings. A copy of the many testifiers' statements should be available to you from Shirley Dawson of the House Subcomm. on Human Rights and International Organizations staff. And on Oct. 19th PBS broadcast nationwide a documentary on Wallenberg, "Hitler's No. 1 Enemy: Buried Alive" (attachments). The Advisory Board list in the attached Committee newsletter shows the range of tri-state religious and civic support for action to free Wallenberg, even before the documentary was shown.

The continuing Congressional interest and growing public awareness of Wallenberg will bring President Reagan's issuance of a presidential directive strong bipartisan Congressional and popular support; and Wallenberg's age -- 71 in August -- requires action without delay.

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If you consult the President on this and discover he wants to act directly himself as well as issue a directive, please ask him in our behalf to consider a prisoner exchange for Wallenberg: for the East German (attachment) or the Bulgarian (attachment) just charged with spying in the U.S., for Cuban prisoners, for the 24 Soviets held in Mozambique (if, as seems likely from the attached news item, the captors will agree), or for others held by the U.S. or friendly foreign countries (the Committee has copies of many other recent news reports of Soviet and Soviet-bloc prisoners who might be exchanged).

Thank you for the interest you've already shown, and for your attention. Please let us know if we can help in any way.

Sincerely,

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

November 9, 1983

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Mr. Alvin P. Drischler
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Drischler:

I recently received the enclosed constituent inquiry, and I would very much appreciate your providing me with any pertinent information you might have regarding the matter.

Your kind assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Bentsen

Lloyd Bentsen

Enclosure

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912 Federal Building
Austin, Texas 78701
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October 23, 1983

Senator Lloyd Bentsen
703 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bentsen:

I am writing to you today in regard to a matter with which you are already familiar. During World War II, the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg saved 100,000 Jews from Nazi death camps. After the war, he was tragically imprisoned by the Soviets, because they believed him to be an American intelligence agent. The Soviets have claimed that Mr. Wallenberg died of a heart in 1947, but many ex-Soviet prisoners have seen him since then.

Senator Bentsen, as you know, Mr. Wallenberg is now an honorary American citizen. Since our hands are no longer tied, I urge you to do all you can to bring the fullest diplomatic and economic pressure on the Soviets to release Mr. Wallenberg or to unequivocally prove that he is dead.

Hundreds of Nazi criminals are now free. If they are free, should not a man like Raoul Wallenberg, who did so much for so many, also be free. If people like Mr. Wallenberg are allowed to be locked

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away for decades, who will defend us if there is ever another genocidal holocaust?

Please let me know your ideas and plans in this matter, and by all means, let me know what I can do to help. Thank you, Senator Bentsen.

Sincerely,

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United States Senate
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

November 9, 1983

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Department of State
Office for Congressional Liaison
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a record of a communication I received from [redacted] of Indianapolis, Indiana. I have indicated to my constituent that I have brought this matter to your attention and would appreciate your thoughts and comments.

Please direct your response to my Washington office marked to the attention of Karl Stegenga.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dan Quayle
United States Senator

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Re: Wants the U.N. to use the Soviet hostages taken in Grenada to get information on the whereabouts of Raul Wallenberg

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Date 10-27-83

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Nature of Request

Wants us to use the Soviet hostages that have been taken in Grenada to get information on the whereabouts of Raul Wallenberg. The U.S. made his a honorary citizen and Soviets are supposedly holding him in

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November 10, 1983

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Senator John Tower
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Dear Senator Tower:

I moved to Houston three months ago, and I am thus one of your newer constituents. I am writing to you today about a matter with which you are already familiar. As you know, the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg saved 100,000 Jews from Nazi death camps, but was himself tragically imprisoned by the Russians after the war because, in their paranoia, they believed him to be some sort of an American intelligence agent. Since 1945, the Soviets have given us contradictory stories, but have maintained that Wallenberg died of a heart attack in 1947. However, he has been seen by many ex-Soviet prisoners in recent years.

When President Carter tried to obtain Mr. Wallenberg's release, there was little he could do because Wallenberg was not an American citizen. As you know, Mr. Wallenberg is now an honorary American citizen and our hands are no longer tied.

Mr. Tower, hundreds of Nazi War criminals are now free. If they are free, should not Mr. Wallenberg, who did so much for civilization, also be free? My feeling, Mr. Tower, is that if civilization

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[illegible] people such as you and me must do all we can to help people like Mr. Wallenberg. If people like him are allowed to be imprisoned for decades, who will we have if there is ever another genocidal Holocaust?

Now that Mr. Wallenberg is an American citizen, I urge you to do all you can to bring the fullest diplomatic and international pressure on the Soviets to release him. Please let me know your feelings on this matter, as well as your plans and ideas. By all means, let me know how I can help. Thank you, Mr. Tower.

Sincerely,

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Dear

Thank you for your November 8 letter indicating your support for the issuance of a Presidential directive asking that all possible steps be taken to ascertain the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg and to secure his release.

Your comments and the enclosed documents are appreciated and have been transmitted to the President's foreign policy advisers. Please know that your thoughts on this matter will be carefully reviewed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Duberstein
Assistant to the President

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19TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA
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# Congress of the United States
## House of Representatives
## Washington, D.C. 20515

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December 5, 1983

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The Honorable Alvin P. Drischler
Acting Assistant Secretary of State
for Congressional Relations
U.S. Department of State
Room 7261
2201 C Street
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Drischler:

Enclosed is correspondence I received from my constituent, [redacted] concerning the plight of Raoul Wallenberg and U.S. efforts on his behalf.

I would appreciate any comments or assistance you might be able to provide [redacted] in this matter.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. LAGOMARSINO
Member of Congress

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Dear Mr. Lagomarsino;

I am writing to you on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg the swedish diplomat wh disappeared into the Soviet prison ~~prison~~ system during world war two. I heard not long ago that he had been made an honorary citizen of the United Stat so that our country would have the rig to enquire into his whereabouts.

This was or is such a noble charact in view of his great contribution to the freedom of mankind and Jewish persons in particular.

Could you please tell me what has be done by our government on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg and what if any h been the Russian reply?

Thank you so much, I always feel have your attention and my family alw notes for you.

Most Cordially

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December 5, 1983

Dear Senator Bentsen:

Thank you for your letter of November 9 on behalf of concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

As you may know, President Reagan signed into law in October 1981 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It made the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To further emphasize our dedication to resolve the mystery surrounding Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels immediately after he was made an honorary U.S. citizen. As yet, we have not received a response from them. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most

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Sincerely,

W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary
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December 16, 1983

Dear Mr. Lagomarsino:

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Assistant Secretary
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I have been asked to respond to your letter of November 8 to Mr. Kenneth Duberstein about Raoul Wallenberg. Let me assure you that the Department of State shares your interest and concern about Mr. Wallenberg's fate.

We have already begun consideration of the request that a Presidential directive be issued. Naturally, the final decision on such a matter rests with the President. However, we appreciate the thoughts that you have provided in your letter to Mr. Duberstein and they will be kept firmly in mind as the State Department prepares its recommendations to the President.

Sincerely,

/s/

James F. Schumaker
Officer-in-Charge
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Office of Soviet Union Affairs

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December 22, 1983

Dear Senator Quayle:

I am writing in response to your letter of November 9 enclosing a request from your constituent, — B6 that the U.S. use "the Soviet hostages that have been taken in Grenada" to discover the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg.

First, let me state that it is not the policy of the United States Government to take hostages. This type of behavior has been thoroughly condemned by this country and by the international community. The Soviet personnel on the island of Grenada were diplomats, and as such were protected by the United States forces that landed on Grenada. As soon as conditions permitted, the United States Government arranged safe passage for these diplomats off Grenada.

I would like to assure you, however, that we are engaged in other more appropriate efforts to encourage the Soviets to reveal the whereabouts and fate of Raoul Wallenberg. Most importantly, in October, 1981 President Reagan signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how many are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union.

At the same time, the State Department made the Soviet Government formally and officially aware of our continued dedication to finding out the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate. To date, we have not received a satisfactory response from the Soviet Government, but we shall continue our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Wallenberg's fate until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory answer.

The Department of State has pressed its efforts both on a bilateral basis and at international forums, such as the Madrid CSCE Meeting and the U.N. Human Rights Commission in Geneva. In this regard, last year our representative to the U.N. Human

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We have also continued to work closely with the Government of Sweden to try to confirm reports that have come to light about Wallenberg. To date, we have been unable to confirm any of the reports suggesting that Wallenberg might still be alive. We intend to continue to cooperate fully with the Government of Sweden and all other interested parties in a persistent effort to obtain information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

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I hope the above information provides some idea of the various avenues currently being pursued by the State Department in our efforts to resolve the mystery surrounding the case of Raoul Wallenberg.

If we can be of assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
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December 22, 1983

Dear Senator Tower:

I am writing in response to your letter of November 10 enclosing correspondence from your constituent concerning the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg.

As you may know, in October 1981, President Reagan signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how many we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union.

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FROM: Alfonse D'Amato
United States Senator

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested.

PLEASE TRY TO RESPOND WITHIN 4 WEEKS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS REQUEST. YOUR FINDINGS AND VIEWS, IN DUPLICATE, ALONG WITH RETURN OF THIS MEMO PLUS ENCLOSURE, WILL BE APPRECIATED.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE ON THIS MATTER DIRECTLY TO MY NEW YORK CITY OFFICE, SUITE 1635, ONE PENN PLAZA, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10001.

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Alfonse M. D'Amato
United States Senator
One Penn Plaza
New York, New York 10001

In re: RAOUL WALLENBERG

Dear Mr. D'Amato:

This is to request your help in making sure that our government contacts the Soviet Union to ascertain the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

As you know, Wallenberg is one of only two honorary citizens of the United States. A Swedish diplomat, he risked his life to save Budapest Jews at the behest of his government and the United States War Refugee Board in 1944.

Early in 1945, when the Russian army occupied Budapest, Wallenberg left for Debrecen, Soviet headquarters, accompanied by Russian soldiers. Since then he has not officially been heard from or seen, although many prisoners released from the Gulag over the past almost forty years claim to have seen or been in contact with him.

As a world power which stands for individual rights and recognition, and in the name of world humanity, the United States government should make a concerted effort to seek complete and incontrovertible evidence from the Soviet government as to the present whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg, and, if he is still alive, demand his release and return home to his sister and brother in Sweden.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Wallenberg Project
University of Michigan Alumni Club of New York
245 E. 19th Street
New York, New York 10003

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January 30, 1984

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Dear Senator D'Amato:

I am responding to your inquiry enclosing correspondence regarding Raoul Wallenberg.

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The Department of State, Congress, and the President share a strong concern about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and we are taking every appropriate opportunity to make this known to the Soviet authorities. As you know, in 1981 President Reagan signed a bill which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States. Making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American citizen was an important symbolic act. It let the entire world know how much we admire Raoul Wallenberg's courage, how much we are inspired by his dedication to humanity and humanitarian principles, and how much we deplore his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Union. Following the signing ceremony which made Raoul Wallenberg an honorary American, we made the Soviet Government formally and officially aware of our continued dedication to finding out the truth about Raoul Wallenberg's fate. We have not received a response from the Soviet Government, but we shall continue in our effort to resolve the tragic mystery of Wallenberg's fate until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in this case.

We have pressed our effort both on a bilateral basis and at international fora. Most recently, on January 17, 1984, Secretary Shultz began his remarks at the opening of the Conference on Disarmament in Europe by stating that "it is particularly appropriate here in Stockholm to recall the heroic deed of Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, who, in the two years of World War II, saved thousands of Hungarian Jews from annihilation." On the same day, the Department of State issued a press statement on the occasion of the anniversary of Wallenberg's disappearance 38 years before, noting that "the Soviet Union has a moral obligation to put to rest, once and for all, the questions that continue to arise about Raoul Wallenberg" and calling on the Soviets to provide a full accounting of his fate.

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If we can be of assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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President Reagan
The White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

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First of all I would like to thank you for taking on the challenge of running our great nation for another term. You have instituted great changes which consequently have put power back into perspective where it belongs; with the people. Thank you for running the nation with that premise in mind.

Mr. President I have an important problem on my hands which I believe, if solved, can be benificial to us both in many ways. First let me run through the situation quickly. I, a christian, have been working with Rabbi Cooper of the Wiesenthal Center here in Los Angeles to make a highly publicized banquet honoring Raoul Wallenburg, whom you gave honorary U.S. citizenship to. The purpose being to show the kinship spirit of Christians and Jews helping each other in brotherhood during times of need.

For this banquet we invited King Carl Gustav of Sweden to represent the good will of the swedish people. This coincides with the King;s previously planned trip here to see the Los Angeles Olympics. Of interest also is the fact that Raoul Wallenburg was here in Los Angeles during the 1932 Olympic games.

In any event, my mother, a Swedish-American who knows the King on a more personal level, invited him to this event on behalf of the entire Jewish community of the United States. This was followed by a Telex from the Wiesenthal Center explaining my mothers mission. Not recieving a prompt reply on either communication; my mother then called the King directly. Here is where the trouble began. A man by the name of Lennart Ahren, who is the Marshall of the Courts, intercepted the call and was very belligerent. He stated that the King has no business in dealing with Jewish affairs of any sorts. That seemed rather odd to us involved concidering the King has the Royal Wallenburg Committee. Mr. Ahren also spoke concerning the materials and Telex sent stating he had them in front of him. This means that the correspondances were never recieved by the King.

This is where I would like to ask for your help concerning this issue. I know that 1) Secretary of State Schultz issued a strong statement at the Security Conference in Stockholm on behalf of Raoul Wallenburg. 2) You made Raoul Wallenburg an honorary U.S. citizen. 3) You also believe in the brotherhood of the Jews with the Christians. 4) You are deeply religious and realize that the

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stakes here are not only political but moral as well.

This banquet is scheduled for the time of the Olympics which is the end of July. I believe if you can help us in getting the message to the King, to which I am positive he will accept, then this can only help the U.S. position with our Jewish friends.

Mr. President this is the extent of the problem. We were and are going to invite you formally as soon as we have confirmation that the King is coming. Please sir, if you can help in any to get the message to the King or can somehow exhert some influence it would be deeply appreciated. I really do believe that only good can come out of the comradary created by having this banquet, especially here in the United States. I am sure that you will have questions so please do not hesitate to call anytime. My number is 213-273-2633. Thank You and may God Bless you and your wonderful wife Nancy.

Respectfully,

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear,

The White House has asked that our office reply to your letter of February 6 requesting the President appeal to King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden to attend a dinner honoring Raoul Wallenberg in Los Angeles in June.

We understand and appreciate your work on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg. It is important that his contributions to human rights and the sacrifices he has made continue to be remembered. It would be inappropriate, however, for us to intervene in the travel schedule of a foreign head of state. I suggest you continue to work with Swedish authorities and officials on the possibility of a visit to Los Angeles by King Carl Gustaf.

Sincerely,

Dennis Finnerty
Officer in Charge
Swedish Affairs

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM:

SUBJECT: PLANNING BANQUET HONORING RAOUL WALLENBURG IN AUG IN LOS ANGELES AND WANTS PRESIDENT TO INTERVENE AND APPEAL TO KING CARL GUSTAV OF SWEDEN TO ATTEND

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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**Name of Correspondent:**

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Date FEB 23 1984

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

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To: President Reagan From:

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_____ The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State.

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Hon. Edward J. Derwinski
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May 7, 1984

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your January 30 considerate and courteous reply to my January 4 letter that recommended public humanitarian appeals combined with public offer of prisoner exchange and material exchange negotiations to free Raoul Wallenberg from the Soviet Union.

Although you said "We continue with our efforts, both public and private," the Wallenberg organizations know of no public official U.S. effort since your hearing testimony August 3, 1983 other than, as the New York Times reported January 18 at p. A4, col. 4, Secretary Shultz's "referring" to Wallenberg in Stockholm, and as the New York Times reported January 20 at p. A3, col. 1, Secretary Shultz "refused to say if he had specifically asked about Raoul Wallenberg." This is hardly a public record that allows us to credit assurances of private official U.S. efforts. And it executes neither the expressed intent of Congress in PL 97-54 that the executive "take all possible steps" to free Wallenberg, nor the expressed intent of President Reagan when he signed PL 97-54 that "we're going to do everything in our power" to free Wallenberg.

Public offer of prisoner exchange and material exchange is a form of international pressur for which there are many precedents and which can be combined with other private offers. The merely private offers you mention, if any actually have been made, have led nowhere. After 39 years no one can be impressed with secret plans to free Wallenberg.

Public call for Wallenberg's repatriation is necessary in every bilateral and multilateral international forum whether he is

alive or dead. The official U.S. position must be that if he is dead, the Soviets owe Sweden his remains, not just the "explanation" you mention. Another false "explanation" is most convenient for the Soviets whether Wallenberg is alive or dead.

You said the proposed presidential directive is "under consideration." We understood it was under consideration for some time before the August 3, 1983 hearing, and you said at the hearing you would personally review it. Please let us know the following: how much longer is the directive going to be "under consideration"? When will the text be presented to President Reagan for his decision? Is the State Department going to recommend that President Reagan issue it? If the State Department recommends changes, or recommends a directive not be issued, for what reasons?

David Harel's hour-long documentary on Wallenberg is going to be broadcast on hundreds of PBS stations nationwide on May 23 at 8 P.M. E.S.T., and repeated later. When the public, the media, and the Congress consult with the Wallenberg organizations to learn what is being done to free Wallenberg, we would like to be able to praise instead of criticise. But at this moment we can only elaborate what a reviewer of While Six Million Died: A Chronicle of American Apathy stated: "Immediate action was needed, and behold, beautiful verbiage and endless delay were all that came forth."

Please let us have your reply at your earliest convenience. The several enclosures are to indicate the continuing interest in freeing Wallenberg, which can only grow after the documentary broadcast. As said in the January letter, we also will offer this letter and your reply to Senate and House members, other U.S. officials, and the Wallenberg and other private organizations. Please let us know if we can be of service to you or your staff in any way. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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# United States Senate

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Congressional Liaison
Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Congressional Liaison:

A constituent has brought to my attention a matter which falls within the jurisdiction of your agency.

I refer this matter to your office for a preliminary examination. I would appreciate receiving your comments, in duplicate, together with the return of the correspondence.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

John C. Danforth

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DEAR SENATOR DANFORTH,

I AM WRITING TO ENCOURAGE MORE DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE TO BE APPLIED TO THE SOVIET UNION TO RELEASE INFORMATION CONCERNING RAOUL WALLENBURG, OR TO RELEASE HIM. MR. WALLENBURG IS A SWEDISH DIPLOMAT THAT SAVED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF HUNGARIAN JEWS THROUGH THE USE OF UNI. MEANS WHICH UNDOUBTEDLY PUT HIS LIFE IN GREAT DANGER. HE WAS IMPRISONED BY THE SOVIET'S ONCE THEY LIBERATED BUDAPEST FROM THE NAZIS. THE SOVIETS CLAIM THAT RAOUL WALLENBURG DIED WHILE IN PRISON IN 1947. BUT IT IS KNOWN THAT HE LIVED WELL INTO THE 1970's, BECAUSE OF REPORTS OF OTHER PRISONERS IT IS THOUGHT THAT HE IS STILL ALIVE TODAY.

I RELIZE THAT YOU VOTED FOR THE SENATE RESOLUTION WHICH MADE MR. WALLENBURG AN HONORARY UNITED STATES CITIZEN. I APPRECIATE THIS EFFORT ON YOUR PART, THANK YOU. BUT IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT CAN BE DONE TO SECURE HIS RELEASE, OR AT LEAST INFORMATION WHICH IS THE TRUTH CONCERNING HIS CONDITION AND SITUATION.

THANK YOU,

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June 19, 1984

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Thank you for your letter of May 10. I appreciate the continuing support you and the other members of the Wallenberg Committee of Greater Philadelphia are providing to the efforts to clarify the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The proposed presidential directive is indeed still under consideration. However, I can assure you that with or without a specific directive the Executive Branch will continue to take advantage of any and all opportunities to press this issue.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Derwinski

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Dear Senator Danforth:

Thank you for your letter of June 14 on behalf of concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

As you may know, President Reagan signed into law in October 1981 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It made the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To further emphasize our dedication to resolve the mystery surrounding Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels immediately after he was made an honorary U.S. citizen. As yet, we have not received a response from them. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the

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genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most noble spirits." He suggested the U.N. Human Rights Commission's Working Group on Disappearances be authorized to "make a renewed search and a full report" on the case.

We continue to work closely with the Swedish Government to investigate reports alleging that Mr. Wallenberg might still be alive. Thus far, we have been unable to substantiate this information. Nevertheless, we will maintain a cooperative effort with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

On August 3, 1983, Edward J. Derwinski, Counselor of the Department, testified in Congress on the subject of Raoul Wallenberg. As he stated then, "Our position has remained consistent and clear. Until the Soviets provide a full clarification of Wallenberg's fate, the United States will not accept as final the Soviet assurances that Wallenberg died in 1947 ... I can assure you categorically that this matter will be raised again in every appropriate forum."

Sincerely,

W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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BERNARD J. DWYER
DISTRICT, NEW JERSEY

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November 9, 1984

Ambassador W. Tapley Bennett
Assistant Secretary for Congressional
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Department of State
2201 C St., NW
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Dear Ambassador Bennett:

One of my constituents has contacted my office regarding the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg. As a member of the Human Rights Caucus, which monitors human rights issues, Mr. Wallenberg's imprisonment has been the subject of grave concern among Members of the House of Representatives.

In particular, [ ] proposes trading an alleged Soviet spy for Raoul Wallenberg. Any assistance you could provide would be most appreci ted.

Thanking you in advance for your attention in this matter, I eagerly await your reply.

Sincerely,

Bernard J. Dwyer

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Dear Rep. Kemp,

On Oct. 5, 1981 President Reagan made a statement concerning an honorary American citizen. Since that time the President has expressed hope that [redacted] may be freed someday. He also stated that he would urge such a thing.

I received a letter from the State Dept. in response to my inquiries about Walesa, and it stated essentially what the President said above. Senator Schmitt has made the inquiries about Walesa this year.

I feel an opportunity now presents itself to possibly free Mr. Walesa. An alleged KGB major and spy Svetlana Ogorodnikova and her estranged husband were convicted of espionage against the U.S. two days ago in L.A. They are being held without bail.

I implore you to use your good offices and help arrange a trade following roughly the two lines of conduct indicated above. You have the position to get this done. It may be politically risky to think this way but anything to save Walesa.

I wish my fondest possible wishes of Walesa and the return of the Pope to be part of the ceremony making Walesa an honorary American citizen. I'd wonder, incidentally, the President and you will.

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Respectfully,

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Dear Mr. Dwyer:

Thank you for your recent inquiry enclosing correspondence from your constituent, concerning action being taken to free Raoul Wallenberg. B6

The Department of State shares your concerns about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg and take every appropriate opportunity to inquire with the Soviet government about the whereabouts and condition of Raoul Wallenberg.

As you know, President Reagan conferred American citizenship on Mr. Wallenberg in October 1981. Honoring him in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It made the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet government.

Secretary Shultz has also cited the courageous acts of Raoul Wallenberg in Stockholm and in his visits with Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko. In August 1983, Edward J. Derwinski, Counselor of the Department, testified before Congress on the subject of Raoul Wallenberg. As he stated then, "Our position has remained consistent and clear. Until the Soviets provide a full clarification of Wallenberg's fate, the United States will not accept as final the Soviet assurances that Wallenberg died in 1947... I can assure you categorically that this matter will be raised again in every appropriate forum."

Concerning specific proposal of trading alleged KGB agents arrested for espionage, the Department of State does not comment publicly on the issue of prisoner exchanges. B6

The Honorable
Bernard J. Dwyer,
House of Representatives.

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We appreciate the continued concern and support you and Mr. Harris have for Raoul Wallenberg and wish to assure you the United States government will contine to press the Soviets to respond to our attempts to locate Mr. Wallenberg.

If we can be of assistance to you in this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
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Mr. W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street
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Dear Mr. Bennett:

I recently received the enclosed constituent inquiry, and I would very much appreciate your providing me with any pertinent information you might have regarding the matter, or any assistance you might be able to give in routing it to the proper authorities.

Your kind consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Bentsen

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re: seeking the release of Raoul Wallenburg - Swedish diplomat imprisoned in Russia

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HONORABLE LLOYD M. BENTSEN

U.S. SENATE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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DEAR SIR:

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST YOUR INTEREST IN THE CASE OF RAOUL WALLENBURG, SWEDISH DIPLOMAT WHO WHILE OPERATING UNDER U.S. DIRECTIVES SAVED THOUSANDS OF JEWISH LIVES IN HUNGARY DURING WWII. AS YOU WELL KNOW, PRESIDENT REAGAN, IN 1981, MADE RAOUL WALLENBURG AN HONORARY U.S. CITIZEN AND ACKNOWLEDGED HIS SERVICE TO HUMANITY. RAOUL WALLENBURG WAS IMPRISONED AT THE END OF WWII BY RUSSIA AND WAS SEEN ALIVE AS LATE AS THE 1970'S IN RUSSIAN PRISONS, ALTHOUGH REPORTED DEAD IN 1947.

IN LIGHT OF THIS MAY'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMISTICE OF WWII I WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOU TO TAKE UP SUPPORT FOR RAOUL WALLENBURG'S CASE AND URGE OUR GOVERNMENT TO RENEW PRESSURE FOR THE RELEASE OF THIS HERO.

SINCERELY,

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Dear Senator Bentsen:

Thank you for your inquiry of February 8 on behalf of [redacted] concerning Raoul Wallenberg. I sincerely regret the delay in this reply.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

Reflecting U.S. interest in this case, President Reagan signed into law in October 1984 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It has made the Soviets and the rest of the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To emphasize further our dedication to resolve the mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels after he was made an honorary citizen. To date, the Soviets have not responded. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised

The Honorable
Lloyd Bentsen,
United States Senate.

the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most noble spirits." He suggested the U.N. Human Rights Commission's Working Group on Disappearances be authorized to "make a renewed search and a full report" on the case.

We continue to work closely with the Swedish Government to investiage reports alleging that Mr. Wallenberg might still be alive. Thus far, we have been unable to substantiate this information. Nevertheless, we will maintain a cooperative effort with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

On January 17, 1985, President Reagan issued a statement to mark the fortieth anniversary of Raoul Wallenberg's disappearance and to commemorate "his heroic deeds in saving thousands of Hungarian Jews." In his statement, the President said, "We will continue to insist that the Soviet Union has a moral obligation to answer, once and for all, the questions we have about his fate."

Sincerely,

J. Edward Fox
Acting Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

Enclosure:

Correspondence returned.

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Mr. W. Tapley Bennet, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations
U. S. Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Bennet:

Enclosed is correspondence I have received from my constituent, of Wheeling, West Virginia, regarding Raoul Wallenberg. (Political prisoner in ~~Sweden~~ Soviet Union.)

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The letter is self-explanatory, and I will appreciate having a report which will respond to her concerns.

Thank you for you kind consideration of my request.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Byrd

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Dear Senator Byrd,

Monday and Tuesday I had occasion to watch the TV documentary of the story of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish hero of the Holocaust. From being familiar with the story and having seen his brother at a meeting, it was possible that this great man might still be languishing in a Soviet prison or hospital (he would be approximately 68 years old now) and been in prison for 30 years). In 1974, three Senators, Javits, Moynihan & Pell, were informed in an Unofficial free Raoul Wallenberg committee. The outcome did not produce any results but brought his case before the National [illegible] and deeply harmonizing American citizens. Perhaps the time has come to persevere again this question. It is still

one of the leftover blots on Soviet-Japanese relations. Perhaps this man — one of the last WWII foreigners in the Gulag — could have been freed today if more had been done through the years. The obligations are still there. Perhaps some incentive could be found to gather the courage to turn himself in and give complete and truthful information regarding his fate. They expected hundreds of new attacks in 1947 and condemned to overwhelming doubt this.

I'm not sure what can be done in this matter but I feel strongly that it should not be neglected for lack of effort. I know you will do what you can. With regards,

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# United States Senate

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for s consid. ion as the communication herewith submitted may warrant, and for a report thereon, in duplicate to accompany return of inclosure.

By direction of

DON NICKLES U. S. S.

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Dear Senator,

We were among your most avid supporters in your successful bid for a U.S. Senate seat. You continue to be our favorite son in Washington as we hear & read of your Biblical & Christian & Free Enterprise positions. Because of our love + trust in you, we write to you with this urgent request.

The A.B.C. Mini Series "Wallenberg: A War Hero" just concluded. He worked + inspired the preservation of over 100,000 Jews from Nazi extermination during W.W.II Yugoslavia. Could you use your contacts to the President, ambassadors, etc... to learn of how we could free him from Soviet incarceration?

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It is reported he is still alive.
Also, we pray you will continue
to work for the extradition
of Soviet Jews & Christians.
To the Freedom of western
democracy.

Thank you for your
attention.

Your Brother In Christ,

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The Honorable George Schultz
Secretary
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear George:

I have recently been contacted by one of my constituents, she is concerned about the imprisonment of Raoul Wallenberg. I would appreciate receiving information regarding present and past negotiations to obtain the release of Raoul Wallenberg.

I would appreciate your prompt attention to this request.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Frank Horton

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April 26 1985

Honorable W. Tapley Bennett, Ast. Sec.
Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Sir:

The attached communication* is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply. Please refer to the date of my letter to you in your response.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Bennett,
Member of Congress

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* P.S.: This was an interoffice memorandum from my District Office outlining the concerns of my constituent.

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GENERAL REQUEST/INQUIRY

Office of Congressman Charles E. Bennett

DATE: April 18, 1985

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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PHONE:

INQUIRY/REQUEST:

b6 stated that on April 8 or 9 she saw a TV program about Roul Wallenberg, who is a Swiss man that helped save a lot of Jewish people in Hungary during World War II. She said that he was put into a Russian prison camp and the Russians have said that he is dead, but have never given any proof that he is dead. She said that she thinks that the United States should investigate this matter to find if the man is really dead or if he is still in a Russian prison. She said if the investigation showed that the man is still alive that the U.S. should do all it can to secure his freedom.

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Respectfully referred to:
William L. Ball III
Asst. Sec. for Cong. Affairs
Dept. of State, Rm 7261
Washington, D.C. 20520

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested.

Please return your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with the enclosed correspondence to:

Senator William S. Cohen
Attn: Chris Mellon
SH-322
Washington, D.C. 20510
Attn. Chris Mellon

Thank you.

Sincerely,

William S. Cohen
United States Senator

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April 10, 1985

Senator William Cohen
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear SenatorCohen:

It was several months ago when I first heard of Raoul Wallenburg and the work he did to save Hungarian Jews during WWII. I remember thinking at the time, how could people have remained silent about his abduction after all he had done.

I'm sure the recent TV miniseries has prompted many Americans to write their representatives in Washington. I too feel compelled to do so. I believe that a worldwide outcry about this injustice may bring enough embarrisment and pressure on the Soviets (in light of recent efforts at detente and a favorable world impression) that they might release Wallenburg if he has not been killed. I believe that a man of his determination, strength, and cunning would have more than most, the necessary will to survive.

I think it is an ironic tragedy that the efforts of this one man saved over 100,000 lives, yet all the political, military, and financial power of all the free countries of the world could not set this ONE man free.

If knowing what we do, we do not make every effort to secure his release or concrete proof of his death and the facts surrounding it, then we are as guilty as all the people during WWII who knew what was happening around them but silently looked the other way.

As my representative in Washington I ask you to pressure Reagan to include the case of Wallenburg as an agenda item for the upcoming summit with the Soviets. Also, to take a leadership role in the Senate and whereever else possible to speak out on this issue, and to garner the support necessary to bring about an acceptable Soviet response.

I believe this is not just a Swedish issue, but a human issue. I also believe that for any young person watching the miniseries, world inaction following his abduction could lead them to cynicism or doubts about personal sacrifice and commitment to others. Can the world afford that? Will there be future Raouls willing to help those in need?

Thank You for considering my thoughts.

Sincerely,

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Office of Legislative and
Intergovernmental Affairs
Room 7261
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

The attached communication is submitted for your consideration, and to ask that the request made therein be complied with, if possible.

If you will advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me with your reply, I will appreciate it.

Please return to:
Matt Turowski
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Very Truly yours,

Nancy L. Johnson
M.C.

Connecticut, 6th District.

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RE: detention of Raoul Wallenberg in Soviet-Union.

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The Honorable Nancy Johnson
The House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Congresswoman Johnson:

Many years ago, in The New York Times, an advertisement caught my eye. It was headlined, as I recall, "Have you seen this man?" and the accompanying photograph was arresting.

The man was Raoul Wallenberg and, ever since then, I have read whatever I could about him. When I learned that a mini-series would be televised about his work, I insisted that my children watch it with me.

For several years, it has seemed an outrage to me that the governments of his native Sweden and of the United States, with whose agencies Wallenberg was working clandestinely, did nothing to attempt to learn of his whereabouts and to rescue him, if need be, from Soviet imprisonment. To grant him honorary American citizenship some 35 years after his disappearance seems gratuitous without some accompanying efforts to find out what happened to him and to obtain his release if he is, in fact, still alive somewhere in the Soviet Union.

I am writing this letter because of my eleven-year old son. He watched the entire mini-series and was staggered both by the treatment of the Jewish people and the fate of the man who had worked so hard to save thousands of their lives. As he went to bed, he announced that he was going into school the next day to start a petition to the president, asking him to approach the new Soviet leadership to free Wallenberg. His announcement was made in somewhat more emotional and aggressive tones.

I was ashamed that I, who have admired Wallenberg for years, never bothered to write to anyone about him. It seemed to me a futile and unrealistic action. That, too, was my initial but unspoken reaction to my son's idea of a petition to the president. Thinking about it, however, that surely then would have been my reaction had I known Raoul Wallenberg in Sweden and heard him speak of his plan to rescue thousands of Hungarian Jews. And so, I am writing now.

All people who walk in freedom owe it to Raoul Wallenberg to obtain his freedom if he is still alive. To that end, I would be willing to work in any way that I could.

Sincerely,

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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April 30, 1985

Congressional Liaison
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Congressional Liaison:

A constituent, ( s brought to my attention a matter which falls within the jurisdiction of your agency. B6

I refer this matter to your office for a preliminary examination. I would appreciate receiving your comments, in duplicate, together with the return of the correspondence.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

John C. Danforth

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Senator John Danforth

the detention of Raul Wallenberg is a disgrace!

Is there anything Americans can do to get the truth out of the Russians?

Sincerely

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May 1, 1985

Ambassador W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for Legislative and
Intergovernmental Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Ambassador Bennett:

I am enclosing a letter I have received from one of my constituents, [illegible], Mississippi, in which he has outlined his concerns about Raoul Wallenberg. Soviet Union

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I will appreciate it very much if you will please provide me with information about Mr. Wallenberg upon which I might base a response to [illegible]. Please respond to me at my District Office, P. O. Box 412, Laurel, MS 39441.

Sincerely,

G. V. Montgomery

GILLESPIE V. MONTGOMERY
Member of Congress

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April 9, 1985

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Dear Congressman Montgomery:

I have just finished watching a fascinating program on NBC-TV about Raoul Wallenberg, who was the Swedish ambassador to Hungary during the Second World War, and who used his position to save the lives of hundreds of thousands of innocent people from the Nazi death camps. If, as I assume, it was shown in Washington, I hope you were able to take the time to see it also, although I realize your busy schedule does not permit much time for TV watching.

It is my understanding that Mr. Wallenberg, a few years ago, was declared a citizen of the United States, by the Congress, which gives us the right to take necessary actions to protect his safety and well-being, and to inquire about him.

I live alone, and I have an extra bedroom. I decided tonight that as soon as he is released, I will write to him and invite him to come and stay with me. Therefore, in what I am about to ask you, I want you to consider Mr. Wallenberg as one of your constituents.

As the program showed, at the end of the war, Mr. Wallenberg was being escorted to what he thought was to be a diplomatic meeting with the Russians, who had just "liberated"(?) Hungary. Instead, the Russians arrested him and put him in jail, where he remains to this day. [illegible] many reports by people who have

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ultimate irony that the Nazi butchers, who were murdering millions of innocent civilians, respected Mr. Wallenberg's diplomatic status and even his adroit use of Swedish passports to save Jewish people off of the death trains, but the Russians -- the supposed "liberators" -- treated him like a criminal, in violation of the Geneva convention, and many other international laws.) But this case is far more than a mere curiosity of history.

Raoul Wallenberg, now aged 72, by act of Congress an American citizen, and by my hospitality now a citizen of Jones County, is being held in a Soviet prison, without any cause whatsoever. This is intolerable.

The Russians, in typical fashion, have said that Mr. Wallenberg died in 1947. THIS IS A FLAT OUT LIE. He has been seen alive by numerous people, in Russia, fairly recently.

I would like for you, as soon as you can, to make formal inquiries with the Secretary of State and find out whether anything is being done to effect the release of our fellow citizen; and if not, then I hope you will raise hell about this and demand some immediate action to get this wonderful man out of jail.

I want you to know how much I respect you and am proud of the fine job you are doing in Washington. With all kindest regards,

Yours very truly,

P.S.

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WARREN B. RUDMAN
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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The Honorable George Shultz
Secretary of State
U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Enclosed you will find a copy of correspondence I have received from a constituent concerning Raoul Wallenberg. Please consider this matter, respond directly to the constituent, and favor me with a copy of your response.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Warren B. Rudman

Warren B. Rudman
United States Senator

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Re: Requesting the release of Raoul Wallenberg imprisoned in the Soviet Union.

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April 11, 1985

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Senator Warren Rudman
United States Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Raoul Wallenberg

Dear Senator Rudman:

As a resident of New Hampshire, I am writing to plea for your assistance in the release of Raoul Wallenberg. I am sure you are most aware of the tremendous sacrifice this Swedish Diplomat has made on behalf of the Jewish People during the Second World War. As it is believed he is still alive and being held in a Soviet prison, is there any way to obtain his freedom?

How tragic that the world has forgotten this great man who helped so many desperate people. How ashamed I feel that my country has abandoned him. I ask that you exert whatever diplomatic pressure you can to free this humanitarian. He deserves some happiness during whatever years are left to him.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

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**United States Senate**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

Office of Congressional Relations
Department of State
Room 7261
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20521

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RE:

Attached is a communication within the area of your authority. Because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries, your help is needed. I would appreciate your looking into this matter and providing me with a report so that I may further respond to my constituent.

Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure will be greatly appreciated. Please direct your response to the attention of

Lucy Newton

Sincerely,

Sam Nunn

RE: Release of RAOUL WALLENBERG in U.S.S.R.

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April 12, 1985

The Honorable Sam Nunn
Room 303
Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Nunn:

As you may be aware, there was a recent broadcast on NBC portraying the efforts of a Swedish diplomat, Raoul Wallenberg, in saving Jewish citizens of Budapest during World War II.

Today, with all the problems of world hunger, racial and religious wars, and nuclear proliferation, it would be very easy to forget one man, regardless of his courage, whose heroism took place in yesterday's nightmare. Considering the reports filtering out of the Soviet Union as late as 1975 confirming Mr. Wallenberg's continued existance in Soviet labor camps, how can we forget him?

I consider myself an intelligent student of world affairs and am well aware of the complexities of the U.S.-Soviet relationship. Perhaps President Reagan and his Cabinet might consider an outcry for his release too embarassing in today's atmosphere of hostile negotiations. However, how can we allow a man possessed of such extraordinary courage to spend his last years in prison, his only crime that of caring so much for innocent victims.

I have also written to President Reagan, Senator Mattingly and the Soviet Embassy. I seriously doubt if the Soviets would willingly divulge information on Mr. Wallenberg at this late date, let alone release him. An effort toward this end must, however, be attempted.

That this is not the most critical issue you face is obvious. However, any influence you might exert to help free him is dictated by conscience. I have always admired you for your courage in dealing with issues not necessarily high on the popular agenda and your ability to clarify complex problems. Please use your enormous influence in the international community to bring an end to this tradegy. Whatever I can do to help would be an honor.

Thank you very much for your time and efforts.

Sincerely,

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May 6, 1985

U.S. Department of State
Office of Congressional and
Intergovernmental Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find copies of letters I received from t of my constituents. I have indicated to my constituents that I have brought this matter to your attention and would appreciate your thoughts and comments.

Please direct your response to my Washington office marked to the attention of Karl Stegenga.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dan Quayle
United States Senator

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re: The fate of Raoul Wallenburg, Russia

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April 10, 1985

Senator Dan Quayle
524 Hart Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Quayle,

I am writing in regard to a subject close to my heart. Being a Christian and a Lutheran, I have long been interested and concerned as to the fate of Raual Wallenberg. I have never believed him to be dead but to be a prisioner of the Russians.

Now at long last the public has been made aware of this heroic man's life. We must seize the opportunity to find out the truth. Not just close our eyes and minds and accept the lies of the Communists.

I believe you to be a man of compassion and I beg you to become involved in this truely worthwhile cause.

No man of conscience can disregard this crime against humanity. This man did so much in the name of humanity.

As my representative I implore you to use your power and influence to bring justice to this mans case.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Senator Quayle,

I am writing to you not for my business interest but for Raoul Wallenberg. I just finished his biography. It is very difficult for me to realize that this man has been in prison longer than you and I have been alive.

So many people for so many years and for so many reasons have found it convenient to forget this man. Please lend your support to free this man if he is alive or to determine his fate if he is dead. The standard answers won't play anymore.

I ask for your help as a Christian and an American.

Sincerely,

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# Congress of the United States

House of Representatives • Washington, DC 20515

May 6, 1985

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Mr. Powell A. Moore
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations
Department of State
Room 7261
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Moore:

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I am enclosing a letter from one of my constituents, concerning an investigation regarding the disappearance of Raoul Wallenberg during World War II. Sweden

Any comments and information you can provide my Paoli, Pennsylvania office relative to this matter would be greatly appreciated and most helpful in responding to my constituent.

Many thanks for your kind attention to this matter, and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Schulze

DICK SCHULZE
Member of Congress

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April 22, 1985

Senator Edwin G. Moll
210 S. Broad Street
Lansdale, Pa. 19446

The Honorable Senator Moll,

As a concerned citizen of America, I want to urge you to pursue an investigation into the disappearance of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who was instrumental in saving the lives of thousands of Jews during World War II.

Isn't it time that the United States government did something in this disgraceful situation? Isn't it time we put some real pressure on the Soviet Union concerning Wallenberg?

Sincerely,

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Dear Senator Byrd:

Thank you for your letter of April 16 on behalf of [illegible] concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

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To emphasize further our dedication to resolve the mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels after he was made an honorary citizen. To date, the Soviets have not responded. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the U.N. Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the U.N. Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report, which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the

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Sincerely,

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William L. Ball, III
Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

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Date: May 9, 1985

# United States Senate

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Respectfully referred to:

Mr. Will Ball
Ass't Sec/Legis Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Please respond regarding U.S. efforts in the case of Raoul Wallenberg.
(in USSR)

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Please respond directly to the constituent with a copy to my office. Your findings and views will be appreciated by

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Nancy Landon Kassebaum
United States Senator

Attention: Fran Goodwin

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Dear [redacted] 4/20/85

Is there anything we can do to find out about the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg.

After seeing a recent program about his life, it seems impossible that not more has been done to find about definitely what has happened to him.

I appreciate any thing you can do to help bring out information as to his whereabouts

Thank you,

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Sincerely,

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Washington, D.C.

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Congressional Liaison
U. S. State Department
Soviet Desk
Room 7261
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

Eldon Rudd

Eldon Rudd M.C.

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.
20500

Dear Eldony

Judd is my stepson and I am very proud that a boy of his age would be concerned about the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg.

It's nice to know that there are still young people who care.

Cordially,

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April 10, 1985

Dear Mr. PRESIDENT,

I am a 13 year old boy and I watched the two part series the past two Nights on NBC about Raoul wallenberg.

ALoung with my family, I Am concened ABout what happened to Mr. Wallenberg.

He was a very courageous man and I FEEL that our country should lead an investigation as to what happened to him.

When you meet with PREmier Gorbachev I wish you should bring the subject up please

As one of your followers I would like to be one of the first to Request that every effort Be made to find Mr. WaLLENBerge

Your friend,

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Because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries and communications directed to this office, and knowing that your objectives are similar in this regard, the attached communication is referred to you for consideration. I would very much appreciate your evaluating the information presented and taking whatever action is required to resolve the situation. At your earliest convenience, I would be grateful for your findings and views, in duplicate form. Please send your response to the attention of Marco A. Caceres.

My warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Pete V. Domenici
United States Senator

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RE: WHEREABOUTS OF RAOUL WALLENBERG in Soviet Union.

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April 14, 1985

Pete Domenici
Federl Building
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Dear Mr. Domenici,

This is both a request for information and a complaint. Raoul Wallenberg has officially been a US citizen for quite some time now. What exactly are the executive and legislative branches of government doing to find out his whereabouts? Has the State Department done anything but bureacucratic paper-shuffling? I am sick of waiting!!!!!

What have the legislative bodies done since the token effort of declaring Mr. Wallenberg a citizen? Right now is a perfect time (with the recent exchanges between our heads of state) for us to actually accomplish something. Maybe this is the Soviets' big chance to feed as propaganda that they really don't hate Jews after all and either release Mr. Wallenberg or conclusive information about his fate.

Maybe, too, this would be a achance for Congress to demonstrate their good will by demanding some kind of information. It might just alleviate post-Holocaust Jews' fears that our lives don't really matter to anyone but ourselves. Please show us something more than a token concern.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Domenici,

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As the husband of a Jewish person and a member of an ethnic minority myself, I am very concerned about the fate of Raoul Wallenverg. Please do whatever you can to find out what has happened to him.

Sincerely,

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William L. Ball, III
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# United States Senate

Sen. David L. BOren
Rm. 453 RSOB
Wash.,,D.C. 20510

ATTN: C.J. KING

Respectfully referred to:

Dept. of State
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Please respond to this constituent's concerns.
Thank you.

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David L. Boren
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Form #2

Re: concern about the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg who was arrested in USSR

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 29, 1985

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Dear

Thank you for contacting me about your concerns for the condition and whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg believed to be in Russia. I have asked the Department of State to advise me of the status of any investigation or appeal for information which the State Department has instigated. When I have received a response to my inquiry on your behalf, I will send it to you.

Again, I appreciate your letting me know of your concern. Please let me know whenever there are issues of interest to you.

Sincerely,

David L. Boren
United States Senator

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April 9, 1985

Senator David Boren
United States Senate
Washington D.C.

Dear Senator Boren:

The recent story on TV about the life of Raoul Wallenberg demonstrated his heroism in ~~saving~~ saving tens of thousands of Jews from death during WW II. The fact that he was arrested and has never been heard from is a real trag that I believe should be addressed by the Sene

I strongly believe that the United States shoul do much more to demand & secure from the USSR an accounting of the whereabouts & condition of Mr. Wallenberg.

Please do what you can for this great humanita

Sincerely,

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2. Imprisonment of Raoul Wallenberg, Sweden

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May 6, 1985

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Hatch,

I commend the President and Members of Congress for declaring Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States in 1981. His extraordinary humanitarian accomplishments should be recognized and remembered by all citizens of the world. He served America. He served his own country, Sweden. He served mankind.

Please handle your efforts for his release from Soviet imprisonment as a most urgent matter. Please keep the spotlight on this case. Mr. Wallenberg's courage and compassion were an unwavering flame in a dark and despair-filled time.

"Rage, rage against the dying of the light."
(DYLAN THOMAS)

Sincerely,

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*TO: THE HONORABLE PETE WILSON*
*- UNITED STATES SENATE*
- WASHINGTON, DC 20510

FOR: MS. MICHELE PATTERSON
- 450 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE
- P.O. BOX 36004
- SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3444

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR SENATOR WILSON:

I AM WRITING IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF MAY 30, 1985, CONCERNING THE PLIGHT OF SWEDISH DIPLOMAT RAOUL WALLENBERG. YOUR CONSTITUENTS, [illegible] REQUESTED YOUR ASSISTANCE ASCERTAINING THE FACTS SURROUNDING MR. WALLENBERG'S FATE. B6 B6

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NUMEROUS RUMORS ABOUT SIGHTINGS OF RAOUL WALLENBERG IN THE SOVIET GULAG HAVE RENDERED HIS FATE AN OPEN SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION TO THIS DAY. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BELIEVES FIRMLY AND UNEQUIVOCALLY--AND HAS REPEATEDLY SO STATED--THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS AN OBLIGATION TO THE WORLD TO EXPLAIN PRECISELY WHAT HAPPENED TO RAOUL WALLENBERG. IF HE IS STILL ALIVE, HE SHOULD BE FREED FORTHWITH. IF HE IS NOT ALIVE, A COMPLETE AND DETAILED ACCOUNTING OF WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM AND WHY IS OWED TO HIS FAMILY, TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN, AND TO THE WORLD PUBLIC AT LARGE.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS ITS STRONG CONCERN ABOUT THE FATE OF RAOUL WALLENBERG. AFTER RAOUL WALLENBERG WAS MADE AN HONORARY AMERICAN (AN ACT THAT EMPHASIZES OUR RECOGNITION OF HIS DEEDS) WE MADE THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT AWARE FORMALLY AND OFFICIALLY OF OUR CONTINUED DEDICATION TO ASCERTAINING THE TRUTH ABOUT RAOUL WALLENBERG'S FATE. WE SHALL NOT BE SATISFIED UNTIL THE SOVIETS PROVIDE A FULL AND SATISFACTORY CLARIFICATION OF THEIR ACTIONS IN THIS CASE.

WE HAVE PRESSED THIS EFFORT BOTH ON A BILATERAL BASIS AND AT INTERNATIONAL FORA, SUCH AS THE CSCE REVIEW


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CONFERENCE IN MADRID AND THE U.N. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.

WE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN TO TRY TO CONFIRM REPORTS THAT HAVE COME TO LIGHT ABOUT WALLENBERG. WE CONTINUE TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SWEDEN AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES IN A PERSISTENT EFFORT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION THAT WILL CLARIFY THE FATE OF THIS BRAVE MAN.

I HOPE THIS INFORMATION IS OF SOME HELP TO YOU. IF I

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CAN BE OF ANY FURTHER ASSISTANCE IN THIS OR ANY OTHER MATTER, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL UPON ME.

SINCERELY,
ARTHUR A. HARTMAN
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September 12, 1985

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Department of State
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2201 C Street
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Dear Director:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have received
86 from [ ]

Please provide any information you might have regarding this issue in order that I might be able to respond to my constituent's inquiry. Please return the enclosed correspondence with your report and mark the envelope to the attention of Tom Dosh.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Frank R. Lautenberg

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Wallenberg

Dear Senator Fauntleroy,

I am a volunteer for the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the U.S. The enclosed letter pretty much explains the purpose of this letter.

I might add that if you could use your clout and personally reach the President it would be terrific. This November's summit may well be Mr. Wallenberg's best chance at freedom. If his name could be placed on Mr. Reagan's agenda before it is formulated is most important. From "Bitburg" it seems once the agenda is formulated it will not be changed.

Mr. Wallenberg just turned 73 and time is running out for him. Please use your good offices to help him. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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*- REQUEST FURTHER U.S. ACTION*

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United States Department of State

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Sincerely

George B. High
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Public Affairs

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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1986

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: [redacted] P6

SUBJECT: WRITES AGAIN CONCERNING RAOUL WALLENBERG . WANTS TO KNOW WHAT IS BEING DONE TO SECURE HIS RELEASE

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

Dear President Reagan,

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In August 1985 I wrote to you, Sir, concerning Mr. Raoul Wallenberg. If you recall, he is the Swedish Diplomat held by the Russians since 1945. In 1981 you made him an honorary U.S. citizen.

In my letter I urged you to inquire about his fate of Premier Gorbachev, at your summit meeting with him last fall. Needless to say I was very disappointed not to receive an answer to my letter.

The consensus among Republicans here seems to be, answering correspondence is not one of the strong points of your administration. Since this is my first experience of this kind ever, I decided to try again, and hope you will answer just two questions for me.

Does your information indicate wether Mr. Wallenberg is dead or alive? If alive, what are you doing to secure his release?

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours

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# United States Senate

Senator David L. Boren
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PLEASE RESPOND TO ATTENTION OF:

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

David L. Boren, U.S.S.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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April 22, 1986

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Dear Friend:

Thank you for bringing to my attention your questions and concerns about several issues of concern to you. I have asked the Department of State to provide me with a response to your questions and advise me of the status of the matter to which you refer. When I have received a reply to my inquiry I will send you the information.

Again, I appreciated hearing from you. Please let me know whenever there are matters or issues of interest to you.

Sincerely,

David L. Boren
United States Senator

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Dear Senator Boren:

Recently, much publicity has been given to a so called "spy swap" in Germany. I rejoyce in the release of Anatoly Sharansky whom I understand has been imprisoned for some 12+ years.

Much credit for his release has been ascribed to the pressure of world public opinion mounted in his behalf. The feeling is that the Russians are trying to portray a new, peace loving image. Two things immediately come to mind. First, it is my hope that we and the rest of the world will not fall for that tired, old con job, and second, can the prevailing situation be minipulated to secure the release of the countless others who are being oppressed behind the iron curtian.

May I draw your attention particularly to the fate of a man whose name I'm not sure I can spell. Rahl Wallenburg is about the best I can do. (It's kind of like trying to spell the name of that guy who owns the House Ways and Means Committee) I understand that Mr. Wallenburg was a diplomat who is credited with saving the lives of thousands of Jews during WW II. He was kidnapped by the Russian army who simply could not believe that anyone would subject himself to such risk without some selfish motive. If alive, this man would have been a prisoner for more than 40 years. Mathematically, his torment is something like 3.5 times more unconscienable than that of Mr. Sharansky's. Can you, will you lend the power of your office to bringing his name to the forefront of public attention in an effort to secure his release from a horrible existance that can hardly be called life.

Similarly, the Government in Hanoi has made some public statements in reference to the American MIA's. I am almost afraid to hope. It occurrs to me that the enemy may be doing nothing more than offering lip service to an issue that has been a continuing annoyance to them with hopes that they can say, "See, we checked and there are no Americans here, so quit bothering us." It is conceivable that this may be a face saving device that they might be setting up for the release of a few Americans, perhaps a token jesture. There have been suggestions that the servicemen who have been held all these years may have been held because of the brutal torture they sustained and that their appearance and condition might be an embarrassment to the communist government. I am concerned that there may be some willingness within the American State Dept. to accept something less than full accountability for every American serviceman.

The Vietnamese government has opened the door a tiny crack, a door that has long been closed and I truely hope that every effort will be made to develop this opportunity to secure the release of every missing American and the return of the remains of every identifiable MIA possible. We need to play "hardball" with these dudes, Senator, will you help?

Most respectfully,

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Dear Senator Boren:

Thank you for your recent inquiry on behalf of B6 concerning the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and a proper accounting for the Americans still missing in Southeast Asia since the Indochina War.

The President, the Department of State, and Congress share a strong concern about the fate of Mr. Wallenberg. The U.S. Government takes every opportunity to make this concern known to the Soviet authorities.

Reflecting U.S. interest in this case, President Reagan signed into law in October 1983 a bill conferring honorary U.S. citizenship upon Raoul Wallenberg. Honoring Mr. Wallenberg in this fashion was an important symbolic act. It has made the Soviets and the rest of the world aware of our great admiration for his courage and dedication to humanity. In addition, it stressed our abhorrence for his unjust and illegal punishment by the Soviet Government.

To emphasize further our dedication to resolve the mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate, we raised his case with the Soviets through diplomatic channels after he was made an honorary citizen. To date, the Soviets have not responded. However, our efforts to resolve the tragic mystery of Mr. Wallenberg's fate will continue until the Soviets provide a full and satisfactory clarification of their actions in his case.

We have pressed our efforts both in bilateral meetings and international forums, such as the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) Review Meeting in Madrid and the UN Human Rights Commission. In 1982, the U.S. Representative to the UN Human Rights Commission urged the Soviet Union to make "a humanitarian gesture which would contribute to universal good-feeling, namely a renewed search and full report,

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which may lay questions to rest; or else in the best of all possible outcomes, result in the discovery of the whereabouts of a man who stands among the heroes of our time." At a February 1983 session of the Commission, the U.S. Alternate Representative again raised the issue of Raoul Wallenberg, whom he termed "one of the genuine heroes of World War II, and one of the war's most noble spirits." He suggested the UN Human Rights Commission's Working Group on Disappearances be authorized to "make a renewed search and a full report" on the case.

We continue to work closely with the Swedish Government to investigate reports alleging that Mr. Wallenberg might still be alive. Thus far, we have been unable to substantiate this information. Nevertheless, we will maintain a cooperative effort with the Swedish Government and other interested parties to seek information that will clarify the fate of this brave man.

On January 17, 1985, President Reagan issued a statement to mark the fortieth anniversary of Raoul Wallenberg's disappearance and to commemorate "his heroic deeds in saving thousands of Hungarian Jews." In his statement, the President said, "We will continue to insist that the Soviet Union has a moral obligation to answer, once and for all, the questions we have about his fate."

Both President Reagan and Secretary Shultz have stated on numerous occasions the commitment of the U.S. Government to obtain the fullest possible accounting for our missing men in Southeast Asia. We continue to press the Vietnamese and Laotians for all available information concerning the Americans still missing, while independently seeking these same answers. I am pleased to enclose material which outlines our policy and efforts to resolve the POW/MIA issue.

Sincerely,

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Acting Assistant Secretary
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Enclosures:

1. Correspondence returned.
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