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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

January 30, 1976

JEANNE -

You could send the attached to
Jon Howe.



Robert B. Oakley



January 30, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JON HOWE

FROM: JEANNE W. DAVIS

SUBJECT: Reply to Letter to Mrs. Rockefeller
from International Women's Spiritual
Movement

The State Department is unable to provide any information about the International Women's Spiritual Movement in response to the letter from Mrs. Rao of India. We suggest a staff signature on a reply along the lines of the draft attached at Tab A.





Draft Reply to Letter Inviting Mrs. Rockefeller to
Join Indian Spiritual Movement; For Signature by Vice
President's Staff

Ms. K. Bhaskara Rao
International Women's
Spiritual Movement
Door No. 33-12-5, Seetarampuram
Vijayawada-4, A.P.
India

Dear Ms. Rao:

Mrs. Rockefeller has asked me to reply to your letter of December 18 concerning your interest in having her join your organization and provide you with a travel grant to enable you to visit the West.

Unfortunately, it is not possible for Mrs. Rockefeller to accede to the great number of requests she receives to participate in a variety of endeavors in the United States and abroad. I am sure that you will understand the enormous pressures on her time which preclude her responding to all the groups which write to her.

Sincerely,



Department of State



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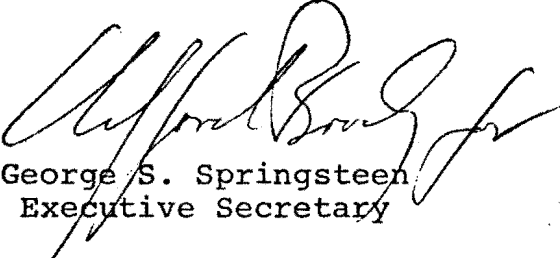
Washington, D.C. 20520

January 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Draft Reply to Letter Inviting
Mrs. Rockefeller to join Indian
Spiritual Movement

On December 18, Ms. K. Bhaskara Rao of Vijayawada, India wrote Mrs. Rockefeller inviting her to join the "International Women's Spiritual Movement" and requesting a travel grant to facilitate a visit by Ms. Rao to the "Western World". Ms. Rao and her organization, founded five weeks before she wrote Mrs. Rockefeller, are unknown to the Department. More likely than not, the "Movement's" membership is miniscule and limited to the provincial town in which she resides. The Department recommends that the membership invitation and request for assistance be politely declined. A draft response is attached.


George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Draft Response to Ms. Rao
2. Letter to Mrs. Rockefeller



NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
REFERRAL

Date: January 12, 1976
NSC log # 7600186

MEMORANDUM FOR:

George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary
Department of State

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

To: Mrs. Rockefeller

From: Ms. K. Bhaskara Rao

Date: December 18, 1975

Subject: Invitation to Mrs. Rockefeller to join the International Women's Spiritual Movement.

ACTION REQUESTED:

xxx Draft reply for: _____ President's Signature
_____ White House Staff
xxxx Other VP's Staff

_____ Direct reply _____ Furnish info copy
_____ Dispatch _____ Translation
_____ Recommendations/Comments _____ Appropriate Handling
_____ Other _____ Information

DUE DATE: January 16, 1976

COMMENTS: May we also have background information re the organization.

Michael J. Inara
for Jeanne W. Davis
Staff Secretary



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WASHINGTON

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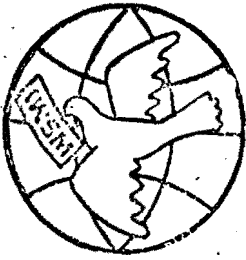
ACTIONMemo No. 405-76
January 9, 1976

FOR: JEANNE DAVIS
FROM: Jon Howe *JH*
SUBJECT: International Women's Spiritual Movement

In the attached letter Ms. K. Bhaskara Rao, Secretary of the International Women's Spiritual Movement -- a voluntary movement organized for spiritual and educational purposes -- has asked Mrs. Rockefeller to become a member of a committee in the Movement and to provide for Ms. Rao a travel, boarding and lodging grant.

Could we please have an NSC draft response.





19-11-75

K. BHASKARA RAO.
M. A., (HONS.) PHILOSOPHY
Secretary

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL MOVEMENT

A VOLUNTARY MOVEMENT ORGANIZED FOR SPIRITUAL AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

Door No. 33-12-5, SEETARAMAPURAM, VIJAYAWADA-4, A. P., INDIA

The aim of the International Women's Spiritual Movement is to construct a building in NEW YORK, U. S. A., to be a symbol of Movement, for spreading spiritual messages and to make woman aware of her pristine nature.

Ideals :

1. To eradicate spiritual unrest by regenerating faith into the vanishing spiritual values.
2. To preach good in speech, action and thought.
3. To spread love towards human and non-human beings.
4. To enlighten about the purpose of existence.
5. To promote peace in the World.
6. To propagate freedom, virtue and justice.
7. To consider all religions are various paths towards God.
8. To bring harmony between spiritual knowledge and scientific knowledge through meaningful dialogue.
9. To help poor and needy children.
10. To co-operate and seek co-operation with like minded organisations.
11. To arrange good-will trips for understanding various cultures.

We have started the above movement on 19-11-1975 which fortunately coincided with the International Women's Year.

We request you to become a member of the above Movement. There is no membership fee.

We will be glad to receive books regarding great women of your country, for our proposed library.

Please donate liberally in order to achieve the above objectives and to conduct annual conferences.

May God bless you.

Honourable Mrs Rockefeller:

We request you to become a member of our proposed In. G. and Committee of the above Movement. I am planning to visit U. S. and tour important cities in order to give lectures about the need of the Movement in the Modern World. For this purpose, I request you to provide me a travel grant and boarding and local grant during my stay here either through your Foundation or your government.

Sincerely,
K. Bhaskara Rao
Secretary.

Please convey my best regards to Vice President Rockefeller.

18-12-1975

