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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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November 16, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR GEORGE SPRINGSTEEN
 Executive Secretary
 Department of State

SUBJECT: Signed Original of President's November 15, 1974,
 Letter to President Frangie

Attached is the signed original of the President's letter to
President Frangie, for pouching to our embassy in Beirut.

Jean M. Davis
Staff Secretary



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 15, 1974

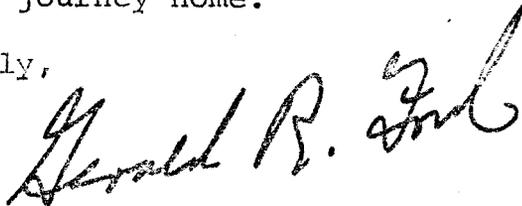
Dear Mr. President:

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With warm best wishes and prayers for your successful journey home.

Sincerely,



His Excellency
Sleiman Frangie
President of the
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URGENT VIA LDX

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SUBJECT: Presidential Letter to President Frangie of
 Lebanon

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Jeanne W. Davis
Staff Secretary



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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

FOR JEANNE DAVIS Nov. 16

Jeanne,

I would appreciate your having the attached memo LDX immediately to State so that the text of the President's message can be wired to Beirut.

You could also sign the memo to Springsteen at back transmitting the original.

Bob Oakley



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ (GDS)ACTION

November 15, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER *HK*

SUBJECT: Letter to President Frangie
of Lebanon

For a variety of reasons associated with the intense focus on the PLO appearance at the United Nations, President Frangie has not felt that he has received sufficient attention from US officials. This, combined with the fact that your schedule permitted receiving him only on Saturday -- when Frangie feels he must return to Lebanon tomorrow -- has evidently led the Lebanese to assume that we are not interested in them.

I believe a personal letter from you to Frangie, expressing regret at the inability to meet in Washington this weekend, would help assuage his feelings. It would represent a personal gesture on your part on the occasion of his visit and would relieve tensions before this situation becomes an irritant in US-Lebanese relations. Text cleared with Paul Théis.

RECOMMENDATION: That you sign the letter to President Frangie at Tab A so that it can be delivered to him in New York tomorrow (Friday, November 15).

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTION

November 14, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

ROBERT B. OAKLEY ⁷²⁰

SUBJECT:

Presidential Letter to President Frangie of Lebanon -- Before his Departure from the US *Today (11/15)*

President Frangie is extremely upset over what he considers to have been shabby treatment on the part of the USG during his US visit, coming on top of repeated Israeli attacks on South Lebanon. Our embassy has now heard that Frangie has told his daughter in Beirut by phone that he has been poorly received, a report confirmed by my friends in his entourage. Whatever the merits, I strongly recommend that Frangie expeditiously receive a letter from the President as a personal gesture to help defuse tensions. A suggested text is at Tab A under a transmittal memo from yourself to the President. State concurs.

RECOMMENDATION: That you seek the President's signature on the letter to President Frangie in the attached package as quickly as possible. The text could be wired to New York.

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J. Jones office
1:15 - 11:15
A.M.*

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TO: George Springsteen

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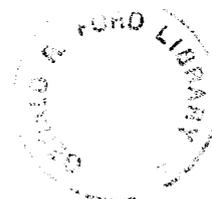
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November 15, 1974

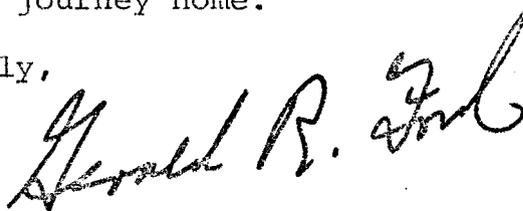
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SUBJECT: *Pres ltr to Pres Frangie of Lebanon before his departure from US*

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LATIN AMERICA				JOINT MEMO
UNITED NATIONS				REFER TO _____ FOR: _____
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SUBSEQUENT ROUTING/ACTIONS

DATE	FROM	TO	S	SUBSEQUENT ACTION REQUIRED (OR TAKEN):	CY TO
11/14		HAK	X	<i>Pres to Spangler to Frangie (11-16)</i>	
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

July 14, 1975

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Ed Roberts

The attached is for your files.

R.B.O.
Robert B. Oakley

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

by 3/6/04

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

July 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM: ROBERT OAKLEY *RO*

SUBJECT: Message to President Frangie

Assuming that Morgan is released safely today, a message of thanks should be sent to the Lebanese for their extraordinary assistance throughout the course of his abduction. A suggested draft, which I have sent to the State Task Force for their review, is attached.

Attachment

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*Cleared by State Task Force
11:30 7/12/75
JEM*

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Dear Mr. President:

I would like to take this occasion to extend to you my deepest personal thanks for the efforts of your Government in securing the release of Colonel Ernest Morgan. All Americans are greatly relieved at ^{his} safe return, and recognize the essential role played by the Government of Lebanon in attaining this end.

At the same time, I would like to thank you on behalf of the American people for your message of congratulations on the occasion of the One Hundred and Ninety-ninth Anniversary of the independence of the United States. Your kind and thoughtful message symbolizes the close friendship and mutual trust which have long characterized the relations between our peoples.

GRF

His Excellency
President Suleiman Frangie
Beirut
Lebanon

