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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Malach, Martin K. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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# BEFORE THE COMMISSION

In the Matter of

EDLOW INTERNATIONAL COMPANY

License No. XSNM-805 Docket No. 70-2071

(Agent for the Government of India on Application to Export Special Nuclear Material) License No. XSNM-845 Docket No. 70-2131

# NRC STAFF ANSWER TO PETITIONERS' MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

1. On May 14, 1976, petitioners filed a motion for an extension of time to submit written comments, questions and/or rebuttal materials, and for a delay in the commencement of the hearing in the captioned matters.

2. On May 20, 1976, the Department of State filed a response to the petitioners' motion which, in essence, set forth agreement by the Department to the requested extension of time and delay, on condition that (1) the application for license no. XSNM-805 be amended so as to include a portion of the materials presently covered by the application for license no. XSNM-845, and the application for license no. XSNM-845 be correspondingly reduced, (2) petitioners would not raise further objections to issuance of license no. XSNM-805, as so amended, and (3) there would be no waiver of various legal rights and arguments by the Department and petitioners. The reply also set





EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

June 1, 1976

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

Legislative Liaison Officer TO:

> Dept. of State Arms Control & Disarmament Agency Energy Research & Development Administration National Security Council /



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SUBJECT: Nuclear Regulatory Commission proposed report on S.Res. Expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the transfer of fissionable material to India."

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OME Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than

C.O.B. TODAY, JUNE 1, 1976, TUESDAY

Questions should be referred to ( ) or to George R. Gilbert the legislative analyst in this office.

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AMBASSADOR OF INDIA WASHINGTON, D. C.

EXECUTIVE.

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June 2, 1976

Dear Mr. President,

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith a special folder containing a Stamp and First Day Cover released by Government of India on 29th May, 1976, to commemorate the American Bicentennial. This Stamp was released by the Vice President of India, Mr. B.D. Jatti. On the same day, I released the Stamp in the historic city of Philadelphia, where an International Philatelic Exhibition had been inaugurated earlier in the morning.

The Stamp and the First Day Cover will, I am sure, be welcomed by both Indians and Americans. The spirit of the American Revolution and ideals of the great sons of America who secured her independence were and still are a source of inspiration to the people of India. The issue of this commemorative stamp is a reflection of the friendship between the peoples of India and the United States; a friendship based on shared ideals and aspirations.

May I take this opportunity of conveying to you once again the sincere good wishes of the Government and people of India as the American people celebrate the Bicentennial.

Sincerely, ( T.N. Kaul )

His Excellency Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, White House, Washington, D.C.

# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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The President

of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$55,750,000 for foreign assistance.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503 June 24, 1976

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#### LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

Legislative Liaison Officer

National Security Council Nuclear Regulatory Commission Energy Research and Development Administration Arms Control and Disarmament Agency

# SUBJECT:

State Department proposed report on S. Res. 415, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the transfer of fissionable material to India.

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A response to this request for your views is needed no later than Wednesday, June 30, 1976. Comments may be given informally by telephone.

RONALD K. PETERSON for Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

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AMBASSADOR OF INDIA WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 30, 1976

Dear Mr. President,

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I have been asked by my Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, to convey the following message to you:  $\chi$ 

"I have pleasure in conveying warm greetings and felicitations on my own behalf and on behalf of the Government and people of India to you and to the American people for the 200th anniversary of the Independence of the United States of America. I also send my best wishes for your personal well being and the continued prosperity of your great country.

The high ideals proclaimed by the American Revolution have been an inspiration for many countries, including India, in their own struggle for freedom and independence. The dynamism and innovative spirit of the American people which brought prosperity to their country, will, I am sure, serve America equally well in the future.

I hope that the friendly relations between our two governments and peoples will be strengthened to our mutual benefit and for the cause of peace and international understanding.

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Sincerely, ( T.N. Kaul )

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Hon'ble Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, The White House, Washington, D.C.

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AMBASSADOR OF INDIA WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 30, 1976

Dear Mr. President,

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> I have the honour to convey the following message from my President, Mr. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, to you:

"On the happy occasion of the Independence Day of your country, which is also the 200th anniversary of the American Revolution, it is my great pleasure to extend to Your Excellency and to the Government and people of the United States of America our warm greetings and felicitations and also our best wishes for your personal well-being and for the progress and prosperity of the friendly people of the United States of America.

I am convinced that the bonds of friendship and cooperation between our two countries will be further strengthened to our mutual benefit.

Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed"

I should like to take this opportunity to convey, on behalf of myself and my colleagues in the Embassy, heartiest felicitations on this happy occasion.

Sincerely, T.N. Kaul)

Hon'ble Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, The White House, Washington, D.C.

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# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

<u>ACTION</u> July 2, 1976

# MEMORANDUM FOR

JON HOWE

FROM:

JEANNE W. DAVIS WIL

SUBJECT:

Request for Job Guidance from S. S. Darbari, Embassy of India, Belgrade

With reference to the attached request, we suggest you send Mr. Darbari a note recommending he contact the India Desk Officer at the Department of State for appropriate guidance on applying for university positions in the US. Alternatively, if this is an individual known to the Vice President, you could pursue State's suggestion that he approach universitities with South Asian studies programs. However, you will want to keep in mind that if you get into suggesting specifics, the individual may take the line that "the Vice President suggested I seek a job at your university...." This is why we believe you should refer him to State. However, if this is a special situation, you may wish to talk with Bob Oakley.

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1.1 MARY RAWLINS To mark the release of the Souvenir Volume "The United States and India - 1776-1976" to commemorate the American Revolution Bicentennial. FILES The Ambassador of India requests the pleasure of the company of The President and This Lord ut a Reception on the dawaday, 21 Julyat 7 PM o'clock Embassy of India R. S. V. P. 2700 Macomb Street, N. W. 362-1471

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July 8, 1976

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I want to express my gratitude to you and the people of India for the splendid album containing the Stamp and First Day Gover issued by your Government in henor of the Bicentennial celebration of the United States. It is a special pleasure to accept this philatelic gift on behalf of the American people, and you may be sure the spirit of friendship and goodwill which prempted this commemorative is deeply appreciated.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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His Encellency Trileki Nath Kaul Ambassador of India 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, NW. Washington, D. C. 20008

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# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 16, 1976

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

> Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear General Scowcroft:

I attach herewith a letter submitted yesterday by Benjamin Huberman, Director of the Office of Policy Evaluation, to the Department of State posing some questions in conjunction with the Commission's forthcoming consideration of fuel exports to the Jarapur Atomic Power Station. In addition to the enclosure, a classified question was also addressed to Mr. Kratzer. To the extent possible, responses will be made available to all participants at the hearing.

Sincerely,

Samuel J. Chilk

Secretary of the Commission

Attachment: as stated

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July 23, 1976

Dear Abbott:

As you promised when I saw you briefly at the COMSAT dinner, the letter from you enclosing a copy of the Post editorial concerning export of nuclear material to India has reached me.

I will check further into this matter, because I believe you have a good point.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen Counsel to the President

The Honorable Abbott Washburn Commissioner Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20554 EXECUTIVE TA 3/C0 65 C0 66



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### August 25, 1976

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

You were nost kind to remember me on my birthday. Thesk you for your thoughtful message and for contributing to make that a special day for me.

With bost wishes.

Sincerely,

CERALD R. FORD

His Ennellency Trilohi Nath Keul Auberseder of India 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, H. W. Washington, D. C. 20008

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#### August 25, 1976

#### Dear Mr. Ambassador:

On behalf of the American people, I want to express my deep appreciation for India's special tribute to our Ricontennial, <u>The United States and India 1776-</u> <u>1976</u>. We are benered by the expression of longstanding friendship which this volume represents and grateful for the congretulations of the people of India on the 200th Ammiversary of our Nation's independence. In preserving this tribute with pride, we look forward to unintaining and strengthening the tice between our peoples that have meant so much to our two countries.

With best wishes and sincare appreciation for this gift from the people of India to the people of the United States of America.

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GERALD R. FORD

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# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1976

# MEMORANDUM FOR

# THE SECRETARY OF STATE

The President has reviewed and concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Secretary of State that the appointment of Mr. Kewal Singh as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of India to the United States would be agreeable to the Government of the United States. You are requested to so inform the Government of India.

William Gr. Hylevel

WILLIAM G. HYLAND Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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# MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRENT SCOWCROFT THE WHITE HOUSE

# Subject: Appointment of Kewal Singh of India as Ambassador to the United States.

The Government of India has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Kewal Singh as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United States (Tab 2). A biography of Kewal Singh is attached (Tab 1). A thorough review of United States Government records reveals no grounds for objection.

The Department believes from the information available that Mr. Singh will make a good ambassador to the United States and recommends that the President agree to the proposed appointment. If he concurs, the Department will inform the Government of India.

C. Arthur Borg Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- 1. Biography.
- Note dated August 23, 1976 from Embassy of India.

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#### BIOGRAPHY - Kewal Singh

# Republic of India

Kewal Singh, 61, an experienced and capable diplomat, retired on March 31, 1976 as India's Foreign Secretary, a position he had held since December 1972. His Foreign Service postings prior to that assignment included: Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany (1970-72), Secretary (West) in the Foreign Ministry (1968-70), and Ambassador to the Soviet Union (1966-68). Singh also served in Turkey, Berlin, Portugal, England, Cambodia, Sweden and Pakistan, serving as Ambassador in the latter three. Earlier in his career he served as India's Consul General to Pondicherry and, with the <u>de facto</u> transfer of the French establishments in 1954, became Chief Commissioner.

Kewal Singh was born in Lyallpur District of the former undivided Punjab on June 1, 1915. Trained in the law, he was educated at Forman Christian College and Law College, Lahore, and Balliol College, Oxford, attending the latter in 1938-39. He joined the prestigious Indian Civil Service in 1939 and for the next nine years held various positions in the civil administration of Punjab before receiving his initial overseas assignment in 1949.

Singh is respected by his colleagues as highly professional, articulate and intelligent. He has maintained cordial and usually productive relations with U.S. officials and is considered well-disposed towards the United States. During his tenure as Foreign Secretary, he visited the U.S. on several occasions and appeared genuinely committed to improving Indo-U.S. relations.

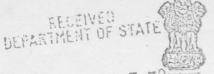
Singh is a warm and sociable person who responds to an informal approach. He is married and has one daughter, Aruna. His only son died in 1968. He speaks German, French, Swedish, Russian and English, besides several Indian languages.

A thorough search of United States Government sources reveals no grounds for objection.

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No. 1032/ANB,

AMBASSADOR OF INDIA WASHINGTON, D. C.



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The Ambassador of India presents his compliments to the Secretary of State of the United States of America and has the honour, under instructions from the Government of India, to state that the Government of India propose to appoint Mr. Kewal Singh as Ambassador of India in Washington. A copy of his <u>Curriculum Vitae</u> is enclosed.

2. The Ambassador of India will be grateful if the Secretary of State will kindly obtain and communicate, at his early convenience, the concurrence of the Government of the United States in the appointment of Mr. Kewal Singh as Ambassador.

3. The Ambassador of India avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary of State the assurances of his highest consideration.



The Secretary of State of the United States of America, Department of State, WASHINGTON D.C.

### CURRICULUM VITAE

Mr. Kewal Singh, born June 1, 1915, B.A., IL.B., joined Indian Civil Service in 1939 and served in different capacities before his appointment as First Secretary, Indian Embassy. Turkey, 1948-49; Indian Military Mission, Berlin, 1949-51; Charge d' Affaires, Indian Legation, Lisbon, 1951-53; Consul-General. Pondicherry, 1953-54; Chief Commissioner, Pondicherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam, Nov. 1955-57; awarded President's award "Padma Shree" on 26.1.1955 for distinguished services rendered in French establishments in India; Foreign Service Inspector, 1957; Ambassador of India to Cambodia, 1957-58; Ambassador of India to Sweden from August 1958 to August 1962 (concurrently accredited as Ambassador to Denmark and Finland since 25th March 1960); Deputy High Commissioner of India, London from 10,10,1962 to 26.7.1965; High Commissioner for India, Karachi, from 5.8.1965 to 10.8.1966; Ambassador of India, Moscow, from 30.8.1966 to 16.12.1968; concurrently accredited to Mongolia from 11.10.1966; Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs from 17.12.1968 to 3.11.1970; Ambassador of India to Bonn from 8.12.70 to 2.12.1972; Foreign Secretary from 4.12.1972 to 31.3.1976.



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MEMORANDUM FOR

C. ARTHUR BORG Executive Secretary Department of State

# SUBJECT: Request for Meeting with the President from Indian Ambassador T. N. Kaul

Attached is a copy of a letter sent by Indian Ambassador Kaul to the President requesting a brief farewell meeting before October 4.

At the appropriate level, please convey to the Ambassador on the President's behalf that, while his letter is greatly appreciated, it will not be possible to arrange such a meeting given the burdens on the President's schedule.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

BRENT SCOWCRO ROBERT B. OAKLEY

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Request from Indian Ambassador Kaul for Meeting with the President

Ambassador Kaul has written the President [Attached] asking for a brief meeting prior to his departure on October 4. [He was previously turned down when he requested a meeting to present India's bicentennial gift in July.] He has met with Secretary Kissinger for a farewell meeting.

There is no justification for such a meeting and it would not be worth the President's time. NEA is not pushing.

Unless I hear from you to the contrary, we will ask State to reply to Kaul that the President's schedule simply will not permit such a meeting.

APPROVE above approach

OTHER

[According to Ambassador Saxbe the major interest of the Indians now is in having the new Ambassador, Kewal Singh, present his credentials to the President. As you know, there is a backlog of such requests with many Ambassador-designates now ahead of **Kaul** (who has not yet even arrived) in priority order. However, we will make sure that all appropriate efforts are made to ensure that Singh's requested is properly staffed.]

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AMBASSADOR OF INDIA WASHINGTON, D. C.

14th September 1976

Dear Mr. President,

I shall be relinquishing my charge shortly and would deem it a great privilege to have an opportunity of paying a courtesy farewell call on you for a few minutes any time convenient to you, upto October 4.

I should like to thank you and your Administration for the courtesy, hospitality, and cooperation always extended to me during my tenure of over 3 years in this country. My stay has been pleasant and fruitful and I am glad that relations between our two countries are better and more friendly today than they were when I came here in May 1973. I sincerely hope that our relations - important as they are for both our countries as well as for the rest of the world - will develop further in the months and years ahead on the basis of mutual respect and understanding and due regard for the vital interests of both countries.

With the assurances of my highest esteem,

(T.N. Kaul)

Hon ble Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, The White House, WASHINGTON D.C.



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# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

September 20

### FOR JEANNE DAVIS

Jeanne,

Per Brent's decision to turn this over to State, you could send the attached instruction to Mr. Borg.





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### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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rena our Since (T.N. Kaul)

Hon 'ble Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, The White House, WASHINGTON D.C.



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# MEMORANDUM FOR:

C. Arthur Borg Executive Secretary Department of State

### **DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:**

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From: Leila K. Fernandes

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Date: 8/12/76

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRENT SCOWCROFT THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to Mrs. Ford from Wife of Indian Opposition Leader George Fernandes NSC # 7605575

Mrs. George Fernandes, the wife of imprisoned Indian Opposition leader George Fernandes, wrote Mrs. Ford August 12 requesting the First Lady's assistance in establishing her husband's whereabouts and in exerting her influence to ensure his welfare. Mrs. Fernandes has been publicizing her husband's plight in recent months, and on September 16 testified before Congressman Fraser's Subcommittee on the human rights situation in India.

Since this letter was written, there have been several significant developments in this case. (Mr. Fernandes was publicly arraigned in New Delhi on October 4, and there has been extensive press coverage of this event as well as of comments he made to reporters in the courtroom.) In view of the lapse of time since the letter was originally written, and the political implications which might be read into any response from Mrs. Ford to Mrs. Fernandes, the Department of State recommends that no reply be sent.

Arthur Borg Executive Secretary

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Date: 10/5/76 NSC log #<u>7605575</u>

MEMORANDUM FOR:

C. Arthur Borg Executive Secretary Department of State

# DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

To: Mrs. Ford

From: Leila K. Fernandes

Date: 8/12/76

Subject: Requests assistance in finding whereabouts of her husband who was areested in India.

### ACTION REQUESTED:

 Draft reply for:
 President's Signature

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914 Rugby Road Charlottesville Virginia 22903

August 12, 1976

Mrs. Betty Ford The White House Washington D.C.

Dear Mrs. Ford:

I am turning to you for assistance at a moment of very great distress. My husband, George Fernandes, Chairman of the Socialist Party of India and a prominent trade union leader was arrested on June 10, 1976. Over the past two months I have tried again and again through the Indian Ambassador, the Secretary, Home Ministry, New Delhi and the Minister of Home Affairs, India to find out the whereabouts of my husband - all without avail. I have made two requests of the Indian Prime Minister, and yesterday I sent out my third appeal to her personally to be informed of George's well-being and whereabouts.

All the anxiety in being kept in the dark in this manner stems from the fact that my husband has been a strong critic and opponent of the policies of Mrs. Indira Gandhi. It was a mere chance of fate that George escaped arrest on June 26, 1975 when thousands of dissidents throughout the country were rounded up in the night in one fell swoop. In the following 11½ months my husband moved around the country from the underground, since all avenues for open expression of dissent had been cut off, organising resistance to the authoritarian regime, educating people to shed their fear and terror through newsbulletins distributed from the underground in an attempt to break through the total press censorship enforced since June 26, 1975.

A systematic campaign to denigrate my husband was started from July, 1975 after having silenced the voice of the opposition. He was portaryed as receiving large amounts of foreign funds through dubious sources, as a rabble rouser, as a C.I.A. agent and am agent of Mao Tse fung simultaneously.

The secret police was deployed to track him down, and finally, on June 10, 1976 they captured him. My husband is far from all the dreadful things he is made out to be by the state controlled media in India. He is a warm, compassionate, wonderful numan being. His whole life is one of sacrifice and of service to the poor and oppressed. He started life to be a priest, but when he felt his true vocation to serve God and man lay in practical work he became involved in the trade union movement and was inspired by the ideals of the Socialist party of India. All this was when George was 19 years old. Today ne is 46, and I believe his life is in danger.

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Reports have been received that George is being tortured; that he has been whisked out of Delhi to an unknown place in Haryana state; that in the meanwhile a case has started in Delhi titled: UNION of INDIA vs GEORGE FERNANDES and others, suggesting that the freedom fighters are being treated as enemies of the state.

I was reading the story of Eugene Debs in this country of the last century and early part of this century. His story reminded me of the tragedy unfolding now for us.

On July 5, 1976 I went to Monticello to see and hear President Ford. America is celebrating its Bicentennial of freedom and independence while the shadows of darkness are dropping over India. Is there nothing that can be done? Surely there is. Some weeks ago I heard you on the radio on the occasion when a distinguished Rabbi had a heart attack at a public meeting. And I was very moved.

Please Mrs. Ford, please exercise your good influence to safeguard my husband's life. I shall be very grateful to you.

I have sought refuge in this great land with my little son, now 2½ years old. Atleast one thing must provide some comfort to my husband, wherever and however he may be: that his wife and child are safe. Indeed I am glad to be here now, even though it is a great ache not to be able to go to my country where my mother and other close relations are left behing.

I enclose a few clippings giving more details of the crisis.

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Sincerely,

leile kani teman Leila Kabir Fernandes

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914 Rugby Road Charlottesville Va 22903

July 30, 1976

Shri T.N. Kaul Ambassador Embassy of India Massachusetts Avenue Washington D.C. 20008

#### Dear Ambassador Kaul:

Not knowing the whereabouts of my husband, George Fernandes. since his arrest on June 10, 1976, despite several enquiries to Mrs. Indira Gandhi and the Home Ministry, New Delhi, finally on July 18 I had contacted you in great anguish to seek your assistance in obtaining this information. At that time you had noted down my specific enquiries and assured me that you would try and get the details for me. The next evening your representative phoned me and gave me almost the same information which you had already given me the previous evening yourself. I told your representative that I would be hoping to have more exact information.

On July 28 I phoned you again in the hope that perhaps by then you would have obtained details of where my husband is detained. In reply to my question: "WHERE IS HE?" I was appalled with your answer: "HE IS IN INDIA". You went on to state that I should put my request to you in writing. If that is the only way in which things can move, I wonder why you did not ask me to do so when I contacted you first on July 18. Shat am I expected to make of your reply to me? Imagine for a moment if your wife or son were in jail and you had no news of their whereabouts for six weeks. How much comfort would you have drawn from a reply such as you gave me?

Please explain to me what is the great "open society" that exists in India today where a wife may not know where her husband is jailed, where a mother is kept ignorant of her son's whereabouts for days on end while the police inflict such brutal torture that they reduce the man to a physical and mental wreck. In case you have not read it, I enclose berewith a copy of the letter my mother-in-law wrote to the President of India with copies to 26 others, including Mrs. Indira Gandhi, giving details of the atrocities perpetrated upon George Fernandes' brother, Lawrence Fernandes.

Will you be able to help me find out the following regarding my husband?

- i) Place of detention
- ii) What are the charges
- iii) Has a trial been started
- iv) If so, the details of the same uptil now
- v) Has legal counsel been provided
- vi) If so, the name of the lawyer
- vii) What, precisely, are the rules for visitors viii) Present state of health

Sincerely, I. Enti

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# INDIA ABROAD, Friday August 6, 1976. (Front Page, Lead Story) Opposition Leader Being Put On 'Show Trial,' Alleges Wife

#### By PORUS COOPER

The government of India has decided to bring to trial Socialist leader George Fernandes, according to his wife, Leila Fernandes, who is in the United States. Fernandes, 46, led an underground Opposition to the state of emergency proclaimed on June 26, last year, till his arrest in Calcutta on June 10.

Quoting unramed sources, Mrs. Fernandes told India Abroad in an interview last week that the Indian government was preparing for a "show trial" and that an approver had been found to testify against her husband.

According to her, Fernandes was produced on June 11—a day after his arrest—in a Delhi court and remanded to police



#### George Fernandes and son.

custody. He was seen again in court on June 23, she said, "when the police asked for and obtained further remand in their custody."

Some time in the first week of July the government filed the case of the Union of India vs. George Fernandes and others, Mrs. Fernandes claimed. However, she alleged, her husband was not produced in court at hearings on July 3, 12, 15, and 21, and his lawyers, O. P. Malaviya and K. K. Luthra, had told the court that they were being prevented from seeing him.

Between his arrest and the opening of his case, Mrs. Fernandes alleged, her husband was "continously interrogated and prevented from sleeping." Her latest information was, she said, that Fernandes was lodged in a jail in Haryana state, whose administration, according to her, has in the past taken ruthless action against dissidents.

JUDICIAL CUSTODY

Indian ambassador in Washington, Triloki Nath Kaul, confirmed that Fernandes had been produced before a magistrate. Talking to India Abroad over the telephone on August 2, Kaul said Fernandes had been sent to judicial custody, but did not know in which court he was produced.

Mrs. Fernandes said that despite repeated inquiries neither the ambassador nor the authorities in India had told her of her husband's whereabouts.

Mrs. Fernandes showed India Abroad copies of cablegrams she had sent to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, as well as of letters she had written to Indian Home Minister K. Brahmananda Reddi .

and to the Secretary in the Home Ministry inquiring about the whereabouts and state of health of her husband.



#### Leila Fernandes

She said she had also talked over the telephone to Ambassador Kaul on July 18, to the Minister (commerce) at the embassy, J.N. Dixit, on July 19, and again to the ambassador on July 28, but neither of them had told her where her husband was being held.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN COMMITTEE "JUSTICE FOR GEORGE FERNANDES AND OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS." PLEASE CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE.

YOUR IMMEDIATE CABLE TO MRS GANDHI MAY HEAD OFF HASTY ACTION. URGE INTERESTED FRIENDS COLLEAGUES TO JOIN YOU. 22 WORD NIGHT LETTER COSTS \$3.08. SEND COPY: P O BOX 3741 CHARLOTTESVILLE VA 22903.

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November 22, 1976

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am sorry it has taken so long to secure the enclosed photos.

However, I do hope Mr. Hussain will appreciate those of him as a further rememberance of his visit to the White House.

President Ford would like you to have the enclosed photograph taken in the Rose Garden in appreciation for your great interest in our Bicentennial commemoration.

My very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Milton E. Mitler Deputy Special Assistant to the President

His Excellency Newal Singh Ambassador of India 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20008

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TO: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT:

Credentials of the following Ambassadors (Agenda not sent to Central Files as of 1/13/77):

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Dec. 30 [1976]

MEMO FOR

JON HOWE

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Indian Parliament Request for Vice Presidential Message

JEANNE W. DAVIS

Attached is the State Department's recommendation that there be no Vice Presidential message to the Rajya Sabha. We concur in this recommendation. If you agree, we suggest that you return this to us and we will have State handle the reply on the Vice President's behalf.



#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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December 27, 1976

### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRENT SCOWCROFT THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Request for Vice Presidential Congratulatory Message for the Council of States in India

In reply to the inquiry from your office of December 21 (NSC-6444), it is our judgment that it would be inappropriate for the Vice President to forward a congratulatory message for the anniversary volume of the Rajya Sabha given the uncertainty surrounding the role of the Indian Parliament under the current state of emergency.

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C. Arthur Borg Executive Secretary

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DEPUTY CHAIRMAN RAJYA SABHA PARLIAMENT HOUSE NEW DELHI

20 November, 1976. 29 Kartika, 1898(Saka).

#### GODEY FURAHARI

# Dear Mr. President,

The Council of States (Rajya Sabha), which is the Upper House of the Indian Parliament, will be completing 25 years of its life and will be holding its 100th Session in May, 1977. The General Purposes Committee of the Rajya Sabha decided that suitable celebrations be organised to mark the occasion.

As part of the celebrations, it was decided to bring out a Commemorative Volume on the role of the Upper Houses in Bicameral Legislatures. A list of subjects, not to be taken as exhaustive, indicating the various facets of the working of the Upper Houses is enclosed.

A function will be organised on the occasion to release this Commemorative Volume.

In order to make the publication interesting and befitting the occasion, I would request you to contribute an article on any of the topics mentioned in the enclosed list for inclusion in the Volume.

We would also welcome a Message of good wishes from you for publication An the Volume with a copy of your recent photograph.

I would appreciate if you could kindly send your article and Message of good wishes by the end of December, 1976 as it would facilitate timely publication of the Volume.

Looking forward to hear from you and with kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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The Hon'ble Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller, President of the Senate, Senate, WASHINGTON.D.C.(U.S.A.). Working of the Parliamentary Institutions with special reference to the Upper Houses in Bicameral Legislatures

I. The Concept and the Relevance of Second Chambers in

- (a) Parliamentary Democracy
- (b) Federal Polity
- (c) Developing Societies

# II. Origin and Growth of Second Chambers in India

- (a) Ancient Times
- (b) During the British Rule
- (c) Through the Constituent Assembly
- (d) Since the Commencement of the Constitution

III. The Rajya Sabha (1952-1977)

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  - - (a) Rules of Procedure
    - (b) Legislation
    - (c) Llections
    - (d) National Integration
    - (e) Grievance Ventilation
    - (f) Social Change
    - (g) Union-State relations

#### VI. The Membership

- (a) Composition of the House
- (b) The socio-economic, educational and professional background of Members-changing complexion of Membership
- (c) Performance of Members
- (d) Background, attitudinal and performance analysis

#### VII. The Presiding Officers

- (a) The position, the role and the relationships .
- (b) The background and the achievements

#### VIII. The Committees

- (1) The Committees of the Upper House.
- (2) Joint Committees of both the Houses.
- (3) Other Committees on which the members of the Upper House are represented.
- IX. Decision Making and Policy Formulation-role and impact of the Upper House
- X. The Secretariat
- XI. Summing up and Evaluation:

### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

URGENT VIA LDX December 21, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

C. ARTHUR BORG Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT: Request for Vice Presidential Congratulatory Message for Council of States in India

We would appreciate your recommendation on the appropriateness of a Vice Presidential message for the anniversary volume of the Rajya Sabha in India, as requested in the attached letter. If you recommend that a message is appropriate, please provide a draft text, as soon as possible.

Jeanne W. Davis Staff Secretary

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### OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

#### WASHINGTON

#### ACTION

Memo No. 1352-76 December 8, 1976

FROM: Jon Howe

SUBJECT: Request for Vice Presidential Message for Indian Parliament Upper House

Attached is a letter from the Chairman of the New Delhi Council of States (Rajya Sabha) requesting a Vice Presidential message for publication in the Council's 25th Anniversary Commemorative Volume.

Could we please have your recommendation and a draft message if appropriate.

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#### January 6, 1977

#### Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Mrs. Ford and I want to thank you and Mrs. Singh for your thoughtful gift during the Holidays. We were most pleased to be remembered with the book entitled <u>Chamba Painting</u> which you so kindly inscribed. You may be sure this work is a splendid addition to our library.

With best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

JERY FORD

His Excellency Kewal Singh Ambassador of India 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, NW. Washington, D. C. 20008

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January 7, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR

ELIZABETH O'NEILL Gerald Ford Transition Office

FROM:

JEANNE W. DAVIS MA

SUBJECT:

Request for Presidential Message to Trade India International

This is in response to your request for guidance on the attached request for a message from the President to the Indian Garment Fair. Our staff has reviewed the request and decided that it would be inappropriate for a message to be sent to this promotional group in India. We have therefore forwarded the letter to State and requested that the Department handle the reply directly, indicating that a message will not be possible. (Eliska Hasek concurs)