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From: Lennon, John E.
To: Halperin, Morton H.
Cc: /R, Record at A1; Cooper, Kathleen H.; Lennon, John E.
Subject: Conf Call [UNCLASSIFIED]
Date: Friday, February 24, 1995 6:03PM

Highlights...

- Wendy Sherman talked with lots of Senate staff, both D & R, and no one opposes merger of the agencies; hesitation only about cutting commercial services or anything that would help businesses abroad. "More thoughtful" members voiced concern about aid, and said they wouldn't commit to the concept until they see the bill and the numbers and are reassured that aid isn't being killed. Unanimity about consolidation, tho. All of the new offices had no clue about what the VP and NPR is doing; older-timers are familiar with NPR, but are even more enthusiastic about consolidation of the agencies because they've had a chance to think about it. We've got a lot of publicity work to do to win support. Some concern expressed about broadcasting; wanted to make sure that good works done so far aren't in danger of being wiped out. Lugar, Snowe, Ashcroft and a couple of others don't want to sign on right away.
- ACDA LA says older members have told him we've got to reform, and the R's say that now that they have a chance to do it, they will. Where is the WH? We have no idea, says a lot of members.
- AID LA says that the idea of a foundation is very clever, a difficult thing to fight, but there isn't full support for the idea. There is a view in the House that they might not track closely with the Helms plan on this.
- USIA LA says Duffey talked with Berman who will go to bat for us and fight for us; Chris Smith would like nothing more than to take the Helms plan so that he wouldn't have to do his own work. ACDA reports, though, that Smith indicated he wouldn't necessarily take the Helms plan without putting his own stamp on it. House piece could take shape as early as the middle of next week.
- Script has been formatted and will be distributed to everyone on Monday; it will include the VP's letter. Danvers says it will be reviewed early in the week, and should form the basis for talks on the hill with whomever by Thursday or Friday. The "script" was generated in separate pieces but now looks like it's a single presentation of each agency's mission and accomplishments in REGOs one and two.
- Lucy from State says she has gotten big-time ho-hums regarding the VP's letter, and if that's what the "script" will be drawn from it'll be hardly helpful. (Discussion followed as to whether or not LAs should defend WH plan or attack Helms plan. No resolution.)
- EXIM, OPIC and others will be made a part of the conference call on Monday.
- General agreement that what we're being accused of is defending the status quo; any evidence that we are effecting real change is good.
- Further talking points will be generated and circulated Monday; comments will be circulated to all agencies for review; AID will continue to serve as the collation point. Danvers has a lead role.
- Conference call will be at 6pm as it looks now, but could be moved to 5pm.

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002. memo	Leon Panetta to Lake re: Cost of Relocating RFE/RL Headquarters to Prague (6 pages)	06/24/94	P5
003a. memo	Lake and Panetta to POTUS re: U.S. International Broadcasting (4 pages)	06/15/93	P1/b(1), P2, P5
003b. memo	Memorandum for Secretary of State et al. re: Strengthening US International Broadcasting (2 pages)	06/15/93	P1/b(1)
003c. memo	Lake and Panetta to POTUS re: U.S. International Broadcasting (3 pages)	ca. 06/93	P1/b(1), P2, P5
004. memo	Gordon Adams to Lake re: Consolidation of International Broadcasting (1 page)	03/12/93	P5
005. memo	Wilson to Lake re: Response to Biden's Memorandum from 10/5/93 (2 pages)	10/08/93	P1/b(1), P5
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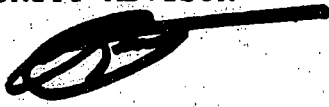
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June 24, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY LAKE
NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR

FROM: Leon Panetta 
SUBJECT: Cost of Relocating RFE/RL Headquarters to Prague

The Czech government has asked the USG to decide by June 30th whether to accept their offer to house Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Inc. (RFE/RL) headquarters in Prague's former Parliament Building, relocating the Radios from Munich. The cost of a potential move is a major factor in this decision -- the move will have to be approved by Congress which has expressed a keen interest in ensuring that projected savings related to the recently legislated international consolidation broadcasting plan remain in tact. OMB was asked to review and comment on the relocation cost data currently available.

Background:

Last Fall, the Czech government offered the USG the use of the former Parliament headquarters in Prague as a potential new location for RFE/RL headquarters. RFE/RL management immediately embraced the offer and communicated their intense interest to Czech officials. In January, during his visit the President expressed support for the move and told the Czechs the matter was under review.

In April, the Board for International Broadcasting, the RFE/RL Board of Directors, voted unanimously to relocate headquarters to Prague. The Czechs have held their offer open since last Fall. The Czechs have said that if a decision is not made by the USG on relocation by June 30th, they will go forward with alternative plans to lease or sell the property.

To determine whether the move to Prague can be made within the projected funding levels for FY 1994 and FY 1995, RFE/RL contracted with Arthur Andersen (AA) to do a study which was completed in May.

Arthur Andersen has concluded (with qualifications) that relocating to Prague is financially feasible within RFE/RL's requested funding level for FY 1995. OMB was asked to review the

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Arthur Andersen report and comment on whether the conclusions presented therein are sound from a budgetary perspective.

Analysis:

Upon review of the details of the report and follow-on discussion with Arthur Andersen staff, OMB finds that several cost estimates and fundamental assumptions included in the study are questionable.

Lack of AA verification of Estimates and Unknowns

In the report, Arthur Andersen underscores that "understanding the underlying assumptions of the cost estimates and operating plans [for the Munich and Prague options] is key to evaluating either option."

- AA, however, has not audited the information presented in their report, and therefore, states that Arthur Andersen "does not express an opinion on the assumptions or estimates."
- AA states in the study that "there are several significant cost elements that will be beyond RFE/RL management's control and experience dictates that actual results will likely be different than projected amounts." Specific examples of unknowns that could dramatically affect the numbers include: lease costs in Prague; building renovation costs in Prague; Czech inflation; Czech laws regarding NGOs (yet to be developed); level of skills in Prague workforce; and availability and cost of adequate employee housing.

Underfunding Cost Items and Use of Plugs

Throughout the report, it often appears that when AA identifies areas as cost items that are difficult to estimate, AA defaults to using estimates at the low end of a potential range. AA has used unsubstantiated "plugs" to estimate various cost items. Specific examples of concern follow:

- Social Plan Costs: Regardless of whether RFE/RL relocates to Prague or remains in Munich, to reduce its funding level to \$75 million by FY 1996, they will have to downsize significantly. German Labor Law requires that a social plan for terminated employees be established. The \$2.6 million estimated for FY 1995 by AA will not be sufficient to cover

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the full social plan costs. AA has stated in follow-up discussions that they recognize the amount provided to cover this cost item is likely insufficient.

- Costs Not Specifically Included in AA's Estimates: AA claims they know there are cost items that will need to be funded that are not included in their overall estimates. AA cites the following as examples of such costs: engineering integrations/downsizing, cost of final contract settlement, additional costs of the final social plan, and the cost of introduction of required new business processes. AA has allowed for a \$7.1 million contingency to cover these costs in the Prague option, \$18.8 million lower than their contingency estimate for the Munich option. The only reason for the difference given by AA, is that they used a lower "plug" to estimate these costs in the Prague option to stay within the total projected FY 1995 funding level. We think these costs will exceed the \$7.1 million plug in the Prague estimates.
- Litigation Costs: For both the Munich and Prague options, AA includes funding for possible litigation costs. RFE/RL and AA anticipate that suits will be brought against the RFE/RL by employees and contractors during the downsizing process. AA confirmed these estimates are based on the RFE/RL legal counsel's "best guess" or order of "magnitude estimates" which were not derived using any formula or cost/employee ratio.
- Personnel Costs in FY 1996: In estimating the comparative outyear costs of operations in Prague and Munich, AA used different Tables of Organization (TOs), or staffing levels. "Given the time constraints on the study," AA neither audited nor fundamentally questioned the RFE/RL staffing patterns, upon which they built their personnel cost estimates in Prague at \$9.7 million less than those for operating in Munich.

Other Agency Views:

- USIA and Voice of America staff believe there are major gaps in the AA study and are not confident that the move to Prague can be accomplished within the cost parameters laid out by AA. They are concerned about the potential for raiding their budgets to offset higher than projected relocation costs. USIA and VOA are further concerned that

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AA has not included funding for integrating USIA and BIB radio transmitter assets in their estimates (at least \$22 million).

- State Department has consistently expressed their support for the move to Prague based solely on the symbolic gesture it would be -- moving the Radios East to the very place they've provided information to for years from afar. State, however, would not offer any offsets from their budget to cover relocation costs. I understand that the U.S. Ambassadors to Germany and the Czech Republic have stated their support for this move.
- BIB staff are not convinced that they could cover the costs of relocation identified by AA within their projected funding level for FY 1995 given the high costs of downsizing they must accommodate (severance, etc.). They remain concerned, like VOA, that aside from relocation costs, no money has yet been identified to cover the costs of integrating transmitter assets.
- I understand that NSC are divided on the issue and three options have been forwarded for your consideration. In that regard I offer the following comments:

-- Should the President commit to a move to Prague and the relocation costs prove exorbitant, the consequences will be significant. The President will be put in the position of either having to go back to the Hill for more money for the Radios or drastically decrease RFE/RL programming beyond that already happening as the RFE/RL budget level is reduced from a \$210 million level in FY 1994 to a \$75 million in FY 1996. To go back to the Hill for funding beyond that currently projected in the budget, would be difficult given the Administration's consistent pledge to uphold the savings related to broadcast consolidation in seeking support for its original consolidation plan. To cut the Radios back further to avoid further funding requests would likely result in shutting down entire broadcast services. It is unclear that option is real given the high severance costs that would eat into any saving that may be achieved by further staff reductions.

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-- There is no way to obtain solid, reliable cost estimates in a the short-term if the Czech deadline were slightly extended. The data is simply not available. Given the unknowns and RFE/RL management's interest in the way the numbers come out, it would be most unlikely that anything positive could come from an expedited audit of the AA findings. In the short term, there is no way to quickly verify the RFE/RL cost estimates included in the AA report for either moving to, or operating in, Prague.

Congressional Interest:

Congress has laid down legislative markers signalling their concern over the cost and timing of a relocation decision.

- The House Appropriations Committee included bill language in their recently passed FY 1995 CJS Appropriations Bill that prohibits any funds appropriated in FY 1995 to be used for relocating RFE/RL from Munich. Report language expresses the Committee's dissatisfaction with analysis of relocation costs to date.
- The FY 1994/95 Foreign Relations Authorization Act requires the relocation decision to be made by the new Broadcasting Board of Governors once established. It was Congress' belief that a decision to relocate will significantly affect U.S. broadcasting operations for years to come and since the BBG is charged with defining future U.S. broadcasting strategy it is they who should make this decision.

The legislation does provide that if the President wishes to make a decision to relocate in advance of the BBG, the President must certify that it is in the significant national interest of the United States to do so. Cost data and issue analysis must be forwarded to the Hill with the Presidential Determination in order for Congress to consider approval.

- House Foreign Affairs Committee staff were recently in Prague and Munich to explore the relocation issue further. HFAC staff members reported that they felt both the AA report and their trip raised more questions than answers. From their view, they see the budgetary issue as the primary focus of most House members and the criteria upon which the decision will be largely judged. While in Prague, the

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congressional staff members informed the Czechs that they thought it was not probable that the Congress could approve a decision to relocate by the month's end.

Conclusions:

From this report, OMB does not believe the Administration should approve a move to Prague at this time.

- It is impossible to determine with any confidence that a move to Prague can be achieved without threatening the Administration's proposed four year savings projections included in the President's budget.
- Given all the unknowns, the actual relocation costs will likely exceed those currently projected. Even if AA's relocation cost estimate of \$20 million over two years proved accurate, the FY 1994 and requested FY 1995 funding levels are clearly not sufficient to cover the costs of relocation in addition to the full cost of downsizing.
- It is impossible to determine that RFE/RL could operate in Prague at the \$75 million ceiling level in FY 1996 as projected in the budget and capped in legislation.
- The decision could be deferred until the BBG is in place and a more thorough analysis is done. Although the Prague Parliament Building may no longer be available at that time, an alternative site could be considered.

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March 12, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY LAKE

FROM: Gordon Adams *GA*
SUBJECT: Consolidation of International Broadcasting

Some questions have come up about process in this area on which I wanted to set the record straight.

- I believe the original option described in the OMB economic plan briefing book was carefully staffed. It was fully discussed and cleared with USIA and the State Department. It was fully reviewed by staff here at OMB. It was briefed to and discussed with Dick Clarke of the NSC staff who tells me he, in turn, briefed you on all of the 150 options, including, in particular, the broadcasting consolidation proposal. It was clearly presented to the President in the Roosevelt Room by OMB Director Panetta. In fact, the President asked that one part of the original option -- the termination of TV (not radio) Marti broadcasting -- be dropped and options be explored as to how to extend TV Marti broadcasting, which was done.
- The savings realized by the proposed consolidation are real and would contribute to the President's deficit reduction goal. Options that fall short of consolidation, or that would perpetuate the current BIB structure would fail to realize these savings, particularly the overhead efficiencies our international broadcasting operations require.
- I attach a couple of items which indicate that the consolidation of RFE/RL is not uniformly resisted by all conservatives.
- I fully agree that we should explore, as a team, the way in which the consolidation might take place and have instructed my staff to work with Ernest Wilson to define options that would also realize savings. As we do so, however, I would hope we could avoid suggestions that the original proposed option was not fully examined or properly staffed. Frankly, I would be more comfortable if we conducted this exploration in a longer time frame through the democracy PRD now being staffed by NSC, rather than the fast track we are on. Perhaps we can discuss this.

Attachments

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14 June 1993

INFORMATION

TO: TONY LAKE
NANCY SODERBERG
FROM: ERNEST WILSON *YW*
SUBJECT: Gene Pell Back on Board

After one hour and 17 minutes of conversation with Gene Pell, we reached the following understanding.

1. Said Pell: "I support the agreement. I will not make any public statements against it. If asked, I will say I support the agreement overall. I may say that I have some reservations about parts of the policy, but that I believe that these can be worked out." (The change in status from RFE/RL, Inc. to RFE/RL in USIA by FY 1995.)
2. He wants to be able to guarantee his people in Munich that they are 'grandfathered' into their current compensation packages and retirement benefits. That is the language in the President's plan.
3. Pell now feels adequately consulted, informed and involved.
4. He will attend the announcement tomorrow, and then get on a plane back to Munich.

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March 30, 6:15pm

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This is what we know at this hour...

The Harkin amendment has growing support; Hollings & Leahy are on board with him as co-sponsors, and other Dems are interested.

The amendment would take the \$7.23 million supp and \$98 million more and divide it up among the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (\$26m), child care block grants (8.4), drug-free school activities (25m), impact aid grants (16.3), drug courts (15), and community services for older citizens (14.4).

Betting is it will be voted down along party lines with some defectors each way. That may be wishful thinking, as no one is voting against child care in favor of foreign affairs programs these days.

Biden is being called by everyone and it looks like the effort will pay off; his LA says he will speak out against the amendment, even though it's a tough one for Dems to oppose. He's been pressed to do so, though, as follows:

- Kevin Klose has called present and former BIB members, including Steve Forbes, Ken Tomlinson, Cheryl Halpern, and Lane Kirkland, to weigh in with Biden and others.
- Rich McBride is haunting doorways off the Senate floor trying to grab Dems; Mica, the current BIB chairman, has sent a letter to Harkin and has a call in to Biden.
- BIB office and USIA LA office are calling staff on both sides of the hill, including Biden's.
- Duffey has talked with Ed Long, trying to reach Harkin, talked to Brian McKeown (Biden's guy) as has everyone else including Klose.

Gramm, Hatfield, and Snowe likely will speak out against. No one knows how Helms will go.

BIB/USIA/NSC have worked Daschle, to what effect is not known.

Danvers says White House LA wants opposition to be felt, but not too strenuous.

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To: Fried, Daniel; Halperin, Morton H.
Cc: /R, Record at A1; Cooper, Kathleen H.; Lennon, John E.; Lorin, Matthew E.
Subject: Letter(s) [UNCLASSIFIED]
Date: Friday, June 09, 1995 11:56AM

Attached is a draft of a letter from POTUS to Havel marking move of RFE/RL to Prague. POTUS talked with Havel by phone 7/4/94 and accepted invitation to move. A year later, it's done, to be completed midnight June 30. State is handling process of drafting letter for POTUS from Havel; the two should be exchanged publicly. State preferred not to push the exchange up to this weekend when the two presidents will dine, but to wait until the anniversary. Also... anything is possible at RFE/RL, including the screwing up of the final stages of the move, an eventuality that would give mutual congratulations a hollow ring. Tom Gibbons is working this at State (647-1457.) Matt Lorin should inherit this from me, effective this date.

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5. The President believes that the move is necessary to assure the survival and effective operation of RFE/RL and will symbolize the new role of the radios in the post cold war period.

6. The move to Prague and other aspects of the consolidation will ~~continue to be~~ supervised by a steering committee co-chaired by NSC and OMB and including representatives of the Department of State, USIA, and BIB. *to ensure the budget targets are met.*

Most - we want this to be new

To TL:

We plan to start calls at 9am, announce late today.

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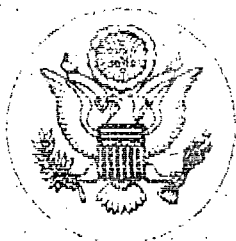
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Moet - Who at BIB made this commitment?

Make sure Moet knows &

It is easier to hold Joe
responsible if we give him the authority.

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July 27, 1994

The Honorable Anthony Lake
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Tony:

I have just reviewed the letter which you recently received from Dr. Igor Nemec, Minister and Head of the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic, regarding the relocation of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty to Prague. Enclosed is a proposed draft response.

As you know, the references which Dr. Nemec makes to actual finances and lease terms can only be addressed in the legal terms of the lease between the Radios and the Czech Government. In addition, Dr. Nemec's reference to payments retroactive to April 1 for the building's operational costs has already raised some red flags on Capitol Hill. On July 22 during deliberations on the Commerce, Justice, State and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, Senators Feingold and Biden engaged in a colloquy on this very subject, both expressing grave reservations about such retroactive payments to the Czech Government.

The BIB is fully committed to doing everything possible to implement the President's decision on this relocation. Please give me a call if you have questions or if there is something further that I can do at this time.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dan Mica".

Daniel A. Mica
Chairman

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To: Kreczko, Alan J.
Cc: /R, Record at A1; Baker, James E.; Halperin, Morton H.; Soderberg, Nancy E.
Subject: RFE/RL -- Move to Prague
Date: Wednesday, July 27, 1994 4:01PM

With respect to RFE/RL's move to the Parliament building in Prague, the Czechs are seeking operating expenses from RFE/RL for the building retroactive to April 1. This is a non-starter on our side because of serious opposition on the Hill. The issue may have become politically significant in Prague, too; and we would like to talk things out with the Czechs before it becomes a more serious problem.

Nancy would like to bring in the Czech ambassador to explain the political context here and why the question of retroactive payments could jeopardize the deal. She wanted me to check with you to make sure that such a meeting would be appropriate.

Because RFE/RL maintains a corporate separation, we wouldn't want to do anything that could be construed as directly negotiating the lease terms for the building, as this could make the USG vulnerable to veil piercing in litigation. (There are apparently no statutory mandates in the area, except that the Board for International Broadcasting is prohibited from managing the radios day to day.) However, the BIB general counsel thinks that because there is a clear political element to the question of the retroactive payments, conducting discussions on a government-to-government basis regarding the matter would be appropriate.

I am moving to New York tomorrow and won't be back until Tuesday. Could you pass along your thoughts directly to her? Thanks.

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From the meeting 7/27 with Soderberg et al.:

– budget numbers for the Prague move will be ready on Aug. 1 for interagency clearance. It is apparently only OMB that really counts for the interagency clearance, and they (Bruce Sasser) thought they could turn it around in 2-3 days. Congress is expecting something by the end of next week, in time for conference on State, Justice, Commerce bill.

– GAO will be brought in as soon as the budget people think that their participation won't slow things down, but everyone favored their early involvement.

– there remains the question of the retroactive payments for the Prague building. There was a Feingold-Biden colloquy on this which made it clear that this is a non-starter. The issue is apparently becoming a political one in Prague, too. Nancy would like to bring the Czechs in for a little explaining. (I cc'ed you on an e-mail to Kreczko on this.) In the meantime, Mica's people have drafted a response to the letter to Tony from the Czech foreign ministry.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

June 24, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY LAKE
NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR

FROM: Leon Panetta

SUBJECT: Cost of Relocating RFE/RL Headquarters to Prague

The Czech government has asked the USG to decide by June 30th whether to accept their offer to house Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Inc. (RFE/RL) headquarters in Prague's former Parliament Building, relocating the Radios from Munich. The cost of a potential move is a major factor in this decision -- the move will have to be approved by Congress which has expressed a keen interest in ensuring that projected savings related to the recently legislated international consolidation broadcasting plan remain in tact. OMB was asked to review and comment on the relocation cost data currently available.

Background:

Last Fall, the Czech government offered the USG the use of the former Parliament headquarters in Prague as a potential new location for RFE/RL headquarters. RFE/RL management immediately embraced the offer and communicated their intense interest to Czech officials. In January, during his visit the President expressed support for the move and told the Czechs the matter was under review.

In April, the Board for International Broadcasting, the RFE/RL Board of Directors, voted unanimously to relocate headquarters to Prague. The Czechs have held their offer open since last Fall. The Czechs have said that if a decision is not made by the USG on relocation by June 30th, they will go forward with alternative plans to lease or sell the property.

To determine whether the move to Prague can be made within the projected funding levels for FY 1994 and FY 1995, RFE/RL contracted with Arthur Andersen (AA) to do a study which was completed in May.

Arthur Andersen has concluded (with qualifications) that relocating to Prague is financially feasible within RFE/RL's requested funding level for FY 1995. OMB was asked to review the

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Arthur Andersen report and comment on whether the conclusions presented therein are sound from a budgetary perspective.

Analysis:

Upon review of the details of the report and follow-on discussion with Arthur Andersen staff, OMB finds that several cost estimates and fundamental assumptions included in the study are questionable.

Lack of AA verification of Estimates and Unknowns

In the report, Arthur Andersen underscores that "understanding the underlying assumptions of the cost estimates and operating plans [for the Munich and Prague options] is key to evaluating either option."

- AA, however, has not audited the information presented in their report, and therefore, states that Arthur Andersen "does not express an opinion on the assumptions or estimates."
- AA states in the study that "there are several significant cost elements that will be beyond RFE/RL management's control and experience dictates that actual results will likely be different than projected amounts." Specific examples of unknowns that could dramatically affect the numbers include: lease costs in Prague; building renovation costs in Prague; Czech inflation; Czech laws regarding NGOs (yet to be developed); level of skills in Prague workforce; and availability and cost of adequate employee housing.

Underfunding Cost Items and Use of Plugs

Throughout the report, it often appears that when AA identifies areas as cost items that are difficult to estimate, AA defaults to using estimates at the low end of a potential range. AA has used unsubstantiated "plugs" to estimate various cost items. Specific examples of concern follow:

- Social Plan Costs: Regardless of whether RFE/RL relocates to Prague or remains in Munich, to reduce its funding level to \$75 million by FY 1996, they will have to downsize significantly. German Labor Law requires that a social plan for terminated employees be established. The \$2.6 million estimated for FY 1995 by AA will not be sufficient to cover

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the full social plan costs. AA has stated in follow-up discussions that they recognize the amount provided to cover this cost item is likely insufficient.

- Costs Not Specifically Included in AA's Estimates: AA claims they know there are cost items that will need to be funded that are not included in their overall estimates. AA cites the following as examples of such costs: engineering integrations/downsizing, cost of final contract settlement, additional costs of the final social plan, and the cost of introduction of required new business processes. AA has allowed for a \$7.1 million contingency to cover these costs in the Prague option, \$18.8 million lower than their contingency estimate for the Munich option. The only reason for the difference given by AA, is that they used a lower "plug" to estimate these costs in the Prague option to stay within the total projected FY 1995 funding level. We think these costs will exceed the \$7.1 million plug in the Prague estimates.
- Litigation Costs: For both the Munich and Prague options, AA includes funding for possible litigation costs. RFE/RL and AA anticipate that suits will be brought against the RFE/RL by employees and contractors during the downsizing process. AA confirmed these estimates are based on the RFE/RL legal counsel's "best guess" or order of "magnitude estimates" which were not derived using any formula or cost/employee ratio.
- Personnel Costs in FY 1996: In estimating the comparative outyear costs of operations in Prague and Munich, AA used different Tables of Organization (TOs), or staffing levels. "Given the time constraints on the study," AA neither audited nor fundamentally questioned the RFE/RL staffing patterns, upon which they built their personnel cost estimates in Prague at \$9.7 million less than those for operating in Munich.

Other Agency Views:

- USIA and Voice of America staff believe there are major gaps in the AA study and are not confident that the move to Prague can be accomplished within the cost parameters laid out by AA. They are concerned about the potential for raiding their budgets to offset higher than projected relocation costs. USIA and VOA are further concerned that

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AA has not included funding for integrating USIA and BIB radio transmitter assets in their estimates (at least \$22 million).

- State Department has consistently expressed their support for the move to Prague based solely on the symbolic gesture it would be -- moving the Radios East to the very place they've provided information to for years from afar. State, however, would not offer any offsets from their budget to cover relocation costs. I understand that the U.S. Ambassadors to Germany and the Czech Republic have stated their support for this move.
- BIB staff are not convinced that they could cover the costs of relocation identified by AA within their projected funding level for FY 1995 given the high costs of downsizing they must accommodate (severance, etc.). They remain concerned, like VOA, that aside from relocation costs, no money has yet been identified to cover the costs of integrating transmitter assets.
- I understand that NSC are divided on the issue and three options have been forwarded for your consideration. In that regard I offer the following comments:

-- Should the President commit to a move to Prague and the relocation costs prove exorbitant, the consequences will be significant. The President will be put in the position of either having to go back to the Hill for more money for the Radios or drastically decrease RFE/RL programming beyond that already happening as the RFE/RL budget level is reduced from a \$210 million level in FY 1994 to a \$75 million in FY 1996. To go back to the Hill for funding beyond that currently projected in the budget, would be difficult given the Administration's consistent pledge to uphold the savings related to broadcast consolidation in seeking support for its original consolidation plan. To cut the Radios back further to avoid further funding requests would likely result in shutting down entire broadcast services. It is unclear that option is real given the high severance costs that would eat into any saving that may be achieved by further staff reductions.

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-- There is no way to obtain solid, reliable cost estimates in a the short-term if the Czech deadline were slightly extended. The data is simply not available. Given the unknowns and RFE/RL management's interest in the way the numbers come out, it would be most unlikely that anything positive could come from an expedited audit of the AA findings. In the short term, there is no way to quickly verify the RFE/RL cost estimates included in the AA report for either moving to, or operating in, Prague.

Congressional Interest:

Congress has laid down legislative markers signalling their concern over the cost and timing of a relocation decision.

- The House Appropriations Committee included bill language in their recently passed FY 1995 CJS Appropriations Bill that prohibits any funds appropriated in FY 1995 to be used for relocating RFE/RL from Munich. Report language expresses the Committee's dissatisfaction with analysis of relocation costs to date.
- The FY 1994/95 Foreign Relations Authorization Act requires the relocation decision to be made by the new Broadcasting Board of Governors once established. It was Congress' belief that a decision to relocate will significantly affect U.S. broadcasting operations for years to come and since the BBG is charged with defining future U.S. broadcasting strategy it is they who should make this decision.

The legislation does provide that if the President wishes to make a decision to relocate in advance of the BBG, the President must certify that it is in the significant national interest of the United States to do so. Cost data and issue analysis must be forwarded to the Hill with the Presidential Determination in order for Congress to consider approval.

- House Foreign Affairs Committee staff were recently in Prague and Munich to explore the relocation issue further. HFAC staff members reported that they felt both the AA report and their trip raised more questions than answers. From their view, they see the budgetary issue as the primary focus of most House members and the criteria upon which the decision will be largely judged. While in Prague, the

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congressional staff members informed the Czechs that they thought it was not probable that the Congress could approve a decision to relocate by the month's end.

Conclusions:

From this report, OMB does not believe the Administration should approve a move to Prague at this time.

- It is impossible to determine with any confidence that a move to Prague can be achieved without threatening the Administration's proposed four year savings projections included in the President's budget.
- Given all the unknowns, the actual relocation costs will likely exceed those currently projected. Even if AA's relocation cost estimate of \$20 million over two years proved accurate, the FY 1994 and requested FY 1995 funding levels are clearly not sufficient to cover the costs of relocation in addition to the full cost of downsizing.
- It is impossible to determine that RFE/RL could operate in Prague at the \$75 million ceiling level in FY 1996 as projected in the budget and capped in legislation.
- The decision could be deferred until the BBG is in place and a more thorough analysis is done. Although the Prague Parliament Building may no longer be available at that time, an alternative site could be considered.

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24-Jun-1994 18:49 EDT

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE BELOW

FROM: William C. Danvers
(DANVERS)

SUBJECT: Note for Tony and Sandy on Radio Free Asia and Shoot

Rep. Porter will introduce an amendment to the CJS bill on Monday to fund Radio Free Asia (RFA). I understand that it will only fund it at the level of the President's request--\$10 million. The amendment is cosponsored by Rep. Bentley, and we believe that Rep. Pelosi will play an active role on the floor trying to secure its passage.

It is also my understanding that the offset they intend to use will cut into funds intended for RFE, RL consolidation. This makes it difficult to support the amendment. In addition, Rep. Mollohan, chairman of the CJS Subcommittee, opposes the amendment. Because he is the chairman and has been very helpful to us on peacekeeping, it further complicates the situation. On the other hand, we can't be seen to be against an amendment that funds a program that is part of the President's MFN human rights strategy.

My suggestion is that we play a very low key role on this. If asked, we can certainly say that we support funding for RFA but that we hope to find other offsets in the Senate that do not hurt another program (radio consolidation) that is a priority for us. Please advise.

On shutdown, we are still waiting to get the final interagency cleared language to the Hill. We intend to send it initially to Senators Kerry, Nunn, Biden and perhaps Dodd, whose support is crucial to getting this attached to the DOD Auth. bill. In the House we will send it Reps. Schumer, Torricelli, Brooks and perhaps Dellums.

We could have some problems getting everyone on board in support of the amendment. I am told that both Nunn's and Dodd's staff are less than enthusiastic about the amendment. One reason that Nunn's staff has a problem is that (I have been told) they believe that JCS do not like the fix. We, therefore, need DOD to let Sen. Nunn know that it is behind the policy. Could Sandy call Deutch and ask him to talk to Nunn about working with Kerry to get an Administration-backed amendment on the bill. It might also help to call Shali to make certain there are no problems real or imagined with JCS.

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I am talking to Justice, the office of the Drug Tsar and State to have them work with their Senators on this. I will speak with State and Sen. Kerry's staff first thing Monday morning about developing a strategy. We will loop in Justice and DOD in as well.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE BELOW

FROM: William C. Danvers
(DANVERS)

SUBJECT: Note for Sandy on China MFN

Reps. Porter and Bentley will likely introduce an amendment to the CJS Approps bill coming to the floor today to restore funding to Radio Free Asia (RFA) to the level of the President's request-- \$10 million.

According to OMB, the offsets for the funding will hurt the President's radio consolidation plan for RFE, RL, etc. In addition, Rep. Mollohan, chairman of the CJS Subcommittee, is not enthusiastic about RFA. While he did not fund a new RFA, he did include in his bill \$3 million for enhanced broadcasting to Asia. Mollohan is concerned about what RFA should be-- a new surrogate or something else.

We have been talking to Rep. Porter's staff about his intentions. Since the introduction of this amendment could put us in an awkward position-- it would be difficult to support a Republican amendment that is offset by cuts to programs that are a priority to the President (RFE and RL) and that is opposed by the subcommittee chairman who is helping us with such issues as peacekeeping arrears-- we have asked if he would hold off on introducing it or introduce it and withdraw it. The problem is further complicated by the fact that Pelosi supports this initiative and may speak out on it on the floor. We are trying to avoid this from becoming a referendum on the President's commitment to RFA and the human rights aspect of his MFN policy. We also don't want to lose a vote on RFA on the floor.

I, therefore, told Rep. Porter's staff that we will work hard to see that the Senate meets the President's request for funding of RFA (I talked with Hollings' staff director about this yesterday and relayed that conversation to Porter's staff.) Porter's staff could not say what he will finally do, but I wanted to make sure that you are aware of this.

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FOR: Mary C. Emery

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Anthony Lake
Assistant to the President

FROM: Penn Kemble *Penn*

SUBJECT: Broadcasting Consolidation

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Best regards.

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...Senator Feingold. While we did indicate that in our search for compromise we would be willing to discuss further your proposal of RFA as an independent grantee, we also believe that Senator Feingold's firm opposition to any grantee status for RFA makes the possibility of a compromise much more difficult. We believe therefore that since there seems a genuine division of opinion on this issue, the RFA section of the bill should, as you and Senator Feingold suggest, be sent to the floor for a broader discussion and vote.

OR:

...Senator Feingold. We understand that your staffs have agreed to let the matter come to the floor so that the full Senate may debate and decide the issue. We support you on this compromise, and we are willing to be guided by the vote of the full Senate.

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cc: Dr. Joseph Duffey/Joe Bruns/Jon Beard - USIA
Chairman Dan Mica/Richard McBride - BIB

FROM: Doug Wilson - USIA *DW*

DATE: October 29, 1993

SUBJ: BROADCASTING: MEETINGS WITH SENS. BIDEN AND FEINGOLD

At the recommendation of Administration inter-agency staff from NSC, OMB, USIA and BIB, USIA Director Joseph Duffey and BIB Chairman Dan Mica met yesterday with Senator Joseph Biden and with Senator Russell Feingold in an attempt to resolve the impasse over "grantee status" for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) and Radio Free Asia (RFA). Director Duffey and Chairman Mica based their discussions on the talking points which were distributed to addresses last week (and which are included again as an attachment to this memorandum), and on the guidance provided to date by the White House Congressional Liaison Office.

At 2.30pm yesterday, Director Duffey and Chairman Mica met with Biden and two staff aides; Duffey and Mica were unaccompanied by staff. Biden was receptive to the proposed approach. Although he did not give carte blanche approval to accepting Feingold-proposed restrictions on the use of grant funds, Biden did agree to approach Feingold on the Senate floor to discuss the issue.

Regarding the procedure for naming the International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB) Director, Senator Biden recommended that the issue not be re-opened at this point. Director Duffey and Chairman Mica have agreed to work out between themselves a set of principles which would adhere to both the spirit and letter of the bill and accompanying report language, and ensure the full input of the USIA Director.

At 5pm yesterday, Director Duffey and Chairman Mica -- accompanied by Doug Wilson and Richard McBride -- met with Senator Feingold and two members of his staff. Senator Feingold's initial reaction to our proposed approach on grantee status was quite negative. The senator felt that he had gone more than halfway in trying to accommodate both Administration and Biden changes, and began his response by stating his intention to go "back to square one and zero out BIB in the upcoming rescission bill". After some discussion, Feingold did agree to meet with Senator Biden to

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determine whether there was some room for a Biden-Feingold approach on grantee status for RFE/RL only. Feingold gave us a list of 13 limitations on use of grantee funds which are key to his support for the RFE/RL compromise; we understand today that more are coming.

During the conversation, Chairman Mica and Richard McBride indicate that -- while technical changes would be necessary -- in principle the Feingold list was workable; Director Duffey and I conveyed the same response.

However, at the end of the conversation, Senator Feingold emphasize in no uncertain terms that "grantee status for Radio Free Asia was not on the table" as far as he was concerned, and that he remains unalterably opposed to a grantee RFA.

We left matters as follows:

- Feingold and Biden staff will now talk directly on areas of concurrence and remaining areas of disagreement;
- Feingold and Biden will themselves talk directly;
- At the end of this week, or early next, Doug Wilson will contact the Feingold and Biden offices to determine which issues remain unresolved and provide recommendations to the Administration's inter-agency team.

Director Duffey has placed calls to Foreign Relations Committee Chair Claiborne Pell, International Ops Subcommittee Chair John Kerry and Howard Paster for further debriefs. I have spoken to Pell, Kerry and Howard Berman staffs this morning.

Comment:

(1) Based on yesterday's conversations, we may have an agreement on RFE/RL grantee status, but we are at a serious impasse regarding the way to organize Radio Free Asia. Biden and Feingold are at opposite ends of the spectrum, and each has very strong feelings on the issue. Senator Feingold, in particular, is unhappy with what he sees as a change in both Administration strategy and position.

(2) Radio Free Asia may turn out to be the last remaining issue, but it is a serious issue. Beyond Biden and Feingold, there are Congressional proponents and opponents of RFA per se and of RFA as a grantee; until now, the issue has been dormant, but policy implications now move to the front burner. NSC, State and USIA will need to provide further policy guidance on RFA.

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JUL 23 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR: LEON PANETTA
ANTHONY LAKE
HOWARD PASTER

FROM: Gordon Adams
Richard Clarke

SUBJECT: Guidance on Legislative Strategy for
International Broadcasting Consolidation

Howard

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003b. fax cover sheet	Rosner to Thomas Donilon re: Speechwriters (1 page)	03/01/93	P2, P6/b(6)
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March 12, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR ANTHONY LAKE

FROM: Gordon Adams *GA*
SUBJECT: Consolidation of International Broadcasting

Some questions have come up about process in this area on which I wanted to set the record straight.

- I believe the original option described in the OMB economic plan briefing book was carefully staffed. It was fully discussed and cleared with USIA and the State Department. It was fully reviewed by staff here at OMB. It was briefed to and discussed with Dick Clarke of the NSC staff who tells me he, in turn, briefed you on all of the 150 options, including, in particular, the broadcasting consolidation proposal. It was clearly presented to the President in the Roosevelt Room by OMB Director Panetta. In fact, the President asked that one part of the original option -- the termination of TV (not radio) Marti broadcasting -- be dropped and options be explored as to how to extend TV Marti broadcasting, which was done.
- The savings realized by the proposed consolidation are real and would contribute to the President's deficit reduction goal. Options that fall short of consolidation, or that would perpetuate the current BIB structure would fail to realize these savings, particularly the overhead efficiencies our international broadcasting operations require.
- I attach a couple of items which indicate that the consolidation of RFE/RL is not uniformly resisted by all conservatives.
- I fully agree that we should explore, as a team, the way in which the consolidation might take place and have instructed my staff to work with Ernest Wilson to define options that would also realize savings. As we do so, however, I would hope we could avoid suggestions that the original proposed option was not fully examined or properly staffed. Frankly, I would be more comfortable if we conducted this exploration in a longer time frame through the democracy PRD now being staffed by NSC, rather than the fast track we are on. Perhaps we can discuss this.

Attachments

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002b. report	re: Further Update on International Broadcasting (4 pages)	ca. 03/93	P1/b(1)
003. memo	Howard Paster to Anthony Lake re: Feingold and BIB Issues (1 page)	04/19/93	P5
004. memo	Barbara Chow to Paster re: Consolidation of Overseas Broadcasting Operations (1 page)	04/14/93	P5
005. memo	Wilson to Lake et al. re: Update on International Broadcast Study (2 pages)	04/14/93	P1/b(1)
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April 19, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY LAKE

FROM: HOWARD PASTER 

SUBJECT: SENATOR FEINGOLD AND BIB ISSUES

As the attached explains, Senator Feingold is threatening to link his vote for the President's jobs bill to the renewal of our commitment to disband Radio Liberty and Radio Free Europe. When I raised this issue with Sandy Berger in a different context it was clear it was a sensitive matter.

I need guidance, immediately, on how to deal with Feingold on RFE/RL in case it can actually affect the jobs bill.

Thanks very much.

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TO: Howard Paster

FROM: Barbara Chow

RE: Consolidation of Overseas Broadcasting Operations

DATE: April 14, 1993

Issue

The President's Budget proposes to consolidate most government financed international radio broadcasting programs. The method by which these savings will be achieved is currently the subject of a presidential review under the direction of the National Security Council and scheduled for completion within the month.

Senator Feingold, a strong advocate of overseas broadcasting has expressed concern that the Administration is "backing off" our commitment to this proposal and has asked for a "firm and clear statement" of support for the concept of consolidation and the budget savings we have identified in our April 8 budget submission. His staff have intimated that Feingold may link his vote on the stimulus package to our response on this issue.

NSC is currently considering three different options that vary in terms of the level, organizational structure and degree of independence of the reorganized radio broadcasting services. The option favored by OMB involves a significant phasedown of RFE/RL, the elimination of the Board for International Broadcasting and consolidation of the remaining functions under the USIA umbrella. This option is probably closest to the alternative favored by Senator Feingold although Feingold may argue that it does not go far enough.

Recommendation

Send attached letter and support OMB option.

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January 13, 1994

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: ^{PW for}
RICHARD A. CLARKE

FROM: ERNEST J. WILSON III *EW*

SUBJECT: Letter to the Board for International Broadcasting
from You and Leon Panetta

Gordon Adams and Leon Panetta want to send a letter to Dan Mica and the Board for International Broadcasting urging them not to take any action on Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) that might jeopardize the Congressional vote scheduled for January 25. Risky actions include voting to move RFE/RL to Prague, either in whole or in part (i.e. the Research Institute). Panetta and Adams believe the letter to the Board should be co-signed by the NSC. They wish to do this quickly before the Board has a chance to vote. Since Tony is out of town, you are the likely signer.

The purpose of the letter is to calm the waters stirred by BIB Board members who lobbied hard to convince the President to announce on his trip that RFE/RL would definitely move to Prague. Jeremy and I opposed the announcement as premature, and Tony agreed. (I talked with Jeremy in Kiev today and he said the President took this position with Havel, et al.). An announcement prior to the Senate vote on January 25 would have angered some of our leading Senate supporters (Feingold, Pell, Kerry), and would jump ahead of the Arthur Anderson cost study now underway. A Board announcement might have the same effect.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Mica and the BIB Board at Tab I.

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Tab I Letter to Dan Mica and the BIB Board

Mica requested letter

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

18-Sep-1993 14:44 EDT

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE BELOW

FROM: Jeremy D. Rosner
(ROSNER)

SUBJECT: Radios -- Update

You asked about the status of our reorganization of international broadcasting:

The legislation was adopted by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and is now awaiting floor action. Sen. Biden has a hold on the whole bill (the State Dept. Authorization bill) because he continues to object to one piece of our plan -- ending RFE/RL's status as an independent "grantee" corporation.

At the urging of the Leg. Affairs types at NSC, USIA, State and OMB, Howard Paster talked to Biden last week about this, but didn't get anywhere. He's going to talk with him again this week. So is Donilon, who has close political ties to Biden. If these conversations go nowhere, we will have to decide whether we simply are willing to bring Biden's objections to a vote, which I'm fairly confident we would win. While most of the Leg. Affairs folks are prepared to go this route, Howard, I think, is more worried about antagonizing Biden.

We will know more after this week.

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002b. memo	Berger et al. to Leon Panetta et al. re: Personnel Appointments Related to International Broadcasting (4 pages)	ca. 12/96	P2, P5
002c. memo	Penn Kemble to Nancy Soderberg re: Issues, Board of Broadcasting Governors (3 pages)	01/03/97	P5
003. memo	Nash et al. to POTUS re: Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting (5 pages)	07/14/97	P2, P5
004. email	Jodi Kessinger to Berger re: Cuba Broadcasting (1 page)	08/08/97	P1/b(1), P2, P5
005. email	William Danvers to National Security Advisor et al. re: Cuba Broadcasting (1 page)	06/20/97	P2, P5
006. memo	Nash et al. to POTUS re: Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting [draft] (5 pages)	06/27/97	P2, P5
007. memo	Nash et al. to POTUS re: Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting [draft] (4 pages)	06/27/97	P2, P5
008. memo	Nash et al. to POTUS re: Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting [draft] (4 pages)	06/12/97	P2, P5
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December 24, 1996

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER
BOB NASH

THROUGH: JAMES F. DOBBINS *for*

FROM: FULTON T. ARMSTRONG *for*
MATTHEW E. LORIN *for*

SUBJECT: Personnel Appointments Related to International
Broadcasting

*J-
Did this
ever come back
from FORS?*

At Tab A is a Memorandum to Leon Panetta and Erskine Bowles recommending a strategy to update the membership of the Presidential Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting, the directorship of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting, and the directorship of the International Broadcasting Board.

It recommends filling vacancies on the Advisory Board and adopting a phased approach to replace sitting members, including Chairman Jorge Mas Canosa. The memo seeks the Chief of Staff's authorization to begin this effort as well as the process to identify a new Director of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting (position currently vacant) and a new Chairman of the International Broadcasting Board (to replace Geoff Cowan).

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the Memorandum at Tab A.

Attachment

Tab A Memorandum to the Chief of Staff

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USIA

January 3, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO: Nancy Soderberg,
Deputy Assistant to the President
National Security Affairs

FROM: Penn Kemble, Deputy Director, USIA **PK**

SUBJECT: Issues, Board of Broadcasting Governors

We recently sent Matt Lorin some materials on legislative and legal issues involving the Board of Broadcasting Governors, which I hope were helpful. We are all grateful for the thoughtful attention you are giving to this matter. Despite some reluctance, I feel obliged to be candid about a concern that many of my colleagues share: one would seriously misread the problem we face to see it as a conflict over processes, jurisdictions, etc. It's about policy and -- in the larger sense -- politics.

We've been hearing more from our broadcasting constituencies and from Capitol Hill. Some of the issues being raised could prove significant for the NSC and the White House.

As it happens, much of the discussion has centered on broadcasting to Cuba. Unfortunately, the controversy over Marti broadcasting reflects problems that go deeper.

1. DAVID BURKE INTERVIEW WITH "60 MINUTES" (See attachment A.)

Chairman Burke's statement involved more than public disagreement with the policy of the Administration and Congress on the Martis move to Miami (not that this, and the finger-pointing at Leon Panetta, was insignificant.) To understand the depth of feeling this has stirred you have to look closely at his argument.

A. Chairman Burke asserted that "the Cuban exile community in Miami" has "undue influences" on not only TV but also Radio Marti.

He made no effort to differentiate among the views of the various elements in the Cuban community on these issues -- and such differences are significant.

His statement contradicts a tradition of encouraging American ethnic groups to become involved with foreign affairs issues of concern to them and to other Americans. (Many Cuban-Americans have asked what the response would be were similar comments to be made about Black involvement in African issues, or Jewish involvement with Israel?)

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Finally, his statement is a public judgement by the BBG Chairman on a still-pending investigation begun by the Inspector General of USIA and now under the jurisdiction of the Inspector General of the Department of State into allegations of improper influence by Cuban American political leaders -- notably Mr. Jorge Mas Canosa, who is specifically designated by Chairman Burke as a source of such influence.

- B. In the course of his interview the Chairman was dismissive of TV Marti, saying it should simply "go away." No one, of course, is satisfied with the effectiveness of TV Marti. Cuban government jamming prevents TV Marti from gaining any substantial audience in Cuba. But in response to this, USIA, the BBG and Congress have authorized a test of whether a UHF signal will prove more effective than the present VHF signal in penetrating Castro's jamming. Maybe it won't, and we'll have to concede that TV Marti is a failure. But Chairman Burke's comments will suggest to some that this will not be a real test. There will even be charges that he has encouraged stepped-up jamming by Castro.
- C. Chairman Burke also declared that the United States Government continues to fund TV Marti only because "the Congress tells the United States government to fund it." This contradicts statements of support for attempting TV Broadcasting to Cuba by both President Clinton and Vice President Gore, as well as the positions of USIA and the Department of State.

2. REACTION TO CHAIRMAN BURKE'S INTERVIEW

The CBS interview, and another televised interview with ABC, provoked a flurry of protest.

- A. A number of Cuban American organizations wrote letters and issued statements. While some of these groups may be small, others have large memberships, and are not disposed to react to every slight, however insignificant. (The Junta Patriotica, the Municipios de Cuba en el Exilio, and the Spanish American League Against Discrimination, for example.)
- B. Five members of Congress, including Democrats Robert Torricelli and Bob Menendez, wrote to the President asking for David Burke's resignation as Chairman of the BBG.
- C. Both the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and the House Sub-Committee on Government Operations have notified the Congressional Relations offices of the BBG and USIA that they intend to hold hearings on the BBG early in the new year. These hearings will address not only Cuban Broadcasting, but an array of other real and potential conflicts between the BBG and Congress.

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3. THE BBG RESPONDS

The Chairman appears eager for this confrontation.

- A. At a recent Board meeting signatures of Board members were solicited for a letter which puts the entire Board on record in rejecting Congressional criticism of Chairman Burke. Won't this encourage further acrimony with the Hill?
- B. A resolution was adopted by the Board welcoming the opportunity for hearings before the Helms and Burton Committees. Are these events we want to build up as the major venues for discussing broadcasting and public diplomacy? Is this how we want to introduce international broadcasting to the many new members of Congress?

4. OPERATIONS OF THE BBG

The Chairman has called Board meetings almost every month. Board members are slogging through detailed discussions about a wide range of operational matters. But the chief executives of the broadcasting services -- the Voice of America, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Radio Free Asia and Radio and TV Marti -- have not been involved either in extensive discussions with the Board or in helping shape the Board's agenda. As a member of the oversight board for broadcasting that preceded this one, I am sure this is a mistake. Broadcasting is essentially being run by a Chairman who gives directives to a BBG staff that has never been engaged in getting programs on the air, while those who manage real production are not involved in discussion of policy and strategy. These people are professionals, and will survive. But without their input, the Board will not be able to make informed decisions about the issues that really matter.

5. STAFFING AND BUDGET OF THE BROADCASTING BOARD

The BBG has pressed for substantial increases in its own budget and staff for FY 1997 and FY 1998. It has done this on the argument that its oversight responsibilities require not only that it oversee the editorial products of the broadcast services, but that it manage all budgetary, personnel, legal, congressional and administrative matters as well. The BBG staff is top-heavy with high-salaried SES appointees -- at a time when the Administration is trying to eliminate such excess.

As the earlier memo from the USIA General Counsel indicated, significant legal questions can be raised about this scope of authority the BBG staff is claiming. These issues acquire additional significance in light of the high public profile, independent policy role, and Congressional controversy apparently being sought by the BBG Chairman.

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003b. report	re: Further Update on International Broadcasting (4 pages)	ca. 03/93	P1/b(1)
004. report	Insert to PRD (1 page)	ca. 1993	P1/b(1), P5
005a. memo	Wilson to Presidential Personnel re: Chair of the Board for International Broadcasting (1 page)	n.d.	P2, P5, b(6)
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 10, 1993

Tony:

-- Joe Duffey has approved this.

-- Wilson has not spoken directly with Adams on this, but the "concurrence" (vice "consultation") formulation was proposed by him, so he believes OMB is on board. (Ernie says Panetta will probably call you on this later this evening.)

-- Mica has not yet been contacted on this. Ernie believes you (or Sandy) should do that. Mica may be resistant to this and will need to be sold. (Talking points are attached.)

JWR
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JUL 23 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR: LEON PANETTA
ANTHONY LAKE
HOWARD PASTER

FROM: Gordon Adams
Richard Clarke

SUBJECT: Guidance on Legislative Strategy for
International Broadcasting Consolidation

While the Administration has won major bipartisan support for its international broadcasting consolidation proposal from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC), further effort will be required to sustain that support on the Senate floor. As we make plans to assure such support, we need your guidance on the question of further compromises with opponents of the proposal.

SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE

During the SFRC markup of the State/USIA authorization bill, which now includes broadcast consolidations, Senator Biden strongly challenged what we regard as a critical component of the Administration's proposal:

- o We, USIA Director Duffey and Board for International Broadcasting Chairman Mica believe that all broadcast operations must be consolidated under USIA if the cost savings and improved program effectiveness envisioned in the proposal are to be realized.
- o Senator Biden fought hard in the committee to retain Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) Inc. in its current status as a private corporation and to make the soon-to-be-established Radio Free Asia a private firm also. (He did not, however, seek private status for the identical Radio and TV Marti broadcasting to Cuba, now within USIA.)
Senator Biden was defeated by a bipartisan 15-4 vote.

Senator Biden contends that it is necessary that the two radio operations have the status of private sector federal grantees in order to reassure their audiences of the independence and integrity of their broadcasts.

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In the lengthy discussions within the Administration and with the Hill prior to designing the Administration's proposal, we, Duffey and Mica agreed to measures designed to insure the journalistic independence and integrity of broadcasting at the expense of Presidential foreign policy control.

- o The Administration proposal created a bipartisan, eight person Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) within USIA which will have complete control over broadcasting program content and budget allocations for all broadcasting operations -- both surrogate and VOA/Worldnet.
- o The director of the proposed USIA International Bureau for Broadcasting, which will administer broadcasting-- named by the BBG rather than the Director.

Overall, the so called surrogate broadcasting operations such as the proposed RFE/RL office in USIA will actually achieve slightly greater journalistic independence than currently, and the Voice of America will have significantly greater freedom from USIA control.

We are convinced that by any reasonable standard, journalistic independence and integrity is fully protected (if not over-protected) by the current Administration proposal.

- o Therefore, in our view, the Biden amendment would risk reducing the budget savings originally estimated by approximately \$5 to \$10 million per year by requiring payments for an unneeded private, corporate superstructure and redundant administrative operations at RFE/RL.
- o Equally important, the Biden amendment would restrict the President's ability to quickly reallocate broadcasting resources to respond to crises outside the former Soviet bloc and East Asia.

LEGISLATIVE SITUATION

After the SFRC vote, Senator Biden stated that he would continue to fight for grantee status for the two broadcast operations (RFE/RL). Later, we understand, he wrote to Majority Leader Mitchell threatening to engage in "extended debate" on the floor.

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We and USIA believe that any attempt by Senator Biden to filibuster the State/USIA bill on the broadcasting issue is almost certain to fail. Nevertheless, we have been told that Mitchell is concerned about the floor time that Senator Biden's fight might consume and may want a further Administration compromise with him. It is remotely possible that during extended floor debate Senator Biden might pick up enough votes to prevail.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend that the Administration not compromise further on the broadcasting consolidation proposal. We think that there are likely to be the votes to defeat a floor amendment offered by Senator Biden similar to his committee amendment. If any of you disagree, there should be a quick meeting between the three of you so that we can, if this recommendation is not accepted, modify our congressional strategy in time for a Senate vote which could come as early as next week.

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Radio

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VOA supporters

- outside country
- more relaxed
- more music
- employees

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News Paper Guild - RFE

AFGE ~ VOA

VOA - Career foreign service
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Radio Free Europe

- Yugoslavia

- Croations

- Slovenians

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**National Security Council
The White House**

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West Wing Desk	<u>11</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Disc</u>
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CC: VP McLarty Other _____

Should be seen by: _____
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001c. resume	Leslie Blackwell (partial) (1 page)	ca. 1993	P6/b(6)
001d. letter	Blackwell to POTUS re: Position (partial) (1 page)	11/13/1992	P6/b(6)
001e. resume	Duplicate of 001c (partial) (1 page)	ca. 1992	P6/b(6)
002a. resume	James M. Kiss (partial) (1 page)	09/1992	P6/b(6)
002b. letter	Kiss to Deb Smulyan re: Position (partial) (1 page)	03/25/1993	P6/b(6)
003. resume	Daniel Andrew Mica (partial) (1 page)	06/04/91	P6/b(6)
004. report	Resume Display for Daniel Andrew Mica (partial) (1 page)	ca. 1993	P6/b(6)
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006. report	Resume Display for Richard Penn Kemble (partial) (2 pages)	ca. 1993	P6/b(6)
007. report	Resume Display for Joseph Lane Kirkland (partial) (2 pages)	ca. 1993	P6/b(6)

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009. resume	W. Anthony Park (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
010. memo	John to Bruce et al. re: Karl Spielvogel (1 page)	10/14/93	P2, P5, b(6)
011. note	Maria to Janet [Blanchard] re: David Valderrama (1 page)	ca. 1993	P2, P5, b(6)
012. memo	Janet Blanchard and Tom Shea to POTUS re: Board for International Broadcasting (2 pages)	03/22/93	P2, P5
013. memo	Thomas Shea to Phil Lader re: Board for International Broadcasting (2 pages)	01/28/94	P2, P5, b(6)
014. memo	Veronica Biggins to POTUS re: Board for International Broadcasting (3 pages)	03/17/94	P2, P5, P6/b(6)
015. memo	Biggins to POTUS re: U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors (5 pages)	05/13/94	P2, P5, P6/b(6)
016. memo	John Emerson and Thomas Shea to POTUS re: The Public Printer (2 pages)	06/22/93	P2, P5, P6/b(6)
017a. resume	Ann Dibble Jordan (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
017b. resume	R. Peter Straus (partial) (1 page)	10/20/1993	P6/b(6)

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BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING BACKGROUND INFORMATION

METHOD OF APPOINTMENT: PAS - The members of the Board are appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the United States Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE REFERRAL: Nominations to the Board will be referred to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.

AUTHORIZING STATUTE OR EXECUTIVE ORDER: 22 U.S.C. 2872

CABINET DEPARTMENT AFFILIATION: Independent.

COMPOSITION: The Board shall be composed of 10 members, as follows:

- the CEO of RFE\RL, who shall serve as an ex officio member; and,
- Nine (9) public members, not more than five (5) of whom shall be members of the same political party.

OTHER MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: Members must be citizens of the United States. Public members may not be current full-time employees of the U.S. government. Members should be knowledgeable of foreign policy or mass communications.

TERM LENGTHS: Members shall serve for terms of three (3) years and shall continue to serve after the expiration of their terms until a successor has been appointed.

COMPENSATION: Members receive no salary but are compensated for travel expenses. A per diem is provided as per 5 U.S.C. 5316. As of January, 1992, members received a per diem of \$400.

METHOD OF CHAIR SELECTION: The President shall designate one of the members to serve as Chair.

STAFF SELECTION: The Board shall appoint and employ personnel in accordance with the requirements of Title 5.

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FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS: Board meetings are scheduled three times per year. The members meet at other times during the year as required.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Term</u>
HALPERN, Cheryl M.	Member	R	NJ	04/28/94
ROVE, Karl C.	Member	R	TX	04/28/94
KIRKLAND, Joseph L.	Member	D	DC	04/28/93
MICA, Daniel A.	Member	D	FL	04/28/93
TOMLINSON, Kenneth Y.	Member	R	NY	04/28/93
FORBES, Malcolm S., Jr.	Chair*	R	NJ	04/28/92
KEMBLE, Richard P.	Member	D	DC	04/28/92
ZORTHIAN, Barry	Member	R	DC	05/20/92
NOVAK, Michael J., Jr.	Member	D	DC	04/28/85

* denotes position(s) to be addressed.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

Member to be designated Chair:

MICA, Daniel (D-FL)

Education: BA-Florida Atlantic University, 1966. **Employment:** Executive Vice President for Federal Affairs, American Council of Life Insurance, Washington, DC, 1989-present; Member of Congress, 14th District of Florida, 1979-1989 (Member, House Committee on Foreign Relations); Chief of Staff, U.S. Rep. Paul Rogers (D-FL). **Memberships:** Congressional Representative to the United Nations; Secretary of State's Advisory Panel on the Security of U.S. Missions Abroad.

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002. memo	Veronica Biggins to POTUS re: Board for International Broadcasting (4 pages)	03/17/94	P2, P5, P6/b(6)
003. resume	Carl Spielvogel (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
004. form	Biographical Information Sheet for William Pettus Hobby (partial) (1 page)	05/09/93	P6/b(6)
005. resume	Duplicate of 001b (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
006. memo	Janet Blanchard and Tom Shea to POTUS re: Board for International Broadcasting (2 pages)	03/17/93	P2, P5
007. resume	Daniel A. Mica (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
008. resume	Nancy Hult Ganis (partial) (2 pages)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
009. resume	Duplicate of 001b (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
010. form	Candidate Information Summary for Edward E. Kaufman (1 page)	ca. 1994	P6/b(6)
011a. note	Note to POTUS re: [Broadcasting Board of Governors] (1 page)	ca. 12/94	P2, P5, P6/b(6)

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012a. memo	Jan to Tom et al. re: Board for International Broadcasting (1 page)	03/14/94	P1/b(1), P2, P5
012b. memo	Ernest Wilson to Presidential Personnel re: Board of International Broadcasting (1 page)	03/11/94	P1/b(1), P2, P5
013a. memo	Shea to Biggins re: Board for International Broadcasting (1 page)	05/27/94	P2, P5, P6/b(6)
013b. letter	POTUS to Brian Greenspun re: [Jerry Lindauer] (1 page)	05/13/94	P2, P5
014a. letter	Dan Mica to POTUS re: Board for International Broadcasting (1 page)	05/19/94	P2, P5
014b. biography	Daniel A. Mica (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
014c. resume	Duplicate of 007 (partial) (1 page)	n.d.	P6/b(6)
015a. letter	Edward Kaufman to Pat Griffin re: Broadcasting Board of Governors (1 page) <i>(partial)</i>	05/16/94	P2, P5, b(6)
015b. email	Shea to Dina Kaplan re: USIA (1 page)	05/17/94	P2, P5, b(6)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 25, 1994

The Honorable Lloyd Bentsen
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Lloyd:

Thank you for your letter and for your
recommendation of Bill Hobby for appointment to
the Board for International Broadcasting.

I appreciate, as always, your insight, and I
will carefully consider your suggestion.
Thanks.

Sincerely,

Bob

*cc Vanessa
Biggs
Can (do this?)
Hussey
Wigfus*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 13, 1994

Brian L. Greenspun
Las Vegas Sun
Post Office Box 4275
Las Vegas, Nevada 89127

Dear Brian:

Thanks for your letter of May 11 and for sending Amy's "Where I Stand" column. I know Myra must be very proud. I'm sure Mother's Day was especially great this year!

Thanks, too, for sharing the information about Jerry Lindauer. I appreciate your suggestion that I appoint Jerry to the Broadcasting Board of Governors. I've shared your letter with Veronica Biggins, Director of Presidential Personnel, to let her know of your personal recommendation.

See you soon.

Sincerely,

Bill

✓ cc V Biggins
can't do this!

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0802

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May 16, 1994

Mr. Pat Griffin
Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

*Craig, please the
with Pat to see
what happened.
VJB*

Dear Pat:

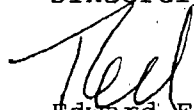
As I told you, Senator Biden has asked the President to nominate me to the Broadcasting Board of Governors in the United States Information Agency. There are nine part-time members and they require Senate confirmation. It is something I would like to do, and I feel I am well qualified.

Later this year, I will be leaving Senator Biden's staff. However, I will continue to be involved with helping him, and will be very active in his 1996 re-election campaign. I will also expand my teaching at Duke University Law School from just the spring semester to both spring and fall semesters, and will be using my business experience and my MBA to help operate a small computer business.

Attached is Senator Biden's letter to the President and Mac McLarty. Chairman Pell is also supporting my appointment.

Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Edward E. Kaufman
Chief of Staff

*Pat,
Thanks for your help*

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January 25, 1994

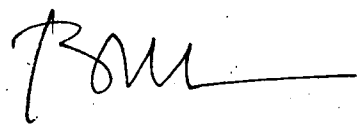
The Honorable Lloyd Bentsen
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Lloyd:

Thank you for your letter and for your
recommendation of Bill Hobby for appointment to
the Board for International Broadcasting.

I appreciate, as always, your insight, and I
will carefully consider your suggestion.
Thanks.

Sincerely,



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SUBJECT international broadcasting [UNCLASSIFIED]
TO Andricos, George M.
Burrell, Christina L.
Danvers, William C.
CARBON_COPY Cooper, Kathleen H.
TEXT_BODY

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I don't need to listen into conference calls and, more importantly, I HAVE NO/NO INTEREST IN CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS but it really undermines my authority in the inter-agency process if I can't even keep up with folks on my own floor.

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SUBJECT RE: international broadcasting [UNCLASSIFIED]
TO Andricos, George M.
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Lorin, Matthew E.
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Results of the call, which I intend to put into tonight's update, are as follows:

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If you need additional information on this before the Thursday IWG which you chair, please let us know. I doubt much else will transpire between now and then.

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