

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 1983

Dear Bill:

The attached copy of a memorandum from Larry Speakes is self-explanatory, and is forwarded for your information.

Sincerely,



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Chief of Staff and
Assistant to the President

The Honorable William J. Casey
Director
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Washington, D.C.

cc: Bud McFarlane


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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER III

FROM: Larry Speakes 

In all of this controversy over the Grenada invasion, the most disturbing element is how CBS got the tip to ask the White House and other government officials about the possibility of a U.S. military action in Grenada.

Bill Plante made an inquiry with me at about 4:00 pm on Monday, 13 hours before the first U.S. contingent landed. His inquiry concerned the possibility of Marines on Grenada that afternoon and the possibility of an "invasion" on Tuesday morning.

In conversations with him he alluded to the fact that this tip had come from "CIA people or people who formerly worked with the CIA and retained some connection with the agency."

Bob Scheiffer, the CBS State Department reporter, made a similar inquiry with Bob Sims of the NSC staff and Les Janka also received telephone calls from CBS people.