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16 May 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: William M. Baker  
Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT: Arrangements for your Address of the  
5th Annual Aspen Journalists Conference

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1. This is background information for your remarks to the 5th Annual Aspen Journalists Conference cosponsored by the US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) on Tuesday, 17 May from 9:45 - 11:00 a.m. at the Wye Plantation on Maryland's Eastern Shore. (See map opposite.) Phone: (301) 827-7400. [redacted] and I will meet you at Wye and remain throughout the program. Since you would have to wait an hour between your presentation and lunch, we declined the invitation.

2. Arrangements: You are asked to be at the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies (AIHS) at the Wye plantation at 9:30 a.m. where you will be met by Director of Public Affairs for ACDA Sigmund "Sig" Cohen and escorted to the Drawing Room for your panel discussion. You will be introduced at 9:45 a.m. by ACDA Director General William F. Burns. (See biographies opposite.) The suggested format is for you to speak for 10 minutes on "Trends in Soviet Leadership" and Dr. Dimitri Simes from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace will speak 10 minutes on "Soviet Security Policy." A 55-minute informal question and answer period will follow. Your section of the conference is scheduled to adjourn at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting is for background only, not for attribution, but the journalists can use thoughts presented to sustain their theses. DCI Security will tape your remarks for the Agency's historical files. A table will be available for the speakers. Since the group and the room are small, a microphone will not be necessary.

You can expect an audience of 27 journalists representing the leading newspapers and networks. (See list of attendees opposite.)

3. Background: The US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency has cosponsored this conference with the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies for the past four years. This year's event is scheduled on the eve of the



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Moscow Summit. As in the past, the Conference will provide some of Washington's most respected journalists, most of whom will cover the Summit, an in-depth briefing on a range of arms control and national security issues. Prior to your address General Burns will give opening remarks at 9:30 a.m. and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Charles Thomas follows your segment of the conference. Other conference speakers will include General Colin Powell, Congressman Henry Hyde, and Ambassador Ron Lehman, Assistant Secretary of Defense. (See opposite for complete conference agenda.)

The Aspen Institute was founded in 1949 and has a budget of \$6,000,000. The Institute organizes seminars, workshops, and conferences to bring together business, educational, and cultural leaders from the United States and abroad to discuss issues and initiate action on human, social, and other vital problems in our society and the world. (See opposite for background information.)



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UNITED STATES ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY  
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DIRECTOR

April 28, 1988

Dear Bob,

We are delighted that you can take part in a panel discussion entitled "Perspectives on the Soviet Union" on Tuesday morning, May 17, from 9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Wye Plantation on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Dimitri Simes will share this panel with you. As discussed with [redacted] of your Public Affairs Office, we would like you to concentrate on "Trends in Soviet Leadership," and how they affect the foreign policy process. Dr. Simes will discuss Soviet security policy and its impact on the arms control process, be it in START, SDI, nuclear testing, chemical or conventional arms. Your remarks should run about ten minutes maximum and can be either off-the-record or on background, as you wish.

By way of background, the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency has cosponsored, with the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, these journalists conferences for the past four years.

This year's event is scheduled for May 17-18 on the eve of the Moscow Summit. As in the past, it will provide some of Washington's most respected journalists, most of whom will cover the Summit, in-depth treatment on a range of arms control and national security issues.

As you can imagine, the success of previous conferences stems from the authority of the senior officials and private experts who participate, plus the informality of the sessions. Enclosed is a copy of the latest agenda for this year's event. My Public Affairs Office will be in contact with you concerning the details of this speaking engagement.

Many thanks for agreeing to take part in what we expect will be a highlight of our public affairs activities.

Sincerely,

  
William F. Burns

Enclosure

Mr. Robert Gates  
Deputy Director  
Central Intelligence Agency



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April 21, 1988

Tentative Agenda for the 1988 Aspen Journalists ConferenceMay 17 - 18, 1988Tuesday, May 17:

- 9:30 - 9:45 am: Opening Remarks and Welcome - Director - William F. Burns
- 9:45 - 11:00 am: Perspectives on the Soviet Union  
Trends in Soviet Leadership - Robert Gates  
Trends in Soviet Security Policy - Dimitri Simes
- 11:00 - 11:15 am: Break
- 11:15 - 12:30 pm: Alliance Security in the Post-INF Era  
Political Directions - Charles Thomas  
The East-West Conventional Balance -  
(This presentation will examine key aspects of the East-West Balance and how conventional force reductions can improve that balance.)  
Weapons Technology and the Future - Gen. Donn Starry, (ret.). Vice President, Ford Aerospace Corp. (This presentation will focus on the next generation of weaponry that we can expect will affect the conduct of battlefield operations.)
- 12:30 - 1:00 pm: Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:00 pm: Luncheon Address - The US Military Response - Gen. Robert T. Herres, Vice Chairman, JCS
- 2:00 - 3:00 pm: Status report on SDI - Dr. Dean Judd, Chief Science Advisor, SDIO, and Steve Maaranen, ACDA
- 3:00 - 3:15 pm: Break
- 3:15 - 4:15 pm: Implementing INF on Both Sides - BG Lejoie (requested)
- 4:15 - 5:30 pm: Status Reports on Major Arms Control Negotiations - Amb. Edward Rowny - Moderator  
START - Robert Linhard (requested)  
CW - Lynn Hansen  
Nuclear Testing - Robert Barker

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5:30 - 7:00 pm: Down Time  
7:00 - 8:00 pm: Dinner  
8:00 - 9:30 pm: Dinner Address:

Congressional Perspectives on Arms Control in the Post-INF  
Era -- Two Members of Congress (to be announced)

Wednesday, May 18:

9:00 - 10:00 am: Proliferation - Taming all the Genies  
Dr. Kathleen Bailey, Director, Bureau of  
Nuclear Weapons Control, ACDA  
10:00 - 10:15 am: Break  
10:15 - 11:15 noon: Next Steps in the Arms Control Pro-  
cess  
Walt Slocombe - Ted Warner  
11:15 - 12:15 pm: "The Reagan Arms Control Legacy - Looking  
Back...and Forward" - Amb. Paul Nitze  
12:15 - 1:15 pm Lunch and Luncheon Address: "On the Eve  
of the Moscow Summit - What to look for  
and not look for" Lt. Gen. Colin Powell  
1:30 pm: Conference ends.

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