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Washington, D. C. 20520

Special Assistant to the Secretary

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HAK picked this up in Iran. I think we should send it to Scowcroft.

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Scowcroft  
copy to P/M

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~~Performance Daily~~

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SIKORSKY'S UTTAS MAKES FIRST 'OVER-THE-FENCE' FLIGHT

Sikorsky Aircraft's Utility Tactical Transport Aircraft System (UTTAS) made its first flight beyond airport boundaries at the company's Stratford, Conn., plant on Oct. 24, company officials said.

During the first "over-the-fence" flight, they said, "the aircraft reached a speed of between 80 and 90 knots and an altitude of about 1000 feet." The UTTAS prototype made its first flight Oct. 17. During that flight, it was limited to hovering and low altitude maneuvers over the field. Also participating in the Army's UTTAS effort is Boeing Vertol.

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UNITED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION

Clark MacGregor  
Vice President

30 October 1974

Re: Iranian/U.S.A.  
Helicopter Co-production

The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Henry:

Enclosed are copies of recent correspondence with Bob Ellsworth. Bob tells me today that he is recommending a message to you from Jim Schlesinger delineating DOD's "fair and equal treatment" position.

Our Sikorsky Division seeks only an equal opportunity to compete in Iran with the Bell and Boeing Vertol Companies.

Ardeshir Zahedi advises that the Shah is currently giving "extended consideration" to the co-production proposals of Bell and Sikorsky.

Our people in Iran<sup>\*</sup> believe that His Imperial Majesty gives a technology and performance edge to Sikorsky and a "political" edge to Bell --- political in the sense that he feels an Iranian selection of one of the two U.S. Army UTTAS competitors would pose difficulties for our Department of Defense.

I realize that you have many sensitive and complex matters to discuss with the Shah. Consistent with the overall best interests of the United States, we hope you would find it appropriate to say to His Imperial Majesty:

That the U.S. Government, before DOD approval of the final UTTAS program, is entirely agreeable to an Iranian selection of any one of the three U.S. contractors' proposals for Iranian co-production.

Surely the foregoing statement constitutes a reasonable exposition of the "fair and equal treatment" philosophy, and cannot be construed as showing favoritism.

Like millions of other Americans, Barbara and I daily watch and read of your extraordinary efforts to build a stable structure of world peace. We wish you well.

Cordially,



Clark MacGregor

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25 OCT 1974

Mr. Clark MacGregor  
Vice President  
United Aircraft Corporation  
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Dear Clark:

I am happy to report that we have sent a message to the Military Assistance Advisory Group in Iran verifying the specifications on your S-70 presentation. We did of course point out that the performance specifications were based on different altitude and temperatures than other helicopter presentations previously furnished.

We do not have an inquiry from Iran on the availability of UTTAS for possible coproduction nor the essential details of such a project to establish a US Government position. We have conveyed to Iran the view that we stand ready to provide them information on competitive helicopter coproduction programs so that they can decide on a possible Iranian/US coproduction program.

Please let me know if we can be of any further assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

*Warmest personal regards,*

Robert Ellsworth

Assistant Secretary of Defense  
International Security Affairs

(Received at 9:30 A.M Oct. 30, 1974.)

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Clark MacGregor  
Vice President

24 October 1974

Honorable Robert Ellsworth  
Assistant Secretary of Defense  
International Security Affairs  
Room 4E806, Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Bob:

United Aircraft Corporation respectfully requests that the U.S. Government communicate to the Government of Iran:

1. That the performance specifications contained in Sikorsky Aircraft's October 1974 S-70 co-production offer to the Government of Iran are valid and are supported by the U.S. Government's Department of Defense, and
2. That the U.S. Government would, before U.S. Government approval of the final UTTAS program, be entirely agreeable to an Iranian selection of one of the two UTTAS contenders as the subject for a proposed Iranian co-production program.

We at United Aircraft appreciate the courteous consideration which you and other senior U.S. Government officials have given us in the past few weeks. We would like to have copies of any recent or future communications transmitted or to be sent by the U.S. Government to the Government of Iran regarding Sikorsky's efforts in the matters referred to above.

Sincerely yours,

*(s) Clark MacGregor*

Clark MacGregor

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cc:  
Honorable Robert Ingersoll  
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Honorable Howard H. Callaway  
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