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INTRODUCTION OF
THOMAS R. PICKERING
By MAX M. KAMPELMAN
UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION

Washington, D.C.

November 9, 1989

The United States is fortunate to have Tom Pickering as our Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations. He is a wise man of principle and integrity. His person and record represent the highest aspirations of the United States for peace with dignity.

We are witnessing a communications revolution of astounding proportions. Regrettably, along with its many implications for greater freedom and human dignity, that revolution is bringing with it an "Age of Imagery" as well. How things and people and events appear take on an importance greater than the reality of what they are. This new technology is understandably being used to sell and not just to communicate. This contributes to a distortion which has its effect on language, as well.

I just made reference to our country's aspirations for "peace". This proud word "peace" has also been the victim of verbal distortion. There is the "peace" of the grave; the "peace" that reigns in a well-disciplined prison or gulag; and the "peace" that may plant, with its terms, the seeds of a future war. Certainly those are not what our dreamers and philosophers have yearned for. It is peace with dignity and

liberty that we seek. Tom Pickering's extensive diplomatic accomplishments identify him with those aspirations.

Tom and I first met in 1984. I was asked by the President to co-chair an American delegation to monitor the Presidential elections in El Salvador and he was our Ambassador to that country. Our delegation was a diverse one, but much of the conversation en route to El Salvador centered around the respect and admiration for our Ambassador there -- his steadiness, his strength, his judgment.

On election day, he and I found ourselves together in a small helicopter flying to a number of rural areas to witness the electoral process. Indeed, it was he who informed me, in the midst of one dramatic moment when our plane went into a sudden lurch and tailspin, that we were being shot at by guerilla forces and the pilot was taking evasive action. To end your suspense, we made it.

I was next in El Salvador as a member of our delegation to the inauguration of President Duarte. The head of our delegation was Secretary of State George Schultz. Our delegation ran the gamut from the far right to the near left. Once again, there was unanimous respect and admiration for Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering. Indeed, I can tell you that

since then, whenever people were sought for highly responsible positions of leadership in the State Department, there was Tom Pickering's name.

Ambassador Pickering holds the personal rank of Career Ambassador, the highest in the United States Foreign Service. He has served as Ambassador to Israel, Ambassador to Jordan, and Ambassador to Nigeria. He was also Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environment and Scientific Affairs. His fields of expertise also include arms control, political military affairs and international intelligence. He has been awarded the Distinguished Presidential Award. Tom speaks Spanish, Swahili, Arabic and Hebrew. We have never had a more qualified leader in the United Nations.

It is said that a diplomat is one who sees to it that you always have his way. Tom and his wife, Alice, are superb diplomats.

Abba Eban, Israel's distinguished diplomat, once said in a moment of temporary discouragement. "I have confidence that man and nations will act wisely -- when they have exhausted all alternatives." We may be entering such a period today. We are pleased that Tom Pickering is on the scene at this opportune moment in history. It is my privilege to introduce him to you. He will speak in English. Tom Pickering.

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Thursday, November 9

- 8:00 a.m. Registration booths open
11:30 a.m. Exhibit hall opens to public
- 9:30 a.m. Opening Plenary Session: The State of the World
Moderator: Edward C. Luck, President, UNA-USA
Keynote: Shridath Ramphal, Sec.Gen., Commonwealth
Respondents: Hans Blix, Director General, IAEA
Hazel Henderson, author and futurist
Mahbub ul Haq, former Minister of
Planning, Pakistan
- 11:30 a.m. Special Plenary: Our Neighbor Looks at the U.N. System
Moderator: Bettye J. Ward, National Urban League
Speaker: Ambassador Stephen Lewis, former Canadian
Ambassador to the U.N.
- 12:10 p.m. Luncheon: Major Issues to Which the Multilateral System
Must Respond
Moderator: Max M. Kampelman, Chairman, Board of
Governors, UNA-USA
Speaker: Thomas Pickering, U.S. Ambassador to the U.N.
- 2:00 p.m. Plenary Session: The State of the Multilateral System
Speakers: Brian Urquhart, former UN Under-Sec.-Gen.
W. David Hopper, Vice President, World Bank
James P. Grant, Executive Director, UNICEF
William vanden Heuvel, Franklin and Eleanor
Roosevelt Foundation
- 4:00 p.m. First Set of Simultaneous Strategy Sessions:
1. Critical Trouble Spots: The Middle East
2. Critical Trouble Spots: Southern Africa
3. Critical Trouble Spots: Central America
4. Nuclear and Chemical Proliferation and the Arms Trade
5. The U.N. and the Development of International Law
6. Peacekeeping
7. Coping with Terrorism
8. Halting Trafficking in Illicit Drugs
9. Global Security--Ending the Scourge of War
- 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall closes for the day
6:30 p.m. Reception: Media personalities, Congressional guests
Continuous film showings

Friday, November 10

8:00 a.m. Registration booths open

8:30 a.m. Exhibit Hall opens

9:00 a.m. Plenary session: Visions of the Future--Moving the Multilateral System into the 21st Century
Speakers: Heitor Gurgulino de Souza, Rector, UN Univ.
Ambassador Samuel W. Lewis, President,
U.S. Institute of Peace
Vladimir Petrovsky*, Deputy Foreign Minister,
U.S.S.R.

10:45 a.m. Second Set of Simultaneous Strategy Sessions:
11. Global Climate Change
12. Can Economic Development Be Environmentally Sustainable?
13. Resolving the Debt Crisis
14. Achieving Food Security for All
15. World Trade and International Labor Standards
16. A Plan for Basic Education--Worldwide
17. Population Strategies for the 1990's
18. Implementing the Nairobi Forward-Looking Strategy for Women
19. The Worldwide Campaign Against AIDS

12:30 p.m. Luncheon : The Battle for a Healthy Environment and Sustainable Development
Speaker: Maurice F. Strong, President, World Federation of United Nations Associations

2:15 p.m. Third Set of Simultaneous Strategy Sessions:
20. The Private Sector and the U.N.
21. Should the U.S. Rejoin UNESCO?
22. The United Nations University: Future Prospects?
23. A Growing Crisis: Refugees and Internally Displaced Persons
24. Maternal and Child Health-International Strategies for the 1990's and the Implications
25. Meeting the Needs of the Aged and Disabled
26. The U.N.'s Role in Protecting Human Rights
27. Restructuring the U.N. System

4:00 p.m. Plenary Session: American Attitudes and the Politics of U.S. Relations with the U.N. System
Moderator: Richard Gardner, Columbia University
Speakers: John Bolton, Assistant Secretary of State
The Honorable Nancy Landon Kassebaum,
U.S. Senator, Kansas
Ambassador Donald McHenry*, Former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations

- 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall closes for the day
- 7:00 p.m. Banquet
 Invocation: Shirley Lee, National Spiritual Assembly of
 the Baha'is of the US; Chairman, Council of
 U.N. Representatives
 Moderator: Elliott Richardson*, Co-Chairman, National
 Council, UNA-USA
 Speaker: Margaret Anstee, U.N. Under-Secretary-General
 Vienna United Nations Office

Saturday, November 11

- 8:00 a.m. Registration booths open
- 8:30 a.m. Exhibit Hall opens
- 8:30 a.m. Fourth Set of Simultaneous Strategy Sessions:
 31. Working with the U.N. Public Information Programs
 32. Opportunities for NGO Collaboration
 33. Common Criticisms of the U.N. System: Fact or
 Fiction?
 34. The U.N. in the Classroom
 35. Education and Advocacy on the U.N.: Environment and
 Development
 36. Education and Advocacy on the U.N.: Human Rights
- 10:00 a.m. Fifth Set of Simultaneous Strategy Sessions:
 37. Cooperative Efforts Between NGOs and the U.N. System
 38. Building Multicultural Awareness
 39. Building a Political Constituency for International
 Cooperation and U.S. Leadership in the U.N.
 40. The Role of Young Citizens
 41. Education and Advocacy on the U.N.: Security and
 Disarmament
 42. Education and Advocacy on the U.N.: Women
 43. Getting the Word Out: Working with the Media
- 11:00 a.m. Exhibit Hall closes
- 11:30 a.m. Closing Plenary Session:
 Summary of the Conference: Andrew E. Rice, Chairman,
 International Development Conference
 Closing Speaker: Harlan Cleveland*, Hubert H. Humphrey
 Institute, University of Minnesota
- 12:30 p.m. Conference adjournment
- 1:00 p.m. Ad hoc Sessions, as requested

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November 20, 1989

The Honorable Max M. Kampelman
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver and Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Suite 800
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Max:

Frank Sieverts told me what a magnificent statement you made in introducing Tom Pickering at the United Nations Association Conference here in Washington. I have taken the liberty of inserting it into the Congressional Record as an introduction to the text of Tom's remarks. Your tribute to him is fully merited, and I am delighted to know what a good job he is doing in New York.

With every good wish.

yes, ever
Ever sincerely,

Claire
Claiborne Pell

enclosure

*Hg been too long
since we've been together.
Look forward to
seeing you after the break.*

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November 27, 1989

Ambassador Max M. Kampelman
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., #800
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Max,

Again, our thanks for your warm and personal introduction of Ambassador Pickering at the Thursday luncheon of the National Conference on the United States and the United Nations. As you probably know, Senator Pell put it into the Congressional Record along with the Pickering speech. Together they made the luncheon one of the high spots of the three days.

On the whole, we were well pleased with the conference. Not only was it considerably larger than we had anticipated, but the general level of enthusiasm was high. I think the UNA, and the country as a whole, will be feeling ripples from it for many months.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Andrew E. Rice

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October 17, 1989

Ambassador Max M. Kampelman
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson
1001 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. #800
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Ambassador Kampelman,

We're very pleased that you will introduce Ambassador Pickering at the luncheon on Thursday, November 9, at the National Conference on the United States and the United Nations. As you know, the conference will be held at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel at Techworld, 999 9th St., N.W., in Washington. The luncheon is scheduled to begin at 12:10 pm. and will be over no later than 2 p.m.

We shall be awaiting you at the Speakers Registration Table on the lower level of the hotel at 12 o'clock. Of course you are most welcome to come earlier (and stay later) and take part in other sessions of the conference. I enclose the latest summary of the program.

Before you introduce Ambassador Pickering, one of our Steering Committee members will introduce you, so we'd appreciate receiving a curriculum vitae from you. We shall provide you with biographical data about Ambassador Pickering.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Andrew E. Rice

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THE REPRESENTATIVE
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September 21, 1989

Dear Margaret:

I know that every day the Secretary gets lots of invitations to come and speak. I have hesitated to write to you about any in which we have been asked to play a reinforcing role, but the invitation which Max Kampelman sent to the Secretary, inviting him to open a plenary lunch of a large National Conference on the US and the United Nations looks like a potentially very useful opportunity. The audience involved is a hundred co-sponsoring organizations, 40 members of a congressional committee and at least a thousand expected registrants for the conference.

I am sure the Secretary could touch on any appropriate subject that he would like, however, something on the UN and the US would be particularly well received and might well follow up and be somewhat more specific than the President's address to the General Assembly of the United Nations scheduled for September 25th. The time involved would certainly be appropriate.

I know you will be considering this and so chose to write you directly instead of plugging it into the system.

Thanks for anything you may be able to do, as I know the Secretary has lots of opportunities for speechmaking and lots of good offers for forums to do it in. This one looked particularly good to me, so I thought I would flag it for you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Tom Pickering', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas R. Pickering

The Honorable
Margaret Tutwiler,
Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs,
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Washington, D.C. 20520.

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July 10, 1989

The Hon. James A. Baker, III
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

A National Conference on the United States and the United Nations will be held in Washington on November 9-11, 1989, jointly sponsored by more than 80 national citizen organizations. On behalf of these organizations, I am writing to invite you to speak to this conference at the plenary luncheon on the opening day, Thursday, November 9. If that particular time is not good for you, we would be pleased to hear from you at any point during the conference.

The primary purposes of the conference are to focus public attention on the stake of the United States in a well-functioning multilateral system, to examine strategies that the United States might pursue in playing a constructive leadership role, and to consider ways of strengthening the UN system so that it is better prepared to meet the challenges ahead. We hope that you can speak to some of these issues, particularly to questions of fundamental strategies, priorities and expectations. It seems to me that your welcome emphasis on "transnational" or "Basket V" issues might be a good place to start.

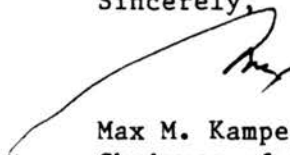
The conference is the first of its kind in more than a generation. It will bring together 800 to 1000 Americans, including the national and community leaders of citizen organizations representing an unusually wide range of economic, professional, religious and educational interests.

In addition to its broad organizational co-sponsorship, the conference enjoys the support of a number of members of Congress. The enclosed brochure for the conference includes lists of the Honorary Congressional Committee and of co-sponsoring national organizations. Both groups are still in formation.

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We hope you will agree that this conference provides an unusual opportunity to lay before a large body of concerned and active Americans the Administration's position on important global problems and on the international machinery needed to respond to them. We very much look forward to hearing your views. And, as the newly-elected Chairman of the Board of Governors of the United Nations Association, I personally would be honored to welcome you and to introduce you to the Conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Max', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the left.

Max M. Kampelman
Chairman of the Board of Governors

Enclosures

cc: John Bolton
Thomas Pickering
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October 19, 1989

The Honorable Thomas Pickering
Permanent Representative of the
United States to the United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, NY 10017

Dear Ambassador Pickering:

Following up Jim Olson's letter of October 13, I write to express our pleasure that you will address the luncheon session of the National Conference on the United States and the United Nations at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel (999 9th St., N.W., in Washington) on Thursday, November 9, 1989. We shall assemble at the Speakers Registration Table on the lower level of the hotel at 12 noon. The luncheon will start at 12:10 p.m. and will be over by 2 p.m. You will be introduced by Ambassador Max Kampelman.

We shall be grateful if you will send us an advance text of your speech, as well as autobiographical information. We are planning to audiotape and videotape your address for later broadcast and sale.

I enclose the latest summary of the conference program. If your schedule permits, we should be delighted to have you come earlier (and stay later) to take part in other sessions of the conference.

With appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,



Andrew E. Rice
Chairman
Conference Steering Committee

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THOMAS R. PICKERING

Thomas R. Pickering was appointed United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations by President George Bush in March, 1989. He holds the personal rank of Career Ambassador, the highest in the United States Foreign Service. Ambassador Pickering previously served as Ambassador to Israel from 1985 - 1988 and to El Salvador between 1983 and 1985. From 1981 until 1983, he was Ambassador to Nigeria. Previously, he was Assistant Secretary for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, completing that assignment in 1981. From 1974 until 1978, Ambassador Pickering was the United States Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. 1984

Mr. Pickering was born in Orange, New Jersey, on November 5, 1931. He received a Bachelor's Degree in 1953 from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, cum laude, with high honors in history. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He attended the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy of Tufts University in 1954 and received a Master's Degree.

He was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to the University of Melbourne in Australia and obtained a second Master's Degree from that University in 1956. From 1956 to 1959, he served in the United States Navy and later in the Naval Reserve to the grade of Lieutenant Commander.

Between 1959 and 1961, Ambassador Pickering served in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research of the State Department, the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and at Geneva as a Political Officer in the 18-Nation Disarmament Conference.

Following his assignment to Geneva, he studied Swahili at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington and was assigned as Principal Officer in Zanzibar. In 1967, he became Deputy Chief of Mission in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and in 1969 he returned to Washington to become Deputy Director of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. From 1973 to 1974, he was Executive Secretary of the Department of State and Special Assistant to Secretary Rogers and to Secretary Kissinger.

In 1983 and in 1986, Mr. Pickering won the Distinguished Presidential Award. In 1984, he received an Honorary Doctorate-in-Laws from Bowdoin College. He is a Member of the International Institute of Strategic Studies and the Council on Foreign Relations. His foreign languages are French, Spanish, Swahili, Arabic, and Hebrew.

Mr. Pickering is married to Alice Stover Pickering and they have a son, Timothy, and a daughter, Margaret.

March 1989