



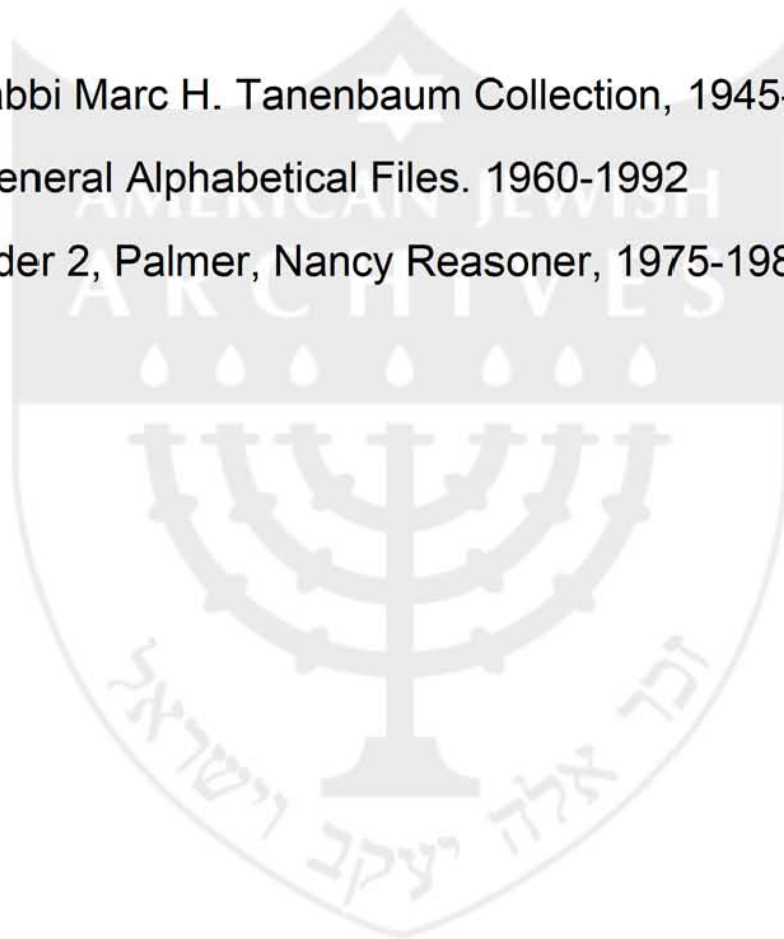
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1977 - 1979

Editor-Translator: Prepared two books for publication in English working from French and Italian manuscripts. 1. "Three Cheers for Democracy." 2. "Tomorrow: The Revolution of Work." Project for the Chancellor of the International University of Social Studies. Rome, Italy.

1957 - 1977

Journalist-Writer: Resident in Rome, Italy- articles on political/economic affairs; and, book translator for U.S. and Italian publishers.

1960 - 1961

Editor-Revisor: (Special Assignment) Industrial project development reports in several languages. Frequent re-writing. Italconsult, s.p.a. Consulting Engineers, Rome.

1956 - 1957

Public Affairs Director: World Travel Adult Group studying creative forces at work world wide - meeting prime movers. Putney Graduate School of Teacher Education. (Putney, Vt.) Graduate Thesis: "The Status of Women."

1955 - 1956

Executive & Research Assistant: for Historian, Head Office, Bank of Montreal. Writing Bank history.

1953 - 1954

Coordinator: Fundraising Campaigns, national level. Raised four million dollars for research, education & clinical out-patient assistance. United Cerebral Palsy Assn. New York.

1952 & 1956

Presidential Campaigner: National level responsibilities. Public speaking, writing, organizational work on staff.

1947 - 1949

U.S. Dept. of Defense - Far East: Under auspices of area Hq. Initiator and Editor of monthly publication for Armed Forces personnel in Orient. Extensive contact with Japanese civilians post-war. Recruited and directed staff.. in Yokohama, Japan.

EDUCATION:

University of Laval. Quebec, P.Q. Canada . B.A.
New School for Social Research, New York, N.Y.
Putney Graduate School, Putney, Vt. M.A.

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Dear Matthew and Gloria:

Since that hectic post-Thanksgiving Sunday telephone chat with you last November in Washington, I have thought of you so many times, imagining you and youngsters becoming settled-in New Yorkers during the holidays, and was on the verge of ringing you several times.

Just before Christmas, I came out here near Princeton at the behest of an attorney friend near desperation over a difficult elderly Aunt being released from hospital and eagerly wanting to be "home" again! Would I, he pleaded help her convalesce, run the house and manage things - until space opened-up in a near-by retirement nursing home? The interim weeks have taught me much about the tyranny of the sick and aged, and I have learned "patience" (the bitter cup that only the strong can drink!). Easter week will see my now lively patient settled elsewhere, permanently - and I will burst with joy - to release some of this contained frustration and get-on with my life. The quiet country has given me time to mentally sort-out many things and edit another book.

My heart and mind and 'spirit' - along with so many loving friends and my home and furniture are ever in Rome where I lived from late 1956 until a year ago last Xmas... The expatriate returned to America to discover a much changed homeland and because specifically advised that any diplomatic appointment or assignment to Rome, would have to originate Stateside. I spent all of 1980 pursuing this goal, feeling the pall of the Iranian hostage problem dominant. Very soon, I hope we can have a long talk, but, since politically and diplomatically-speaking, time is of the essence right now, I hope you will 'run with the ball' - take the action and make the moves that will in the shortest possible time - place my Italian expertise at the service of Uncle Sam? Rome, is where I 'belong' and function best because I know how the system operates and who to call for what! The Eternal City is the abode of my 'spirit' which makes it possible there for me to do great things with ease.

For some years I have seen the need for and wanted to create and vitalize an expanded upgraded U.S.-Vatican diplomatic relationship which I am convinced could in future become immensely important to the White House. The eyes and ears of the Vatican are everywhere!, and in perilous times, we are going to need all the information we can glean from accurate sources. This has to be accomplished by a fluently Italian-speaking American Envoy resident in Rome.

But, I could also be invaluable to newly appointed Maxwell Rabb when he takes over his new duties as Ambassador in Rome. I can visualize being useful in numerous sectors: Protocol; the Political Office; Information Section (contacts with press) Cultural Affairs; or, as his Personal and Social Assistant. Mr. Rabb must have surely been serving in the White House when President Eisenhower appointed John Harlan to the Supreme Court and I sent Mr. Justice Harlan a sassy God-daughter telegram thus: "Congratulations. I told you so"! At age 17, I had once asked John if I would one day have to address his as "Mr. Justice" , when he reached the Supreme Court!

In December 1958, I hastily joined an Italian Parliamentary Group on a trip to the USA to facilitate their contacts with American prime-movers, since in those days I could pick up a telephone and reach almost anyone they wished to see. It was an Agricultural Mission regarding building sugar refineries in Italy, headed by Deputy Giovanni Bersani of Bologna who is now a Senator.

Onorevole Bersani is a lawyer and in Washington John and Ethel Harlan most graciously arranged a supper party for him and colleagues. We also dined with Ambassador Manlio Brosio and his wife at the Italian Embassy. In New York, I recall - despite the demands on his time and a Christmas office party that evening, big Adlai Stevenson welcomed the Italian group to his law offices overlooking Central Park. Mr. Garrison sat quietly in a far corner. The visitors were awed in the presence of "il gran Sig. Stevenson", so I quickly explained to Adlai that we had flown over the Pole to Cal. (L.A., S.F. and Davis) thence to Washington and our accomplishments there, (Don Paarlberg was then Secretary of Agriculture) and the Supreme Court visit and turning to Giovanni Bersani told Adlai he was a lawyer from Bologna the Italian rice producing and Communist belt - and as a Christian Democrat had just recently been re-elected to Parliament for the third time. In a flash, Adlai asked him: "Tell me sir, how did you do it?" To peals of laughter, the ice broken - our encounter flowed.

Now, returning to the U.S. after 23 years - made me repeatedly conscious throughout last year - that Time Marches ON - and that now I know more people in Rome than in America, and I am more serene there, than here. I readily go-to-bat for other people - promote their causes with love, but am truly no good at selling myself and absolutely hate to seem "pushy", even though self-confident within. You two, both know your way around and which wires to pull at this end of the line to make my goal materialize - so I turn for your help and guidance. let's move quickly and forcefully. Matthew, will you pilot a very able lady of firm perseverance to reach the decision-makers in the new administration and bring me to their attention? Nothing is so strong as an idea whose time has come.

Since Al Haig is an innovator, this could well be the psychological moment for the U.S. Government to follow-through on the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1977 and establish full diplomatic relations with the Vatican. Secretary Haig's brother is a Jesuit. Surely President Reagan could understand the prestige it would give the USA to finally have an effective and warmly accepted Envoy functioning full-time with other Vatican Diplomatic Corps colleagues and reporting to him from Rome perhaps an occasional trenchant observation. It would give us prestige politically and strength spiritually. Even Protestant Great Britain in their current economic situation, has for years maintained two Ambassadors in Rome. One accredited to the Quirinale, the other to the Vatican. Some 90 other nations do the same.

Mr. Reagan courageously appointed Jeane Kirkpatrick as his U.N. representative. She is a highly qualified woman Democrat. Think of the effect it would have, both at home and abroad, were he to appoint a fluently Italian-speaking Anglo-Saxon Catholic woman to the Holy See! A mature woman who is already "persona grata" and has long-established friendships inside the Vatican. I would like to be that Envoy and quote our elder statesman Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker in a letter to me last July: "Certainly, there is no question of your qualifications for the Vatican post you seek. I am sure you could perform a valuable service there." But, Mr. Bunker had a pace-maker operation last summer for his heart - so I have hesitated pushing him on my behalf beyond my recent January letter to him. I do know that he wrote a very supportive letter on behalf of Al Haig as Secretary of State.

I am sending you here a kind of 'dossier' - letters and documents for background. Other material is packed in my personal effects at The des Artistes in N.Y. if needed. In February 1980 numerous letters strongly supportive of me for a Vatican relations job went to George Vest at the State Department and were answered by Charles Bowers. I wonder why? Do you know Lawrence Eagleburger who has replaced Vest? Or, do you think that Jim Buckley, in your old job, could be helpful. The material enclosed will explain the importance of Father Andrew F. Morlion in Rome. As Chancellor of the University he founded in post-war devastated Rome and nurtured over the years, he was in almost daily contact with European and world leaders in his work for Peace. I had a unique opportunity over the years collaborating with him from 1957 - which was superb on-the-job training in private diplomacy.

I observed and learned first-hand the 'ins' and 'outs' of Vatican operations during those years and also formed close friendships among cultural and Italian Government leaders as well. Has Mr. Wm. A. Wilson of California, whom Mr. Reagan at this point wants to have represent him at the Vatican, been given Congressional approval? Is it possible that he might not be approved because unqualified? Senator Claiborne Pell, Sen Daniel Patrick Moynihan and others, might block approval - if Secretary Haig and the President could be convinced of the need and virtue of establishing full diplomatic relations at the Vatican with a qualified Envoy resident in Rome. I am frustrated and anguished to see the missed opportunity for the United States - by having an American industrialist cattle rancher "drop in on Pope John Paul II from time to time to exchange views." I cringe at the lack of seriousness and impression of the USA it makes on Catholics all over Europe by our casualness and inappropriate choice. We haven't yet realized our great need for moral and spiritual support from leaders abroad. Must we too often, project this world of mediocrity? Insensitivity?

The truth is, that the Pontiff does not really speak English well. He learns his speeches and can utter pleasantries in English, but what real communication can there be from an occasional encounter between Bill Wilson - an American business man - and the Holy Father. What real rapport - between the US and the Vatican - can be established under those circumstances???

You will also note here, the two fine supportive letters from Paul Blum who is now your near Manhattan neighbor. Paul will soon be 83 - was a Yale 1920 classmate and buddy of Henry Luce and Thornton Wilder and was born in Japan. He had a very distinguished State Department career of his own which he modestly hardly mentions. But I know he served in Switzerland With Allen Dulles during the war and later was Councillor for Asian Affairs to Foster Dulles in Washington. He is, incidentally a scholar, expert and dealer in rare books and the most delightful raconteur imaginable. When my step-father Robert Wade Speir (John Harlan's Princeton room-mate) was posted by G.M.A.C. to Lima, Peru - he took his family along. I was a wee girl. Ethel and John Harlan knew that Paul Blum was off to cross the Andes and suggested he would enjoy knowing Bob and Mercedes Speir. Paul rarely looks-up Americans abroad, but Mama Mia had taken my sister and me to the Inca festival of Armancayas above Cuzco and there we encountered Mr. Blum! I have been devoted to him all my life and hope he'll join me in Rome one day- prowl the alley bookstalls and shops for treasures and glory in the Vatican library.

When men of the calibre of Ellsworth Bunker, Andrew Morlion, Paul Blum, Norman Cousins and Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum take the time to warmly support me as a uniquely qualified individual for a specific mission - why has the State Department not taken them seriously?? I hope you are able to dislodge the hurdles and at least get a thoughtful hearing from the new team and serious consideration of a logical proposal.

In October 1978, upon the election of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla as the new Pope - within a few days he gave three receptions. First, for the Roman Curia, then for the Vatican Diplomatic Corps and the third one for the Press accredited to the Holy See. After the Audience in the Sala Clementina, he came down the barricaded center isle to leave, but with his gentle warmth went from side to side to touch hands and greet the journalists. Much moved by his charismatic manner, I spontaneously thrust both of my hands out - and as he took them both in his, I said to him: "Votre Saint te", vous et entre nous ici a Rome pour toujours maintenant. Vous n'eschappet plus! He at once replied: "Mais, je ne veut pas, Madame!" and flashed a smile as he went by. It was over in a minute - a loving encounter with one of God's extraordinary creatures. I call this 'serendipity' and all over the world I have repeatedly experienced such felicitous happenings.

The summer of 1965 when Adlai died, I had a penthouse and huge terrace on the Aventine. The autumn brought the great gatherings in Rome of Vatican Council II, and I frequently entertained Cardinals and Monsignori with Rome friends at lively supper parties where wine flowed and conversation was stimulating and international in scope. My friend Emmett Cardinal Carter of Canada and his brother were both then Bishops and I wanted them to meet some of their Italian and other colleagues socially. I recall then, hearing talk of the forceful presentations being delivered at the Council by a young Polish Bishop from Kracow named Karol Wojtyla. Even then, God was pointing a direction.

Those years in Rome as a resident, writing for Norman Cousins and others, working behind the scenes with Father Morlion at the International University - as he reached out around the world - I was accumulating invaluable experience. It is almost as if I have spent my whole life preparing for the role I want - vitalizing U.S.-Vatican relations. The moral authority of this Pope who understands and has stood-up to Communism all his adult life - may one day be a vital ingredient to maintaining world peace. The USA should certainly have close links and the warm ties of friendships with that powerful but tiny sovereign State called the Vatican. I hope it can be workèd out. Maybe God will guide us and make this manifest.

In the meantime, perhaps I could start out being useful to Ambassador Rabb in Rome immediately. I would like to help him settle-in to his important assignment, and then at a future date, move over to Vatican relations if and when feasible. Do you have an avenue to Maxwell Rabb? I would appreciate a presentation sent to him via letter with material from the attached pertinent to the situation and the expression of my keen interest in being of assistance and working with him in Rome. Official wings back to the Eternal City would give me the greatest joy. Will you lead the way, Skipper Nimetz? I am available for an interview anytime.

Am eager to see your new home and hear you both and enjoy the young. When you've digested allthis, do please ring me with your ideas and suggestions and reactions... Am longing for action, intellectual stimulation and international-minded scintillating folk! A presto.. All the best. Affectionately,


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p.s. Believe it or not I can- write three, two and even one paragraph letters!

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
Confidential Report
Mrs. Nancy R. Palmer - April 16, 1953

PURPOSE: To determine suitability for National Organizational Position.

The best indication that Mrs. Palmer is a person of superior intelligence is found in her performance on a general vocabulary test in which her score surpasses those of 95% of persons whose educational background is equivalent to her own. She achieved a superior score on the verbal section of the individually administered intelligence test. She has a fund of information in the subjects which generally comprise the liberal arts college program. She is particularly proficient in the fine arts and has a good awareness of the contemporary social problems (housing, unemployment, public health). Her diverse fund of information in various cultural subjects combined with her unusually broad international background should stand her in very good stead in work in which she comes in contact with persons of different backgrounds and interests.

Mrs. Palmer's awareness of contemporary social problems, her broad experience in working with many different kinds of people, and her knowledge of currently accepted personnel policies and practices should be advantageous in situations in which she is called upon to supervise the work of others. She was given two occupational interest tests and the results leave little doubt as to where her interests lie. On one test which measures interests in broad occupational areas she shows her strongest to be in activities which require working in very close contact with others, principally in the capacity of influencing their attitudes and opinions and directing or supervising their activities. She shows interest too in literary activities - those which involve reading and the oral or written expression of ideas. On the second occupational interest test her pattern is very much like those of successful social workers, life insurance saleswomen and lawyers.

Mrs. Palmer's personality characteristics are in keeping with her interest in working directly with people. She is a very outgoing, sociable person who has little difficulty in asserting herself and in expressing her ideas effectively. She is happiest when presented with a challenging situation which she can work out on her own. She is essentially an independent person who, while respecting the opinions of others, prefers to work in her own way. Because she is generally sensitive to other people's feelings, she would not knowingly do anything which might hurt another person. She has a great deal of respect for intellectual competence and is likely to work best in situations in which she comes into contact with people whom she admires and for whom she has respect. For this reason, work in which she is in contact with professional people would provide an especially congenial atmosphere for her.

S U M M A R Y

Nancy Palmer is the kind of person who is able to "size up" a situation very quickly and make prompt decisions for the most effective methods of handling that situation. Her vitality and abundance of energy make it possible for her to handle a variety of activities almost simultaneously and she shows little tendency to become flustered or unnerved in the face of situations which others might find frustrating. Mrs. Palmer is an individual of superior intelligence who is at her best when she is working directly with other people in a situation which is stimulating and challenging to her and which she feels is worthwhile in that she is making a contribution to human welfare. Unless her work continues to be challenging and present new problems to her, she may lose interest after she has mastered it.

1960, Look After Lulu, 1958; Macbeth at Old Globe, summer 1969;
actor-dir. Am. Shakespeare Festival, Stratford, Conn., 1958—; dir.
1971 Twelfth Night, 1972, Enemies, 1972.

New Yorker Is Reported Choice for Envoy in Italy

White House sources in Washington said last night that President Reagan was expected to nominate Maxwell M. Rabb, a New York lawyer active in Jewish affairs, as ambassador to Italy.

Mr. Rabb, a 70-year-old native of Boston with a law office at 61 Broadway, had served in various capacities in the Eisenhower Administration.

There have been reports in the press in Italy that some Italian-Americans were unhappy with the choice because of a preference for an Italian-American in the post and because of Mr. Rabb's age.

Mr. Rabb was a key figure in the Reagan campaign in New York. He was active in fund-raising and promoted the Reagan candidacy in the Jewish community.

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RABB, THEODORE K., historian; b. Teplice-Sanov, Czechoslovakia, Mar. 5, 1937; s. Oskar Kwasnik and Rose (Oliner) Rabinovitch; came to U.S., 1956, naturalized, 1978; B.A., Queen's Coll. Oxford (Eng.) U., 1958, M.A., 1962; M.A., Princeton U., 1960, Ph.D., 1961; m. Tamar Miriam Janowska, June 7, 1959; children—Susanah Lynette, Jonathan Richard, Jeremy David. Instr., Stanford U., 1961-62, Northwestern U., 1962-63; asst. prof. Harvard U., 1963-67; mem. faculty Princeton U., 1967—, prof. history, 1976—; vis. asso. prof. Johns Hopkins U., 1969, State U. N.Y., Binghamton, 1973-74; visitor Inst. Advanced Studies, Princeton, 1973; cons. in field. Fellow and/or grantee Folger Shakespeare Library, Am. Philos. Soc., Social Sci. Research Council, Am. Council Learned Soc., Guggenheim Found., Nat. Endowment Humanities. Mem. Am. Hist. Assn. (chmn. com. quantitative research history), Social Sci. History Assn. (exec. com., treas.), Royal Hist. Soc., Internat. Comm. History Parliamentary and Rep. Instns., Renaissance Soc. Am., Hakluyt Soc., Historians Early Modern Europe, Past and Present Soc. Author: The Thirty Years War, 2d edit., 1972; Enterprise and Empire, 1967; The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe, 1975; co-author: The Western Experience, 1974; editor: Jour. Interdisciplinary History, 1970—; co-editor: Action and Conviction in Early Modern Europe, 1969. Office: IHistory Dept Princeton Univ Princeton NJ 08540

RABE, DAVID WILLIAM, playwright; b. Dubuque, Iowa, Mar. 10, 1940; s. William and Ruth (McCormick) R.; B.A. in English, Lorain Coll. Formerly bellhop, parking lot attendant, tchr., reporter. Recipient Obic award, Drama Desk award, Variety Poll award, all

RABEN, MAURICE SOLOMON, physician, educator; b. Port Chester, N.Y., Jan. 23, 1915; s. Harry and Flora (Berman) R.; B.A., Yale, 1936; M.D., N.Y. U., 1941; m. Margaret Walser, Sept. 10, 1942; children—Jonathan D., Stephen A. Dir. cardiovascular research and sr. physician New Eng. Med. Center Hosps.; prof. medicine Tufts U. Sch. Medicine. Served to maj. M.C., AUS, 1942-46. Recipient Research Career awards NIH, USPHS. Bowen Brooks fellow N.Y. Acad. Medicine; AEC Postdoctoral Research fellow NRC; Lowell M. Palmer Sr. fellow. Mem. Am. Physiol. Soc., Am. Chem. Soc., Endocrine Soc., Am. Soc. Clin. Investigation, N.Y. Acad. Sci., Mass. Med. Soc., Soc. for Exptl. Biology and Medicine. Home: 703 Chestnut St Waban MA 02168 Office: 171 Harrison Ave Boston MA 02111

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Dear Marc:

While the year is still young, may I wish you satisfaction and joy in achievement in the months ahead. I immensely enjoyed seeing you and hearing you, on the recent ABC-TV Sunday noon 3-part Directions series. You are ever to the point and articulate.

The photocopies of Andrew Morlion's Nov. 26th letters to you and Ellsworth Bunker posted AirMail in Rome last Thanksgiving Day, only reached me January 10th. This note is to follow-up Morlion's suggested two-pronged continuing effort to get me back to Rome in U.S.-Vatican relations.

You told Al Moses by telephone last May that the AJC was strongly behind me for that post. CAN you reach prime-movers in the new Administration?, and will you work together with Ambassador Bunker and others in power, to bring about my appointment as Envoy to the Vatican resident in Rome? My firm and long perseverance to that end has been sorely tried, but I am convinced it is a job where I know I could make a valid contribution to understanding. I already know the people involved at the Rome end, have done my homework over the years, and speak fluent Italian and French.

Father Morlion spoke of a "systematic action" with the new President. Surely, Al Haig would "buy" and understand the listening-post potential of having "trained-ears" on the ground at the Vatican with language and writing skills to hear and report intelligence coming in to their Secretariat-of-State from the far-flung corners of the world. My personal friendly relationships of over 20 years in Rome would make this possible.

The post-war practice of quarterly visits to Rome by the personal Envoy of each American President has been unproductive, costly, and laughable in the eyes of the Diplomatic Corps' of the 90 nations who have full-time accredited Ambassadors to the Vatican as well as to the Quirinale. I could be part of the plan to reduce government expenses! For the sum spent to send an Envoy and spouse to Italy First Class quarterly, billeted at the Grand Hotel - I could be maintained modestly full time in Rome, all the while building bridges. Think of the prestige to the USA, to finally have an effective and accepted representative functioning full-time with other Vatican Diplomatic Corps colleagues. President Reagan wants the USA to have prestige abroad. Why not start by according the Church the importance due Her via a resident Ambassador?

You of course know that Ellsworth Bunker's second wife is Amb. Carol Laise who retired as Chief of the Foreign Service on Dec. 31, 1979. They are a powerful couple. In Nov. I sent her a copy of Norman Cousins 1973 book "The Improbable Triumvirate" about the behind-the-scenes role of Pope John XXIII in resolving the Cuban missile crisis. Morlion, was the catalyst in Rome and Cousins the messenger between Kennedy and Krushchev and the Pope. Those were delicate and most sensitive maneuverings, and they worked!!

I presume that Father Morlion's Nov. 26th letters to you and Ambassador Bunker also reached you only after New Year, so that you have not yet been in direct contact. His Washington, D.C. Tel/ no is: (202) 965-3790. Would you speak with him, referring to Morlion's letter to him and learn what action he can take? Perhaps you can work out a plan of serious cooperation with him to bring about the prompt upgrading of U.S. representation to the Vatican in the appointment of a full-time Envoy there. Note the enc. 1977 Washington Post press clip on the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, re the upgrading of US-Vatican relations. It can lawfully be done.

The last Nov. 4th Presidential election is traumatic to many thousands of people. I trust that the new Administration will make diplomatic appointments abroad on the basis of ability, language facility and knowledge of the area involved - and not as political pay-off's! That Vatican post could become vitally important to the White House in the years ahead, if now effectively filled. Marc, will you actively help to get me there? and advise me what further action I should take? Let's move quickly now and forcefully and enlist powerful assistance. You please be the pilot Leaving Sen. Mansfield in Japan, makes sense. If a woman can be appointed to the U.N. - why not the Holy See? Should we call on a prominent Catholic civilian to cooperate in our endeavour?

I am pro-tem in suburbia - caring for the 86-year-old convelescent Aunt of a friend, until space is available in a nursing home. Needless to say, I pray God daily - to send me the challenge of Rome and strength to withstand my current frustration . It too will pass..... My fingers are crossed that you will be the catalyst in this situation. Pray give me a ring, soon. All the best and Auguri..

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Hello To Rita R.

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Dear Marc,

You were right in telling Nancy not to give up, because important matters take time to accomplish.

As you will see in the copy of my letter to Ambassador Bunker, I am convinced that a two-pronged approach can succeed.

You can certainly organize a systematic action to bring the new President to understand that with a really active envoy at the Vatican, he can keep his promises to Israel and to the Jews more easily.

I can inform you that the Arabs are working very hard in the Vatican with the argument that the many Catholics in their countries could suffer if the Holy See does not give in. The main question to settle is that of Jerusalem. There must be patient arguments to prove that as the Holy See now admits the error of trying to avoid that Rome should become the capital of the Italian Republic, so it should not be brought to maintain the thesis of the internationalization of Jerusalem but develop enclaves for the holy places as has succeeded in Italy. Furthermore, AJC should be able to furnish decisive documentation on the revival of Jewish education and Jewish faith, so as to overcome the campaign concerning Jewish and American materialism.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Nancy Palmer, but not to Ambassador Bunker. If he does not call you in the first two weeks of December, you might contact him to work out a plan of cooperation in this important issue.

I have many things to tell you, on which I would appreciate your advice. Please send me further material concerning your policies so that I can further the cause here.

Cordially yours,

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Dear Friend,

I hope that by now you have read the first pages of the book by Norman Cousins that Nancy Palmer sent you. As member of the CIP Board, you have been active in our movement: after the Cuba crisis, we were able to convince Pope Paul VI to go to the UN and to the US.

I am writing you now because I think that on the basis of your diplomatic successes you can convince some member of the appointment-committee and the newly-elected President himself to give a courageous solution to the problem of relations with the Vatican. If a Catholic were to sponsor this effort, he might be suspected of Vatican lobbying. As a Protestant, you are in the most favorable position to further this cause.

There is, in fact, danger that together with European power, the Holy See will weaken its support of American policies. The Embassy cannot act in the Vatican and the quarterly visits by a personal envoy of the American President has not had effective results. There is no need for trying to obtain an ambassador status for the person involved, because this would, on one hand, place difficulties and require much time, and on the other, it is sufficient that the envoy should live permanently in Rome and develop an effective network of friendships not only so as to be well informed but also to create a right image of the U.S. and explain its policies.

As I was not mistaken in choosing Norman Cousins for the difficult job of developing human relations with the Kremlin, so I am sure I am not wrong in telling you that Nancy Palmer is ideal for the job. The fact that she is a woman will make it much easier for her to overcome the reticence of Vatican authorities when they face a career diplomat. The new Pope is the kind of man who can listen to and understand well and act courageously when he has been informed how the new American President is also a man of decision. Nancy has not only political experience, which I discovered when I worked with her for a long time, but she also has a special warmth that opens hearts and minds and an exceptionally firm perseverance in pursuing the right aims.

In a two-pronged approach there is more chance of success. This is why Rabbi Marc Tannebaum, director of religious affairs of AJC, and who knows Nancy well, will also develop some contacts. If you want to get in touch with him, you can write to him at 165 East 65th St./New York, New York 10022, or phone him at Plaza 14000.

When I finish certain diplomatic tasks here (see annexes), I will be in the States next year and hope to see you then. I am eager to hear from you.

Cordially yours,

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Carter's Vatican Appointment Angers His Fellow Baptists

By Marjorie Hyei

WASHINGTON, July 17 (WP). —President Carter's appointment early this month of a personal representative to the Vatican has infuriated Mr. Carter's fellow Baptists and touched off a flurry of interreligious strife.

The Rev. Jimmy Allen of San Antonio, Texas, the newly elected president of Mr. Carter's denomination, the 13-million-member Southern Baptist Convention, sent a telegram to the President stating that the appointment "is in violation of the spirit and probably the letter of the First Amendment to the Constitution." The First Amendment provides for separation of church and state.

Dr. James Wood of the Washington-based Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, with a constituency of 25 million Baptists, made a similar complaint in a telegram to the White House. He said that the appointment of a Vatican envoy "also officially underscores the special concern of this government for one religious body to the point of preferential treatment not accorded any other church or religious body anywhere else in the world."

Similar Protests

Similar protests were lodged by an interdenominational church-state separationist group called "Americans United."

The naming of a Vatican envoy is not a new step, although Mr. Carter's choice, Miami attorney David Walters, who will succeed the Nixon-appointed Henry Cabot Lodge, is the first Roman Catholic to be named to the unsalaried post.

But Baptists and other strict constructionists of church-state separation are especially vigorous in protesting the Walters appointment because they fear it signals the upgrading of U.S. representation at the Vatican from its present informal status to full diplomatic recognition of the headquarters of a religion.

Their fears were increased by the quiet passage last month of an amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for fiscal year 1978, which begins in October. The amendment, introduced by Sen. Richard Stone, D-Fla., repeals a 110-year-old law, enacted in an era of anti-Catholicism, forbidding expenditure of funds "for the support of an American legation" at the Vatican.

To Upgrade Representation

Sen. Stone, who is Jewish, said he offered the amendment so that if "some president in the future" wanted to upgrade representation at the Vatican it could be done.

But, he added, "I wouldn't think there is any early or imminent move in the offing in that direction" and denied acting at the behest of the White House.

White House and State Depart-

ment spokesmen denied knowledge of any plans to change the status of the present informal relationship with the Vatican.

President Franklin Roosevelt was the first modern president to name a Vatican envoy. This was during World War II, when the Vatican was a particularly valuable listening post.

President Harry Truman attempted to name Gen. Mark Clark as a full ambassador but the outcry from Protestant church groups, spearheaded by Mr. Truman's fellow Baptists, forced him to back down.

The United States had no representation at the Vatican until President Nixon named Mr. Lodge in 1970. Mr. Lodge has continued as the envoy, most recently representing the United States at canonization rites last month for the 19th-century U.S. bishop, John Neuman.

No Formal Ties

While the Vatican is the international headquarters of a church, it also considers itself a sovereign state, and 89 nations recognize it as such. The United States and Mexico are the only major nations without formal diplomatic ties with the Vatican.

While U.S. relations continue on an informal basis, the State Department does have a Vatican desk and maintains what an official described "as a very small office" in Rome, separate from the U.S. Embassy.

A State Department spokesman said that it has been "very worthwhile" for the United States to have representation at the Vatican, particularly because of its international character. "The Vatican has all kinds of ties in places where we have been weak," he said.

He cited the Lebanese situation, southern Africa and problems of Indochina refugees as recent examples where such ties have been helpful to this country.

Dr. Wood and other Protestant leaders who oppose any representation at the Vatican maintain that such contacts can be handled by the embassy in Rome. The State Department said this is not possible because of Vatican restrictions.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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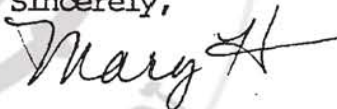
Dear Nancy Reasoner Palmer:

It is wonderful to know we have such professional support, but I am afraid I will have to decline your offer for Mrs. Carter to speak on your distinguished outlet.

At the present time we are spending all our energies juggling priorities and trying very hard to trim her schedule to meet our most pressing needs -- and of course there are many.

I am disheartened to have to decline, but I am afraid I must.

Sincerely,



Mary Finch Hoyt
Press Secretary
to Mrs. Carter

THE WHITE HOUSE



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July 11, 1980

R. F. D. #2
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Dear Mrs. Palmer;

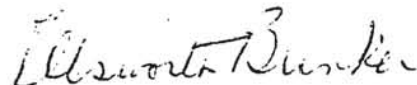
This will acknowledge your letter to me of June 27th which has been forwarded from Washington. Certainly there is no question of your qualifications for the post you seek.

I think the question is whether a non-career ambassador presidential appointee does not need a professional foreign service officer to guide him in the ways of Washington and the State Department. I certainly found this to be true in my own case for as you know I came into government from business and was a presidential appointee not only in my first post but in all my subsequent posts. I found my professional colleagues to be invaluable and have only the highest praise for them.

I expect to be in Washington next week. I will try to find out what the situation may be regarding the Vatican post. I am sure you could perform a valuable service there.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,



Ellsworth Bunker

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Mr. Charles R. Bowers
 Acting Executive Director
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 Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. Bowers:

I had the official answer to your letter of February 5, 1980, typed on CIP paper, so that I would mark the important American citizens who are co-responsible for our Movement of Human Relations for Peace on the basis of Democracy under God. Ambassador Chaves, Chairman of the Executive Committee, wrote for you a short summary of the history of the Pro Deo Movement (Enclosure 1), and an eminent American Religious Superior wrote a description of the talents of Nancy Reasoner Palmer, of which I add a xeroxed copy (Enclosure 2). Enclosure 3 presents a few phases of our Movement, showing how very important political, civic, and religious personalities cooperate.

When you have glanced at these enclosures, you will understand that I had to write you confidentially because in the present crisis of relations between the U.S. and Europe, the need for a dynamic, well informed, highly esteemed assistant to the President's Representative to the Holy See is very great and urgent. My experience, and that of my colleagues, proves that the Holy See cannot communicate as it should with the President through the Embassy of the United States accredited to Italy. Not only Norman Cousins, as founder and chairman of the Dartmouth Conferences, but also Senator Pell, as co-chairman of the European Committee of Security and Cooperation, have worked actively with me in presenting religious peace policies and can tell you over the phone or on the occasion of a visit of one of your cooperators why Mr. Peter Sarros should be replaced by a person like Nancy Palmer, who has lived in Rome almost a quarter of a century, and worked with me in very delicate and important matters in the spirit of democracy under God.

I would be grateful if you would send a copy of your answer to me in Rome to Ambassador Chaves in New York, at the CIP address. I am confident that you will study the exceptional need for strengthening the President's representation to the Holy See, which can be of incalculable value at this difficult time.

Sincerely yours,

AF Morlion

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The Pro Deo Movement encompasses a network of centers for research, education, public opinion surveys, human rights and private diplomacy. It is inspired in an open-hearted and open-minded approach to social problems that takes into consideration all cultural and political differences and supports the humanistic and basic implicit religious values underlying pluralism. The method pursued in bringing about these goals is to implement a broader conception of democracy - in its vital economic, social, cultural, ethnic, ethico-religious and political dimensions - as a common denominator and guiding image for maintaining social and international peace.

The Founder and first President of the Pro Deo Movement, Andrew F. Morillon, O. P., a Flemish Belgian, is a priest in the Dominican Order.

Two agencies founded by Andrew F. Morillon, O.P., before World War II, CIP Press and DOCIP Films, continue their activities in Brussels. In 1945, he also founded the International University of Social Studies in Rome, which, together with the Institute of Science and Technique of Public Opinion, continues to grow and influence education in Europe. The post-graduate Institute of European Studies in Rome, St. Thomas University in Bogota, and the University of San Martin in Lima, are now well established and developing independently.

Andrew F. Morillon, O.P., continues to act as President of the Educational Pro Deo Foundation, which sponsors the College of Rome, dedicated to in-depth research and publications, and the Committee for Human Relations for Peace (CROP), devoted to world peace through private diplomacy.

All of these organizations function through the office of the President and Founder in Rome, a Secretariat in Brussels and the American CIP in New York.

Numerous published articles and books by recognized authors give accounts of the peace-keeping efforts of Andrew F. Morillon and Norman Cousins to resolve the nuclear deadlock in the Cuban missile crisis through the mediation of Pope John XXIII. After World War II, Morillon and his collaborators were instrumental in leading to the first steps towards the rapprochement between France and Germany, and played an active role in many key international developments. Secretary General U Thant, upon completion of his service to the United Nations, became President of CROP, the Pro Deo organization now under the leadership of Andrew F. Morillon, O. P.



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September 23, 1977

Mr. David Walters
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Dear Mr. Walters:

Please accept my most sincere congratulations on your recent appointment as President Carter's personal representative to the Vatican.

I am writing to you today regarding a good friend of mine, Nancy Reasoner Palmer. I understand that Mrs. Palmer has been in touch with you concerning the possibility of joining your staff in Rome. I happen to have had the experience of seeing her tremendous ability with languages and her knowledge of affairs in Rome and throughout the world. Thus, I would recommend that you seriously consider her request if that is in order.

Thank you for your attention to this. With my prayers for the success of your important work, I am

Sincerely,

Flavian Dougherty, C.P.
V. Rev. Flavian Dougherty, CP
Provincial

FD:11

TO : Col. Alvin C. Hutchins
Chief, Army Section
MAAG, Italy

DATE : September 1, 1975

FROM : Nancy Reasoner Palmer
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ROME, Tel: 68 18 87

SUBJECT : Constructive suggestions
for combatting incursions
from the LEFT in Italian
Political life.

1. a) Italy has ten political Parties of substance, which are:
DC; PSI; PSDI; PRI; PCI; PSIUP; PDUP-DP; PLI; PDIUM; and MSI.
Their addresses are in the telephone book.
- b) Each Party organizes "Party Commissions". The number of Commissions is in accordance with the importance and the necessities of the moment; example: "Commission on Foreign Affairs", "Commission for the Interior", "Commission on Public Works", etc.
- c) All Political Parties have among their various Commissions,
 - a) a Commission on Foreign Affairs, and
 - b) a Commission on National Defense.To be informed as to what is developing in those fields between Italy and the U.S.A., it is advisable to have a list of the members of these two Commissions, within the respective Parties. To exchange opinions with some of these people, or the Presidents of each group - would be sufficient to mold opinion in these two areas in Italy, and we would gather opinions in the making.

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- KEEP IN MIND: that what the Department of State does not seem to consider in relation to Italy.
2. NO Prime Minister can last in Italy without the consent of the Holy See, direct or indirect.

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- A shot-in-the-arm from Col. A.C.H. to boost NATO.
3. A shot-in-the-arm from Col. A.C.H. to boost NATO: bis!

In your position, and starting the written negotiations as of now, if you could persuade the Departments of Defense of the 14 NATO member nations, through the NATO College in Rome, to participate in the Military Parade in Rome next June 2nd (1976) Liberation Day, the prestige of NATO in Italy would jump, and present the Soviet Union with a public display of unity. Each nation could send a symbolic representation, say 100 elements, to be coordinated in the big Parade. The Italian Department of Defense would surely co-operate enthusiastically in assisting you to organize this.

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21 February 1980

Mr. George S. Vest
Asst. Secretary of State for the
Bureau of European Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Vest,

Mrs. Nancy Reasoner Palmer is applying for a post at the Office of the Representative of the President at the Vatican at the Embassy at Rome. As one who spent the war years, and several postwar years, in the Department of State, I believe I speak with some authority when I say I know of no one better equipped than Nancy Palmer for the position she seeks. I have known Nancy almost since her childhood; I knew her first in the early years her family spent in Latin America, then in the U.S. and, later, on the tour of duty we shared in Japan during the Occupation. I have witnessed her unusual command of languages and her keen interest in the political scene. She has an uncommon facility for meeting people and winning their confidence; she talks well, listens even better, and in Rome, her home for many years, I firmly believe she could be of inestimable value to the Department. I warmly support her application, not just as an old friend but as one who recognizes the importance of the post she seeks and her very real qualifications for it.

Very sincerely,

Paul C. Blum

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May 14, 1980

Mr. Charles R. Bowers
Acting Executive Director
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Department of State
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bowers,

I have to thank you for your kind letter of March 10, 1980 in reply to my letter warmly endorsing Nancy Reasoner Palmer's application for a post in the office of the President's Envoy to the Vatican.

I am fully aware of the difficulties that must face a government department in these times of fiscal stringency and balanced budgets just as I am equally aware of the delicate political situation the United States faces in Europe today. In view of the President's impending visit to that area we must recognize the need for all the information we can gather, not only in his support but for our Allies as well. Rome, the Vatican in particular, is a remarkable listening post and another trained ear in that office could be invaluable. At the risk of appearing importunate may I express the hope that if a vacancy occurs or if the Department decides to augment the present modest staff, you will bear in mind Nancy Palmer's availability and her exceptional qualifications for the position?

Very sincerely,

Paul C. Blum

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June 27, 1980
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Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Ambassador Bunker:

On June 18th, your letter of June 6th reached me (replying to mine of last February 23rd and I was delightedly surprised to hear from you. As you will see from the enclosed items, I have not been idle since writing to you and Mrs. Bunker last February asking both your guidance and support in realizing my appointment to the Vatican liaison post in Rome.

Throughout life, in various parts of the world, from my christening in Notre Dame de Paris as a wee girl, I have been exposed to members of the Roman Church. My education has also included some progressive schooling, and I did study comparative religion while living in Japan. But, having known many priests and nuns in schools during my growing-up years, and having had numerous close Vatican contacts in my adult years in Rome, I have acquired an understanding of that mentality - the circumlocutions of their thought processes and manner of expression. A lot of time can be saved, if one can get through that, to the short-hand or, plain talk.

Does it not behoove the State Department to win as much support for the U.S.A. as possible, by placing qualified people in particular situations abroad who understand the mentality of those with whom they are dealing? It makes new friends for us much more quickly.

Surely, the impression we make upon the Vatican on a day to day basis, via the person in daily contact with them, should be viewed from a long-range perspective, and in statesman-like order. You and I know, that it will take several years for a diplomatic newcomer - particularly in Vatican relations - to get his feet on the ground and speak passable Italian, to be truly effective. Wise elderly Prelates and Deputati in Rome smile knowingly.

There has been genuine strong support on my behalf for that post. I could start off being effective immediately. I already have the friendship and respect of numerous people at all levels in the Vatican and in Rome cultural and political life. I have a grasp of the political situation.

In these critical days, can we afford to waste time?

I recall the moans of our dear Ed Murrow some years back, over the rigidity of certain State Department policies, actions and mentality. They work to the detriment of our own national interests. The practice of staffing the Vatican liaison post in Rome "invariably" with career Foreign Service Officers does not have to remain so necessarily - when the Envoy and the Office could be immediately served by a person familiar with the situation there. As you know, I have a wide international background and have long worked for peace through private diplomacy with Father Andrew Morlion, Norman Cousins, and others. With this background, I could quickly make that Liaison Office vital and infinitely more useful to the President and the Department's Bureau of European Affairs, than it has been in the past.

The U.S. cannot get full value from its diplomatic representation at the Vatican if the Envoy is in Rome only some thirty days each year. With ninety nations having full-time Ambassadors accredited to the Vatican - among them several women - it must be considered not a toy state, but a remarkable listening post. The Rome-based Assistant to the U.S. Envoy should per force be a trained ear, fluent in Latin languages. I am.

On the morning after his swearing-in as Secretary of State last month, Ed Muskie met with his new staff and employees, telling them significantly: "I hope you won't overwhelm me with silence. I intend to speak out. If you feel strongly about something, my door is open to your views. Come tell me." While Secretary Muskie is new to his job - he is a reasonable man. The State Department is slating as replacement for Peter Sarros, non-Italian speaking Mr. Michael H. Hornblow, born 1939. Harvard B.A. 1962. Political-Military Officer; N.E.A./p.a.b/, now in Italian language training. Since Mr. Hornblow is a Near East specialist with experience in Pakistan, and is a Political-Military Officer - is it logical to send him to our Vatican Office in Rome with which he is not at all familiar?!

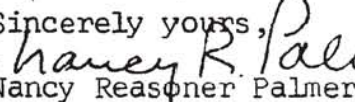
Mr. Bunker, people and even governments make mistakes. It is elder statesmen like yourself who can correct errors and bring about changes. I feel confident that if Secretary Muskie and President Carter knew of the Department's decision in this case and weighed the merits of the situation, positive action would be taken. Particularly after their recent visit to the Pontiff, are they able to evaluate the importance to the U.S. in future, of good "ears" at the Vatican.

Now comes a May 19th letter from Father Andrew Morlion, O.P. Chancellor of the International University in Rome, with this sentence: "The best chance you have to reverse the decision quickly, before Mr. Hornblow comes to Rome, is to convince the powers-that-be at the State Department and have Wagner personally understand, that what they need here, is not a young bureaucrat who still has to learn the language, but a person who knows the psychology of the Vatican, speaks fluent Italian as well as other European languages and has proved, first to Adlai Stevenson and then to others, that she has creative imagination, talent for making friends and persevering dynamism".

Father Morlion had emphasized to George Vest in earlier letters "the urgent current need to strengthen the effectiveness of the Office in Rome of the President's Special Envoy to the Vatican" and then graciously suggested that the "person who had been his collaborator in very delicate and important matters since 1957, has acquired the right experience to develop dynamically broader contacts and to inform the Department on developments in the next years. Nancy Palmer has the right background for this special task".

These are the facts, which enclosures corroborate. I leave them now in the lap of the gods. Warm good wishes.

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Sincerely yours,

Nancy Reasoner Palmer



P.S. Belated congratulations for your 86th birthday on May 11th, and many happy returns for those ahead.

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Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum
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Dear Marc:

The attached copies of my letters to Agostino Cardinal Casaroli and to George Shultz, will bring you up to date on my continuing efforts to serve in Rome in U.S. - Vatican relations.

Last Tuesday, I rang my old friend Prince Alexis Obolensky - to whom I had sent these same two letters last week. He has been with the State Department some 25 years, but he and his wife Selene, are old friends from Rome in the late 1050'ies.

The NBC-T.V. interview with Nancy Reagan was on the air Monday night - and I asked him to find out if it is true that Ambassador Wm. Wilson was leaving his Rome post?, and if so - since she has power and gets things done - is an achiever - why shouldn't I write to her, explaining why I believe I could function effectively as the first American woman Ambassador to the Vatican. There are already four others!

Alexis spoke with the Chief of the Italian desk at State who confirmed, he believes this is true. Alexis telephoned me this morning and we spoke nearly an hour. To date, NO ONE has mentioned to take Wilson's place, and there seems to be apathy in Wash. and real dismay, in that our Embassy to the Vatican has not, in the past year, been more effective. Wilson is a nice man, but not an innovator.

Alexis said, IF I could present Nancy Reagan with a high powered 2 or 3 page - POLICY PROGRAM OUTLINE for developing more effective future U.S. - Vatican relations - it would catch her attention and fire her imagination sufficiently, that she would show it to the President. This document, HAS to be so packed with creative, constructive ideas for a dynamic program-of-growth and ways to better exploit our new formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican, that it will be pounced upon promptly.

I want YOUR ideas to be incorporated in this document. If YOU were creating a plan for a more effective program of action, and better use of our Vatican Embassy - what areas would include? Reagan wants to leave the Presidency "looking good". If he accomplished heightened, dynamic interaction with the Vatican, via our Holy See Embassy -that would be good for Uncle Sam - and, for Ronnie Reagan.

For starters; I have these thoughts -

1. Joint action on terrorism - mediation of conflicts...
2. Problems of education in the U.S. How our Dept. of Ed. could benefit from the experience of Universities in other nations.
3. Social Problems - growth of illegitimacy, (teen-age pregnancies), abortion - Right to Life, etc. etc.
4. Intelligence: Vatican a font of information from the four corners of the earth - to be gleaned by "good ears" with the wit and language fluency to "HEAR".
5. Papal moral power in controlling growth of chemical warfare potentials- Star Wars, Interspace developments, etc. etc.

I am sure you will have some valid theological considerations; thoughts on inter-relations of world economies - the moral obligations of HAVE nations to the Have-NOTS. In sum: North-South, East-West, Male-Female! THOSE are the problems of the future. How can the U.S., harness the moral power of the Vatican for future constructive growth and leadership?

If we can come up with a concrete program that would get the President's enthusiastic support, and help him see the tremendous possibilities for constructive action, were it implemented via his Vatican Embassy - that power could lead to positive accomplishment.

Alexis Obolensky told me today, that the feeling in the State Dept. is that not since Myron Taylor was sent to Rome by Roosevelt - has any representative been effective. I'd like to follow suit! Will you help me to do this, and put on your thinking cap!

May we meet soon- and talk sooner to exchange ideas. I am aiming to have my letter reach Mrs. Reagan via James Rosebush, on Monday, July 8th- so must get to work immediately.

Have seen both you and Georgette on T.V. You are all over the place. You are achievers too.

Cheers for now. Ciao.

Nancy
Nancy Reasoner Palmer

enc.



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Coey

Sua Eccellenza Agostino Cardinale Casaroli
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Eccellenza:

Quante volte, attraverso gli anni della mia lunga residenza a Roma, l'ho visto partecipare alle cerimonie in San Pietro e altrove. Sento veramente di conoscerla. Così, anche per questo motivo, Le scrivo con il cuore in mano.

Nell'attuale stato di tensione degli affari internazionali, credo che oggi-uno di noi individualmente dovrebbe dare un contributo alla società, nel luogo dove può più efficacemente servire. Nel caso mio, con più di vent'anni di lavoro professionale a Roma, sono sicura di poter svolgere un lavoro costruttivo all'ambasciata degli stati uniti presso la Santa Sede.

Ho saputo da amici nel Dipartimento di Stato a Washington, che il segretario di stato George Shultz, ha un interesse personale nel buon funzionamento della nuova ambasciata USA presso la Santa Sede. Sia Lui, che il presidente Reagan, desiderano rafforzare le relazioni stati uniti-Vaticano, apprezzando sia l'autorità morale per la pace nel mondo del Pontefice, che le Sue doti personali.

Penso che l'ambasciatore debba avere a sua disposizione, elementi bene informati, non soltanto delle relazioni Usa-Vaticano, ma anche Italia-Usa e chiesa-stato. Io, per esempio, ho studiato con molto interesse i saggi scritto al riguardo di Giovanni Spadolini. La mia conoscenza delle sfumature della politica italiana, mi è stato utilissima nella traduzione del libro della Rizzoli "Berlinguer e il Professore."

Desidero moltissimo (Deo volente) tornare ad abitare e lavorare a Roma definitivamente. Credo che, come americana cattolica, grande amica dell'Italia, con una vita di esperienza a Roma, e di sensibilità verso persone e cose vaticane, quegli anni potranno servire in modo positivo ai futuri rapporti cordiali tra Washington e la Santa Sede.

A questo scopo, come indicano le lettere accluse, autorevoli appoggi sono stati inviati a Washington nei mesi recenti. Ma, come Lei, cara Eccellenza, anche il segretario di stato Shultz è un uomo indaffaratissimo. A questo punto, nella mia "campagna quinquennale" (quanta perseveranza ci vuole!) l'intuito mi dice che, sarò dichiarata "persona grata" dal Vaticano sulla base della mia lunga passata esperienza a Roma, un miracolo avverrà. Mi rendo conto che la possibilità di un Suo intervento è una questione molto, molto delicata, ma non è forse vero che, con buona volontà, qualunque cosa è possibile anche nel mondo diplomatico?

Una parola da Sua Eccellenza Casaroli alla sua controparte, il segretario di stato George Shultz con un cortese "nulla osta" a mio favore, riuscirebbe a sciogliere le pastoie burocratiche dello "State Department" e ad accelerare la mia nomina a Roma. Un cenno da parte Sua verrebbe sicuramente raccolto dalle mani stesse del segretario Shultz. Infatti, non essendo io "di carriera", e soltanto per nomina che potrei servire a Roma. Purtroppo, anche l'ambasciatore Wilson ha le mani legate.

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Nell'ottobre 1978, quando finalmente la divento Papa, diede tre ricevimenti: il primo per la curia, il secondo per il corpo diplomatico accreditato presso la Santa Sede, e il terzo per i giornalisti che "coprono" il Vaticano. Dopo l'udienza nella sala Clementina, Sua Santità uscì tra due ali di folla stipata oltre le transenne, e quando, con un grande calore umano, toccava le mani dei giornalisti verso di lui, mi prese la mano e da sinistra. Commossa dal Suo Carisma, lo spontaneamente gli dissi: "Votre Sainteté, vous êtes toujours avec nous ici à Rome pour toujours même venant. Vous n'échapperez jamais à nos vœux de reconnaissance" "ma je ne suis pas, définitive e con un gran sorriso si allontanò in un momento stravagiale.

Concludendo, Eccellenza, desidero dire che il Santo di guidarmi là dove io sento di appartenere: a ROMA. Chissà, forse non viveva un piccolo alito di roma!

Con i sensi della più perfetta considerazione e della mia personale devozione, le faccio la sacra porpora.

Respettamente,
Raymond Palmer
 Raymond Palmer

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March 26th, 1985

The Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Several months ago, I wrote in Italian to the Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, asking his support on my behalf via a direct word to you regarding my long and earnest desire to serve in Rome in U.S.-Vatican relations.

His Excellency's recent gracious reply, advises that my hopes would manifest more expeditiously were I to write directly to you "with the passion and eloquence and the candid exposition" expressed in my letter to him, here attached. I am thus, taking the advice of that wise and gentle man, whose modesty and wit remind me of the late Justice John Marshall Harlan (Princeton 1920) who was my godfather.

I went to live in Rome in 1956, and for a quarter-century lived a fascinating professional and social life, while raising two daughters there. Nearly a decade ago, when David Walters replaced Henry Cabot Lodge as U.S. Envoy to the Vatican, he interviewed me in Rome and said I had "exceptional and very real qualifications for a post on his staff", but, that I would have a better chance for such an assignment, from the U.S. side of the Atlantic.

In 1980, from New York, I made a renewed, concerted effort via the State Department, to join the small Rome staff of the Office of the President's Envoy to the Vatican and had some warm and influential support. Blessed Ellsworth Bunker wrote me then regarding the Vatican post, "I am sure you could perform a valuable service there." The late State Department senior officer Papp C. Blum, wrote of me to George S. Vest with strong support. At the time, Mr. Vest advised me and others, that the Department would keep me in mind when additional staff was added to that office, or, it expanded.

Now, almost a year ago, when the U.S. finally established full diplomatic relations with the Vatican, I heard that Ambassador Wilson's staff would be expanded, and I wrote to him. He graciously advised me that his hands were tied re personnel requests ("no discretion in selecting candidates") and that he must accept staff sent to him, but, that I am most certainly qualified for a post in his Embassy. That, is where I truly belong!

Several U. S. Senators wrote to you last autumn on my behalf, pursuing this matter - adding to the consensus that I could most effectively serve abroad in U.S.-Vatican relations. Your Princeton colleague Claiborne Pell, ending his letter to you with the request, that "Anything you could do to help secure an appointment for Mrs. Palmer at the Embassy to the Holy See would be greatly appreciated".

Upon learning in January that Mr. Tapley Bennett had forwarded my papers to the White House Personnel Office, I wrote to Mr. Jonathan Thompson there. I had also heard from State Department friends, that a job had been posted for a Public Affairs Advisor to Ambassador Wilson in Rome. So, I stated to Mr. Thompson that I believed I could effectively serve him in that job, because I knew I could handle it.

In that capacity, I could "hit the ground running" using my writing and language skills, long Rome experience, and, top friendly contacts in the Italian press and political circles, as well as past colleagues and friends in the Vatican. But, I could also be useful in other jobs on that staff.

Mr. Secretary, I know that the only way for me to get the post I have so long sought, is by appointment. In my case, it is "extraordinary fitness for a particular assignment", which is why I have persevered for so long. I also know, that the ultimate decision lies with you and your Department. I hope, that after you have looked over my dossier and investigated my background, you will have been persuaded to decide in a positive manner and quickly ship me off to serve in Rome!

My twenty-five year friendship-building residency in the Eternal City - knowing the movers and shakers - is alas, not possible for your career service officers. But, the experience and contacts I gained - which only time and a unique opportunity can build, could be used to the advantage of our new Vatican embassy. Would it not be time-saving, for the Department to draw on the availability of proven experience and knowledge of a particular situation?

I know that you are even-handed in your judgements, and objectively fair in your decisions, when you have all the facts at hand. I am thus grateful to His Eminence Cardinal Casaroli - to whom I wrote in sheer frustration over the long and absurd run-around I have so buoyantly survived - for urging me to write this letter.

When men of the calibre and stature of Ellsworth Bunker, Paul Blum, Gov. Henry Wallich (Federal Reserve Ed.) and Claiborne Pell among others, are, and have been, very much in support of my candidacy for the Vatican post, there has to be real substance regarding my qualifications. Surely, my passion to do this job, is indicated by persistence and tenacity.

"With God, all things are possible, and He works through people". I pray He will work through George Shultz and make my "true place" manifest soon.

Allow me to wish you and Mrs. Shultz a serene Easter and send you both hearty good wishes from an admirer.

Nancy R. Palmer
Nancy Rensseler Palmer

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November 28, 1984

The Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. Secretary:


I am writing to recommend Mrs. Nancy Reasoner Palmer for appointment to the staff of Ambassador William A. Wilson at the United States Embassy to the Holy See.

Mrs. Palmer would bring impressive skills and credentials to Ambassador Wilson's staff. As a journalist and editor, she has been involved in a number of writing projects such as the Vatican Treasures Exhibition that have helped cement our country's good relations with the Holy See. As a longtime resident of Rome she has cultivated numerous friendships and she has mastered Italian and French, assets that would be undeniably helpful in any Vatican post.

Anything you could do to help secure an appointment for Mrs. Palmer at the Embassy to the Holy See would be greatly appreciated.

With every good wish.

Ever sincerely


Claiborne Pell

CLAIBORNE PELL
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 31, 1984

Dear Mrs. Palmer:

Enclosed is a copy of a self-explanatory
letter from Assistant Secretary Bennett.

I only hope we have success. ✓

All best wishes.

Ever sincerely,



Claiborne Pell

Mrs. Nancy Reasoner Palmer
1 West 67th Street
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Dear Senator Pell:

Thank you for your letter to the Secretary regarding Mrs. Nancy Reasoner Palmer and her interest in serving at the U.S. Embassy to the Holy See.

Her qualifications are most impressive, and we have forwarded her resume to the White House. You may be assured that Mrs. Palmer will be given appropriate consideration by the White House Office of Presidential Personnel should a non-career vacancy occur.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



W. Tapley Bennett, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable
Claiborne Pell,
United States Senate.

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October 23, 1984

The Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. Secretary:

My purpose in writing, is to bring to your attention Mrs. Nancy Reasoner Palmer, an American Catholic, who is interested in serving at the new U.S. Embassy to the Holy See. Nancy Palmer has worked in Rome in the fields of culture and international politics for a quarter-century and is fluent in Italian and French. She is the God-child of Mr. Justice John Marshall Harlan, appointed to the Supreme Court by President Eisenhower.

With her friendships at the Vatican and in Roman political circles, she could make a valuable assistant to Ambassador William A. Wilson. Her thinking is first-rate. Her finesse with people from different cultures is impeccable, as are her credentials. These considerable skills could be of inestimable value to the Department in that Mrs. Palmer would be immediately effective, thus contributing promptly to the relief of expanding demands upon our new Embassy to the Holy See. She is favorably known to Ambassador Maxwell M. Rabb.


I know that in the past, a number of letters of support for Nancy Palmer to serve on our Rome Vatican Embassy staff have gone to the State Department. They were from such prime movers as Senator Claiborne Pell; Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum of the AJC in New York; the late State Department Officer Paul C. Blum, who worked with both Alan and John Foster Dulles; and the late distinguished elder statesman, Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker, and old family friend of Nancy's.

I am pleased to join in that support while attaching her vitae. I need add to this, only that she is extremely personable and navigates well in difficult situations.

The Honorable George P. Shultz
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Ambassador Wilson spoke with Mrs. Palmer during his recent
stop-over in New York en route to Rome.

Sincerely



Alfonse M. D'Amato
United States Senator

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cc: John Herrington
Ambassador William A. Wilson
Nancy Reasoner Palmer ✓



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H.E. Ambassador William A. Wilson
Embassy of the United States
to the Holy See
APO New York 09794

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I thank you for your open courtesy and warmth to me when I phoned you two weeks ago from New York to California.

I promised I would send you a few brief notes about Nancy Reasoner Palmer.

For many years I have been responsible for evaluating and selecting human beings for top management positions. I am demanding and properly tough in my evaluations of people for specific key positions.

Mrs. Palmer is a person of amazingly high intelligence, has impeccable finesse in working with people of diverse personalities, and is a quiet amazingly effective producer of end results that are assigned to her.

She speaks Italian as an Italian, knows the cultural climate of Rome, and through many years of contacts, has built a knowledge of how to work with the Church within the Vatican.

She takes direction with alacrity. I have found that she has personal characteristics which make it easy for her

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to serve the needs and requirements of superiors willingly and loyally. I find this is often a rare ingredient.

Her ethical standards are outstanding and refreshing.

In sum, I would want Nancy Palmer to work for and with me if ever an appropriate position were to develop.

If when you are next in New York City I could, in any way, be of use to you in your important work, I am at your service. We could lunch at the Harvard Club if it would serve any immediate purpose to you.

Cordially,

Charles W. Young

Charles W. Young
President

Armand Hammer Has Meeting With Gorbachev

MOSCOW, June 17 (Reuters) — Armand Hammer, the industrialist, said today after a meeting with Mikhail S. Gorbachev that negotiations were under way on the time and place of a meeting with President Reagan.

Mr. Hammer, who has close ties with the Soviet Union, said in a news conference that Anatoly F. Dobrynin, the Soviet Ambassador, had told him in Washington that Mr. Gorbachev would not go to New York to attend a session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The industrialist, who is chairman of the Occidental Petroleum Corporation, said he had not discussed the United Nations session with Mr. Gorbachev.

Viktor G. Afanasiyev, the chief editor of Pravda, said in April that Mr. Gorbachev would attend the session and might meet Mr. Reagan then.

Mr. Hammer, who spent 90 minutes with Mr. Gorbachev, expressed confidence that there would be a summit meeting.

"There will be a meeting," he said. "Just where and when has not been determined and that is being negotiated right now."

He said he had told Mr. Gorbachev that he thought Mr. Reagan should visit Moscow for a first meeting.

"I thought he would be very welcome here and it would give him a chance to see something of Russia and the Russian people," Mr. Hammer said. "I don't know whether such an invitation will be extended to him or not, but I hope so."

He said Mr. Gorbachev had told him that a summit meeting would have to have a specific topic. Mr. Hammer

said he suggested to the Soviet leader that the two sides might sign a nonaggression pact covering conventional and nuclear weapons.

Mr. Hammer said he thought the two men would like each other and Mr. Reagan would be able to handle the meeting. He also praised the new Soviet leader's style.

"I am very much impressed by him as a leader — very forthright, very intelligent with a good sense of humor, very pragmatic," Mr. Hammer said.

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Over the Big-Power Chasm

By Armand Hammer

LOS ANGELES — The long impasse between the Soviet Union and United States may possibly now be resolved. The unfolding of recent events may make the time right and ripe. An opportunity has arisen that will enable the present antagonism to suddenly melt into a cooperative spirit.

Why has this "impossible event" now become possible?

President Reagan, whose prior pronouncements were bitter and sometimes belligerent, has been turned by events into a cooperative spirit. He is presiding over this nation for the last time. His eye is no longer on political considerations. He can have only one ambition — the noblest kind — to go down in history as a peacemaker.

His second, although subordinate, consideration is that if he can achieve a verifiable agreement for the reduction in armaments, the only mark that would be against him, now that he has gone a long way to solving inflation problems, is the deficit. But if the United States could free itself from devouring military expenses, the deficit could disappear.

Mikhail S. Gorbachev's motivation for peace is similar to Mr. Reagan's. He, too, would be hailed by generations to come if he could end the strife and its resulting menace to all — and by such an achievement could take his place alongside Lenin in Russian history. The burdens of armaments weigh heavily upon the Russian people, just as American expenditures do upon us.

Armand Hammer is chairman and chief executive officer of the Occidental Petroleum Corporation.

There is no public bookkeeping system to reveal this in the Soviet Union, but books are not necessary. The standard of living of the Russian people is far lower than the dream of revolution envisioned. If Mr. Gorbachev could relieve his treasury of the exhausting expenses of the arms race, the Russian people could enjoy a higher standard of living. Mr. Gorbachev would be blessed by his people not only for peace but also for giving them a better quality of life.

For Reagan, Gorbachev, a challenge

The rewards for establishment of a genuine friendly relationship are so immense, and the time so right, that both sides must dare make concessions previously considered impossible. The technical problems in disarmament are so involved and complex that the greatest experts on both sides may honestly differ. When one is dealing with nuclear weapons, which can never be fully tested because there would be nothing left to test, agreement is made more difficult. Thus, we must reach a point that goes beyond military mathematics, and both sides must recognize that there is little to lose in trusting the other.

The growth of mutual trust, in turn, involves psychological elements, not merely deeds. The creation of a psychological momentum is itself the

greatest deed. One way to achieve this would be a meeting before the end of 1985 between Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev. If, in the meantime, both sides refrained from rhetoric condemning each other, it would set the stage for a successful meeting. Mr. Reagan could win over the Russians by offering to go to Russia for the first meeting, with a return meeting by Mr. Gorbachev next spring.

Neither leader has been in the other's country. What is there to lose by both leaders meeting and getting to know each other? If both could declare to the world, at such a meeting, that neither would be the first to use nuclear or conventional weapons in an attack upon the other and, further, that they intended to hold additional meetings at regular periods because they were determined to achieve friendship, good will and good progress in the Geneva negotiations, there would then be an electric shock of gratification throughout the world. Such a mutual announcement with an earnest handshake might cause celebrations and dancing in the streets, like the declaration of a cease-fire at the end of a war. And from this, in turn, would flow such a flood of approval and stimulation that the process of reconciliation would be accelerated beyond any possible anticipation.

There is an opportunity for Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev to achieve immortality. There is an opportunity for a better world. The cynics and doubters on both sides must be ignored.

As Pindar, the Greek poet said, "We must exhaust the limits of the possible."

Everything is possible. □