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RECEPTION AT THE UNITED STATES LIAISON OFFICE FOR THE PRESIDENT
AND MRS. GERALD R. FORD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1975, AT
11:30 A.M.

HOSTS: Ambassador and Mrs. George Bush

PRESIDENTIAL MOTORCADE

D. Cheney

R. Hartmann

J. Sisco

R. Nessen

Col. Riley

T. O'Donnell

R. Cavaney

B. Goodwin

D. Kennerly

Dr. Lukash

Major Pakula

Capt. Domina

FIRST LADY MOTORCADE

P. Sorum

S. Weidenfeld

K. Schumacher

N. Chirdon

G. Harrell

J. Merson

HEAD TO HEAD PARTICIPANTS (Who may or may not attend)

Secretary Kissinger

LtGen. Scowcroft

Asst. Sec. Habib

W. Lord

D. Solomon

Mr. Gleysteen
Mr. Armstrong

USLO STAFF

Mr. Harry E. T. Thayer, Deputy Chief

Mr. William W. Thomas, Jr., Counselor for Commercial/Economic
Affairs

Mrs. Sara Thomas

Mr. Gerard J. Levesque, Counselor for Administration

Mrs. Jane Levesque

Mr. Thomas S. Brooks, Counselor for Political and Cultural Affairs

Mrs. Claire Brooks

David Brooks

John Brooks

Jeffrey Brooks

Susan Brooks

Mr. Christopher H. Ballou, Political Officer

Mrs. Priscilla Ballou

Miss Sylvia Ballou

Mr. Robert M. Perito, Commercial/Economic Officer

Mrs. Patricia Perito

Robert Perito

Samantha Perito

Mr. Jerome C. Ogden, Consular Officer

Mrs. Laura Ogden

Christine Ogden

Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe, Political Officer

Mrs. Diana Pascoe

Jill Pascoe

Kim Pascoe

Miss Janet C. McCrory, Budget and Fiscal/Disbursing and Personnel
Officer

Mr. Frank P. Wardlaw (Pat), Commercial/Economic Officer

Mr. Roger E. Burgess, General Services Officer

Mrs. Jo Ann Burgess

Miss Jennifer A. Fitzgerald, Staff Aide to Mr. Bush

Miss Henrietta Morris, Secretary to Mr. Bush

Mr. Joseph F. Acquavella, Supervisory Communications and Records Officer

Mrs. Mary Ann Acquavella
Joseph Acquavella III

Miss Catherine E. Dick, Telecommunications Officer

Mr. Peter S. Quenan, Telecommunications Officer

Mrs. Sue Quenan, USLO Nurse
Skeeter Quenan

Miss H. Evelyn Keller, Secretary to the Deputy Chief

Mr. Marvin A. Konopik, Communications and Records Officer

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Mr. Warren L. Salzer, Telecommunications Officer

Mrs. Jill Salzer
Scott Salzer
Shelly Salzer

Mr. Evan L. Dewire, Supervisory Regional Security Officer

Mrs. Merle Dewire
John Dewire
Annie Dewire

Mr. David P. Bocskor, Regional Security Officer

Mr. John P. Chornyak, Regional Security Officer

Mrs. Patricia Chornyak

Miss Caryn Solomon, Secretary to the Commercial/Economic Counselor

Miss Janice E. Hunt, Secretary to the Political and Cultural Counselor

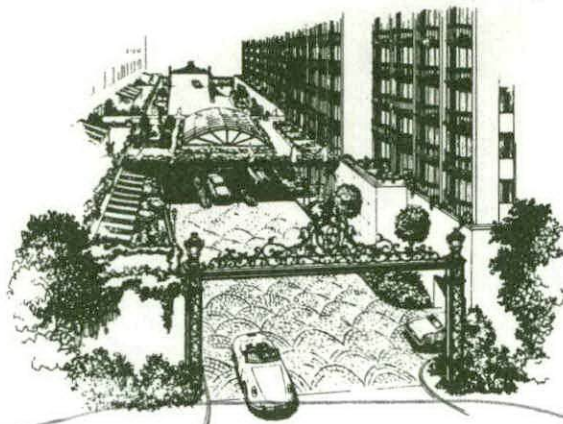
Mr. Robert D. Booth, Regional Security Officer

Miss Pamela H. Moore, Secretary to the Political and Cultural Counselor

Miss Roberta A. Florkey, Secretary to the Administrative Counselor

Mr. Theodore S. Green, Temporary General Services Officer

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November 20, 1975

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The Honorable George Bush
Chief
UNITED STATES LIAISON OFFICE
Peking
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Hi there!

I had a lovely and lengthy conversation with Kathy Plowman and most of the time we were talking about you. I can't tell you how many times I've thought about you in your current capacity as our Ambassador in China, and I'm so sorry that I haven't written to you before now, but I was out of commission for six months due to spinal surgery.

I'm much better now, however, so I wanted you to know how happy we are that you will be returning to Washington. We need you and have missed you during your absence. I was hoping to investigate the possibilities of visiting China while you were there, but, unfortunately, due to my back and your new assignment, that seems to be an impossibility.

You certainly have much to contribute in all areas of our Government. Also, you have the confidence of more people than you realize behind you. Everyone regards the name George Bush with respect.

Hopefully upon your return to Washington and with your new responsibilities, we will again have the opportunity of working together.

Sincerely,

Anastasia Rene Kostoff
Director of Sales

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HONG KONG

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YOUR REF:

G. P. O. HONG KONG

7th November, 1975

Honorable George Bush,
Chief,
United States Liaison Office,
Peking, P.R.C.

Dear Sirs,

We thank you for ~~your letter of~~
enclosing your cheque for HK\$978.00 in settlement
of our invoice No. 6292 24/10/1975
against which our official receipt is attached.

With compliments,

Yours faithfully,
PENNELL & COMPANY, LIMITED


Accountant

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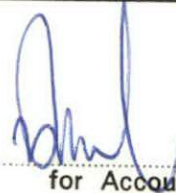
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Date	Received from	Amount
- 7 NOV 1975	Honorable George Bush. chief. U.S. L. O. Peking.	HK\$ 97800

Invoice No. 6292 24/10/1975.

Account No. 36158

Cash/Cheque No. CTB 23159



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INVOICE

NO.
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to: Honorable George Bush,

DATE 24th Oct., 1975.

Chief, United States Liaison Office,

SHIPPING
MARKS:

Peking, P.R.C.

HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH

CHIEF, UNITED STATES

LIAISON OFFICE,

PEKING, P.R.C.

#1/20.

SHIPMENT NO.

NO. OF CASES 20.

EX. per first available Slow Train
ETD 26th September, 1975.

YOUR ORDER NO.

TERMS:

QUANTITY	PACKING	DESCRIPTION	RATE	TOTAL AMOUNT
		TO: Slow Train freight charges on 20-c/s Wines & Spirits & Provisions ETD Sept 26th 1975 Re. Our Invoice No. 6156		<u>HK\$ 978.00</u>
Total H.K. Dollars Nine hundred and seventy-eight only.				
E. & O. E.				
PENNELL & COMPANY LIMITED				
<u>Authorized Signature</u>				
INSURANCE				
In the event of loss or damage, should the estimate be considered less than US\$100,000, a survey report is not required. A certified Statement of Loss signed by an official of the Embassy will be accepted by the underwriters.				
In the event of shortage kindly apply for bad order certificate to accompany claim.				

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		TO: Slow Train freight charges on 20-c/s Wines & Spirits & Provisions ETD Sept 26th 1975 Re. Our Invoice No. 6156		<u>HK\$ 978.00</u>
Total H.K. Dollars Nine hundred and seventy-eight only.				
E. & O. E.				
PENNELL & COMPANY LIMITED  Authorized Signature INSURANCE In the event of loss or damage, should the estimate be considered less than US\$1000, a survey report is not required. Certificate of Loss signed by an independent surveyor will be accepted by the underwriters. In the event of shortage kindly apply for a bad order certificate to accompany claim.				

Form approved by Comptroller General, U.S. March 19, 1953		PURCHASE ORDER, RECEIVING REPORT AND VOUCHER (For use in foreign countries only)		D.O. Vou. No. 0255	Bu. Vou. No.	
Department or Establishment U.S. Department of State				Purchase Order No.		
Prepared at U. S. Liaison Office, Peking, PRC		(place)		(date) 11/4/75		
Purchaser THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, DR.				PAID BY J.C. McCrory U.S. Disbursing Officer 621c U.S. Liaison Office Peking, P.R.C.		
Seller (Payee) Ambassador George H. W. Bush						
Address of seller U. S. Liaison Office, Peking, PRC						
Contract No. (dated)						
Order is hereby placed with the above-named seller for the articles or services described below, to be furnished:						
to _____ at _____						
ITEM NOS.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT	
			Cost	Per		
	Reimbursement for Reception given at the International Club, Peking on Tuesday, October 21, 1975 to promote US national interests by approval of Secretary Kissinger. I certify that the above amount is correct and just, that reimbursement has not been made and that no prohibited items are included. George H. W. Bush Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary Chief, USIA	350	35c	head	Chinese Yuan ¥2,344.67 & US\$122.50	
Ordering Officer (Signature) _____		Approp. 1960522 Allot. 6K-10017		Funds Available:		
Name: _____		Obl. No. _____		Name: J. C. McCrory		
Title: _____		Amt. \$1,314.08		Title: BSPO		
I certify that the ordered items listed were received on _____ (date) except as follows:		PAYMENT:		Amount billed, as per attached bill(s)		
Signature _____		☒ Complete		Differences		
Name: _____		☐ Partial		Amount verified correct for		
Title: _____		☐ Final		Prepayment Audit (Signature or initials)		
Approved for \$122.50 & ¥2,344.67 = \$ 1,191.58		Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify this voucher correct and proper for payment.				
Exchange rate ¥ 1.9677 to \$ 1.00		Signature of Authorized Certifying Officer				
		Name: Gerard J. Lavoque				
		Title: Administrative Officer				
ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION						
Fund	Allotment	Oblig. No.	Paying Office	Date Paid	Object	Amount
1960522	6K-10017		305	115	110	\$1,314.08
P A I D B Y	Check No. 90,158,548 dated NOV 13 1975		for \$ 1,314.08 on Treasurer of United States.			
	Check No. _____ dated _____		for _____ on _____			
	Cash _____ on _____		Payee _____			
			Title of Payee: _____			

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO SELLER

1. The entering office is exempt from taxes.
2. The invoices must be submitted in two copies. Carriers' invoices covering transportation and/or accessorial services shall show on the original the following certification statement, manually signed by the vendor or his authorized representative and dated: "I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received."
3. The order number shown in the upper right hand corner of this purchase order must be shown on your invoices.
4. All communications concerning this order must refer to order number and be addressed to the originating office.
5. Discount terms, if any, must be shown on all bills.

Form approved by Comptroller General, U.S. March 19, 1953		PURCHASE ORDER, RECEIVING REPORT AND VOUCHER (For use in foreign countries only)		D.O. Vou. No. 0231	Bu. Vou. No.	
Department or Establishment U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE				Purchase Order No.		
Prepared at USLO PEKING (place)		(date) 11-4-75		PAID BY PAID by J.C. McCrory U.S. Disbursing Officer 6210 U.S. Liaison Office Peking P.R.C.		
Purchaser THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, DR.						
Seller (Payee) Amb George Bush						
Address of seller XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX USLO Peking						
Contract No. (dated)						
Order is hereby placed with the above-named seller for the articles or services described below, to be furnished:						
to		at				
ITEM NOS.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT	
			Cost	Per		
	Representation expenses for the period October 1-31, 1975, as per guest lists attached. I certify that the above amount is correct and just and that reimbursement has not been made and that no prohibited items are included. <u>George Bush</u>				\$592.50 & ¥214.05	
Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary						
Ordering Officer (Signature)		Approp. 1960545 Allot. 4305 Obl. No. 600001 Amt. \$701.28	Funds Available: J. C. McCrory B&FO		\$592.50 & ¥214.05	
Name: Title:		Name: Title:		TOTAL		
I certify that the ordered items listed were received on _____ (date) except as follows:		PAYMENT: ☒ Complete ☐ Partial ☐ Final		Amount billed, as per attached bill(s) Differences Amount verified correct for Prepayment Audit (Signature or initials)		
Signature Name: Title:				\$592.50 & ¥ 214.05		
Approved for ¥ 214.05 = \$ 108.78		Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify this voucher correct and proper for payment. Signature of Authorized Certifying Officer				
Exchange rate ¥ 1.9677 to \$ 1.00		Name: Gerard J. Levesque Title: Administrative Officer				
ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION						
Fund	Allotment	Oblig. No.	Paying Office	Date Paid	Object	Amount
1960545	4305	600001	305	115	110	\$701.28
			75	701.28		
P A I D B Y	Check No. 90,58,528 dated NOV 5 1975 , 19, for \$ _____ on Treasurer of United States.					
	Check No. _____ dated _____, 19, for _____ on _____					
	Cash _____ on _____, 19 _____		Payee Title of Payee:			

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PURCHASE ORDER, RECEIVING REPORT AND VOUCHER

Continuation Sheet

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

U. S. (Department or establishment)

Sheet No. 2 of Bureau Vou. No. _____
Purchase Order No. _____

ITEM NOS.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT	
			Cost	Per		
10-2-75	Reception at residence - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Amb & Mrs Arnaud (France); Amb & Mrs Small (Canada); Miss M. Small (Canada); Amb Katapodis (Greece); Mrs. Akwei (Ghana Amb's wife); Mr. R. Akwei (Ghana Amb's son)	10	\$3.00	e. .	\$	30 00
10-3-75	Reception/ Movie at residence - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Amb Bulak (Turkey); Mr & Mrs Pace (Baker Trading Corp., Houston, Texas); Mr Stan Mills (same); Mrs Lois Ruge	7	\$1.50 \$3.00 XXXX		\$	10 50 21 00 XXXX
10-4-75	Reception at residence - (drinks) - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Mr Gianni Agnelli (owner of Fiat Italy); Mr Leopoldo Pirelli (owner of Pirelli Rubber Co. Italy)	4	\$1.50 \$3.00 XXXX		\$	6 00 12 00 XXXX
10-8-75	Buffet Lunch at residence - for World Affairs Delegation - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: see attached guest list	28	\$5.00		\$	140 00
10-8-75	Dinner at Big Duck Restaurant - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Mr & Mrs Victor Kian (US President of Ben Rus); Mr & Mrs Wally Heinze (US Director of Ben Rus); Mr & Mrs George Graeber (US); Ada Princogalli (Italy); (bill attached)	9	\$7.00 XXXX		\$	114 92
10-15-75	Dinner at Chin Yang Restaurant - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Mrs. Ethel Garrett (US); Mr Harry Darlington (US); Amb & Mrs John Small (Canada); Miss M. Small (Canada) (bill attached)	7	\$7.00 XXXX		\$	99 13

PURCHASE ORDER, RECEIVING REPORT AND VOUCHER

Continuation Sheet

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
(Department or establishment)

Sheet No. 3 of Bureau Vou. No. _____
Purchase Order No. _____

ITEM NOS.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT	
			COST	PER		
10-17-75	Dinner at residence - Host: Amb George Bush Guests: Mr Wang Ping-nan; Mr Hu Hung-fan; Mr Shan Ta-chi; Mr Chen Chih-mo; Mr Harry Thayer; Mr Bill Thomas; Mr Lynn Pascoe	8	\$7.00		\$ 56	00
10-25-75	Lunch at residence - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: list attached	23	\$5.00		\$ 115	00
10-3-75	Lunch at residence - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Lady Egremont (UK); Ms Clare Hollingworth (UK)	4	\$5.00		\$ 20	00
10-6-75	Lunch at residence - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: Mr Gianni Agnelli & Mr L. Pirelli (Italy); Mr Bill Thomas; Mr. Harry Thayer; Mr Lynn Pascoe; Miss Jennifer Fitzgerald	8	\$5.00		\$ 40	00
10-21-75	Dinner for Secretary Kissinger - Hosts: Amb & Mrs Bush Guests: list attached	25	\$7.00		\$ 175	00

September 29, 1975

The Hon. Wendell R. Anderson,
Governor of Minnesota,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Wendy:

I am so sorry to have missed you when you came to China. I flew out of Shanghai with a congressional group in a US Government plane just about the time you were supposed to come in to Shanghai. We probably passed in mid-air.

Harry Thayer told me he did get together with you and your delegation while you were here. He enjoyed that a lot, and so did others at USLO.

My only regret is that Barbara and I were not here to give you a warm family welcome, which we would like to have done. Come back!

I am really enjoying this assignment. I've been here almost a year now, and it's still as fascinating as the day I first arrived. Incidentally, for your own personal information, I'm hoping Dwayne Andreas will be coming to China to visit us in November.

Warmest personal regards,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

September 29, 1975

The Hon. Paul Findley,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C. 20515.

Dear Paul:

In my absence Bill Thomas, the head of our Economic Section, wrote Mr. Albert Myers, telling him that he would mention to the Textile Corporation Mr. Myers' interest in coming to Peking. This he has done.

As I told you on the phone, it is extremely difficult for all the people who attend the Fair to get permission to come to Peking. They all want to do it, and the Chinese simply do not feel they can grant permission to very many. I hope it works out that Mr. Myers gets to come here, and be sure we will welcome him warmly.

It was good talking to you.

Warm regards,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

September 2, 1975

*Answer
from China*

The Honorable George Bush
Ambassador to the Peoples Republic
of China
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

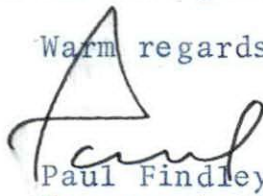
Dear George:

As I mentioned to you in Peking, Albert M. Myers was invited by the Chinese to attend the Canton Trade Fair last year, and as a consequence has been buying and selling numerous Chinese products. He expects to be re-invited this year, and in the attached letter has requested that he be afforded an opportunity to visit Peking and Shanghai the week prior to the Fair. I have talked with Al about this personally--as he is a long-time friend--and know that he would welcome equally the opportunity to extend his visit after the Fair if that seemed more agreeable to the Chinese.

If you can find some way to pass this message on to the Chinese, both Al and I will be extremely grateful.

Once again, it was a delight to enjoy your hospitality while Lucille and I were in Peking, and I certainly hope that I get that chance again.

Warm regards,



Paul Findley
Representative in Congress

Enclosure

Myers Brothers

the store that quality built

ALBERT M. MYERS
President

ONE WEST OLD STATE CAPITOL PLAZA
SPRINGFIELD • ILLINOIS 62701
A. C. 217-523-3661

September 2, 1975

China National Textiles Import and Export Corporation
82 Tung An Men Street
Peking, China

Gentlemen:

Myers Brothers Department Stores are again planning to attend the Canton Fair in October and therefore would like to request that you send us an invitation.

We have been most pleased with your products which are selling quite well in our stores; particularly in Cloisonne, woven straw items, silk screens, cashmeres and cotton items. We are planning to expand our purchases of cotton. We also did particularly well in your excellent jewelry products. We are planning to expand our merchandise areas and would like to see your down, needle-work, cashmeres and cotton items.

We are also planning on having a marketing event which will feature the products of China in 1976. Last year we held a South American Fair featuring products from Brazil, Argentina and Peru. Our stores have plans for a China Fair in 1976. We are an eleven store chain in the Midwest in the heart of the agricultural country.

The China Fair will be a two week event in which we do a tremendous public relations job of telling people about the products that your nation is presently offering. In this event we want to show garments, toweling, ready to wear, table cloths, linens, embroidery, Cloisonne, basketry and the general handicraft products of China. Inasmuch as we are already doing business with you and have made several trips into China. we would like to request that we be allowed to go into the Peking area and the Shanghai area for one week before the Canton Fair begins so that we may see some of your manufacturing areas directly.

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Regarding our request to come into Peking and then to Shanghai,
I'm sure that you will be hearing from Ambassador Bush.

Thanking you for your attention in this matter, I am,

Sincerely,

Albert M. Myers
President
Myers Brothers
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P.S.

I am enclosing several advertisements and pictures on the marketing
we have done on your products. I'm sure you will find them
most interesting.

September 22, 1975

Mr. Albert M. Myers,
President,
Myers Brothers,
One West Old State Capitol Plaza,
Springfield, Illinois 62701.

Dear Mr. Myers:

Thank you for your letter of September 10 to Mr. Bush, who is out of China at this time.

I am glad to hear that you have received your invitation to the Canton Fair, and that you will be coming to Peking as well. The Liaison Office will maintain its suite in the Tung Feng Hotel in Canton, and will be happy to see you whenever you can drop by.

I agree that it would be useful for you to visit Peking and Shanghai as well as Canton. I will be glad to mention to the Textile Corporation your interest in coming to Peking and Shanghai and your proposal for a China Fair in your stores. If you have literature on other similar fairs you have held, you might send it to the Textile Corporation to give them some idea of what you are doing to market their products.

I look forward to seeing you in Canton and Peking.

Sincerely yours,

William W. Thomas, Jr.
Chief, Economic/Commercial Section

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Myers Brothers

the store that quality built

ALBERT M. MYERS
President

ONE WEST OLD STATE CAPITOL PLAZA
SPRINGFIELD • ILLINOIS 62701
A. C. 217-523-3661

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September 10, 1975

The Honorable George Bush
American Ambassador
United States Liaison Office
Peking
People's Republic of China

Dear Ambassador Bush:

I have spoken to both Representative Paul Findley who recently was with you in China and your friend Don Adams, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee who I believe have contacted you concerning my return trip to China this year.

I have just received my invitation to the Canton Fair and am planning to attend. We have made several trips to Canton and find it most profitable.

I believe at this time it would be most important for us to come to the Peking and Shanghai areas as a part of our background in doing business with China. Therefore, I certainly would appreciate any help that you can give us in getting permission to come to these two areas.

I am enclosing a copy of the letter I wrote to the Chinese Textile Industries as well as a proposed itinerary of the time we would like to spend in the Peking and Shanghai areas.

Thank you so much for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Albert M. Myers

Albert M. Myers

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P.S. Paul Findley tells me you are an avid tennis player and I will have my tennis racket with me in case you want to play tennis with an old broken down tennis player.

Myers Brothers

the store that quality built

ALBERT M. MYERS
President

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May 9, 1974

China National Textiles Import and Export Corporation
82 Tung An Men Street
Peking
People's Republic of China
Gentlemen:

Myers Brothers Department Stores are planning to have a marketing event which will feature the products of China in 1975.

Last year we did an event on Italy featuring Italian products. This year we are doing a South American Fair featuring the products of Brazil, Argentinian, and Peru and we want to follow with a China Fair to be held in 1975 in our department stores. We are an eleven (11) store chain in the Midwest which is in the heart of the agricultural part of the nation.

The China Fair will be a two week event in which we do a tremendous public relations job of telling our people in this part of the world about the products that your nation presently is offering. In this event we will show ready made garments, toweling, wearing apparel, table cloths, linens and embroidery. As we have been doing these events for some years featuring the various nations of the world, we have been quite successful in telling the public about the products of the country we are featuring.

As you know, there is a great developing interest in China amongst the citizens in this country and particularly in corn products and soy bean products that we are doing business with you at the present time. I think that this would be an excellent area in which we could stage an event of this kind.

Our group is affiliated with the Phillips-Van Heusen Shirt Company and we have 109 stores in our group throughout the nation, so that the potential for doing business in the future is certainly great.

It is my understanding that you are having the Canton Fair in October and I would like to bring myself and two of my buyers to this Fair in order to develop the China Fair event here in our stores in America. This would also give me the opportunity to meet with your people to outline in detail this outstanding event.

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商 号
Name of firm

(Signature)

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January 20, 1975

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The Honorable George Bush
Chief, U. S. Liaison Office
Peking, People's Republic of China
c/o Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 7, together with the copy of the letter which you had sent to Senator Sparkman. Both Senator Sparkman and Red Blount have given me copies of your replies to them. Following your advice, I have written again to CHINATEX and I am sending a copy of the correspondence to Mr. Horowitz.

I am looking forward to the experience of visiting China and, should this opportunity materialize, I would look forward to meeting Mrs. Bush and you.

I haven't heard from George since he entered Harvard Business School. I wonder how he likes it. It was a great experience for me -- very many years ago.

With my many thanks again.

Sincerely yours,


Robert S. Weil

RSW/vt

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January 13, 1975

Honorable George Bush
Chief of the United States Liaison Office
Peking, China

Dear George:

Thank you for your letter of December 19 in response to my letter of November 27 regarding the interest of Robert Weil of Weil Brothers-Cotton in doing business with CHINATEX.

I greatly appreciate your writing to CHINATEX and the suggestions that you gave in your letter to me. You indicated that you were enclosing a copy of your letter to CHINATEX; however, there was no enclosure with your letter to me. I would be most grateful if you would make a copy available for my files.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,


John Sparkman

January 7, 1975

Mr. Robert S. Weil
Weil Brothers-Cotton, Inc.
Cotton Merchants
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Weil:

Your letter of December 5th just arrived in Peking. In the meantime, I received letters from Tap Bennett, Red Blount, and Senator Sparkman all giving you a great send-off.

Rather than repeat the message I'm sending you a copy of the letter we sent to Senator Sparkman on December 19th -- it sets out the facts.

I am delighted to know that you know our son, George. He's a great guy and I'm looking forward to his coming out here with us when he finishes Harvard Business School this summer.

If we see anyway to help directly with Chinatex on your behalf rest assured we will encourage them to give you the visa you seek. But the best thing to do is to follow the procedures outlined in the letter.

Needless to say, Mrs. Bush and I would be delighted to see you here in Peking and to do anything we could to make your stay a pleasant one.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

WEIL BROTHERS - COTTON, INC.
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December 5, 1974

The Honorable George Bush
Chief, U. S. Liaison Office
Peking, People's Republic of China
c/o Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Ambassador Bush:

By way of introduction, I am President of Weil Brothers-Cotton, Inc., and we are engaged in the raw cotton business. As references I would refer you to Ambassador Tapley Bennett and to Red Blount, both of whom are personal friends of mine. More importantly, I came to know your son, George, very well when we were working together on Red Blount's campaign for the Senate, and I think he is one of the most outstanding young men I have had the pleasure of knowing.

My object in writing you is that I am anxious to receive an invitation from the China National Textiles Import and Export Corporation (Chinatex) to visit Peking. The People's Republic of China has imported a large volume of cotton in the past year-and-a-half. After relations were reinstated but before there was commercial liaison, international cotton firms based in Europe - such as Ralli and Bunge - sold cotton to Chinatex and bought the cotton from American firms. We have shared in some of this business with these intermediary firms but we are desirous of establishing direct relations with Chinatex. Some American firms have established such relationships, and our firm, which is among the largest and oldest in the American raw cotton industry, would like to be on an equal footing.

We have made attempts to secure invitations, both through the People's Republic's Embassy in Mexico City and also the

The Honorable George Bush
December 5, 1974
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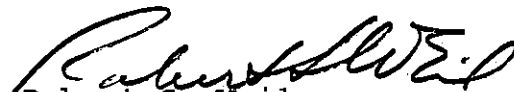
Liaison Office in Washington. We have written letters and sent telex communications on several occasions to Chinatex, but without success.

We wonder, therefore, whether we might arrange to be invited to Peking through your good offices. We understand that such a visit is necessary to open direct negotiations with Chinatex.

Needless to say, anything you can do to help us in this effort will be greatly appreciated.

To add a personal note again, I hope that some day I shall have the honor of meeting you, especially after hearing of you from our mutual friends.

Sincerely yours,


Robert S. Weil

RSW/vt

December 19, 1974

Honorable John Sparkman
United States Senate
Committee on Foreign Relations
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Sparkman:

Thank you for your letter of November 27, 1974. We are pleased to learn of Mr. Weil's interest in doing business with the People's Republic of China. As you can see from the enclosed letter, we have informed CHINATEX of this interest in the hope of furthering his initiatives.

While it is good that Mr. Weil has made contact with the People's Republic of China Liaison Office in Washington, it is important to keep in mind that the Chinese state trading corporations have the most important say as to who will be invited to do business in Peking. We think Mr. Weil should continue to keep the Liaison Office advised of his interest in trading with the PRC, but we would strongly urge him to write directly to CHINATEX soon. In doing so, he should provide full background information on his company and reiterate his willingness to come to Peking for introductory discussions.

As you are no doubt aware, world textile markets are weak at the moment and we are not certain that China will be in the market for raw cotton in the next six months. It is thus conceivable that Mr. Weil will not receive an immediate response from CHINATEX. Nevertheless, he should continue to write to the Corporation periodically, to keep the door open to future business. We would also advise him to send us copies of such correspondence so that our commercial officers can keep abreast of the matter. This correspondence should be addressed to Mr. Herbert E. Horowitz, Chief, of our Commercial/Economic Section.

I hope this will be of some help to Mr. Weil and that his efforts to establish a relationship with CHINATEX will eventually succeed. In the meantime, we would be happy to hear from him further, should he require additional advice or assistance.

Sincerely,

George Bush

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December 19, 1974

Madame Han Fang-yu
Deputy General Manager
China National Textiles Import and Export
Corporation
82 Tung An Men Street
Peking, People's Republic of China

Dear Madame Han:

We have recently learned that Weil Brothers - Cotton Inc., of Montgomery, Alabama is interested in establishing business relations with your Corporation. Weil Brothers is a very large U.S. cotton brokerage firm, with offices in Memphis, Houston, Phoenix, Atlanta, New Orleans, and Fresno. These are all cities located in important cotton growing regions of our country.

The head of Weil Brothers, Mr. Robert Weil, would very much like to visit Peking for introductory discussions with your Corporation at some time during the next seven months. Mr. Weil has conveyed this desire to the People's Republic of China Liaison Office in Washington and also to your country's Embassy in Mexico City.

We have suggested to Mr. Weil that he write directly to your Corporation, and we expect that you will be hearing from him in due course. In the meantime, should you wish to make contact with Mr. Weil, you can reach him at the following address:

Weil Brothers - Cotton, Inc.
Cotton Merchants
Montgomery, Alabama, U.S.A.

If we can be of any assistance in this matter, or on any other matters affecting Sino-US trade, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Herbert E. Horowitz
Chief, Commercial/Economic Section

December 19, 1974

Mr. Winton M. Blount
Chairman of the Board and President
Blount Inc.
P. O. Box 949
Montgomery, Alabama 36102

Dear Red:

Many thanks for your letter of December 3, 1974. I have also received a letter from Senator Sparkman concerning Mr. Weil and have replied indicating that Mr. Weil should write directly to the home office of CHINATEX here in Peking. In addition, we have written CHINATEX on Mr. Weil's behalf. Copies of these letters are enclosed, and you may want to pass on the information to Mr. Weil.

We are very hopeful that US-China trade in cotton is going to be a long term affair. If so, I am sure CHINATEX will want to take a thorough look at what Weil Brothers has to offer. It may take time, but so long as Mr. Weil keeps showing interest, I am sure that his initiatives will eventually be reciprocated.

I hope all is well with you and Mary Kay. As you may have heard, Barbara is back in the States for Christmas. Meanwhile I have my mother here to keep me company over the holidays.

Sincerely,

George Bush

ECON:WR:jaf

January 7, 1975

Ambassador W. T. Bennett
The U.S. Mission to the United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Dear Tap:

I wrote the attached letter to Mr. Weil. As you can tell from it we also wrote Red Blount and Senator Sparkman outlining the procedure Mr. Weil should follow. Sure hope he gets over here as he sounds like a first-class guy.

I thought about you alot during the hectic UN last session. Now that it's over I'd love to have your views on what it all added up to.

All's well here. Barbara will be back very soon. I had a great visit with mother here at Christmas. Best personal regards and love to Margaret.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

UNITED STATES LIAISON OFFICE
Peking, People's Republic of China

July 16, 1975

The Hon. Thomas Ludlow Ashley,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C. 20515.

Dear Lud:

I have just received your letter of June 27 on Mike DiSalle's interest in an arrangement between his Paramount International Coin Corporation and the People's Republic of China.

For his information, the PRC has minted aluminum coins in values of approximately one-half cent, one cent, and two-and-one-half cents since about 1954. There has been no change in the design of these coins over that time, and no indication that there will be one any time soon. They have issued no commemorative coins during this period, although they have put out a large number of commemorative stamps and marketed them successfully.

Over the years the PRC has shown great sensitivity over currency and money matters, and have, for example, a strict prohibition on the export of Chinese coins and other currency. I feel sure that they would not wish to have a foreign firm connected with the issuance of a commemorative coin even in the remote chance that they should issue one. I hate to be discouraging, but I know you want a frank reply. I very much doubt that there is any market for Paramount's services in the People's Republic of China at this time.

On the very small chance that the PRC may some day be interested in commemorative coins, I suggest that Mr. DiSalle get in touch with Mr. Chang Tsien-hua of the Liaison Office of the People's Republic of China, 2300 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008.

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Delighted to hear about your new house.
If you'd have followed my advice and done what
I told you, you could have made enough off of
Zapata to buy the Albemarle home and to give
the other pad away just to be a good guy.

Tell Governor DiSalle to let me know if
the reply above brings to mind any further
questions.

Love to all Ashleys,

George Bush
Chief, US Liaison Office

Drafted by ECON:BThomas

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June 27, 1975

Honorable George Bush
United States Liaison Office
Peking
People's Republic of China

Dear Pop:

A few days ago I got a telephone call from Mike DiSalle, the former Governor of Ohio, who remembered our close friendship. Mike is practicing law here in Washington and one of his long-time clients is a coin company which he helped found about 20 years ago. The company has grown and prospered; it has offices in a half a dozen countries throughout the world.

Specifically, Mike's interest was in the possibility of exploring an arrangement between China and his company for the issuance of proof sets or commemorative coins.

I suggested to Mike that he give me a little background and explanatory information on what might be involved, and he sent along the attached.

If it's not an imposition and if the opportunity presents itself, I'd appreciate it if you would test the waters.

I'm happy to report that we bought a house (on Albemarle Street where it dead ends into Rock Creek Park) and it's super! We haven't sold our apartment yet, which puts a rather considerable strain on our credit lines, but it's a lot of fun and should work out handsomely.



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It goes without saying that we miss you and
Bar a great deal and think of you often. Let us
hear from you when you have a minute and meanwhile,
this takes our love and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Thomas Ludlow Ashley, M. C.

TLA:sr

Paramount International Coin Corporation of Englewood, Ohio, some time ago initiated a program giving to nations the possibility of selling proof sets or commemorative coins on a basis which is extremely favorable to the countries involved. The United States has been issuing proof sets since 1936, but most nations do not have the technique, the know-how, and facilities to initiate this kind of program. An idea of how effective it is is that in 1936 the United States sold 3600 proof sets--today, it is approaching the 4 million mark.

The nations that have retained Paramount for the purpose of introducing their proof coins to the world have profited considerably. The nations have found it not only a profitable effort but they use it as an aid to their tourism programs and also to build friendships throughout the world. Proof sets, coin collecting, are very much like sports in the impact they have in bringing together people from all walks of life, all nations, all collectors, all religions.

Paramount, in entering into agreements with the nations that they now represent (which now is 16 countries) puts the program together for each of these countries, asks for no funds in advance, bears all the expenses in introducing the program and then, after a specified list of costs, enters into a percentage agreement with the participating nations. Actually, it can be called a royalty based on sales.

It would seem to me that China might want to avail itself of the opportunity of selling an appropriate commemorative coin or a small proof set or a large proof set, depending on what it feels would be most appropriate,

not only in the U. S. market which is, of course, the largest in the world, but in all other countries of the world. It is most difficult to explain this completely in a brief letter; I would think that it might be a new approach that you would like to consider and one that China would find most appealing.



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December 4, 1975

His Excellency
Marco Francisci di Baschi
Ambassador of the Republic of Italy
Peking

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I trust you will forgive me if, in this hectic week of accompanying the President and preparing for my own Sunday morning departure for Washington, I don't respond with the same subtlety and irony characterizing your letter to me of December 2.

I want, instead, to say directly and simply that Barbara and I have truly enjoyed coming to know you a bit during our brief service together in Peking. We are both sorry that our abrupt departure cut short, in this incarnation anyway, our pleasure in your company.

Most Sincerely,

George H. W. Bush

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From the desk of

AMBASSADOR GEORGE BUSH _____

Mr. Thayer:

The Ambassador would like you
to draft a friendly personal reply for
his signature.



HT draft
friendly personal
reply for Amb

L' Ambasciatore d'Italia

Peking, 2 December 1975

My dear Ambassador,

I was reading yesterday No. 47 of the "Peking Review". At the end of page 21 I ran into a quotation by Chairman Mao, that reads as follows:

"What is perceived cannot at once be comprehended and ... only what is comprehended can be more deeply perceived. Perception only solve the problem of phenomena; theory alone can solve the problem of essence".

Since I "perceived", in the more recent statements and speeches (and toasts) by Mr. Kissinger on the American-Chinese dialogue, the recurrent word "perception". I wonder if Mr. Teng is becoming more and more convinced that the Americans deprive themselves of a proper "theory" to get through the phenomena and to deepen their self-criticism of detente and the role of the Third World in opposing hegemony.

Certainly, this Chinese distinction between "phenomena" and "theory" smacks heavily of "platonism more than of marxism ...

Anyhow, forgive me if, sometimes, I get out of my way, being bored about reporting to my Minister on the authentic interpretation of the American-Chinese dialogue through "toasts"

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L' Ambasciatore d' Italia

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By the way, what is the subtle difference
between "evaluation" (a more popular word) and "perception"
(a sort of bergsonian and surrealistic concept)?

Sincerely yours,

Marco Francini



EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mexico, D.F., Mexico

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November 3, 1975

The Honorable
George Bush
Chief, U.S. Liaison Office
Peking, People's Republic
of China

DEC 4 1975

Dear George:

Thank you so much for your letter of October 7 regarding your Greek colleague, Ambassador Nicolas Katapodis, who is being assigned to Mexico. Pamela and I look forward to meeting him and his wife when they arrive.

With every good wish, *& you and Barbara -*

Sincerely yours,

Joseph John Jova
Ambassador

P.S. The news re: your reported
future has just reached here.
All good luck - you will need
it, but I can't think of
a better person to restore
the morale of a battered
agency - and to keep it in line!
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