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Statement by Press Secretary Fitzwater on the Iraqi Offer To Withdraw From Kuwait

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We have not yet examined a full official text of the Revolutionary Command Council's statement, but it clearly contains conditions for Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. The United Nations Security Council resolutions are clear in their insistence that the withdrawal be complete and unconditional. Promises alone are not sufficient. There

must be not only agreement to comply with all United Nations Security Council resolutions but also immediate and concrete action on the ground.

Note: Press Secretary Fitzwater read the statement to reporters at 8:32 a.m. in the Briefing Room at the White House.

Letter to Congressional Leaders Transmitting the Report on Soviet Noncompliance With Arms Control Agreements

February 15, 1991

Dear Mr. Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)

Enclosed are classified and unclassified copies of the Annual Report on Soviet Noncompliance with Arms Control Agreements. This report also subsumes a special report requested on the status of SS-23s in Eastern Europe and on the Krasnoyarsk radar.

This year, while concerns about Soviet compliance with arms control agreements remain, I can report that the U.S. demand for strict adherence to arms control agreements has yielded positive results in some areas. Nonetheless, a number of compliance issues remain outstanding and several new compliance issues have arisen.

The United States will continue to press the Soviet Union to fulfill all its arms control obligations and to take the actions necessary to correct its arms control violations expedi-

tiously. Anything less than full compliance with past treaties cannot help but affect our judgment with respect to future treaties.

The report represents the Administration's best judgment at a given point in time. As our understanding of certain compliance issues in the report continues to evolve, we will continue to consult with the Congress and seek Soviet redress of our concerns.

Sincerely,

GEORGE BUSH

Note: Identical letters were sent to Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Dan Quayle, President of the Senate.