

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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June 28, 1974

E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.  
Admiral, U.S. Navy  
Chief of Naval Operations  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Bud:

It was extremely thoughtful of you to write as you did on June 25.

Please allow me to express my sincerest congratulations to you for the distinguished service you have rendered to the Navy and to the nation during your tenure as Chief of Naval Operations.

You will be long remembered as the man who did more than anyone else to bring the Navy into the tough realities of today's world.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



Jim Wright



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201

July 5, 1974

Admiral Elmo Zumwalt  
Building 210  
The Washington Navy Yard  
Washington, D.C. 20374

Dear Bud:

I was planning to write to you to congratulate you on your magnificent service and was impelled to this by the fine talk you gave at Annapolis. However, I feel I cannot wait any longer, having seen your Meet the Press program today, because I thought you said some things that we all have to hear and follow if we're to continue to have the kind of country we've had in the past. The simple truths you told so well and eloquently must be taken to heart by everyone.

You have certainly served your country and all of us extraordinarily ably. I very much hope that if there is anything you think I can do that would be useful in the years ahead you will be sure to let me know. Also I hope you will let us know when your plans are complete and I trust we will be able to continue to enjoy the opportunity to see you from time to time wherever you may be.

Again, congratulations on your magnificent service. I know you'll be looking back on it with very just and proper pride. It is a wonderful record.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. Weinberger", written in a cursive style.

Caspar W. Weinberger

15 July 1974

Dear Cap,

Many thanks for your wonderful letter and your generous reflection on my words at the Change of Command and on "Meet the Press." I have been most gratified by the warm response to those parting attempts at realistic candor and I fervently hope that those in the decision-making roles were as receptive.

I am most grateful for your offer of future assistance and even more for your kindness in proffering it. I intend to remain in the area for a time to order my papers, close out Navy business, and contemplate my future course. In so doing I trust our paths will cross often and I look forward to an early opportunity to see you.

Mouza joins me in sending very best wishes to you and Jane for continued success and happiness in life and in your many worthy endeavors.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

The Honorable Casper W. Weinberger  
The Secretary of Health, Education,  
and Welfare  
Washington, D. C. 20201

WEINBERGER, C. W.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 5, 1974

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.,  
USN (Retired)  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bud:

I tried to reach you on my last visit to Washington to thank you for your kind letter of June 10 and to express to you my great appreciation for the support you have given me all through the Micronesian and Mariana negotiations.

I also wanted to extend my congratulations for the superb leadership you gave the Navy during one of the most critical periods of its entire history. I, like countless others, have nothing but admiration for the courage, the integrity, the intelligence and the vision you brought to your office. And like the legion of well-wishers you leave behind, I add my thank-you and warmest best wishes for a future which I am sure will bring added distinction to your name and further service to our nation.

Respectfully yours,



Franklin Hayden Williams  
The President's Personal Representative  
for Micronesian Status Negotiations

17 July 1974

Dear Haydn,

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter and your generous reflections on my efforts as CNO. I have regarded the past four years as a magnificent opportunity to serve our Nation and its Navy. Among my fondest recollections are the supremely able, dedicated and selfless men and women with whom I was privileged to work. You are high on that list of men of vision and good will with whom it has been a great pleasure to associate and in some small way support.

You have all my good wishes for continued success in your prodigious efforts. I hope that our paths will cross often in the future.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

Mr. Franklin Haydn Williams  
The President's Personal Representative  
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July 9, 1974

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E.R. Zumwalt, Jr.  
Admiral, U.S. Navy  
Office of Naval Operations  
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Washington, D.C. 20350

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

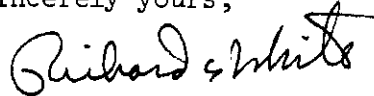
Your note of June 25th was most gracious and thoughtful, but there was no need for thanks

Indeed, the thanks of all Americans is due to you for your ceaseless efforts to maintain our maritime strength. We wish you well in your future endeavors and hope you fully enjoy some leisure time.

It has been rewarding to know you and work with you.

With warm regards, respect and admiration, I remain

Sincerely yours,



RICHARD C. WHITE  
Member of Congress

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Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.  
Naval Historical Center  
Washington Navy Yard, Bldg. 210  
Washington, D. C. 20374

Dear Bud:

Your stopping at the office for a visit just previous to your retirement as Chief of Naval Operations was most appreciated.

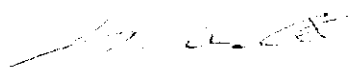
I can't help but feel badly to see you leave this very important assignment. No one in my time has been more dedicated as Chief of Naval Operations or more effective in dealing with Congress than you. You probably didn't get as much as you felt the Navy really needed from Congress, but I can tell you, as one who has been in the middle of your problems here in Congress, that the Navy would have been far weaker today had it not been for your determined and effective efforts with Members of Congress.

You did an excellent job on the "Meet the Press" program a week ago Sunday. I have heard many favorable comments. You sure came out fighting for the Navy and in a very convincing way.

Bud, I will always remember you as one who gave everything he had to the Navy. This being your life for so many years, it must be quite difficult for you to leave for another life. I will always have pleasant memories of the years we worked together. Whatever you may be doing in the future, please remember that Pat and I will be grateful for any time Mouza and you can spend with us. You have been wonderful friends.

May the world always be kind to both Mouza and you!

Sincerely,



MILTON R. YOUNG

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July 11, 1974

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.  
Naval Historical Center  
Washington Navy Yard, Bldg. 210  
Washington, D. C. 20374

Dear Bud:

This will acknowledge and thank you for  
your letter of June 28.

Your analysis and views with respect to the  
Navy's capabilities in the future and what Congress  
can do about it could well be of great historical  
value one day. You leave the Office of Chief of Naval  
Operations as you came in--fighting for a strong Navy.  
You have a great record, Bud, and I will always  
treasure your friendship.

Thank you again for your letter.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,



MILTON R. YOUNG

MRY:md

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- The Naval Attaché -

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July 25, 1974

TO:

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.

*Dear Admiral!*

As Naval Attaché with the German Embassy in Washington, I had the pleasure of working with the American Navy for almost three years, a period when you, dear Admiral, led this Navy in your capacity as Chief of Naval Operations.

During this time, I have come to admire and respect you greatly. Under your initiative and efforts, the co-operation between the U.S. Navy and the German Navy has reached a culmination which was hardly deemed possible.

I especially admired your accomplishments in depicting and convincing what seapower is, what it can do and what it would mean if the superiority at sea over the East was lost.

In order to show you that my belief in this matter conforms completely to yours and to thank you for the excellent co-operation of our navies, I take the liberty of sending you a copy of my "Kleine Seemachtstheorie" (Short Theory of Seapower) with the English translation.

Furthermore, please accept our most cordial thanks for your kind personal hospitality in your house and garden. My kindest regards, including those of Mrs. Wiese, to dear Mrs. Zumwalt, along with our best wishes for your both future and a hopeful "Auf Wiedersehen".

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*Yours sincerely,  
Andreas Wiese*  
ANDREAS WIESE  
Captain FGN

*Encl filed separately*

02 AUG 1974

Dear Captain Wiese,

Many thanks for your most thoughtful letter of 25 July and your generous observations regarding my efforts as Chief of Naval Operations. One of the highlights of my tour in that office was the opportunity to nurture the friendship and rapport between our Navies, a task in which we made great progress due in large measure to your own very special contributions as well as those of your wonderful Chief of Staff, Admiral Kuhnle.

I am most grateful to you for sending me an autographed copy of your "Short Theory of Seapower" and its English translation. As you might expect, I support your interest in gaining public recognition for the continuing need to assess sea power and the current means of achieving and maintaining its superiority. I wonder if you have thought of seeking its publication, perhaps in an abbreviated article, in the United States Institute Proceedings. I am confident that your ideas would gain in that publication many other interested American and foreign readers.

Mouza joins me in expressing very best wishes to you and Mrs. Wiese for continued success and happiness. We have been so pleased to have you in the Attache Corps during most of my tour. We are hopeful that we will meet again soon, either in your country or ours.

Warm regards,



E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

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