MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HASSELT:

With reference to your memorandum of August 15, I am returning herewith the letter addressed to the President from the Shah of Iran concerning the arrival of Mr. Harriman in Tehran.

It is the opinion of the Department that this letter does not require an acknowledgment.

Acting Chief of Protocol

Enclosure:
Letter.
August 15, 1951

RESERVATION FOR MR. CHARLES SPRIKS
Acting Chief of Protocol
Department of State

With the return of the attached letter to the President from the Shah of Iran, which accompanied your note of August 9th, to me, will you please let us have a word of guidance as to whether or not the Department feels that any acknowledgment is necessary at this time. If an acknowledgment is recommended, it will be appreciated if you will submit an appropriate draft.

WILLIAM D. HACKETT
Secretary to the President

Ltr of 7/16/51 to the President from the Shah of Iran, M. H. Pahlavi, refers to the frank exchanges of views with HoH, Avery Commission, etc.; copy of ltr retained.
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HASSETT:

I am enclosing herewith a letter addressed to the President by the Shah of Iran which has been transmitted to the Department by the American Embassy at Tehran.

H. Charles Spruks
Acting Chief of Protocol

Enclosure:
Letter.
July 16, 1951.

Dear Mr. President,

Your kind letter of July 13th, introducing the Honourable Averell Harriman as your personal representative, has been received with special gratification.

Mr. Harriman is no stranger to Iran. He called on me during the war and attended the Teheran Conference in 1943.

It was, therefore, with particular pleasure that I received him the day after his arrival, and we have since had friendly conversations and frank exchanges of views.

I am happy to state that the progress made in the conversations between your distinguished representative and my government inspire the hope that a satisfactory conclusion to the controversy will soon be reached. The interest you have personally taken in the solution of a difficult problem is highly appreciated and I want you to know, Mr. President, that America's friendship for Iran is greatly valued by me and by my People.

Please accept the renewed assurance of my gratitude for your congratulations on my recovery. Thanks to the skill of the eminent surgeon and physician graciously sent by you, I am rapidly regaining my normal health.

Yours very sincerely,

M. R. Pahlavi

The Honourable Harry S. Truman,
President of the United States of America,
The White House,
Washington.
July 13, 1951

Dear Mr. Harriman:

This will confirm your appointment as my personal representative in discussions with the Government of Iran concerning the controversy which has arisen between that Government and the British Government with regard to the operation of the Iranian oil industry, and other related matters.

You are also authorized as my personal representative to discuss these problems with representatives of the British Government should you feel that desirable.

In this capacity you will have the personal rank of Ambassador.

May I wish you every success in this important undertaking.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Honorable W. Averell Harriman, x 271
The White House,
Washington, D.C.
July 13, 1951

Your Excellency:

This letter will introduce to Your Excellency the Honorable Sir Andrew Hardman, who is visiting Iran as my personal representative to discuss with you the difficulties which have arisen between Iran and Great Britain on the question of the Iranian oil industry.

As I stated in my recent message to you, Sir, Hardman is one of my closest associates and one of our most distinguished citizens. He enjoys my complete confidence and will report directly to me the results of his conversations with you. Mr. Hardman’s views, which you may assume are mine as well, will be put forward only with a view to being of the greatest possible assistance in the present difficult situation.

Sincerely yours,

(Init) Harry S. Truman

His Excellency
National Capital Building
Prime Minister of Iran

[Signature]
July 13, 1931

Your Majesty,

This letter will introduce to Your Majesty my personal representative, the Honorable Mr. Averell Harriman, whom I have asked to visit Iran to discuss with officials of Your Majesty's Government the present serious situation which has arisen in the wake of the controversy between Iran and Great Britain over the question of Iranian oil. Mr. Harriman will report the results of his conversations directly to me upon his return to this country.

As I know Your Majesty is aware, Mr. Harriman is one of our most distinguished citizens, and he enjoys my complete confidence. The views he will express to Your Majesty's representatives may be accepted as my own. I am confident that you and your Government will find Mr. Harriman sympathetic to Iran's problems and aspirations and that a mutually productive exchange of views will take place.

May I take this occasion to express to Your Majesty my great pleasure in learning that you have so rapidly recovered.
from your recent illness, and to extend to you my most sincere
and friendly solicitations.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) MONEZ B. ELMAD

His Imperial Majesty,
Mohammed Reza Pahlavi,
Shahinshah of Iran.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

July 12, 1951

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Letters of Introduction for Mr. Harriman

There are enclosed for your signature draft letters to the Shah and the Prime Minister of Iran which Mr. Harriman will take with him.

Enclosures:
Draft Letters to the Shah and Prime Minister of Iran.
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His Imperial Majesty

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Shahinsah of Iran.
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His Excellency
Mohammad Reza Pahlavi,
Prime Minister of Iran.
July 18, 1951.

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The attached are in reference to Harriman's trip from Tehran to London.
FROM: U.S. AIRA, Teheran, Iran

TO: The White House, Washington, D.C.

NR: UFVBM 10

DTG: 310930Z

0216 aircraft #8608 arrived Teheran 0805Z (4 AM)

31 July (correction being sent on this portion).

/s/ Cole

This message was telephoned to you at 09:13 EDT dih
Received by telephone from MATS

Joseph Short

The White House

Departure C121 8608 departed Orley 3021162 to Teheran ETA 310809Z. Remarks:

Mr. Harrison and party on board

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