



SU EXCELENCIA
MIKHAIL GORBACHEV

DE SU MAJESTAD EL REY DE ESPAÑA

AL CELEBRARSE HOY VUESTRO 80 ANIVERSARIO, LA REINA SE UNE A MI PARA HACEROS LLEGAR LA MÁS CÁLIDA FELICITACIÓN Y NUESTROS MEJORES DESEOS DE BIENESTAR Y VENTURA PERSONAL.

APROVECHO ESTA OCASIÓN PARA RENOVAROS LA EXPRESIÓN DE MI MÁS ALTA CONSIDERACIÓN Y ESTIMA PERSONAL Y ENVIAROS UN SALUDO MUY CORDIAL CON TODO MI AFECTO Y AMISTAD.

JUAN CARLOS R.

Helmut Schmidt

zum 2. März 2011

Lieber Herr Gorbatschow,

**zu Ihrem großen runden Geburtstag meine sehr
herzlichen Glückwünsche. Ihr kürzlicher
Besuch in Hamburg war mir eine große Freude,
und außerdem habe ich auch etwas gelernt.**

Mit allen guten Wünschen

Ihr ergebener
Helmut Schmidt



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His Excellency
Mikhail Gorbachev
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(The Gorbachev Foundation)
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The Russian Federation

Dear Mikhail,

With the 20th anniversary of the Madrid Peace conference approaching, I am writing to invite you to return to the Baker Institute for a special event marking this historic occasion. Our goal is a brief look back at the past two decades of peacemaking in the Middle East, and a free and far-ranging conversation on current and future prospects for Arab-Israeli peace negotiations. President George H.W. Bush has already agreed to attend and, of course, I will also. This public discussion will take place at Rice University in Houston, where we had the honor of hosting you in October 1997. We are looking at either October 19 or 20 or November 2 or 3, 2011 to hold the conference.

As President of the Soviet Union, which co-hosted that Madrid Conference with the United States, you played a critical role in the complex discussions that led to the Conference and, indeed, opened a new era of peace negotiations in the Middle East. It would be an honor to hear your thoughts on this important topic, and the legacy of these historic negotiations. Given the turbulent events in the Middle East today, our audience of scholars, policymakers, and community and business leaders would also be interested in your views on the challenges facing the international community and the regional parties in the new Middle East political landscape. The institute's state-of-the-art communications facilities will disseminate the event nationally and internationally.

Could I ask that your staff contact Ambassador Edward P. Djerejian, founding director of the Baker Institute, about your availability to attend the conference? His office can be contacted by phone at (713) 348-4981 or by email at pmedlin@rice.edu. The institute will, of course, cover airfare and accommodations associated with your visit.

The bottom line is this: We will do all we can to make your trip to Houston both pleasant and rewarding.

It's hard to believe it's been almost 14 years since you last visited the institute. Susan and I look forward to seeing you this fall.

With very highest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Baker".

James A. Baker, III

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2 March, 2011

Dear Mikhail Sergeyevich,

Warmest congratulations on your eightieth birthday!

My wife Patricia and I wish you a very happy day and many more years of good health and the continuation of the hugely important work you are still doing.

Your honoured place in history is assured – as I have already told BBC radio listeners in two interviews this morning in connection with your landmark birthday.

We look forward very much to the event in the Royal Albert Hall on 30 March.

We hope that you will have a memorable day with your family and friends.

Warmly,

Archie and Patricia Brown

From: Opaschi Victor [<mailto:opaschivictor@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2011 11:23 PM
To: gorby@gorby.ru
Subject: Happy Birthday Mister President!

To His Excellency President Mikhail Sergheevici Gorbachev

Dear Mikhail Sergheevici,

Your birthday offers me the pleasant opportunity of addressing you the most sincere wishes of health, happiness and success in everything you have set forth to do. You have known, in your eighty years, both good and bad, happiness and sadness. You have given hope again to the world, at a time when mankind was at a crossroads. It was an act of great courage, dignity and humanism. For that you have the esteem and gratitude of the generations that have lived through those times.

I am looking forward to seeing you again in Munich, as well as in London, at the end of the month. What you do, through your foundations, promoting dialogue and cooperation, at a difficult moment, when we all suffer the consequences of a global economic and social crisis, is worth our respect and admiration.

I end here wishing you health, working power and the traditional "Happy Birthday!"

Ion Iliescu

March 2, 2011
Moscow
President Mikhail Sergeevich Gorbachev

Dear Mikhail Sergeevich,

We, Canadian students studying Russia with Professor Sergei Plekhanov, send you our warmest, heartfelt greetings on your 80th birthday. Your bravery, wisdom, and perseverance ignited a light that guided the world out of darkness. Your actions speak volumes through generations, and the world sees you as a true revolutionary. May you be blessed with robust health, keeping the same incredible strength of spirit that you are known for, and long years of happy life.

Sincerely Yours,

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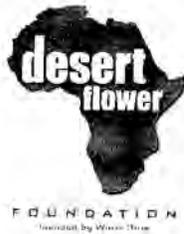
Уважаемый Михаил Сергеевич!

Мы, канадские студенты, изучающие Россию вместе с профессором Сергеем Плехановым, шлем Вам самые горячие и искренние поздравления с Вашим 80-летием. Ваша отвага, мудрость и решимость зажгли огонь, который указал миру выход из тьмы. Ваша деятельность представляет огромную ценность для многих поколений, и мир видит в Вас истинного революционера. Мы желаем Вам крепкого здоровья, все той же невероятной силы духа, что отличает Вас, и долгих лет счастливой жизни.

Искренне Ваши,

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DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, DEAR MICHAIL,

HAPPY, HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

I WISH YOU – DEEP FROM MY HEART – ALL THE BEST.
YOU HAVE STOLEN MY HEART BUT YOU DISAPPEARED FROM ME. I HOPE TO SEE YOU AGAIN ONE
DAY IN THIS LIFE!

ME AND MY WHOLE DESERT FLOWER TEAM WISH YOU HEALTH, PEACE and LOVE.

WITH MY FULL ADMIRATION!

WHOLEHEARTEDLY,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Waris Dirie". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

WARIS DIRIE