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25 January 1993

Mr. Momcilo Cvijanovic
8883 Sweetbriar Street
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Dear Mr. Cvijanovic,

Thank you for the kind words in your recent letter on the former Yugoslavia.

The conflict in Bosnia is extremely complex. It has deep ethnic and religious roots that go back a thousand years. Our present commitment is to assist in providing humanitarian relief to the victims of that terrible conflict. Ultimately, a political solution must be found. A decision to increase military involvement beyond humanitarian purposes requires great care and a full examination of possible outcomes.

Although there are no easy solutions, we must continue searching for ways to end the conflict. I appreciate your taking the time to share your views with me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. L. Powell', written in a cursive style.

COLIN L. POWELL
Chairman
of the
Joint Chiefs of Staff