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Mr. President,

I am greatly honored for being invited to testify before your
Committee in relation with hearings on S. 812.

For obvious reasons, I cannot recommend anything concerning the
draft piece of the legislation, but I will avail myself to answer
briefly the questions posed to me by Senator Jake Garn, Chairman of
the Committee, which he addressed to me on August 15, 1985.

But before I answer those questions, I should like to make a few
introductory comments. Specifically, on issues raised in the Freder-
rick Kempe's article "East Germans Benefit From U. S. Bank Credits
that Don't Call For Human Rights Concessions", as published by The
Wall Street Journal on March 19, 1985.

Referring to its purely economic side only, I can wholly confirm
all the author's observations and conclusions and add another obser-
vation on my own.

Namely, F. Kempe in one place says that: "...East German economic
reporting remains imprecise".

That is absolutely true, except that this is true of all the
Soviet Bloc countries.

May I state in this place, that all the statistical data offi-
cially published, with many not published at all, are more or less
"doctored". This is being done not only by respective professionals