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HI ESTELA,

SORRY FOR THE DELAY, BUT MY FATHER JUST GOT BACK TO ME. I DON'T KNOW IF
THESE QUOTES WERE EXACTLY WHAT YOU HAD IN MIND, BUT HERE'S WHAT WE CAME
UP WITH:

* JOSE' MARTI', 1958-1898, CUBAN POET, ACTIVIST, PATRIOT

"HOMBRES RECOGERA', QUIEN SIEMBRA ESCUELAS."

HE WHO SOWS/PLANTS SCHOOLS WILL HARVEST MEN.

"LA LENGUA ES JINETE DEL PENSAMIENTO, NO SU CABALLO."

"THE TONGUE IS THE RIDER OF THOUGHT/THE MIND, NOT ITS HORSE."

"CADA OBRA BELLA, CADA OBRA GRANDE, REDIME UN MOMENTO DE
AMARGURA."

"EACH WORK OF BEAUTY, EACH GREAT WORK, REDEEMS A MOMENT OF
BITTERNESS."

* THE SECOND IS NOT EXACTLY A WELL KNOWN AUTHOR, IN FACT SHE'S MY
FATHER'S AUNT, BUT MAY LEND A NICE PERSONAL TOUCH AS TO LATINO VALUES
AND TRADITION --

TIA JOSEFINA WAS THE MOVING FORCE, THE PHILOSOPHER, AND
ADVOCATE FOR
EDUCATION FOR ALL IN THE HOUSING PROJECT IN EL PASO.

"RECUERDEN QUE ENTRE MAS AVANZA UNO, MAS IMPORTA NO
OLVIDAR DE DONDE
VINO, NI QUINE ES."

"REMEMBER THAT THE MORE ONE ADVANCES, THE MORE IMPORTANT
IT IS NOT TO
FORGET WHENCE ONE CAME, OR WHO ONE IS."

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> REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

> TO THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

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> Washington Convention Center

> Washington, D.C.

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>10:17 P.M. EDT

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> THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. You know, Maxine Waters

would

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>so much more effective as the chair of the Congressional Black Caucus if

>she

>weren't so shy and retiring -- (laughter) -- so reluctant to express her

>opinion. (Laughter.)

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> Thank you, my friends, for years of friendship. Thank you for the

>work

>we began back in 1991. To the chair of the dinner, Congressman Clyburn,

>and the

>chair of the foundation, Congresswoman Clayton -- and congratulations on

>your

>recent outstanding primary victory -- (applause) -- to the dean of this

>caucus

>and a great fighter for the American way, John Conyers, thank you.

>(Applause.)

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> To two great lions of the century we are about to end, Rosa Parks

>and

>Dr. Dorothy Height. (Applause.) To three great friends of mine who have

>left

>or are now leaving the Congress, Ron Dellums, Floyd Flake, and Louis

>Stokes, I

>echo everything the Vice President said about you. (Applause.)

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> And to the family of Congressman Charles Diggs Jr., I thank you

for

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>giving the awards to Secretary Herman and Secretary Slater, to Frank

Raines

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>Congressman Rush and the other winners who have given so much to our

>country.

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> I thank the members of our administration who are here tonight:

>Attorney

>General Reno, Secretary Cuomo, SBA Administrator Alvarez. To the

marvelous

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>White House staff members who are here: Minyon Moore, Goody Marshall,

>Maria

>Echaveste, Bob Nash, Janice Kearney, Ben Johnson, Al Maldon, Tracey

>Thornton,

>Cheryl Mills, Judith Winston, Betty Currie, Janet Murguia, and goodness

>knows

>who else is here -- they hate to miss this dinner. To all the members of

>the

>administration who are here, along with all the members of the caucus, I

>thank

>you.

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> After the speeches which have been given, the outstanding remarks

>of the

>Vice President -- and let me say one thing about him. I sometimes regret

>that

>one of the burdens of being Vice President is having to brag on the

>President

>and never getting to brag on himself. Many things will be said -- good

and

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>perhaps some not so good -- about this administration. One thing that

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>never be in question is that in the history of our republic no person has

>ever

>held the office of Vice President who had more influence on more decisions

>and

>did more good in more areas for more people in this country than Vice

>President

>Al Gore. (Applause.)

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> I have a speech I want to give, but first I'd like to say

something

> from

>the heart. I want to thank you for standing up for America with me.

>(Applause.) I want to thank you for standing up for me and understanding

>the

>true meaning of repentance and

>atonement. (Applause.) I want to thank you for standing up

>consistently for people over politics, for progress over

>partisanship, for principle over power, for unity over division. I

>want to thank you for standing up, beyond race, for the very best in

>America. I am very, very grateful. (Applause.)

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> I am grateful for what the Congressional Black Caucus

>has done for the past 28 years to expand and enhance the promise of

>America and to lead our country toward a single shining ideal,

>perhaps captured best in that wonderful phrase from John Lewis'

>autobiography, "the beloved community" -- one that dwells not on

>difference but instead gains strength from expanding diversity; one

>rooted in humane laws and generous spirits in which all children's

>talents are matched by their opportunities; in which all Americans

>join hands and, in John's words, courageously walk with the wind.

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> God knows your journey has not been easy. The winds
>have often blown bitter and cold. But always this caucus has walked
>with the wind. (Applause.)

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> Today, because of the long road you have walked, the
>house we call America is safer and stronger than ever. As I think
>back on what we have done together in the last five and a half years,
>I think of these things. We cut taxes for 15 million hard-working
>families through the earned income tax credit, and when the
>Republicans tried to slash it we said no. We increased the minimum
>wage to give 10 million Americans a well-deserved raise. And now
>we're trying to increase it again in a way that would affect 12
>million of our fellow citizens, to ensure that people who work full
>time can raise their children out of poverty and that all people
>share in the bounty of our present prosperity.

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> Together we fought for and won the biggest increase in
>children's health care in more than three decades. It can add
>insurance, health insurance to 5 million children in working families
>across this country. (Applause.) We expanded the Head Start program
>to help our children get off on the right foot and we're going to
>expand it some more. We made it possible for nearly 2 million more
>women and infants to get the nutritional care they need. With the
>Family and Medical Leave Act, we gave millions of people the chance
>to take time off from work to care for an ailing parent or bond with
>a newborn child.

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> We have opened the doors of higher education with the
>HOPE Scholarship, with more Pell Grants, with tax credits for all
>higher education, with the deductibility of student loans. We have
>done that for every single qualified American who's willing to work
>for it. Money can no longer be considered an insurmountable
>obstacle. And you did that. You should be very, very proud.
>(Applause.)

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> Together with the Vice President's leadership, we
>created more than 100 empowerment zones and enterprise communities,
>established community development banks, doubled small business loans
>to minorities and tripled them to women. When people wanted to scrap
>affirmative action we said: mend it, don't end it. (Applause.)
>Because we believe the best investment in America makes us all
>stronger.

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> Together we shaped and passed the historic crime bill,
>overcoming immense pressure with the Brady Bill, the assault weapons
>ban, more police on our streets and, yes, more prevention for our
>children to keep them out of trouble in the first place.

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> Now, look what you have done: nearly 17 million jobs,
>the lowest unemployment rate in 28 years, the lowest African American
>and Hispanic unemployment rates in a generation, the lowest African
>American poverty rate since statistics have been kept, the fastest
>real wage growth in 20 years, a record number of new small businesses

>every year, violent crime down six years in a row, and the lowest
>crime rate in 25 years. None of this could have happened without the
>leadership, the friendship, the ideas of the Congressional Black
>Caucus. (Applause.)

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> And I thank the Vice President for his litany of our
>African American appointments and for pointing out -- in a phrase I
>will steal the first chance I get -- that we are not successful in
>spite of our diversity; we are successful because of it. We can
>never say that enough. That is the truth and America is better
>because all Americans can feel a part of this administration.

>(Applause.)

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> Now, here's the real question: what are we to do with
>this treasured moment of prosperity and progress? What are we to do to
>with our resources? What are we to do with the self-confidence it
>has generated in America? Some people think that now is the time to
>kick back and relax. Others seem to think they can play games with
>our future with some of the proposals now before the Congress. I say
>we can look back a long way to the book of Genesis to see what we
>should do.

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> Remember Joseph? What did he do in a time of plenty?
>He did not rest. When people thought he was too farsighted and too
>burdensome, he instructed them to stockpile rich bounties of grain

>like sand to the sea. He knew the times of plenty had to be the
>busiest, the most productive, the most determined times of all.
>Wisdom and history teach us that in times of prosperity we need to be
>more visionary, more vigorous, more determined to deal with the
>long-term challenges before us, and that we will only pay a price if
>we indulge ourselves in idleness or distractions.

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> I say we cannot rest until we save Social Security for
>the 21st century. (Applause.) Remember what we are facing today.
>In 1993, it was projected that the deficit would be about \$300
>billion and rising. In just a few days, a little more than a week,
>we'll have the first balanced budget and surplus in 29 years.
>(Applause.) Ninety-two percent -- ninety-two percent of the gap was
>closed by the votes of members of this caucus and our party without
>any help. Then we did have a bipartisan balanced budget bill that
>had, thanks to your efforts, the health care and education
>initiatives I mentioned.

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> So now we are going to have a surplus because of the
>hard work and productivity of the American people. Some say it's
>just a few weeks before the election, we ought to have a tax cut.
>I'm not against tax cuts. This year, in the balanced budget bill,
>the American people will get, most of them, a \$500 tax credit for
>every child at home; the HOPE Scholarship and other credits for
>college education; the right to withdraw from an IRA without penalty
>for education, for health care, for buying a first-time home. That's
>a good thing. But they're paid for in the balanced budget.

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> And in my budget there are more tax cuts. There are tax
>cuts for education, to build and repair old schools; tax cuts to help
>families with the cost of child care; tax cuts to help small
>businesses take out pensions for their employees who don't have them
>today. But every one of them is paid for in the balanced budget. By
>the time the baby boomers like me -- and I'm the oldest of them --
>that's hard to say. (Laughter.) By the time we retire, all of us in
>the baby boom generation, 18 years of us, there will only be about
>two people working for every one person drawing Social Security if
>the predictions are right.

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> Now, we have three choices. Number one, we can do
>nothing and wait until the crash comes, because the present system is
>not sustainable, and then we can simply cut the living standards of
>our seniors. For people like me it will be fine; I'll have a good
>pension. But don't forget, half the people in this country over 65
>today are out of poverty because of Social Security. Or we can wait
>until that day comes and we can say, we can't do that to our parents
>and grandparents, so we can just simply raise the taxes a lot on the
>working families of this country to maintain the system just exactly
>as it is. And in so doing, people like me will have to face the
>prospect that we've lowered the standard of living of our children
>and our children's ability to raise our grandchildren. Or we can say
>if we start now with a sensible, modest proposal, we can save Social
>Security and save the future for our children and grandchildren. I
>don't think it's even close and I don't think you do either.

>(Applause.)

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> But that means we can't rest; we have to work. We can't
>rest until all the children in all the communities have a world-class
>education. We have a budget before the Congress to hire 100,000 more
>teachers; to take those class sizes in the early grades down to 18;
>to rebuild or modernize 5,000 schools; to hook all the classrooms in
>the poorest schools, too, up to the Internet by the year 2000; to
>reward the school districts that are trying to reform and help kids
>-- like Chicago, where there are so many kids in summer school it's
>the sixth biggest school district in America and over 40,000 kids get
>three square meals a day there; to hire 35,000 more teachers by
>paying their way through college and saying you can pay your student
>loan off if you'll go into the inner-city or into another underserved
>area and teach our kids who need it -- (applause) -- by passing
>Congressman Fattah's High Hopes proposal so that we can have the
>ability to mentor kids in junior high school and tell them, if you'll
>stay out of trouble, stay in school, learn your lessons, we will tell
>you right now you will be able to go on to college and here's how
>much money you will get to make sure it gets done. That's what we
>have to do. We cannot rest; we have work to do. (Applause.)

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> We can't rest until we pass that patients' bill of
>rights. Now, that sounds like a high-flown term. Here's what it
>means. It means that with 160 million Americans in managed care
>systems, we still don't think an accountant ought to be making a
>decision a doctor should make. (Applause.) We believe if somebody

>walks out of this dinner tonight and, God forbid, is in a car
>accident, they ought to be able to go to the nearest emergency room,
>not one five or six miles away because it happens to be covered by
>the plan. We believe if somebody needs a specialist and their doctor
>says they need a specialist, they ought to be able to get a
>specialist and not be told no. (Applause.)

>> We believe if a woman is six months pregnant and her
>insurance plan changes carriers, her employer, they ought not to be
>able to tell her to get a different obstetrician until after the baby
>is born. That's what we believe. (Applause.)

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> And we believe the other party's bill is wrong for
>America, because it doesn't guarantee any of these rights. It
>enables people to invade the privacy of your records even more, and
>it leaves 100 million Americans out. We cannot rest; we have work to
>do. (Applause.)

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> We cannot rest while HIV and AIDS is escalating in the
>African American community. Secretary Shalala just announced the
>first installment of a comprehensive prevention, education, and care
>plan in the African American community. Working with Maxine Waters,
>Lou Stokes, and others in the CBC, we can and we must do more. But
>we're only two weeks away from this budget year, and Congress has
>still not passed the health budget. We cannot rest; we have work to
>do.

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> We cannot rest until we eliminate the unacceptable

>disparities in health that racial and ethnic minorities experience in
>America today. (Applause.) We are not one nation when it comes to
>infant mortality, heart disease, and prostate cancer for African
>Americans. It is nearly double the rate for white Americans.

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> There are other problems that Hispanics and Asians and
>other minorities have. That is why I challenged the nation to
>eliminate these disparities by 2010, and asked Congress to pass \$400
>million to achieve this goal. Almost time for the new budget year,
>it still hasn't passed yet. We cannot rest; we have work to do.

>(Applause.)

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> Let me say this. The unemployment rate, the poverty
>rates, all those rates you hear about the African American
>population, they're true. But they disguise a fact that is
>unacceptable -- there are still disparities. We cannot rest until
>every community, every neighborhood, every block, every family has
>the chance to reap the benefits of our economic growth. That is why
>we have to fund the empowerment initiatives that the Vice President
>and Secretary Cuomo have worked so hard for, to provide housing
>assistance for those leaving welfare and entering work, to expand
>funding for the community development banks, to step up enforcement
>of fair housing laws, to revitalize more urban brownfield areas, and
>to restore summer jobs for our young people. (Applause.) We're less
>than two weeks away from a new budget year and that has not been
>passed yet. We cannot rest; we have work to do.

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> We cannot rest while any communities are thoroughly
> segregated by income or by race. The federal government should lead
> the way in word and deed. I have directed Secretary Cuomo to seek a
> major legislative overhaul in the admission policy for public
> housing, to deconcentrate poverty, mix incomes, and thereby mix
> racial balances for Americans.

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> Tonight I ask all of you to send a clear message to
> Congress with me: don't send me a public housing bill that doesn't
> include our admission reforms -- reforms that will make public
> housing a model of one America in the 21st century. (Applause.) And
> I might add, we're less than two weeks away from a new budget year
> and I still don't have the increase I asked for in the budget of the
> Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. We cannot rest; we have
> work to do. (Applause.)

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> And let me say one or two more words about this census.
> We can't rest until we have a fair one. Listen to this. In 1990,
> about 4.5 percent of African Americans were not counted. In Los
> Angeles County alone, nearly 40,000 African American children were
> left out. This has enormous consequences for how we distribute the
> bounty of America, for how we draw our political distinctions, for
> the policies that we follow. This is a fundamental issue. This is a
> civil rights issue. Why? Why would the Republican leadership in
> Congress refuse methods of counting that even -- listen to this --
> that even Republican experts say is the best way to count all
> Americans. We must count every American for one simple reason:

>every American counts. We cannot rest; we have work to do on this
>census issue. (Applause.)

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> We cannot rest until we act as leaders to contain the
>global financial and economic crisis that grips Russia and Asia.
>Why? Because a third of our own economic growth in these last years
>has come from our trade with other nations. We have to try to build
>an adequate trade and financial system for a new century that takes
>into legitimate account the interests of working people, the interest
>of the environment, the interest all countries have in avoiding
>depressions and unusual boom and bust cycle. Why? Because it is in
>our interests in a world growing ever smaller to keep people free and
>give them a chance to work their way to prosperity, and because we
>can't be an island of prosperity in a sea of failure, as Alan
>Greenspan said so eloquently the other day.

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> That means we've got to help the International Monetary
>Fund put out these economic fires across the world by paying our fair
>dues. It's in our interest to help emerging countries -- in Africa,
>in Latin America, in Asia. Hillary and I saw the African renaissance
>with many of you this past spring -- a trip that changed me forever.
>Across the continent I saw hope rising, business growing, democracy
>gaining strength. Yes, I saw profound, continuing problems and
>enormous challenges, but I saw in the bright eyes of children and the
>stern resolve of their parents the potential of a wonderful future.

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> We have to work together to see that Africa's children,

>like America's, have a democratic, peaceful, prosperous future; to
>expand trade and partnership by passing our Africa trade bill; to
>deal effectively with the violent conflicts that continue to plague
>Africa today and threaten its future. To ensure that Africa's
>hospitality is not used to perpetuate acts of terrorism, as it was so
>terribly in the bombings in Kenya and Tanzania. I have asked Dr.
>David Satcher, our Surgeon General, to go to East Africa this month
>with a team of medical experts to do what they can to help people who
>are still ailing there.

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> There is still no action in Congress, after all these
>months, on the Africa trade bill or on the International Monetary
>Fund. But world events are not waiting for Congress. My friends, if
>you believe we have responsibilities in the world, and you believe
>ultimately those responsibilities affect the welfare of your
>families, your children, and the future of this country, I say we
>cannot rest. We have work to do. (Applause.)

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> We cannot rest until we solve the oldest, most stubborn,
>most painful challenge of our nation -- the continuing challenge of
>race. Yesterday, for the final time, I met with my Advisory Board on
>Race and received their report. I am proud of their work, the
>guidance they have given us for policy, for dialogue, for specific
>practices in every community in this country. But we know we've only
>just begun a work that will take a lifetime; only just begun to find
>ways finally to lift the burden of race and redeem the full promise
>of America.

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> You know, our founders knew we weren't perfect, but they
>always strived for perfect ideals. They built us a country based on
>a Constitution that was literally made for reconciliation, for the
>honorable and principled resolution of differences, rooted in the
>simple proposition that God created us all equal. Therefore, the
>implicit mandate of the Constitution is that each of us should
>respect and treat our neighbors as we, ourselves, would like to be
>treated. It is still our most sure guidepost today. We can build an
>America where discrimination is something you have to look in the
>history books to find. But we've still got work to do.

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> If it takes until my last day on this Earth, I owe it to
>you, to the American people who have been so good to me for so long,
>to keep working on guiding our people across all the great divides
>into that one beloved community. My friends, this is not a time to
>rest. It's a time to work. Just as God is not finished with any of
>us yet, we must not be finished with God's work. (Applause.) We must
>not be finished with seeking peace or justice or freedom, equality,
>human dignity, and reconciliation.

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> Foxes have holes, birds of the air have nests; but the
>son of Man has no place to rest his head. There is never going to be
>an end to this work. (Applause.) And the present moment of promise
>imposes upon all of us a special responsibility. So let there be no
>end to your faith, your energy, your courage and your commitment.

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> And let me say one other thing. You and I need some
>help. And this November we'll be given a chance to get it.
>(Applause.) We have worked hard to make America a better place; and
>it is. We have worked hard to empower our people; and we have. But
>now they must use that power to be heard, to say what we shall do and
>where we shall go. This is a moment of decision for us. Will it be
>progress or partisanship, people or politics, principle or power?

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> The scripture says that we should mount up with wings as
>eagles, we should run and not grow tired, we should walk and not
>faint. We should not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we
>shall reap if we do not lose heart. For all the many things I am
>grateful to the Black Caucus for, the most important thing is that I
>know you have never lost heart and that in your heart there is a
>longing for the best, not just for African Americans, but for all
>Americans. We can help them get there and they can lead us home.

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> Thank you and God bless you all. Thank you.

>(Applause.)

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO NATIONAL FARMERS UNION

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THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. Ladies and

gentlemen, good afternoon; welcome to the White House. Lee, thank you for the award. Thank you for your comments. Thank you for your strength. Thank you for your leadership for our farmers. I've known him for years -- I don't think I've ever focused on what a good speaker he was before. (Laughter.) He could have been a politician or a preacher in addition to a farmer. It was great.

I want to thank Secretary Glickman for his truly outstanding work, along with Rich Rominger, Carl Whillock and the others here from the Department of Agriculture, who really try to be your advocates every day.

We have at least NFU members who work at USDA -- Mike Dunn, Larry Mitchell, and John Stencil. And I thank them in particular. I want to thank Senator Dorgan and Congressman Pomeroy for coming and for being your vociferous advocates. I talked to Senator Harkin right before I came over here today and he has also been your great friend, along with Senator Conrad and Senator Daschle and Congressman Boswell from Iowa, who couldn't come this morning, but all these people have been up here working hard for you. And I wanted you to know that.

I also would like to say that the National Farmers Union has done a lot of good for this administration and for our efforts here in Washington, from helping to keep our food supply safe to working to expand health care to giving us the first balanced budget in 29 years in just a couple of weeks now. You have been with me

every step of the way, and I am very grateful for that.

When I was a boy growing up in Arkansas I knew a lot about agriculture, but I didn't know much about the intersection of agriculture and politics. When I became a governor and served for a dozen years, many of them very, very hard years in the 1980s on the farm in my state, I came to appreciate what it was like when the national government had good policy, what it was like when it had bad policy, and what it was like when it had no policy.

I remember there were a couple of years when I was doing everything I could to be creative, and I think when you were head of the South Dakota Farmers Union, the state of South Dakota actually came to me and the governor then and asked me for a copy of the banking laws that I had changed in Arkansas -- because I changed our state banking laws to try to help the bankers keep more farmers on the farm. And when we had that terrible situation, when the price of ,
land collapsed, all the collateral on the loans was no good, there was no way for people to finance their farms and they were losing them, and we were able to give some help to our farmers then. But through the whole thing I always felt so helpless that there wasn't an appropriate national response.

Now I feel especially bad for the farmers because it's been such a good time for the rest of the country. We've got nearly

17 million new jobs now and the lowest unemployment rate in 28 years, and the lowest inflation in 32 years, the highest home ownership in history, the lowest crime rate in 25 years, the smallest percentage of our people on welfare in 29 years. To somebody living in a city, to tell them that we have a farm crisis more extensive than we've had in decades, it's very hard for them to believe and understand.

You may note that in the local people today I was criticized for supporting a farm relief initiative in Congress. And Secretary Glickman said, don't be upset, this is good news because they have noticed that the farmers are out there. (Laughter and applause.)

Yesterday I had a chance to go to New York and speak with some of the leaders in the United States in international finance, from our nation's point of view, to talk to them about what I think we need to do to try to keep the global economy from further destabilizing, to try to help some of these countries help themselves that are in terrible trouble, to try to keep the global financial crisis from spreading to other countries, and to try to build an adequate trade and financial system for the 21st century that will benefit all Americans.

One, but -- not the only -- but one element of the farm crisis is that the farmers have felt first the crisis going on in the rest of the world. Because with roughly a quarter of the world's people in recession with declining economic growth, representing

roughly a third of the world's economy, our agricultural, which depends so much on exports, have felt that quicker than the rest of the economy. But it's an important thing for Americans to be aware of what's going on on the farm today, and to be aware that since the farmers, in effect, are the foot soldiers in the front lines of America's march into the global economy of the 21st century, if we don't do something to help our farmers, eventually all other Americans will feel it as well. (Applause.)

And so I am delighted that you're here, and I thank you for coming. Let me also, once again, say I thank you for making available the opportunity for all of these young people to be here. I want them to see their country in action. I want them to learn -- much earlier than I ever did -- the relationship between the work that's done every day on the farm and the work that's done up here. I think it's very important. It will make them more effective citizens and more effective in farming in the years ahead.

Now, what's really going on here? I wanted to give this speech today -- I realize to some extent I'm preaching to the saved today. (Laughter.) But what I hope will happen by your coming here and by this event unfolding is that, maybe, finally, we will break through the national consciousness and the consciousness of the Congress -- and our friends in the press corps -- not to panic, not to think that America's not doing well, but to say that at a time when our country is doing well, surely at a time when the rest of us are doing well, we can be more attentive to the genuine needs and the

conditions on the farm in America. (Applause.)

Events in the past year have strained many family farms to the breaking point. You know what they are: flood, drought, crop disease have wiped out entire harvests. Plummeting prices at home, collapsing markets in Asia -- where our exports are down 30 percent in one year because of the economic crisis in Asia -- these have threatened the livelihood of entire communities.

Many farmers this year will see their net incomes drop by more than 40 percent below what they've earned on average for the last five years. And, of course, in some places like North Dakota, the drop is much, much steeper. If we don't do something and do it now -- I want America to hear this, this is not a false alarm -- if we don't do something, and do it now, we could literally lose thousands and thousands of family farmers this year. (Applause.)

I want to come back to this and why it's not just about who's competitive in the market. The results are plain to see and painful to watch. Foreclosures and farm auctions are the order of the day already in many communities. I met a farmer named Deb Lungren not long ago who told me that in 1957 her grandfather made \$11,000 on their family farm. And in 1997, she made \$10,000 on the same land. The banks are ready to foreclose on the Lungren home. They don't see how they can possibly make it another year. I'll bet everybody here could tell me somewhere between one and a dozen

stories just like that.

Now, again I say, I think every American has got a stake in rural America. Our farms feed the world and us at very low real costs, at very high quality. They also feed our sense of ourselves. They reinforce our values of hard work and faith and family and devotion to community and the land.

When I signed that Farm Bill, as Secretary Glickman said, in 1996, at a time when crop prices were strong -- and I would remind you the alternative was far worse; we would have been in even worse shape if I had vetoed it and we'd gone back to that decades-old law -- I tried to make it clear that sooner or later we would have to do more to provide a safety net for hard times; that all the good things in that Farm Bill could not possibly wipe away the fact that if we have a family farm structure in America with widely varying prices because of market developments around the world, and the inevitable march of nature and disease, that sooner or later there would come a time when we see that if you really wanted a strong market, you had to do more for the family farmers. Well, that time has arrived.

I want to thank Secretary Glickman for all that he's done. And in July, we announced that 80 million bushels of wheat, worth a quarter of billion dollars, would be purchased to help hungry people around the world and to help our farmers here at home. I strongly supported Senator Dorgan and Senator Conrad's proposal to

provide farmers with emergency assistance. Last month I signed into law new legislation to speed up farm program payments to help farmers who need the money now. And Secretary Glickman is doing everything else he possibly can to help.

I know him well enough to know that from his years in Congress representing Kansas, and his years as Secretary of Agriculture, if there is one, single thing buried in the laws and regulations of the Department of Agriculture that he can do that he has not yet done to try to help farm income, he will find it and do it. But with crop and livestock prices still in danger of dropping, with foreign markets still in danger of collapse, and with thousands of farms in jeopardy, we simply have to do more.

The first and most important thing to do is to help the farmers in greatest need -- those who have suffered significant losses of crop and livestock. I'll continue to press Congress to enact emergency assistance to do that; critical assistance to help thousands of farmers in keeping with the traditional budget rules that recognize the necessity of providing citizens help in times of crisis. We pass emergency bills for floods, for earthquakes, and we ought to do it for farm failure. (Applause.)

The next thing I think we ought to do -- indeed we have to do -- is to do what we talked about back in 1996. We've got to reinforce the safety net for farmers and ranchers. That's why last Thursday I announced my support for Senator Harkin and Daschle's

proposal to lift the cap on marketing loan rates for a year.

(Applause.)

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Yesterday our proposal was defeated in the United States Senate. Today it apparently is going to be voted on in its discrete elements. Whatever happens, we must find some way to provide emergency assistance to farmers facing dire circumstances so they have the resources now to plan for next year's crops.

And finally, let me say, we have to revive the rural economy through exports. The speech that I gave in New York yesterday outlining steps we need to take to try to limit and then resolve the global financial crisis, and then plan a better financial and trade system for the 21st century over the long-term, will have more immediate impact on farmers if we can implement all these steps than any other group in America.

Farm products from one of every three acres is sold abroad. We must continue to open new markets. We must continue to enforce our existing trade agreements. And we must give the International Monetary Fund the resources it needs to strengthen and reform the economies of our customers in Asia, and to try to protect the contagion from spreading to our friends in Latin America, so that others can continue to buy all of our goods and services, and especially our farm products.

For nine months now, since I called on Congress to do this in the State of the Union, there has been no action. The Senate has passed the funding for the International Monetary Fund, but with just a few weeks left the House has still not acted. Our farmers and ranchers have a bigger stake in the short-run in the passage of this than any other group in America. So I ask you to support that as well, and tell the Congress we have to do it and do it now.

Now, these are the steps that I think we have to take.

I'd just like to take one step back before I close and say that there has been a debate in America for decades that underlies the skepticism of those who don't support what I propose; who say, well, farmers ought to be subject to the market like everybody else -- a guy running a dry cleaner, nobody brings the clothes into be cleaned, he goes out of business. The people who basically believe that -- in the face of all the evidence that we have the most productive agriculture in the world -- don't understand the intersection between global impacts on farm prices, the financing challenges that family farmers, as opposed to big corporate farmers, face, and what can happen to you just by getting up in the morning if it happens to be a bad day. (Applause.)

I know a lot of you feel like Job -- you know? Test my faith, Lord; I didn't mean it that seriously. (Laughter.) But we have an opportunity here -- we have an opportunity to break through a kind of euphoria that's out there about the condition of our economy and let people know what's going on on the farm. We have an

opportunity to tie the global financial crisis to what's going on on the farm. We have an opportunity to convince congressmen who come from suburban and urban areas that the welfare, the health, the strength of their citizens' -- their citizens' -- economy rests in lifting the whole American economy and doing the right thing beyond our borders. And they can see it in your stories, in your lives, in your experience -- nothing more fully embodying the best of America than you do.

So let me say -- I don't know how else to say this:

There is suffering on the farm. There is agony on the farm. This is a horrible affront to everything we have worked so hard to achieve to lift the economy for all Americans. And we cannot afford to walk away from this session of Congress -- I don't care if there is an election; I don't care what else is happening -- we can't afford to walk away until we do something to stave off the failure of thousands of productive family farms in America. We cannot do it. (Applause.)

Now, let me leave you with one beautiful quote.

Franklin Roosevelt once said that American farmers -- and I quote -- "are the source from which the reservoirs of our nation's strength are constantly renewed." For six years I have worked to renew America. We're a lot better off in virtually every way than we were six years ago. But we cannot walk across that bridge into the 21st century -- we cannot truly renew our country if we leave our family farmers behind.

So let's go up to the Hill and tell everybody that we
all want to saddle up and go together. Thank you and God bless you.
(Applause.)

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MR. LEAVY: Good afternoon. As you know, the President's meeting with Prime Minister Obuchi has concluded. The President is on his way back to Washington. Here to give a readout of the meeting are Deputy National Security Advisor Jim Steinberg, National Economic Council Chair Gene Sperling, Deputy Treasury Secretary Larry Summers, and U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky. They will each make a short opening statement and then take your questions.

Jim.

MR. STEINBERG: Thank you, David. As you all know,

President

Clinton and Prime Minister Obuchi just finished more than three hours of meetings this morning and afternoon -- a wide-ranging conversation on the full

range of subjects of interest to the two. The meetings fell into three parts.

There was a one-on-one meeting to begin with that lasted for about 45 minutes,

followed by two sessions of slightly more than an hour each, one largely focusing on economics and the second largely on security and foreign policy issues.

As I say, it was a very comprehensive set of discussions.

The

conversation was excellent between the two, a good chance to build a personal

relationship, and a very open and broad-ranging exchange. One of the things

that I think was most important, as you heard at the beginning, was that the

President has invited Prime Minister Obuchi for an official visit to Washington early next year.

Both the President and the Prime Minister stressed how important this relationship was to the two of them, the President pointing to

the fact that the two Ambassadors that he's appointed to Japan, former Vice

President Mondale and now Ambassador Foley, really represent the best that America has to offer and a real reflection of the quality of the relationship.

As I said, they had an opportunity to build a personal relationship and agreed at the end of the meeting that they would call each other Keizo and Bill.

Before I talk a little bit about the specifics, just to give you a flavor of the kind of relationship that they are building, at the beginning of the first, larger session, Prime Minister Obuchi wryly referred to an incident that took place a few months ago when he was referred to in the press as resembling cold pizza. And he thanked Secretary Albright for her comments, that she said she liked cold pizza, and the President observed as how he had had cold pizza last night. So it really gives you a sense of the kind of interaction between them.

On the security front, which was the focus of the lunch sessions, they began by reaffirming the importance of this security relationship, which both described as strong as ever. And they reaffirmed their commitment to that security relationship. They had an extensive discussion of the situation

on the Korean Peninsula, and particularly the recent missile tests from North Korea. They both indicated that they took this to be a matter of serious concern; at the same time, they both stressed the importance of continuing with the agreed framework and with KEDO. The Japanese Prime Minister reiterated and reaffirmed their intention to honor their commitment and the President made clear that he intends to push forward with our concerns -- our joint concerns about North Korea's missile program.

They discussed the implementation of the defense guidelines and the SACO agreement. In particular, the Prime Minister indicated that while he regretted that we had not been able to fully implement the SACO agreement, that he was committed to moving forward on that. They discussed moving forward on theater missile defense and the statement that the two foreign ministers and defense ministers reached this past weekend on working together on that.

They had a broad-ranging discussion on foreign policy topics, including China, Russia, Indonesia, and Malaysia. The two discussed climate change and the upcoming meeting in Buenos Aires of the parties to the Kyoto Agreement, and the recent agreements that they announced today on global GPS and Y2K.

Gene.

MR. SPERLING: I'll be brief and then let Larry Summers and then Charlene give you a little more detail on the components of the economic side. As Jim said, they had a candid -- quite candid, open discussion. When we arrived there, there was supposed to have been a 15-minute, one-on-one tea session with them. That went on for 45 or 50 minutes. In asking the President, the conversation, he felt it was important to keep the contents of it private, but he stated that over two-thirds of that discussion had been on the banking and financial restructuring issues concerning Japan.

We then went into the extended bilateral meeting. They spoke again to the larger group about some of the banking and financial restructuring issues. The Prime Minister referenced a meeting that he had had in December with Secretary Rubin, where he went over some of the things they talked about and discussed how some of the things they're doing related to that conversation. I'll have Larry go into more of the details. He also talked about the stimulus demand issues.

And then their final topic was on trade, where the President talked about the importance of showing progress on market-opening measures in the region and the importance of APEC; of the importance of enforcing the existing agreement in our sectoral issues; and then the deregulation issues, as well. Charlene will go into more detail there.

They also talked about the global crisis more generally. The Prime Minister stated that he had carefully -- at the lunch in fact, stated that he had carefully read the President's speech at the Council of Foreign Relations and had agreed with the main points there and stressed the importance of them working together through multilateral institutions on restoring growth and the social safety sector issues.

Let me let Larry speak for a moment and then Charlene, and then we'll be happy to take your questions.

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: Thanks, Gene. The context for the economic and financial discussions between the President and Prime Minister Obuchi was the G-7 statement that was issued last week and the President's speech, both of which , highlighted the fact that the balance of risks in the world economy had shifted, making growth more important and emphasizing in particular the close cooperation among major economies at this period.

The President, in his comments, stressed the urgency of swift and effective action to stimulate domestic demand-led growth and strengthen the financial system in Japan. Prime Minister Obuchi made it clear that it was his intention to take appropriate measures to secure an early turnaround in the

Japanese economy. They agreed on the importance of what happened in Japan for the global economy.

Recalling the historical experience in many countries, including our own, the President emphasized the need for the Japanese financial authorities to infuse public money swiftly and in sufficient amounts into Japanese banks to ensure they were able to continue lending on a strong and sustainable basis.

The President and the Prime Minister also agreed on the importance of Japan's accelerating the disposal of problem assets, improving financial disclosure, strengthening the supervisory system, and restructuring the financial system with protection for depositors, and had quite a thorough discussion on some of these questions.

Finally, the President and the Prime Minister agreed to work together to respond to the President's call for increased efforts to respond to humanitarian needs in crisis countries in Asia, and to work together to accelerate efforts to promote comprehensive programs for corporate and bank restructuring in the critical countries, working alongside the multilateral development banks.

AMBASSADOR BARSHEFSKY: The President and Prime Minister, as Gene said, discussed a number of trade issues.

First off, the President raised the critical importance of continued and accelerated deregulation of the Japanese economy. In that regard, we will be providing Japan at the end of this month with a second set of substantial deregulatory measures we would like to see Japan take in a variety of sectors, including telecom, pharmaceuticals, energy, housing, construction, and so on.

In October we'll be presenting to the government of Japan a list of deregulatory measures we would like to see them take in the automotive sector, where deregulation has essentially stopped. And the President made clear that he would like to see a very full package of deregulatory measures reached by the time of the G-8 this spring. You'll recall our last set of substantial deregulatory measures was achieved at the Birmingham G-8 meeting.

Second, the President underscored the critical importance of enforcing existing agreements and, in particular, government procurement, insurance, glass, autos and auto parts, paper, and others. With respect to government procurement, public works spending by Japan will occur in traditional areas, such as construction, as well as in areas of 21st century technology, such as computers, supercomputers, medical technology, and telecommunications. These five areas are covered by five separate bilateral procurement agreements that we have with Japan to help ensure that American companies and foreign

companies get a fair shake in the procurement process -- procedural protections, due process, and so on. So that was underscored.

Third, the President stressed the critical importance of Japan being constructive in the APEC process so that the nine sectors discussed for further market opening can , come to fruition and ultimately be taken to the WTO for further work after the APEC leaders meeting. And I think I've already mentioned that enforcement of existing agreements was discussed, the President feeling that implementation by Japan of its commitments was absolutely critical, despite and because of difficult financial times.

Q A couple of different questions. First, if I heard what you were saying correctly, the President and Prime Minister agreed on the need for certain measures, but on one particularly crucial one, I think the beginning of your sentence was just the President urged the Prime Minister to use public funds. Did you get any further clarification about whether Japan is or is not going to use public funds? And let me ask a second question on an unrelated matter.

There have been some wire stories out of London about possibly the creation of a new fund or a new mechanism or a new tool to bail out Latin American economies, particularly

Brazil. Can you tell us what developments have taken place on that front?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: On your first question, Jake, the Prime Minister made it clear to the President that there were a set of very complex discussions, political discussions that were under way in Japan with respect to the banking legislation, that it was something he was very much focused on and very much saw the importance of.

He referenced some of the banking problems that we had had in this country, the historical experience generally, and made it clear that he saw this as something that Japan had to address in an effective way. And certainly the President made clear that that was how we saw it and made clear that he was prepared to be helpful in any way that we could.

The Prime Minister talked about how much he valued advice in this difficult situation, and I think they both recognized in their comments that what was important was not words at this point, but what steps Japan was able to take over time to address these questions.

On the Brazil and Latin America question, I don't have anything new to give you. Certainly, it's been, I think, clear from the comments that the President has made and that the Secretary has made that we are watching the situation in Latin

America and around the world, in particular in Brazil. There's certainly been conversations with the Brazilian authorities, with the IMF, with the G-7, as we're always in touch on significant financial situations, but I wouldn't want to put too much behind the particular kinds of reports that you're referring to. It's a situation we're watching and it's very much going to relate to the choices Brazil makes going forward.

I would say that Brazil is a country that has made enormous progress in recent years in both stabilization and in opening up its economy, taking important steps towards privatization and structural reform, although there are obviously many steps that are still important going forward. And clearly Brazil, like a number of other countries in Latin America, has been hit by market judgments that have a great deal to do with contagion as well as any judgment of their own economic situation. And that's certainly something that I think we in the international community need to be mindful of going forward.

Q Just to follow, are you explicitly denying that there is discussion of a creation of a new fund then?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: You know, there are always discussions of a variety of things, but there is certainly no specific proposal that's about to come out.

Q Mr. Summers, the President said last week that the global economy is facing its worst challenge since World War II. Can you tell us how he expressed his concerns about Japan's responsibility right now, specifically, to Prime Minister Obuchi.

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: I think he made it clear that the judgment of not just American officials, but economists and financial experts around the world and of officials in many other parts of the world, was that what happened in Japan was going to be -- was very, very important. But it wasn't a point that was stressed very much because Prime Minister Obuchi, very much toward the beginning of his comments, said that he understood that what happened in Japan was very important for Japan, but also very, very important for the economies of Asia and indeed for the global economy, and that's why he felt a particular responsibility to focus on it. And he noted some respects in which it was easier to focus on it right now than it had been at some earlier points when he had had discussions of these questions.

MR. SPERLING: The President also reiterated, I think, the point he had made in his Council of Foreign Relations speech, that he went back to 1993 and talked about at that time there being a clear consensus of the need for the United States, Europe, and Japan each to do what they needed to do to restore growth, and that there was maybe a different recipe for each country, but that there needed to be that same common sense right

now.

Q Larry, I'm not sure I fully understand the Prime Minister's response on this issue of the need for swift public money into the banks. The Chairman of the LDP said overnight that there would be no public money put into the long-term credit bank of Japan, which seemed to be a return to the agreement that they struck at the end of the week.

There's something of a disconnect between the impression we're being left here that there is an agreement between the leaders on the need for public funds, and what we're hearing back in Tokyo from Mr. Obuchi's own aides.

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: David, I think what I said was that the President believes, and certainly we all believe, that the infusion of public money is essential to an effective solution of these problems.

I think the Prime Minister made it clear that they were working very hard on this legislation, that there were a lot of moving pieces in how this legislation would go, and he did not make a commitment to us as to what its specific content would be, although I think it was clear from his comments that he recognized the importance of Japan grappling in an effective way with these banking problems that are so consequential for its economy and for the global economy.

Q Did he ever specifically address his own view of whether or not public funds should be injected?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: He addressed -- I don't think I've got much to add to what I've already said. I think it's better to let the Prime Minister or his people characterize any precise beliefs that he has. What I think he did make clear was that this was very much something they were very focused on in working through a solution to the banking system and his commitment to having it be effective.

Q Larry, do you come away from this meeting confident that Japan is going to take the steps necessary?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: I don't think it's for us , to predict. I think one of the things that was very healthy in the discussion between the Prime Minister and the President was that they both recognized that what was going to be important was the steps that were taken and the actions that were taken by all countries going forward, and that that was what was crucial rather than words and statements.

Q We've had a history of meetings where U.S. officials come out and say we've encouraged Japan to do more, and then in the aftermath of that U.S. officials being dissatisfied

with what Japan does. Is this any different, or is this just going to follow that pattern?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: We will have to see what kind of legislation emerges in the banking area. As important as the legislation question is what kinds of concrete regulatory steps the Japanese are able to take, what kinds of movements there are and decisions there are with respect to the budget as we move towards the 1999 budget, what kinds of actions are taken with respect to tax policy. And of course, what's most important is not what we think, it's what markets think and how markets respond to the situation.

I think it's only then that we'll be -- it's only with benefit of hindsight that we'll be able to judge the policy steps that are taken during this period.

Q Is the President trying to set any deadlines for when these steps will take place?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: No, it's not -- the President stressed in his comments the basic underlying strength of the Japanese economy, its tremendous capacity and sophistication, and his recognition that Japan had to make its own economic decisions and chart its course, although the course it set would have important implications for the world.

And the Prime Minister made it clear that advice, particularly from countries like the United States that had had problems in the financial system at various points, was something that he very much welcomed.

Q When McCurry came out and briefed us before, he was going awfully heavy on this Japan and U.S. as friends and that they talked as friends. It sounded as if there were a lot of soft-peddling going on compared with some of the previous meetings between the two sides, whether at the summit level or other levels. And I wonder if the reason for that is you have concluded that perhaps the tone of some of these previous meetings has generated counterproductive results with Japan; or that because the Japanese situation at this point is so desperately fragile that we don't want to make it worse.

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: I don't think either of those things, Paul. We have always spoken to the Japanese as friends and have always recognized that this is perhaps the world's most important bilateral relationship, that we all have an enormous stake in what happens each other's countries, and that as friends we're able to speak candidly with each other and able to think about how we can mutually support each other.

I think I've by now had the opportunity to be present in meetings between the President and six Japanese Prime Ministers, and I would say that in each of those meetings the

friendship, the commitment to mutual support, and the enormous importance that we attach to the relationship with Japan has been stressed. The President began the meeting with -- began the first of the expanded sessions by noting that Tom Foley and Walter Mondale were two of America's most distinguished figures in public life. And the fact that they have been chosen by his administration as ambassadors to Japan was a reflection of the , enormous importance that we attach to our friendship with Japan.

Q Mr. Secretary, does the President believe that Japan should infuse public money even over the objection of the opposition parties and many people in Japan?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: I think the President believes and his economic and financial advisors believe that in the context of a set of banking problems like those that have emerged in Japan, the lesson of history -- in our country, in the Scandinavian countries, in a number of other cases -- is that to work through those problems and preserve financial stability while at the same time providing for growth and avoiding a credit crunch, that the infusion of public funds into the banking system in a very carefully conditioned way -- not as bail-outs to shareholders -- can play a very important and critical role.

Q Dr. Summers, can you tell us what the priority is -- on one hand, get the economy moving, get the banking system

cleaned up; on the other hand, take a hit in some key sectors in terms of import. I know you don't see it as an either/or situation, but what's the priority here?

DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: You said it exactly right: it is not either/or. These are mutually reinforcing agendas. A stronger Japanese economy will obviously be a Japanese economy that is able to import more; it is an economy that will be able to dismantle import barriers with less disruption.

Conversely, a Japanese economy that is more open will be a Japanese economy that is more flexible and adaptable and will therefore be able to attract and generate investment opportunities that will be stimulus to growth to a greater degree. So these are very much mutually reinforcing agenda.

AMBASSADOR BARSHEFSKY: If I can add to that, as Larry said, we have always said quite consistently over the last year that in addition to banking sector reform and substantial fiscal stimulus, market opening and deregulation are critical if Japan is to achieve sustained long-term economic growth.

This is one reason that the President raised the variety of trade issues that he did, particularly deregulation, as well as agreements implementation, government procurement, and then of course market opening in the context of APEC. Each of

these steps is important not only to the global economy, but also to the functioning of Japan's own economy, which remains terribly over-regulated and underproductive.

Q How much time did they spend on trade and deregulation issues? We heard before that two-thirds of the first opening meeting was on financial and economic issues.

MR. SPERLING: You know, first of all -- and it relates to a lot of the questions on the banking side -- they were in for quite some time alone, and there were no note-takers. The President -- believe me, Jim and I tried to get our best briefing, and he felt their first meeting it was very important that he be able to have that kind of confidential conversation with him. So we asked for a nature of how much was spent on the banking and financial issues, and the President felt about two-thirds of the discussion had been.

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and then as Charlene has already mentioned, talked about how much he would like to have another package that they could announce at the G-7/G-8 meeting.

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DEPUTY SECRETARY SUMMERS: I think what I said was that there was enormous recognition of what had happened, profound changes that had taken place in the Latin American economies, of the extent to which they had been influenced by contagion and market reactions to other developments, that we were in close touch with the situation. The G-7 countries were certainly watching the situation in a very careful way. But I think what I said was that I could not foresee any imminent announcement of some package, but it was a situation, certainly, that we were watching very closely and certainly wanted to be in a position -- we in the international community, international financial institutions, want to be in a position to be responsive to problems that might arise.

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MR. STEINBERG: The Prime Minister in broad terms reaffirmed Japan's commitment to the agreed framework and the President thanked him for that, because he indicated that while we continue to have serious problems with North Korea on the missile programs, that we have a common interest in seeing that the agreed framework go forward. And so the two agreed on that. There was not a discussion of specifics in terms of the timing of next steps, but there was, as I say, a reaffirmation -- I believe the Prime Minister's words were something to the effect that Japan intended to continue to honor its commitment with respect to the agreed framework. So I think that was -- the President thought, a very good discussion.

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Q I stepped out for a minute. Did anybody ask you about Iran and how you read Khatami's speech and the fact that the foreign minister didn't show up at the Six Plus Two meeting?

MR. STEINBERG: I have not, myself, seen the text, so I don't have a reaction to Khatami's speech.

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MR. STEINBERG: The timing of the meetings here has been very good because, as you know, the British about a week and a half ago put forward a draft resolution concerning the humanitarian situation in Kosovo. And that issue has been worked very intensively over the last couple days. I expect that

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has been the right course for America. That's what it proves. After six years, it can't be an accident anymore.

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So what does that tell me? It tells me that the right thing to do is, if we all put progress over partisanship, put people over politics, put the American people first -- what would we do? Well, we would keep the budget balanced. We would save Social Security before we squandered the surplus. We would improve our schools. We would clean up our environment. We would pass the patients' bill of rights. And we would keep the economy going. That's what we would be focused on. That's what I am focused on. That's the way out.

The way out here -- and the only way out is for people in Washington to do what the folks in America want them to do, which is to take care of their concerns, their children, and their future. That's what I mean to do, and I'm going to do my best. (Applause.)

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

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THE PRESIDENT: First of all, I want to thank Smith and
Elizabeth. I'm

going to have to start paying a portion of the property tax on this home
if I
come here many more times this year. (Laughter.) It's such a beautiful
place;
it's a happy place. The children are always around, which makes it more
happy.
It also reminds us what these elections are really all about.

The story Barbara told is true. I called her one night to see how
she
was doing and ask her about the campaign, make sure she had a theory of the
case. (Laughter.) And I offered to do something here in Washington.

Hillary was just in Washington and Oregon states and then came into
Northern California, where Barbara had a great event with Hillary's mom and
Tony. Hillary said it was wonderful. Then we had a good night in Los
Angeles
on Saturday night.

I just got back from Chicago and making three stops in California
and
two in Texas. And I believe that we have an unusual opportunity in this
election, and one that is unprecedented. But I want you to know why I'm
glad
you're here and why I'll be brief, because I want to go in there -- you'd
rather
watch a movie than hear a speech, especially if the movie is only a minute

long.

(Laughter.)

But I'd like to talk to you a little bit about this. In the -- normally, the party of the President in Congress loses, not gains, seats at midterm. It is more than normal, it is virtually an unbroken record in the second term of the President. But we have things which are different now. For one thing, we have an agenda which is dominating the national debate and our adversaries really don't have one. And insofar as they do, I think we get the better of the debate. A lot of people are worried about the adversity of the present moment for me and our family and our administration. But I have never believed in political adversity was a big problem. I still believe the biggest problem for us is not adversity, but complacency -- and maybe cynicism, people saying, I don't like this, so therefore I won't participate. People should say, if they don't like it, therefore I will participate.

But all over the country now I get these surveys showing our candidates and how they're doing. And it'll say among registered voters the

Democrats have

a healthy lead; among certain voters in a midterm election the Democrats are a

point or two behind. What does that tell you? Well, the kind of people that

vote for us have to go to more trouble to vote. We have more low income working

people, people that struggle with the burdens of child care and transportation

and maybe ride to work on a bus everyday -- you know, where it's a hassle. And

when there's a presidential election they

show up, because they know they're supposed to vote for President.

And oftentimes in midterms they don't show up, which puts us at a significant disadvantage.

Therefore, I will say again, adversity is our friend in the sense that at least everyone is now thinking about the political debate. I'd do nearly anything to help the Democrats get elected, but this is a little bit extreme. (Laughter.) I want to say that people have been so uncommonly kind and generous to Hillary and to me and our family in the last few weeks. And I appreciate that. But we shouldn't be diverted from the fact that the public who sent Barbara Boxer here and who sent me here, what they really want us to do is to fight for them. And if they understand that the choice is a choice between saving Social Security and being financially responsible

before we give a popular election-year tax cut that won't amount to much for most ordinary people, but it sure sounds good.

I always heard the Republicans were the party of fiscal responsibility; at least that's what they said all those years, although the deficit tripled -- I mean, the debt tripled -- quadrupled in the 12 years before I got here. But consider this -- those of you -- I see Ben Barnes back there and Marty Russo -- those of us who have been involved in Democratic politics a long time, I never thought I'd live to see the day. I mean, the Republicans are saying, it's just five weeks before the election, we've waited 29 years to balance the budget, but we're willing to give it up to give you an election-year tax cut, because it's just too good to be true. And you can say, well, we're not spending it all, or all the projected surplus.

And the Democrats are saying, hey, we worked for this for six year, and we appreciate the fact that you voted with us on the Balanced Budget Act, but, oh, by the way, the deficit was cut by 92 percent before we passed that bill. And we would just like to see the red ink turn to black, and dry, before we start spending it. You know, we'd just kind of like to see it dry. (Applause.)

And you know what? I may be dead wrong, but I believe the American people agree with us. I think they understand there is a lot of turmoil in the world and that the world looks to us to be strong, to do the responsible thing, to set a good example, to help

get the economy going again, number one.

And even more important, nearly every American knows that when the baby boomers retire, the present Social Security system will be unsustainable, because there will only be two people working for every one person drawing.

Now, if our objective is what I think it is for 80-plus percent of all Americans, which is to find a way to modify the Social Security system that keeps its basic benefits -- keep in mind one-half -- one-half -- the people over 65 in this country today would be in poverty were it not for Social Security. So we have to find a way to keep what's good about it, but to do it in a way that doesn't require us when all us baby boomers retire to sock our children and our grandchildren with a huge tax increase that undermines their standard of living.

And I go all across the country and people my age, at least -- at the end of the baby boom generation -- are almost obsessed with this. I had barbecue with a bunch of my friends at home the other day -- half of them didn't have college degrees, none of them were wealthy, a lot of them lived on very modest incomes. Every single one of them was worried about this. They were tormented by the fact that when we retire we will lower our children's standard of living to take care of us.

So it looks like we're going to have a surplus for a few

years. I'm not against tax cuts. As Barbara said, we've got an education tax cut, a child care tax cut, an environmental tax cut in our balanced budget. If we can pay for them, fine. But I do not believe we should get into this surplus for tax cuts or for Democratic spending programs until we have saved the Social Security system for the 21st century and lifted that burden off our children and lifted the fear off our generation. I feel very strongly about it, and I think we can win that argument.

I think we ought to pass the patients' bill of rights, because I'm for managed care, not against it. When I tried to change the health care system back in '93 and '94, I supported managed care. Look, we had to start managing the system better. In 1993, when I took office, health care costs were going up at three times the rate of inflation. It was unsustainable. It was going to bankrupt the country.

But it's like any other -- a management system -- if you have a management system in your work, in your business, whatever it is, the purpose of the management system is to allow you to perform your primary mission in the best possible way at the lowest possible cost. The primary mission of the health care system is to help people when they're sick and keep people well. That's the primary mission of it. And the problem is that the management system has overtaken the mission because of the way the economics work.

I know I don't have to paint you all a lot of pictures,

but imagine -- suppose you were a 25-year-old accountant who dealt with entry-level reviews of requests from doctors' offices for certain procedures in Managed Care Company X. What do you know every day when you go to work about your job, how you're evaluated, and how you're going to be rewarded? You know one thing: you will never get in trouble for saying no. You will never -- that is the system -- you will never get in trouble for saying no. These are good people, you know. They have children to feed. They have careers to make. They have lives to live. They have house payments to make. They will never get in trouble for saying no.

Why? Because they're always told, well, two layers up in the managed care operation there is a doctor, and if you make a mistake and they appeal up and the next person makes a mistake and they appeal it, eventually a doctor will see it and correct it. And believe it or not, that often happens. But a lot of times it happens when it's too late to do any good for the people who were hurt in the first place, because they needed a procedure then or within three weeks or six weeks. Now, this is how it really works. That's what this whole thing is about.

So our little bill simply says, if you walk outside here -- outside the Bagleys' home and somebody races by and hits you in a car and they put you in an ambulance, you get to go the nearest emergency room, not one halfway across town because that's the one that happens to be covered by your plan.

It says if your doctor says he or she can't help you, you've got to have a specialist, you ought to be able to see one. It says if your employer changes health care plans in the middle of your pregnancy or your chemotherapy treatment, you can't be required to stop and get another doctor or obstetrician. Now, this stuff happens. I'm not making this up. This happens in America. And it says the privacy of your medical records ought to be protected. That's the bill we're for.

The House passed a bill that didn't guarantee any of those rights and left 100 million Americans out of what little it did do. When it was brought up in the Senate the other night -- Barbara can tell you -- I've never seen this happen. The Republican leader of the Senate was so terrified about having his people recorded voting no, but was determined not to let them vote yes because their supporters are all on the other side -- the insurance companies that don't want this -- that they shut the Senate down for four hours to keep the vote from occurring. I've never seen anything like it.

They literally -- they just called off -- they were in a panic. They turned out the lights and got under their desks -- (laughter) -- killed it by stealth and waited for time to pass. I'm not exaggerating this. I've been astonished that there hasn't been more publicity on this. It was a breathtaking moment in American history.

And when they turned out the lights, I wondered if any of them had ever looked at some of the people I've looked at and heard some of the stories I've heard, looked at the woman who lost her husband at 45 years after 25 years of marriage, who had a heart problem that could have been treated by proper surgery, but by the time they went through nine months of hassling, the doctor had to say, I'm sorry, it is too late, I can't do anything for you. And a few months later he keeled over and died in their front yard. That's just one case.

So I don't know about you, I think we've got the better side of that argument. I'm happy to take into a midterm election an issue like this that touches people where they live. I think we've got the better side of that argument. (Applause.)

And I'll just mention two other things. A lot of you are atypical for Democrats, you know. most people in your income groups, maybe in the business you do, maybe they're not Democrats. But I'm really proud of the fact that I proved that our administration could be pro-business as well as pro-labor, pro-growth as well as pro-environment -- because I believe that. I think to have to make one of those choices puts you in a hole before you start.

And I've really tried to help put our country in the center of the emerging global economy. Oftentimes I was at odds with some people in my own party for doing it. But, look, now that we

have these 16.7 million jobs, we need to be honest about where they came from. Thirty percent of our growth came from expanding exports. That means that what is morally right for us to do in terms of helping our neighbors around the world turns out to be in our economic best interest.

Now, you got all these problems in Asia -- some of them I think were inevitable once the level of economic activity and movement of capital got to the point it did, but you have a quarter of the world in recession today and another quarter of the world teetering on the edge. You have -- some of our biggest trading partners in Asia today are flat broke; so that, for example, in the state of North Dakota, which basically is a big wheat farming state, they're having a veritable depression today. And part of the reason is that we export half our wheat, and 40 percent of it goes to Asia, and they're buying 30 percent less this year than they did last year because they don't have any money to buy our food.

Now, the International Monetary Fund, I never thought -- if you would have told me -- a lot of things have happened to me that have surprised me since I've been here, I admit that, about the nature of politics. But if anybody had ever told me that the IMF would be a political issue in a congressional election, I would never have believed that because most people still don't know what the IMF is. (Laughter.)

But they do know -- they do know -- that we've got to be

able to sell what we make around the world. And when you explain to people that the International Monetary Fund helps our friends get back on their feet and helps prevent the spread of this financial crisis that everybody knows about to Latin America, our fastest growing markets, where countries have been shaken even though they're doing a good job managing their economy, and that the Democratic Party favors keeping our economic growth going and continuing to lead the world economically, and we've been waiting for eight months and still can't get this passed, I think that's a major issue.

And I do not understand how in the world a person could say I want to be a Senator from California, which is more closely tied to Asia than any place in the United States -- not only economically, but cultural -- but I do not want to do our fair share in helping to restore growth and opportunity in Asia and markets for California products. So I'm happy to run on the issues. We've got the better side of that argument.

And let me just say one thing about the education issue. In the balanced budget we have an education plan that I put together, based on the over 20 years that Hillary and I have worked in the schools and worked with educators and followed the research, and based on what education leaders say is needed now. And it's all paid for.

Here's what it does -- keep in mind, they won't even give us a vote on this -- put 100,000 teachers out there to lower class size to an average of 18 in the first three grades. It would

build or repair 5,000 schools at a time when the kids are in house trailers all over America and when school buildings in inner cities are being shut down. It would hook up all the classrooms to the Internet by the year 2000. It would give college scholarships to 35,000 young people that they could then pay off by going into the inner cities and other educationally underserved areas to teach. It would create 3,000 charter schools that are doing a lot, as Congresswoman Harman knows, in California and other places to reform public education.

And to go back to the point Barbara made, it provides unprecedented amounts of funds to school districts that will have high standards, not have social promotion, but won't finger children as failures just because the system they're in is failing. So if they will have tutorials, if they will have after-school programs, if they will have summer school programs, we help them to set those things up. That's our plan. It's all paid for in the budget, and we cannot get a vote on it.

So if the American people understand this is about saving Social Security for the 21st century, passing the patients' bill of rights, putting education at the top of our investment priorities, and keeping economic growth going in America and throughout the world, and we're on the right side and our adversaries aren't, I think we've got a good chance to win that election.

And I think we've got a good chance to convince people

who otherwise would not show up, to come. And that's what concerns me. I had hoped that by the time I had been here six years, we'd have some level of greater harmony and bipartisanship here, and that a lot of the divisions that I had seen from afar before I became President would get better.

I do think in the country all the work we've done to bring people together across racial and religious and ethnic and cultural lines is really biting. I think that there is a greater sense of reaching out and unity in America. It isn't true in Washington, but I don't think anyone could fairly blame our party or our administration for that.

And what we've got to do is to give the American people a chance to vote for that country. With their majority this year, the leaders of the Republican Party have done a few things. They've killed campaign finance reform, which would have cut down on the number of these dinners you have to attend every year. (Laughter.) They killed the tobacco legislation to protect our children from the dangers of tobacco. They killed the patients' bill of rights. They killed an increase in the minimum wage for 12 million of the hardest working Americans at a time when unemployment is low and inflation is low. They took a step backwards on saving Social Security first by passing that tax bill in the House. They've taken a step backwards on the environment by continuing to litter every bill you can find with another environmental rider. And they've taken no action on the education agenda and no action on the International Monetary Fund.

And what I'd like to ask you to do when you go home -- and there are a lot of people here from all over the country -- stick up for our people who are running. And stick up for the issues and do what you can to make sure people understand -- everybody that works for you, everybody you come in contact with -- this is a very important election to vote in. Because what the other guys are gambling on is, it's a midterm election and people are doing well and they will be relaxing and they won't show up.

And what we have to say is this is a magic moment all right, but the world is not free of difficulty. Things are changing and we've got big challenges out there and we're right on these issues. That the Democrats are for saving Social Security, keeping the economy going, putting education first and passing the patients' bill of rights. I think that's a pretty good program.

And I'd like to say one other thing just for the record, because I know it's not just us here because this is being covered by the press. It is true that Barbara Boxer has been a conscience of the Senate. It is true that she stood up for principle. It's true that she is an independent voice -- she certainly doesn't always vote the way I think she ought to, and that's good, that's what makes America work. But I think it's also important to point out for the record that she has been a very good Senator for California.

(Applause.)

I have worked with Jane Harman on issues that affect her district. I have worked with many other members. I've worked with Senator Feinstein on the Mojave Desert and other things. But California has a lot of people in the Congress, it's the biggest congressional delegation. So there's a lot of competition for this. The member of the California congressional delegation who has called me the largest number of times to do something very specific for the state of California is Barbara Boxer, and I want the voters to know that. (Applause.)

So you ought to be proud you were here. But when you go home you ought to think about what I told you: you don't want to wake up on election day or the day after and think that all those polls of certain voters were the polls that counted instead of the polls of registered voters, which reflects how the people feel. What we have to do is to bring the public's feelings to the ballot box in November. You've helped Barbara tonight; let's keep working until we can help them all.

Thank you and God bless you. (Applause.)

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THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, thank you very much for the warm welcome. (Laughter.) I've had a wonderful time in Philadelphia today, and I am deeply indebted to you for being here tonight, for supporting our party, our candidates and what we stand for.

I, too, want to thank Congressman Chaka Fattah for the High Hopes program. He and the Mayor met me today at the airport with a number of young children from Philadelphia who are in your school system, in your middle school system. And then later we sat down and drank a soft drink together and I visited with them. And Chaka asked how many of them wanted to go to college, and they all wanted to go. And now they and literally tens of thousands of children like them all across our country are going to be able to go because of the initiative that he brought to me, that I embraced, and that we have worked so hard to pass -- the High Hopes Scholarship Program. And we thank him. America is in your debt, Congressman. Thank you. (Applause.)

And I believe we have one of our candidates for Congress here, too, tonight -- Roy Afflerbach. Let's give him a hand. He's somewhere. Where are you, Roy? There you go. (Applause.) Thank you. Thank you for running.

I want to thank Steve Grossman for doing a superb

job as the Chairman of the Democratic Party. And we will not tell his mayor that bragged on Rendell shamelessly tonight.

(Laughter.) I also want to thank Len Barrack of Philadelphia for being our Finance Chair. He's done a wonderful, wonderful, wonderful job. (Applause.)

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And finally, let me say that the Mayor was uncommonly generous tonight, but his administration is basically the embodiment of my philosophy of government. When we came before the American people, Al Gore and I, in 1992, we said we

had a different idea, that we wanted everyone in America who was a responsible citizen to have opportunity; we wanted to come together as one community across all of our differences of race, religion, politics, income. We wanted to prove that you could be pro-business and pro-labor. We wanted to prove that you could be in favor of economic growth and still improve the environment.

We wanted to end all these sort of false choices that had been imposed on us by the hot rhetoric of Washington for too many years. And we had a different theory of government, that we thought that the main role of government was to create the conditions and to give people the tools to make the most of their own lives.

And all the initiatives that the Mayor mentioned, that he so generously gave me credit for, most all of them were

available to a lot of other places, too. But Philadelphia made the most of its opportunities because in no small measure of the gifts, the dedication and the downright aggression of its Mayor.

And I cannot tell you how much I admire him for that.

(Applause.)

You know, I'm sure all of you have had an experience like this in your life in some context or another -- by the time somebody calls you 15 times and asks you for something, you say, yes, just to stop them, you know? (Laughter.) When Education Rendell gets all over you like a wet blanket about something -- (laughter) -- you know you might as well just cry "uncle" and go on to something else. I say that because the achievements of this city have been truly phenomenal.

And I have always loved coming here. You know, the people of Philadelphia have been quite wonderful to me and Hillary and to Al and Tipper, voting for us in record numbers and by record margins in both elections and I'm very, very grateful.

Let me just take a few minutes to be a little serious with you tonight. I was so moved today by all the things that were said to me on the streets -- didn't even mind the protestors. That's the American way. But you like it even more when they're not in the majority -- (laughter) -- and that seemed to be the case today. (Applause.) But I want you to know that, on behalf of the First Lady and on my part, I'm very grateful for

those personal expressions.

But I do not believe that adversity is the enemy of the Democratic Party in this election. Indeed, adversity can be our friend, because it's not only good for personal reformation; it's good for people to sort of dig down deep inside and ask yourself what's really important and what's fair. What do you really care about? What will you act for? What will you move for?

The real enemy the Democrats have in this election is complacency -- because we are doing pretty well as a country.

We've got the lowest unemployment rate in 28 years and the lowest percentage of people on welfare in 29 years and the first balanced budget and surplus in 29 years, and it's the biggest in history. (Applause.)

We've got the best wage growth in way over 20 years. We've got, as Steve Grossman said, the biggest drop in Hispanic poverty in 30 years and the lowest unemployment rates and poverty rates among African Americans since statistics have been kept, the highest home ownership in history. All that is very good. I'm grateful for that.

But the real question is, what will we do with this moment? Our friends in the other party know that in spite of

your presence and generosity here tonight, they always have tons more money than we do. I'll tell you a little more about that in a minute. (Laughter.) But they also know that oftentimes at these midterm elections, the people who always vote in presidential elections, a lot of them don't vote in midterm elections -- and they tend to be our voters. Why? Well, they're young parents on modest incomes, they have to worry about how to juggle child care and work, and voting on a work day is another hassle. A lot of them live in cities and don't own cars and have transportation problems, and how are they going to get to work and to the polling place. And that extra effort is hard to make.

I tell you, my friends, our enemy is complacency.

It is not adversity. Adversity is forcing us to focus on what is important and what we believe in and what we're prepared to fight for. And while I think it's a wonderful thing that all these good things are happening in our country, you know there are still some people in Philadelphia who have not felt the benefits of the things that have been done, and you know there's more to do.

I want you to know that a long way away from here, in the high plains of America, people that work hard to feed you on the farm don't know there's been a recovery because they have to export a lot of their products and they've been flooded out or burned out or had diseases. They've had all kinds of problems. And now the Asian markets, where they sell their food, are closed

to them because the folks don't have any money over there. We could lose 10,000 family farmers in America this year, at a time of greatest prosperity for the country as a whole in a generation.

So we have challenges at home. And I've always believed that when times are good the worst thing you can do is kick back and relax. You have to see that as an obligation to look at the real challenges facing the country and take them on. That's what we've tried to do.

So we, the Democrats, have gone before the American people and we said, look, we have a program for this election and we think it's worth your voting for. We know that the other side has tried to offer you -- for most of you -- a modest tax cut.

Right here before the election, they want to spend the surplus. And we've given you a harder message. We've said, look, we've waited for this for 29 years. We worked for it for six years. Shouldn't we let the red ink turn to black and let's let it dry for a day or two before we squander it. (Laughter and applause.)

At a time when there's so much financial turmoil throughout the world, shouldn't we set a good example to stabilize the global economy? And, even more important, knowing as we all do -- every person in this room knows that while Social Security is absolutely stable for the people who are now on it

and the people who are about to go on it, when all the baby boomers get in it is not sustainable under the present circumstances, because there will only be two people working for every one person drawing Social Security.

Everybody in this room between the ages of 52 and 34 is a baby boomer. And everybody I know at least my age -- and I'm the oldest of the baby boomers -- we're all profoundly worried that if we don't do something about this now, when with modest changes now we can have huge impacts down the road, that the time will come when we'll retire and our country will be confronted with two terrible choices. Either we'll have to put a whopping tax increase on our kids to maintain the system as it is, undermining their ability to raise our grandchildren, which none of us want to do; or we'll have to take a whopping cut in Social Security benefits, which today keeps one-half of the senior citizens in America out of poverty.

So I say, tempting though it is before an election to shovel up a little tax cut, let's show a little restraint and a little knowledge of the last 29 years and say, no, no, we're going to save Social Security first before we spend it. (Applause.) I believe that's an issue worth voting on. And, believe me, the elections will send a message to the Congress about which path you wish to take.

There is a second I think is important. I talked

about it all day today, and I never thought I'd come to Philadelphia or go anyplace in America in a political election and say, the big issue is are we going to fund the IMF. Most Americans don't know what the IMF is. Sounds like those people that make bowling equipment. (Laughter.) The International Monetary Fund is a fund to which we and others contribute that helps countries that are poorer and developing who have good policies to try to grow their economy. Or when they get in trouble, it tries to help them work out of trouble without just being absolutely destroyed.

For eight months I've trying to get America to make its fair share of contribution. Why? Because we can't lead the world -- and you know the troubles that Asia has, you know the troubles in Russia, you see the impact, how it echoes in Latin America, our fastest growing market for American products. You see people say when the stock market changes here that that has something to do with this financial trouble overseas.

We have an obligation not only to others throughout the world, but to our own economy. Thirty percent of this growth we've enjoyed has come from selling things to people overseas who had enough money to buy them. And when they get in trouble, eventually we will suffer from that. And already, I've told you, our farmers are.

And so I say to you, if you want to keep the American economic recovery going, if you like the way it's gone the last six years and you'd like to have a few more years of it, then America has to lead the world away from the brink of the worst financial crisis in decades. And that means we have to pay our fair share to the fund that will do it. And I think that's something worth voting for. (Applause.)

The third issue worth voting for is education. For eight months I have had before the Congress an education program. We have succeeded in getting bipartisan agreement in the balanced budget for tax credits for all students to go to college, for the deductibility of interest on student loans, for more Pell Grants. Our Democrats put that before the Republicans and we were able to get bipartisan agreement -- and now for Congressman Fattah's High Hopes program. That's great.

But you all know that we don't yet have a world-class elementary and secondary education system that will guarantee to every child, without regard to race or neighborhood or income, a chance to be able to take advantage of those college opportunities. And until we do, America will never be everything it ought to be.

And so I came before the Congress and I said, okay, we've listened to the educators. I, personally, and Hillary and I have been going into the schools for 20 years now listening and

watching and learning, and here's our program -- it's pretty straightforward. Number one, in the balanced budget, paid for, put up enough money for school districts across America to hire 100,000 teachers to take average class size down to 18 in the early grades. It will make a difference. (Applause.)

Number two, provide -- provide a tax incentive that will help to build or repair 5,000 school buildings. I went to Jupiter, Florida, and saw a dozen house trailers outside a school because the population is growing so fast. The Mayor took me to a school building in Philadelphia that was over 65 years old. It was one of the most beautiful buildings I've ever seen, but it wasn't in good shape because there is not enough money to repair all those buildings.

And all over America in the cities, I see people say, oh, our children are the most important things in the world to us. What does it say to them if they walk up the steps every day to a school where the windows are broken or a whole floor is closed down. Very often, people can't even look out the window in some of these places, because they can't afford to heat and , cool them, so they just board them up. Five thousand school buildings -- that's the second thing it does.

The third thing it does is to give funds to cities for after-school and summer school programs to help kids who are

in trouble. I don't believe kids should be promoted endlessly if they don't learn what they're supposed to learn. But I don't think the children should be branded failures because the system fails them. So give them those after-school programs and the summer school programs and the mentors they need to learn what they need to learn. That's a part of our program as well.

(Applause.)

The fourth thing it does is provide funds to hook every classroom in the country up to the Internet by the year 2000. Now, I think those are things are worth voting for.

(Applause.) I think they're worth voting for. (Applause.)

And, finally, there's the patients' bill of rights, the health care HMO bill of rights. Here's what it says. If you walk out of this room tonight and, God forbid, you get hit by a car, and you're covered by an HMO plan, a managed care plan, you ought to be able to go to the nearest emergency room, not one clear across town because that's the one that happens to be covered by your plan. (Applause.) It says if your doctor tells you that he or she can't help you and you need to see a specialist, you ought to be able to see one. It says if your employer changes HMO providers while you're going through a certain medical treatment, you ought to be able to finish with it.

Now, let me just tell you what that means. How would you feel if you were seven months pregnant and somebody

came to you and said, I'm sorry, your employer changed providers, you've got to give up your obstetrician and here's Dr. Jones.

How would you feel if someone in your family was undergoing chemotherapy -- I've been through this, a lot of you have, and you know it's a pretty traumatic things for families. I remember when my mother went through it -- we sat around and tried to make jokes about whether she'd lose her hair and what kind of wig she'd buy. You get real nervous about whether your loved one is going to get so sick they can't eat. Now, this is serious, this happens. How would you feel if you were two-thirds of the way through a chemotherapy protocol and somebody said, I'm sorry, you've got to change your doctor. This is big stuff. And I think it's worth voting for. I think it's worth voting for.

The Congress -- the House passed a bill that didn't guarantee any of those things and what little it did guarantee left out 100 million Americans. Then it went to the Senate, and our crowd had a right to bring our bill up in the Senate and they couldn't keep it away. So you know what the leader of the Senate did? He shut the Senate down for four hours. I mean, turned out the lights. Everybody got under the desks. Why? Because they didn't want to be recorded as voting against this, but they didn't want to make angry the insurance companies who oppose it. This is the symbol of the difference between the two parties today, make no mistake about it. And I think it's a big deal.

Now, what have they done with their year in the majority? Except for this higher education bill, I can't think of much. They killed the minimum wage. They killed campaign finance reform. They killed tobacco legislation reform that would have protected our children from the dangers of tobacco. They killed the patients' bill of rights. They have continued their assault on the environment. They have gone backwards on paying for the International Monetary Fund. They have taken no action. And they've taken no action on the education bill, and they went backwards on saving Social Security first when the House passed their tax plan. It's over in the Senate now. There is this huge difference.

And what I want you to do -- I thank you for coming here tonight. I thank you for these contributions. We need the money and we'll spend it well. But you have to go out and tell people, there is this cynical idea that you won't vote and that good times makes you less likely to vote. And I know it's more trouble for a lot of people you know to vote. But if you believe that America ought to be about not what goes on in Washington, D.C., but what goes on in the neighborhoods of Philadelphia, in Boston, and in rural North Dakota and in rural Alaska -- (applause) -- if that's what you believe -- if you believe in saving Social Security first, if you believe in the patients' bill of rights, if you believe in education as our top investment priority, if you believe in keeping our economic recovery going then you should support our party -- not just tonight, but on

Election Day.

And I want every one of you to go out every day
between now and then and stir it up among your friends, and make
sure that we surprise the cynics on Election Day.

Thank you and God bless you. (Applause.)

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