

ROUTING SLIP

Full
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DATE: 09/30/96

FROM: Stephanie Streett and Anne Hawley
Deputy Assistants to the President and Directors of Scheduling

SUBJECT: *Satellite to the Laborers International
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Nancy Hernreich	_____	Doug Sosnik	<u>✓</u>
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Harold Ickes	<u>✓</u>	Ann Stock	_____
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Scheduling Proposal

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June 6, 1996

The Honorable Henry Cisneros
Housing and Urban Development
451 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20410

Dear Secretary Cisneros:

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DRAFT #12 - 9/3/96

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1996

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

REGISTRATION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1996

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

REGISTRATION

8:00 PM

Welcome Party - Rock'n Roll

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Registration

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Video - State of the Union

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	Read Fraternal Greetings
2:35 PM	Memorial Video
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3:10 PM	Announcements
3:15 PM	Recess
3:30 - 6:00 PM	Committee Meetings
7:00 PM	Regional Parties
	Central and Eastern Canada, Open to all Delegates, D, E, F, G Ballroom
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June 22, 1995

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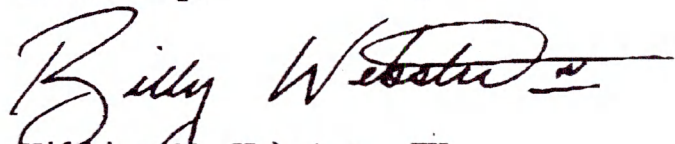
Dear Mr. Coia:

I am writing to follow up on your kind invitation for President Clinton to address the 21st General Convention of the Laborers' International Union of North America.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not give him the opportunity to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he will be unable to join you for this important event.

On behalf of the President, thank you again for your thoughtful offer and best wishes for a successful convention. Please do not hesitate to contact my office in the future if I can provide you with any assistance.

Sincerely,


William M. Webster, IV
Director of Scheduling and Advance

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LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

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March 12, 1996

The Honorable Robert B. Reich
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20210

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2:35 PM Report of Committee on Resolutions

2:50 PM Speaker (Representing foreign delegates)

3:00 PM Report of Committee on the General Executive Board

3:10 PM Video--Laborers' - AGC Training Funds

3:20 PM Report of Committee on Education, Training and Safety

3:40 PM Recess

4:00-7:00 PM Delegate Voting

This could be adjusted either direction. Regional parties not to start until after polls close.

Delegates vote on the election of regional vice presidents and vice presidents at large. Nomination balloting on the general officers will have already taken place on Tuesday.

7:00 PM
(Or at completion
of delegate voting)

Regional Parties

Northwest and Mid-Atlantic Regions, Reception, Ballroom A,
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1996

8:00 AM	Band/Walk-in Music (To be determined)
8:30 AM	Call to Order Invocation--Rabbi
8:40 AM	Video--Health and Safety
8:50 AM	Committee on Resolutions (Continues)
9:10 AM	Speaker--Matt Biondi - U. S. Olympic Swimmer
9:30 AM	Report on Committee on the General President's Report
10:00 AM	Speaker--Albert Hale, President, Navajo Nation
10:15 AM	Report of Committee on Constitution and Laws
11:00 AM	Election Results - Announcement by Election Officer
11:05 AM	Swearing In of New Officers--Comments by newly elected officials
11:50 AM	Report of Committee on Grievances, Adjustments and Appeals
12:15 PM	Video--Pension
12:20 PM	Report of Committee on Welfare and Pension
12:50 PM	Closing Video
1:00 PM	Closing Remarks - Arthur Coia
1:10 PM	Closing <i>sine die</i>
1:15 PM	Lunch Hilton Hotel

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 26, 1996

8:00 PM

LIUNA Theater Party

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Mr. Arthur A. Coia
General President
Laborers' International Union of North America
905-16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006-1765

Dear Mr. Coia:

I am writing to follow up on your kind invitation for President Clinton to address the 21st General Convention of the Laborers' International Union of North America.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not give him the opportunity to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he will be unable to join you for this important event.

On behalf of the President, thank you again for your thoughtful offer and best wishes for a successful convention. Please do not hesitate to contact my office in the future if I can provide you with any assistance.

Sincerely,

Billy Webster
William M. Webster, IV
Director of Scheduling and Advance

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LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

December 16, 1994

President William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to seek your support for increased funding in fiscal year 1996 of the Labor-Management Cooperation Program, the unique contract and grant program of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

The cornerstone in rebuilding the U.S. economy lies in reshaping the fundamental relationship between labor and management. To meet the global economic challenge, Americans must develop a new structure for labor-management relations that fosters the economic competitiveness of firms and employment security for workers.

In this regard, the Labor-Management Cooperation Program is to be applauded for its positive role in promoting joint labor-management efforts. This program, which was created by the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-524), provides financial assistance in the establishment and operation of labor-management committees that have been organized jointly by employers and labor unions representing workers in particular plants, areas, or industries.

The program's purposes are - (1) to improve the working relationships between employers and workers, (2) to enhance the involvement of workers in making decisions that affect their working lives, (3) to provide employers and workers with opportunities to explore new and innovative joint approaches to achieving organizational effectiveness, and (4) to explore ways of eliminating potential problems which reduce competitiveness and inhibit economic development.

President William J. Clinton
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December 16, 1994

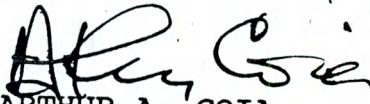
Unfortunately, the Labor-Management Cooperation Program has never been adequately funded. While the 1978 law authorized \$10 million annually for the program, the Reagan and Bush Administrations never asked for an appropriation of more than \$1 million in a single year.

We believe the federal government should play an important role in stimulating joint labor-management cooperation. Therefore, we ask that your Administration budget a full \$10 million for the Labor-Management Cooperation Program.

For our part, the Laborers' International Union of North America, along with our signatory contractors, have for several years been working towards better labor-management cooperation through our jointly funded Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust program. We believe that a fully funded Labor-Management Cooperation Program can contribute significantly to efforts which we have begun and which have resulted in measurable benefits to labor, management, and the economy as a whole.

As always, on behalf of the Laborers' International Union of North America, I want to thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


ARTHUR A. COIA
General President

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 1, 1995

MEMORANDUM FOR HAROLD ICKES

FROM: STEVE SILVERMAN *SS*
CC: KITTY HIGGINS
SUBJECT: Labor Management Co-Op Programs

On February 13, you inquired about labor-management co-operative programs. You advised that the International President of the International Machinists Union, AFL-CIO had an interest in these programs.

Labor reports that the FY '95 funding level for the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) grant for labor-cooperation programs is \$1.75M. The funding level for the programs proposed in the President's FY budget is also \$1.75M. The program was authorized at \$10M but has never received that level of funding.

FMCS supports continuation of this grant.

Please let me know if there is further information you need on this subject.

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December 22, 1994

Mr. Harold Ickes
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Ickes:

Enclosed is a grant proposal we submitted to the Department of Labor on December 15, 1994. This proposal is presented to you following our earlier conversation where it was agreed that you receive copies of all grants requested by this International Union.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur A. Coia

ARTHUR A. COIA
General President

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LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

December 15, 1994

Ms. Brenda Banks
U.S. Department of Labor
Employment and Training Administration
Division of Acquisition and Assistance
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Room S-4203
Washington, D.C. 20210

RE: SGA/DAA 94-23

Dear Ms. Banks:

On behalf of the Laborers' Institute for Training and Education, please find the enclosed application for funding under SGA/DAA 94-23 -- "Job Training Partnership Act: Title III - Job Development Broker Program -- as described in the November 3, 1994 Federal Register, Vol. 59, No. 212, pp 55133-55140.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Terence M. O'Sullivan

Terence M. O'Sullivan
LITE Administrator

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June 23, 1995

Mr. Arthur Coia
General President
Laborers' International Union of North America
905 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Arthur:

I want to congratulate you and your union for the \$750,000 Job Development Broker demonstration grant award designed to retrain approximately 3,000 dislocated workers in 17 states which was announced this week by the Department of Labor. As the largest grant recipient, you and LIUNA must be proud of this recognition of your good work.

I also understand that a while back you had been put in touch with Regina Vargo, Director of the Mexico Office of the Commerce Department regarding the Interamerican Partnership for Environmental Education and Training (IPEET). Please let me know if any follow up is needed.

I look forward to speaking to you soon.

Sincerely,

Harold Ickes

Harold Ickes
Assistant to the President
and Deputy Chief of Staff

LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

March 29, 1995



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Mr. Harold Ickes

Assistant to the President

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1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20500

Dear Harold:

I have just learned that the Agency for International Development has contacted our International Affairs Department and requested our assistance in implementing an infrastructure training program in Haiti.

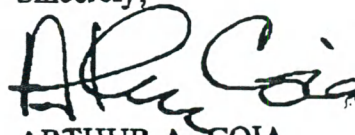
We have immediately begun developing a project plan, the first element of which will be to recruit a mobile team from our Union which can travel to selected sites throughout Haiti and teach basic construction skills to the demobilized members of the Haitian Army. Representatives from A.I.D. have informed us that if we put this initial project together quickly, we stand an excellent chance of being the sole training institution in Haiti for the medium and long-term development of the country's infrastructure.

As you can imagine, we are very excited about this project, and see many benefits for all parties involved. I understand that President Clinton is scheduled to travel to Haiti this week to announce the withdrawal of our troops there. I would very much like to be considered for inclusion in that trip, and would be delighted to outline our training program to President Clinton and his delegation while there.

I will keep you abreast of our discussions with the A.I.D. representatives. In the meantime, I would appreciate your immediate attention and assistance in this matter, and look forward to talking further with you about it very soon.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely,

ARTHUR A. COIA
General President

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August 3, 1995

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The Honorable Harold Ickes
Assistant to the President
and Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Ickes:

On several occasions I have written to you and forwarded to you copies of correspondence to others, including Secretary Shalala, regarding a matter whose resolution is long past due. That is, the issue of standby back pay claims for employees of the Pine Ridge Indian Health Service (IHS) facility. My frustration is exceeding its bounds at the inability of the agency or the Administration to resolve this matter.

The employees, my staff and Senator Daschle and his staff have pursued this matter for nearly three years. We are at a point where the amount of interest owed will exceed the amount of the original awards. This is unfair to the employees and the taxpayers. It does not speak well of the stewardship of this agency.

Attached you will find some of the more recent correspondence on this matter. The most recent communication to Ms. Shirley Terwilliger, the Laborers' union steward, from Leonard Little Finger of the Pine Ridge IHS facility, is a further request for information. This request is unnecessary. The information has been provided on more than one occasion.

I appreciate your intervention and resolution. I ask you to intervene in this matter personally and see it to resolution. These employees have waited nearly three years. They should wait no longer.

In anticipation of your assistance, I thank you.

Sincerely,


ARTHUR A. COIA
General President

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27 September 1995

Mr. Michael D. Boggs
Director of International Affairs
Laborers' International Union of
North America
905-16th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20006-1765

Dear Mr. Boggs:

My apology for having taken this long to respond to your 18 July letter. I have referred the issue to Jack Otero, Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs at the Department of Labor. He will contact you directly about opportunities to utilize your training programs. He can be reached at 202/219-6043.

Sincerely,

Harold Ickes

Harold Ickes
Assistant to the President
and Deputy Chief of Staff

cc: The Honorable Jack Otero

LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

July 18, 1995

The Honorable Harold Ickes
Assistant to the President
and Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Ickes:

At the suggestion of General President Arthur A. Coia, I write to clarify our efforts to secure funding for job-creating projects in Mexico and beyond. General President Coia made reference to that in his discussions and correspondence with you earlier.

We have been discussing program and funding with the U.S.T.R's office, which then led to explorations with the Agency for International Development, the Department of Commerce and the Environmental Protection Agency. Given funding uncertainties, all of those explorations have led to a dead end.

The Laborers' International Union of North America trains 50,000 workers a year in subjects relative to the construction industry in all of its phases and environmental remediation. Both of these areas figure prominently in Mexico, for example, where the economic downturn has made job creation a first priority. The North American Free Trade Accord addresses the environmental question directly. The need in Mexico to address environmental questions from potable water to hazardous waste remediation is critical. Our training programs address these questions directly, have been established for decades, have been tried out experimentally in Mexico on several occasions in 1994 meeting with great success.

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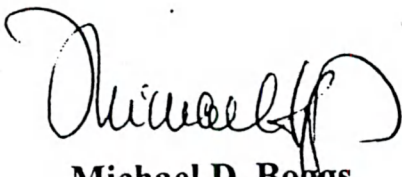
Our intent is to train trainers so that future training activity can be carried out in Mexico at very low cost. This creates jobs in Mexico, manned by skilled working men and women who are able to address environmental remediation problems with expertise unknown in Mexico. Obviously, as the activity to address environmental imbalances in Mexico proceeds, jobs will be created, as well.

So far, we have been unable to convince our interlocutors from the U.S. Government of the practicality and urgency of these efforts to train.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this question with appropriate levels of agencies that would be interested in funding these training efforts in Mexico and in other countries so that we can satisfy President Clinton's initiatives in Mexico through NAFTA and beyond while creating a pool of skilled workmen and working women to address vital questions concerning the environment.

I should inform you that the letter we received in August, 1994, signed on behalf of Regina K. Vargo, Director of the Office of Mexico of the United States Department of Commerce, simply referred us to other agencies with whom we had already dialogued. We would like to go further.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Boggs", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Michael D. Boggs
Director of International Affairs

c.c. General President Arthur A. Coia

April 24, 1995

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY BROWN

FROM: HAROLD ICKES
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

SUBJECT: TRAINING PROGRAMS IN MEXICO

The President of the Laborers International Union, Arthur Coia, wrote to me recently about proposals he has discussed with your department regarding training programs in Mexico. I understand the Laborers have training programs ready to be implemented for workers in Mexico, and have Institutes in Mexico interested in accepting such training programs.

He indicates in his attached letter that he has not received responses to his proposals. I understand that in October, he met with members of your staff, and staff from the Department of Labor and the United States Trade Representative's office and that the result of that meeting was a suggestion that he apply to the Department of Commerce for the types of training programs he is interested in implementing. Would you please review his proposals and have the appropriate person on your staff contact him to follow up on his proposals and ideas. As you know, he and his union were very supportive of the President on the NAFTA issue, and he is interested in continuing to work with us through these programs.