

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

7:15 PM

Millennium Lecture Series

Tab A

- Remarks

Tab B

To Be Forwarded

Wednesday, April 22, 1998

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1998**

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Mostly cloudy. Winds east to northeast at 6 to 12 knots. Low 45 to 50. High 61 to 66.

April 21, 1998 (8:02pm)

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2:05	pm	THE PRESIDENT arrives The White House
2:10	pm-	LUNCH WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT
3:10	pm	OVAL OFFICE DINING ROOM
3:15	pm-	BRIEFING
3:30	pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Sandy Berger
3:30	pm-	BRIEFING
3:45	pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Sandy Berger
3:55	pm-	MEETING
4:00	pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett
4:00	pm-	PHONE AND OFFICE TIME/DOWN
7:00	pm	OVAL OFFICE/RESIDENCE
7:00	pm-	BRIEFING FOR MILLENNIUM LECTURE SERIES
7:15	pm	RED ROOM Staff Contact: Ellen Lovell
7:15	pm-	MEET AND GREET
7:30	pm	BLUE ROOM Staff Contact: Ellen Lovell Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz CLOSED PRESS

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7:30 pm-
9:00 pm

MILLENNIUM LECTURE SERIES
EAST ROOM/STATE DINING ROOM
Remarks: Jordan Tamagni
Staff Contact: Ellen Lovell
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
POOL PRESS

- Announcement of **The President** and The First Lady, accompanied by the poets laureate - Rita Dove, Robert Haas, and Robert Pinsky, into the East Room
- The First Lady makes remarks and introduce the poets laureate Rita Dove, Robert Haas and Robert Pinsky.
- The poets laureate recite poetry.
- **The President** opens the discussion.
- Upon conclusion of the discussion, **The President** and The First Lady proceed to the State Dining Room for a reception.
- **The President** and The First Lady depart at their leisure.

BC/HRC RON

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 21, 1998 (8:02pm)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MILLENNIUM EVENING AT THE WHITE HOUSE

DATE: April 22, 1998
LOCATION: East Room
TIME: 7:00pm
STAFF CONTACT: Ellen McCulloch-Lovell,
Deputy Assistant to the President &
Advisor to the First Lady on the Millennium

I. PURPOSE

You and the First Lady will host the third in a series of Millennium Evenings at the White House. These evenings consist of both lectures and cultural showcases. You will greet the current poet laureate Robert Pinsky, and the two former poets laureate Robert Hass and Rita Dove, and some of our sponsors from Sun Microsystems in the Blue Room prior to proceeding to the East Room for the lecture.

II. BACKGROUND

This is the third Millennium Evening in a series which began in January with a lecture from Harvard Professor Bernard Bailyn and continued with physicist Stephen Hawking in March. As with the past two lectures, you and the First Lady have encouraged Americans to participate in the lecture and discussion via the Internet; the evening will also be broadcast via satellite and will be down linked to community colleges, state humanities councils, and Veterans Medical Centers in many states. Individuals with satellite dishes may also pull down the signal.

Robert Pinsky is the current Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress. He is focusing his work on the Favorite Poem Project, which will create an audio/video archive of 1000 Americans -- from every state, with varying regional accents, ages, kinds of education, professions and ethnicities -- reciting their favorite poems.

Robert Hass is a professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley and served as Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress from 1995 to 1997. During his tenure as Poet Laureate, Professor Hass battled illiteracy by putting into action his belief that, "*Imagination makes communities.*"

Rita Dove is Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and served as the Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry between 1993-1995. She was the youngest person -- and the first African-American -- to receive that honor.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-brief Participants:

The First Lady
Ellen McCulloch-Lovell
Capricia Marshall
Laura Schiller
Jordan Tamagni

Meet and Greet:

Mr. Robert Pinsky, poet laureate 1997-1998
Mrs. Ellen Pinsky, wife of Robert Pinsky
Ms. Caroline Pinsky, Robert Pinsky's daughter
Mr. George Conlow, wife of Caroline Pinsky
Ms. Elizabeth Pinsky, Robert Pinsky's Daughter
Mrs. Rita Dove, poet laureate 1993-1995
Mr. Fred Viebahn, husband of Rita Dove
Ms. Aviva Chantal Tamu Dove Viebahrn, daughter of Rita Dove
Mr. Robert Hass, poet laureate 1995-1997
Ms. Brenda Hillman, wife of Robert Hass
Chairman William Ferris, National Endowment for the Humanities
Mrs. Marcie Ferris, wife of William Ferris
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Mrs. Majorie Billington, wife of Dr. James Billington
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Michael Martin Singer, Managing Director of the Sun Soft Government Group
Elaine G. Singer, Wife of Michael Singer
Heidi Baker Heiden, Senior Vice President of Operations at UUNET
Kay Victoria Heiden, Wife of Heidi Heiden
Ellen Lovell

Event Participants:

Guest list to be provided by Social Office.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Pool Press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

7:00 The President and First Lady arrive at the Red Room for briefing.

7:15 The President and the First Lady proceed to the Blue Room for meet and greet.

7:25 Ellen Lovell is announced into the East Room and makes brief remarks to audience before satellite feed starts.

The President and the First Lady, accompanied by Robert Pinsky, Robert Hass, and Rita Dove, are announced from the Blue Room into the East Room and take their places on stage.

7:30 Pre-program begins. There is an 8-10 minute clip for cybercast and broadcast.

7:40 Program Begins

The First Lady makes remarks and introduces Robert Pinsky.

Robert Pinsky makes remarks and introduces Robert Hass and Rita Dove and the poets read poems for approximately 35 minutes.

The President makes remarks and turns evening over to Ellen Lovell.

Ellen Lovell takes questions from audience and the internet.

Selected individuals read selected poems.

9:00 The President makes final remarks, reads favorite poem and invites guests into the State Dining room for a reception.

The President and the First Lady have the option to stay for the reception or depart.

VI. TALKING POINTS

Remarks provided by speech writers

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Bios on poets laureate.

MILLENNIUM EVENING GUEST SPEAKER
ROBERT PINSKY

Robert Pinsky is the current Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress. He is focusing his work on the Favorite Poem Project which will create an audio/video archive of 1000 Americans—from every state with varying regional accents, ages, kinds of education, professions and ethnicities—reciting their favorite poems. He says, “The Favorite Poem Project offers a unique way to learn about poetry—through people who love specific poems. The archive will be a gift to the nation’s future.”

Born in 1940 in Long Branch, New Jersey, Robert Pinsky first had his imagination captured by the way words sounded, as in the rhythm of the train conductor’s cry, “Passengers going to Hoboken, change trains at Summit.” He developed a love of music as a saxophonist and his earliest writings were more often songs than poetry. He later earned a bachelor’s degree from Rutgers University, and then attended Stanford University where he held a Stegner fellowship. “If anyone should ask a thousand years from now, ‘Who were the Americans?’ one of the three or four cultural answers, along with our film and jazz, is a poetry that has deeply affected readers all over the world.”

His collections of poetry include *Sadness and Happiness* (1975); *An Explanation of America* (1980); *History of My Heart* (1984), awarded the William Carlos Williams Award of the Poetry Society of America; *The Want Bone* (1990); and *The Figured Wheel: New and Collected Poems 1966-1996*, nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry and awarded the Ambassador Book Award in Poetry of the English Speaking Union and the Lenore Marshall Award. Mr. Pinsky’s translation *The Inferno of Dante* (1994) won the Los Angeles Times Book Award in poetry and the Academy of American Poets’ translation award; it was also a Book-of-the-Month-Club Editor’s Choice. His works in prose include *The Situation of Poetry* (1977) and *Poetry and the World* (1988), which was nominated for the National Book Critics Circle Award in Criticism. He has received many other literary awards and honors.

In addition to a long career in teaching, currently at Boston University, he has served as Poetry Editor of *The New Republic* and is currently the poetry editor of the on-line magazine *Slate*. He has written that, “Poetry is itself a technology . . . like the digital computer, verse is a memory system; a means of storing information that can be called up with great speed, compactly.”

Mr. Pinsky lives in Newton, Massachusetts with his wife Ellen Pinsky, a clinical psychologist. They have three grown daughters, Nicole, Caroline and Elizabeth, and a grandson, Samuel Eli Pinsky-Dickson.

MILLENNIUM EVENING GUEST SPEAKER
ROBERT HASS

Robert Hass is a professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley and served as Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress from 1995 to 1997. During his tenure as Poet Laureate, Professor Hass battled illiteracy by putting into action his belief that, "*Imagination makes communities.*" Of his passion for promoting literacy, he explains that, "when I got the (Laureate) job I did a lot of reading about literacy . . . One of the things that struck me was just how powerful a presence poetry has been in our culture when we were, as a people, teaching ourselves to read. At the beginning of the 19th century, less than 60 percent of American males could write their name, and that was far higher than in most of Europe. If you were black, you could get killed for reading. But we made literacy a civic religion from the idea that you couldn't have a democracy without it, and we taught a whole people to read. It's one of the great achievements of the American democratic experiment—and one of the indicators of the hunger for literacy, was a taste for poetry."

As Poet Laureate, Professor Hass also sponsored a week long celebration of American nature writing called "Watershed." His commitment to environmental issues led him to found the River of Words poetry contest which is run through the International Rivers Network.

Born in San Francisco, California in 1941, Professor Hass remembers as a child discovering a poem which, "made me understand what the word 'swoon' meant . . . It was the first physical sensation of the truthfulness of a thing that I had ever felt." He went on to earn his bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College, Moraga, California, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Stanford University. While beginning his teaching career, he entered the Yale Younger Poets' competition and won it for his first book, *Field Guide* (1973). He has also published *Praise* (1979) for which he won the William Carlos Williams Award of the Poetry Society of America, *Human Wishes* (1989) which won the Commonwealth Club of California Medal for Poetry, and *Sun Under Wood* (1996) for which he won the National Book Critics Circle Award for poetry.

Professor Hass has also won acclaim for his work in translation and editing, including his work with poet Czeslaw Milosz which won two PEN/BABRA Translation Awards. He edited and translated *The Essential Haiku: Versions of Basho, Buson, and Issa* (1994) and wrote a collection of essays, *Twentieth Century Pleasures: Prose on Poetry* (1984) which won the National Book Critics Circle Award. Among his many honors, one which is especially meaningful is having been named Educator of the Year by the North American Association for Environmental Education in 1996 for his work on the River of Words project. Thousands of schoolchildren participate in the program, which helps students learn their watershed and their ecological address.

Professor Hass lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with his wife, poet Brenda Hillman. They have four children.

MILLENNIUM EVENING GUEST SPEAKER
RITA DOVE

Rita Dove is Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and served as the Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry between 1993-1995. She was the youngest person—and the first African-American—to receive that honor. While Poet Laureate, Ms. Dove brought a program of poetry and jazz to the Library's literary series, along with a reading by young Crow Indian poets and a two-day conference entitled "Oil on the Waters: The Black Diaspora," featuring panel discussions, readings and music. As she accepted the Laureate position she noted that, "If only the sun-drenched celebrities are being noticed and worshiped, then our children are going to have a tough time seeing value in the shadows, where the thinkers, probers and scientists are who are keeping society together."

Born in Akron, Ohio in 1952, Ms. Dove is the daughter of the first black research chemist who, in the 1950's, broke the race barrier in the tire industry. Ms. Dove was named a high school Presidential Scholar and was graduated summa cum laude from Miami University (Oxford, Ohio). She attended Universitat Tubingen (Germany) as a Fulbright fellow, and received her Master of Fine Arts at the University of Iowa. Her books include the poetry collections *The Yellow House on the Corner* (1980), *Museum* (1983), *Thomas and Beulah* (1986) for which she was awarded the Pulitzer Prize, *Grace Notes* (1989), *Selected Poems* (1993), and *Mother Love* (1995). She has also written a volume of short stories, *Fifth Sunday* (1985), a novel, *Through the Ivory Gate* (1992), essays under the title *The Poet's World* (1995), and the play *The Darker Face of the Earth*, which received its world premiere in 1996 at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and had a four week run at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. last fall. She expects to release another collection of poetry in the spring of 1999 and is currently working on a new play set in Washington, D.C. in the 1960's. Her new work, *Seven for Luck: A song cycle for soprano and orchestra*, written with composer John Williams, will be a Boston Pops PBS special this summer.

She says of poetry, "What makes (it) spiritually nourishing in a way only poetry can be, is that it can stop a moment, and by capturing one moment makes us take a break and look around and feel really alive. We're so sped up most of the time; we're just going through the motions of being alive."

Among other honors, Ms. Dove's poetry has earned her recognition from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Humanities Center, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Academy of American Poets, the American Academy of Achievement and many others. In 1996, she received the National Medal in the Humanities, the U.S. government's highest honor for writers and scholars in the humanities.

She lives in Charlottesville, Virginia with her husband—novelist, playwright and screenwriter Fred Viebahn—and their daughter, Aviva.

THE REMARKS
FOR THE MILLENNIUM LECTURE SERIES
WILL BE FORWARDED

Thursday, April 23, 1998

9:50 AM	Child Care Event	Tab A
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	- Meet & Greet List/Bios	Tab C
11:20 AM	Working Visit with President Niyazov of Turkmenistan	Distributed Separately
11:20 AM	Working Visit	
12:10 PM	Lunch	
1:15 PM	Farewell	
1:30 PM	Off-the-Record Session with Helen Thomas of UPI, Terry Hunt of Associated Press, and Larry McQuillan of Reuters	Tab D
2:00 PM	Speech Preparation	No Paper
7:45 PM	1993 Budget Reception	Tab E
	- Remarks	Tab F To Be Forwarded

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1998**

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.
**Partly to mostly cloudy, becoming cloudy by
late afternoon. Winds east at 6 to 12 knots.
Low 45 to 50. High 60 to 65.**

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**Schedule of the President
for
Thursday, April 23, 1998
*Final Schedule***

9:00 am- **MEETING**
9:15 am OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles

9:15 am- **BRIEFING**
9:45 am OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

9:50 am- **MEET AND GREET**
10:00 am OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

**Note: There will be approximately 32 Treasury Department
Working Group members present.**

10:00 am- **CHILD CARE EVENT**
10:45 am ROSE GARDEN
[RAIN SITE: OLD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 450]
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
OPEN PRESS

- The First Lady makes remarks and introduces Secretary Donna Shalala.
- Secretary Donna Shalala makes brief remarks and introduces Secretary Alexis Herman.
- Secretary Alexis Herman makes brief remarks and introduces CEO TBD.
- CEO TBD makes brief remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks.

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-- The President departs the Rose Garden.

11:00 am-

BRIEFING

11:20 am

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Sandy Berger

11:20 am-

**BILATERAL MEETING WITH PRESIDENT NIYAZOV OF
TURKMENISTAN**

12:00 pm

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

STILLS ONLY (AT THE TOP)

12:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT, accompanied by President Niyazov, proceeds to the Old Family Dining Room

12:10 pm-

LUNCH WITH PRESIDENT NIYAZOV OF TURKMENISTAN

1:10 pm

OLD FAMILY DINING ROOM

Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

CLOSED PRESS

1:10 pm

THE PRESIDENT, accompanied by President Niyazov, departs the Old Family Dining Room and proceeds to the West Wing

1:15 pm

THE PRESIDENT bids farewell to President Niyazov of Turkmenistan outside Oval Office

1:30 pm-

HOLD

2:00 pm

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Mike McCurry

2:00 pm-

SPEECH PREPARATION

3:00 pm

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Michael Waldman

3:00 pm-

PHONE AND OFFICE TIME

7:15 pm

OVAL OFFICE

7:20 pm-

BRIEFING

7:30 pm

RED ROOM

Staff Contact: Larry Stein, Capricia Marshall

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8:45 pm

1993 BUDGET RECEPTION

EAST ROOM

Staff Contact: Larry Stein, Capricia Marshall

Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

POOL PRESS (REMARKS ONLY)

7:30 pm -- **The President** proceeds to the Blue Room and receives guests.

8:15 pm -- Speaking program TBD.

-- Upon conclusion of the speaking program, **the President** departs.

BC/HRC RON

**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

April 22, 1998 (7:20pm)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 22, 1998

CHILD CARE EVENT

DATE: April 23, 1998
LOCATION: Rose Garden
EVENT TIME: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
FROM: Bruce Reed

I. PURPOSE

To urge congressional action on child care, and release two reports documenting business efforts on child care: (1) the Treasury Working Group on Child Care report, *Investing in Child Care*; and (2) the Department of Labor report, *Meeting the Needs of Today's Workforce: Child Care Best Practices*. You will also announce a new commitment by the Department of Labor to serve as a clearinghouse for businesses interested in child care, and to set up a business-to-business mentoring program on child care.

II. BACKGROUND

Legislative Update on Child Care

While the event will spotlight best practices in the corporate community and urge greater private sector commitment to child care, the purpose of this event is to emphasize the importance of a federal commitment to child care and to urge Congress to act on child care legislation this year. Numerous child care bills have been introduced by Democrats and by Republicans since you announced your child care initiative earlier this year. Many of the bills incorporate the Administration's key child care priorities -- substantial new subsidies and tax credits to help low- and middle-income families pay for child care; investments to help states and communities improve the quality of early childhood programs; a new tax credit for businesses that provide child care services; and an expansion of before- and after-school programs. Further, several of the tobacco proposals (Conrad, Fazio, and Kennedy) would direct a portion of tobacco revenue to child care and early childhood programs.

Some key Members of Congress are committed to Congressional action on child care this year, including Senators Dodd, Kennedy, Kerry, Chafee and Snowe, and Representatives Kennelly, Tauscher, and DeLauro. Importantly, the bipartisan Congressional Women's Caucus, led by Representatives Norton and Johnson, recently released a letter to Speaker Gingrich urging that Congress pass child care legislation.

Despite the interest in child care, there are serious obstacles to enacting the Administration's proposals. First, as you know, the Senate Budget Resolution targets all tobacco funds to Medicare. While the Resolution allows for up to \$9 billion for expanded child care tax credits and \$5 billion to increase discretionary spending for the Child Care and Development Block Grant, offsets would have to be found for these expansions. Second, both Houses have passed resolutions emphasizing that any child care proposal must include significant new funding for stay-at-home parents, thereby pitting child care investments against programs and tax cuts that would help parents who stay home care for their children. Third, many Democrats are more interested in using child care as a political issue in an election year than in passing a bill this session. Finally, the Republican leadership is stalling child care legislation for political reasons. The House Ways and Means Committee has not scheduled any hearings on child care, and Senator Chafee was only recently able to schedule a child care hearing before his Finance Subcommittee.

Release of Final Report of Treasury Working Group on Child Care

Investing in Child Care is the final report of the Treasury Working Group on Child Care, which you asked Secretary Rubin to lead at the White House Conference on Child Care. This initiative has garnered significant enthusiasm from the children's advocacy community, as it represents the first time a Treasury Secretary has focused on child care issues. The report discusses what businesses can do to promote access to affordable, high quality child care for their employees, highlights a wide range of best practices, and presents evidence that investing in child care makes good business sense. The Working Group report finds that, while only one percent of revenues for child care and early education come from the private sector, businesses benefit from providing child care assistance in a variety of ways -- through improved productivity, lower turnover, better recruitment, reduced absenteeism, and improved morale.

The Treasury Working Group will meet with the First Lady and Erskine Bowles before this event. The Working Group consists of business and labor leaders, and includes Sandy Weill, CEO, The Travelers Group; Randy Tobias, President, Eli Lilly; John Sweeney, President, AFL-CIO; Doug Price, CEO, FirstBank of Colorado; George Stinson, President and CEO, General Converters and Assemblers; and Marcy Whitebook, National Co-Director, Center for the Child Care Workforce. (Please note that the group was not subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act and therefore *will not* make recommendations.)

Release of Labor Department Report and Announcement of New Commitment

The Labor Department report that will be released at the event, *Meeting the Needs of Today's Workforce: Child Care Best Practices*, highlights best practices of the corporate sector to offer child care assistance to their workers. The examples are primarily gleaned from the Labor Department's Honor Roll of companies with model family-friendly workplace practices. You will also announce a new commitment by the Department of Labor to serve as a clearinghouse for businesses interested in child care, and to set up a business-to-business mentoring program on child care.

Take Our Daughters to Work Day

April 23rd is the sixth annual Take Our Daughters to Work Day. The Ms. Foundation for Women began the program in 1993 to address issues facing adolescent girls aged nine to fifteen. The program gives girls the opportunity to visit a work setting with a parent or friend so they can see all of the different jobs women do. Many guests at this event will have their daughters with them.

III. PARTICIPANTS

- The First Lady
- Secretary Herman
- Secretary Shalala
- Randy Tobias, CEO, Eli Lilly and Co.

Also on stage:

Secretary Aida Alvarez
Members of Congress

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** will briefly meet the members of the Treasury Working Group and advisory committee in the Oval Office.
- **YOU** will be announced into the Rose Garden accompanied by the First Lady, Secretary Shalala, Secretary Herman, and Randy Tobias.
- The First Lady will make welcoming remarks and introduce Secretary Shalala.
- Secretary Shalala will make remarks and introduce Secretary Herman.
- Secretary Herman will make remarks and introduce Randy Tobias.
- Randy Tobias will make remarks and introduce **YOU**.
- **YOU** will make remarks and then depart.

VI. REMARKS

Remarks provided by Speechwriting.

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS ON CHILD CARE
THE WHITE HOUSE
April 23, 1998

Acknowledgments: The First Lady; Sec. Shalala; Sec. Herman; Randy Tobias (Chairman and CEO, Eli-Lilly & Co.); Sen. Dodd (leadership on child care); Sen. Jeffords (leadership on after-school care); Sen. Kohl; Sen. Specter; Reps. Lois Capps, Rosa DeLauro, Sheila Jackson Lee, Sander Levin, Matthew Martinez, Patsy Mink, Tim Roemer, Ellen Tauscher, Lynn Woolsey

As you know, today is Take Our Daughters to Work Day. This year's theme--"Imagine a Day"--asks Americans to envision a time when our daughters will be able to work anywhere and do anything they desire.

Today I want to talk about what we must do as a nation to make that day a reality. Not just for our daughters' sake but our sons', too. For any American who by choice or by necessity becomes a working parent, child care is a concern--available, affordable, safe, high-quality child care. For five years I have committed my administration to that goal. We are making substantial strides toward achieving it. But we must move further, and push harder, to build a strong and healthy America in the 21st century.

These are good times for America and for America's families. We have the strongest economy, the lowest welfare rolls and the lowest crime rates in a generation. Our economic strategy is helping people meet their responsibilities both at work and at home. In last summer's historic balanced budget agreement, we provided working families with a child tax credit of \$500 per child; expanded health care access to 5 million uninsured children; and advanced the causes of adoption and the collection of child support.

But let's be clear: governments don't raise children. Parents do. There can be no substitute for a parent in teaching children right from wrong, or giving them the love and careful nurturing they need. Still, as previous speakers have mentioned, many parents face a tough choice between work and home. It is a tough choice--but a false one. And it is a losing proposition. If people have to pick between being responsible parents and productive workers, they lose and their children lose. We all lose.

That's why the private sector must do its part to protect the well-being of working families. The well-being of our economy depends upon it. Last fall, I called upon Secretary Rubin to lead a Treasury Working Group on Child Care--to examine the child care issues facing working parents and identify best practices in the private sector and in public-private partnerships. Today, I am releasing their report. Its results underscore my fundamental belief: business investment in child care is not only good for families, it's good for the bottom line.

I am also releasing a report by the Labor Department highlighting family-friendly businesses. Their Honor Roll status, as Secretary Herman just pointed out, is well deserved, and their child care programs are a model for other employers. To strengthen these efforts, I am today announcing a new Labor Department initiative to serve as a clearinghouse for companies interested in child care and to set up a business-to-business mentoring program on child care.

But the private sector cannot solve this problem alone. Across America, states are developing innovative approaches, and we also won \$4 billion more for the states as a part of welfare reform. These efforts are a good start. But states are still struggling to meet the needs of working parents, the thousands upon thousands who need care for their children but cannot find it or afford it.

These working parents are our national responsibility. Government's proper role is not to run child care, but to create a climate in which more companies provide it and more families can get it. That's why I have proposed a comprehensive, fiscally responsible plan to make child care safer, better, more available and more affordable. It won't add a dime to the deficit or a single bureaucrat to the federal payroll. But it will make a world of difference to working parents across our nation.

Before this legislative session is out, Congress should act on this important issue--to give Americans the tools they need in order to be good parents and good workers. Not one or the other. Targeted financial assistance and tax credits will help more working parents to afford child care. Tax cuts will encourage more businesses to provide it. My administration's plan also improves the safety and quality of child care and expands access to safe after-school care. Members of both parties of Congress have proposals that support these principles. There is not a lot of time left in this session, but there is enough time to resolve any differences and fulfill this obligation to America's families.

As I've said, the theme of this year's Take Our Daughters to Work Day is "Imagine a Day." If we take these next, important steps, if we take responsibility, then all our children will be able to imagine a day when a strong economy and strong families go hand in hand. On that day, we will be a stronger nation. I think that day will come soon.

MEET AND GREET WITH TREASURY DEPARTMENT WORKING GROUP

Michael Froman, Department of Treasury Chief of Staff (Secretary Rubin is unable to attend due to his wife's surgery.)

Treasury Department Child Care Working Group

Doug Price, CEO, FirstBank of Colorado, Denver, CO

FirstBank of Colorado is the lead bank of the 24 subsidiary banks of FirstBank Holding Company of Colorado, the state's largest locally owned bank. Mr. Price is chairman of the Colorado Business Commission on Child Care Financing, a group appointed by Governor Roy Romer to examine the needs of working parents and their children. FirstBank of Colorado established a reduced hours program in 1989 to provide workers the flexibility to both maintain a career and raise a family.

George Stinson, President & CEO, General Converters & Assemblers, Racine, Wisconsin

For the past 24 years, Mr. Stinson has been the Chairman and President of General Converters and Assemblers, Inc., a 200-person manufacturing company that makes disinfectant tablets and pallets. Mr. Stinson is presently the president of the Racine branch of the NAACP, the CEO of the Southeastern Wisconsin Private Industry Council and Chairman of the Racine County Economic Corporation. Mr. Stinson is an example of a small business leader who is working with other local companies to investigate ways to address child care issues.

AFL-CIO Executive Vice President Linda Chavez-Thompson (Substituting for John J. Sweeney, President, AFL-CIO)

Ms. Thompson was elected Executive Vice-President in 1995. Ms. Chavez-Thompson has thirty years experience in the labor movement. She rose from the organizing ranks of her union, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, to become the first person of color elected to an executive office of the AFL-CIO. She is the highest ranking woman in the labor movement.

Randall Tobias, Chairman & CEO, Eli Lilly and Co., Indianapolis, IN

Mr. Tobias is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Eli Lilly and Company which develops, manufactures and markets pharmaceuticals and animal products. Mr. Tobias is also on the board of the Phillips Petroleum Company, Kimberly-Clark Corporation, and Knight-Ridder, Inc. In 1996 he was named 1996 CEO Family Champion of the Year by Working Mother Magazine. Eli Lilly is working with state government, other Indiana companies, and the Purdue University Center for Families in a public-private partnership to address the need for sick child care throughout the state.

Sanford Weill, CEO, Travelers Insurance, New York, N.Y.

Mr. Weill is Chairman and Chief Executive Office of Travelers Group, the diversified financial services company. Mr. Weill has a long history of involvement in many aspects of child care which he has acted on in each of his assignments as CEO of American Express, Commercial Credit, Primerica and at his current position at Travelers. Salomon Smith Barney, a Travelers Group subsidiary, offers employees a choice of alternate work arrangements, including flextime, job sharing, and telecommuting. The purpose is to retain employees by helping them balance

work and personal life.

Marcy Whitebook, National Co-Director, National Center for Early Childhood Work Force, San Francisco, CA

The National Center for Early Childhood Work Force works to improve the quality of child care by upgrading the training and compensation of child care teachers and family child care providers. Dr. Whitebook, founding Executive Director of the Center, serves as the organization's Co-Director. She was the Project Director for the *National Child Care Staffing Study*, *NAEYC Accreditation as a Strategy for Improving Child Care Quality* and *Salary Improvements in Head Start: Lessons for the Early Care and Education Field*.

Advisors

Ellen Galinsky, President, Families & Work Institute, New York, N.Y.

The Families and Work Institute is a non-profit research and planning organization committed to developing new approaches for balancing the changing needs of America's families with the continuing need for workplace productivity. Before founding the Institute, Ms. Galinsky has been an advisor to the U.S. Department of Education on business and family involvement in education and to the U.S. Department of Labor. The Institute conducted the new survey that is highlighted in the report.

J.T. (Ted) Childs, Jr., Vice President of Global Diversity, IBM Corporation, North Tarrytown, NY

Mr. Childs has worldwide responsibility for IBM Corporation's workforce diversity programs and policies. In 1989, he was appointed by New York Governor Mario Cuomo to the Governor's Advisory Council on Child Care. He is a member of the American Business Collaboration (ABC) of Quality Dependent Care Board of Champions. The ABC is the largest and most comprehensive private sector initiative specifically designed to improve the quality and expand the supply of dependent care. IBM joined with PepsiCo to develop one of the first child care centers in northern Westchester County to serve infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in the same setting.

Dee Topol, Former President, Travelers Foundation

Ms. Topol was the President of the Travelers Foundation and directed the company's philanthropic program and foundation activity. She is chair of the Board of the Families and Work Institute; a member of New York State Permanent Interagency Council on Families and Children Advisory Board and a member of the Child Care Action Campaign.

Chris Kjeldsen, Vice President, Community and Workplace Programs, Johnson and Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey

In August of 1992, you took a tour of J&J's New Brunswick, N.J. headquarters J&J child development center. Mr. Kjeldsen oversees policies and programs which help Johnson & Johnson employees balance their work and family responsibilities. J&J offers child care consultation and referral through its LifeWorks program. LifeWorks helps J&J employees find and recognize quality child care, locate appropriate care for school-age children after school, plan for maternity/paternity leave and return, and prepare for adoption. J&J is opening its fifth and sixth child care centers within the next 60 days.

Faith Wohl, President, Child Care Action Campaign, New York, N.Y.

The Child Care Action Campaign (CCAC) is a national advocacy organization that works to stimulate and support the development of policies and programs that increase the availability of quality affordable child care. Prior to her joining CCAC she worked on Vice President Gore's National Performance Review. She has been Director of the U.S. General Services Administration's Office of Workplace Initiatives and worked for the DuPont, Co. for 20 years. She has been named one of America's "10 Most Admired Women Managers" by Working Woman magazine.

Liaisons

Marci Andrews, Public Policy Associate, National Center for Early Childhood Workforce Washington, D.C.

Candy Lange, Director, Work Life Strategy, Eli Lilly, Co., Indianapolis, IN

Karen Nussbaum, Director of the Women's Bureau, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.

Charles (Chip) Raymond, President, The Travelers Foundation, New York, N.Y.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 22, 1998

**OFF THE RECORD SESSION WITH HELEN THOMAS OF UPI,
TERRY HUNT OF ASSOCIATED PRESS,
AND LARRY MCQUILLAN OF REUTERS**

DATE: April 23, 1998
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 1:30 pm
FROM: Michael McCurry

You will meet with these three senior White House wire reporters for an informal off-the-record session. You know all three well so you do not need much background but below are a few ideas of what each may like to talk about.

Helen Thomas, press corps dean and legend, needs no introduction. As dean of the press corps, Helen is on a crusade for a press conference and an interview. We have billed this meeting as background for a future interview.

Terry Hunt is the Senior White House Correspondent for the Associated Press which you may recall is celebrating their 150th anniversary this year. The official celebration was held Tuesday in Dallas. Senator Moynihan was the guest speaker and spoke on NATO expansion. This OTR will take the place of the official interview AP requested.

Larry McQuillan of Reuters is also the current President of the White House Correspondents' Association and has spent much of the last week preparing for Saturday night's dinner. This topic will be foremost on his mind.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 22, 1998

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF THE 1993 BUDGET

DATE: Thursday, April 23, 1998

LOCATION: The State Floor

TIME: 7:30 pm- 8:45 pm

FROM: Larry Stein *LS*

I. PURPOSE

To celebrate the historic 1993 budget which put America on the path to economic health and prosperity.

II. BACKGROUND

This reception is to thank the Democratic Members of Congress who voted for H.R. 2264, the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993. As you will remember, this legislation passed both houses of Congress by a series of extremely close votes and that no Republicans voted in favor of this legislation. H.R. 2264 passed the House by a vote of 219 to 213 on May 27, 1993. It passed the Senate by a vote of 50 to 49 on June 25, 1993. The Conference Report passed the House by a vote of 218 to 216 on August 5, 1993, and passed the Senate by a vote of 51 to 50 on August 6, 1993. You signed this legislation into law on August 10, 1993.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing

Erskine Bowles
John Podesta
Sylvia Mathews
Larry Stein
Rahm Emanuel
Gene Sperling
Chuck Brain
Ann Lewis
Michael Waldman
Craig Smith
Martha Foley

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Event

To be provided by the Social Office.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Pool Press for remarks only.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

7:20pm-
7:30pm

BRIEFING

RED ROOM

Staff Contact: Larry Stein, Capricia Marshall

7:30pm-
8:45pm

1993 BUDGET RECEPTION

EAST ROOM

Staff Contact: Larry Stein, Capricia Marshall

Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

POOL PRESS (REMARKS ONLY)

- **The President** proceeds to the Blue Room and receives guests.
- Upon conclusion of the Receiving line, **the President** proceeds to the East Room.
- Speaking program TBD.
- Upon conclusion of the speaking program, **the President** departs.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by Speechwriting.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

None.

**THE REMARKS
FOR THE 1993 BUDGET RECEPTION
WILL BE FORWARDED**

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9:35 AM	White House Volunteer Event	Tab A
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11:00 AM	Foreign Policy Phone Call	Distributed Separately
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	- Talking Points	Tab D To Be Forwarded
2:45 PM	National Teacher of the Year Event	Tab E
	- Remarks	Tab F
	- 1998 State Teachers of the Year	Tab G
3:50 PM	School Safety Meeting	Tab H
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	- Background	Tab K To Be Forwarded

Friday, April 24, 1998

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 1998**

Final Schedule

SCHEDULING DIRECTOR:

STEPHANIE STREETT

HOME: 202-332-5651

OFFICE: 202-456-2823

WHCA PAGER: 4033

EVENT COORDINATOR:

LAURA SCHWARTZ

HOME: 202-331-4339

OFFICE: 202-456-5655

WHCA PAGER: 4293

WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mostly cloudy and breezy with periods of light rain showers. Winds north at 10 to 15 knots, diminishing to 6 to 12 knots by afternoon. Low 44 to 49. High 51 to 56

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**Schedule of the President
for
Friday, April 24, 1998
*Final Schedule***

9:15 am-		MEETING
9:30 am		MAP ROOM
		Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles
9:30 am-		BRIEFING
9:35 am		MAP ROOM
		Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall, Dan Burkhardt
9:35 am-		WHITE HOUSE VOLUNTEER EVENT
10:05 am		ROSE GARDEN
		Staff Contact: Dan Burkhardt
		Remarks: Laura Capps
		CLOSED PRESS
	--	Judithanne Scourfield, Director, White House Volunteer Program, makes brief remarks and introduces the First Lady.
	--	The First Lady makes brief remarks and introduces the President .
	--	The President makes remarks.
	--	The President and First Lady pose for a group photo.
10:30 am-		MEETING
10:45 am		OVAL OFFICE
		Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles
11:00 am-	(T)	BRIEFING AND FOREIGN POLICY PHONE CALL
11:30 am		OVAL OFFICE DINING ROOM
		Staff Contact: Samuel Berger
11:40 am		THE PRESIDENT departs The White House via motorcade en route Sheraton Carlton [drive time: 5 minutes]

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11:45 am **THE PRESIDENT** arrives The Sheraton Carlton

11:50 pm- **PHOTO RECEIVING LINE**

12:15 pm **BALLROOM**

Sheraton Carlton

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

12:20 pm- **DNC LUNCH**

12:40 pm **BALLROOM**

Sheraton Carlton

Remarks: Laura Capps

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal

POOL PRESS (REMARKS ONLY)

-- Governor Roy Romer, Chairman, Democratic National Committee,
gives brief remarks and introduces Len Barrack, Finance
Chairman, Democratic National Committee.

-- Len Barrack, Finance Chairman, Democratic National Committee,
gives brief remarks and introduces **the President**.

-- **The President** gives brief remarks and departs.

12:45 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs Sheraton Carlton via motorcade en route The
White House
[drive time: 5 minutes]

12:50 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives The White House

1:00 pm- **HOLD**

2:15 pm

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2:30 pm- **BRIEFING**
2:45 pm OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Maria Echaveste, Capricia Marshall

2:45 pm- **PHOTO OPPORTUNITY**
3:00 pm OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Maria Echaveste, Capricia Marshall
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

Note: The President , accompanied by Secretary Richard Riley, will be photographed with each State Teacher of the Year.
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3:00 pm- **NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR EVENT**
3:30 pm ROSE GARDEN
Staff Contact: Maria Echaveste, Capricia Marshall
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
OPEN PRESS

- Secretary Richard Riley makes brief remarks and introduces Senator Chuck Robb.
- Senator Chuck Robb makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks and presents the Commemorative Apple to the National Teacher of the Year, Philip Bigler.
- Philip Bigler, The National Teacher of the Year makes brief remarks.
- **The President** departs the Rose Garden.

3:40 pm- **BRIEFING**
3:50 pm OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed, Thurgood Marshall, Jr.

3:50 pm- **SCHOOL SAFETY MEETING**
4:50 pm CABINET ROOM
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed, Thurgood Marshall, Jr.
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5:00 pm- **PHONE AND OFFICE TIME**
6:15 pm **OVAL OFFICE**

OPTION:

4:55 pm- **BRIEFING**
5:10 pm **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Mike McCurry

5:15 pm- **DROP-BY MEETING OF BOARD OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**
5:20 pm **OF HISPANIC JOURNALISTS**
ROOSEVELT ROOM
Staff Contact: Mike McCurry

EVENING OFF

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1998

WHITE HOUSE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT

DATE: Friday, April 24, 1998
LOCATION: Rose Garden
TIME: 9:40 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
FROM:  Dan Burkhardt

I. PURPOSE

To thank the White House volunteers for their dedication and hard work.

II. BACKGROUND

The White House Volunteer Program is run by the Department of Correspondence. Approximately 1,000 volunteers currently work in the White House and at the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home, the Ring House, and the Stone Ridge School. Over two-thirds of these volunteers work in or on behalf of the Correspondence Department, assisting staff in reading your mail, processing greetings and messages, answering calls from members of the public on the comment line, and entering addresses and other information into our computer data base. Other volunteers work in various offices throughout the White House Complex.

This is the sixth volunteer appreciation event of your Presidency and your first opportunity to greet the volunteers as a group since you hosted them on the South Lawn in October 1997. The volunteers very much look forward to this event, and all will be excited at having the chance to see you.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-brief participants:

THE PRESIDENT

THE FIRST LADY

Judithanne Scourfield, Director of the White House Volunteer Program

Event participants:

THE PRESIDENT

THE FIRST LADY

Judithanne Scourfield

Approximately 400 volunteers

Other Correspondence Department staff (who will be working the event)

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

9:40 a.m.

YOU are announced from **the Palm Room** with THE FIRST LADY, and Judithanne Scourfield to the event site in the Rose Garden.

Judithanne Scourfield will read a brief message to the volunteers from the Vice President. Judithanne Scourfield will then introduce THE FIRST LADY.

THE FIRST LADY will make brief remarks before introducing **YOU**.

YOU make remarks.

Upon conclusion of remarks, **YOU** and THE FIRST LADY pose for a group photograph with the assembled volunteers.

10:00 a.m.

YOU and THE FIRST LADY depart.

VI. REMARKS

Attached remarks provided by the Correspondence Department. As in the past, your remarks highlight the work of several White House volunteers.

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**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
WHITE HOUSE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY
SOUTH LAWN, APRIL 24, 1998**

Hillary and I are delighted to show our appreciation for the generous service of our WH Volunteers. All of you are here because you care about your country, care about being involved and believe in the powerful ways that government can help improve the lives of others. Serving your community and your government is at the heart of what it means to be an American. I'm honored to pay tribute to you for your work.

This Administration has been at the vanguard of a revival of citizen service across America . . . from our request for the largest funding increase for the Peace Corps in history, to Americorps, to our America Reads Challenge. The ideals behind this commitment to service are reflected in the contributions you make daily at the White House.

When the call goes out for help, people like you respond -- cheerfully, professionally, and effectively. More than 1,000 of you work here regularly -- as a group you've worked a total of 53,000 hours so far this year, and by the end of 1998 you will have logged a total of more than 200,000 hours.

Most of you work in the Correspondence Department, but we also have volunteers working elsewhere in the OEOP, the NEOP, the East and West Wings, and on Jackson Place. You all take time out of your busy personal lives to help me with the work of this Administration. I can't tell you how much your sacrifice means to me and to the American people. All of you deserve special thanks, but I want to single out just a few of you for individual recognition.

First, the husband-and-wife team of Morry and Betty Myers have worked in First Lady's Correspondence since Sept. of 1993, Betty handling telephone inquiries and Morry proofreading our letters.

Since the first days of my Administration, David Alexander has served dependably in Presidential E-Mail, reading thousands of e-mails every week.

Jeannine Ragland works several full days each week in my Office of Personal Correspondence, sorting through our family's memorabilia and archiving it for my Presidential Library.

Erin Tariot [Tare-EE-ot] comes in promptly at 4:30 a.m. to help in the Press Office, clipping newspapers and distributing the White House News Report, in addition to balancing a full academic load at American University.

I also want to recognize the volunteers from the Natl. Soldiers and Airmen's Home, the Ring House, and the Stone Ridge School, who help out in the Greetings Office and Student Correspondence, and the docents in the OEOP tour program, who help us share that unique building with the public.

Finally, I want to thank Judithanne Scourfield, [SCOWER-field] Dir. of the Volunteer Office. Her warmth, effectiveness adds to your fulfillment here each day.

Again, Hillary and I are deeply grateful for the caring and commitment you bring to your jobs here at the White House. We hope you'll keep up the good work and keep this place running! Please accept our warmest thanks, and God bless you all.

April 24, 1998

**DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
150th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND PREMIERE OF RAGTIME LUNCHEON
HONORING PRESIDENT CLINTON**

DATE:	Friday, April 24, 1998
LOCATION:	The Sheraton Carlton Hotel 16th and K Streets, NW Washington, D.C.
TIME:	11:45 a.m.
FROM:	Craig T. Smith and Minyon Moore

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this event is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee.

II. BACKGROUND

YOU are attending a fundraising event for the Democratic National Committee. The event is a seated lunch to engage new and renewing major supporters of the DNC. The guests represent leaders in both the corporate and legal professions from throughout the nation. They are Major Supporters of the DNC attending the weekend celebration of the DNC's 150th Birthday.

III. PARTICIPANTS

There will be approximately 100 guests at the lunch including Major Supporters and their accompanying guest. Please see the attached guest list.

IV. PRESS PLAN

The lunch is open to the pool press for remarks.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** arrive at 11:45 a.m. and proceed to the stage for a photo-receiving line (50 photos).
- Upon completion of the photo-receiving line, **YOU** proceed to the podium.
- Governor Romer delivers brief remarks and introduces National Finance Chairman Len Barrack.
- Len Barrack delivers brief remarks and introduces **YOU**.
- **YOU** deliver remarks.
- **TBD**, **YOU** will be seated at the head table for the luncheon.
- Prior to your departure, **YOU** will inform your guests that **YOU** must depart for a funeral.
- **YOU** depart.

VI. REMARKS

- To be provided by speechwriting.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- A list of guests expected to attend the meet and greet.

**THE TALKING POINTS
FOR THE DNC LUNCH
WILL BE FORWARDED**

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1998

NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD CEREMONY

DATE: April 24, 1998
LOCATION: Rose Garden
TIME: 3:00 pm
FROM: Maria Echaveste
Bruce Reed
Danny Wexler

I. PURPOSE

To honor the 1998 National Teacher of the Year, Philip Bigler and the State Teachers of the Year from around the country; and to use this opportunity to highlight some of your education initiatives.

II. BACKGROUND

This event provides you with an opportunity to honor the national and state teachers of the year, to underscore your commitment to a broad agenda to improve public education, and to renew your veto threat over the Coverdell bill which passed the Senate on Thursday. You can use the Senate action this week, and House action earlier this month, to delineate clearly between your and the Republicans' education agendas.

This week, the Senate rejected significant parts of your agenda for strengthening public schools. It passed Coverdell's education tax bill. It also defeated Sen. Mosley-Braun's substitute school modernization bill. It passed a measure offered by Sen. Ashcroft, similar to a Goodling measure that passed the House earlier this year, to stop further work on the national tests unless there is specific Congressional authorization. It passed a block grant amendment offered by Sen. Gorton, which combines Title 1, Goals 2000, the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund, the Safe and Drug Free Schools Program, and a number of other Education Department programs into a block grant. In addition, the Senate also defeated a "Sense of the Senate resolution" which called for a reduction in class size in the early grades to a national average of 18. These are each steps you should criticize in your remarks.

You also can comment on the Higher Education Act as passed by the House Education and Workforce Committee, which includes a provision that eliminates funding authority for the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. As we have indicated to you previously, we believe it is premature to threaten to veto the bill at this time, but you should strongly indicate your support for the board, your opposition to this

provision, and your intent to work with Congress to remove the provision before the bill reaches your desk.

This is an important education event for the White House. Three years ago, for the first time, we invited State Teachers of the Year to participate in this event. Their participation created extensive local press coverage, which helped to send a strong message throughout the country about your commitment to education. Each year, after attending the White House ceremony and learning more about the Administration's education agenda, these teachers become some of our strongest supporters within their states and local communities.

Now in its 47th year, the National Teacher of the Year Program seeks to recognize and honor the contributions of the American classroom teacher. Sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers in partnership with Scholastic, Inc., this program is the oldest and most prestigious awards program to focus public attention on excellence in teaching.

Each year, every state selects a Teacher of the Year who then enters the national competition. An independent selection committee, representing fourteen major education organizations, selects finalists and then the National Teacher of the Year. This year's other finalists were from New Mexico, Iowa, and Kansas.

This year's National Teacher of the Year is Philip Bigler. Bigler entered the teaching profession in 1975 as a history teacher at his alma mater, Oakton High School in Fairfax County, Virginia. In 1982, disillusioned with his career, he left the classroom to become a historian at Arlington National Cemetery. He returned to the classroom in 1985 and since 1991 he has taught Humanities at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Alexandria, Virginia.

Bigler's innovative and rigorous activities led to his choice as this year's National Teacher of the Year. Interactive historical simulations are the basis of his courses. In World History, his students become members of a Greek *polis*, and they debate the great issues of the day. While studying Islamic history and culture, they make a sacred pilgrimage to Mecca. In American History and Government, students argue the intricacies of Constitutional law before a mock Supreme Court, conduct the court-martial trial of Lt. William Calley, and wage a campaign for the 1960 presidency. He will be accompanied by his parents and brother and sister-in-law.

Fifty-four State Teachers of the Year including teachers from DOD schools, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia will be represented at today's ceremony.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Education Secretary, Richard Riley
Senator Chuck Robb, (D-VA)
Senator Trent Lott (R-MS)
Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA)
Representative John Porter (R-IL)
Representative James Moran (D-VA)
Representative Thomas Davis (R-VA)

Representative Thomas Petri (R-WA)
Philip Bigler, 1998 Teacher of the Year
Linda Bigler, Spouse
Gordon Ambach, Executive Director, Council of Chief State School Officers
Christopher Gardner, President & CEO, Gardner, Rich & Company
54 State Teachers of the Year (List Attached)

Full list to be provided by Social Secretary

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press

V. SEQUENCE

- o You and Secretary Riley will meet the 54 State Teachers of the Year in the Oval Office.
- o At the end of the receiving line you will meet the National Teacher of the Year, Philip Bigler and his family.
- o The Bigler family will be escorted to seats in the Rose Garden.
- o WHCA will announce you, Senator Robb, Secretary Riley and Philip Bigler into the Rose Garden.
- o Secretary Riley will make brief remarks and introduce Senator Robb.
- o Senator Robb will make brief remarks and introduce you.
- o You make brief remarks.
- o At the end of your remarks you introduce Philip Bigler and present him with a crystal apple.
- o Philip Bigler will make brief remarks.
- o You greet the participants and depart.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by speechwriting.

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR
THE WHITE HOUSE
APRIL 24, 1998**

For decades, America's heroes have been honored in this White House Rose Garden. From these steps, we've paid tribute to our bravest soldiers, to our pioneering astronauts, to our greatest athletes -- Americans who, in offering up their personal best, made our spirits soar and sometimes, changed the course of history.

So it's very fitting, I think, that we gather here to celebrate a group of men and women whose great deeds are too often unsung, who, in offering up their personal best every day in schools across the country, are quietly building up our children and our future. I am proud to honor this year's state teachers of the year and our National Teacher of the Year, Mr. Philip Bigler. Each and every one of you is a true American hero.

The teacher's tools have changed over the years: Textbooks have been updated; slates have given way to computers. But the most important tools come from the heart and soul of the teacher himself: A passion for opening young minds to new worlds of knowledge. An unshakeable faith in the potential and possibilities of every child. The commitment to stay after school to help a struggling student master the ABC's. The vigilance to answer every child's discouraged "I can't," with a resounding "You can."

Mr. Philip Bigler brings all of these gifts to his history classes at the Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Virginia. For more than twenty years, Philip Bigler's students haven't just studied history, they've lived it. He has transformed his classroom into a virtual time machine -- challenging students to debate each other as members of rival ancient Greek city states, as lawyers before the Supreme Court, as Presidential candidates named Thomas Jefferson and John Adams. Through these simulations, Mr. Bigler's students have learned lessons about democracy and the meaning of citizenship -- lessons that will last a lifetime.

We need more teachers just like Philip Bigler in every classroom in America. That is why I am committed to making sure that our system of public education becomes the best in the world, that we give our teachers the support they need to fulfill their greatest potential in the classroom. In my balanced budget, I have proposed a comprehensive plan to help all Americans -- teachers, parents, students and principals -- bring a revolution of standards, accountability, and choice to all our schools. I am committed to ensuring that all our students master the basics with national standards in fourth grade reading and eighth grade math, to reducing class size in the early grades to an average of 18, to bringing more master teachers -- like many of you -- to every classroom, to encouraging public school choice, ending social promotion, and making sure that every child in America has the opportunity to learn in a modern, safe, state-of-the art school. I believe this is the right -- and the best -- way to strengthen education in America.

This week, the Congress dealt a series of tough blows to public education in America. The Senate voted against modernizing schools, against national standards, and against reducing class size in the first, second and third grades. In their place, they voted for an ill-advised tax-incentive proposal for elementary and secondary education expenses. This \$1.6 billion bill would do little for average American families -- offering just \$7 in tax relief for parents of the 90 percent of all American children who attend public schools, and \$37 for those with children in private schools. Families struggling to make ends meet would never see a penny. If it becomes law, this proposal would weaken public education by siphoning limited Federal resources away from our public schools. That would be unacceptable.

And earlier this month, a House committee also took a step backward in the fight to reward outstanding teachers by eliminating funding for the important work of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. By defining standards of excellence in teaching, the National Board helps to focus and upgrade teacher training, recognize outstanding teachers, and keep our best teachers in the classroom where they are needed the most. National Board certification helps our best teachers test themselves against the toughest standards for teaching ever developed.

Ending federal support for the Board would be a terrible mistake. I will work with Congress to make sure this provision does not reach my desk. Every school in America must have at least one board-certified master teacher who can inspire other teachers to reach their personal best.

As the Information Age becomes more and more of an Education Age, now is no time to walk away from our commitment to public education, no time to reject our common obligation to preparing our children for the challenges of the future. I am determined to do my part -- to stand by our teachers and our students, to strengthen education in America. And I thank all of you for working on the front lines, for making education your life's work, for the thousand and one ways you have shown your commitment to our children.

Your work is priceless. And there is no greater gift to the ages. As Daniel Webster once said, "If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds ... we engrave on those tablets something that will brighten to all eternity."

**State Teachers of the Year
1998**

<u>State</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Alabama	Pamela Henson Foley High School Foley, Alabama Marine/Environmental Science 9-12
Alaska	Peggy Woods Tri-Valley Middle School Healy, Alaska Math/Social Studies/ 6-7
Arizona	Peggy Woods Amphitheater High School Tucson, Arizona Science 9-12
Arkansas	Charles Rossetti Springdale High School Springdale, Arkansas Drafting 9-12
California	Ginger Brown Chandler Tripp School San Jose, California Special Education/Pre-K
Connecticut	Marianne Cavanaugh Gideon Welles School Glastonbury, Connecticut Mathematics 7-12
Delaware	Harry Kutch William Penn High School New Castle, Delaware

Department of Defense	Mathematics 9-12 Brenda Posey Ramstein American High School Ramstein Germany Home Economics 10-12
District of Columbia	Brenda Jenkins C. Melvin Sharpe Health School Washington, D.C. Special Education K-3
Florida	Grace Williams North Shore Elementary School Jacksonville, Florida Grade 4
Georgia	Jamie Lipscomb Evans Middle School Newnan, Georgia Fine Arts 6-8
Guam	Roberta Abaday John F. Kennedy High School Tamuning, Guam English/Language Arts 10-12
Hawaii	Ellen Schroeder Olomana Kailua, Hawaii Special Education 7-12
Idaho	Glenda Eubanks Nampa High School Nampa, Idaho English 12
Illinois	Steven Isoye Highland Park High School Highland Park, Illinois Physical Science 9-12
Indiana	Kimberly Giesting Connersville High School Connersville, Indiana Science 9-12
Iowa	Ruth Ann Gaines East High School

	Des Moines, Iowa Drama 9-12
Kansas	Darla Mallein Emporia Middle School Emporia, Kansas American History 8
Louisiana	Gustavia Evans Thomas Jefferson Junior H.S. Monroe, Louisiana Science 7-8
Maine	Joanne Alex Stillwater Montessori School Old Town, Maine Pre-Kindergarten
Maryland	Robert Foor-Hogue South Carroll High School Sikesville, Maryland Science 10-12
Massachusetts	Mary Ginley Center School Longmeadow, Massachusetts Elementary--Grade 2
Michigan	Katherine Grzesiak Eastlawn Elementary School Midland, Michigan Elementary--Grade 5
Minnesota	Neil Whitikko Hermantown High School Hermantown, Minnesota English/German 9-12
Mississippi	Martha Hutson Sumner Hill Junior High School Clinton, Mississippi Social Studies 9
Missouri	Carol Sue Reimann Charles Clippard Elem. School Cape Girardeau, Missouri Elementary--Grade 1
Montana	Patty Myers Lewis & Clark Elementary School

	Great Falls, Montana Elementary--Grade 2
Nebraska	Patricia Randolph Scottsbluff High School Scottsbluff, Nebraska Spanish 10-12
Nevada	Bonnie Parnell Carson Middle School Carson City, Nevada Kindergarten - Grade 8
New Hampshire	Vicki Donovan Belmont Elementary School Belmont, New Hampshire Elementary Grade 4
New Jersey	Beth Neiderman Mary Shoemaker School Woodstown, New Jersey Elementary--Grade 1
New Mexico	Carolyn Foster R.M. James Elementary School Portales, New Mexico Elementary--Grade 3
New York	Selina Ahoklui Erasmus Hall High School Brooklyn, New York Business 9-12
North Carolina	Julian Coggins Mount Pleasant High School Mount Pleasant, North Carolina Biology 10-12
North Dakota	Vicki Boutiette Westside Elementary School West Fargo, North Dakota Remedial Reading 1-5
Northern Mariana Islands	Sanh Chiet Lim Oleai Elementary School Saipan Elementary--Grade 3
Ohio	William Richey Xenia High School

	Xenia, Ohio Chemistry, 11-12
Oklahoma	Kay Long Broken Arrow Senior High School Broken Arrow, OK English/Math 11-12
Oregon	Nicki Hudson West Linn High School West Linn, Oregon Mathematics 9-12
Pennsylvania	Susan Van Zile Eagle View Middle School Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania English/Reading 6
Puerto Rico	Yolanda Fraticelli Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico Language Arts/Mathematics
Rhode Island	Maureen Spaight Edward Martin Junior High School East Providence, RI Social Studies 9
South Carolina	Christine Fisher Southside Middle School Florence, South Carolina Instrumental Music 7-8
South Dakota	Denise Bryan Bell Fourche Elementary School Bell Fourche, South Dakota Elementary--Grade 1
Tennessee	Linda Gilbert Black Fox Elementary School Murfreesboro, Tennessee Music, K-6
Texas	Joe Farley Fulmore Middle School Austin, Texas Language Arts 7
Utah	Sharon Holmstrom Snowcrest Junior High School

Vermont	Eden, Utah English 7-9 Judith Allard Burlington High School Burlington, Vermont Biology/Science 9-12
Washington	Yvonne Ullas Naches Valley Primary School Yakima, Washington Language Arts, 1
West Virginia	Susan Barrett Cherry River Elementary School Richwood, West Virginia Math 5-6
Wisconsin	Carol Banaszynski Deerfield Community Schools Deerfield, Wisconsin Biology 9-12
Wyoming	Mary Krisko Worland Middle School Worland, Wyoming Science, 6

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1998

SCHOOL SAFETY MEETING

DATE: April 24, 1998
LOCATION: The Cabinet Room
BRIEFING TIME: 3:40 pm - 3:50 pm
EVENT TIME: 3:50 pm - 4:50 pm
FROM: Bruce Reed/Rahm Emanuel

I. PURPOSE

As you suggested after the Jonesboro shooting, you will meet with a panel of experts on school safety and youth violence to discuss the recent school shootings and ways to prevent similar tragedies in the future.

II. BACKGROUND

You will meet with a panel of experts on youth violence and school safety to discuss the recent school shootings in Jonesboro, Paducah, and Pearl and what these incidents reveal about youth violence generally. This meeting presents an opportunity to discuss what measures are necessary to fight youth violence and prevent similar violent incidents.

In preparation for this meeting, many of these experts recently met with the Attorney General and reached agreement on the following points:

Common elements. The shootings in Jonesboro, Paducah, and Pearl have several common elements. In each of these cases, the alleged offenders knew their victims, had access to firearms, involved other juveniles, and -- perhaps most important -- exhibited warning signs that went unnoticed.

Multiple shootings rare. School shootings like these, however, are very rare. Almost no homicides occur in schools, and less than one percent of students report ever having taken a gun to school. Also, 90 percent of public schools do not report any serious crimes to law enforcement officials.

Lessons about a changing culture. We should not dismiss these tragedies as statistical anomalies. They tell us much about a changing and more violent youth culture -- about young people who grow up disconnected from their communities and from responsible adults who can teach them right from wrong.

Broad response to all youth violence required. While we must continue to study these unusual cases, we must take actions designed to address the broader problem of youth violence -- e.g., actions regarding violence in the media, youth access to firearms, violence prevention and mediation, and more.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing Participants:

Attorney General Reno
Secretary Riley
Rahm Emanuel
Bruce Reed
Melanne Vermeer

Event Participants:

Attorney General Reno
Secretary Riley
Deputy Secretary of Treasury Larry Summers
James Fox, Dean, College of Criminal Justice, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith, Director and Professor, Division of Public Health Practice, Harvard School of Public Health
Scott Polan, Leader of the crisis counseling teams in Paducah.
Kate Stetzner, Principal of Margaret Leary Elementary School, (where an 11-year-old was murdered by a 10-year-old), Butte, Montana.
James C. Backstrom, Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice, National District Attorney's Association, and County Attorney in Dakota County, Minnesota
Dr. Steven Marans, Director of the New Haven Child Development Community Policing Program, Yale University School of Medicine
Pastor James Forbes, Pastor, Riverside Church, New York City, NY
Azim Khamisa, President of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation, named after his son who was murdered by a 14-year-old gang member.
Stephen Teret, J.D., M.P.H., Director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy Research and Professor of Health and Public Policy in the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.
Antonio Sanford, 17-year-old junior at Martin Luther King Law and Public Service Magnet High School in Cleveland, OH. He is a peer mediator.
Edna Povich, Vice President of the Center for Dispute Settlement, an organization that is dedicated to and manages peer mediation in schools.
Ruben Ortega, Chief of Police for Salt Lake City and Chairman of the Major City Chiefs Assoc.
Dennis Kenney, Director of Research for the Police Executive Research Forum and former police officer. He also has written many books on school violence as a university professor.
Frank Sanchez, Jr., Director of Delinquency Prevention for the Boys and Girls Clubs.
Dr. Mark Rosenberg, Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
William Modzeleski, Director of the U.S. Department of Education's Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program.

Shay Bilchik, Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the U.S. Department of Justice.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- YOU will briefly welcome the participants
- YOU will then call on the Attorney General and Secretary Riley to make brief remarks.
- You will lead the discussion by calling on participants in the suggested speaking order. (SEE ATTACHED LIST). YOU should begin by calling on James Fox.

VI. REMARKS

None Required.

SCHOOL SAFETY MEETING PARTICIPANTS

(In suggested speaking order.)

- **The President**
- **The Attorney General**
- **Secretary Riley**

James Fox - Dean, College of Criminal Justice, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts. He has published 12 books, including *Mass Murder*, *Overkill*, and *Killer on Campus*, and several articles on crime. He will present an overview of youth violence statistics and the extent of the problem.

Deborah Prothrow Stith - Director and Professor, Division of Public Health Practice, Harvard School of Public Health. Dr. Prothrow-Stith's interest in violence prevention was stimulated by her work as a resident at Boston City Hospital. She began to examine violence as a societal disease after her first hand experience to the typical "stitch them up, send them out" medical response to patients injured by violence. She developed and wrote the first violence prevention curriculum for schools and communities, entitled Violence Prevention Curriculum for Adolescents and co-wrote Deadly Consequences, the first book to present the public health perspective on violence to a mass audience.

Kate Stetzner is the Principal of Margaret Leary Elementary School in Butte, Montana. She revitalized her school and community after an 11-year-old was murdered by a 10-year-old on her school campus in 1994.

Dr. Scott Poland - Director of Psychological Services for the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District in Houston, Texas. Dr. Poland is a nationally recognized expert on school crisis. He served as team leader and spokesman for the National Organization for Victim Assistance teams sent to West Paducah, Kentucky, and Jonesboro, Arkansas, after the school shootings in those locations.

James C. Backstrom - Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice, National District Attorney's Association (NDAA), and County Attorney in Dakota County, Minnesota since 1987. He co-chairs the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee of the NDAA, and he will talk about the prosecution of kids and targeted sentencing of youth offenders.

Rev. Dr. James Forbes, Jr. - the Senior Minister of The Riverside Church in New York City. You visited his church last year and held a round table on welfare reform.

Frank Sanchez, Jr., Director of Delinquency Prevention for the Boys and Girls Clubs. He manages the Targeted Outreach youth gang prevention and intervention initiative.

Antonio Sanford, 17-year-old junior at Martin Luther King Law and Public Service Magnet High School in Cleveland, OH. He is a peer mediator and trainer for the Winning Against Violent Environments Conflict Resolution Program.

Azim Khamisa - President of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation, named after his son who was

murdered by a 14-year-old gang member. The Foundation provides educational outreach programs, called Violence Impact Forums, in partnership with San Diego City Schools. Mr. Khamisa is a domestic and international investment banker.

Dennis Kenney - Director of Research for the Police Executive Research Forum and former police officer. He also has written many books on school violence as a university professor. He is currently replicating his student problem solving approach to address crime, fear and disorder in schools across the Nation.

Edna Povich - Vice President of the Center for Dispute Settlement. The Center uses mediation and conflict resolution to eliminate violence in schools. Ms. Povich manages peer mediation programs in D.C. public schools, where teachers, students, and other school staff are taught the techniques of mediation.

Dr. Steven Marans - Director of the New Haven Child Development Community Policing Program, Yale University School of Medicine. In addition to seeing patients and teaching, Dr. Marans is the Director of the Child Development Community Policing Program developed by the Yale Child Study Center and the New Haven Police Department. This program addresses the needs of victims, witnesses and perpetrators of violent crime and provides clinical and policing intervention. He will focus on how children who witness violence are likely to become violent themselves.

Ruben Ortega - Chief of Police for Salt Lake City, Utah, and Chairman of the Major City Chiefs Association. Chief Ortega has implemented Community Policing and has introduced police/citizen anti-gang and drug suppression programs. He also started a Citizen's Police Academy and Youth Police Academy. He previously served for 31 years with the Phoenix, Arizona Police Department, the last 11 years as Chief.

Dr. Mark Rosenberg - Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Stephen Teret, J.D., M.P.H. - Director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy Research and Professor of Health and Public Policy in the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Currently, Professor Teret's work focuses on the understanding and prevention of violence, with an emphasis on guns.

Shay Bilchik - Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the U.S. Department of Justice. He is responsible for the congressionally mandated agency that leads the effort to address the public safety issues of juvenile crime and youth victimization. Mr. Bilchik was previously involved in drafting several juvenile justice and child abuse legislative proposals in the State of Florida.

William Modzeleski - Director of the U.S. Department of Education's Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program, the Federal government's primary vehicle for reducing drug, alcohol and tobacco use, and violence in schools, through education and prevention activities.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1998

**DROP-BY WITH THE BOARD OF
THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HISPANIC JOURNALISTS**

DATE: APRIL 24, 1998
LOCATION: Roosevelt Room
TIME: Briefing - 4:55 - 5:10 p.m.
Drop-by - 5:15 - 5:20 p.m.
FROM: Michael McCurry and Estela Mendoza

I. PURPOSE

To drop by meeting of the Board of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists and Mike McCurry.

II. BACKGROUND

Established in 1984, NAHJ is the primary organization of Hispanic professional journalists with more than 1,500 members in the United States. NAHJ is committed to the recognition and professional advancement of Hispanics in the news industry. The Board is in Washington for a meeting in preparation for their annual convention in June. They will be at the White House to discuss the President's Initiative on Race and its impact on Hispanic journalists as well as ways to work better with the Administration. They will meet first with Mickey Ibarra, then with Judy Winston and finally, with Mike McCurry.

NAHJ has requested that the President and Vice President address their national convention in Miami in late June. You are scheduled to be out of the country in late June, but the Vice President is seriously considering attending the convention. In June 1996, Mrs. Clinton addressed NAHJ at the opening reception of their annual convention.

Additionally, Estela Mendoza, Assistant Press Secretary for Specialty Press, has been a member of the organization and also worked for NAHJ.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Mike McCurry
Estela B. Mendoza
Anna Lopez, Acting Executive Director of NAHJ

Dino Chiecci, President of NAHJ Board
Business Editor, *San Antonio Express News*
Nancy Baca, Board Vice President - Print
Asst. Features Editor, *Albuquerque Journal*
Sylvia Martinez, Board Secretary
Asst. Metro Editor, *Dallas Morning News*
Diana Fuentes
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Anna Marie Martínez
Reporter, WFAA-TV (Dallas, TX)
Sandra Denise Rodriguez Cotto
Reporter, *El Nuevo Día*
Albor Ruiz
Columnist, *New York Daily News*
Richard Luna
Sports Editor, *The News Journal (DE)*
Frances T. Robles
Staff Writer, *Miami Herald*
Teresa Puente
Staff Writer, *Chicago Tribune*
Antonio Mejías-Rentas
Managing Editor, Entertainment, *La Opinión*

**THE BACKGROUND
FOR THE DROP-BY WITH HISPANIC JOURNALISTS
WILL BE FORWARDED**

Saturday, April 25, 1998

10:06 AM	Weekly Radio Address	Tab A
	- Remarks	Tab B
6:00 PM	Speech Preparation	No Paper
7:25 PM	White House Correspondents Association Dinner	Tab C
	- Remarks	Distributed Separately

Saturday, April 25, 1998

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1998**

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mostly sunny. Winds west-northwest at 6 to 12 knots. Low 47 to 52. High 72 to 77.

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Saturday, April 25, 1998

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1998

Final Schedule

9:45 am-
10:00 am **BRIEFING FOR RADIO ADDRESS**
OVAL OFFICE DINING ROOM
Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Megan Moloney

10:06 am-
11:00 am **RADIO ADDRESS**
OVAL OFFICE
Remarks: Lowell Weiss
Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Megan Moloney

6:00 pm-
6:45 pm **SPEECH PREPARATION**
MAP ROOM
Staff Contact: Michael Waldman

Note: The attire for the White House Correspondents Dinner is Black Tie.
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7:10 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs The White House via motorcade en route
Washington Hilton Hotel
[drive time: 10 minutes]

7:20 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Washington Hilton Hotel

**Note: The Vice President and Mrs. Gore are scheduled to arrive at
approximately 7:10 p.m.**

Greeter: William Edwards, General Manager, Washington Hilton
(Curbside)

Greeters: Larry McQuillan, President, White House Correspondents
(Cabinet Room) Association
Geraldine ("Gerry") McQuillan
Sean McQuillan

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7:25 pm-
7:55 pm

RECEPTION
CABINET ROOM
Washington Hilton
Staff Contact: Mike McCurry
Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

-- **The President** and The First Lady greet guests.

8:00 pm-
11:00 pm

WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENTS ASSOCIATION DINNER
INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
Washington Hilton
Remarks: Michael Waldman
Staff Contact: Mike McCurry
Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal
POOL PRESS

- Head table guests are announced into the ballroom.
- **The President** and The First Lady, accompanied by Larry McQuillan, President, White House Correspondents Association, are announced to "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief," and proceed to their seats at the head table.
- Larry McQuillan makes brief opening remarks and introduces the Presentation of the Color Guard of the Joint Armed Forces.
- The Colors are presented.
- *The National Anthem of the United States* is performed by the United States Marine Band.
- The Colors are retired.
- Dinner is served.
- Upon conclusion of dinner, Larry McQuillan announces Head Table Guests and introduces Kenneth Walsh.

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- Kenneth Walsh presents the Scholarship Award and introduces Susan Page.
- Susan Page presents the Journalism Awards.
- Larry McQuillan makes remarks and introduces Stewart Powell.
- Stewart Powell, incoming President of the White House Correspondents Association, makes brief remarks.
- Stewart Powell presents gavel to Larry McQuillan.
- Larry McQuillan proposes a toast and introduces **The President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- Larry McQuillan introduces Ray Romano.
- Ray Romano makes brief remarks.
- Larry McQuillan makes closing remarks.
- **The President** and The First Lady, The Vice President and Mrs. Gore, are escorted from the room by Stewart Powell and Susan Page.
- **The President** and The First Lady depart.

11:10 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady depart the Washington Hilton via motorcade en route The White House
[drive time: 10 minutes]

11:20 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady arrive The White House

BC/HRC RON **THE WHITE HOUSE**
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 24, 1998

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LIVE WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESS

DATE: April 25, 1998
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 10:06 AM
FROM: Megan Moloney

I. PURPOSE

You will discuss how your administration is working to shore up Social Security and other vital benefits by cracking down on fraud and abuse.

Following the radio address, you will sign an executive memorandum directing the Departments of Agriculture, Labor, Veterans Affairs, Justice, and Education to develop secure, high-tech links with the Social Security Administration's prisoner database to enhance their efforts to weed out any inmate who is receiving any form of federal benefit denied to him by law.

II. BACKGROUND

Several years ago, it was discovered that tens of thousands of inmates, who neither deserve nor are allowed most federal benefits, were collecting Social Security checks each month. Now, through unprecedented federal, state, and local cooperation as well as innovative incentive programs, the Social Security Administration has completed the most comprehensive list of America's inmate population ever. Last year alone, the Social Security Administration suspended benefits to 70,000 prisoners -- saving the taxpayers \$500 million.

The executive memorandum you will sign allows other government agencies to use the database created by the Social Security Administration to eliminate fraud and abuse in the collection of food stamps, veterans benefits, and workmen's compensation -- saving the taxpayers more than \$200 million over the next five years.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing (9:45-10:00 am)

The President
Rahm Emanuel
Ann Lewis
Gene Sperling
Peter Orscag
Barbara Chow
Lowell Weiss

Radio Address (10:06 am)

The President
Megan Moloney
Rebecca Cameron
White House Communications Agency (WHCA) Staff
White House Television (WHTV)
White House photographer
Approx. 100 guests (see attached for list)

IV. PRESS PLAN

The ABC, AP, C-CPAN, CBS, NBC/Mutual/Westwood One, NPR, UPI, USA, American Urban Radio and Standard News networks will carry the address in its entirety to their thousands of stations across the country this Saturday at 10:06 AM ET.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Briefing
Deliver Radio Address
Greet Guests

VI. REMARKS

To be forwarded by the Office of Speechwriting

Draft 4/24/98 6pm

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
RADIO ADDRESS ON PRISONERS AND BENEFIT FRAUD
April 25, 1998

Good morning. This morning I'd like to talk to you about one vital way we are working to restore Americans' faith in our national government -- our efforts to shore up Social Security and other vital benefits by cracking down on fraud and abuse.

For 60 years, Social Security has meant more than an ID number on a tax form, more than a monthly check in the mail. It reflects our deepest values -- the duties we owe to our parents, to each other, to our children and grandchildren, to those whom misfortune strikes, to our ideal of one America. That is why we were so disturbed several years ago when we discovered that many prisoners, who neither deserve nor are allowed most federal benefits, were collecting Social Security checks while locked up behind bars. Inmates were getting away with fraud, primarily because it was so hard to gather up-to-date information on criminals in the nation's more than 3,500 local jails.

But thanks to unprecedented federal, state, and local cooperation as well as new, innovative incentive programs, we're now finishing the job. The Social Security Administration has produced a continually updated database covering more than 99% of all prisoners -- by far, the most comprehensive list of America's inmate population in history. And it is using that list to great effect. By the end of last year, we had suspended benefits to more than 70,000 prisoners. Over the next five years, we will save taxpayers \$2.5 billion. That's \$2.5 billion that will go toward serving America's hard-working families, rather than to those who are serving time.

Now we are going to build on the Social Security Administration's success in saving taxpayers from inmate fraud. In a few moments I will sign an Executive Memorandum directing the Departments of Labor, Veterans Affairs, Justice, Education, and Agriculture to use the Social Security Administration's expertise and high-tech tools to enhance their own efforts to weed out any inmate who is receiving any form of federal benefit denied to him by law. We expect that these comprehensive sweeps by our agencies will save the taxpayers millions upon millions of dollars -- in addition to the billions they will save from our crack-down on Social Security inmate fraud. **We will ensure that those who have committed crimes against society will not have an opportunity to commit crimes against taxpayers as well.**

The American people have a right to expect that their national government is on guard against every type of waste, fraud, and abuse. That is why it is our duty to use every power and every tool to eliminate inmate fraud. We owe it to the American people to ensure that their Social Security contributions and other tax dollars are benefitting only those who have worked hard and played by the rules. Thanks for listening.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1998

WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENTS' DINNER

DATE: April 25, 1998
LOCATION: Washington Hilton
TIME: 7:20 - 11:00 pm
FROM: Mike McCurry

I. PURPOSE

You will attend and deliver remarks at the Annual Dinner for the White House Correspondents' Association. This is an opportunity for you to interact with members of the press in a social setting.

II. BACKGROUND

The dinner and VIP reception are hosted by the White House Correspondent's Association (WHCA). This is the third major press dinner of the season. You attended the Gridiron Dinner. However, you did not attend this year's Radio and TV Correspondents' Association Dinner because it conflicted with the Africa trip.

WHCA works closely with the White House correspondents and the White House press office on various news coverage and operational issues throughout the year. The organization originated to control the invitations to the numerous press conferences held by President Woodrow Wilson.

Larry McQuillan, senior correspondent for Reuters, is the WHCA President. Stewart Powell, White House correspondent for Hearst Newspapers, is the incoming President. Terry Hunt, senior White House correspondent for the AP, is the immediate past President.

The most significant accomplishments this year have been the changes to the television positions on the North Lawn and the renovation of the briefing room area. The press have moved to the opposite side of the North Lawn to a temporary gravel surface. In August, a more permanent position will be built. The press are thrilled with the progress. The briefing room was painted, recarpeted, and the chairs were reupholstered.

During the dinner, several reporters will receive journalism awards. The regular White House reporters receiving awards include Michael Frisby, of the *Wall Street Journal*, for his

reporting on the presidency, especially the race initiative and fast track. Ron Fournier, of the *AP*, will receive an award for the second year in a row. This year, he won for his coverage of your knee injury. Peter Maer, of *NBC/ Mutual* radio, won for his coverage of your visit to Arkansas for the Central High Anniversary.

Ray Romano, star of the television series "Everyone Love Raymond," will be the entertainment for the evening.

III. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

* YOU will attend the VIP reception and do a receiving line with the guests in the Cabinet Room of the Hilton. In addition to reporters and Administration officials, guests include singer John Bon Jovi, veteran anchor Walter Cronkite, actress Sharon Stone, Dee Dee Meyers, and Ray Romano.

- * After the reception, head table guests will be announced into the room.
- * Larry McQuillan makes remarks.
- * The Colors are presented.
- * The National Anthem is performed by the US Marine Band.
- * Dinner is served.
- * Larry McQuillan announces the head table guests and introduces Kenneth Walsh.
- * Kenneth Walsh presents the Scholarship awards and introduces Susan Page.
- * Susan Page introduces the journalism award winners.
- * Larry McQuillan makes remarks and introduces Stewart Powell.
- * Stewart Powell makes remarks.
- * Larry McQuillan proposes a toast and introduces YOU.
- * YOU make remarks.
- * Larry McQuillan introduces Ray Romano.
- * Ray Romano makes remarks.
- * Larry McQuillan makes closing remarks.

* YOU and the First Lady depart escorted by Stewart Powell and Susan Page.

IV. PARTICIPANTS

The President

Mike McCurry

Over 2,000 guests including press, celebrities, members of Congress, White House and congressional staff.

V. PRESS PLAN

The dinner is carried live by C-SPAN and the Travel Pool covers your remarks.

Sunday, April 26, 1998

4:00 PM *Ragtime* (Premiere)

Tab A

- Remarks

Tab B

To Be Forwarded

9:00 PM Dinner

Tab C

- Talking Points

Tab D

To Be Forwarded

Sunday, April 26, 1998

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1998**

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Partly cloudy. Winds variable to southeast at 5 to 10 knots. Low 50 to 55. High 70 to 75.

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Sunday, April 26, 1998

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1998**

Final Schedule

DAY OFF

TBD **CHURCH**

3:40 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and The First Lady depart The White House via
motorcade en route National Theater
[drive time: 5 minutes]

3:45 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady arrive National Theater

Greeters: Harry Tetter, Theater Manager, National Theater
(Curbside)

Greeters: Garth Drabinsky, Chairman and CEO, Livent, Inc., Karen Poppell
(Backstage)

4:00 pm-
7:30 pm **RAGTIME (PREMIERE)**
National Theater
Staff Contact: Craig Smith
Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal
POOL PRESS (REMARKS ONLY)

Note: Business attire

Note: The Vice President is scheduled to arrive at approximately 3:30 p.m.
and will join the President and the First Lady backstage.

- Off-stage announcement of **The President**, the First Lady and the Vice President into the theater.
- **The President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President proceed to their seats.

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4:00 pm -- Performance begins.

 -- Intermission.

7:00 pm -- Performance ends.

 -- Upon conclusion of the performance, **the President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President proceed backstage.

 -- Garth Drabinsky makes welcoming remarks and introduces Steve Grossman, Chairman, National Democratic Committee.

 -- Steve Grossman makes remarks, acknowledges the DNC officers, and announces the **The President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President onto the stage.

 -- Steve Grossman introduces the First Lady.

 -- The First Lady delivers remarks and introduces The Vice President.

 -- The Vice President delivers remarks and introduces **the President**.

 -- **The President** delivers remarks.

 -- The curtain is drawn at the end of **the President's** remarks.

 -- **The President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President pose for photographs with the cast of *Ragtime*.

 -- **The President**, the First Lady and the Vice President depart.

7:35 pm **THE PRESIDENT**, the First Lady and the Vice President proceed to the motorcade

7:45 pm **THE PRESIDENT**, the First Lady and the Vice President depart National Theater via motorcade en route Private Residence
[drive time: 15 minutes]

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8:00 pm **THE PRESIDENT**, the First Lady and the Vice President arrive Private Residence

Greeters: Arlene Kogod
 Lauren Kogod
 Clarice Smith
 Bob Smith

8:05 pm- **HOLD**
8:20 pm

8:20 pm- **GREET**
8:55 pm **FOYER**
 Private Residence
 Staff Contact: Craig Smith
 Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal
 OFFICIAL PHOTO ONLY

-- **The President**, the First Lady and the Vice President greet arriving guests for photographs (60 photographs).

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9:00 pm-
9:45 pm

DINNER

TENT

Private Residence

Remarks: Laura Capps

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

Event Coordinator: Anthony Bernal

POOL PRINT REPORTER (REMARKS ONLY)

- **The President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President proceed to their separate tables.
- Dinner is served.
- Arlene Kogod makes welcoming remarks and introduces Bob Smith.
- Bob Smith makes remarks and introduces The First Lady.
- The First Lady makes remarks and introduces The Vice President.
- The Vice President makes remarks and introduces **The President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- **The President**, the First Lady, and the Vice President depart.

9:50 pm

THE PRESIDENT and The First Lady depart Private Residence via motorcade en route The White House
[drive time: 15 minutes]

10:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT and The First Lady arrive The White House

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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**DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
CELEBRATION OF THE DNC'S 150TH BIRTHDAY AND
THE WASHINGTON PREMIERE OF THE BROADWAY MUSICAL RAGTIME**

Date: Sunday, April 26, 1998
Venue: The National Theater
Time: 3:45 p.m.
From: Fran Katz, Finance Director

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the premiere performance is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

II. BACKGROUND

The performance is an event to engage new and renewing supporters of the DNC at all levels. The guests represent political, business and labor leaders as well as many young Democrats and Saxophone Club members from throughout the nation. This performance marks the premiere of the Broadway musical Ragtime in Washington. The musical is based on the classic E.L. Doctorow novel about turn of the century relations in America. Estimated attendance at the theater is 1,200.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Please see the attached seating list.

IV. PRESS PLAN

This event is open to the pool press for remarks.

V. SEQUENCE

3:45 p.m.

- YOU and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton arrive and greet Harry Tetter, Theater Manager.
- YOU proceed backstage to greet Garth Drabinsky, Chairman and CEO, Livent, Inc. and Karen Poppell.
- YOU proceed to hold to greet Vice President Gore.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore are announced into the theater by an off-stage announce.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore are seated in your seats for the performance.
- Performance begins.
- Intermission.
- Performance ends.
- PROGRAM:
 - Garth Drabinsky welcomes guests and introduces Chairman Steve Grossman.
 - Chairman Grossman recognizes DNC officers and introduces First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton delivers remarks and introduces Vice President Gore.
Vice President Gore delivers remarks and introduces YOU.
YOU deliver remarks.

- Curtain comes down.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore proceed backstage for cast and crew photos.
- Upon conclusion, YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore depart en route to dinner.

VI REMARKS

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

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Chairman and CEO of Livent Inc.; Garth Howard Drabinsky was born in 1949. He received his LL.B from the University of Toronto in 1973, and was called to the Ontario Bar with Honours in 1975. In 1979, Mr. Drabinsky joined Taylor, Cineplex Corporation, which became Cineplex Odeon Corporation. Under Mr. Drabinsky's leadership, the Corporation grew over ten years from a single cinema complex to Toronto's Eaton Centre into a chain of over 1,800 screens in 500 locations, including six Canadian provinces, 20 states in the District of Columbia and the United Kingdom, becoming one of the largest film exhibition companies.

He has produced a number of successful motion pictures. From 1977 to 1981 he produced five of them in association with his film production partner Joel B. Katz. *The Silent Partner*, with Elliot Gould and Christopher Plummer, won the Canadian Film Awards, including "Best Picture of the Year," and starring George C. Scott, winner in 1980 of eight Genie Awards, for *Portrait of a Man*, and *Tribute*, with Jack Lemmon and Lee Remick, for which he received an Academy Award nomination in 1981.

Mr. Drabinsky is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Livent, Inc., co-founded with I. Gottlieb in 1989. A leading producer of theatrical entertainment, Livent also operates theaters in four key North American markets: New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Toronto.

Under Mr. Drabinsky's artistic leadership, Livent's productions have collectively won over 20 awards, including "Best Musical" for *Kiss of the Spider Woman* (1993), "Best Actor" for *Show Boat* (1995), and "Best Actor" (1997) for Christopher Reeve in *Love and Honor*, and "Best Costumes" (1997) for the Harold Prince production of *Company*. Other acclaimed productions include the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical *Tom of the Opera*, now in its ninth year at Toronto's Pantages Theatre; *Dreamcoat*, originally starring Donny Osmond; *Aspects of Love*, starring Diahann Carroll; *Andrew Lloyd Webber - The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber in Concert*.

His latest musical, *Ragtime*, received its Broadway premiere in January 1998, opened in Los Angeles in June 1997, and will begin a Vancouver tour in 1998 before its Chicago premiere, scheduled for October 1998. A national tour of *Ragtime* begins in Washington, DC in April 1998. Companies of *Show Boat* are currently playing in the U.S., a third company in London's West End, and in April, 1998 a licensed produced premiered in Toronto.

An Officer of the Order of Canada, Mr. Drabinsky is an ardent spokesman on behalf of the arts, culture and individual liberty.

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Massachusetts Democratic
special election in
years. As a result,
the state's first one-
party nearly 20-point
majorities and six seats
gubernatorial veto.
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leader and combative
reputation for being

from 1989 to 1992.
the Platform Drafting

Massachusetts Envelope
the firm, with annual
specialty packaging
he has been a union
farther than comparable
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Israeli Public Affairs
organization. In that
case and traveled with
Prime Minister Rabin.

Brandeis University
(Boston); Director of
Committee Member of

Business School. He is
professor at Tufts University,
Council on the Arts. The

BACKSTAGE MEET AND GREET

EVENT: RAGTIME - The Musical, The National Theatre
DATE: April 26, 1998

Creators of RAGTIME

E. L. Doctorow
Author of Ragtime novel

Helen Doctorow
Wife of E.L. Doctorow

Garth Drabinsky
Producer of Ragtime

Karen Poppell
Friend of Garth Drabinsky

Frank Galati
Director of Ragtime

Terrence McNally
Author Ragtime Stageplay

Stephen Flaherty
Composer Ragtime Music

Lynn Ahrens
Lyricist Ragtime Lyrics

Cast Members of RAGTIME

Amy Carey
Cast member
The little girl

Darlesia Cearcy
Cast member
Sarah

Austin Colyer
Cast member
Grandfather

Rebecca Eichenberger
Cast member
Mother

Aloyisus Gigl
Cast member
Mother's younger brother

Cris Groenendahl
Cast member
Father

Nathan Keen
Cast member
The little boy

Michael Rupert
Cast member
Tatch

Alton White
Cast member
Coalhouse Walker Jr.

Colby Moore
Cast member
Little Coalhouse

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THE REMARKS FOR
THE *RAGTIME* PREMIERE
WILL BE FORWARDED

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**DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
EVENT CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS DINNER
HONORING PRESIDENT CLINTON, FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
AND VICE PRESIDENT GORE
CELEBRATING THE 150TH BIRTHDAY OF THE DNC**

Date: Sunday, April 26, 1998
Venue: The Home of Arlene and Robert Kogod
Time: 8:00 p.m.
From: Fran Katz, Finance Director

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the dinner is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

II. BACKGROUND

The dinner is an event to engage Event Chairs and Vice Chairs for the 150th Anniversary celebration. The guests represent leaders in both the business and labor community from throughout the nation. They are Major Supporters of the DNC attending the weekend celebration of the DNC's 150th Birthday. Estimated attendance at the dinner is 110 guests.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Please see the attached guest list.

IV. PRESS PLAN

This event is open to one print reporter and the pool press for remarks via audio-feed.

V. SEQUENCE

8:00 p.m.

- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore arrive and greet Clarice and Bob Smith and Arlene Kogod, Event Hosts.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore proceed to tour art gallery.
- In two separate photo-receiving lines YOU accompanied by First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Vice President Gore greet guests.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore proceed to the tent to be seated for dinner.
- YOU are seated at separate head tables.
- PROGRAM:
 - Arlene Kogod delivers brief welcoming remarks and introduces Bob Smith.
 - Bob Smith delivers brief remarks and introduces First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.
 - First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton delivers remarks and introduces Vice President Gore.
 - Vice President Gore delivers remarks and introduces YOU.
 - YOU delivers remarks.
- YOU, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Gore depart following remarks.

VI. REMARKS

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

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**THE TALKING POINTS
FOR THE DNC DINNER
WILL BE FORWARDED**

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1998**

Final Schedule

SCHEDULING DIRECTOR:

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EVENT COORDINATOR:

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WHCA PAGER: 4293

WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

*Partly cloudy with increasing high cloudiness
throughout the day. Winds southwest at 8 to 12
knots. Low 50 to 55. High 72 to 75.*

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1998**

Final Schedule

9:00	am-		MEETING
9:30	am		OVAl OFFICE
			Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett
9:30	am-		MEETING
9:45	am		OVAl OFFICE
			Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles
9:45	am-	(T)	BRIEFING AND FOREIGN POLICY PHONE CALL
10:15	am		OVAl OFFICE
			Staff Contact: Samuel Berger
10:15	am-		BRIEFING
10:30	am		OVAl OFFICE
			Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Capricia Marshall, Maria Echaveste
10:30	am-		MEET AND GREET
10:45	am		DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
			Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Capricia Marshall, Maria Echaveste

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Monday, April 27, 1998

10:45 am-

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL RECEPTION

11:45 am

SOUTH LAWN

Remarks: David Helperin

Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Capricia Marshall, Maria Echaveste

Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

OPEN PRESS

- **The President** and the Vice President are announced into a tent on the South Lawn accompanied by program participants.
- The National Anthem of Israel is played.
- The National Anthem of the United States is played.
- Dr. Sulayman Nyang delivers a reading.
- Dr. Ismar Schorsch delivers a reading.
- James Dunn delivers a reading.
- Richard Dryfuss and Linda Lavin deliver readings from Golda Meier and Harry Truman.
- The Vice President makes remarks.
- The President of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Professor Menachen Magidor gives remarks and presents the honorary doctorate to **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- **The President** departs.

12:45 pm-

BRIEFING

1:15 pm

MAP ROOM

Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

1:15 pm

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to tent on South Lawn

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1:15 pm- **MEET AND GREET**
1:20 pm **DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM**
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

1:25 pm- **TOBACCO EVENT**
2:00 pm **SOUTH LAWN**
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
Remarks: June Shih
OPEN PRESS

- **The President**, accompanied by the Vice President, Secretary Donna Shalala, Surgeon General Satcher, and Tobacco Free Kids are announced into a tent on the South Lawn.
- The Vice President makes opening remarks and introduces Secretary Donna Shalala.
- Secretary Donna Shalala makes remarks and introduces Surgeon General Satcher.
- Surgeon General Satcher makes remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President** departs.

2:00 pm- **BRIEFING**
2:15 pm **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

2:15 pm- **PHONE AND OFFICE TIME**
6:30 pm **OVAL OFFICE**

6:30 pm- **HOLD**
7:30 pm

EVENING OFF

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**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

April 24, 1998 (7:35pm)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

APRIL 24, 1998

THE CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL

DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1998
LOCATION: THE WHITE HOUSE, SOUTH LAWN
TIME: 10:15-11:30 AM
FROM: MARIA ECHAVESTE *mm*
ANN LEWIS *mm*
DEBORAH MOHILE *mm*

I. PURPOSE

You will accept an honorary doctorate from the Hebrew University of Israel to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Israel, highlight the role President Harry S. Truman played in the establishment of the new state and discuss the importance of the US-Israel relationship.

II. BACKGROUND

On May 14, 1948, 11 minutes after the self-declaration of the State of Israel, President Harry S. Truman signed a simple document that recognized the Jewish state. Israelis mark the anniversary of the declaration on the the lunar calendar anniversary, 5 Iyar, on Israel Independence Day (Yom Ha'Atzmaut), on April 30/May 1 this year.

Israelis and friends of Israel around the world are marking Israel's jubilee anniversary with a variety of events throughout 1998. The celebration is highly symbolic even to Israelis who are concerned about the peace process and the numerous social problems polarizing the young nation.

You should know that many Arab Americans find the 50th anniversary of Israel no cause for celebration; they plan to stand in support of Palestinians who will mark the "50 years of dispossession" with symbolic days of mourning.

You will be conferred an honorary doctorate from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel's oldest university, founded in 1918 by Chaim Weizmann, Albert Einstein, Martin Buber and Sigmund Freud. Other heads of state to receive honorary degrees include Margaret Thatcher, Francois Mitterand, King Juan Carlos I and Harry S. Truman. Vice President Al Gore received an honorary degree in 1994 while in Israel. You are the first President since Truman to receive an honorary degree from the school.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-brief participants:

Maria Echaveste
Ann Lewis
Sandy Berger
Deborah Mohile
Bruce Riedel

Meet and greet participants:

Professor Menachem & Sara Magidor, President of Hebrew University
Professor Menachem & Ada Ben-Sasson, Rector of Hebrew University
Ambassador Moshe & Rivka Arad, VP for External Affairs, Hebrew University,
Former Israeli Ambassador to the United States
Robert & Clarice Smith, Former Chair, Board of Governors, Hebrew University
Alex & Louise Grass, Chair, Board of Governors, Hebrew University
Keith & Katherine Sachs, President, American Friends of Hebrew University

Sara Ehrman, Washington, DC
Daniel Ehrman, son of Sara
David Ehrman, son of Sara

Secretary Donna Shalala & Ms. Harriet Rabb
Secretary Daniel & Rhoda Glickman
Secretary William & Loretta Daley

Congressman Gary Ackerman (D-NY)
Congressman & Mrs. Ben Cardin (D-MD)
Congressman Peter Deutsch (D-FL)
Congressman Eliot Engel (D-NY)
Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)
Congressman & Mrs. Bob Filner (D-CA)
Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA)
Congressman Martin Frost (D-TX)
Congressman & Mrs. Ben Gilman (R-NY)
Congressman & Mrs. Lee Hamilton (D-IN)
Congressman & Mrs. Tom Lantos (D-CA)
Congressman & Mrs. Sandy Levin (D-MI)
Senator & Mrs. Joseph Lieberman (D-CT)
Senator & Mrs. Connie Mack (R-FL)
Congressman Jerry Nadler (D-NY) & Josephine Miller
Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)
Senator Charles Robb (D-VA)
Congressman Brad Sherman (D-CA)
Congressman Norman & Zachary Sisisky (D-VA)

Congressman & Mrs. Henry Waxman (D-CA)
Senator & Mrs. Paul Wellstone (D-MN)
Congressman & Mrs. Robert Wexler (D-FL)
Congressman & Mrs. Sidney Yates (D-IL)

Event participants:

The President

Vice President Gore

Dr. Sulayman Nyang, President, Interfaith Conference of Washington, DC

Dr. Ismar Schorsch, Chancellor, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Reverend James Dunn, Executive Director, Baptist Joint Committee for Public Affairs

Richard Dreyfuss, actor

Linda Lavin, actress

Professor Menachem Magidor, President of Hebrew University

Audience participants:

Ambassador Eliahu & Nitza Ben Elissar, Ambassador of Israel

Ambassador Abba (& Suzy) Eban, One of last surviving original founders of Israel

Elie (& Marion) Wiesel, Nobel laureate

Over 500 guests (including many close friends, elected officials, appointees and community leaders - please see attached list)

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

10:15 a.m. YOU proceed to Map Room for briefing.

10:30 a.m. YOU proceed to Diplomatic Reception Room to greet program participants and other guests. (*Note: you will give birthday card to Sara Ehrman outside of Dip Room- her birthday was last Friday*). Please thank Richard Dreyfuss and Linda Lavin for graciously accepting our invitation to be a part of the program.

10:45 a.m. YOU and **THE VICE PRESIDENT** are announced to HONORS into the Tent accompanied by Dr. Sulayman Nyang, Dr. Ismar Schorsch, Dr. James Dunn, Richard Dreyfuss, Linda Lavin and Hebrew University President Professor Menachem Magidor.

PROGRAM BEGINS (45 minutes)

- I. National Anthem of Israel**
National Anthem of the United States
You stand for the national anthems.
- ii. Religious Reflections**
Dr. Sulayman Nyang
Dr. Ismar Schorsch
Dr. James Dunn
- iii. Historical Reflections**
Richard Dreyfuss
Linda Lavin
- iv. THE VICE PRESIDENT** makes remarks.
- v. Honorary Doctorate Presentation**
Professor Menachem Magidor makes remarks and reads the part of the honorary doctorate. **YOU** proceed to podium to accept scroll.
- vi. YOU** make remarks.
- vii. YOU** depart Tent. On return to the White House, **YOU** will pause for a picture with the musical group "*Esta*".

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by Speechwriters.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Acknowledgments.

List of participants.

Text of scroll to be presented as honorary degree.

POTUS acknowledgments

Program participants (as a group)

Secretary Donna Shalala
Secretary Daniel & Rhoda Glickman
Secretary William & Loretta Daley
General Joseph Ralston (sub for Shelton)
Secretary Cohen (unconfirmed)

Members of Congress (as a group)

Ambassador Eliahu & Nitza Ben Elissar, Ambassador of Israel
Ambassador Abba (& Suzy) Eban, One of last surviving original founders of Israel
Elie (& Marion) Wiesel

Countless organizational and community leaders

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**PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON
REMARKS ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAELI STATEHOOD
WASHINGTON, DC
APRIL 27, 1998**

Thank you very much, President Magidor [MA-ggy-door]. Thank you, Vice President Gore. Thank you to everyone who participated in this program [Linda Lavin, Richard Dreyfuss, Dr. Dunn, Dr. Yang, Dr. Schorsh].

Members of the cabinet [Secretary Shalala, Secretary Glickman, Secretary Daley, Secretary Cohen (tentative)], General Ralston. Members of the United States Congress.

Ambassador and Mrs. Ben-Elissar [ben EL-eh-zar], Ambassador Abba Eban and Suzy Eban, Elie and Marion Wiesel, distinguished guests:

I am very proud to receive this honorary degree from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. It is a great privilege to be recognized by the oldest university in Israel, an institution whose founders include Chaim Weizmann [CHHI-eem WHITES-mon], Martin Buber [BOO-ber], Sigmund Freud and Albert Einstein -- a place that is now one of the world's leading centers of learning and research.

Many American universities now have satellite campuses that allow working people to obtain degrees at locations near their homes and offices. But this close to home is more than I could ever have expected. President Magidor, I'm grateful to you for bringing this ceremony here, so that America can share with Israel the celebration of its 50th birthday.

I accept this honor on behalf of my predecessors -- nine American Presidents beginning with Harry Truman, all of whom greatly valued Israel's partnership and vigorously pursued Middle East peace. And I accept it on behalf of the American people, whose affinity with the people of Israel has deepened over 50 years of strong friendship.

Today we celebrate a half-century of extraordinary achievement.

In 1948, Israel arose from the seeds of the Diaspora and the ashes of the Holocaust. The children of Abraham and Sarah, survivors of two thousand years of exile and persecution, were home at last -- free at last.

Israel was born of the courage and vision of its pioneers. For these leaders, the founding of the Israeli state was about more than simply raising a flag. More, even, than securing a haven for the Jewish people after centuries of suffering. David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first prime minister, had a vision of an enlightened society that would embrace what he called the "higher virtues": truth, justice, compassion.

Isaiah prophesized that Israel would become "a light unto the nations." David Ben-Gurion and his allies set out to make that prophecy come true. Ben-Gurion believed Israel could lead the world to a better future by marrying the ethical teachings of the ancients with the discoveries of

modern science. "It is only by the integration of the two," he wrote, "that the blessings of both can flourish." But beyond the creation of a just democracy and a laboratory for scientific discovery, Ben-Gurion envisioned a third achievement -- that this nation would have the strength and the skill to build a lasting peace with its Arab neighbors.

Relations between Israel and the United States were born of another leader's courage and vision. Harry Truman brushed aside the urgings of advisors who said, "Go slow -- wait and see" before offering Israel recognition. Truman had a deep understanding of the suffering and dreams of the world's peoples -- from Biblical times through modern times. For Truman, supporting a Jewish homeland was a moral imperative. As we learned from the reading by Richard Dreyfuss, it was just eleven minutes after Israel proclaimed independence that the United States became the first country to recognize the new nation. That is one of my nation's proudest moments.

Bolstered by America's support, Israelis surged forward. Under a brilliant blue sky, they built prosperous farms and kibbutzes. They planted forests and turned streets of sand into shining boulevards. They raised families and welcomed the arrival of brothers and sisters from Europe and North Africa, Russia, Ethiopia, and America. They dazzled the world with achievements in science, scholarship, literature, and the arts. They built a thriving democracy.

Despite the passage of fifty years, Israelis still love their freedom as if they had only just gained it. They are a people with the moral courage and fortitude never to cease challenging themselves -- about their history, about their relationship with their neighbors, about hard choices for the future.

Modern Israel is one of the most vibrant places on earth -- alive with a thousand sounds. Prayers in dozens of languages in Jerusalem's Old City. Young people gathered on the avenues of Tel Aviv. Computer keyboards tapping, as new ventures are launched on the Internet. School children conversing in Hebrew, once the language only of sacred texts, now the voice of Israel's renaissance.

The tremendous energy of the people has propelled the Israeli economy, now one of the most advanced and diversified in the world. Per capita income now matches nations in Europe. Exports rose to \$32 billion last year -- one thousand times the level of 1948. High-tech companies are thriving. And during my visits to Israel, it sometimes seemed as if everybody had a cell phone. Israelis have gone a long way toward fulfilling the first two pieces of David Ben-Gurion's vision: They have built an ethical democratic society and a technology-based economy.

Against unbelievable odds, Israel has also prevailed again and again in battle -- building its security through the valor of leaders and soldiers like Golda Meir, Moshe Dayan, Yonni Netanyahu. But the greatest battle of all is for a lasting and secure peace. This battle -- the third piece of Ben-Gurion's dream -- is still being waged.

Israel has grown up in a turbulent world. In the last half of this century -- the first 50 years of Israel's existence -- the world has seen global confrontation, dictatorship, ethnic violence, and terrorism. Assassins have cut down those who dared to pursue peace.

In pursuit of peace in the Middle East, Anwar Sadat gave his life. And Yitzhak Rabin, who stood in this place on that extraordinary day in 1993 -- the day Israelis and Palestinians took the first steps toward resolving their conflict -- Yitzhak Rabin gave his life. These men died because they had the courage to seek a brighter future for their people.

The seas of the Middle East have overflowed with blood and tears. Jews and Arabs who have wanted nothing more than to live quiet, normal lives have been denied that simple pleasure.

Now, as the new century dawns, the world is filled with promise and hope. From Guatemala to Mozambique to Bosnia, and now to Ireland, long-time antagonists have come to the table to find common ground. And what they all agree is that it is time to end the cycles of pain.

It is time for reconciliation. Time to deepen freedom and raise up life. The 21st century can be -- it must be -- a century of democracy, prosperity, and justice. A century of peace.

The Middle East can build on the momentous achievements of its Nobel Peace Prize winners -- Begin and Sadat, Arafat, Peres and Rabin -- so that all its children may grow up without fear. In a land holy to three great religions, sacred sites of Islam, Christianity, and Judaism exist side by side. The people there, of all faiths, can learn to live together in harmony.

Extremists have sought again and again to derail peace with bullets and bombs. Their actions show that the real division in the Middle East is not between Jews and Arabs. It is between those stuck in the past and those who look to the future. Between those paralyzed by hatred and those energized by hope. Between those who stand with clenched fists and those who reach out their hands in the spirit of cooperation and friendship. We cannot let the extremists prevail -- we cannot let them kill our dreams for a better future.

Israel can fulfill its promise by drawing on the courage and vision of its founders to achieve peace with security. Never has the opportunity for peace been more real. It must not be lost.

As Israel faces tough choices in the search for a lasting peace, the United States will stand beside our friend and ally, as we have from the very beginning. Our commitment to Israel's security is, as it has always been, unshakable.

Bonds between our two nations -- based on common values and goals -- continue to deepen. Joint ventures. Student exchanges. Travel to visit family and friends. The involvement of American Jews has strengthened Israeli society in many ways. And today, President Truman's spirit guides the work of the institute named for him at Hebrew University -- a center for research on managing conflict, improving economies, and strengthening democracy.

Elsewhere at Hebrew University, David Ben-Gurion's dream -- all three pieces of it -- comes to life. Cell biologists are developing cutting-edge techniques that can locate a single cancer cell among millions of healthy ones -- and thereby save lives. And just as remarkable as the science, and the moral commitment to protecting people's health, is the roster of scientists. For the Hebrew University researchers are undertaking this effort in cooperation with Palestinian

researchers in East Jerusalem. They trade images of tissue samples over the Internet. As one participant has said, "It's science ... and peace together."

In other institutions, Arab and Israeli scientists are probing the boundaries of theoretical physics -- and harnessing science and technology to solve common problems -- managing water resources, protecting sea life, enhancing agriculture, and improving health.

These efforts show what is possible -- and what is essential. Harnessing the energy of all in the enterprise of life.

Fifty years from now, the 21st century will near its midpoint. Israel will celebrate its 100th birthday. It is my dream that -- long before that year of 2048 -- every nation of the Middle East will be prosperous, and every nation will find peace. It is my dream that, on that 100th anniversary, people from every country will gather in the Holy Land, here at the White House, and around the world, in joyous celebration.

To the people of Israel: mah-ZALL-tove. And to all of us, peace.

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The Senate of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem pays tribute to

WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON
President of the United States of America

As leader of the world's greatest democracy and most powerful nation, President William Jefferson Clinton of the United States of America has won worldwide admiration and respect for his devotion to the principles of freedom, equality for all peoples and unflinching devotion to the democratic process.

From an early age, President Clinton displayed the intellect, leadership and determination to make positive contributions to his country and the world. As a young governor of Arkansas at the age of thirty-two, his path of service for the public good was evident. Throughout his career, he has distinguished himself as an energetic visionary dedicated to elevating the lives of his countrymen and all of mankind. His consistent, unflinching concern for the welfare of children, healthcare and the furtherance of educational opportunities at all levels is an inspiration for all nations.

Under President Clinton's leadership, the United States has reaffirmed its commitment to world peace and has courageously taken the initiative in numerous efforts to promote dialogue toward the resolution of conflicts by peaceful means in many parts of the world. He has simultaneously upheld his country's tradition of compassion by extending humanitarian aid to those in need.

President Clinton is a stalwart friend of the State of Israel who has demonstrated his personal commitment and that of his administration to the preservation of its security and welfare. He continues to demonstrate encouragement of the Middle East peace process and offered his own good offices and those of his government to the furtherance of dialogue between Israel and its Arab neighbors. In his aspirations and vision for a peaceful Middle East that will benefit the lives of all of its peoples, President Clinton reiterates the hopes of the founders of Hebrew University who envisioned the institution as a source of knowledge and advancement for all.

In light of his dedication to the principles of democracy and human rights and in appreciation of his warm and constant friendship for the people and State of Israel, the Senate of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem has resolved to confer on William Jefferson Clinton the degree of

Doctor of Philosophiae Honoris Causa
of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

and he is hereby invested with all the dignity and privileges pertaining to the degree of Doctor.

Conferred in Washington on this 27th day of April 1998

Menachem Magidor
President

Menahem Ben-Sasson
Rector

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SURGEON GENERAL'S REPORT ON TOBACCO

DATE: April 27, 1998
LOCATION: South Lawn (Tent)
BRIEFING TIME: 12:45 pm - 1:15 pm
EVENT TIME: 1:20 pm - 1:30 pm Meet and Greet
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Event
FROM: Bruce Reed

I. PURPOSE

To release the Surgeon General's report on tobacco use among minority populations, which underscores the urgent need for comprehensive legislation to reduce youth smoking.

II. BACKGROUND

The report to be released tomorrow -- David Satcher's first as Surgeon General -- is the most comprehensive compilation of research to date on the use and health effects of tobacco on minority populations. The report will get minority health groups and Members of Congress invested in tobacco legislation, while also sending a broader message about the need to pass a comprehensive bill to reduce youth smoking. Senator Frist is on the program because he played a key role in getting the Satcher nomination through the Senate, and an indispensable part in ensuring that the provisions in the McCain bill on FDA jurisdiction would be acceptable to the Administration. A summary of the key findings of the Surgeon General's report follows.

The Surgeon General's Report Documents Disturbing Trends in Tobacco Use. African Americans, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and American Indians/Alaska Natives make up nearly one-fourth of the United States population. The report provides a comprehensive analysis on the effect of tobacco on these groups, including that:

- **Teen smoking rates are rising in many ethnic and minority groups, and adult smoking rates are strikingly high among certain populations.**
 - Teen smoking rates rose dramatically among African-Americans and Hispanics from 1991-1997. Smoking rates among African-American high school students were up by a startling 80 percent, and smoking rates among Hispanic high school students increased by 34 percent.

- The most recent data also shows disturbing trends among Asian American and American Indian/Alaska Native youth. From 1990 to 1995, cigarette smoking increased by 17 percent among Asian American 12th graders and by 26 percent among their American Indian and Alaska Native counterparts.
- The report also documents that American Indians have the highest adult smoking rates of any ethnic or minority group in the United States -- nearly 40 percent, compared to 25 percent of all adults.
- **Cigarette smoking is a major cause of death and disease among all minority and ethnic groups.** The report documents that:
 - Lung cancer is the leading cancer death for all four minority groups. The increase in youth smoking threatens to reverse recent progress made against lung cancer among these groups.
 - African-American men bear the greatest health burdens from lung cancer, with death rates about 50 percent higher than whites. Lung cancer incidence has increased substantially among Alaska Natives (93 percent increase for men and 241 percent increase for women) since the 1970s.
 - Smoking increases infant mortality and low birth weight, with the risk of low birth weight babies almost twice as high for smokers than for non-smokers. Among smokers, the rate of sudden infant death syndrome is particularly high among Hispanics, African Americans, and Asians.
- **The tobacco industry has targeted advertising and promotion campaigns in ethnic and minority communities that pose serious challenges to reducing smoking among this population.** The report found that:
 - Tobacco products are advertised intensively in racial and communities. For example, in one city, 62 percent of billboards in predominantly African American neighborhoods advertised cigarettes, compared with 36 percent of billboards citywide.
- **More research is needed to understand racial and ethnic smoking patterns and to reduce tobacco use among racial and ethnic minorities.**
 - The Surgeon General's report highlights successful community-based tobacco prevention and cessation programs, as well as successful federal programs that are tailored to the needs of specific minority and ethnic communities.
 - The report, however, demonstrates the need for further research to develop the prevention and cessation programs that will be most effective in minority communities.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing Participants:

The Vice President
Secretary Shalala
Surgeon General David Satcher
Erskine Bowles
Bruce Reed
Larry Stein
Ron Klain
Cynthia Rice
Chris Jennings

Event Participants:

The Vice President
Secretary Shalala
Surgeon General David Satcher
Senator Bill Frist (R-TN)

Also on Stage:

32 students from Hine Junior High School, Hardy Elementary School, Bannekar High, and Wilson High School in D.C., who are involved in anti-tobacco activities at their schools, including the exposure of tobacco marketing targeted towards youth.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** will walk to the Tent on the South Lawn accompanied by the Vice President, Secretary Shalala, Surgeon General David Satcher, Senator Bill Frist, and 32 students.
- The Vice President will make remarks and introduce Secretary Shalala.
- Secretary Shalala will make remarks and introduce Senator Bill Frist.
- Senator Bill Frist will make remarks and introduce Surgeon General David Satcher.
- Surgeon General David Satcher will make remarks and introduce **YOU**.
- **YOU** will make remarks.
- **YOU** will work a ropeline and then depart.

VI. REMARKS

Remarks Provided by Speechwriting.

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**THE REMARKS
FOR THE TOBACCO EVENT
WILL BE FORWARDED**

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1:15 PM

Meeting on Social Security
Trust Fund, and Statement

Tab A

- Remarks

Tab B

To Be Forwarded

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1998**

Final Schedule

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FOR
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NOTE: DOWN UNTIL 10:00 A.M.

10:00 am-	MEETING
10:15 am	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles
10:15 am-	BRIEFING
10:30 am	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Sandy Berger
10:30 am-	BRIEFING
10:45 am	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Sandy Berger
11:00 am-	MEETING WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT
12:00 pm	OVAl OFFICE
12:00 pm-	MEETING
12:10 pm	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett
12:15 pm-	PHONE AND OFFICE
1:00 pm	OVAl OFFICE
1:00 pm-	BRIEFING
1:15 pm	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Gene Sperling
1:15 pm-	MEETING
1:45 pm	OVAl OFFICE
	Staff Contact: Gene Sperling

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1:50 pm-
2:10 pm

STATEMENT
ROSE GARDEN
Remarks: Lowell Weiss
Staff Contact: Gene Sperling
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
OPEN PRESS

-- **The President** makes remarks.

-- **The President** departs.

2:15 pm-
5:45 pm

PHONE AND OFFICE TIME
OVAL OFFICE

5:45 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs The White House via motorcade en route The Reflecting Pool
[drive time: 5 minutes]

5:50 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives The Reflecting Pool

5:55 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs The Reflecting Pool via Marine One en route Andrews Air Force Base
[drive time: 10 minutes]

6:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives Andrews Air Force Base

6:20 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs Andrews Air Force Base via Air Force One en route John F. Kennedy International Airport
[flight time: 55 minutes]
[time change: none]

7:15 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives John F. Kennedy International Airport

7:30 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs John F. Kennedy International Airport via motorcade en route Private Residence
[travel time: 30 minutes]

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8:00 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives Private Residence

Greeters: Katherine and Shelby Bryan

-- **The President** proceeds to the Second Floor

8:05 pm-

PHOTO RECEIVING LINE

8:30 pm

SECOND FLOOR

Private Residence

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

Event Coordinator: Laura Graham

CLOSED PRESS

Note: 60 photos (120 guests)

-- Upon conclusion of the photo receiving line, **the President** proceeds to the Third Floor.

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8:35 pm-
9:25 pm

DSCC DINNER
THIRD FLOOR
Private Residence
Remarks: Laura Capps
Staff Contact: Craig Smith
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham
PRINT REPORTER ONLY

- **The President** enters the room and proceeds to his seat at the head table.
- Dinner is served.
- Upon conclusion of dinner, **the President** proceeds to the Second Floor.
- **The President** takes his place at the front of the room.
- Senator Robert Kerrey makes brief remarks and introduces Senator Robert Torricelli.
- Senator Robert Torricelli makes brief remarks and introduces Shelby Bryan.
- Shelby Bryan makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks and departs.

9:35 pm-
9:40 pm

POLICE AND DRIVER PHOTOGRAPHS
PRIVATE RESIDENCE

9:45 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs Private Residence via motorcade en route John F. Kennedy International Airport
[drive time: 30 minutes]

10:15 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives John F. Kennedy International Airport

10:30 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs John F. Kennedy International Airport via Air Force One en route Andrews Air Force Base
[flight time: 55 minutes]

11:25 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives Andrews Air Force Base

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11:35 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs Andrews Air Force Base via Marine One en route The Reflecting Pool
[flight time: 10 minutes]

11:45 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives The Reflecting Pool

11:50 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs The Reflecting Pool en route The White House
[drive time: 5 minutes]

11:55 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives The White House

BC/HRC RON **THE WHITE HOUSE**
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

**BRIEFING AND REMARKS ON ANNUAL REPORT
ON THE STATUS OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE PROGRAMS**

DATE: April 28, 1998
TIME: 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.
LOCATION: Oval Office, Rose Garden
FROM: Gene Sperling

I. PURPOSE:

To review the status of the Social Security and Medicare programs and to highlight the need for entitlement reform.

II. BACKGROUND:

Each year, the Trustees of the Social Security and Medicare trust funds report in detail on their financial condition. The reports describe their current and projected financial condition, within the next ten years (the "short term") and over the next 75 years (the "long term.") Tomorrow morning, the Trustees vote out the report and release it to the public.

We do not receive any advance notice of the conclusions in these reports until they are made public tomorrow. The Trustees who represent your Administration will then brief you on the conclusions of the report before you speak and highlight the need for action on Social Security and Medicare reform and particularly the need for reserving the surplus until we have a long term Social Security fix.

III. PARTICIPANTS:

Pre-Brief

- The President
- Secretary Rubin
- Secretary Shalala
- Secretary Herman
- Deputy Secretary Larry Summers
- Ken Apfel
- Gene Sperling
- Frank Raines
- Jack Lew
- Chris Jennings
- Erskine Bowles
- Ron Klain

Event

- Same as above

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

- You will be briefed in the Oval Office by the Trustees on their annual report.
- You will proceed to the Rose Garden where you will make brief remarks to the press corps and depart.

V. PRESS COVERAGE:

Open

VI. REMARKS:

Prepared by speech writing.

**THE REMARKS
FOR THE SOCIAL SECURITY STATEMENT
WILL BE FORWARDED**

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12:30 PM	Drop-By Meeting with President Isaias of Eritrea	Distributed Separately
1:15 PM	Congressional Meeting	Distributed Separately
2:30 PM	White House Reception for U.S. Olympic/Paralympic Athletes	Tab A
	- Remarks	Tab B
	- Background	Tab C
4:00 PM	Presentation of the Citizens Medal to Albert Abramson	Tab D
	- Remarks	Tab E
	- Guest List	Tab F
4:30 PM	Meeting with Eli Segal	Tab G
5:10 PM	Meeting	No Paper
5:30 PM	Meeting	No Paper

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1998**

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy by late afternoon. Winds variable at 3 to 6 knots. Low 40 to 45. High 68 to 73.

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DOWN UNTIL 12:00 P.M.

12:00 pm-	MEETING
12:15 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles
12:15 pm-	BRIEFING
12:30 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Sandy Berger
12:30 pm-	DROP-BY MEETING WITH PRESIDENT ISAIAS OF ERITREA
12:40 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Samuel Berger WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY
12:45 pm-	BRIEFING
1:15 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Larry Stein
1:15 pm-	CONGRESSIONAL MEETING
2:15 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Larry Stein POOL SPRAY (AT THE TOP)
2:20 pm	THE PRESIDENT proceeds to the Map Room
2:25 pm-	BRIEFING
2:30 pm	MAP ROOM Staff Contact: Mack McLarty, Steve Ronnell

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2:30 pm-
2:40 pm

MEET AND GREET
DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
Staff Contact: Mack McLarty, Steve Ronnell
CLOSED PRESS

2:40 pm-
3:00 pm

**WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION FOR U.S.
OLYMPIC/PARALYMPIC ATHLETES**
SOUTH LAWN
Remarks: Laura Capps
Staff Contact: Mack McLarty, Steve Ronnell
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
OPEN PRESS

- **The President** makes remarks and introduces Michelle Kwan, Olympic figure skater.
- Michelle Kwan, Olympic figure skater, presents the President with a commemorative warm-up suit.
- **The President** participates in a photo opportunity with Olympians and Paralympians.
- **The President** departs.

3:05 pm-
3:40 pm

**RECEIVING LINE WITH U.S. OLYMPIC/PARALYMPIC
ATHLETES**
DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
Staff Contact: Maria Echaveste
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

3:55 pm-
4:00 pm

BRIEFING
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Phil Caplan

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4:00 pm-
4:20 pm

**PRESENTATION OF THE CITIZENS MEDAL TO
ALBERT ABRAMSON**
ROOSEVELT ROOM
Staff Contact: Phil Caplan
Event Coordinator: Rachel Redington
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

- **The President** will greet Albert Abramson, recipient of the Citizens Medal, in the Oval Office.
- Mr. Abramson, will present **the President** with a photograph.
- **The President**, accompanied by Mr. Abramson, will proceed to the Roosevelt Room.
- Miles Lerman, Chair of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, will make welcoming remarks and introduce **the President**.
- **The President** will make remarks.
- Graham Stowe, Military Aide, will read the Medal Citation.
- The President presents the Citizens Medal to Mr. Abramson.
- Mr. Abramson will make brief remarks.
- **The President** departs.

4:30 pm-
5:00 pm

MEETING
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles

5:05 pm-
5:10 pm

MEETING
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett

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5:10 pm- **MEETING**
5:30 pm OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett, Craig Smith

5:30 pm- **MEETING**
5:45 pm OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Craig Smith

5:45 pm- **PHONE AND OFFICE TIME**
6:45 pm OVAL OFFICE

EVENING OFF

BC/HRC RON THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 28, 1998 (8:51pm)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1998

1998 U.S. WINTER OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC TEAMS RECEPTION

DATE: April 29, 1998
LOCATION: *Meet and Greet:*
DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
Event: SOUTH LAWN
TIME: *Meet and Greet:* 2:30pm
Event: 2:40pm
FROM: Steve Ronnel

I. PURPOSE

You are honoring the 1998 Winter Olympic and Paralympic teams for their participation in the Winter Games in Nagano, Japan. You will attend a meet and greet with officials from the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and other key leaders, provide brief remarks, receive an Olympic team jacket from US figure skater Michelle Kwan, take a team photo, and do a photo receiving line with the athletes and VIP guests.

II. BACKGROUND

The 1998 Winter Olympic and Paralympic teams are in Washington for events surrounding the USOC's annual Olympic dinner. The teams will come to the White House immediately following a Kennedy Center luncheon hosted by Speaker Gingrich. Their day concludes with the USOC dinner. As the honorary chairman of the USOC, you attended the 1996 Olympic dinner. Sec. Shalala will speak at this year's dinner on your behalf, and video remarks by the Vice President and Mrs. Gore will be shown. You submitted a letter of greetings that will be printed in the dinner program.

The 1998 Winter Olympic Games were held in Nagano, Japan from February 7 - 21, 1998. Team USA won 13 medals, finishing 6th overall. These Games will be remembered for the outstanding performance of US women's teams, as well as the introduction of a few exciting winter sports including snow boarding, curling, and women's ice hockey. The US women's ice hockey team won the gold medal in impressive fashion and US women's figure skaters Tara Lipinsky and Michelle Kwan captured the imagination of sports fans around the world with their gold and silver medal winning performances. In contrast, the US Men's hockey team disappointed many followers with a poor performance and a controversial incident in the athlete's village where property was damaged. The USOC has decided not to invite the men's ice hockey team to the White House event. (See attachment)

The Winter Paralympic Games in Nagano were held from March 5 - 14. Team USA won 34 medals, finishing sixth overall.

You held White House receptions similar to this event in 1996 to honor the Summer Olympic team immediately following the Atlanta Games and in 1994 to honor the Winter team after the Lillehammer Games.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-Brief: Laura Schwartz, WH Social Office
Steve Ronnel, Office of Mack McLarty

Meet and Greet:

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|-----|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Bill Hybl | USOC President |
| 2. | Kathy Hybl | spouse |
| 3. | Richard Schultz | USOC Executive Director |
| 4. | Jacquilyn Schultz | spouse |
| 5. | Herman Frazier | USOC Vice President |
| 6. | Paul George | USOC Vice President |
| 7. | Helen George | spouse |
| 8. | Sandy Baldwin | USOC Vice President |
| 9. | Andrew Kostanecki | USOC Secretary |
| 10. | Sheila Kostanecki | spouse |
| 11. | James Morris | USOC Treasurer |
| 12. | Jacqueline Morris | spouse |
| 13. | Dee Dee Corradini | Mayor, Salt Lake City |
| 14. | Robert Garff | Chairman, Salt Lake Olympic Comm. |
| 15. | Tom Curley | Publisher, USA Today |
| 16. | Thomas O'Gara | President, O'Gara Co. |
| 17. | Victoria O'Gara | spouse |
| 18. | Jack Hayden | Senior Vice President, Boing Corp. |
| 19. | Barry Romeril | Chief Financial Officer, Xerox Corp. |
| 20. | Abbiegail Samuel | spouse |
| 21. | Rep. Jim Ryun (R-KS) | former Olympian for track |

Event Participants: 400 total participants

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| 140 | Olympic athletes |
| 22 | Olympic coaches and team leaders |
| 47 | Paralympic athletes |
| 12 | Paralympic coaches and team leaders |

- 30 USOC officers and committee members
- 70 USOC staff and special guests
- 10 Salt Lake City VIP's
- 60 Administration officials, private sector sponsors, other guests

IV. PRESS PLAN

OPEN PRESS

*** Note: Special access has been granted to NBC Sports and a Washington Post sports writer to cover the events surrounding the team's visit.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 2:25pm **YOU** arrive in the Map Room for a briefing.
- 2:30pm **YOU** proceed to the Diplomatic Reception Room to greet USOC leadership and other special guests.
- 2:40pm **YOU** are announced to honors onto the South Lawn
- The program begins.
- YOU** give remarks.
- Michelle Kwan makes remarks and presents warm up suit.
- 3:00pm **YOU** thank the athletes and take a group picture with on the South Portico.
- 3:05pm **YOU** proceed to the Diplomatic Reception Room for a receiving line.
- 3:40pm **YOU** depart.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by Speechwriters

VII. ATTACHMENTS

AP wire story on the US men's ice hockey team.

4/28/98 9:30pm

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE WINTER OLYMPICS/PARALYMPICS RECEPTION
APRIL 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Rep. Jim Ryun [RY-uhn] (Former Olympian); President of the United States Olympic Committee Bill Hybl and Exec. Dir. Dick Schult; Dan Butler, Senior trial attorney at the Dept. of Justice and gold medal winner in the 1996 Paralympic Games.

I know Mrs. Gore wishes she could be here today. She did a tremendous job as the head of the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics, keeping those of us back home informed with daily reports from Nagano. I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

It is an honor to welcome America's best and bravest athletes to the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and thanked them for their efforts with a caged tiger. Today, we're going to have to do with Buddy and Socks.

This winter, the men and women here --America's best --carried the hopes and dreams of all our people to Nagano. Whether you came home with a medal or simply offered up your personal best in the mountains, ice rinks, and race courses of Japan, you made all of us very proud. That's because for two weeks in February, each and everyone of you showed the world what is best about America --our determination and perseverance, our commitment to working with one another, and our unyielding pursuit of excellence.

America's athletes do more than carry our flag, they carry our spirit. We are not an earthbound people and as Nikki Stone and Eric Bergoust [BUHR-quest] flew past the competition and landed gold medals in freestyle skiing, we imagined we too could soar so high. Skiing to the gold in women's Super G, Picabo Street with her free spirit, pluck and tenacity gave new meaning to the title "comeback kid." Greg Mannino skillfully maneuvered past obstacles with fearlessness and determination, to win 3 medals in alpine skiing. With precision and grace, Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan captivated the world in figure skating. The women's ice hockey players showed us all the meaning of teamwork and camaraderie as they took the first-ever Olympic Gold Medal. And Sarah Will built upon her past successes as she garnered 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes.

Across the country, we watched with pride. As the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corradini of Salt Lake City, the closing ceremonies in Nagano became the opening event of the 2002 Salt Lake City Games. We are joined today by Mayor Deedee Corradini, Utah State Senator Scott Howell, members of the Salt Lake City Council, and the Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. We look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002 -- the first winter Olympics in the new millennium.

But before we move on to Salt Lake City, let me say that the celebration of your 1998 Olympic glory does not stop here. You have become a part of "America's team" and for the rest of your lives you will, if you choose, have a profound impact on those around you, especially our young people. While you may think that being in the Olympics was your magic moment, I believe that the future holds even more promise. You are young, you are strong and everyone of you has a great amount of power over the minds of our youth. With that power comes a responsibility, a responsibility to teach the lessons of setting your sights high, working hard and being persistent. I want you to make the most of your achievement, as some of you already are with the Champions of Life Program. You can be the examples our children need by reaching out, telling your stories, working in our communities and approaching your future endeavors with the same drive that got you here today. The power of your success can change many lives for the better.

In this century we have seen a renaissance of the Olympic Games. Even in difficult times, the Olympics have allowed a forum for opportunity and triumph. In the 1936 Berlin Olympics, clouded by the darkest days of our humanity, Jesse Owens sprinted past barriers of prejudice and hatred. His words remind us of how the Olympics have come to symbolize world freedom and the potential for human understanding. "Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the United States. Problems can be solved -- must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward."

In this sunlit time of peace and prosperity, we must not forget how far we have come and the challenges that still remain. We must strive to move forward, to continue the legacy of Jesse Owen's courage, and fulfill the promise of the American spirit. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Thank you for inspiring us, young and old, to strive to do our best and make the most of our potential. Your victories and your Olympic efforts are America's achievement. I ask each of you, in your own lives and in your own way, to carry that torch in to the 21st century.

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today...an athlete who's grace and excellence on the ice brings tears to the eyes of her spectators and joy to our hearts. Ladies and Gentleman, Michelle Kwan.

U.S. Hockey Team Won't Visit White House

Associated Press

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PORTLAND, Ore., April 2—The men's hockey team will not go with the rest of the U.S. Winter Olympic athletes to the traditional White House reception this month because of the trashing of some players' rooms in Nagano.

"We do not think it appropriate that the hockey team be invited to the White House because it would detract from the truly great achievements which occurred by various athletes in Nagano," Bill Hybl, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, said today.

The April 28 event in Washington includes a White House reception with President Clinton, appearances by Olympic athletes at area schools and a gala banquet attended by many members of Congress.

Hybl and USOC Executive Director Dick Schultz would not rule out further action against the hockey team. "We do not consider the hockey incident closed," Hybl said.

Some USOC members want the hockey players to be banned from further Olympic competition.

The USOC has been especially upset that the players involved have not identified themselves.

"Our goal is for the two or three players involved to step up and acknowledge what has happened," Hybl said.

The USOC turned the case over to Hybl and Schultz in a conference call two weeks ago.

Dave Ogreaan, executive director of USA Hockey, said he had been discussing the case with Hybl and Schultz "a couple of times weekly since we got back from Nagano."

"I think the USOC and the public feel that we're still a step shy from complete closure," Ogreaan said. "Until we get to a slightly greater sense of closure on this thing, I think the USOC decision is an appropriate one."

He said 16 or 17 players wouldn't be available, anyway, because of the NHL playoffs.

U.S. men's hockey coach Ron Wilson, who also coaches the Washington Capitals, said he had no reaction to the USOC announcement. It came as USOC members gathered for a weekend meeting, their first since the Winter Olympics.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1998

PRESIDENTIAL CITIZENS MEDAL FOR ALBERT ABRAMSON

DATE: April 29, 1998
LOCATION: Roosevelt Room
TIME: 4:00 pm
FROM: Phil Caplan

I. PURPOSE

To present the Citizens Medal to Albert Abramson. Mr. Abramson, the key force behind construction of the Holocaust Museum, was nominated for the Citizens Medal by Miles Lerman, Chair of the Museum. You approved Mr. Abramson for the Medal in December.

II. BACKGROUND

The son of Eastern European immigrants, Albert Abramson was born in 1917 in New York City. His family moved to Washington four years later. At the age of 25, he was discharged from the Army Air Corps and returned to Washington. Almost by chance, he fell into the home building business. Over the years, he has become one of the most successful real estate developers in the area. He developed, among other projects, White Flint Mall, Washington Square on K Street and numerous apartment complexes.

Late in his business career, Mr. Abramson trained his vision on construction of the Holocaust Museum. Named Chair of the Building Committee, he dropped many personal business projects to focus on the Museum. Mr. Abramson mobilized the political and financial resources and architectural and building talents that were key to the realization of the Museum, and along with one other donor, personally secured the \$50 million construction loan. A quiet, unassuming man, it was his dedication and determination that got the Museum built.

(Note: Mr. Abramson is an avid card player and particularly enjoys bridge. Renowned investor Warren Buffet is one of his bridge partners.)

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing: Phil Caplan

Oval Office Meet and Greet: 15 people (Mr. Abramson, his immediate family, his "significant other" (Elaine Rosenzweig), and his brother and sister.)

Roosevelt Room: 35 people (see attached list)

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press -- WH Photo only

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

-YOU will greet Mr. Abramson and his immediate family in the Oval Office. (He will present you with a framed picture of a quote from your speech at the 1993 Museum dedication that is engraved on a wall at the entrance to the Museum.)

-In the Roosevelt Room, Miles Lerman will open the program, make very brief remarks and introduce YOU.

-YOU will make brief remarks and ask the Military Aide, Commander Stowe, to read the Medal citation.

-Mr. Abramson will make brief remarks.

-Time permitting, YOU have the option to shake hands with those in the room who were not already in the Oval Office.

VI. REMARKS

Talking Points attached.

VI. ATTACHMENTS

Guest List

**TALKING POINTS FOR PRESENTATION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
CITIZENS MEDAL TO ALBERT ABRAMSON**

Wednesday, April 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Miles Lerman, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Museum; Albert Abramson and his family; other distinguished Museum leaders and founders.

In April 1993, I spoke at the opening of the U.S. Holocaust Museum after touring the exhibits. It was a moving experience that I will not forget. More than 2 million people visit the Museum each year; more than the Lincoln Memorial or the White House. Ten million have visited since the Museum opened.

The Museum continues to serve as a sharp reminder that we cannot forget the important tasks of a democratic and civil society: fostering tolerance for ethnic, religious and racial differences; and protecting religious freedom and individual rights.

On my 1993 tour of the Museum, Albert Abramson accompanied me. And today, it is my great honor to bestow the Citizens Medal on him.

America owes Mr. Abramson a great deal of gratitude for the tremendous amount of effort he has put into the creation of the Museum. He was a driving force behind its construction and has worked to ensure that the lessons of the Holocaust are not forgotten.

His hard work, financial backing and determination were critical in the creation of the Museum. Not only did Mr. Abramson serve as chairman of the Museum Development Committee and coordinate the construction of the museum and its exhibits, but along with one other donor, personally secured the \$50 million construction loan.

In Mr. Lerman's nomination letter, he wrote Albert Abramson "understood that only by helping Americans understand the consequences of the breakdown of democracy elsewhere could they understand the democracy in their own country." Mr. Abramson has helped establish an institution that will ensure people in America -- and around the world -- will never forget the horrible lessons of the Holocaust.

Commander Stowe, please read the Citation.

**Guest List- Citizens Medal Presentation
for Albert Abramson
April 29, 1998**

1. Albert Abramson
2. Amanda Abramson
3. Anne Abramson
4. Brian Abramson
5. Gary Abramson
6. Jeffrey Abramson
7. Jordan Abramson
8. Marnie Abramson
9. Nora Abramson
10. Pennie Abramson
11. Rona Abramson
12. Ronald Abramson
13. Sara Bloomfield
14. Debbie Cohen
15. Edward Cohen
16. Leonard Davis
17. Sophie Davis
18. David Decker
19. Benjamin Duhl
20. Shirley Duhl
21. Emanuel Friedman
22. Jack Friedman
23. Lorraine Friedman
24. Joseph Gurwin
25. Melissa Kolber
26. Chris Lerman
27. Miles Lerman
28. Martin Levin
29. Vivian Levin
30. Ruth B. Mandel
31. Adele Margulies
32. Oscar Margulies
33. Elaine Rosensweig
34. Lawrence Small
35. Sandra Small

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 28, 1997

WELFARE TO WORK MEETING WITH ELI SEGAL

DATE: April 29, 1998
LOCATION: Oval Office
EVENT TIME: 4:30 pm - 4:55 pm
FROM: Bruce Reed

I. PURPOSE

To receive an update from Eli Segal on the Welfare to Work Partnership.

II. BACKGROUND

Eli Segal has requested this meeting to discuss the Welfare to Work Partnership.

The Welfare to Work Partnership has made tremendous strides since you launched it on May 20th last year. The number of businesses involved in the Partnership has grown from 105 last May to more than 4,000 today, far exceeding your challenge to sign up 1,000 companies. The Partnership estimates that these companies hired 135,000 welfare recipients in 1997. In its first year, the Partnership also produced a how-to manual for businesses, a national PSA campaign, a survey to measure the progress of its business partners in hiring and retaining welfare recipients, tax credit hotlines for small businesses, and case studies detailing retention success stories. The National Advisory Council has grown from 2 Governors last May to 26. On Monday, the Partnership also launched a new initiative with the Enterprise Foundation to target 8 high poverty cities.

You will be hosting a White House event on May 27th to mark the one year anniversary of the Partnership. At this event you will be announcing the new Department of Labor Welfare-to-Work competitive grants and new welfare caseload numbers. You may also want to challenge the Partnership to double the number of welfare recipients hired, from 135,000 in 1997 to 270,000 in 1998. We are also working to schedule a private meeting for you and the Partnership's Board of Directors prior to this event.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Erskine Bowles
Bruce Reed
Eli Segal

IV. **PRESS PLAN**
Closed Press.

V. **SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**
Private Meeting.

VI. **REMARKS**
No remarks required.