

Tuesday, December 22, 1998

1:30 PM	Holiday Children's Story Reading	Tab A
2:30 PM	Social Security Meeting	Tab B
4:05 PM	Meeting	No Paper
4:15 PM	HMX-1 Christmas Card Presentation	Tab C
4:20 PM	Meeting	No Paper
5:30 PM	Holiday Receptions	Tab D

Tuesday, December 22, 1998

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1998

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mostly cloudy with scattered morning showers, becoming partly cloudy and windy with temperatures falling throughout the day. Winds becoming west to northwest at 15 to 25 knots. Low 30 to 35. High 47 to 52.

Tuesday, December 22, 1998

**Schedule of the President
for
Tuesday, December 22, 1998
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DOWN UNTIL 12:00 PM

12:00 pm-	MEETING
12:15 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: John Podesta
12:15 pm-	BRIEFING
12:30 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Samuel Berger
12:30 pm-	BRIEFING
12:45 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Samuel Berger
12:50 pm-	MEETING
1:00 pm	OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett
1:10 pm	THE PRESIDENT proceeds to Green Room
1:15 pm-	BRIEFING
1:20 pm	GREEN ROOM Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall
1:25 pm	THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady proceed to the East Room
1:30 pm-	HOLIDAY CHILDREN'S STORY READING
2:00 pm	EAST ROOM Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz POOL PRESS
--	The President reads "Twas the Night Before Christmas."
--	Upon conclusion of the reading, the President and the First Lady greet the children and depart.

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Tuesday, December 22, 1998

2:30 pm-
4:00 pm **SOCIAL SECURITY MEETING**
CABINET ROOM
Staff Contact: Gene Sperling

4:05 pm-
4:15 pm **MEETING**
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Nancy Hernreich

4:15 pm-
4:20 pm **HMX-1 CHRISTMAS CARD PRESENTATION**
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Colonel Timothy Milbrath
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

4:20 pm-
4:30 pm **MEETING**
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Nancy Hernreich

4:30 pm-
5:30 pm **PHONE AND OFFICE TIME**
OVAL OFFICE

5:30 pm-
7:00 pm **HOLIDAY RECEPTION**
MAP ROOM
Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
CLOSED PRESS

-- The President and the First Lady proceed to the Map Room.

-- The President and the First Lady receive guests.

-- Upon conclusion of the receiving line, the President and the First Lady proceed to the Residence.

7:00 pm-
8:30 pm **DOWN**

December 21, 1998 (5:44pm)

Tuesday, December 22, 1998

8:30 pm-
10:00 pm

HOLIDAY RECEPTION

MAP ROOM

Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall

Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz

CLOSED PRESS

- The President and the First Lady proceed to the Map Room.
- The President and the First Lady receive guests.
- Upon conclusion of the receiving line, the President and the First Lady proceed to the Residence.

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WASHINGTON, DC**

December 21, 1998 (5:44pm)

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December 21, 1998

HOLIDAY CHILDREN'S EVENT - STORY READING

DATE: Tuesday, December 22, 1998
TIME: 1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: The White House
East Room
FROM: Capricia Penavic Marshall

I. PURPOSE

You and Mrs. Clinton will give your annual reading of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas to children from the District of Columbia public school system.

II. PARTICIPANTS

Sixty Children from thirteen schools located in the District of Columbia were selected by the Office of the Superintendent. The schools are as follows:

Seaton Elementary
Maury Elementary
Emery Elementary
Kenilworth Elementary
Van Ness Elementary
Walker Jones Elementary
Bruce-Monroe Elementary
Raymond Elementary
Young Elementary
Cook Elementary
Garrison Elementary
Ketcham Elementary
Houston Elementary

III. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1:30 p.m. YOU and MRS. CLINTON arrive to the Green Room for briefing.

1:35 p.m. YOU and MRS. CLINTON enter the East Room during the caroling and proceed to the benches in front of the trees.

YOU begin reading 'Twas the Night Before Christmas to the children.

Following the reading, **YOU** and **MRS. CLINTON** will greet the children at the north end of the Blue Room tree.

2:00 p.m.

YOU and **MRS. CLINTON** depart.

IV. PRESS

Pool Press.

V. REMARKS

No formal remarks.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 21, 1998

MEETING WITH ECONOMIC ADVISORS

DATE: December 22, 1998
TIME: 2:30-4:00pm
LOCATION: Cabinet Room
FROM: Gene Sperling

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss different options for how to handle Social Security in the State of the Union. In particular, we need to move toward decisions about whether you would like to put out a proposal in the State of the Union and if so, how specific you would like to be in the proposal.

II. BACKGROUND

In previous meetings, we have discussed a range of Social Security reform plans. In the aftermath of the White House Social Security Conference, members of Congress are beginning to engage on the issue. We now need to focus on different options for moving the reform process forward in the New Year. At the meeting, we will present a few options in order to help you think through the advantages and disadvantages of different approaches. Among possible criteria for evaluating proposals for the State of the Union are 1) whether the proposal would help maintain support of Democrats; 2) Whether the proposal will reach out a hand to Republicans and show them that you are serious about bipartisanship; 3) Whether the public will perceive you as showing bipartisan leadership; 4) Whether the elite media will conclude that the proposal demonstrates fiscal courage; and 5) whether the proposal will cause the reform process to move forward or whether it will cause the debate to become polarized; and 6) considering where you would like to end up, does the proposal represent an opening bid that is likely to lead there.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

The Vice President
John Podesta
Steve Richetti
Maria Echaveste
Karen Tramontano
Gene Sperling
Commissioner Apfel
Jack Lew
Sylvia Mathews

Larry Stein
Deputy Secretary Summers
Janet Yellen
Ron Klain
Paul Begala
Doug Sosnik
Bruce Reed
Elena Kagan
Sally Katzen
Michael Waldman

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** will meet with your economic policy advisors in the Cabinet Room.

V. PRESS COVERAGE

Closed.

VI. REMARKS

NA.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1998

PRESENTATION OF THE 1998 HMX-1 CHRISTMAS CARD

DATE: Tuesday, December 22, 1998
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 4:15 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
FROM: Jake Simmons 

I. PURPOSE

To accept the original artwork used by Marine Helicopter Squadron One (HMX-1) for their 1998 Christmas Card

II. BACKGROUND

Since 1960 HMX-1 has presented a personal Christmas card, drawn by a squadron member or a family member, to the President. A panel of judges selects the first place and runner-up winners from the anonymous entries. The winning entry is identified and reprinted as the squadron's official Christmas card.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Duty Military Aide
Jake Simmons
Colonel Ronald Berube
(Commanding Officer, HMX-1)
Mrs. Sally Berube (wife)
William Berube (son; artist)
Kelly Berube (daughter)
Ryanne Berube (granddaughter)

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer and White House Communications Agency camera crew

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- (1) Mr. Simmons presents Col Berube and William Berube to the President
- (2) William Berube presents the 1998 HMX-1 Christmas card to the President
- (3) Group photo will be taken
- (4) Members depart

VI. REMARKS

None required

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: THE PRESIDENT
THE FIRST LADY

WHAT: HOLIDAY RECEPTION

WHEN: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1998

WHERE: MAP ROOM

NOTES: APPROX. 500 GUESTS (A) 600 GUESTS (B)/CLOSED PRESS
HOLIDAY ATTIRE

FROM: CAPRICIA PENAVIC MARSHALL, LAURA SCHWARTZ

5:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY arrive in the Map Room for receiving line.

Approx. 7:00 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY depart to the Residence.

8:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY arrive in the Map Room for receiving line.

Approx. 10:00 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY depart to the Residence.

Wednesday, December 23, 1998

8:45 AM	Meeting with the Vice President	No Paper
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9:15 AM	Meeting	No Paper
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9:30 AM	Meeting/Photo Opportunity	No Paper
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[travel to Baltimore, Maryland])

5:30 PM	Residence Reception	Tab A
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Wednesday, December 23, 1998

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1998

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mostly sunny and cold, becoming mostly cloudy by evening. Winds northwest at 6 to 12 knots. Low 17 to 22. High 30 to 35.

December 22, 1998 (5:36pm)

Wednesday, December 23, 1998

**Schedule of the President
for
Wednesday, December 23, 1998
*Final Schedule***

8:45	am-	MEETING WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT OVAL OFFICE
9:15	am	
9:15	am-	MEETING OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Thurgood Marshall, Jr.
9:25	am	
9:30	am-	MEETING/PHOTO OPPORTUNITY OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Mickey Ibarra
9:35	am	
9:40	am	THE PRESIDENT proceeds to the South Lawn
9:45	am	THE PRESIDENT departs The White House via motorcade en route the Reflecting Pool [drive time: 5 minutes]
9:50	am	THE PRESIDENT arrives the Reflecting Pool
10:00	am	THE PRESIDENT departs the Reflecting Pool via Marine One en route Fort McHenry Landing Zone [flight time: 25 minutes]
10:25	am	THE PRESIDENT arrives Fort McHenry Landing Zone

Greeters: Governor Parris Glendening
Senator Paul Sarbanes
Representative Elijah Cummings
Mayor Kurt Schmoke
Senate President Mike Miller

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Wednesday, December 23, 1998

10:35 am **THE PRESIDENT** departs Fort McHenry Landing Zone via motorcade en route Boys and Girls Club
[drive time: 15 minutes]

10:50 am **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Boys and Girls Club

Greeters:

- Senator Barbara Mikulski
- Attorney General Joseph Curran
- Senator John Jefferies (T)
- Delegate Howard Rawlings
- Delegate Ruth Kirk
- Delegate Clarence Mitchell IV
- Council President Lawrence Bell
- City Council Member Nicholas D'Adamo
- City Council Member Lois Garey
- Wayne Curry, Prince George's County Executive
- Dutch Ruppersborger, Baltimore County Executive
- Janet Owens, Anne Arundel County Executive
- Frank Williams, CEO, Boys and Girls Club
- Paul Shelton, Chairman of the Board
- Phyllis Taylor, Unit Director
- Rosemary Atkinson, Community Building Coordinator
- Thelma Millard, Director of Family Support Services
- Jaielyn Obey, Director of Development

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Wednesday, December 23, 1998

11:00 am-
12:00 pm

HUD GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT EVENT

GYM

Boys and Girls Club

Remarks: Lowell Weiss

Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

Event Coordinator: Aviva Steinberg

OPEN PRESS

- Off-stage announcement of the President, accompanied by Secretary Andrew Cuomo and Christa Spangler.
- Mayor Kurt Schmoke makes welcoming remarks and introduces Representative Elijah Cummings.
- Representative Elijah Cummings makes brief remarks and introduces Senator Barbara Mikulski.
- Senator Barbara Mikulski makes brief remarks and introduces Senator Paul Sarbanes.
- Senator Paul Sarbanes makes brief remarks and introduces Governor Parris Glendening.
- Governor Parris Glendening makes brief remarks and introduces Secretary Andrew Cuomo.
- Secretary Andrew Cuomo makes brief remarks and introduces Christa Spangler.
- Christa Spangler makes brief remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks, works a ropeline and departs.

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Wednesday, December 23, 1998

12:05 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs Boys and Girls Club via motorcade en route
Fort McHenry Landing Zone
[drive time: 15 minutes]

12:20 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Fort McHenry Landing Zone

12:30 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs Fort McHenry Landing Zone via Marine One
en route the Reflecting Pool
[flight time: 25 minutes]

12:55 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives the Reflecting Pool

1:05 pm **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Reflecting Pool via motorcade en route The
White House
[drive time: 5 minutes]

1:10 pm **THE PRESIDENT** arrives The White House

1:15 pm-
5:30 pm **DOWN**

5:30 pm-
7:00 pm **RESIDENCE RECEPTION**
DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
Staff Contact: Capricia Marshall
Event Coordinator: Laura Schwartz
CLOSED PRESS

- **The President** and the First Lady arrive Diplomatic Reception Room for
the receiving line.
- **The President** and the First Lady receive guests.
- **The President** and the First Lady depart.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, DC

December 22, 1998 (5:36pm)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: THE PRESIDENT
THE FIRST LADY

WHAT: RESIDENCE RECEPTION

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1998

WHERE: BLUE ROOM

NOTES: APPROX. 400 GUESTS/CLOSED PRESS/HOLIDAY ATTIRE

FROM: CAPRICIA PENA VIC MARSHALL, LAURA SCHWARTZ

5:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY arrive in the Blue Room for receiving line.

7:00 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and THE FIRST LADY depart to the Residence.

Thursday, December 24, 1998

TBD	Tape Radio Address	Tab A
	- Remarks	Tab B
TBD	Christmas Eve Phone Calls to Troops	Tab C

Thursday, December 24, 1998

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FOR
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1998

Final Schedule

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Cloudy with a light wintry mix. Winds north to northwest at 8 to 12 knots. Low 23 to 28. High 28 to 33.

Thursday, December 24, 1998

**Schedule of the President
for
Thursday, December 24, 1998
*Final Schedule***

DAY AND EVENING OFF

TBD **BRIEFING**
MAP ROOM
Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Megan Moloney

TBD **TAPE RADIO ADDRESS**
MAP ROOM
Remarks: June Shih
Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Megan Moloney
CLOSED PRESS

Note: This taping is closed to staff and guests.

TBD **CHRISTMAS EVE PHONE CALLS TO TROOPS**
RESIDENCE
Staff Contact: Colonel Timothy Milbrath
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

BC/HRC RON **THE WHITE HOUSE**
WASHINGTON, DC

December 23, 1998 (5:54pm)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 23, 1998

98 DEC 23 PM 3:13

TAPED WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESS

DATE: December 24, 1998
LOCATION: Map Room
TIME: TBD
FROM: Megan Moloney

I. PURPOSE

You will announce: (1) a renewed challenge to Congress to set a nationwide drunk driving standard of .08 blood alcohol content (BAC); (2) the issuance of an interim final rule by the Department of Transportation to strengthen state efforts against drinking and driving; and (3) the availability of \$25 million in Justice Department grants to combat underage drinking.

II. BACKGROUND

The new study you will announce estimates that in 1996, 28 percent -- or 46.5 million -- of the 166 million drivers in the U.S. used drugs, alcohol, or both within two hours prior to driving. The vast majority -- 38 million people -- drank alcohol within two hours prior to driving. This first-time study is a collaborative effort of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

You also support bipartisan legislation that would give states three years to enact .08 legislation, on penalty of losing highway funds. Sixteen states and D.C. have already adopted .08 laws: UT, OR, ME, CA, VT, KS, NC, NM, NH, FL, VI, HI, AL, ID, IL, and WA.

The last announcement you will make is that the Justice Department will make \$25 million available to help states curb underage drinking. About one-third of all motor vehicle fatalities involving youths ages 15 to 20 are alcohol-related. The Combating Underage Drinking initiative, administered by the Office of Juvenile

Justice and Delinquency Prevention, will provide grants to support and enhance the enforcement and prevention efforts of states and localities to prohibit the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing Map Room

The President

Ann Lewis

June Shih

Taping Map Room

The President

Megan Moloney

White House Communications Agency (WHCA) Staff

White House Television (WHTV)

White House photographer

IV. PRESS PLAN

The ABC, AP, C-SPAN, CBS, 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

VI. REMARKS

To be forwarded by the Office of Speechwriting.

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Draft 12/23/98 6 pm
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98 DEC 23 PM 7:11

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
RADIO ADDRESS ON DRUNK DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH
DECEMBER 26, 1998

Good Morning. December is a month for families -- a season of celebration and anticipation, especially for children. But, with the alcohol flowing at parties and millions of families taking to the road to see friends and relatives, the holiday season can also be a season of tragedy. Last December, more than 1,300 Americans lost their lives in alcohol-related crashes. Who knows how many presents under the Christmas tree were left unopened -- presents for a child killed by a drunk driver.

Today, I want to talk about how we can work together to make our roads safer for our families. For a generation, drunk driving has been one of America's greatest public safety challenges. The sight of a car weaving through traffic is an all-too familiar and frightening one for many Americans. Over the past decade, spurred to action by grassroots activists such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving, and with the leadership of the Department of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, America has worked hard to keep drunk drivers off our roads with increased public awareness, stronger laws, and stricter enforcement.

My administration has made safety our number one transportation priority. In 1995, we helped states make it illegal for anyone under 21 to drive with any amount of alcohol in their system. We put young people on notice: Just one drink before driving, one beer, one glass of wine, one shot -- and you can lose your license.

There is good news to report. Last year, the number of people killed in alcohol-related crashes dropped to an all-time low. For the first time since we started keeping track in 1975, alcohol-related deaths accounted for less than 40 percent of all traffic deaths, and dropped by 5 percent among 15-20 year olds.

But we have much more to do. In a report I am releasing today, the Department of Health and Human Services estimates that in 1996, more than a quarter of all drivers -- 46.5 million -- used drugs, alcohol or both within two hours of driving. Ask any parent, any family, anyone who has lost a loved one to an alcohol-related crash -- one impaired driver is one too many.

So today, I am announcing that the Justice and Transportation Departments will strengthen their efforts -- through grants to states and other incentives -- to help curb underage drinking and to keep more would-be drunk drivers from climbing into their cars.

The most effective action we can take to make our roads even safer is to set the national impaired driving standard at .08 percent blood alcohol content. No one will ever doubt that a person with that much blood alcohol is unfit to drive after meeting Brenda Frazier. This Spring, at the White House, she described the horror of watching a drunk driver run over her nine-year

old daughter at a school bus stop. The driver's blood alcohol content: .08 percent.

This year, I worked with members of Congress to make .08 the law of the land. Tragically, the special interests blocked this life-saving measure. I am determined to succeed in setting the .08 standard in the new year. It's the right thing to do. In the meantime, I have asked Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater to work to make .08 the rule on federal property. I commend the 16 states and the District of Columbia who have already adopted the stricter standard.

But every American must take responsibility for safer roads for our families. Tell your neighbors and teach your own children about the dangers of drunk driving. And as we gather this week to ring in a new year, stop and think before getting behind the wheel. If you've had too much to drink, hand your keys to a designated driver. Together, we can make sure the new year is indeed a safe and happy one for more Americans.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
December 23, 1998

98-1022-4258

CHRISTMAS EVE PHONE CALLS

DATE: December 24, 1998
LOCATION: TBA
TIME: TBA
FROM: Jake Simmons



I. PURPOSE

To wish service members, stationed at remote sites worldwide, a Merry Christmas and thank them for their service to our great Nation.

II. BACKGROUND

The tradition of Christmas Eve telephone calls from the President dates back to December 1984.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Five members of the Armed Forces
(list attached)

IV. PRESS PLAN

To be determined by Media Affairs

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- POTUS calls Army Member
- POTUS calls Marine Member
- POTUS calls Navy Member
- POTUS calls Air Force Member
- POTUS calls Coast Guard Member

VI. REMARKS

Provided in attachments

Attachments

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO ARMY MEMBER

TO: Private Roxanna Avila, USA
(Age 21)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 43rd Air Defense Artillery (ADA), Suwon Air Base, Republic of Korea. Private Avila enlisted in the Army seven months ago to further her college education and currently serves as a PATRIOT Launcher crewmember and maintainer. Highly motivated and a professional soldier, she was cited for her achievements in Advanced Individual Training as the Distinguished Honor Graduate. Upon her permanent change of station to 1-43rd ADA, she was cited by the Brigade Sergeant Major and Brigade Commander and awarded a Brigade coin for having the best crew drill in the battalion--having been in country for only three weeks. Her hobbies include dancing, reading, church, and representing her Battery/Unit on the "Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers" committee. Her parents, Nereo Castillo and Patricia Avila, reside in Chicago, Illinois, with her brother Rolando Avila.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Christmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Soldiers planning to do on Christmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Soldiers and let them know we are thinking of you all and are truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO ARMY MEMBER

TO: Specialist (SPC) William K. Smith, USA
(Age 33)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Law Enforcement Activity, Fort Campbell, (currently serving in Bosnia). Specialist Smith has been in the Army for two years and serves as a Law Enforcement Officer, K9 Division. SPC Smith and his military working dog, Wanda, perform force protection missions, conduct perimeter security at night and support the law and order mission. SPC Smith and Wanda are qualified as a patrol and narcotics detection team. He is an outstanding Soldier who volunteered for deployment to serve in Operation Joint Forge. His assignments include duty in Germany and a deployment to Tuzla. His hobbies include hunting and fishing. His wife, Lisabeth, and children, Aubry (7), William (6), and Anna (2), reside in Florance, Mississippi. His father is deceased and his mother, Peggy Smith, resides in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

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RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL MARINE CORPS MEMBER

TO: Gunnery Sergeant (GySgt) Luis E. Coloncastro,
USMC (Age 28)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Recruiting Substation San Juan Puerto Rico, Recruiting Station Fort Lauderdale, 6th Marine Corps District. He was born and raised in Puerto Rico and enlisted in the Marine Corps out of San Juan. Stationed at a remote post, he was selected as Fiscal Year 1998 Sixth Marine Corps District Noncommissioned Officer in Charge. Gunney Coloncastro has been in the Marine Corps for ten years and serves as an immediate supervisor for a four-man recruiting office that overseas Marine recruiting in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. A former Marine Security Guard, he has manned posts in Damascus, Syria, when Terry Anderson, a hostage and former Marine, was released. He also served in Madrid, Spain; he was married in Spain on September 11, 1993, to his wife, Juliana. They have two daughters and a son, Anaya (21), Karla (4) and Javier (14), who reside in Puerto Rico. He enjoys bike riding, basketball, Softball and chess. His parents, Luis Colon And Virginia Castro, also reside in Puerto Rico.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Marines planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Marines and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO MARINE CORPS MEMBER

TO: Corporal Samuel E. Gonite (Go-knee-tea), USMC
(Age 20)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Marine Security Guard Detachment American Embassy, Nairobi, Kenya. Corporal Gonite has been in the Marine Corps for two years and serves as an Accountant and Auditor for monies spent by the Marine Corps. He is an outstanding NCO who demonstrates unlimited potential and leadership ability. He constantly displays a positive attitude toward Country, Corps and his duties. A proven asset under times of stress, he was one of the Marines on duty during the bombing of the Nairobi Embassy. He received two Certificates of Commendation and attended Mertorious Mast; currently recommended for a Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal for actions during the Embassy bombing. He enjoys all sports. His father, Steven Gonite, resides in Rochester, New York, and his mother, Victoria Gonite, resides in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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DISCUSSION:

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RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO NAVY MEMBER

TO: Aviation Mechanic (Structures) (AMSAN)
Nickolas R. Chapo, USN
(Age 19)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory. He has been in the Navy for one year and is responsible for basic aircraft/support equipment welding operations. AMSAN Chapo was recently selected as the Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia, Junior Sailor of the Quarter. His selection was based on his outstanding performance as a junior welder and his total dedication to duty within his command. He enjoys fishing, chess, softball, and is an outfielder on his department's softball team. His parents, Robert and Debra Chapo, reside in Coventry, Rhode Island.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Sailors planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Sailors and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDATION TELEPHONE CALL TO NAVY MEMBER

TO: Electronics Technician Third Class (ET3)
Bryan A. Stephens, USN
(Age 23)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Mobile Integrated Command Facility, Manama, Bahrain. ET3 Stephens has been in the Navy for two years and is responsible for maintaining Commander, Fifth Fleet's Mobile Integrated Command Facility (MICFAC) and Mobile Ashore Support Terminal (MAST) C4I electronic equipment. His command provides communications for Commander, United States Naval Center's COMUSNAVCENT Tactical Flag Command Center (TFCC) during deployments and exercises. He received the Navy Unit Commendation for Operation Southern Watch. He was recently selected as COMUSNAVCENT Blue Jacket of the Quarter and was awarded a Flag Letter of Commendation. He enjoys various sports, particularly basketball, and participates in the local community Filipino Basketball Association, competing with teams throughout Bahrain. He recently celebrated his one year anniversary with his wife, Antonia, who currently resides with him in Bahrain. His father, Robert Stephens, resides in Phoenix, Arizona, and his mother, Sonya Stephens, resides in Lima, Ohio.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Christmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Sailors planning to do on Christmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Sailors and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO AIR FORCE MEMBER

TO: Staff Sergeant (SSgt) Shelly C. Goergen
(Ger-gen), USAF
(Age 28)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to the 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group, Tuzla Air Base, Bosnia-Herzegovina. Sergeant Goergen has been in Air Force for nine years and serves as liaison to the Russian Air Force in Bosnia and Chief of Protocol for the 401st Group. She is an outstanding performer and excellent example of someone sacrificing for their Nation during the holidays. She works closely with Russian forces in Bosnia and makes an excellent first and lasting impression on the people she deals with. She is stationed at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, and is deployed for 120 days. She is scheduled to return to Holloman on January 15, 1999. She served as an interpreter for the On-site Inspection Agency for seven years, and in Moscow at the U.S. Embassy during Vice President Gore's December 1993 visit. She enjoys skiing, hiking, travel, and reading. Back home she volunteers two hours a week for a local community literacy program. Her husband, Ralf, and her daughter, Susanna (7 mos), Reside in Alamogordo, New Mexico. Her father, Robert Edgell, resides in Cleveland, Ohio, and her mother, Leslie Patterson, resides in Lexington, Kentucky.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Airmen planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Airmen and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO AIR FORCE MEMBER

TO: Senior Airman (SrA) Shawn M. Knowlton, USAF
(Age 23)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to the 51st Security Forces Squadron, Osan Air Base, Korea. SrA Knowlton has been in the Air Force for three years and serves as a Base Patrolman managing entry control points and working in law enforcement protecting priority resources. Out of his 55 membered squadron, he is the most outstanding and hardest working. His great attitude and hard charging drive is essential in managing entry control to the base and access to resources. Currently, he lives in an Airman dormitory on Osan Air Base with a roommate. He arrived in Korea this past February and is scheduled to depart in April 1999 (he extended his tour in Korea for two months). He desires to go overseas again. He is an avid exerciser and enjoys working out and playing softball. His parents, Joe and Mary Lou Knowlton, reside in St. Pauls, North Carolina.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Airmen planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Airmen and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO COAST GUARD MEMBER

TO: Food Service Specialist First Class
FS1 Chad A. Adams, USCG
(Age 28)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to Coast Guard LORAN Station St. Paul, St. Paul, Alaska. Petty Officer Adams has been in the Coast Guard for eight years and is responsible for preparing three meals a day, seven days a week, for 20 to 25 of his shipmates. He orders and maintains an inventory of food supplies valued at \$14,000. He completes all paperwork associated with maintaining a Coast Guard dining facility. He also maintains and operates a unit exchange as a collateral duty. He is a single parent who chose to meet service needs by volunteering for this isolated tour--his job has a direct impact on unit morale. He often responds to short notice meal requests for aircrews and unplanned ship visits and operates the station exchange (another morale enhancing job). He is currently selected for assignment as a Recruit Company Commander, recruit training "boot camp." He enjoys weightlifting and body building and actively motivates others in his unit to adopt a healthy lifestyle. He possesses a strong interest in teaching and mentoring others. His daughter, Kristen (7), resides in Cameron, North Carolina, with her mother, Laura. His father, William, resides in Flowery Branch, Georgia, and his mother, Peggy, resides in Shelbyville, Kentucky.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Coast Guardsmen planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Coast Guardsmen and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL TO COAST GUARD MEMBER

TO: Health Services Technician First Class
HS1 John G. Allen, USCG
(Age 28)

BACKGROUND: Assigned to United States Coast Guard Cutter COURAGEOUS (WMEC 622). Petty Officer Allen has been in the Coast Guard for seven years and serves as an independent duty corpsman for 80 crewmembers and is the sole administrator for their medical records. He orders and maintains an inventory of medical supplies and is the resident expert for crew medical training. He oversees the ship's respiratory protection program and was selected as Sailor of the Quarter after only three months onboard. His job has a positive impact on crew morale, health and well being. He responds to medical emergencies in adverse conditions--he administered first aid and health exams to 500 Cuban and Haitian imigrants during his last deployment. Cutter COURAGEOUS will be underway for the holiday season. He is heavily involved in his local elementary school reading program and actively participates in community church service projects. His wife Melanie and their three daughters, Emily (7), Sarah (6), and Elayne (3), reside in Panama City, Florida. His partents, Gary and Susan, reside in Cleburne, Texas.

TOPICS FOR
DISCUSSION:

1. Merry Chirstmas!
2. What are you and your fellow Coast Guardsmen planning to do on Chirsmas?
3. We really appreciate your service, it's a sacrifice we recognize, especially with you being away from home at Christmas.
4. Please pass my best to your fellow Coast Guardsmen and let them know we are thinking of you all and truly thankful for your service to our great country.

ARMY MEMBERS

Private Roxanna Avila, USA
Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 43rd Air Defense Artillery,
Suwon Air Base, Republic of Korea

COMM: 011-82-331-220-788-5757
DSN: 788-5757 or 788-5894
TIME DIFFERENCE: +14 hours

Specialist William K. Smith, USA
Law Enforcement Activity, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
(Serving in Bosnia)

COMM: 011-49-622-157-3092
DSN: 408-762-5139/5140
TIME DIFFERENCE: +6 hours

MARINE CORPS MEMBERS

Gunnery Sergeant Luis E. Colomcastro, USMC
Recruiting Substation San Juan Puerto Rico, Recruiting Station
Fort Lauderdale, 6th Marine Corps District

COMM: Work: 787-273-1115
Home: 787-782-7572
DSN: None
TIME DIFFERENCE: -1 hours

Corporal Samuel E. Gonite, USMC
Marine Security Guard Detachment American Embassy, Nairobi, Kenya

COMM: He will be on duty.
Work: 254-2-751-871 (before 5 p.m. Nairobi
time)
254-2-211-672 (after 5 p.m. Nairobi
time)
DSN: None
TIME DIFFERENCE: +7 hours

NAVY MEMBERS

Seaman Nickolas R. Chapo, USN
Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean
Territory

COMM: 011-246-370-4001
DSN: 011-246-370-4001
TIME DIFFERENCE: -11 hours

ET3 Bryan A. Stephens, USN
Mobile Integrated Command Facility, Manama, Bahrain

COMM: Work: 011-973-743-111
Home: 011-973-718-932
DSN: Work: 318-439-3111
TIME DIFFERENCE: +8 hours

AIR FORCE MEMBERS

Staff Sergeant Shelly C. Goergen, USAF
401ST Expeditionary Air Base Group Tuzla Air Base, Bosnia-
Herzegovina

COMM: 011-387-758-14241
DSN: 762-8006
TIME DIFFERENCE: +6 hour

Senior Airman Shawn M. Knowlton, USAF
51ST Security Forces Squadron, Osan Air Base, Korea

COMM: 011-82-333-661-9550
011-82-333-661-6266 (after 8 p.m. local time)
DSN: 315-784-9590
TIME DIFFERENCE: +11 hours

COAST GUARD MEMBERS

FS1 Chad A. Adams, USCG
Coast Guard LORAN Station St. Paul, St. Paul, Alaska

COMM: (907) 546-2384 ext: #240 (his room)
You can page him as well
DSN: None
TIME DIFFERENCE: -4 hours

HS1 John G. Allen, USCG
United States Coast Guard Cutter COURAGEOUS (WMEC 622)

COMM: Ship at sea
INMARSAT: 011-871-153-3664 or 011-874-153-3664
TIME DIFFERENCE: None inport/varies underway

Monday, December 28, 1998

9:15 AM (T)	Foreign Policy Phone Call	Distributed Separately
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10:15 AM	Social Security Y2K Event	Tab A
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- Remarks	Tab B
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- Biographical Information	Tab C
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Monday, December 28, 1998

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FOR
MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1998

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WEATHER:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Freezing rain. Low 33. High 38.

December 23, 1998 (6:50pm)

Monday, December 28, 1998

**Schedule of the President
for
Monday, December 28, 1998
Final Schedule**

9:00	am-		MEETING
9:15	am		OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: John Podesta
9:15	am-	(T)	BRIEFING AND FOREIGN POLICY PHONE CALL
9:45	am		OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Samuel Berger
9:45	am-		BRIEFING
10:05	am		OVAL OFFICE Staff Contact: Gene Sperling, John Koskinen
10:10	am		THE PRESIDENT proceeds to Room 450, Old Executive Office Building
10:15	am-		SOCIAL SECURITY Y2K EVENT
11:15	am		ROOM 450 Old Executive Office Building Remarks: Jeff Shesol Staff Contact: Gene Sperling, John Koskinen Event Coordinator: Aviva Steinberg OPEN PRESS
			- Ken Apfel makes welcoming remarks and introduces Cathy Adams.
			- Cathy Adams makes brief remarks and introduces Secretary Robert Rubin.
			- Secretary Robert Rubin makes brief remarks and introduces Pauline Jones.
			- Pauline Jones makes brief remarks and introduces the President.
			- The President makes remarks, works a ropeline and departs.

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**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, DC**

December 23, 1998 (8:50pm)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1998

SPEECH ON Y2K COMPLIANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Date: Monday, December 28, 1998
Site: OEOP Room 450
Time: 10:15 a.m.
From: Sally Katzen

I. PURPOSE

You will deliver a speech on the Year 2000 (Y2K) computer problem in which you will announce that the computer systems that send out Social Security payments are now Y2K compliant. This is a great opportunity for you to highlight the need to fix the underlying Social Security system for the 21st century.

II. BACKGROUND

The Year 2000 problem is perhaps the single-greatest common management challenge that has ever faced corporations and governments worldwide. With a little over 12 months remaining, much work must still be done to prepare critical systems to deal with dates that read 1/1/00 and beyond.

The Federal Government operates some of the largest, most complex systems in the world and faces a massive challenge in preparing for the Year 2000. Agencies have been working hard to ensure that critical systems are ready and that key services will not be disrupted. Sixty-one percent of critical Federal systems are now Y2K compliant, up from 27 percent a year ago. But much work remains.

The Social Security Administration (SSA) has long been viewed as a leader in preparing systems for the century date change. SSA began work on the Y2K problem before any other agency, in 1989, and has worked hard to ensure that its critical benefits payments systems are ready. SSA completed work on those systems in September 1998.

But SSA depends upon the Treasury's Financial Management Service (FMS) to actually send out the monthly Social Security payments. The news in this event is that those FMS systems are now Y2K compliant. It is a success story of interagency collaboration. SSA and FMS worked together to fix and test the systems that make Social Security payments and, a little over a week ago, an independent contractor verified that the key FMS payment systems for Social Security are now Y2K compliant.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-brief participants:

- **Sally Katzen**, Deputy Director, National Economic Council and Vice Chair, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion
- **Robert Rubin**, Secretary of the Treasury
- **Kenneth Apfel**, Commissioner, Social Security Administration
- **Kathy Adams**, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Systems, Social Security Administration
- **Janet Abrams**, Executive Director, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion
- **Jeffrey Shesol**, White House Speechwriting

Event participants:

- **Kenneth Apfel**, Commissioner, Social Security Administration
- **Kathy Adams**, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Systems, Social Security Administration
- **Robert Rubin**, Secretary of the Treasury
- **Pauline Johnson Jones**, Senior Citizen

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- You will proceed to OEOB Room 450.
- You and the group will leave the holding room and will be announced out onto the stage.
- Commissioner Apfel will open the program and introduce Kathy Adams.
- Kathy Adams will make remarks and introduce Secretary Rubin.
- Secretary Rubin will make remarks and introduce Pauline Johnson Jones.
- Pauline Johnson Jones will make remarks and introduce you.
- You will make remarks.
- After your speech, you will depart.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by Speechwriters.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- Biographical Information about Pauline Johnson Jones

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Jeff Shesol

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS ON Y2K COMPLIANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY
THE WHITE HOUSE
December 28, 1998

Acknowledgments: Sec. Rubin; Ken Apfel, Soc Sec Commissioner (and his father Walter Apfel & mother-in-law Katryna Jacobsen); Kathy Adams, Asst. Dep. Commissioner for Systems, SSA; Pauline Johnson Jones (who turns 90 on December 31)

Now that Christmas has passed, many of us are thinking about the coming New Year's celebration. It's just 3 days away. But, as we've heard, some of the previous speakers are already focused on the next New Year's celebration, 368 days away, when we ring in the new millennium and all the remarkable promise it brings. I want to talk this morning about the progress we're making toward a more carefree celebration of the year 2000 -- and, more important, toward a more secure future for America.

Today, we mark a milestone in that effort. **I am pleased to announce that on New Year's Day, 2000, and every day that follows, older Americans can rest assured. The millennium bug will not delay our payment of a single Social Security check by even a single day.** The Social Security system is now 100 percent compliant with our standards and safeguards for the year 2000. To make absolutely certain, the system has been tested -- and validated -- by a team of independent experts. The system works. It is secure. So, as a result, older Americans can feel more secure.

This an important achievement. The hard-working employees at the Social Security Administration and the Financial Management Service should be proud of what they have accomplished in such a short period of time. SSA, which was the very first federal agency to start work on the Year 2000 problem, has been a leader and a model ever since. But, as we've heard, these two agencies couldn't have done it if they hadn't worked as a team. SSA generates Social Security payments; FMS issues them. So they are in this together.

Indeed, we are all in this together: not just federal agencies but state and local governments, and big and small businesses. The Year 2000 problem reveals the connections between us all; it requires that we work with one another for the common good and for a better, stronger future.

Across America, people of all ages are coming together to meet this challenge -- from the brightest, newest graduates of our very best schools, to the retired computer programmers who laid the foundations of the computer age. On Social Security alone, it took hundreds of programmers and literally thousands of employees to prepare for the year 2000. It took the

special efforts of Kathy Adams and other federal officials, most of whom have toiled in quiet obscurity. The American people do not know their names. They will receive no public accolades. But in a year's time, on the first day of the 21st Century, they can take quiet satisfaction in knowing that their work is putting Social Security payments in the hands of those who need them most. They can take pride in knowing that Pauline Johnson Jones will sleep well the night of December 31, 1999 -- her 91st birthday -- knowing that her benefits are secure, and are on their way.

We've made sure that Social Security checks will keep coming in the year 2000.
Now, we must make sure that Social Security checks will keep coming in the 21st Century. Social Security, after all, is much more than a monthly payment: it is a sacred trust among generations; a bond between parents and children and grandparents and grandchildren; a pledge between those in retirement and those at work and between the disabled and the able-bodied. It is our obligation to one another and to our deepest values as Americans. It is and must remain a rock-solid guarantee.

That is why we are saving the budget surplus to save Social Security. And that is why, all year, I have been talking and listening to the American people, discussing the need to strengthen Social Security for the future. Like the team that brought the Social Security system into Y2K compliance, we will need to plan ahead... to listen to one another... and to work together.

By following their example we can begin this process on common ground -- agreeing, above all, on the importance of saving Social Security now, while we can, during these prosperous and productive times America has worked so hard to achieve. That is one of our most important tasks in the coming year. I bring to it my full dedication and drive. I hope you will join me in that effort. Thank you.

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**Pauline Johnson Jones
Biographical Information**

Mrs. Jones is a native of Washington, D.C. and the widow of Mr. Walter Jones. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones worked in the private sector and as Federal employees.

Mrs. Jones retired from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in 1972 after 30 years of outstanding service. She then increased her involvement in community activities, aging advocacy, and church responsibilities. She volunteered in the long-term care and nursing home advocacy department of the National Council of Senior Citizens for 20 years. Today, as a senior member of St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church, she is active in a host of leadership roles. She is also recognized in Washington for community activism.

Mrs. Jones is outspoken on social issues and at age 90 continues meeting the demands of a busy schedule of requests for her ideas, participation, and presence. She receives her late husband's Social Security. It is a modest payment of \$277.50 each month, minus \$45.50 for Medicare (effective 1/1/99).

Tuesday, December 29, 1998

9:45 AM	Children at Risk of Violence Event	Tab A
	- Remarks	Tab B
11:00 AM	Foreign Policy Phone Call	Distributed Separately
11:30 AM	Tape Weekly Radio Address	Tab C
	- Remarks	Tab D To Be Forwarded
12:00 PM	Meeting	No Paper
12:30 PM	Meeting	No Paper

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Tuesday, December 29, 1998

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WEATHER:

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*Cloudy with occasional light rain beginning by
noon. Winds southwest to west at 5 to 10 knots.
Low 27 to 32. High 44 to 49.*

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Tuesday, December 29, 1998

**Schedule of the President
for
Tuesday, December 29, 1998
*Final Schedule***

9:00 am- **MEETING**
9:15 am **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: John Podesta

9:15 am- **BRIEFING**
9:40 am **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

9:45 am- **CHILDREN AT RISK OF VIOLENCE EVENT**
10:30 am **ROOSEVELT ROOM**
Remarks: Paul Glastris
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed
Event Coordinator: Aviva Steinberg
POOL PRESS

- Eric Holder makes brief remarks and introduces Chief Melvin Wearing.
- Chief Melvin Wearing makes brief remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks and departs.

10:35 am- **MEETING**
10:40 am **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett

10:45 am- **BRIEFING**
11:00 am **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

11:00 am- (T) **BRIEFING AND FOREIGN POLICY PHONE CALL**
11:30 am **OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

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Tuesday, December 29, 1998

11:30 am-
12:00 pm **BRIEFING AND TAPE RADIO ADDRESS**
OVAL OFFICE DINING ROOM AND OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Ann Lewis, Megan Moloney
CLOSED PRESS

Note: This taping is closed to staff and guests.

12:00 pm-
12:30 pm **MEETING**
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: Steve Ricchetti

12:30 pm-
12:45 pm **MEETING**
OVAL OFFICE
Staff Contact: John Podesta

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WASHINGTON, DC

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WASHINGTON

December 28, 1998

**CHILDREN EXPOSED TO VIOLENCE
INITIATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT**

DATE: December 29, 1998
LOCATION: Roosevelt Room
BRIEFING TIME: 9:15 - 9:40 AM
EVENT TIME: 9:45 - 10:30 AM
FROM: Elena Kagan
Jose Cerda

I. PURPOSE

You will launch a new Children Exposed to Violence Initiative (CEVI) designed to prevent violence against children and improve the way the justice system deals with children who are victims of or witnesses to violence. CEVI will include four components: (1) reforming state and federal laws to provide swift and certain punishment for those who commit child abuse and neglect; (2) improving the way the justice system treats children who are the victims of, or witnesses to, acts of violence; (3) strengthening local prevention and intervention programs directed towards children exposed to violence; and (4) increasing public awareness of this serious problem through a National Summit next May. To get this new effort underway, you will announce the availability of \$10 million in "Safe Start" grants from the Justice Department to help up to 12 cities reduce the impact of violence on young children.

II. BACKGROUND

The Department of Health and Human Services found that in 1996, three million children were maltreated or abused. Recent Department of Justice statistics show that last year, 2.8 million adolescents (12 to 17 year-olds) were victims of violent crime and another 9 million witnessed serious violence -- with nearly 2 million of these teenagers suffering from some kind of post-traumatic stress disorder.

Children who are abused or neglected are far more likely than other children to become criminals themselves. These children are more than 50 percent more likely to be arrested while a juvenile, and nearly 40 percent more likely to be arrested for a violent crime when they become adults. They are also 33 percent more likely to become substance abusers.

What CEVI Will Do

Reform Laws Dealing with Child Victims and Witnesses. The Justice Department, in consultation with the states, will propose federal legislation that would (1) amend federal homicide statutes by making child abuse offenses predicates for felony murder and defining murder to include the death of a child resulting from a pattern of child abuse, and (2) provide a sentencing enhancement whenever a violent crime prohibited by federal law is committed in the presence of a child. The Department also will work with states to develop similar model legislation and to put in place additional reforms that will allow children to testify through closed circuit television, limit the number of interviews to which a child can be subjected, and allow children to use testimonial aids and have an adult present when testifying in court.

Improve Justice System Response. CEVI will improve the way participants in the justice system treat child victims and witnesses by providing the information and training necessary to prevent "secondary victimization." The Justice Department will use approximately \$12 million in current funding to produce and distribute specialized training videos, best practice manuals, and other in-the-field user guides -- such as the guide on *Forming a Multidisciplinary Team to Investigate Child Abuse* released by the Justice Department today -- to law enforcement agents, prosecutors, victim and witness coordinators, and court personnel. Under this new initiative, the Justice Department also will work with state and local law enforcement to use Child Death Review Teams to investigate suspicious child fatalities; expand child victims' assistance programs; help create "Court Schools," which serve to acclimate children to the courtroom setting; and develop other similar programs.

Strengthen Prevention and Intervention. CEVI will assist states and localities to develop prevention and intervention initiatives focusing on children exposed to violence. These initiatives, often involving partnerships between law enforcement officers and other community members, will provide services and support to children and promote parent education. One example is the New Haven Child Development/Community Policing (CD-CP) program, a partnership between the New Haven Police Department and the Yale University Child Study Center that coordinates the work of law enforcement and mental health professionals in responding to children in violent situations. Today, you will announce the availability of \$10 million in "Safe Start" grants to help up to 12 more cities promote and build on proven initiatives like the New Haven CD-CP.

Increase Public Awareness. The Department of Justice will sponsor a National Summit on Children Exposed to Violence in May, with the Department of Health and Human Services, law enforcement organizations, child advocacy and media organizations, governors, county officials, mayors, legislators and prosecutors. The goal of the Summit will be to bring together experts in law enforcement, mental health, child development, domestic violence prevention, and related fields to increase public awareness of this issue and discuss additional ameliorative efforts.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Briefing Participants

Elena Kagan

Jose Cerda

Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder

Event Participants

Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder

Chief Melvin Wearing, Chief of Police, New Haven Connecticut

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** will be announced onto the stage accompanied by stage participants.
- Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder will make introductory remarks and introduce Chief Melvin Wearing, Police Chief, New Haven, Connecticut.
- Chief Melvin Wearing will make remarks and introduce **YOU**.
- **YOU** will make remarks and then depart.

VI. REMARKS

Provided by Speechwriting.

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**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS ON CHILDREN EXPOSED TO VIOLENCE
THE WHITE HOUSE
December 29, 1998**

Acknowledgments: Rep. Bud Cramer; Dep. AG Eric Holder; New Haven Police Chief Melvin Whering [pronounced ware-ing]; Montgomery County Councilmember Marilyn Praisner.

During this holiday season, children have been at the center of our attention, and rightly so. They fill us with love, with delight, and with a sense of purpose. I want children to be at the center of our attention throughout the new year to come. Today, I want to talk about new actions I am taking to help the millions of children who are exposed every year to violence, either as witnesses to or victims of violence.

It is hard being a child today. There is too much violence, too much cruelty and incivility, and children experience these things at younger and younger ages. That is why I have worked so hard, along with Attorney General Janet Reno, on efforts to strengthen families and bring safety and order to our schools and communities. We passed a crime bill with tougher penalties and more prevention. We have enforced zero tolerance for guns in schools, expelling more than 6,000 students in 1997 who brought weapons to school. We have expanded and want to continue expanding after school programs, to keep children off the streets during the after-school hours when juvenile crime soars.

With these efforts, and with the efforts of countless parents, teachers, principals, judges, police officers, and others, we have begun to make real progress. New crime statistics released by the Justice Department this past weekend show that the overall crime rate is has dropped to its lowest level in 25 years. Both property and violent crime are down more than 20% since 1993, and the murder rate is down by nearly 30%. Juvenile crime rates have also finally started to fall; the juvenile murder rate has dropped 17 percent in one year; and juvenile arrest rates are down two years in row.

These are good signs. We should be pleased. We should be thankful. But we should not be complacent. Too many children are still the victims of violence. Too many children are still being abused and neglected. Too many children are still witnessing serious violence. As the First Lady's Zero-to-Three conference earlier this year brought to light, childrens' exposure to violence has tremendous negative consequences--for those children and for the rest of us. A child who experiences serious violence is more than 50 percent more likely to be arrested as a juvenile, and nearly 40 percent more likely to be arrested as an adult. If want to keep crime rates going down, we

must do more to break this cycle of violence.

Today, I am launching a new Children Exposed to Violence Initiative, to be sponsored by the Justice Department and directed by Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder. The aim of this initiative is to combat violence against children and prevent children who are exposed to violence from being victimized a second time by the justice system. As part of that initiative, I am today taking four specific actions.

First, I am asking the Justice Department to research and recommend tougher penalties against those who expose children to violence. I believe it is time to consider sending a message through the courts that when a man assaults or kills someone in the presence of a child, he has committed not one horrendous act but two. I believe it is time to ask why a bank robber who unintentionally kills an innocent bystander can be charged with felony murder, but a repeat child abuser who unintentionally kills a child cannot be.

Second, I am directing the Justice Department to develop and distribute the critical information state and local law enforcement agencies need to do a better job of responding to the needs of children who have been victimized by crime. Too often such children are victimized anew by a criminal justice system designed by and for adults. With the help of the Justice Department's new training videos and in-the-field user guides--the first of which we are releasing today--criminal justice agencies all over our nation can begin to provide children who have experienced violence with the healing they need and deserve.

Third, I am announcing \$10 million in federal Safe Start grants to help 12 cities develop the kinds of comprehensive responses to children exposed to violence that New Haven has pioneered and that we've heard about today. The New Haven experience shows that trained law enforcement officers, paired with child psychologists, can provide the stability and comfort that children need to overcome their feelings of fear and chaos that result from exposure to violence.

Fourth, I am calling on the Justice Department to hold a National Summit on Children Exposed to Violence this coming June. The summit will be co-hosted by the Department of Health and Human Services, local law enforcement agencies, media organizations, elected officials, the National Network of Children's Advocacy Centers and other groups.

By working together, we have already made significant progress against crime and violence in this country. I believe we are on a course to make even greater gains in the future. As long as we continue to place America's children at the center of our attention, America will remain prosperous, united, and strong well into the 21st Century.

Thank you and God bless you.

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TAPED WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESS

DATE: December 29, 1998
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 12:00 PM
FROM: Megan Moloney

I. PURPOSE

You will discuss the FY 2000 budget plans which will maintain and ensure America's military readiness.

II. BACKGROUND

The FY 2000 budget will be submitted at the end of January 1999. This address and subsequent announcements in the next few weeks will highlight your priorities in the FY 2000 budget as a lead up to the State of the Union address and the budget submission.

III. PARTICIPANTS

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White House photographer

IV. PRESS PLAN

The ABC, AP, C-SPAN, CBS, 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, Radio Address

VI. REMARKS

To be forwarded by NSC Strategic Planning.

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