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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER *SB*
KAREN TRAMONTANO *KT*
STEPHANIE STREETT *SS*

SUBJECT: Communications Plan for Your Trip to South Asia

I. Purpose

That you approve the principal message objectives and key events of your trip to South Asia in March.

II. Objectives

This trip has six principal message objectives:

- Demonstrate to Americans that we have a strong interest in South Asia -- because, in an increasingly globalized world, our security, prosperity, and health are affected by events in a changing and volatile region with 1/5 of the world's people.
- Demonstrate to Indians that the United States is ready for a deeper, institutionalized partnership, based on mutual respect and concrete progress on issues ranging from economic development to health to the environment -- and indicate that an even broader partnership is possible if we can make progress on nuclear proliferation.
- Make clear to Indians the U.S. view that renewed efforts by India to engage with Pakistan are vital to India's security, as is constraining the nuclear arms competition.
- Address sensitive issues like poverty, AIDS, and climate change as global challenges we must meet together.
- Even if we don't stop in Pakistan, signal to Pakistanis that the United States is ready to strengthen ties with Pakistan, too -- if its government does the right thing on democracy, nuclear weapons, terrorism, and the conflict with India.
- Highlight in Bangladesh our support for Muslim countries that oppose terrorism and weapons of mass destruction and have democratic government.

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

We have included, attached to this memo, a day-by-day plan for delivering these messages.

III. Discussion of Message

India, the world's largest democracy, is also one of the ten fastest growing economies, buoyed by a thriving information technology sector. But its challenges are immense: rapidly-growing population; more desperately poor people than in all of Africa; mistreatment of women; a spreading AIDS epidemic; environmental peril; a fierce, nuclear rivalry with Pakistan.

Your central communications task with respect to the U.S. public -- apart from the decision on whether to visit Pakistan -- is explaining why you are going to India without India's agreement to curb its nuclear program. We do not expect concrete progress on CTBT or other nuclear issues, before or during the trip. Worse, India and Pakistan have stepped up their nuclear weapons and ballistic missile programs since the 1998 tests.

Your response should be that there will never be a perfect moment to visit. We wish India had signed CTBT. But it has been 22 years since President Carter's visit; this trip is long overdue, as is the effort to institutionalize cooperation with a democratic country of over a billion people. The relationship has drifted, without a steady course, for 50 years. We need to give it more substance, to create a stabilizing ballast, and build greater trust to draw on in the event of a crisis.

Still, for India's public and ours, we want to indicate, without lecturing, that there are limits to our partnership until there is progress on the nuclear issue. Our deliverables -- on development, trade, health, energy, environment -- will benefit us as well as India. We are not bringing some key deliverables India wants -- blanket waiver of sanctions, high-tech transfers, resumption of defense relationship, space cooperation -- that await some progress on the nonproliferation agenda.

Your task with respect to the Indian public will be to show respect for India and our commitment to partnership, while speaking directly about key issues. India is a place of great sensitivity and prickliness, especially as to the conflict with Pakistan and India's role as a world power. Your every word and gesture will be analyzed for clues as to whether the United States genuinely respects India and its place in the world. On Queen Elizabeth's 1997 visit, she was pilloried by the Indian

press over perceived protocol missteps, against the background of Indian concern that London was seeking a more active role on Kashmir.

Your role in Kargil helped convince many skeptical Indians of our good intentions; you will want to build on the trust you earned. Pakistan wants international mediation on Kashmir, but Indians remain opposed and are extremely sensitive to any suggestion that we will become involved. You can agree that the ultimate obligation for defusing crises and building peace rests with Indians and Pakistanis -- but affirm that we are ready to help improve Indo-Pakistani relations generally.

You can press the view, shared by moderate Indians, that isolating Pakistan is unrealistic and dangerous. You can stress that you have seen sworn enemies take hard steps together, e.g. Middle East, Northern Ireland. Every conflict is different, and in South Asia's case, decades of enmity cannot be erased quickly. There are genuine disagreements that cannot be resolved without hard choices. But two nations who can offer so much to the world should seize the chance for peace.

On the nuclear issue, you will want to stress that America and India have a common interest in halting proliferation. Indians bristle at rhetoric we have used suggesting that crises with Pakistan have gone to the nuclear precipice; that India, unlike the big powers, lacks the judgment to handle nuclear arms. India must make its own choices, but you can suggest concrete reasons why nuclear weapons and missiles weaken India's security: the volatile state of regional relations; the risk of preemptive attack in the absence of secure nuclear arsenals; the danger that Indo-Pakistani nuclearization will spur more proliferation in Asia and the Middle East. India can define its greatness not through nuclear arms but through global political and economic leadership.

India also has been at the forefront of charging nuclear hypocrisy: that the big powers have done too little to cut their own arsenals. We agree that the United States and Russia should do more on arms control. We are moving on the right track. The United States is committed to START, CTBT, and comprehensive disarmament.

On other issues like trade, high tech, energy, health and the environment, you can underscore growing cooperation, with the support of our tremendously successful Indian-American population. We are India's largest trading partner and source

of foreign investment. We should reassure Indians that our pursuit of tougher environment and labor standards is not aimed at undermining growth and will not do so. The best way to move India's government ahead on the AIDS issue is praise New Delhi's increasing efforts to address the crisis with frank talk and concerted action.

Of course, everything you say will also be watched in Pakistan -- another argument against an unqualified embrace of India. That might embolden Indian hawks, confirm Pakistanis' worst fears, and drive Pakistan even further from where we would like on democracy, terrorism, proliferation and peace. But you will want to make plain to Pakistanis that relations between our countries can improve only if Pakistan shows progress on these issues.

You will spend the first day of the trip in Bangladesh, one of the largest Muslim nations (120 million). You will be the first U.S. president to visit Bangladesh. It has made impressive strides in emerging from poverty and building an inclusive democracy where women now head the two major parties -- deflating the myth of a clash between Islam and open, democratic society. It is thus a good place to repeat themes about the United States and Islam directly to the world's largest Muslim community -- South Asians, including Pakistanis. But political tensions are high between Bangladesh's governing party and the opposition, and the risk of instability remains.

Attachment

Tab A Day-by-Day Plan

Key Events and Messages

Monday, March 20 - Bangladesh

- Joint press appearance with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina
- **Child labor/microenterprise event or events**
- Official lunch or dinner

Message of the day: South Asia is changing -- and it is time for a new relationship with the United States. In South Asia's poorest country, Bangladesh, though extreme poverty persists, there is progress on economic growth and labor standards. Refuting the theory of a clash of civilizations, Muslim Bangladesh is deepening democracy, raising the status of girls and women, opposing terrorism and weapons of mass destruction.

Your statement in Dhaka with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina would allow you to praise Bangladesh's stance on security issues and emphasize our support, in principle and through U.S. assistance, for its economic and political development. The Prime Minister can note Bangladesh's ratification or commitment to ratify CTBT. And you can announce: the South Asia Regional Initiative (SARI) Energy Program, a \$50 million USAID program to promote clean energy and regional integration; and a plan to forgive bilateral debt while creating new forest conservation funding.

You can then go to a nearby village for an event highlighting two key "human face" issues: child labor and microenterprise. More than 80 percent of Bangladesh's people live in rural areas. A visit to a village school would underscore the issue about which Senator Harkin wrote to you: the importance of helping children stay in school as the best way to address the problem of child labor, and Bangladesh's progress, with U.S. aid, in that area. In brief remarks, you can announce new Labor Department funding aimed at improving working conditions in hazardous industries and preventing trafficking of children for exploitative work. Accompanied by Muhammad Yunus of the Grameen Bank, you can meet local entrepreneurs who have benefited from microenterprise loans, highlighting Bangladesh's pioneering role in microenterprise -- proof that a poor nation can help its people and set an example that others, including the United States, can follow.

Tuesday, March 21 - New Delhi, India

- Arrival statement or joint press appearance with Prime Minister Vajpayee
- Gandhi Memorial wreath laying
- **Address to joint session of Parliament**
- Possible civic reception hosted by city of New Delhi
- State dinner

Message of the day: First U.S. presidential visit to India in 22 years. India and America are the world's two largest democracies. We should be better friends and stronger partners for security and prosperity. Our partnership can be even stronger if India does the right thing on nuclear proliferation.

Your press appearance with Prime Minister Vajpayee would allow you to sketch key themes of the visit: partnership; joint commitment to promoting democracy; benefits of accelerating trade and India's domestic economic liberalization; cooperation to meet global challenges like disease and environmental peril; importance of constraining the nuclear arms competition and building peace.

You would pursue these themes in your address to Parliament.

In the press appearance or the speech, you can announce: invitation to Prime Minister Vajpayee to visit the United States later this year; regular bilateral consultations at head of state and cabinet level; National Endowment for Democracy regional democracy initiative; a new commercial agreement; resumption of USAID project to improve the efficiency and transparency of India's markets; an Indo-U.S. joint "vision statement."

You would lay a wreath at the Mahatma Gandhi memorial, expressing America's deep respect for this hero of non-violence and human rights -- and, in a larger sense, for India's historic struggle for freedom and its ongoing leadership in support of democratic values.

Wednesday, March 22 - New Delhi and Agra, India

- Possible Ambassador's reception for Indians and Indian-Americans
- Visit to Taj Mahal
- **Environment event**

Message of the day: The United States and India have a proud history of cooperation on environment issues. Should intensify it; global problems like climate change require global cooperation. Can grow economies while protecting environment.

At a morning reception in New Delhi you could highlight the tremendous success of Indian Americans -- and their continuing contributions to India. You can also highlight longstanding cooperation by meeting with Fulbright alumni and perhaps Mrs. Fulbright, celebrating the 50th year of the program in India.

Then you will travel to Agra and visit one of the world's most striking landmarks: the Taj Mahal, the tomb built by Emperor Shah Jahan for his wife. You will have a chance to tour the mosque that is part of the Taj complex, paying respect to the role of Islam in India and South Asia.

Staying in Agra, you can participate in an environmental event, showcasing the designation of the area around the Taj as a "zero air pollution zone" that bars carbon-emitting vehicles. India is the sixth largest and second fastest growing greenhouse gas emitter. You can sign a joint statement on the environment and announce a package of deliverables focused on climate change but also addressing other environmental concerns.

Thursday, March 23 - Jaipur, India

- Cultural visits
- Village democracy/women's empowerment event

Message of the day: India is taking steps to raise the status of women -- with education, health, and efforts to make its democracy more response and inclusive. U.S. assistance is helping.

Jaipur, the capital of the state of Rajasthan, is a good place to explore India's rich history and culture. You can see the Amber Fort, visit a tiger preserve (where the United States has provided support) and possibly a Hindu temple.

We propose a single message event for the day, at a nearby village. You can highlight a cornerstone of Indian democracy by observing a panchayat, or village council, which today have been restructured to include women and dalits (formerly "untouchables"). You can briefly address the meeting, asking

questions, discussing the importance of local democracy, the struggles to make government more inclusive in both our countries, and the efforts India is making, with some U.S. aid, to address what President Narayanan has called India's "greatest national shame": mistreatment of women.

Friday, March 24 -Hyderabad, India

- Visit to high-tech campus and speech to its workers
- Visit to clinic (could also be in Mumbai)

Message of the day: India is one of the world's fastest growing economies, with a dynamic high-tech sector that is a model and a cornerstone of a future of global prosperity. America and India have collaborated on science and technology for decades, and we should continue. That cooperation includes research focused on lifting up those in peril, e.g. developing vaccines. Global HIV/AIDS crisis demands forthright and determined government action and international cooperation.

The southern cities of Bangalore and Hyderabad are India's burgeoning Silicon Valley. Hyderabad is a place where the momentum of change and widening opportunity is visible all around. It's clear in the thriving high-tech firms, which operate with a 21st century corporate culture: clean and green campuses and daycare facilities, along with NASDAQ IPOs. It's also clear in the dynamic leadership of Hyderabad's Chief Minister, Chandrababu Naidu, who works tirelessly: to bring Indian and foreign high-tech companies to his city; to empower citizens with on-line registration centers for driver's licenses and other services; to encourage green growth through a center where businesses can share their clean technology successes.

At one of Hyderabad's high-tech campuses, you can tour an exhibit of U.S. companies' efforts to work with India to deploy state-of-the-art technologies and to speed India's emergence as a global economic and high-tech player. You can deliver a speech to workers, praising them for their pioneering role in the global economy, and reminding them of our shared obligation to see that no one is left behind. You can announce: a new, high-level Indo-U.S. science and technology forum; USAID's Internet for Economic Development Initiative; USAID technical support for a new Hyderabad public-private center to promote clean energy; and a joint dialogue between our governments and private sectors on the structure of a global regime governing trade in information age products and services.

In Hyderabad, or your next stop, Mumbai, you can focus on another crucial role for science and technology: fighting disease. At a clinic you can help immunize a child against polio, highlighting the world's progress, and India's, in nearly eradicating this disease. That can be the pivot for brief remarks addressing sensitive health issues, such as the need for greater openness as the best way to combat AIDS. You can highlight our global health initiatives, including new funding for HIV/AIDS prevention; praise Prime Minister Vajpayee's leadership on this issue; possibly announce a joint statement on AIDS cooperation; applaud the formation of an Indian business coalition for fighting AIDS; and hail Indian firms working on vaccines.

Saturday, March 25 - Mumbai, India

- Business/cultural leaders reception (could also be 3/24)
- Possible young leaders speech

Message of the day: America and India can increase trade and investment, and greater economic liberalization in India will help, as will steps we can take together on global economic issues. The President has learned much from his visit and his discussions with Indians. More determined than ever to elevate the relationship for swift progress to benefit Americans, Indians and the whole world in the new century.

Despite rapid growth in the south, Mumbai remains India's business and cultural center, its most Western-oriented city, and indeed still its leader in information technology start-ups. A reception, with brief remarks, would allow you to meet with business and cultural leaders, amplifying the Delhi and Hyderabad messages of economic cooperation and challenges.

If the schedule permits, you could conclude your visit with remarks to young Indian leaders, again speaking frankly on the difficult issues and laying out a future of cooperation and progress.

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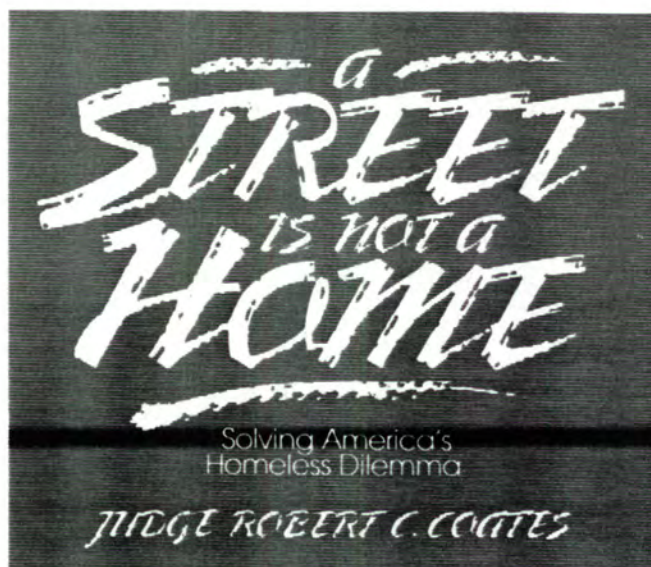
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To
Genevieve T. Coates
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my parents,
whom I have come to know to be not just unique,
but splendid and noble.

Life cannot wait until the sciences have explained the universe. We cannot put off living until we are ready. The most salient characteristic of life is its coerciveness; it is always urgent, "here and now" without any possible postponement. Life is fired at us point blank.

—José Ortega y Gasset

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Foreword

It was one of those bright, crisp November mornings in Seattle when the presidential motorcade of black limousines, helicopters, and police motorcycles screamed down a cordoned-off and deserted Interstate 5, not more than 100 yards from City Hall.

An impressive show of power, thought the mayor, standing by his office window. I wonder what the president would think, or do, with all that power if he knew that downstairs, in the basement of the government building, nearly two hundred homeless people had stayed through the cold night, sleeping on a bare floor, because all the shelters were full.

What would you do? Not as president, but as citizen. As human being. What would you do about homelessness in America? You know that literally millions of Americans—families, children, the mentally ill, the perfectly okay and the employable, the old and the young, the educated and the uneducated—are without shelter. It is the enduring shame of the nation, and we continue to allow it.

Why? Is it that the problem is just too big? Some say it is. We cannot grasp it. Is it money? Some say the deficit is the problem. We cannot afford it. Or is it will? Is it that this most neighborly of nations, this powerful defender of the American lifestyle, does not have the will to help people on the sharpest edges of life?

In this book, Judge Robert Coates assumes the will is there—in the American people, individually and collectively—to solve the problem. Homelessness is curable. All we need to hear is what good Americans are already doing, to emulate and expand on their achievements, to proclaim that we are concerned, and to get involved. In other words, we know what to do, and we must act.

Judge Coates's formula is simple. He looks at the sub-populations of the homeless and explains various programs in American cities that have already worked for them. He examines the barriers we place before homeless people—economic, legal, mythic—and shows how they can be struck down. And last, but not least, he shows us how to gain the power to act.

Coates is not new to the work. He has been concerned with homelessness for many years. And he is not politically naive. He knows that there are

pitfalls; he meets them head-on and explains how we can overcome them.

Coates is also a realist in that he knows there will always be at least one homeless person in America. But he yearns for the day when that person is so unique that people on the street stop to offer help, and come away feeling good about themselves and their country.

Three years after that presidential motorcade swept unknowing past those homeless people at City Hall, a new president honored Seattle as the U.S. city that has done the most to end homelessness through good ideas carried out by good people.

Those good ideas and others are in this book. The good people are out there in America. If you think it is time to act, here's how.

—Charles Royer
Director, Institute of Politics,
Kennedy School of Government,
and former Mayor of Seattle

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February 28, 2000

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

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Expanded Agent Orange Study

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This letter has been
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Eugenie + reviewed
by NSC

Powell recommending an expanded study

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cc: Chief Jennings
Nick...
check out - should we do more?

Department of Veterans Affairs undertake
Agent Orange as a tribute to the late

Written on official VA stationary, his recommendation does not represent the official position of the VA. Acting Undersecretary for Health at VA, Dr. Francis Murphy, asks that you handle this as a personal, rather than official request. Both OMB and VA oppose initiating an expanded study of Agent Orange, arguing that current research is adequate to understand the long-term health effects of Agent Orange. They also state that the Agent Orange Act of 1991 provides a fair mechanism to compensate those Vietnam War veterans afflicted with diseases found to be caused by Agent Orange exposure.

You thank Ned for his suggestion, without supporting it.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

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Tab A Letter to Ned Powell
Tab B Incoming Correspondence

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER *SB*

SUBJECT: Request for Expanded Agent Orange Study

Purpose

Reply to a letter from Ned Powell recommending an expanded study of Agent Orange.

Background

Ned recommends that the Department of Veterans Affairs undertake an expanded study of Agent Orange as a tribute to the late Admiral "Bud" Zumwalt.

Although Ned's letter is written on official VA stationary, his recommendation does not represent the official position of the VA. Acting Undersecretary for Health at VA, Dr. Francis Murphy, asks that you handle this as a personal, rather than official request. Both OMB and VA oppose initiating an expanded study of Agent Orange, arguing that current research is adequate to understand the long-term health effects of Agent Orange. They also state that the Agent Orange Act of 1991 provides a fair mechanism to compensate those Vietnam War veterans afflicted with diseases found to be caused by Agent Orange exposure.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 2, 2000

The Honorable Edward Powell
Assistant Secretary for Financial Management
Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Ned:

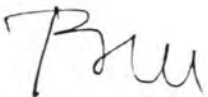
Thanks for your recent letter proposing an expanded study on Agent Orange in tribute to Admiral Zumwalt. Given Bud's tireless efforts on behalf of Vietnam veterans, I know he would be so pleased and honored by your good suggestion. Like you I feel extremely privileged to have been his friend. He was an example to us all.

As you know, one of the manifestations of Bud's work was the Agent Orange Act of 1991, which provides benefits for those suffering from diseases that might have been caused by exposure to Agent Orange during the Vietnam War. To date, six diseases have been determined compensable under this Act -- and ongoing studies such as the Air Force's Ranch Hand Study will continue to search for additional diseases that may be connected to Agent Orange. These government and non-government studies have been extremely beneficial, and I believe that they, coupled with our current program of compensation, are working.

I applaud your fine service on behalf of our nation's veterans, and I think you are right to remain vigilant about this important issue. We'll keep at it.

It was good to hear from you. Please give my best to Diane.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Bud", written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.



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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
WASHINGTON DC 20420
January 18, 2000

William J. Clinton
The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

Admiral Zumwalt's funeral service last week was extraordinary. For many reasons, Bud touched each of us there to honor his life. He was the CNO when I was a petty officer third class (E-4) in the Navy in the early 1970's. Through Renaissance, I had the great pleasure to get to know him on a very different level.

I had lunch with Bud the Thursday in December before his lung collapsed in Durham. Given my role at the VA, you can guess what we talked about - obviously, Agent Orange. In so many ways, it seemed fitting that a man who had been such an inspiration to all of us as young sailors, would once again be calling on a "young sailor" for some help. What made me especially proud was the thought that I might actually be able to do something to help.

In talking with Dan Mendelson (the VA's PAD at OMB) on Thursday, we discussed the possibility of an expanded study of Agent Orange in Vietnam. Dan indicated you had mentioned such a study as well, and that Senator Daschle is also interested. I would have to believe that Senator Robb and Senator Warner would be supportive. Aside from the special tribute to Admiral Zumwalt as a fulfillment of his long time dream, the study would offer Vietnam a sincere gesture of the United States' desire for engagement. Additionally, such a study could put the issue of Agent Orange to rest for our veteran population who served in Vietnam.

My understanding is a study of this nature would require specific legislation to accomplish it. This is a bit beyond my area of expertise; however, I am more than a willing volunteer to help make the study happen. If this is something I can do, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Edward
Powell

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would have made Bud very happy.
All the best. n.*

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No ☐

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Mr President and First Lady.

Thank you for the invitation
to spend the night at the
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and I more than enjoyed our
stay. As you know, the
trimming was important for
me.

Thank you again.



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Contact: Guy Lamolinara (202) 707-2905

LINCOLN LEGAL PAPERS DVD EDITION IS PRESENTED TO THE LIBRARY

Demonstration of DVD and "Mr. Lincoln's Virtual Library" to Be Part of Program

The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency will present to the Library the "Lincoln Legal Papers DVD Edition," a collection of more than 100,000 records associated with Abraham Lincoln's legal career from 1836 to 1861. The DVD will complement the Lincoln materials in the Library of Congress, many of which are available on-line in a Web presentation called "Mr. Lincoln's Virtual Library (www.loc.gov).

The event will take place Friday, Feb. 11, at 11 a.m. in the National Digital Library Learning Center, which is in the first-floor atrium of the Library's Madison Building, 101 Independence Ave. S.E.

The event will be hosted by James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress. "We are grateful to the Illinois Preservation Society for this gift that will make our Lincoln collections even stronger," he said.

Following Dr. Billington will be remarks by Thomas F. Schwartz, State Historian of Illinois. Daniel Stowell, Director of Lincoln Legal Papers on DVD, will demonstrate the DVD, and Mrs. Lura Lynn Ryan, First Lady of Illinois, will present the DVD as a gift to the Library.

Lincoln documents and other materials, many of which are on-line, will be on display prior to the event. Also on hand will be John Sellers, a historian from the Library's Manuscript Division.

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There will also be a demonstration of "Mr. Lincoln's Virtual Library," which is a part of the on-line historical collections called American Memory. American Memory is a project of the National Digital Library Program of the Library of Congress, which aims to make freely available more than 5 million items, in collaboration with other institutions. Currently, more than 70 collections are on-line.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

CHARLES M. BRAIN *CMB*

SUBJECT:

CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

Attached for your review is a note from Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman (D-CT), encouraging you to attend the next meeting of the Israeli American Forum on May 1-2, and enclosing a copy of their invitation. The Israeli American Forum works to provide a new framework to facilitate discourse between Israeli and American Jewish leaders.

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Dear Mr. President -

The enclosed invitation
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Lunden. I have participated
in a few meetings of
the Forum and think its
work is historic. If you
can drop by these meetings
on May 1 or 2, that would
be great.

With the best

Yours!

A large, stylized handwritten signature, likely of Joseph I. Lieberman, written in dark ink.

Mr. William Jefferson Clinton
President of The United States of America
The White House, Washington, D.C

Dear Mr. President:

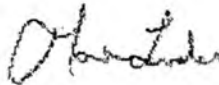
We would like to invite you to be the keynote speaker at the next gathering of the *Israeli American Forum*. This *Forum* was established by prominent Jewish leaders to provide a new framework to facilitate dialogue between Israeli and American Jewish leaders. This *Forum* is without a doubt one of the most exciting projects underway in the world Jewish community and is likely have a great impact on the future relationship of Israeli and American Jews. Our chairmanship is shared with our Israeli counterparts, Israeli Minister of Justice, Dr. Yossi Beilin and David Kolitz, a prominent Israeli businessman. Members of the *Forum* include Senator Joseph Lieberman, Senator Frank Lautenberg, Congresswoman Nita Lowey, Congressman Howard Berman, MK Moshe Arens, MK Dan Meridor, Israeli Minister of Immigration and Absorption Yuli Tamir, Tel-Aviv Mayor Ron Huldai and other prominent academics, politicians and business people both in Israel and America.

The meeting will take place on May 1 & 2, 2000 at the Hotel George in Washington D.C. We would be honored to accommodate any time on either days that would be most convenient for you. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Lester Crown
312 899-5010



Marvin Lender
203 397-3977

cc: Senator Joseph Lieberman

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WASHINGTON

February 29, 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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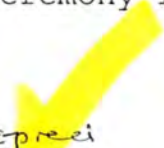
CHARLES M. BRAIN *mb*

SUBJECT:

CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

Attached for your review is a note from Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-NY), enclosing an article in the February 20th New York Times regarding the extension of Penn Station in New York City and inviting you to attend the groundbreaking ceremony in the fall.

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Daniel Patrick Moynihan
New York

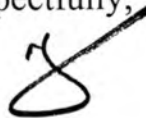
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

February 24, 2000

Dear Mr. President:

As is evidenced by the attached from the *Times*, things are coming along nicely on our new station. Just days ago, seven developer/operator teams responded to the request for qualifications. We plan to break ground in the fall and hope very much that you might be on hand to see what you have wrought.

Respectfully,



The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Enclosure

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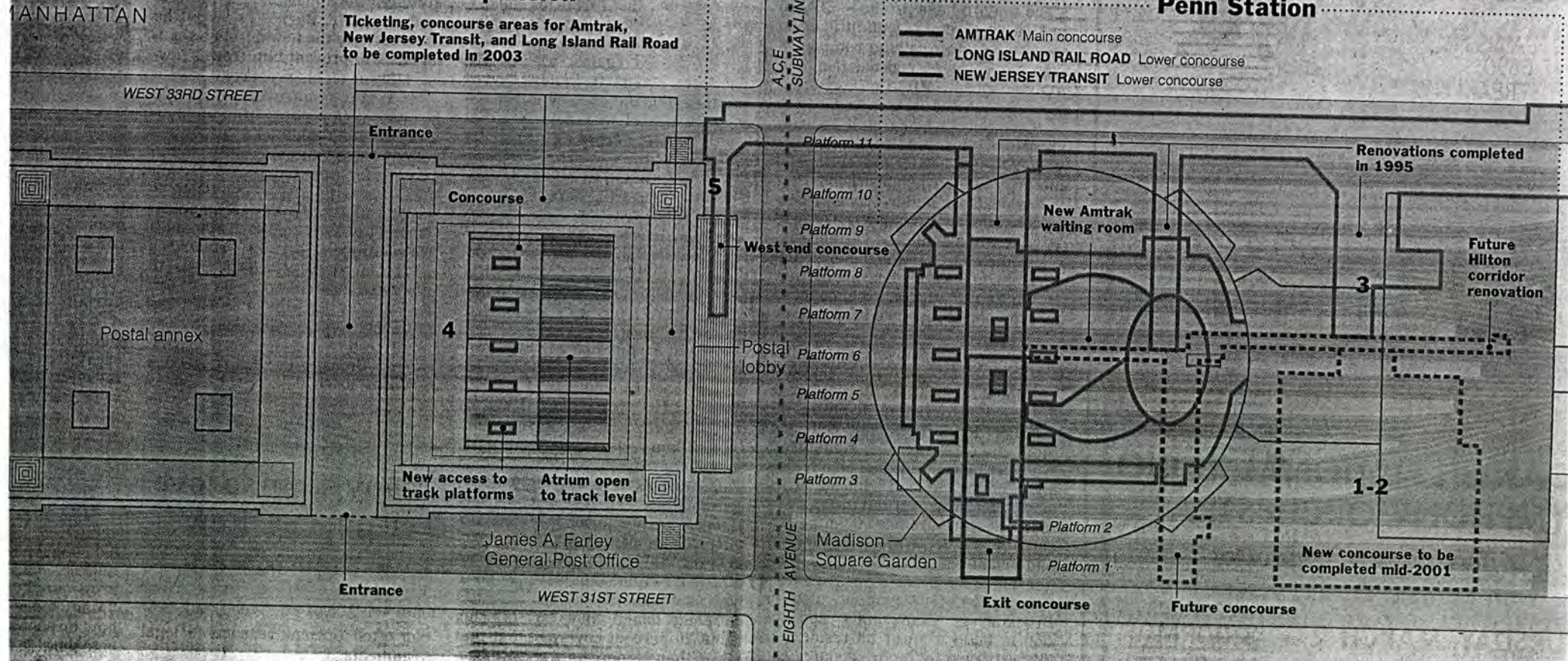
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Expansion

Ticketing, concourse areas for Amtrak, New Jersey Transit, and Long Island Rail Road to be completed in 2003

Penn Station

- AMTRAK Main concourse
- LONG ISLAND RAIL ROAD Lower concourse
- NEW JERSEY TRANSIT Lower concourse



Photographs (1, 3, 5) by Ozier Muhammad/The New York Times; models (2, 4) photographed by ESTO, for New Jersey Transit; map by Al Granberg.

FITTING PIECES TOGETHER

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 28, 2000

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Mr. President:

During our trip meeting, we briefly discussed whether to invite private citizens to join you on the India trip. You may recall, staff expressed some concern. You asked to see the list of individuals who have asked to join you. The list is attached.


Karen Tramontano

JPD


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We need to discuss
specifically how
to handle this

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REVISED

There are six new names added. The new names are highlighted.

REQUESTS TO ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT ON SOUTH ASIA TRIP
(as of 2/28/2000)

SOUTH ASIAN COMMUNITY

NAME	ORGANIZATION/DESCRIPTION	CITY/STATE	RECOMMENDED BY
Sunil Aghi	President, Indo-American Political Foundation. Political Activist, also serves on California Board of Optometry and the Lt. Gov.'s Commission on One America	Los Angeles, CA	Self
Bhishma Agnihotri	Chancellor, Southern University Law Center, was judge in India	Baton Rouge, LA	Senator Breaux, (D-LA)
Dhirubhai Ambani	Chairman, Reliance Industries. Leads private sector investment of India's largest grassroots petroleum refinery. Has several U.S. partners, including Bechtel, Allied Signal & Union Carbide.	Mumbai, India	Self
Rajen S. Anand, Ph.D	Clinton Administration Appointee – Executive Director of Center for Nutrition Policy, USDA. Founding Chair of the Indo-American Political Association and Secretary of the National Federation of Indian American Associations (NFIA)	Annadale, VA. Originally from Long Beach, CA	Self
Brady Anderson	USAID		Joe Krappa, Dir Cong. Affairs, USAID
Kumar Barve	Delegate, Maryland House of Delegates. One of the few Indian Americans elected officials in State government. Serves on the Committee on Economic Matters and the Chair of Science & Technology Subcommittee	Gaithersburg, MD	Sen. Paul Sarbanes (D-MD)
Gary Belz		Nashville, TN	Self
Raphael Benaroya	Chairman, President & CEO, United Retail Group, a major women's apparel company. Also a member of the Executive Committee of Business Executives for National Security and supports CTBT.	New Jersey	Senator Torricelli (D-NJ)
Ashok Kumar Bhatt	Community and political activist	California	Rep. Nick Lampson (D-TX)
Swadesh Chatterjee	President, Indian American Forum for Political Education	Cary, NC	Rep. Dick Gephardt (D-MO), Rep. Eva Clayton (D-NC) Rep. David Price (D-NC) Senator. John Edwards (D-NC)

Baldev K. Devgan, M.D.	Political Activist	Los Angeles, CA	Self
Darshan Dhaliwal	Dhaliwal Enterprises	Mequon, WI	Jerry Kleczka (D-WI)
Krishna R. Dronamraju	President, Foundation for Genetic Research. Genetic scientist and author, most recent work on intellectual property rights. Originally from Hyderabad.	Houston, TX	M.S. Swaminathan, Chair M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai, India Sir Arthur Clarke, Chancellor Univ. of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka
Kamala Edwards, Ph.D.	President, Indian American Leadership Council	Silver Spring, MD	Self
Vin Gupta	CEO, Info USA.com – the "yellow pages" on the internet, a business-to-business marketing and communication firm. Gupta is a native of India.	Omaha, NE	Self
Ashraf Islam	President, A.I. & Associates. A civil engineering firm with offices in Dhaka, Bangladesh	Houston, TX	Self
Arun G. Jhaveri	Former Mayor of Burien (near Seattle), Washington. Involved in variety of U.S.-India initiatives. Expert on sustainable energy & environmental issues. Currently an engineering/technology specialist U.S. Department of Energy.	Seattle, WA	Self
Jayant Kalotra	Founder & President, International Business & Technical Consultants. Major political activist.		Rep. Albert Wynn (D-MD), Rep. Dick Gephardt (D-MO), Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-CT)
Amad Kahn	Former Clinton Administration appointee – the Peace Corps. Currently Senior Advisor to the CEO of the International Animal Welfare in Kenya, Africa. Works on ISAW's India projects. Is of Kashmiri heritage.	Kenya, Africa	Self
Jagan Kaul			Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) Senator Tom Daschle (D-SD)
Lalita Kaul, Ph.D.	Professor of Nutrition, Howard University College of Medicine. Also volunteers at White House in Presidential Correspondence.	Rockville, MD	Self
Sanjay Kumar	President & CEO, Computer Associates International, Inc.		Rep. Gary Ackerman (D-NY)
Babu Metgud	President, Palakeshi Power Company	Mount Laurel, NJ	Rep. Dick Gephardt (D-MO)

AppaRao Mukkamala, MD	Chairman Radiology at Hurley Medical Center	Flint, MI	Self
Parthasarathy Pillai	President-elect, National Federation of Indian-American Association (NFIA). Scientist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Community leader with NFIA, an umbrella organization that represents 1.8 million Indian Americans.	Gaithersburg, MD	Self
Sunil Puri	President, First Rockford Group	Rockford, IL	Self
Sheikh Rahman	President & CEO of SAR Engineering. Bangladeshi American businessman with leading engineering firm in Massachusetts. Working on power generation projects in Bangladesh.	MA	Rep. William Delahunt (D-MA)
Subash Razdan	Chair of the Board, National Federation of Indian American Association (NFIA)	Atlanta, GA	Self
Basi Kottha Reddy	Vice President, Indian-American Friendship Council	Whittier, CA	Rep. Dick Gephardt (D-MO), Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-CT)
Gudigopuram Reddy	President, Indian American Forum	Greensboro, NC	
Ashish Sen	Clinton Administration Appointee, Director, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Transportation		
Narinjah Shah	President, Global Engineering	Chicago, IL	Jim Levin
Raj Shah	CEO, Shah Safari – one of the larger privately held apparel companies. A significant importer from India	Seattle, WA	Self
Dr. Jay Shah	AIA Foundation	St. Louis, MO	Rep. Dick Gephardt (D-MO)
Himanshu Shukla	Leading community leader and political activist in New Jersey. Working with Rep. Menendez to conceptualize the formation of the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian-American issues.	New Jersey	Rep. Bob Menendez (D-NJ)
Prem Shunmugavelu	India Abroad Center for Political Awareness	Washington, DC	Senator Herb Kohl (D-WI)
Dr. Isi A. Siddiqui	Clinton Administration Appointee – Special Assistant for Trade, USDA	McLean, VA	Sec. of Agriculture Glickman
M. Osman Siddique	Clinton Administration Appointee – U.S. Ambassador to Fiji	Suva, Fiji	Self
Jessie Singh	CEO, BJS Electronics	Milpitas, CA	Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA)
Himanshu Shukla	Chair, USA India Foundation, Indian American Community Activist	Piscataway, NJ	Rep. Robert Menendez (D-NJ)

U.S. BUSINESS

NAME	ORGANIZATION/DESCRIPTION	CITY/STATE	RECOMMENDED BY
Roger Beach	CEO, Unocal – an energy company and the largest US investor in Bangladesh	El Segundo, CA	Self
Bob Fiondella	CEO, Phoenix Home Life – Pheonix has built an education center in Bangalore that teaches business and hi-tech skills.	Hartford, CT	Michael Lewan, Lewan Company
William Perez	CEO & President, SC Johnson – a major US investor in India	Racine, WI	Self
Wayne Rogers	CEO, Synergics – and energy development company with several projects in India. Wayne is the chair of the Maryland Democratic Pary	Annapolis, MD	Self
Philippe Villers	President, Grain Pro (Bangladesh only)	MA	Rep. Jim Mc Govern (D-MA)
David Whitman	CEO, Whirlpool Corporation. Wants the President to visit one of its refrigerator plants to underscore the private sector's commitment to India's environment	Benton Harbor, MI	Self

OTHER CONSTITUENCY RELATED REQUESTS

NAME	ORGANIZATION	REQUEST
Ram Y. Uppuluri	Attorney, Environmental Defense, former Clinton Administration appointee at the Dept of Energy	For his mother, Shigeko Y. Uppului a U.S. citizen of Japanese ancestry living in Hyderabad, to meet the President in India. Teaches Japanese for Wipro, one of the high tech companies in Hyderabad.