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Fighting for Veterans:

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The Act also expands the VA's flexibility to generate new revenue and to spend it on health care for veterans, and extends the VA's authority to make grants for homeless veterans. It expands the fundraising authority of the American Battle Monuments Commission, making it more likely that construction of the WW II Memorial can begin this year. It directs the VA to obligate Advance Planning Funds for six new national veterans' cemeteries and contracts for a study of existing national cemeteries. In addition, it makes surviving spouses of former prisoners of war, who died with a 100% service-connected disability, rated one year before death, eligible for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) benefits. Another provision extends the housing loan program through 2007 for members of the Reserves and National Guard who serve at least six years. The benefit provisions honor our commitment to men and women who served their country and the health provisions prepare us for the medical needs of veterans in the 21st Century. As a veteran myself, I realize how important these changes are to fellow veterans.



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Fighting for Affordable Prescription Drugs

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For many older Americans, the affordability of prescription drugs is a major concern. It can be difficult to afford to fill prescriptions, especially when combined with the cost of groceries and other necessities.

I support our nation's prescription drug program. Although it is not perfect, it is one of the best in the world.

supplemental prescription drug coverage, too often that coverage is not available. Seniors — who are by far the largest group to pay a larger share of drug costs out of their own pockets than any other group.

This means the price of prescription drugs has a greater impact on seniors than on any other group. To protect seniors from such price discrimination, I have supported voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit in Medicare and to make prescription drug prices more reasonable.

We Need To Protect Social Security and Allow Working Seniors To Keep All of Their Income

This year, seniors age 65-69 will lose \$1 in Social Security benefits for every \$3 they earn beyond \$17,000. This earnings limit is especially unfair to those seniors who do not have large retirement savings and would like to work. Additionally, the current law keeps seniors out of the work force at a time when many companies struggle to find skilled employees. The unfair earnings limit discriminates against seniors. I voted for legislation that would eliminate the earnings limit for working seniors over age 65. This measure was recently passed by Congress and signed into law to provide relief to our seniors in the workplace. I also support the "Strengthen Social Security and Medicare Act." This bill would protect Social Security by using the budget surplus to extend the life of the Social Security Trust Fund through 2050.

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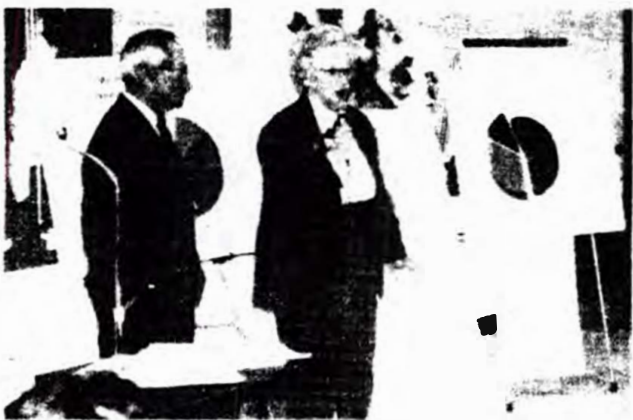
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I support a Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit to assist our nation's seniors with the extraordinary high costs of prescription drugs. Outpatient protection drug coverage is one of the last major benefits still excluded from Medicare.

Although some Medicare beneficiaries have access to supplemental prescription drug coverage, too often that coverage is very expensive and very limited in scope. As well, such coverage is on the decline. Seniors — who are by far the greatest consumers of prescription drugs — pay a larger share of drug costs out of their own pockets than all other Americans.

This means the price of prescription drugs has a greater impact on senior citizens than on younger persons. To protect seniors from such price discrimination, I have supported legislation (HR 664, HR 1495) to establish a voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit in Medicare and to make prescription drugs available at substantially reduced prices.

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Baca Fighting To Provide A Strong "Patients' Bill of Rights"

I want to ensure that only medical professionals and their patients make medical decisions. This bill guarantees access to emergency care, specialists and clinical trials; allows women to visit OB/GYNs and children to visit pediatricians as their primary care physicians; gives patients the power to appeal decisions they think are unfair and to hold HMO's accountable under state law for decisions that jeopardize patient health; and ends "gag rules" that inhibit discussion of treatment options.

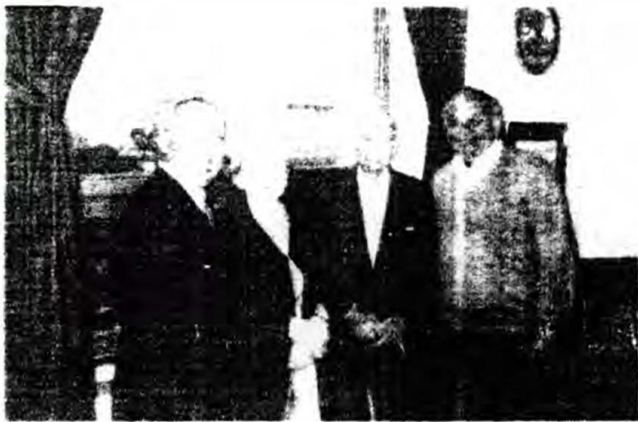
Fighting To Put COPS On the Streets and In Our Schools

Crime is down, thanks in part, to the 100,000 new police officers on the streets nationwide. Since the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program started, we have benefited from over 230 new officers on our streets and in the schools of the 42nd District. This year, Congress funded the first installment to help local police departments hire 50,000 more police officers over the next 5 years.

Fights For Excellence In Education For Everyone

Only the educated are free. Congress needs the encouragement of working men and women everywhere to see that the essential values of our fundamental system of education are protected and preserved with modern schools, smaller classes, safer learning and 21st Century technologies for our children and teachers. This year several important Federal grants will help prepare the schools in San Bernardino including teacher preparation and licensing:

- \$1.3 million to encourage low-income students to continue on to college;
- \$.17 million to integrate technology into the classroom;
- \$2.6 million to put more community police officers in more San Bernardino schools.



On the occasion of his 102nd birthday, Congressman Baca met with Jose R. Sedano to discuss senior issues and presented him with an American flag. Present were his wife Maria Sedano and son Tony Sedano who lives in the district.

Baca Voices Concerns About Proposed Nuclear Waste Shipments

I have insisted that the U.S. Department of Energy alter its plans to ship potentially dangerous nuclear waste through the Inland Empire. I participated in a hearing on February 22, 2000, regarding this issue and spoke against S1287 on the floor of the House, legislation which would allow trucks and trains carrying highly dangerous radioactive materials on our roads and through our communities. The potential for accidents is far too great a risk.

Affordable Housing For Firefighters

I achieved my first legislative victory that passed the House of Representatives that would allow firefighters the same opportunities that some of our other public safety officers and educators already have, up to 50% savings on the purchase of a home. I want to help firefighters achieve their dreams by providing them affordable housing for firefighters across America.

San Manuel Bottle Water Facility

Congressman Baca will continue to work to secure Federal funds to help promote and enhance programs for self-reliance and sovereignty for Native Americans.

Baca Pushes Transit Projects For Inland Empire

I testified on February 10th before the House Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee in support of numerous highway and transit projects being proposed in the 42nd Congressional District in the Inland Empire, including the Etiwanda Interchange project. The Alameda Corridor East from Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley into the Inland Empire, connecting Ontario and Colton. The elimination of dangerous railroad grade crossings in San Bernardino County, adding funding for Metrolink and research and development funds for the development of a high-speed "Maglev" rail system connecting the Inland Empire with downtown Los Angeles.



Congressman Baca was honored to participate with Chairman Deron Marquez and other tribal members at the groundbreaking of the San Manuel Bottle Watering Facility on March 3, 2000.

LAMBRA — March 31, 2000

After attending the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding agreement between the California Trade and Commerce Agency and the Inland Valley Development Agency (IVDA), Congressman Baca will continue to work on behalf of military base conversion needs in seeking federal funding for infrastructure development and improvements needed to facilitate the use of the old Norton Air Force Base and other facilities.

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**Mariachi Inland Valley Educational Foundation Visit to
Washington, D.C. April 29-May 5, 2000**

Congressman Baca met with the Inland Empire Mariachi Youth Education Foundation constituents from the district on their visit to Washington, D.C. on after school programs.

Baca Pitches Plan For San Bernardino International Airport — March 31, 2000

I'm working to help bring in business and create jobs in the Inland Valley Empire. Regional partnerships can be developed to create tax incentives to make the airport economically viable for businesses. San Bernardino can provide the region's air-transportation needs. The whole idea is to create high-tech jobs for the area.

Meets with Juvenile Diabetes Foundaton

I met with constituents to discuss the need of diabetes research and Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. As a member of the Diabetes Caucus, I believe that finding a cure and providing a brighter future for all children who suffer from this disease is important.

CONGRESSMAN JOE BACA'S UPCOMING OFFICIAL EVENTS

Annual Veterans Fair

May 20, 2000, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Radisson Hotel, 295 North E Street, San Bernardino

Quarterly Labor Breakfast

June 23, 2000, 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
San Bernardino Hilton, 285 E. Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino

Annual Women's Conference

August 4, 2000, 9:00 a.m.
California State University San Bernardino, 5500 University Parkway, San Bernardino

Quarterly Labor Breakfast

September 22, 2000, 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
San Bernardino Hilton, 285 E. Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino

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Reports to the 42nd District

May, 2000

Dear Friends,

It is an honor and a privilege to work for the people of the Inland Empire in Congress. I am pleased with the important progress made towards taking care of the needs of our community.

I came to Congress to protect Social Security and Medicare, improve health care, protect patients, provide affordable prescription drugs for seniors, further economic development and improve education (smaller class sizes, enhanced technology, school construction), raise the minimum wage, increase public safety, improve transportation (Alameda Corridor) and most of all work to ensure that all veterans receive the very best health care and benefits they fully deserve.

As I travel throughout the 42nd Congressional District I see the challenges and opportunities that face our community. It has been a pleasure to meet so many concerned parents, students and community people who have asked me to fight for them. I want to assure you that I intend to do just that.

There is no more worthwhile challenge than ensuring that our communities will get their fair share of funding and most of all that our children will receive the highest quality education possible. When we meet this challenge, we will give our children the gift of opportunity, and they will be able to live their lives to their fullest potential.

I am dedicated to bringing additional resources to our state and the Inland Empire that will allow us to accomplish our goals. Be assured that I will work aggressively to successfully address this challenge.

Warmest Regards,

JOE BACA
Member of Congress

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Deep Security Flaws Seen at State Dept.

Recent Lapses Are Part of a Pattern of Vulnerability, Officials Say

By CHRISTOPHER MARQUIS

WASHINGTON, May 10. — The State Department suffers from a systemic failure to protect secrets that is longstanding and far broader than the recent series of lapses publicly denounced by Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright, a range of administration officials say.

Interviews with State Department officials, intelligence experts and lawmakers monitoring the department's security — as well as a recent audit by the department's inspector general — depict an agency where small violations are frequent, few are punished and many employees do not take basic precautions.

Last year, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that a suspected spy roamed the halls of the department unattended. Many of the department's office-cleaners and maintenance staff work unsupervised, though most lack security clearances. Officials responsible for security admit they have no reliable way of tracking who enters or leaves the department's Foggy Bottom headquarters and lack the staff to inspect outgoing cars or briefcases.

More than four security breaches are reported on an average day, for a total of 1,673 incidents in 1998, the latest year for which such statistics were available. The vast majority of these were minor incidents, and only four were viewed as egregious, according to the inspector general's September 1999 audit, which did not detail those incidents. From 1995 to 1998, the department referred 53 cases to the F.B.I., the audit said. None resulted in prosecution.

The reports and interviews do not shed light on any new instances in which secrets were lost. Rather, they depict a lax and even careless bureaucracy that resists the kinds of stringent precautions that critics say are necessary in the world of national security. For example, employees sometimes leave confidential documents unattended on their desks, fail to change safe combinations frequently enough, and lose track of agency computers, the reports say.

Officials in and out of the State Department, including one who is to testify before a House hearing on Thursday about security breaches, point to these areas as leaving the department particularly vulnerable:

¶ Employees and regular visitors are issued photo ID cards that open turnstiles at the building's entrance when swiped through a slot. But no one checks to make sure a card is carried by the right person. A stolen or borrowed card can be used by an unauthorized person to gain entry.

¶ Since a new policy was instituted in August, all visitors who are not government employees must have escorts. But the policy does not apply to accredited reporters, leaving foreign intelligence services a loophole they can exploit. Timothy D. Berezney, an F.B.I. section chief, will testify on Thursday that his agency has identified more than one spy among accredited foreign journalists, according to a draft of his testimony.

¶ None of the 140 offices handling classified materials had been inspected for listening devices or cameras. And, although the department distributes about 3,500 pages of secret documents throughout the building on a given day, there is no record showing whether the papers were ever received or returned.

Some security experts say the department's culture resists security measures. While officials at the Pentagon or the Central Intelligence Agency see secrecy as a paramount value, diplomats embrace openness

and depend on foreign visitors.

Marine guards practice for overseas postings by conducting surprise inspections of the department's offices. During eight inspections in 1998, the guards turned up an average of 63 problems each time. A diplomat said the Marine sweeps have been cut back because they resulted in too much paperwork.

While many infractions may be relatively minor, the stakes are high. Spilled secrets may lead to "serious damage" to American ties with other governments, the audit warned, or even to the "arrest, torture or death of sources" working for the United States. The C.I.A. is so troubled by

Investigations find a lax bureaucracy that resists precautions.

the department's record that it routinely withholds classified information, diplomats and lawmakers said.

Representative Porter J. Goss, Republican of Florida and the chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, said recent security breaches involving a missing laptop computer and an eavesdropping device implanted in a department conference room were part of a longtime pattern.

"Their access controls are primitive and not well enforced," Mr. Goss said. "Their escort policies are bizarre and not well enforced. Their document control is between deficient and nonexistent."

Dr. Albright's security adviser is already tightening some procedures. David G. Carpenter, the assistant secretary of state for diplomatic security and a former Secret Service agent, is leading a sweeping review of how the department handles classified materials and protects against espionage, with assistance from the F.B.I. and the C.I.A.

Dr. Albright announced the security shake-up last month, more than two months after a laptop computer containing highly sensitive files about weapons proliferation disappeared from the department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research. In December, federal authorities discovered an eavesdropping device in a department conference room and swiftly expelled a Russian diplomat from the country.

Dr. Albright summoned nearly 800 employees for a public exhortation in

which she asserted that they were all failures unless they protected government secrets. In remarks to newspaper publishers on Tuesday, Dr. Albright referred to the recent lapses. "I was both angered and embarrassed," she said. "On behalf of all employees of the State Department, I'm humiliated."

For decades, the department allowed foreign officials, journalists and other visitors to wander on their own throughout the building. Of roughly 1,000 visitors a day, about one in seven is a foreign government official. The F.B.I. reported last year that "suspected foreign intelligence personnel" had the opportunity to plant listening devices or steal documents as they moved unescorted through the halls.

In August, Mr. Carpenter tightened the policy to require escorts of all visitors without permanent passes, except other government employees. But Representative Benjamin A. Gilman, Republican of New York and the chairman of the International Relations Committee, is not satisfied. Foreign reporters are on the honor system to remain in areas designated for the press, he said.

"In other words, the new escort policy has a hole you could lead an elephant through," Mr. Gilman said. "Past reports indicate that foreign intelligence services, particularly Russia's and China's, have used reporters' credentials as cover for their spies."

The department's reliance on contract workers for security guards, maintenance and food service poses other problems. Most contract employees are subjected only to cursory police checks. Only 15 out of 100 janitors have security clearances.

Mr. Goss, a former C.I.A. agent, ascribes the department's problems to "partially arrogance and disdain for security." But defenders of the diplomats note that more serious breaches of security occurred at the C.I.A., where Aldrich H. Ames, who was convicted of spying for the Soviet Union, worked. They view department officials as struggling under a unique mandate that simply will not let them retreat behind walls and security fences.

"Are they making too many mistakes? As far as I can tell from the public record, the answer is yes," said Steven Aftergood, senior research analyst at the Federation of American Scientists. But statecraft requires a trade-off, he added. "Your security can't be so overwhelming that you're unable to perform the task of diplomacy."

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Bush Pushes Plan for Long-Term Care

By FRANK BRUNI

DAVENPORT, Iowa, May 10 — Gov. George W. Bush of Texas proposed a set of tax breaks today to encourage more people to buy long-term-care insurance and to ease the financial burden on people looking after ailing relatives at home.

Under Mr. Bush's plan, which anticipates the fast-growing number of older Americans, people of any age who buy insurance for the kind of extended nursing-home stays not covered by other policies or by Medicare could fully deduct the annual premium from their taxes, whether they itemize deductions or not.

In addition, people with aging dependents at home could claim an extra exemption, which would amount to a nonitemized deduction of about \$2,750.

"To many of our seniors, illness can be a path to financial ruin, and this is one of the greatest fears of retirement and our nation must address it as we head into the 21st century," Mr. Bush, the likely Republican presidential nominee, told about 80 people at a nursing home here.

"This cost can undermine the whole idea of security in retirement," he said. "It's time for many Americans to prepare — prepare for peace-of-mind insurance. It must become a central part of retirement planning in America."

The scope and expense of Mr. Bush's proposal was modest — it would cost \$7.4 billion over five years — and some critics said it would make only the smallest of dents in a problem that is becoming ever more severe. But the plan represents an effort to demonstrate that Mr. Bush is paying heed to health care and to elderly people, an issue and a voting bloc that could be decisive in the presidential election this fall.

Mr. Bush seemed to take the dynamics of the electorate into full account with remarks that aimed for a kind of political trifecta, singling out and offering reassurances not only to the elderly but also to baby boomers and to women. His message to baby boomers was that their antic-

ipatory qualms about retirement were foremost in his mind, while his nod to women was his recognition that they typically shoulder most of the responsibility for older relatives.

But the elderly were arguably his most important audience, because Vice President Al Gore has asserted that he has more thoughtful and responsible ideas for both health care and Social Security.

Mr. Bush was clearly trying to challenge that claim. He intends to follow today's proposals with a speech on Monday outlining his philosophy on changing Social Security and Medicare and dealing with the high cost of prescription drugs.

The high stakes of the presidential

A proposal to ease the high cost of nursing home care.

candidates' jostling over these issues was suggested by the fact the Gore campaign arranged for reporters to talk on the phone today with the secretary of health and human services, Donna E. Shalala.

Dr. Shalala did not seem to be fully aware about what, exactly, Mr. Bush was recommending, but she said the plausibility of all of his proposals was thrown into doubt by his call for a tax cut of \$433 billion over five years, which is much larger than the tax cut Mr. Gore favors.

"There's no way, given the size of his tax cut, that he can pay for this," she said. "It's an empty promise."

Dr. Shalala also said that Mr. Bush's financial incentives to buy long-term care insurance did nothing to address the flaws of many of the policies on the market and that the exemption that Mr. Bush would grant home caregivers was nowhere near as generous as the \$3,000 tax credit that the Clinton administration had proposed and that Mr. Gore supports. The exemption, for some-

one in a 15 percent tax bracket would amount to only a few hundred dollars a year.

Long-term care insurance, which fills a gap in what is provided by private and corporate health care policies and Medicare, covers the cost of an extended stay in a nursing home or assisted-living center for people whose financial resources have not dwindled to the point where they qualify for Medicaid. Figures provided by the Bush campaign indicated, only about 5 percent of Americans had such policies.

An aide to Mr. Bush said that a 39-year-old person would pay an annual premium of about \$358 for a policy that guaranteed two years of nursing home care, and \$507 for a policy that guaranteed five years; a 64-year-old would pay about \$1,265 for the two-year guarantee and \$1,709 for the five-year one. The older the person buying the policy, the more it costs.

More than 40 percent of Americans over the age of 65 have annual incomes of under \$20,000. Joshua M. Wiener, a principal research associate at the Urban Institute in Washington, noted that these people would be unable to afford such a policy even after Mr. Bush's deduction, which would shave only a few hundred dollars off the price.

"This is basically for the upper-middle-class elderly," Mr. Wiener said of Mr. Bush's proposal.

The Bush plan also sets no income ceiling for eligibility, so that wealthy Americans in higher tax brackets would save more on the policies than middle-class Americans, because the tax deduction would be more valuable for them.

But an aide to Mr. Bush said the plan was not intended primarily for these people, many of whom have jobs that already offer long-term care benefits and thus would not qualify for the deduction.

And Mr. Bush, citing figures on the looming rise in the number of Americans over 65, said it was important to put mechanisms into place to encourage their financial security and to decrease the number who will end up needing public money and help.

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Russia's New Prime Minister: A Tested Economic Liberal

By MICHAEL WINES

MOSCOW, May 10 — President Vladimir V. Putin named as prime minister today a chief foreign-debt negotiator and a liberal economics expert. The long predicted move, some experts said, bodes well for efforts to tame Russia's feral style of capitalism.

That view was bolstered by a separate report today that Mr. Putin might abolish the Fuel and Energy Ministry as he reorganizes the cabinet. The immensely powerful agency has often been attacked as a seat of corruption and a brake on capitalist reforms.

Since January, when Mr. Putin became acting president, the new prime minister, Mikhail M. Kasyanov, has held the post of first deputy prime minister, which was the government's No. 2 position. He frequently stood in for Mr. Putin as the acting president campaigned for the full four-year term that he won in elections in March.

But Mr. Kasyanov, 42, is best known as the pragmatic and savvy negotiator who persuaded private Western creditors in February to agree to a reduction of nearly \$32 billion in Russian debt.

The creditors, known as the London Club, agreed after months of talks to accept bonds worth as little as 62.5 cents for every dollar owed. That now seems an exceptionally good deal for Russia, which was — and is — reaping an unexpectedly large income from a rebounding economy and high-price oil exports.

Klaus Regling, who negotiated with Mr. Kasyanov as the German Finance Ministry's chief international officer in the 1990's, called him an extremely tough bargainer who won the respect not just of the Germans, but also of the Americans in the Treasury Department, as well.

"When he signed off on something, you knew it was really a done deal," Mr. Regling, now a finance expert in London, said. "There are always all these advisers around. But he didn't need that. You could really do it with just two persons in the room."

The nomination of Mr. Kasyanov, a tall, beefy man with a gravely voice and a crushing handshake, goes to the lower house of Parliament, the Duma, which plans a vote next Wednesday. The speaker, Gennadi Seleznyov, a Communist, predicted that he would be confirmed easily, even though the Communists have serious questions about the Kremlin's economic bent.

"Most Duma members are not allergic to Kasyanov," Mr. Seleznyov said.

The consensus among experts was that Mr. Kasyanov would continue to have a strong hand in fiscal policy, pushing to streamline tax and regulatory codes.

The chairman of the Budget Committee in Parliament, Aleksandr Zhukov, said in a radio interview the government was preparing "drastic changes to some of the main taxes," including the income and excise taxes and the payroll tax for welfare funds, which could change the landscape of the budget and economy.

Separately, the semiofficial Interfax news service quoted a government source as having said Mr. Putin is considering eliminating several cabinet-level agencies, including the Economics and the Fuel and Energy

Ministries. Their duties would be folded into the Finance Ministry and other departments.

The Fuel and Energy Ministry has been marked by liberals as a test of Mr. Putin's willingness to confront entrenched interests.

Although much of the oil industry is in private hands, natural gas remains more or less a government monopoly. And the ministry wields enormous influence — much of it for

the benefit of special interests, critics say — through its control of pipelines and the pricing of oil products.

In recent weeks, the critics have demanded the ouster of Energy Minister Viktor I. Kalyuzhny, who they say has imposed new production quotas and tariffs that insiders can easily manipulate.

Mr. Kasyanov hedged when asked about a cabinet shake-up. "It is necessary to make some adjustments in the structure of the federal organs of power," he said, adding that those changes "will not be global ones."

Some express doubts — similar to those expressed about Mr. Putin — as to whether Mr. Kasyanov is willing to free the economy from the grip of the financial-industrial combines that dominate several industries and their government regulators.

Some racier muckraking newspapers have called Mr. Kasyanov "Misha 2 Percent," contending that as Finance Minister he gave well-connected bankers inside information about the terms for the resale of old Soviet-era debts. Mr. Kasyanov has flatly denied that.

Like Mr. Putin, Mr. Kasyanov is also pegged by Moscow's rumor mill as close to two tycoons, Boris A. Berezhovsky and Roman Abramovich, who have amassed huge stakes in Russia's oil, metals and media industries.

This year, the two have cornered 70 percent of the aluminum industry with the blessing of the government. Mr. Berezhovsky and Mr. Abramovich raised eyebrows by showing up at invitation-only events that surrounded Mr. Putin's inauguration on Sunday.

One of the best-known liberals of President Boris N. Yeltsin's government, Boris Nemtsov, warned this spring that Mr. Kasyanov's elevation to prime minister would mean a continuation of the robber-baron capitalism that helped run the economy. Mr. Kasyanov scoffs at that. "I don't have any concrete ties to any particular financial-industrial group," he said last month. "I maintain contacts with everybody. I meet with Berezhovsky very rarely, perhaps once every six months."

In fact, Mr. Kasyanov is credited with supporting a one-third increase in oil-export taxes and a requirement that oil companies pay their taxes in cash rather than through barter, two measures opposed by the so-called oligarchs.

He rose the hard way. A graduate of the Moscow Automobile and Road College, he worked at the old Soviet central planning committee before switching with the government in a free-market economic philosophy after the Soviet Union died in 1991.

Mr. Kasyanov spent two years at the Economics Ministry before joining Mr. Yeltsin's Finance Ministry, where he held several posts before becoming finance minister.

Rwanda and Uganda, Supposedly Allies, May Stumble Into War

By IAN FISHER

NAIROBI, Kenya, May 10 — Rwanda and Uganda, allies in central Africa, are threatening to turn their well-trained armies on each other if they cannot resolve the tensions that have flared in recent days into small-scale skirmishes.

Today, the top military commanders of the two nations met in Rwanda and their presidents agreed to meet in Tanzania on Sunday to head off any further fighting.

But each country continued to accuse the other of massing troops along their common border — a de-

velopment that, if true, could intensify their dispute. But several outside officials said there was no evidence of major troop movements on either side.

For nearly two years, Rwanda and Uganda — small nations with out-sized influence in the region — have been fighting to oust the president of Congo, Laurent Kabila, and are thus nominally on the same side.

But their troops clashed last summer in the Congolese city of Kisangani and again last Friday in a much smaller battle that nonetheless reignited the tensions and mutual dis-

trust. At least 30 people were killed in the latest fighting, half of them civilians.

The situation appeared to be easing on Monday, when the two nations agreed to a truce brokered by a United Nations team in the region and said they would pull their troops out of Kisangani to make way for peacekeepers to monitor a general cease-fire to the much larger conflict in Congo. But on Tuesday, each side accused the other of initiating a renewed round of shelling.

Today, amid alternately harsh and conciliatory words from both sides,

President Yoweri Museveni of Uganda and President Paul Kagame of Rwanda agreed to the meeting in Tanzania. Presidents Thabo Mbeki of South Africa and Benjamin Mkapa of Tanzania are to attend.

Meanwhile, Maj. Gen. Jeje Odongo of Uganda and Brig. Gen. Kayumba Nyamvusa of Rwanda, their countries' top military leaders, met in the Rwandan capital, Kigali.

Officials from both Rwanda and Uganda said they hoped the mediation would end the dispute, which has puzzled many experts because until last summer the two countries and

their leaders had been close friends with common goals in Congo.

"We think this is going to be defused," said Emmanuel Ndahiro, a spokesman for Rwanda's army and an aide to President Kagame. "It's madness, to say the very least."

Hope Kivengere, a spokeswoman for the Ugandan president, said, "Our differences with Rwanda are really not fundamental." She added: "When these clashes appeared, as they did last year, we sat down and sorted them out. We will sit down again on Sunday."

Nonetheless, a top Ugandan army official, Brig. Gen. James Kazini, was quoted today as saying that Uganda was ready to fight if provoked.

"This time we're ready for them," The Monitor, a Ugandan newspaper, quoted him as saying. "We're beginning to realize these people may be real enemies."

Mr. Ndahiro repeated the accusation that Uganda has been building up its troop strength along its southern border, next to Rwanda. Uganda denied it had sent troops to the border, saying it has had soldiers stationed in the area for more than a year.

While the dispute may seem to the outside world like so much bickering between two small nations, the stakes are high: the cooperation of Rwanda and Uganda is essential to the success of the larger cease-fire agreement in Congo.

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The New York Times
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2000

Carman David Gallo

TORONTO

The White House
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May 4, 2000

VIA FAX

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Ms. Wendi Boxx, Mary Morrison, President Clinton,

Because of a misunderstanding on my part, I mentioned the names of Dan Bohlman, and Paul Monea on a simulated, repeat **SIMULATED** press release. At this time, they are not associated with this concept. An invitation has been left open for both these fine gentlemen (time and benefits permitting) to participate in this project, if they so desire as I greatly respect their marketing genius, diplomatic skills, political connections, and overall professionalism.

In the interim, our group is in dialogue with other distribution compliments that will help us make this musical tribute to The President and First Lady the greatest ever! We will be in contact with your offices within the next week and a presentation will be forwarded for your review with an alternative strategy. When it arrives we would ask for your input, packaging changes, guidelines and necessary clearances.

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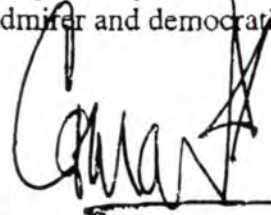
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Dan/Paul-

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MEMO

From the 'new' Grand Master of the *creative* universe

The boredom of our mundane existence is eroding us away and, yet, any new unique, creative explosion that could very well be the 'paradise of our dreams' is dismissed and branded as a loonie, show-off, threat, ego-maniac, etc., etc., etc.

Conceive some bold, new, exciting visionary who is about to stick a bomb under the asshole of conservative creativity as we know it currently... and blow it to smitherines...

There is no greater exhilaration than discovering and heralding a fresh, all-phase mega talent whose time has finally come. We should, definitely, not allow ourselves to succumb to ignorance and jealousy. Instead, why not choose to take the more positive option and, graciously, let the genie out of the bottle and be dazzled by the results. Please recognize Andy Warhol's self-proclaimed successor, Carman David Gallo, the new grand master of the creative universe...

Suzy Phyllis Wagman

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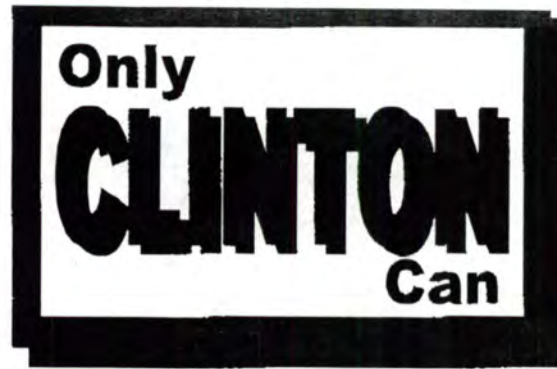
Toronto born producer and all-phase creative wizard Carman David Gallo has just completed what some experts agree could be "THE BIGGEST SELLING ORIGINAL INSTRUMENTAL TRIBUTE EVER RECORDED..." Titled, "FOR CLINTON LOVERS ONLY" this glossy gorgeously packaged subtly addicting piece of versatile 3 song musical genius was inspired by The President's *POPULARITY* ...against incredible odds. His wife, Hillary, has also captured the respect, love and admiration of the American people. The high polls for both Clintons speak for themselves. This commemorative CD is a dynamic musical celebration that honors all the positive work The President has done while in office and will demonstrate that HE IS APPRECIATED. After all, it isn't easy being the Leader of The Free World.

Carman David Gallo's Presidential offerings are original compositions written by Robert Patrick Keyes. Keyes, AKA BOBBI TUXXX, is considered to be a one man musical explosion who DOES IT ALL (compose, arrange and play 5 instruments). He will be, according to Gallo, one of the most exciting and significant HIT money machines of the next millennium. The minimum projected sales figure in America alone is 2,000,000 copies. Numbered sequentially on each CD, the Producer projects a sell-out within 90 days. A second run of 2,000,000 units for Europe will be pressed simultaneously. Finally, a pressing of 2,000,000 units for the Orient, Mexico, South America, and all other markets will complete our global release strategy. In comparison to Elton John's Princess Di non-original tribute (a make-over) which sold millions of copies, the "FOR CLINTON LOVERS ONLY" compilation is all original songs that have never been heard commercially before.

This production was produced as "INTENTIONAL INSTRUMENTALS" which will not be limited to English listening markets. The producer intends to fly to Washington D.C. and give the first two copies to THE PRESIDENT and FIRST LADY. This "FROM CANADA WITH LOVE" (best wishes) gesture WILL demonstrate the positive feelings Canada has for the President. A Toronto-based U.S. bank account has been setup in the name of "FOR CLINTON LOVERS ONLY - LEGAL DEFENSE FUND". Partial profits will be donated to help pay off his attorney's fee's believed to be in excess of 8 million dollars. The producer invites any and all other Clinton supporters internationally to also contribute. If so motivated.

Carman David Gallo ascertains this tribute will unite the country, boost morale and recharge the haggard President as he finishes what is left of his demanding term..."

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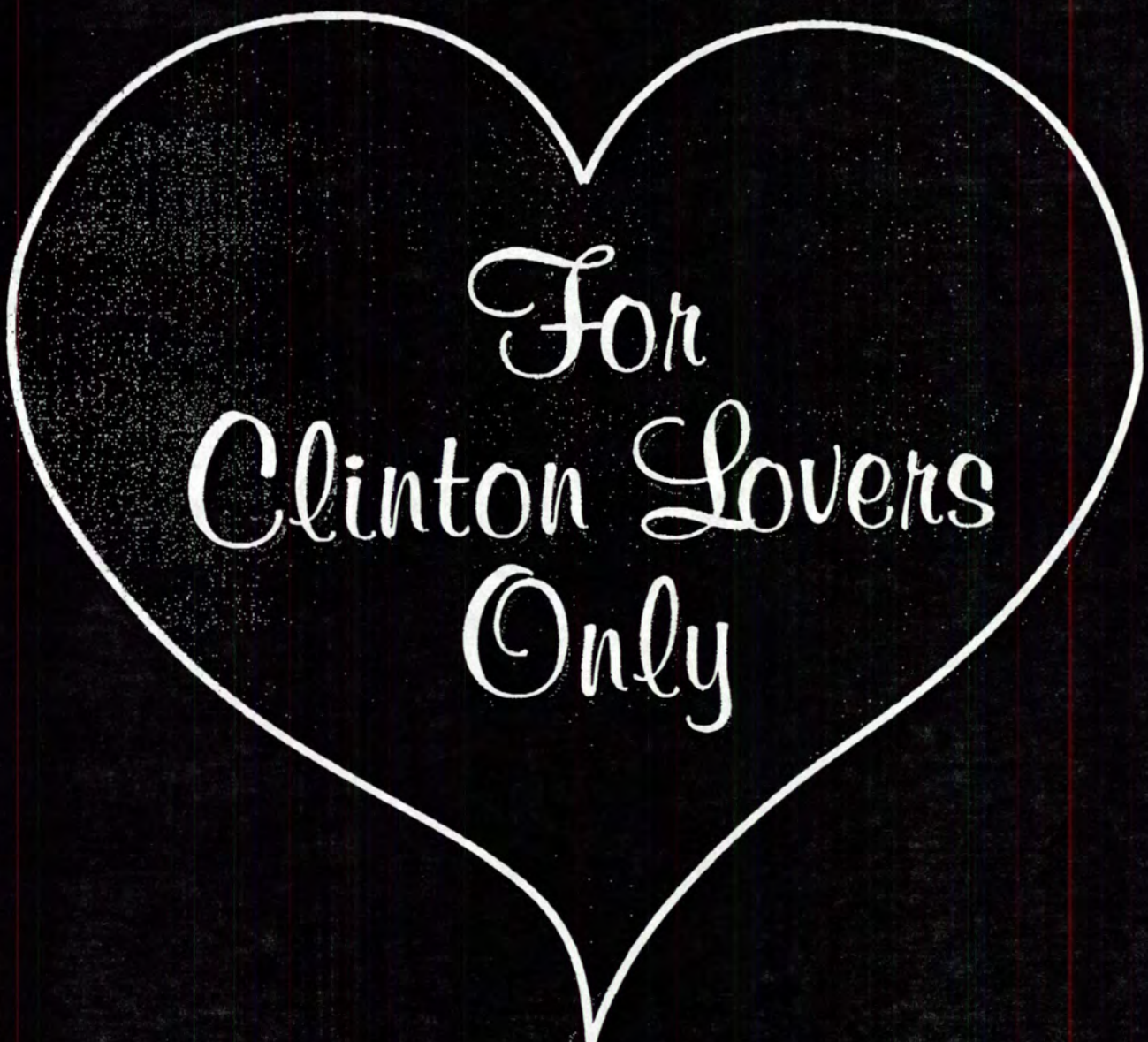
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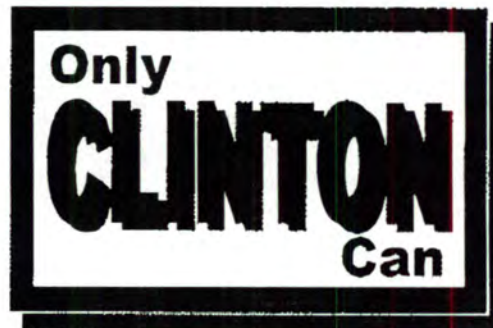


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October 19, 1998

Mr. Carman David Gallo
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Dear Mr. Gallo,

Your package of material sent to John F. Welch, the Chairman of General Electric, was ultimately forwarded to NBC News. I assist the President of NBC News in responding to correspondence.

In order to obtain video of President Clinton playing the saxophone at his inaugural ball, you must do the following: send a fax to Ms. Yuien Chin, NBC News Archives, 212 957-8917. Your letter should state for what purpose the video will be used (private video, public distribution, etc.). The use of the video will determine if it can be sold in the first place and then what licensing fee would be charged.

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Thank you for sending us your tape. However, in this instance we cannot accept your material for broadcast.

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David McCormick", written over a horizontal line.

David McCormick
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cc: Robert C. Wright, President, NBC

Attention all media

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Paris, France

Toronto born creative prophet and enlightened visualist, Carman David Gallo has mounted the 1st **WORLDS MOST LOVED ADORABLE ANGEL FREE AT LAST** limited edition print in The Alma Tunnel, Paris France at exactly 11 P.M. August 31, 1999. The all-phase arts endowed wizard, hammered the gold framed copy into THE ACTUAL PILLAR where Princess Diana's chauffeured car struck, causing her tragic death. Mr Gallo is appalled that no one in government or an elevated capacity has considered dedicating a more substantial official quality memorial in honor of Great Britain's favourite daughter. All that marks the site currently are humble cards, flowers, graffiti etc. Undaunted by warnings and possible police charges, Gallo is prepared to go to jail to exercise his basic human right of creative expression and a **revolutionary for the sake of art**. "Truth is bigger than any law and cannot be denied" The artist quotes. To confirm this history making event, it was recorded on video tape and 35mm photographs. Copies will be available on a select basis for international distribution.

The super-realistic printed concept features The Late Princess Of Wales in God's hands as an Angel looking down smiling as she is being swept up to heaven. Astonished fingers from photographers and cameras point up to her, through the swirling fog as she ascends upwards. Complimenting this celestial image, in the form of the British Flag, are large beams of 20th Century Fox searchlight type lights which radiate down upon on her. This incredible work is so *haunting* and *life-like*, it has to be witnessed in person to be believed.

The Angel/Diana trademarked creation was conceived by Carman David Gallo. Gallo, a Toronto born self-proclaimed one-man advertising agency/production studio, claims the **inspiration** came to him in a dream, the night after The Princess of Wales was tragically killed. Prophet Gallo, vividly saw a smiling Princess Diana in flowing white being gently lifted up towards heaven. 'I woke up at 3:30 in the morning sweating heavily, wiping the tears of joy from my face' the designer remembers. 'I immediately called one of my closest artist friends and told him about my vision'.

Close friend and many years-ahead-of-his time artistic phenomenon, Kiat Lim Chew, can draw a thumb-tack and give it a photo-like realism, can create a horse in pencil and one can actually tell what breed it is and most assuredly duplicate the works of any of the Great Masters i.e. Raphael, Botticelli, Michelangelo, Picasso, Dali, Reubens, to name a few. His resume and past artistic accomplishments speak for themselves.

Conceiver Gallo would request that the French government would leave this pictorial memorial in the tunnel as a positive gesture and further tribute to The Late Princess. Her smile of contentment as she looks down on the amazed paparazzi would confirm her gentle loving and most important **forgiving** persona. This gesture is to **immortalize** even more the place where Princess Diana was killed and also serve as A **WARNING** worldwide of the perils of allowing someone to drive while under the influence of alcohol.

It is projected that this will be one of the **most controversial** artistic statements ever. The significance and impact of what this ultimately represents, should make it one of the most *memorable* creative '*statements*' of the century...

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Carman David Gallo at 416-861-9043, or 416-724-4301, Toronto
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5. Copy of *confidential correspondence* sent to Steve Ross, former CEO, Time Life Warner Inc.
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7. '~~ONLY CLINTON CAN~~' Much Music Video and novelty record tribute. ✓
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Yours very truly,

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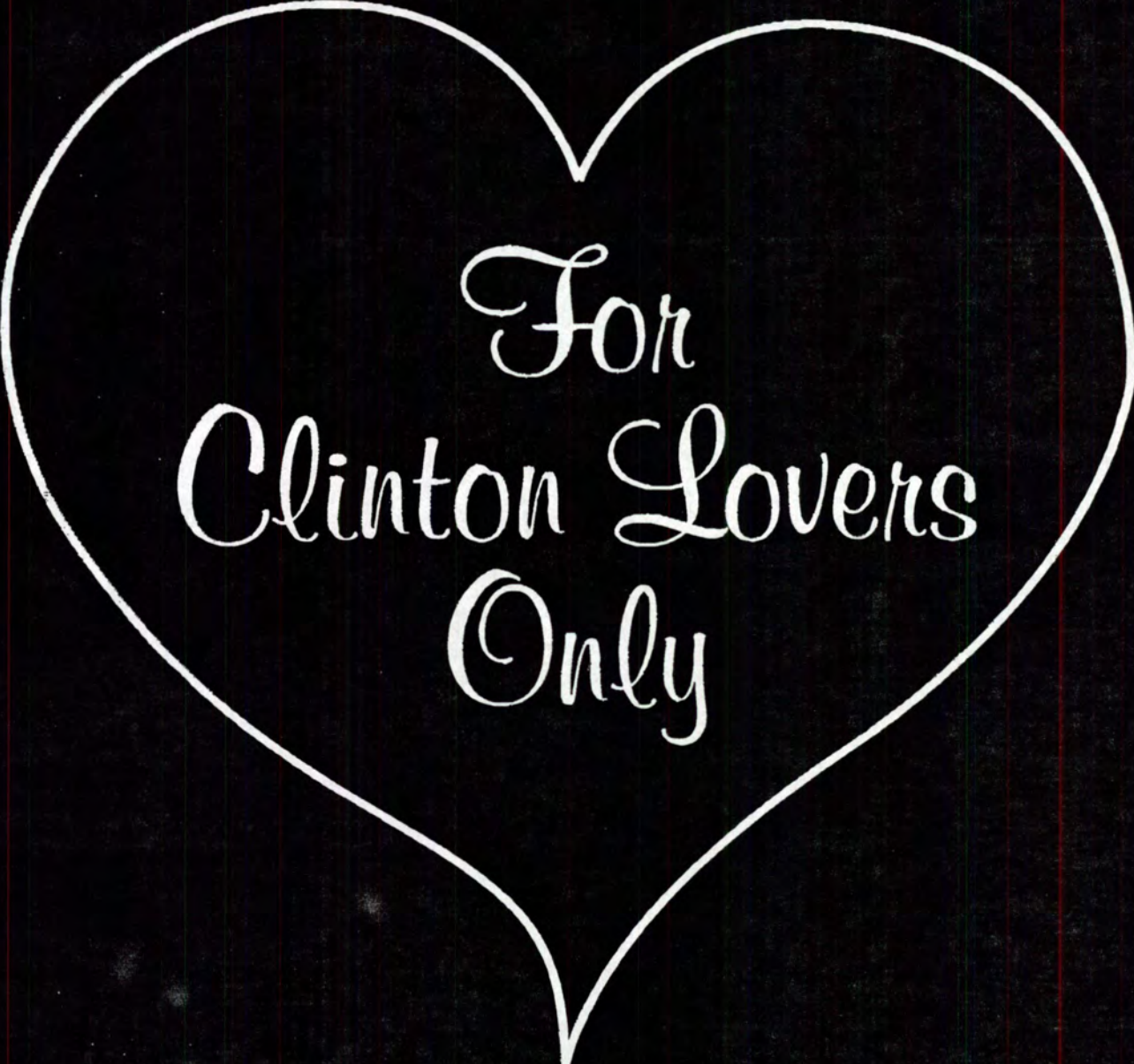
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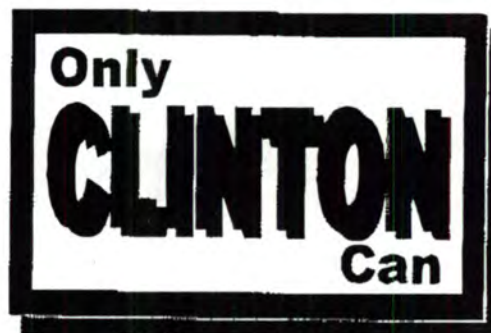


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TORONTO

While his revolutionary friends distracted Paris police, Carman David Gallo nailed this to a famous pillar



Following his dream

By SHANNON BLACK

I say dare to be different. Dare to be great. I say just dare to do anything other than be boring," says Carman David Gallo, sounding almost evangelical.

The Toronto resident has spent much of his life staving off boredom by cooking up attention-getting stunts and schemes, the latest of which came to him in a dream.

Mr. Gallo traveled to Paris this week to mark the two-year anniversary of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. He carried with him a framed poster of his vision of her ascent to heaven in the hands of God, which he nailed to the column her car crashed into the night of Aug. 31, 1997.

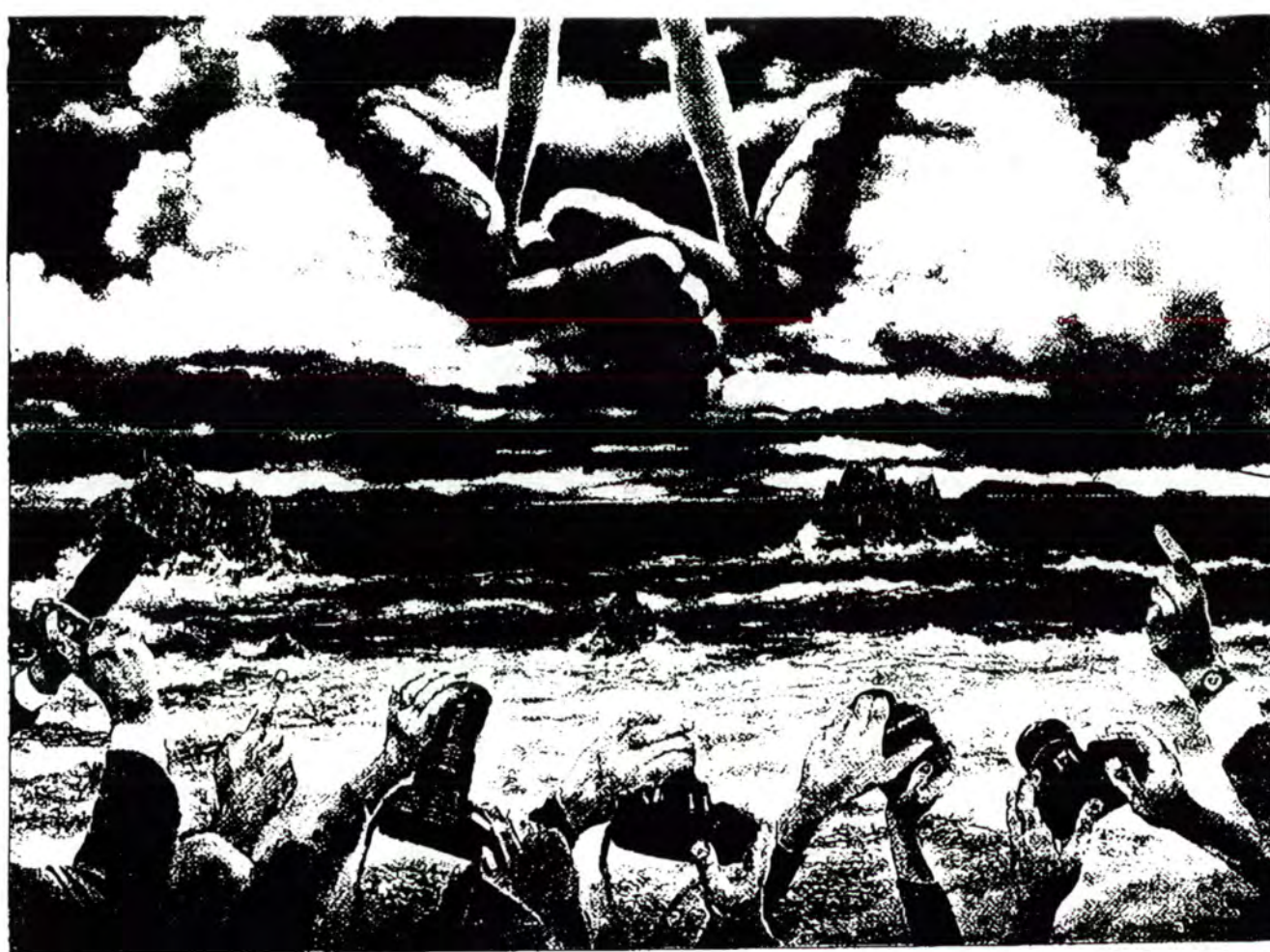
At 11:11 p.m. on Tuesday, generally accepted as the time of impact, Mr. Gallo and a colleague hammered six-inch concrete nails into the pillar, securing the Plexiglas-covered image. It marks the end of a quest that started the night after she died, when he woke from a dream, sweaty and crying tears of joy, he writes in his press release.

Mr. Gallo has been "writing creative history" for decades. He designed a million dollar bill and

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Toronto's Carman David Gallo has spent much of his life staying off boredom with attention-getting stunts. This poster, by artist Kiat Lim Chew, is his vision of Diana's ascent to heaven.

reporter, he gained access to the roof of 30 Rockefeller Plaza to release \$10-billion in phoney money.

"Gallo, perched high above the chaos, laughed hysterically and hurled thousands of bills into the wind," reads the news report.

"I did it to protest cheap people and all the negative news everywhere," he told the reporter. "I did it to cheer people up."

Mr. Gallo says from Paris he has redesigned the Coca-Cola bottle (making it more curvaceous and entitling it the "sensuous slip") filmed a documentary on the Cannes festival (arriving with a tuxedo and bathing suit but no accreditation,) and produced a music CD for Bill Clinton lovers only.

"I'm in the dream-selling business," he says with pride.

"He's always doing stuff, he's got a gazillion ideas," says Mike Lenz, who loans Mr. Gallo space in his Wellington Printworks office to pursue his "entrepreneurial artistic megaprojects."

"None of them are small and sensible. They're all huge," says Mr. Lenz. "He's looking for that one mondo idea that will catapult him into some kind of celebrity."

The man who calls himself a creative prophet says the Alma tunnel was guarded by riot police at both ends. "I thought people had tipped them off about me," he remembers. But a couple of like-minded "crazy, creative, revolutionary types" he met at a Paris university staged a diversion — pretending to have convulsions and fainting — while Mr. Gallo and his weight-lifting partner ran into the tunnel.

Afterward, the crew celebrated with a 40-ounce bottle of Chivas.

Mr. Gallo hopes to reproduce his trademarked image, executed by artist Kiat Lim Chew, in a doll, figurine or flatware format.

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A Toronto man pulls a stunt in a Paris tunnel. Page B1

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Mike Weir conducts a hole-by-hole tour of the Air Canada Championship course. Page B19



Carman David Gallo

Dan Bohlman
Attorney.
Canton, Ohio

Toronto

Apr 21
2000

Via Fax

Dan—

It was great talking to
you Thursday. Your package
is on it's way —

HAIL TO THE CHIEF!

Your Admirer,

Carman

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Dan Bohlmann, brilliant legal strategist and 'Infomercial King', Paul Monet (Ti-bo exercise tapes) have just acquired the worldwide distribution rights for the 'Clinton Lovers Only' commemorative Presidential and First Lady musical tribute. This original melodic concept was conceived by Toronto born all-phase creative wizard, Carman David Gallo and composed by musical wunderkind, Robert Patrick Keyes. Both Bohlmann and Monet share Gallo's enthusiasm and feel his sales projection of 20 million units for the many Clinton lovers around the world is realistic. Only 20 million copies will be pressed, then the master tape will be destroyed making all copies certified collectibles that will be consecutively serial numbered to guarantee authenticity.

This new marketing association are all in agreement that the President (one of the greatest ever) should be praised and appreciated for all the great things he has accomplished while in Office. "5% of America's 300 million plus population (15 million) will want to own this presidential piece of musical history" Gallo states. "Each copy will appreciate in value like a rare stamp, coin or other limited edition valuable item. The remaining 5 million units will be available to other Clinton lovers Europe, Orient and South America on a first come, first serve basis." The sellout time for this offering is expected to be within 90 days of release.

Producer Gallo has set up a 'For Clinton Lovers Only' legal defence fund account and website. He is confident he can give the President Of The United States a cheque for \$1 million from this musical dedication. This from 'Toronto With Love' gesture will be well received by the President, who will invite Carman David Gallo and Robert Patrick Keyes, song composer, and media fireball Paul Monet and catalyst of this project, Dan Bohlmann, to the White House for lunch with the President and First Lady. President Clinton will present both Canadians with honorary U.S. citizenship as he accepts the Keyes and Gallo Association's first autographed copy. This brilliant American/Canadian public relations ceremony will be covered by all multi-media personnel and receive millions of dollars worth of spectacular worldwide positive publicity. Additionally, the true genius of this project is the enhanced recognition of the Presidential Elect, Al Gore and First Lady and the future Governor of New York State, Hillary Clinton, who will be featured in the accompanying musical video available with the commemorative CD. It is expected that this will be the biggest selling musical tribute EVER dedicated to a dignitary...

For further information contact PLATINUM PARTY PUBLICITY



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two sisters
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WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 10, 2000

Eleanor Karam
17815 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, Arkansas 72212

Dear Eleanor:

Hillary and I were greatly saddened by Jimmy's death and wanted you to know we're thinking about you and your family.

Jimmy was a good man, loved in his community and throughout Arkansas for his business savvy, sportsmanship, and dedication to his church and family. I am honored to have been his friend, and I will miss him. I hope that your memories of Jimmy will carry you through this difficult time.

Our prayers are with you.

Sincerely,

Bill

What a good life he
had — I will miss
him but know he is
in the place he belongs

THE WHITE HOUSE
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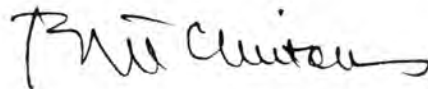
Jim Karam
9022 Aspen Grove Lane
Madison, Wisconsin 53717

Dear Jim:

I was saddened to learn of your father's death and wanted you to know I'm thinking about you during this difficult time.

May the loving support of family and friends give you some solace. Hillary and I send our heartfelt condolences, and we'll be keeping you in our prayers.

Sincerely,


Bill Clinton



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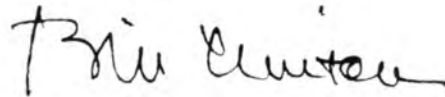
Mary Anne Williams
Route 2, Box 8
Des Arc, Arkansas 72040

Dear Mary Anne:

Hillary and I were so sorry to learn of your father's death and wanted to extend our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. We know what a difficult time this must be for you all.

We'll be keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill Clinton".



Clinton / Arkansas

Memo

To: Nancy Hemreich
From: Lynda Dixon
CC: Eugenie Bisulco
Date: 5/8/00
Re: Death of James T. (Jimmy) Karam

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call per
Lynda Dixon

WIFE: Eleanor Karam
17815 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, AR 72212

NOTE: I am in the process of obtaining the addresses of the children and will send when I get them.

I will send flowers from the President and Hillary.

JAMES T. (JIMMY) KARAM, age 87, of Little Rock, died Sunday, May 7, 2000. He was born in Lake Village, Ark. He graduated from Auburn University in 1937, where he was named on the *New York Post's* All American Football Squad. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He served as football coach at Little Rock Junior College (now UALR) 1947-1949. His team won the Junior College National Championship at the 1949 Little Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif. He was elected Little Rockian of the Year in 1949.

He operated a men's clothing store on Main Street for nearly 50 years, almost until his death. He served as chairman of the State Banking Board and chairman of the State Athletic Commission. He was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church. After joining Immanuel in 1959, he spoke across the country, appearing at many churches and numerous Billy Graham crusades.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Blakney Karam; one son, Jim Karam and his wife Alicia of Madison, Wis.; one daughter, Mary Anne Williams and her husband Al of Des Arc, Ark.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters, Idell Smith and Louise Sikora of Lake Village, Ark.; as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother, Tommy Karam; and sister, Margaret Karam; and grandson, Jim Williams.

Honorary pallbearers will be Bob Gladden, Tom Bonner, Clyde Scott, Sam Sanders, Royal Bailey, Joe Shinn, Tom Blackmon, Mike Coulson, Joe Peppin, and Jimmy Williams. The family will greet friends from 5-6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 8 at Ruebel Funeral Home, 6313 W. Markham. A memorial service will be at 12 noon on Tuesday, May 9 at Immanuel Baptist Church, 1000 Bishop St., with Dr. Rex M. Horne officiating. Private burial will follow at Pinecrest Cemetery. The family requests memorials be made to the Building Fund at Immanuel or a favorite charity.

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REMARKS OF CONGRESSWOMAN ZOE LOFGREN

"Meeting the Challenges of the New Economy"
Tech Museum of Innovation,
201 South Market Street in San Jose
April 3, 2000

It's a great pleasure to welcome you to San Jose - the Capitol of Silicon Valley -- to the center of gravity of new technology, entrepreneurship, innovation, and the new economy.

As a baby boomer raised in this valley, I've watched us morph from a sleepier time to today's frenetic boom. While there's no one reason for the evolution, certain key elements cannot be overlooked.

Looking back to my childhood here in the 50's, I know that the combination of scientific ideas, energy and capital which now moves the world is different than then. And we can identify trends and policies that brought us to the place where we are now, the true beginning of a new millennium.

Here are some of them: a persistent emphasis on education, science and technology; a willingness to take chances -- in the Valley, failure is not an end but a learning experience; optimism -- a belief that market forces make us stronger; courage and confidence to compete with the

rest of the world; and finally a belief in merit and the advantages of diversity.

It's particularly fitting that President Clinton is with us in Silicon Valley this morning because the themes that fostered Silicon Valley and the new economy and the President's policy agenda have a tremendous amount in common. They are the policies that President Clinton proposed and the Democratic party has carried out over the last seven years which have helped foster our current success.

In an information based economy, the country whose people are well trained and well educated wins, and our President understands this. Competitive market forces make us stronger, and the President and Congress have helped nurture such forces by achieving a balanced Federal budget and deregulating industries, such as telecommunications, so that markets can bring progress and innovation.

Finally, our President has not flinched from global economic competition – whether it's to insure that our laws allow the immigration of people like Linus Torvalds, who invented Linux and is here on an H1B visa, or whether it is leading – indeed sometimes pushing – our

country to be engaged economically in the world arena.

These factors have brought us unprecedented prosperity.

As I think back to my childhood in this Valley, I know that this prosperity is a very important thing, not to be taken for granted. Growing up, while my two parents worked hard every day, life in the Valley was sometimes touch and go. When my Dad was out of work, we lived on the edge. When the economy was good and jobs plentiful, then things got better for our family. But even then, in our ordinary lives, we had nothing like life today with technology and our global economy.

The Clinton Democratic policies that allowed America to achieve an astonishing 7.1% growth in GDP in the last report means that families like the one I grew up in have work ... and children in such families have the possibility to aspire to a college education and an even brighter future.

While change is an American cultural value, the truth is that rapid change can leave us breathless and uneasy. Some of our fellow Americans are profoundly alarmed by the pace of change. They're worried about where they will

land in this “new economy”, or they fear globalization – both the increasing diversity here and our new willingness to engage in trade on a global basis. We don’t have the option to go back to an earlier day. So we need to make sure we won’t allow people to be left behind. Change works best when it works for us all.

Sometimes I think apprehensions are tied up with nostalgia for what was. I’ve struggled to separate the affectionate nostalgia I feel for the time when I was a happy child in a loving family in this Valley in the 1950's, from the reality of those times – when so many working people lived close to the edge like my family.

It’s clear that, notwithstanding our nostalgia for “the good old days”, the social and economic forces we have unleashed make today’s world a better one, with more freedom, more opportunity, and more prosperity.

Unlike the America of my childhood, today women as well as men can be valued for their professionalism. Discrimination based on race, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation is condemned. America now understands that children in poor and blue collar families must achieve academic excellence for the nation to prosper, even if we have a ways to go to fully implement that understanding.

These days we have more interesting communities, where Americans have names like Tran, Chen, Gallegos and Singh in addition to Smith and Jones. And in our world today, we can, with assurance, agree to be economic trading partners with former enemies like China, confident that American entrepreneurship will continue to benefit our country and secure in the belief that the American values of freedom and democracy will be transmitted along with American products throughout the world.

Because the truth is we had a cold war. Communism lost; Capitalism won. Our economic system is delivering prosperity to our country. If we can just resist our natural fear of change, our economic and political system will help deliver freedom, peace and prosperity throughout the world, because free markets cannot prosper in authoritarian regimes, and in a global world, authoritarian regimes cannot long survive the impact of freedom and free markets.

I'm certain our continued robust growth here in Silicon Valley and all across America depends not only on having the best and the brightest to reinvent our world, but also on having full access to world markets.

So, in addition to welcoming all of you and our

President here today, I am also happy to thank President Clinton for his leadership in pursuing permanent normal trade relations with China and I'm happy to say that I will support and vote for PNTR.

The President is right. Engaging China and exposing China to the sunlight of free market economics and democratic political values is the best way to bring about evolution towards freedom in China.

And, PNTR is a *good deal* for America. It lowers Chinese tariffs on goods we sell in China, increasing access to Chinese markets for American products that will create more good paying jobs here at home for our people, including working families, like the family I grew up in in this valley. America gets this without lowering a single tariff, without changing a single trade law.

Clinton policies -- education rich, technology promoting, diversity honoring and pro-trade -- have come to dominate the center of American politics for a reason, because they work. The unprecedented prosperity we enjoy, with greater freedom and enviable diversity, are not something we should risk because of fear of change and the future. We should embrace change, and PNTR, and the continued prosperity that will follow.

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From: "Rogan for Congress" <campaign@jimrogan.org>
To: "CAMPAIGN LIST" <campaign-list@jimrogan.org>
Subject: Campaign Update
Date: Mon, 20 Mar 2000 10:58:48 -0800

ROGAN URGES PRESIDENT TO ENFORCE EXISTING GUN LAWS
Last week, President Clinton invited Congressman Rogan to meet with a bipartisan congressional delegations to discuss breaking the logjam on the "Juvenile Justice Bill." At the meeting, Congressman Rogan urged the administration to enforce existing gun laws.

As we have seen over the last 7 years, the administration has paid lip service to gun safety issues while doing almost nothing to stop the ability of criminals to get guns. The prosecutions of "Brady Law" violations is laughable, even while the President calls for more laws.

After the meeting, the President held a press conference in which he continued his demonization of legal gun owners and of the NRA. This president is not interested in doing what is necessary to protect the Constitutional rights of our nation's citizens, he interested in singling out those that he disagrees with and demonizing them in order to advance his own agenda.

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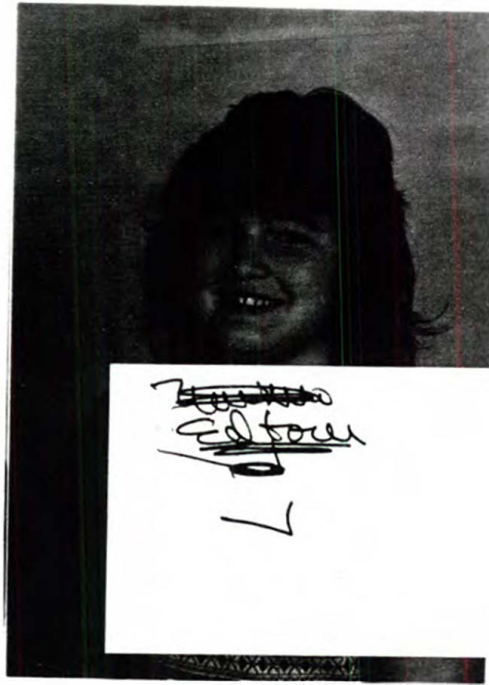
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Jose Ramos Horta requests a meeting
with President Clinton. He will be
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You should be President



To Bill Clinton ^{Call me!}
From Ashley Lynn Smith

5-11-00

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Executive Office of the President

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

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Office of Deputy United States Trade Representative Richard Fisher

May 11, 2000

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To: Sean Maloney
Office/Agency: Staff Secretary
Fax Number: 62215

SUBJECT: Presidential letter



From: Richard Fisher
Phone: (202) 395-9595

FAX: (202) 395-3390

Sean:

Attached please find a draft presidential letter to my daughter Alison Fisher, Andrea Olshan and Haley Joel. These three young women recently raised \$36,000 for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, a significant accomplishment at any age.

I would appreciate it if the President could send a letter to each of them acknowledging this achievement. In light of his recent proclamation of AIDS as a national security threat, the President might be interested in recognizing the efforts at home to combat the disease.

DAW —
WHY — DO YOU THINK?
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Ms. Alison Fisher
258 Pforzheimer Mail Center
Cambridge, MA 02138

Ms. Andrea Olshan
130 Leverett Mail Center
Cambridge, MA 02138

Ms. Haley Joel
345 Kirkland Mail Center
Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Alison, Andrea and Haley:

I understand that you recently organized and raised \$36,000 at a Hasty Pudding dinner for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation.

Combating AIDS is a critical goal of my Administration and, as you may have read recently, I have declared it a national security threat, for the first time elevating a pandemic to this status.

Your interest in fighting this critical health threat is much appreciated. At the very least, I want you to know that your accomplishment of raising \$36,000 as college undergraduates for this important cause is appreciated by your President and by a grateful nation.

Sincerely,

William Jefferson Clinton

DOSS Sec B. McCONNELL, M.D.
TO: EUGENE

FROM: DAVID BELSKY

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April 15, 2000

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Room 56
Washington, Dc 20500

Dear Mr. President

I am writing to support the nomination of Senator Frank Moss for the Presidential Medal of Freedom. I cannot encapsulate in a few words the depth and breadth of his career nor the positive and lasting impact it has had on our society. His work for the elderly, environment, consumer, and Space Program are lasting testaments to the value and wisdom of his career. In addition he was instrumental in helping to pass such Bills as Truth in Advertising, Truth in Lending, Truth in Packaging, and Truth in Labeling Laws. All of the above bear his name and speak to his integrity and sense of justice in our society. .

Sen. Moss has been honored by his home state of Utah and it is now time for us to recognize his enormous contributions to our nation.

I strongly endorse his recommendation for The Presidential Medal of Freedom.

With best wishes,

Jack B. McConnell
Jack B. McConnell, MD

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Yes ☒

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Stitt House

824 Park Avenue

Hot Springs National Park,

Arkansas 71901



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501/624-5916

May 3, 2000

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The President

Of the United States of America

The White House

Washington, DC 20500-2000

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No ☐
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Dear Mr. President!

Several weeks ago my sister called me, know that you were to receive Germany was so excited and wanted to know if it to the ceremonies. I told her that we we hope that they could be included.

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Angelika and Paul Wienand

Preussweg 41

52074 Aachen

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I hope that this request doesn't seem presumptuous but Dick told me that he had mentioned it to you and that I should go ahead and send this letter.

Hoping to hear from you, I remain

Sincerely yours

Linda

Diетlinde R. Fischer (Linda)

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on the National Register of Historic Places

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May 3, 2000

The President
Of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, DC 20500-2000

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Dear Mr. President!

Several weeks ago my sister called me from Aachen, my hometown, to let me know that you were to receive Germany's highest award the "Karl's Preis". She was so excited and wanted to know if it were possible that they receive an invitation to the ceremonies. I told her that we would submit their names to your office in the hope that they could be included.

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We the Students, of Keiser Elementary School,
in order to form a better understanding of Arkansas
and her heritage, have been studying about our great
state and her history. During this month of May,
proclaimed as Arkansas Heritage Month, we
cordially request your presence at our...

Arkansas Celebration

On

May 12, 2000

1:30 p.m.

Keiser Elementary Auditorium

This program is made possible in part by a grant from the
Department of Arkansas Heritage, funded by your 1/8
cent conservation tax, Amendment 75.

R.S.V.P. Keiser Elementary School
P.O. Box 18
Keiser, AR 72351
870-526-2127

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Yes ☒
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BARBARA A. MIKULSKI
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As a result of the Vice President's intervention, this dangerous and irresponsible practice was suspended. The Vice President instructed the Secretary of the Navy and the Director of the Maritime Administration to suspend efforts to sell these ships overseas for at least one year. During this time, the Navy has undertaken a pilot project with United States defense contractors to safely and efficiently dispose of these ships at home. The pilot project has been very successful - - ships have been disposed safely at home and much needed jobs in the ship yards have been created in the United States. The Navy has indicated that because of this successful pilot project, it intends to continue to scrapping inactive hazardous ships domestically if it receives the funding necessary to carry out this vital effort.

To encourage this positive effort at home, we ask that you prohibit the export of these ships for at least another year to countries that do not have labor or environmental standards that are comparable to ours. In this way, you can help ensure that the unscrupulous practice of disposing surplus ships overseas in total disregard of worker or environmental safety does not resume. With this effort, you will also encourage safe disposal of these ships at home and you will help keep our naval ship yards strong by creating and sustaining much needed jobs in the United States.

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May 10, 2000

Dear Mr. President,

We are requesting your personal attention to a very important matter.

Until the Vice President intervened two years, Navy ships were being junked with little thought or oversight. Inexperienced or unscrupulous companies disposed of surplus ships without considering worker or environmental safety. Instead of working to ensure that ships were scrapped safely, the Navy and the Maritime Administration intended to ship the problem overseas - - where worker safety and environmental protection are often ignored.

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We appreciate your personal and immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senate

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul S. Sarbanes". The signature is cursive and elegant, with a large initial "P".

Paul S. Sarbanes
United States Senate

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**OFFICE OF SENATOR BARBARA A. MIKULSKI
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FAX TRANSMITTAL FORM

DATE: May 11, 2000

THE FOLLOWING 3 PAGE(S) (**INCLUDING** THIS FORM)

IS/ARE FOR: President Bill Clinton (202-456-1210)

FROM: Senator Barbara A. Mikulski

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: THE EXECUTIVE CLERK

FROM: JOSEPH J. SIMMONS IV 
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE MILITARY OFFICE

SUBJECT: Medal of Honor Recommendations

Section 524 of Public Law 104-106 directed the Secretaries of the Army and Navy to review records relating to each award of the Distinguished Service Cross and Navy Cross awarded to Asian-Americans and Native American Pacific Islanders, to determine whether any such award should be upgraded to the Medal of Honor.

The Senior Army Decorations Board, Secretary of the Army, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff have all recommended upgrading the Distinguished Service Cross to the Medal of Honor in 21 of the 75 cases reviewed.

The Department of the Navy has completed their review and has no recommendations for upgrading Navy Crosses to Medals of Honor under this law.

Recommendation

That you approve these awards by signing the attached certificates and citations.

Attachments

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Medal of Honor Recommendations for 21 Asian-Americans or Native American Pacific Islanders

The Secretary of the Army recommends, and I concur, that you award the Medal of Honor to 21 Asian-Americans or Native American Pacific Islanders who served with the U.S. Army for their gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of their lives above and beyond the call of duty, during World War II.

In accordance with Section 524, Public Law 104-106, the Secretary of the Army directed a review to determine whether any Asian-American or Native American Pacific Islander soldiers who received the Distinguished Service Cross for heroic actions above and beyond the call of duty during World War II should have their awards upgraded to the Medal of Honor. The Secretary of the Army and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend upgrading the Distinguished Service Cross to the Medal of Honor in 21 of the 75 cases reviewed.

The file supporting these recommendations is attached for your review, if desired.

Attachment:

File on the Asian-Americans or Native American Pacific Islander Medal of Honor Recommendations



The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**FIRST LIEUTENANT DANIEL K. INOUE
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

First Lieutenant Daniel K. Inouye distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 21 April 1945, in the vicinity of San Terenzo, Italy. While attacking a defended ridge guarding an important road junction, First Lieutenant Inouye (then Second Lieutenant) skillfully directed his platoon through a hail of automatic weapons and small arms fire in a swift enveloping movement that resulted in the capture of an artillery and mortar post and brought his men to within 40 yards of the hostile force. Emplaced in bunkers and rock formations, the enemy halted the advance with crossfire from three machine guns. With complete disregard for personal safety, First Lieutenant Inouye boldly crawled up the treacherous slope to within five yards of the nearest machine gun and hurled two grenades, destroying the emplacement. Before the enemy could retaliate, he stood up and neutralized a second machine gun nest with a burst from his submachine gun. Although wounded by a sniper's bullet, he continued to engage other hostile positions at close range until an exploding grenade shattered his right arm. Despite the intense pain, he refused evacuation and continued to direct his platoon until enemy resistance was broken and his men were again deployed in defensive positions. In the attack, 25 enemy soldiers were killed and eight others captured. By his gallant, aggressive tactics and by his indomitable leadership, he enabled his platoon to advance through formidable resistance, and was instrumental in the capture of the ridge. First Lieutenant Inouye's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**SECOND LIEUTENANT RUDOLPH B. DAVILA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Second Lieutenant Rudolph B. Davila distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 28 May 1944, near Ardena, Italy. During the offensive that broke through the German mountain strongholds surrounding the Anzio beachhead, (then) Staff Sergeant Davila risked death to provide heavy weapons support for a beleaguered rifle company. Caught on an exposed hillside by heavy fire from a well-entrenched enemy force, his machine gunners were reluctant to risk putting their guns into action. Crawling 50 yards to the nearest machine gun, Staff Sergeant Davila opened fire on the enemy. In order to observe the effect of his fire, Sergeant Davila fired from the kneeling position ignoring the enemy fire that struck his tripod and passed between his legs. Ordering a gunner to take over, he crawled forward to a vantage point and directed the firefight with hand and arm signals until both hostile machine guns were silenced. Bringing his three remaining machine guns into action, he drove the enemy to a reserve position 200 yards to the rear. When he received a painful wound in the leg, he dashed to a burned tank and, despite the crash of bullets on the hull, engaged a second enemy force from its turret. Dismounting, he advanced 130 yards in short rushes, crawled 20 yards and charged into an enemy-held house to eliminate the defending force of five with a hand grenade and rifle fire. Climbing to the attic, he straddled a large shell hole in the wall and opened fire on the enemy. Although the walls of the house were crumbling, he continued to fire until he had destroyed two more machine guns. His intrepid actions brought desperately needed heavy weapons support to a hard-pressed rifle company and silenced four machine gunners, forcing the enemy to abandon their prepared positions. Staff Sergeant Davila's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**STAFF SERGEANT ROBERT T. KURODA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Staff Sergeant Robert T. Kuroda distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 20 October 1944, near Bruyeres, France. Leading his men in an advance to destroy snipers and machine gun nests, Staff Sergeant Kuroda encountered heavy enemy fire from enemy soldiers occupying a heavily wooded slope. Unable to pinpoint the hostile machine gun, he boldly made his way through heavy fire toward the crest of the ridge. Once locating the machine gun, Staff Sergeant Kuroda advanced to a point within 10 yards of the nest and killed three enemy gunners with grenades. He then fired clip after clip of rifle ammunition upon the enemy, killing or wounding at least three of the enemy. As he expended the last of his ammunition, he observed that an American officer had been struck by a burst of fire from a hostile machine gun located on an adjacent hill. Rushing to the officer's assistance, he found that the officer had been killed. Picking up his submachine gun, Staff Sergeant Kuroda advanced through continuous fire toward the second machine gun emplacement and destroyed the position. As he turned to fire upon additional enemy soldiers, he was killed by a sniper. Staff Sergeant Kuroda's courageous actions and indomitable fighting spirit, ensured the destruction of enemy resistance in the sector. Staff Sergeant Kuroda's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**CAPTAIN FRANCIS B. WAI
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Captain Francis B. Wai distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 20 October 1944, in Leyte, Philippine Islands. Captain Wai landed at Red Beach, Leyte, in the face of accurate, concentrated enemy fire from gun positions advantageously located in a palm grove bounded by submerged rice paddies. Finding the first four waves leaderless, disorganized, and pinned down on the open beach, he immediately assumed command. Issuing clear and concise orders and disregarding heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he began to move inland without cover through the rice paddies. The men, inspired by his cool demeanor and heroic example, arose from their positions and followed him. During the advance, Captain Wai repeatedly determined the locations of enemy strong points by exposing himself deliberately and drawing their fire. In leading an assault upon the last remaining Japanese pillbox in the area, he was killed by its occupants. Captain Wai's courageous, aggressive, and inspiring leadership infused the men, even after his death, with the desire to advance and destroy the enemy. His intrepid and determined efforts were largely responsible for the speed with which the initial beachhead was secured. Captain Wai's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

PRIVATE BARNEY F. HAJIRO

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Barney F. Hajiro distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 19, 22, and 29 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres and Biffontaine, Eastern France. Private Hajiro, while acting as sentry on top of an embankment on 19 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres, France, rendered assistance to allied troops attacking a house 200 yards away by exposing himself to enemy fire and directing fire at an enemy strong point. He assisted the unit on his right by firing his automatic rifle and killing or wounding two enemy snipers. On 22 October 1944, he and one comrade took up an outpost security position about 50 yards to the right front of their platoon, concealed themselves, and ambushed an 18-man, heavily armed enemy patrol, killing two, wounding one, and taking the remainder as prisoners. On 29 October 1944 in a wooded area in the vicinity of Biffontaine, France, he initiated an attack up the slope of a hill referred to as "Suicide Hill" by running forward approximately 100 yards under fire. He then advanced ahead of his comrades about 10 yards, drawing fire and spotting camouflaged machine gun nests. He fearlessly met fire with fire and single-handedly succeeded in destroying two machine gun nests and killing two enemy snipers. As a result of Private Hajiro's heroic actions, the attack was successful. Private Hajiro's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

PRIVATE JOE HAYASHI

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Joe Hayashi distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 20 and 22 April 1945, near Tendola, Italy. Ordered to attack a strongly defended hill that commanded all approaches to the village of Tendola, Private Hayashi skillfully led his men to a point within 75 yards of enemy positions before they were detected and fired upon. After dragging his wounded comrades to safety, he returned alone and exposed himself to small arms fire in order to direct and adjust mortar fire against hostile emplacements. Boldly attacking the hill with the remaining men of his squad, he attained his objective and discovered that the mortars had neutralized three machine guns, killed 27, and wounded many others. On 22 April 1945, attacking the village of Tendola, Private Hayashi maneuvered his squad up a steep terraced hill to within 100 yards of the enemy. Crawling under intense fire to a hostile machine gun position, he threw a grenade, killing one enemy soldier and forcing the other members of the gun crew to surrender. Seeing four enemy machine guns delivering deadly fire upon other elements of his platoon, he threw another grenade, destroying a machine gun nest. He then crawled to the right flank of another machine gun position where he killed four enemy soldiers and forced the others to flee. Attempting to pursue the enemy, he was mortally wounded by a burst of machine pistol fire. The dauntless courage and exemplary leadership of Private Hayashi enabled his company to attain its objective. Private Hayashi's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOE M. NISHIMOTO

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private First Class Joe M. Nishimoto distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 7 November 1944, near La Houssiere, France. After three days of unsuccessful attempts by his company to dislodge the enemy from a strongly defended ridge, Private First Class Nishimoto, as acting squad leader, boldly crawled forward through a heavily mined and booby-trapped area. Spotting a machine gun nest, he hurled a grenade and destroyed the emplacement. Then, circling to the rear of another machine gun position, he fired his submachine gun at point-blank range, killing one gunner and wounding another. Pursuing two riflemen, Private First Class Nishimoto killed one while the other hastily retreated. Continuing his determined assault, he drove another machine gun crew from its position. The enemy, with their key strong points taken, were forced to withdraw from this sector. Private First Class Nishimoto's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRANK H. ONO

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private First Class Frank H. Ono distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 4 July 1944, near Castellina, Italy. In attacking a heavily defended hill, Private First Class Ono's squad was caught in a hail of formidable fire from the well-entrenched enemy. Private First Class Ono opened fire with his automatic rifle and silenced one machine gun 300 hundred yards to the right front. Advancing through incessant fire, he killed a sniper with another burst of fire and while his squad leader reorganized the rest of the platoon in the rear, he alone defended the critical position. His weapon was then wrenched from his grasp by a burst of enemy machine pistol fire as enemy troops attempted to close in on him. Hurling hand grenades, Private First Class Ono forced the enemy to abandon the attempt, resolutely defending the newly won ground until the rest of the platoon moved forward. Taking a wounded comrade's rifle, Private First Class Ono again joined in the assault. After killing two more enemy soldiers he boldly ran through withering automatic, small arms, and mortar fire to render first aid to his platoon leader and a seriously wounded rifleman. In danger of being encircled, the platoon was ordered to withdraw. Volunteering to cover the platoon, Private First Class Ono occupied virtually unprotected positions near the crest of the hill, engaging an enemy machine gun emplaced on an adjoining ridge and exchanging fire with snipers armed with machine pistols. Completely disregarding his own safety, he made himself the constant target of concentrated enemy fire until the platoon reached the comparative safety of a draw. He then descended the hill in stages, firing his rifle, until he rejoined the platoon. Private First Class Ono's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE GEORGE T. SAKATO
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private George T. Sakato distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 29 October 1944, on hill 617 in the vicinity of Biffontaine, France. After his platoon had virtually destroyed two enemy defense lines, during which he personally killed five enemy soldiers and captured four, his unit was pinned down by heavy enemy fire. Disregarding this fire, Private Sakato made a one-man rush that encouraged his platoon to charge and destroy the enemy strongpoint. He proved to be the inspiration of his squad in halting a counter-attack on the left flank during the reorganization of his platoon. It was at this time that his squad leader was killed. Taking charge of the squad, he continued his relentless tactics. Private Sakato used an enemy rifle and P-38 pistol to stop an organized enemy attack. During this entire action, he killed 12 and wounded two, personally captured four and assisted his platoon in taking 34 prisoners. By continuously ignoring enemy fire and by his gallant courage and fighting spirit, he turned impending defeat into victory and helped his platoon complete its mission. Private Sakato's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE SHIZUYA HAYASHI
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Shizuya Hayashi distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 29 November 1943, near Cerasuolo, Italy. During a flank assault on high ground held by the enemy, Private Hayashi rose alone in the face of grenade, rifle, and machine gun fire. Firing his automatic rifle from the hip, he charged and overtook an enemy machine gun position, killing seven men in the nest and two more as they fled. After a platoon advance of 200 yards from this point, an enemy antiaircraft gun opened fire on the platoon. Private Hayashi returned fire at the hostile position, killing nine of the enemy, taking four prisoners, and forcing the remainder of the force to withdraw from the hill. Private Hayashi's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE MIKIO HASEMOTO
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Mikio Hasemoto distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 29 November 1943, in the vicinity of Cerasuolo, Italy. A force of approximately 40 enemy soldiers armed with machine guns, machine pistols, rifles, and grenades attacked the left flank of his platoon. Two enemy soldiers with machine guns advanced forward, firing their weapons. Private Hasemoto, an automatic rifleman, challenged these two machine gunners. After firing four magazines at the approaching enemy, his weapon was shot and damaged. Unhesitatingly, he ran 10 yards to the rear, secured another automatic rifle and continued to fire until his weapon jammed. At this point, Private Hasemoto and his squad leader had killed approximately 20 enemy soldiers. Again, Private Hasemoto ran through a barrage of enemy machine gun fire, to pick up an M-1 rifle. Continuing their fire, Private Hasemoto and his squad leader killed 10 more enemy soldiers. With only three enemy soldiers left, he and his squad leader charged courageously forward, killing one, wounding one, and capturing another. The following day, Private Hasemoto continued to repel enemy attacks until he was killed by enemy fire. Private Hasemoto's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**TECHNICAL SERGEANT YEIKI KOBASHIGAWA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Technical Sergeant Yeiki Kobashigawa distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 2 June 1944, in the vicinity of Lanuvio, Italy. During an attack, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa's platoon encountered strong enemy resistance from a series of machine guns providing supporting fire. Observing a machine gun nest 50 yards from his position, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa crawled forward with one of his men, threw a grenade and then charged the enemy with his submachine gun while a fellow soldier provided covering fire. He killed one enemy soldier and captured two prisoners. Meanwhile, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa and his comrade were fired upon by another machine gun 50 yards ahead. Directing a squad to advance to his first position, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa again moved forward with a fellow soldier to subdue the second machine gun nest. After throwing grenades into the position, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa provided close supporting fire while a fellow soldier charged, capturing four prisoners. On the alert for other machine gun nests, Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa discovered four more, and skillfully led a squad in neutralizing two of them. Technical Sergeant Kobashigawa's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS KAORU MOTO
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private First Class Kaoru Moto distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 7 July 1944, near Castellina, Italy. While serving as first scout, Private First Class Moto observed a machine gun nest that was hindering his platoon's progress. On his own initiative, he made his way to a point ten paces from the hostile position, and killed the enemy machine gunner. Immediately, the assistant gunner opened fire in the direction of Private First Class Moto. Crawling to the rear of the position Private First Class Moto surprised the enemy soldiers, who quickly surrendered. Taking his prisoner with him, Private First Class Moto took a position a few yards from a house to deny the enemy use of the building as an observation post. While guarding the house and his prisoner, he observed an enemy machine gun team moving into position. He engaged them, and with deadly fire forced the enemy to withdraw. An enemy sniper located in another house fired at Private First Class Moto severely wounding him. Applying first aid to his wound, he changed position to elude the sniper fire and to advance. Finally relieved of his position, he made his way to the rear for treatment. Crossing a road, he spotted an enemy machine gun nest. Opening fire, he wounded two of the three soldiers occupying the position. Not satisfied with this accomplishment, he then crawled forward to a better position and ordered the enemy soldier to surrender. Receiving no answer, Private First Class Moto fired at the position, and the soldiers surrendered. Private First Class Moto's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS KIYOSHI K. MURANAGA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private First Class Kiyoshi K. Muranaga distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 26 June 1944, near Suvereto, Italy. Private First Class Muranaga's company encountered a strong enemy force in commanding positions and with superior firepower. An enemy 88mm self-propelled gun opened direct fire on the company, causing the men to disperse and seek cover. The mortar squad in which Private First Class Muranaga served as a gunner was ordered to action, but the terrain made it impossible to set up their weapons. The squad leader, realizing the vulnerability of the mortar position, moved his men away from the gun to positions of relative safety. Because of the heavy casualties being inflicted on his company, Private First Class Muranaga attempted to neutralize the 88mm weapon alone. Voluntarily remaining at his gun position, Private First Class Muranaga manned the mortar himself and opened fire on the enemy gun at a range of approximately 400 yards. With his third round, he was able to correct his fire so that the shell landed directly in front of the enemy gun. Meanwhile, the enemy crew immediately aware of the source of mortar fire, had turned the 88mm weapon directly on Private First Class Muranaga's position. Before Private First Class Muranaga could fire a fourth round, an 88mm shell scored a direct hit on his position, killing him instantly. Because of the accuracy of Private First Class Muranaga's previous fire, the enemy soldiers decided not to risk further exposure and immediately abandoned their position. Private First Class Muranaga's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE MASATO NAKAE
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Masato Nakae distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 19 August 1944, near Pisa, Italy. When his submachine gun was damaged by a shell fragment during a fierce attack by a superior enemy force, Private Nakae quickly picked up his wounded comrade's M-1 rifle and fired rifle grenades at the steadily advancing enemy. As the hostile force continued to close in on his position, Private Nakae threw six grenades and forced them to withdraw. During a concentrated enemy mortar barrage that preceded the next assault by the enemy force, a mortar shell fragment seriously wounded Private Nakae. Despite his injury, he refused to surrender his position and continued firing at the advancing enemy. By inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy force, he finally succeeded in breaking up the attack and caused the enemy to withdraw. Private Nakae's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE SHINYEI NAKAMINE
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private Shinyei Nakamine distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 2 June 1944, near La Torreto, Italy. During an attack, Private Nakamine's platoon became pinned down by intense machine gun crossfire from a small knoll 200 yards to the front. On his own initiative, Private Nakamine crawled toward one of the hostile weapons. Reaching a point 25 yards from the enemy, he charged the machine gun nest, firing his submachine gun and killing three enemy soldiers and capturing two. Later that afternoon, Private Nakamine discovered an enemy soldier on the right flank of his platoon's position. Crawling 25 yards from his position, Private Nakamine opened fire and killed the soldier. Then, seeing a machine gun nest to his front approximately 75 yards away, he returned to his platoon and led an automatic rifle team toward the enemy. Under the covering fire of the automatic rifle, Private Nakamine crawled to a point 25 yards from the nest and threw hand grenades at the enemy soldiers, wounding one and capturing four. Spotting another machine gun nest 100 yards to his right flank, he led the automatic rifle team toward the hostile position, but was killed by a burst of machine gun fire. Private Nakamine's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM K. NAKAMURA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Private First Class William K. Nakamura distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 4 July 1944 near Castellina, Italy. During a fierce firefight, Private First Class Nakamura's platoon became pinned down by enemy machine gun fire from a concealed position. On his own initiative, Private First Class Nakamura crawled 20 yards toward the hostile nest with fire from the enemy machine gun barely missing him. Reaching a point 15 yards from the position, he quickly raised to a kneeling position and threw four hand grenades, killing or wounding at least three of the enemy soldiers. The weapon silenced, Private First Class Nakamura crawled back to his platoon, which was able to continue its advance as a result of his courageous action. Later, his company was ordered to withdraw from the crest of a hill so that a mortar barrage could be placed on the ridge. On his own initiative, Private First Class Nakamura remained in position to cover his comrades' withdrawal. While moving toward the safety of a wooded draw, his platoon became pinned down by deadly machine gun fire. Crawling to a point from which fire could be placed on the enemy position, Private First Class Nakamura quickly and accurately fired his weapon to pin down the enemy machine gunners. His platoon was then able to withdraw to safety without further casualties. Private First Class Nakamura was killed during this heroic stand. Private First Class Nakamura's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**STAFF SERGEANT ALLAN M. OHATA
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Staff Sergeant Allan M. Ohata distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 29 and 30 November 1943, near Cerasuolo, Italy. Staff Sergeant Ohata (then Sergeant), his squad leader, and three men were ordered to protect his platoon's left flank against an attacking enemy force of 40 men, armed with machine guns, machine pistols, and rifles. He posted one of his men, an automatic rifleman, on the extreme left, 15 yards from his own position. Taking his position, Staff Sergeant Ohata delivered effective fire against the advancing enemy. The man to his left called for assistance when his automatic rifle was shot and damaged. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Ohata left his position and advanced 15 yards through heavy machine gun fire. Reaching his comrade's position, he immediately fired upon the enemy, killing 10 enemy soldiers and successfully covering his comrade's withdrawal to replace his damaged weapon. Staff Sergeant Ohata and the automatic rifleman held their position and killed some 37 enemy soldiers. Then both men charged the three remaining soldiers and captured them. Later, Staff Sergeant Ohata and the automatic rifleman stopped another attacking force of 14, killing four and wounding three while the others fled. The following day he and the automatic rifleman held their flank with grim determination and staved off all attacks. Staff Sergeant Ohata's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**STAFF SERGEANT KAZUO OTANI
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Staff Sergeant Kazuo Otani distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 15 July 1944, near Pieve Di S. Luce, Italy. Advancing to attack a hill objective, Staff Sergeant Otani's platoon became pinned down in a wheat field by concentrated fire from enemy machine gun and sniper positions. Realizing the danger confronting his platoon, Staff Sergeant Otani left his cover and shot and killed a sniper who was firing with deadly effect upon his men. Then, followed by a steady stream of machine gun bullets, Staff Sergeant Otani dashed across the open wheat field toward the foot of a cliff. From this point, he directed his men to crawl to the cover of the cliff. When the movement of the platoon drew heavy enemy fire, he dashed along the cliff toward the left flank, dangerously open to enemy fire. By attracting the attention of the enemy, he enabled the men closest to the cliff to reach cover. Organizing these men to guard against possible enemy counterattack, Staff Sergeant Otani again made his way across the open field, shouting instructions to the stranded men while continuing to draw enemy fire. Reaching the rear of the platoon position, he took partial cover in a shallow ditch and directed covering fire for the men who had begun to move forward. At this point one of his men became seriously wounded. Ordering his men to remain under cover, Staff Sergeant Otani crawled to the wounded soldier who was lying on open ground in full view of the enemy. Dragging the wounded soldier to a shallow ditch, Staff Sergeant Otani proceeded to render first aid treatment, but was mortally wounded by machine gun fire. Staff Sergeant Otani's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the Medal of Honor to

**TECHNICAL SERGEANT TED T. TANOUYE
UNITED STATES ARMY**

for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

Technical Sergeant Ted T. Tanouye distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action on 7 July 1944, near Molino A Ventoabbto, Italy. Technical Sergeant Tanouye led his platoon in an attack to capture the crest of a strategically important hill that afforded little cover or concealment. Noticing an enemy machine gun crew placing its gun in position to his left front, Technical Sergeant Tanouye crept forward a few yards and opened fire on the position, killing or wounding three and causing two others to disperse. Immediately an enemy machine pistol opened fire on him, but he returned the fire and killed or wounded three more enemy soldiers. While advancing forward, Technical Sergeant Tanouye was subjected to grenade bursts, which severely wounded his left arm. Sighting an enemy-held trench, he raked the position with fire from his submachine gun and wounded several of the enemy. Running out of ammunition, he crawled 20 yards to obtain several clips from a comrade on his left flank. Next, sighting an enemy machine pistol that had pinned down his men, Technical Sergeant Tanouye crawled forward a few yards and threw a hand grenade into the position, silencing it. He then located another enemy machine gun firing down the slope of the hill, opened fire on it, and silenced that position. Drawing fire from a machine pistol nest located above him, he then opened fire on it and wounded three of its occupants. Finally taking his objective, Technical Sergeant Tanouye organized a defensive position of the reverse slope of the hill before accepting first aid treatment and evacuation. Technical Sergeant Tanouye's extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.