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THE PRESIDENT
TO
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

April 1, 1996

Staff Copy

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- Economic Background
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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

FOR

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1996

FINAL

APPOINTMENT SCHEDULER:

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Washington, DC

Partly to mostly cloudy. Wind west to northwest
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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1996
FINAL**

tba

MORNING RUN

9:00 am-
10:15 am

**COFFEE
MAP ROOM**
Staff Contact: Doug Sosnik

10:30 am-
10:45 am

**MEETING
OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Leon Panetta

10:45 am-
11:15 am

**MEETING WITH DIRECTOR JOHN DEUTCH
OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Tony Lake
CLOSED PRESS

11:15 am-
11:45 am

**BRIEFING AND PHONE CALL TO PRESIDENT
BORIS YELTSIN OF RUSSIA
OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Tony Lake
CLOSED PRESS

11:50 am-
12:05 pm

**COMBINED BRIEFING
OVAL OFFICE**
Staff Contact: Tony Lake

12:15 pm-
12:45 pm

**SCHEDULING MEETING
CABINET ROOM**
Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett, Anne Walley

12:45 pm-
1:20 pm

**PHONE/OFFICE TIME
OVAL OFFICE**

1:25 pm

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to the South Lawn

Note: This departure is closed to staff and guests.

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1:30 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs the White House via Marine One en route the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland
[flight time: 25 minutes]



1:55 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland

Note: The following people will greet the President and ride in the motorcade to Oriole Park at Camden Yards:

Bud Selig, Acting Commissioner, Major League Baseball
Donald Fehr, Director, Major League Baseball Players' Association
Mark Fehr
Randy Levine, Chief Labor Negotiator, Major League Baseball
Joe Garajola, Spokesperson, National Spit Tobacco Education Project (NSTEP)
Robert Klaus, President, Oral Health America
Neil Romano, President, Romano and Associations, Producer, NSTEP

NOTE: Bud Selig, Don Fehr and Joe Garajola will present the President with a baseball bat to commemorate the National Spit Tobacco Education Project Announcement.
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2:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT departs the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland via motorcade en route Oriole Park at Camden Yards
[drive time: 10 minutes]

2:15 pm

THE PRESIDENT arrives Oriole Park at Camden Yards

Greeters:

Joe Foss, Executive Vice President, Baltimore Orioles

Mike Harmon, President, Kansas City Royals

2:20 pm-

2:35 pm

VISIT WITH KANSAS CITY ROYALS

VISITORS' LOCKER ROOM

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

Staff Contact: Alexis Herman

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

POOL PRESS

2:35 pm-

2:50 pm

VISIT WITH BALTIMORE ORIOLES

ORIOLES' LOCKER ROOM

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

Staff Contact: Alexis Herman

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

POOL PRESS

2:55 pm

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to the Field

Note: *The National Anthem* will be performed by a performer from *Les Miserables*, prior to the first pitch.

3:00 pm-

3:05 pm

CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH

THE FIELD

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

Staff Contact: Alexis Herman

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

OPEN PRESS

3:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to the Owner's Box

3:10 pm-

5:45 pm

THE BALTIMORE ORIOLES VS. KANSAS CITY ROYALS BASEBALL GAME

OWNER'S BOX

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

Staff Contact: Alexis Herman

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

OPEN PRESS

NOTE: The President will do the following radio and television interviews during the game:

Home Team Sports
WBAL Radio
WTEM Radio
USA Today

5:55 pm THE PRESIDENT departs Oriole Park at Camden Yards via motorcade en route the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland
[drive time: 10 minutes]

6:05 pm THE PRESIDENT arrives the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland

6:15 pm THE PRESIDENT departs the Landing Zone at Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland via Marine One en route the Reflecting Pool
[flight time: 25 minutes]

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6:40 pm THE PRESIDENT arrives the Reflecting Pool

6:55 pm THE PRESIDENT departs Reflecting Pool via motorcade en route the White House
[drive time: 5 minutes]

7:00 pm THE PRESIDENT arrives the White House

HOLD EVENING

NOTE: The NCAA College Basketball Championship game in East Rutherford, New Jersey will be shown at 9:22 pm EST on CBS.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 30, 1996

GREET WITH THE NATIONAL SPIT TOBACCO EDUCATION PROGRAM

DATE:	April 1, 1996
LOCATION:	Fort McHenry
TIME:	1:55 p.m.
FROM:	Jennifer O'Connor

I. PURPOSE

To highlight the historic joining of the Major League Baseball Owners and Major League Baseball Players Associations to work with the National Spit Tobacco Education Program in a series of highly-visible efforts to educate both players and fans to the dangers inherent in the use of spit tobacco products.

II. BACKGROUND

In October 1994, Oral Health America and America's Fund for Dental Health, along with Surgeon General Elders, announced the creation of the National Spit Tobacco Education Program (NSTEP).

NSTEP is designed to involve baseball celebrities in a multi-year, multi-media educational initiative about the dangers of tobacco products and about how the image in young people's minds of tobacco products as "cool" has been enhanced by the widespread and visible use of spit tobacco by baseball players. The program will educate young Americans and their parents that spit tobacco is not a safe alternative to cigarettes. In addition, baseball greats, Joe Garagiola, Hank Aaron, Bill Tuttle, Len Coleman, Frank Thomas and Jeff Bagwell have signed on to appear in NSTEP's national public service announcement campaign that is being produced by the National Cancer Institute and the Center for Disease Control's Office on Smoking and Health.

Today's announcement will create a partnership between the players and the owners to work together to break the link between tobacco products and baseball. The new programs, paid for by Major League Baseball, being announced today include:

- A series of television, radio and print public service announcements to educate parents and kids about the dangers of tobacco use for placement during Major League telecasts and in its publications;

- In-stadium outreach efforts to baseball fans including television and video messages on the scoreboards and literature distribution;
- An educational outreach effort to baseball's broadcasters, writers, columnists, and publishers;
- Increased intervention efforts headed by the Professional Baseball Athletic Trainers Society designed to assist current players who are in need of help quitting their tobacco use.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

Mr. Joe Garagiola, NSTEP National Chairman

Mr. Bug Selig, Chairman of Baseball's Executive Council

Mr. Donald Fehr, Director of the Major League Baseball Players Association

Mr. Robert Klaus, President, Oral Health America

Mr. Neil Romano, President, Romano and Associates & producer of NSTEP

Mark Fehr, son of Don Fehr

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- * You greet participants on your arrival at Ft. McHenry
- * Participants present you with a baseball bat commemorating the historic agreement to break the link between spit tobacco and baseball.
- * You depart Ft. McHenry, enroute to Camden Yards

V. REMARKS

No remarks will be made.

VI. PRESS

Pool Press.

SPIT TOBACCO

[Prior to the baseball game, you will highlight the announcement on Monday that Major League Baseball and its Players Associations have agreed to work with the National Spit Tobacco Education Program in a series of highly-visible efforts to educate both players and fans to the dangers inherent in the use of spit tobacco products. Their efforts will include public service announcement to run during baseball telecasts, as well as educational programs aimed at young people and parents, and for players who want to stop using spit tobacco.]

Q: What do you think of the baseball players and owners announcement today?

A: I am grateful that the owners and our ball players -- indeed the heroes of so many of our young people -- are working together to proclaim the dangers of spit tobacco. It disables; it disfigures; it kills. They will be assuring our young people that chewing won't make them look cool, and it won't make them better at sport. More important still, they are leading by example. Baseball is truly the "Great American Pastime." But today, because of this extraordinary agreement, it is infinitely greater.

Q: Have you agreed to stop chewing the ends of your cigars in honor of this historic agreement?

A: Chelsea and Hillary have both been after me to quit, and I really should and am going to try to. And, I do make a point not to do it in public. But, the use of spit tobacco, which is known to cause oral cancer, is increasing at an alarming rate, with the biggest increases among young people. So today's announcement by the players and owners is very important -- we need to do everything we can to teach young people that using spit tobacco isn't cool and is very dangerous.

Q: How do you feel about the announcement last week that Texas is joining in the lawsuits against the tobacco industry?

A: I'm more interested in what happens as a result, in particular, in reducing the number of kids who smoke and chew tobacco. If the suits leads the tobacco companies to act more responsibly, and if they help to educate our kids about the dangers of tobacco, then I'll be very pleased.

Q: Are you encouraged by the tobacco companies' voluntary efforts? (The Wall Street Journal reported on Friday that Philip Morris would initiate a \$5-10 million campaign to highlight its voluntary efforts such as its decision to end the distribution of free samples and its decision to label all cigarette packs with "underage sales prohibited.")

A: I applaud any effort designed to help states enforce their laws prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors. Unfortunately, we know that this alone won't solve the problem of youth tobacco use, since it doesn't address the advertising that is so appealing to our young people. That's why the Food and Drug Administration's proposals address both the access to as well as the appeal of tobacco products to young people.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1996

**OPENING DAY AT CAMDEN YARDS
BALTIMORE ORIOLES VS. THE KANSAS CITY ROYALS**

DATE: April 1, 1996
LOCATION: Camden Yards, Baltimore, Maryland
TIME: 2:15 pm arrival, 3:05 pm game begins
FROM: Alexis Herman
Danny Wexler

I PURPOSE

To open the 1996 professional baseball season and throw out the first pitch on opening day.

II. BACKGROUND

Today's annual rite of spring, "opening day", finds the Baltimore Orioles ownership, team and fans full of hope for the upcoming season. The Orioles lured Pat Gillick, one of the most dynamic General Managers in baseball, out of semi-retirement to join the club late last year. Gillick last worked in Toronto where he built the Blue Jays from an expansion team to a World Champion in record time. Gillick brought in Davey Johnson to replace Phil Regan as Manager. Johnson, the winningest active manager in baseball, played for the Orioles from 1965 to 1972. He and Gillick also played together in the minor leagues under former Orioles Manager Earl Weaver. Johnson has also replaced all but one of the Orioles coaching staff.

On the player side, the big news was the addition of second baseman Roberto Alomar and third baseman, B.J. Surhoff. Acquired as a free agent from the Toronto Blue Jays, Alomar stole 45 bases last year and comes with a lifetime batting average of .314. Surhoff, acquired as a free agent from Milwaukee, is developing into one of the games best left-handed hitters. Other new players include pitcher Kent Mercker and outfielder Mike Devereaux (former Oriole) both from the world champion Atlanta Braves. (Neither Mercker or Devereaux attended the White House event for the Braves on February 26.) Also new in the starting line-up is right fielder Tony Tarasco from the Montreal Expos. Two other pitchers, left hander Randy Myers from the Cubs and another left hander, David Wells from Cincinnati round out the acquisitions.

Utility infielder, Billy Ripkin, Cals brother is also back on the team this year coming up from AAA ball.

In 1995, the Orioles finished third in the American League East (71 - 73), 15 games behind the division-champion Boston Red Sox and eight games in back of the league's wild-card playoff entry, the New York Yankees. The mostly dreary season did end on a high note however. In the final game of the season against the Detroit Tigers, today's pitcher, Mike Mussina pitched their fifth straight shutout -- matching the American League record. This was the Orioles first five-game winning streak since 1993. They won 9 out the their final 10 and 11 of their last 13 games.

Last year's Most Valuable Player was First Baseman Rafael Palmeiro who hit .310 with 39 home runs and 104 RBI's.

Unlike the Orioles, the Kansas City Royals were in contention for the Wild Card spot two-weeks before the end of the 1995 season. However, their 2-11 record in the final stretch ended their post season chances. They still finished in second place in the American League's Central Division (70 - 74), 30 games behind the American League champion Cleveland Indians.

The Royals also have a different look this year. The team has an entirely new infield and some new young prospects in the outfield. With the lose of veterans Gary Gaetti (3B), Wally Joyner (1B) and Greg Gagne (SS) their offense will suffer. This also raises some defensive questions as well. Many may see this as a year for rebuilding. However, with a lot of depth in the pitching staff, this season could go either way.

One last note of interest. Earl Weaver, a former Orioles Manager who led them to four American League Pennants and a world championship was elected to the Baseball Hall of fame this year. "Foxy" Ned Hanlon, another Orioles Manager from the 1890's was also elected.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Starting line-up for both teams attached

Peter Angelos, Chairman & CEO, Baltimore Orioles

Louis Angelos, son

Joe Foss, Vice Chairman, Business and Finance, Baltimore Orioles

Mike Herman, President, Kansas City Royals

Herk Robinson, General Manager, Kansas City Royals

Guests seated in your Box

Senator and Mrs. Sarbanes

Secretary Cisneros

Tony Lake

Sandy Berger

Bruce Lindsey

Mike McCurry

Leon Panetta

Alexis Herman

Marcia Hale

Rodney Slater

Kevin O'Keefe

Bob Nash
Craig Smith
Michael Bronfein
Dr. Jim French
Phil Jamison
Tommy Kaplan
Paul Berry
Bud Selig
Don Fehr and son
Fred Wilpon, New York Mets owner
Randy Levine, Chief negotiator, Major League Baseball
Kweisi Mfume
Joe Garagiola

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE

- o Bud Selig, Don Fehr and his son will ride in the limousine with you from the landing zone to Camden Yards.
- o When you arrive at Camden Yards you will be greeted by Orioles Chairman and CEO Peter Angelos, his son Louis and the Orioles Vice Chairman of Business and Finance, Joe Foss.
- o [Bud Selig and Don Fehr will accompany you to the both team locker rooms.]
- o Joe Foss and Peter Angelos will escort you to the Kansas City Royals locker Room. They will introduce you to Mike Herman, President, Kansas City Royals and the General Manager Herk Robinson. Herman and Robinson will introduce you to the players. [POOL PRESS]
- o Joe Foss will escort you to the Umpires room to greet today's Umpires. [WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY]
- o After you greet the umpires, Joe Foss will escort you to the Orioles locker. He will introduce you to Orioles General Manager Pat Gillick and Manager Davey Johnson. Davey Johnson will introduce you to the players. [POOL PRESS]
- o After you meet the Orioles team you will proceed to the training room to get ready for the game.
- o You proceed to the indoor batting cage to warm up your pitching arm.

- o You proceed to the field for the National Anthem. The stadium announcer will announce you accompanied by Peter Angelos. You proceed through the Orioles dugout to the field. During the National Anthem, you and Peter Angelos will stand on the field just outside the dugout. The Orioles players will be standing between 1st and 2nd base. The Royals between 2nd and 3rd.
- o The National Anthem will be sung by Ivan Rutherford from the National Theatre cast of Les Miserables.
- o After the National Anthem, the stadium announcer will announce you to the pitchers mound. You will throw the first pitch to Orioles catcher, Chris Hoiles.
- o After you throw out first pitch, you proceed back to the Orioles dugout and to box 29/30 to watch the game.
- o During the first three innings several VIP guests will be brought up to your box for a brief meet and greet. Most of those in Peter Angelos box will be members of his family and business acquaintances.
- o You will need to depart before the end of the game.

VI. REMARKS

None required.

PROBABLE LINEUPS (1995 STATISTICS)

<u>Baltimore Orioles</u>		<u>Kansas City Royals</u>	
MANAGER Davey Johnson		Bob Boone	
LF	Jeffrey Hammonds (.242, 4 HR 23 RBI)	Don Goodwin	(.288, 4 HR 28 RBI)
CF	Brady Anderson (.262, 16 HR 64 RBI)	Johnny Damon	(.282, 3 HR 23 RBI)
RF	Tony Tarasco (.249, 14 HR 40 RBI)	Michael Tucker	(.260 4 HR 17 RBI)
1B	Rafael Palmeiro (.310, 39 HR 104 RBI)	Bob Hamelin	(.169 7HR 25 RBI)
2B	Roberto Alomar (.300, 13 HR 66 RBI)	Bip Roberts	(.304, 2 HR 25 RBI)
SS	Cal Ripkin (.262, 17 HR 88RBI)	Jose Offerman	(.287, 4 HR 33 RBI)
3B	B.J. Surhoff (.320, 13 HR 73 RBI)	Keith Lockhart	(.321, 6HR 33RBI)
C	Chris Hoiles (.250, 19 HR 58 RBI)	Mike MacFarlane	(.225, 15 HR 51 RBI)
P	Mike Mussina (19 - 9. 3.28 ERA)	Kevin Appier	(15 - 10, 3.89 ERA)
DH	Bobby Bonilla (.333, 10 HR 46 RBI)	Joe Vitiello	(.254, 7 HR 21 RBI)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

INTERVIEWS WITH USA TODAY, HTS, WBAL, WTEM

DATE: April 1, 1996
LOCATION: Oriole Park at Camden Yards
TIME: During baseball game
FROM: Mike McCurry

I. PURPOSE

These interviews will enable you to share your sports interests and enthusiasm with avid sports fans and highlight your trip to opening day at Camden Yards.

II. BACKGROUND

The following four interviews will be focused on sports, primarily baseball and basketball. You can expect questions about the upcoming baseball season, the Orioles, the impact of last year's strike on the sport, your favorite teams and players, and the NCAA tournament. These interviews will be similar to the ones conducted when you attended Cal Ripken's record-breaking game at Camden Yards in September 1995.

USA TODAY

You will interview with *USA Today* baseball columnist Hal Bodley in the owners box for 15 minutes during the game. He has written about the sport for many years and covered the Administration's efforts last year to settle the baseball strike. Bodley interviewed former President Bush three times on sports issues, once flying to an All Star Game with him on Air Force One.

Bodley has spent the past few months in Florida covering spring training. He returned to Delaware, his home, late last week in time for opening day. Bodley formerly covered sports and baseball for the *Delaware State News*, *Wilmington News Journal* and *Sporting News*. He also worked in the Philadelphia Phillies public relations office before joining *USA Today*. *USA Today* reaches one million readers daily, many who read its well respected sports pages.

HOME TEAM SPORTS (HTS)

You will do a live interview with Jim Palmer, Mike Flanagan and Mel Proctor on the Home Team Sports cable television network in their broadcast booth during the game. You will join their live play-by-play coverage at Camden Yards. Tipper Gore interviewed with HTS last year during Cal Ripken's record breaking game. Unfortunately, due to your schedule that day, you were not able to fulfill their interview request at that time. You have never interviewed with HTS before.

Palmer is the winningest pitcher in Orioles history and a member of the baseball hall of fame and is returning for his 4th season as an analyst on Orioles television broadcasts. Flanagan, another former Orioles pitching great, brings inside experience to broadcasting as well this season as a regular analyst. Proctor is entering his 12th season doing Orioles television play-by-play.

HTS has exclusive rights to produce, televise and sell advertising for all Baltimore Orioles games. Today's game will air live on WJZ in Baltimore and channel 50 in Washington, D.C. HTS' primary viewing audience reaches from Northern Virginia to York, Pennsylvania and is available to cable systems in the 6-state Capital region, including Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, Washington, D.C. and parts of North Carolina, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

WBAL RADIO

You will conduct a live in-person radio interview with Jon Miller on WBAL, the flagship station for the Oriole's radio network. In all, there are 29 stations in this network, covering Washington, DC, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. You interviewed with Miller last year during the Cal Ripken game. The network, boasting 1.2 million listeners per week, consists of a 70% caucasian, 56% male, primarily a 25-64 year old audience. Miller, a broadcaster for over 20 years, is also the announcer for ESPN's play-by-play game of the week. *If time permits, you might want to acknowledge again this year WBAL's "Kid's Campaign," a 20 year old charity which has raised over \$2.8 million for inner city children.*

WTEM RADIO

You will conduct a **taped** interview with Tony Kornheiser of WTEM in Washington, DC. WTEM is the all-sports flagship station for the Washington Bullets and the Capitals. Approximately 150,000 people listen to WTEM each week. The listening audience is primarily comprised of 25-54 year old caucasian males. Kornheiser has been a writer for twenty five years and a radio broadcaster for six. He writes two columns weekly for the *Washington Post* Sports section and a column every Sunday for the Style section. His book "Pumping Irony," a compilation of his columns, was published last Christmas. Kornheiser recently finished second in the Associated Press Sports Editor of the Year Award category. This interview will air in its entirety during Monday evening drive, Wednesday morning and Wednesday evening drive time. Segments will also air in sports updates throughout the week.

III. SCHEDULE

You will interview with Bodley for 15 minutes in the owner's box after you have delivered the first pitch. Then, you will conduct a telephone interview with WTEM. At your leisure, you will proceed to the WBAL and HTS broadcast booths below the owner's box for these live interviews.

IV. PARTICIPANTS

- * The President
- * Mike McCurry
- * USA Today - Hal Bodley
- * HTS - Jim Palmer, Mike Flanagan, Mel Proctor
- * WBAL Radio - Jon Miller
- * WTEM Radio - Tony Kornheiser

V. PRESS PLAN

Your remarks will be exclusive to these news organizations.

VI. REMARKS

Prepared remarks are not needed.

VII. TALKING POINTS

- * Orioles fact sheet and team rosters
- * Q/A on last year's baseball strike
- * Q/A on spit tobacco

Baltimore Orioles

- * You last attended an Orioles game on September 6, 1995 when shortstop Cal Ripken Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's record for most consecutive games played.
- * New general manager is Pat Gillick. Back from retirement, Gillick has made several deals to acquire a team that is expected to win the AL East division pennant.
- * New field manager, Davey Johnson, is very well respected by players and known for a relaxed coaching style. Johnson is the game's winningest active manager.
- * Oriole's new players include: Roberto Alamar, probably the best second baseman in the game today and one of the best of all time; B.J. Surhoff, third baseman; Billy Ripken joins brother Cal as a substitute infielder; and Mike Devereaux is back from the Braves.
- * Orioles only weak spot is relief pitching. The New York Yankees are expected to be the Orioles primary competition in the AL East.

1996 order of finish predictions:

National League East

1. Atlanta Braves
2. NY Mets
3. Florida Marlins
4. Philadelphia Phillies
5. Montreal Expos

American League East

1. Baltimore Orioles
2. New York Yankees
3. Boston Red Sox
4. Toronto Blue Jays
5. Detroit Tigers

National League Central

1. Houston Astros
2. Cincinnati Reds
3. Chicago Cubs
4. St. Louis Cardinals
5. Pittsburgh Pirates

American League Central

1. Cleveland Indians
2. Chicago White Sox
3. Minnesota Twins
4. Kansas City Royals
5. Milwaukee Brewers

National League West

1. Los Angeles Dodgers
2. Colorado Rockies
3. San Diego Padres
4. San Francisco Giants

American League West

1. Texas Rangers
2. California Angels
3. Seattle Mariners
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Baltimore Orioles

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

MANAGER: Davey Johnson COACHES: Pat Dobson, Rick Down, Andy Etchebarren, Elrod Hendricks (44), Sam Perlozzo, John Stearns TRAINERS: Richie Bancells, James Reed

If the regular season schedule were replaced by a baseball IQ test, the Orioles would be sitting pretty, with Davey Johnson, the game's winningest active manager, and Pat Gillick, one of the most dynamic GMs, pulling the strings for an organization that has been conspicuous for its lack of direction the past couple of years.

Luring Gillick out of retirement may have been the most important personnel move made in baseball over the past offseason. Gillick is credited with taking the expansion Toronto Blue Jays from creation to contention in record time. The Orioles present a different kind of challenge: an established large-market team that is expected to win the division and rebuild its player-development system at the same time.

The talent is there, especially after an offseason spending spree that added six-time all-star Roberto Alomar and versatile B.J. Surhoff. Cal Ripken will be back without the distractions that came with last year's assault on Lou Gehrig's record. Rafael Palmeiro is coming off another career year. And 1995's big midseason acquisition, Bobby Bonilla, will be around for the duration. This club will hit and play defense. And it should be a divisional favorite now that Gillick has assembled a strong, healthy starting rotation.

The front office fooled itself into thinking it had the best starting pitching in the league when 1995 opened, only to spend the season trying to fill the holes created by that misplaced confidence. Sid Fernandez was a bust. Sore-shouldered Ben McDonald struggled to just three victories. And Kevin Brown suffered a dislocated finger that spoiled what was shaping up to be a decent year. The only pitcher to go start to finish was Mike Mussina, who has emerged as one of the most dependable starters in the game. He tied for the league lead with 19 victories.

Scott Erickson, acquired last July, responded well to his new surroundings. He had won 20 games in his first full season (1991), but his numbers were in steady decline when Minnesota traded him for two minor leaguers. He was a combined 20-36 with a 5.42 ERA from 1992 (his last winning season) until the deal, but went 9-4 (3.89) in 17 appearances for the Orioles, who correctly figured that Erickson's numbers would improve if he got out of the pitcher-unfriendly Metrodome. He is a groundball pitcher who eds a tight infield to be successful, so the pitch to the soft grass of Camden Yards and the top defensive team in the A.L. was an elixir for his career.

Gillick made a cursory attempt to re-sign both Brown and McDonald, but he also

moved decisively to assure that the club would not be left short on pitching depth. He pulled off a surprising deal with the Atlanta Braves for Kent Mercker, and when he failed to sign free agent David Cone, he traded for veteran left-hander David Wells, who went 16-8 with Detroit and Cincinnati a year ago.

He also moved quickly to reconstruct the bullpen, where the Orioles tried to get by last year with soft-throwing closer Doug Jones,

left-hander Jesse Orosco, and a plucky group of minor league journeymen. Jones did not pitch badly (22 saves), but the club showed no interest in retaining him. Johnson made it clear the day he took over that he would be more comfortable with a hard thrower in short relief, so Gillick signed Randy Myers, who has piled up 150 saves over the past four seasons. The Orioles kept Orosco and added Roger McDowell to share the setup role.

The lineup did not live up to its potential in 1995. It opened last season with five players who had at least one 20-homer, 80-RBI season, but first baseman Palmeiro (39/104) was the only player to reach both of those statistical plateaus. Ripken had a solid season—in spite of all the Lou Gehrig hoopla—and DH Harold Baines was productive (24/63), but the Orioles ranked 11th in the league in batting and ninth in runs. They figure to improve in '96, if only because Bonilla will be in an Orioles uniform for the entire season. He has averaged 22 homers and 85 RBIs over his 10-year career, and he has driven in 100 runs three times. He batted .333 with 10 homers and 46 RBIs in just 237 at-bats against unfamiliar A.L. pitching during the final two months of 1995, so the Orioles are optimistic about his prospects for '96.

Baines was not re-signed. Instead, Gillick added Surhoff, who drove in 73 runs for Milwaukee while playing a variety of roles. If the

they should feature an explosive lineup with good speed and plenty of left/right flexibility. The healthy return of Jeffrey Hammonds would be a bonus.

PLAYOFF FORMULA

Potential. It has been the team's curse throughout the 1990s. The Orioles could have won in 1993 and '94. They should have won in 1995. And this year, expectations will be higher than ever.

What will it take for the Orioles to win the A.L. East, or—at the very least—sneak into the playoffs as a wild card? Nothing more than a group of solid veterans living up to their career numbers.

The pitching staff has been retooled with the addition of Wells, Mercker, Myers, and McDowell. The lineup is deeper. The organization has spent liberally again to bring a championship to Baltimore. Everything points to an Orioles' October. Johnson has never finished worse than second in any season he has managed from start to finish. Gillick is the best in the business at making midseason course corrections. Owner Peter Angelos doesn't mind spending what it takes to build a winning team.

The Orioles have to get a representative performance from Bonilla, Alomar, Palmeiro, Ripken, and Hoiles. They need Hammonds to establish himself as an everyday player. They need to continue playing the solid defense that has been an organizational trademark since the early 1960s. That should be enough if Mussina has a typical season and the rest of the rotation is healthy and productive.

In a division full of unpredictable teams, the Orioles are as close to a known quantity as there is, which makes them the favorite to emerge from the pack and win the East.

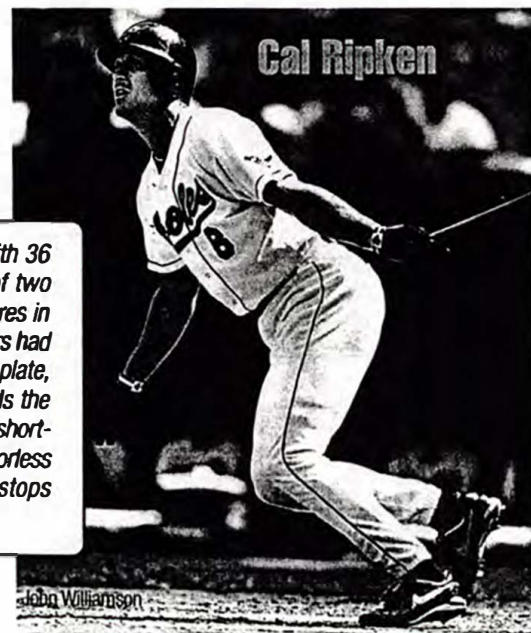
BY THE NUMBERS

team stats & league rank

Batting	.262	— 11th
Clutch	.269	— 11th
Slugging	.428	— 6th
On Base	.342	— 8th
Runs	704	— 9th
Home Runs	173	— 5th
Stolen Bases	92	— 9th
Left on Base	1022	— 1st
ERA	4.31	— 2nd
Saves	29	— 12th
Fielding	.986	— 1st

Brady Anderson set a league record with 36 consecutive stolen bases. He was one of two players in baseball in '95 with double figures in doubles, triples, and homers. Oriole pitchers had a 4.31 ERA; with **Chris Hoiles** behind the plate, the ERA was 3.93. **Cal Ripken**, who holds the record for consecutive errorless games at shortstop (95), enters the '96 season with an errorless streak at 70 games. He led league shortstops with 100 double plays turned last season.

Orioles can get run production from catcher Chris Hoiles and a strong all-round performance from center fielder Brady Anderson,





Kansas City Royals

Ewing M. Kauffman Stadium

MANAGER: Bob Boone (8) COACHES: Tim Foli (56), Guy Hansen (55), Bruce Kison (54), Greg Luzinski (19), Mitchell Page (39), Jamie Quirk (9) TRAINERS: Steve Morrow, Nick Swartz

Bob Boone has a warm, fuzzy feeling in Kansas City. The Royals' manager learned a lot about himself last season as a rookie, likes this year's coaching staff (which includes old friend Tom Foli at third base), and is pleased that former Pirates general manager Larry Doughty is helping the overtaxed GM Herk Robinson.

Boone has to feel uneasy, though, about his team. The infield may be baseball's leakiest, the outfield is young, the designated hitting was the worst in the league last season, there are no proven starting pitchers after Kevin Appier and Mark Gubicza, and there isn't much middle relief in front of closer Jeff Montgomery. This is hardly the team that Boone kept in the wild-card race last season until the final five days. That team finished four games under .500 and second in the division, but it has lost key veterans for this year.

The Royals actually began shedding high-priced players a year ago when they let Brian McRae, David Cone, and Vince Coleman go.

Boone had to use 51 players, including 19 rookies. "We far exceeded expectations," he said. "Usually a team with 19 rookies is down there at the bottom looking up, so we were pleased to finish where we did." Now, more veterans are gone, leaving Boone with even more concerns, despite having most of the league's fourth-ranked pitching staff back.

The infield, for instance, lost third baseman Gary Gaetti, shortstop Greg Gagne, first baseman Wally Joyner, and utility man Juan Samuel. In their places are the error-prone Jose Offerman and Bip Roberts from the National League, and slumping first baseman Bob Hamelin. Offerman replaces shortstop Gagne, who, ironically, went to the Dodgers. Offerman hit .287 in L. A. but lost his job with 35 errors, tops in the majors. He may last only a short time while Felix Martinez gets ready. Offerman's double-play partner at second will be Roberts (.304, 20 steals), who mostly played the outfield with the Padres. Hamelin went from Rookie of the Year (.282, 24 HRs, 65 RBIs) to sophomore bust (.168, 7, 25). He was asked to drop from 257 pounds to about 237, then to get in shape.

Keith Lockhart is the only infield regular back from last year, but it was by default after second baseman Jose Lind left the team for personal reasons. Now 31, after a career in the minor leagues, Lockhart (.321, 6, 33) goes to third base to platoon possibly with Joe Randa (.275 at Triple-A Omaha) as replacements for Gaetti, who took his 35 homers to St. Louis. As usual, David Howard (.243) is infield relief with Lockhart-Randa and Chris Stynes.

The Royals hope the outfield of Johnny Damon, Tom Goodwin, Michael Tucker, and

Jon Nunnally plays into the 21st century. Their average age is 24. Center fielder Damon (.343, 16 HRs, 26 steals) appears ready after being named the Texas League Player of the Year at Double-A Wichita. He hit .282 with the Royals. Goodwin, who will probably move from center to right field, went to the season's last weeks before losing the league stolen-base title to Kenny Lofton. He finished with 50 while batting .288. Tucker must do better than .260 after being carefully brought up through the minors.

He could be the DH if Joe Vitiello (.279 at Omaha) doesn't pan out and Hamelin spins his wheels again. Kansas City DHs hit only .213 last year with just 36 extra-base hits. Nunnally's power (14 HRs) is a consideration, but he hit just .244.

Back for another try at catcher after a year in Boston is Mike Macfarlane, who's happy to get away from trying to catch Tim Wakefield's knuckleball. Macfarlane hit only .225 but had 15 homers with 51 RBIs.

He replaces Brent Mayne, who went to the Mets. Henry Mercedes is in reserve while Sal Fasano develops in the minors.

Appier heads the rotation off a 15-10 record and 3.89 ERA. He was en route to 20 victories until shoulder soreness followed a five-game, midseason skid. Gubicza (12-14, 3.75), the only player still around from the 1985 World Series team, has rebounded nicely from shoulder problems. There are no innings after them, however. Tom Gordon signed as a free agent with Boston. His place could be filled by top prospect Jim Pittsley, but he's only 22.

Kevin Appier limited opponents to a .221 average, second in the A.L. Mark Gubicza led the league in starts (33). Jeff Montgomery registered his 200th career save and gave up just 1 run in one 16-inning stretch over a 12-game span. Jon Nunnally became the first Royals player and the 70th major leaguer to homer in his first official at-bat.

That leaves Boone to decide among Chris Haney (3-4, 3.65), who is coming off back surgery, Jason Jacome (4-6, 5.36), Melvin Bunch (1-3, 5.63), Jeff Granger (5.93 ERA at Wichita), Dilson Torres, and former Red Tom Browning, who is attempting a comeback from elbow surgery.

Montgomery, 34, was tied for fifth in the league in saves (31) while posting a 3.43 ERA. Falling in behind him will be Mike Magnante (1-1, 4.23), the only left-handed reliever. Other setup men are Hipolito Pichardo (8-4, 4.36) and Rusty Meacham (4-3, 4.98), plus some of

the losers in the rotation derby, as well as Jim Converse and Rick Huisman.

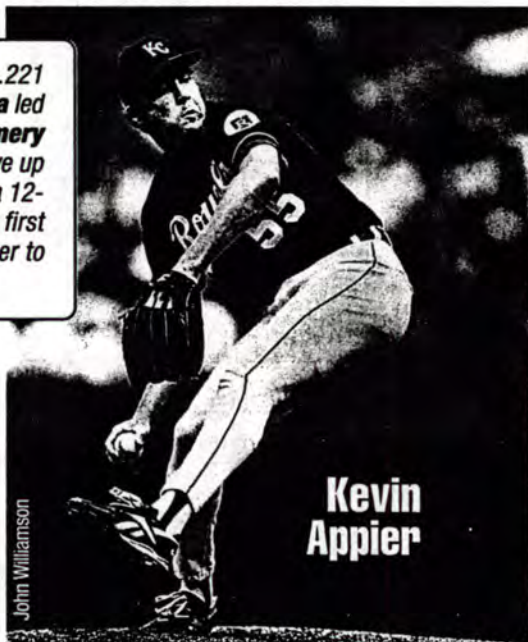
ROYALS PLAN FOR PLAYOFF PUSH

An attempt by George Brett, the best player in Royals history, to buy the team to keep it in Kansas City was rejected, presumably for financial reasons. Maybe the real reason, though, was because Brett couldn't guarantee that he would play for the Royals again, in mint condition, along with Hal McRae, Willie Wilson, Amos Otis, Frank White, Fred Patek, Dennis Leonard, Paul Splittorff, and Dan Quisenberry. It seemingly would take a mixture of them in their prime and this year's players to overtake the Cleveland Indians.

Mission impossible? Probably, but as long as there is an Appier, there is a way. Just don't burn him out, which happened last season when Appier tried to keep Kansas City in the race all by himself.

Gaining a wild-card berth could be achieved if Appier and Gubicza each win 20 games without breaking down, Montgomery saves 40, Hamelin rebounds from a horrid season to hit 40 home runs, and a wave of prospects mature at once. Some of the youngsters may be a year or two away, but Tucker, Damon, Goodwin, Nunnally, and Vitiello could burst on the scene this season to play together a long time.

Boone is more experienced as well, having learned on the job a year ago from former skipper Gene Mauch. Not even Mauch, though, could help Boone score runs. The offense should be improved, but Robinson may have to work overtime during the season to correct the infield defense, come up with one more starting pitcher (Browning could be the answer), and find more setup help for Montgomery.



Kevin Appier

John Williamson

SPIT TOBACCO

[Prior to the baseball game, you will highlight the announcement on Monday that Major League Baseball and its Players Associations have agreed to work with the National Spit Tobacco Education Program in a series of highly-visible efforts to educate both players and fans to the dangers inherent in the use of spit tobacco products. Their efforts will include public service announcement to run during baseball telecasts, as well as educational programs aimed at young people and parents, and for players who want to stop using spit tobacco.]

Q: What do you think of the baseball players and owners announcement today?

A: I am grateful that the owners and our ball players -- indeed the heroes of so many of our young people -- are working together to proclaim the dangers of spit tobacco. It disables; it disfigures; it kills. They will be assuring our young people that chewing won't make them look cool, and it won't make them better at sport. More important still, they are leading by example. Baseball is truly the "Great American Pastime." But today, because of this extraordinary agreement, it is infinitely greater.

Q: Have you agreed to stop chewing the ends of your cigars in honor of this historic agreement?

A: Chelsea and Hillary have both been after me to quit, and I really should and am going to try to. And, I do make a point not to do it in public. But, the use of spit tobacco, which is known to cause oral cancer, is increasing at an alarming rate, with the biggest increases among young people. So today's announcement by the players and owners is very important -- we need to do everything we can to teach young people that using spit tobacco isn't cool and is very dangerous.

Q: How do you feel about the announcement last week that Texas is joining in the lawsuits against the tobacco industry?

A: I'm more interested in what happens as a result, in particular, in reducing the number of kids who smoke and chew tobacco. If the suits leads the tobacco companies to act more responsibly, and if they help to educate our kids about the dangers of tobacco, then I'll be very pleased.

Q: Are you encouraged by the tobacco companies' voluntary efforts? (The Wall Street Journal reported on Friday that Philip Morris would initiate a \$5-10 million campaign to highlight its voluntary efforts such as its decision to end the distribution of free samples and its decision to label all cigarette packs with "underage sales prohibited.")

A: I applaud any effort designed to help states enforce their laws prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors. Unfortunately, we know that this alone won't solve the problem of youth tobacco use, since it doesn't address the advertising that is so appealing to our young people. That's why the Food and Drug Administration's proposals address both the access to as well as the appeal of tobacco products to young people.

ECONOMIC PROGRESS IN MARYLAND UNDER PRESIDENT CLINTON

President Clinton's strategy to strengthen the economy is based on reducing the federal budget deficit, lowering trade barriers, and empowering workers, families, businesses and communities to succeed. Here are some of the results for Maryland after the first 37 months of the Clinton Administration:

Improved Economic Conditions in Maryland:

- The unemployment rate has dropped from 6.3% to 5.1%.
- 61,500 new jobs added in 37 months -- after 47,700 lost during the previous 4 years combined.
- 35,800 new private-sector jobs added in 37 months -- after 56,700 lost during the previous 4 years combined.
- 800 manufacturing jobs added in 37 months -- after 29,900 lost during the previous 4 years combined.
- New business incorporations have increased 2% **per year**.
- Home building has **DECLINED** 6% **per year**.
- Bank lending has increased by \$17.0 billion -- after declining by \$7.2 billion during the previous 4 years.
- Consumer confidence has increased 55%.
- The Help Wanted Index has increased 22%.

What President Clinton's Accomplishments Have Achieved for the People of Maryland:

\$15,000 OF REDUCED FEDERAL DEBT FOR EVERY FAMILY OF FOUR IN MARYLAND: The national debt will be **more than \$1 trillion** lower over 7 years than was projected before the passage of the President's economic plan. That's about \$15,000 of reduced federal debt for each family of four in Maryland.

8 TIMES MORE MARYLAND FAMILIES RECEIVE A TAX CUT THAN A TAX INCREASE: As a result of the expanded Earned Income Tax Credit, 241,505 working families in Maryland will receive a tax cut. This compares to an increase in the income tax rate for only the 32,161 wealthiest taxpayers in Maryland.

TAX CUT FOR 24,535 SMALL BUSINESSES IN MARYLAND: The President helped entrepreneurs, proprietors, and other small businessmen and women by expanding the annual expensing allowance from \$10,000 to \$17,500. About 24,535 small businesses in Maryland are likely to benefit from the expansion of the expensing allowance this year alone *and many more will benefit over the coming years.*

785,000 MARYLAND WORKERS PROTECTED BY FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT: The Family and Medical Leave Act allows workers to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave for the birth of a child, to care for a sick family member, or if they become too sick to work. This law covers about 784,951 workers in Maryland, and protects the jobs of 47,155 workers in Maryland who are likely to use unpaid leave this year alone.

296,600 STUDENTS AND FORMER STUDENTS IN MARYLAND WILL BE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM STUDENT LOAN REFORMS: Approximately 296,600 Maryland borrowers -- 207,600 current borrowers and 89,000 new borrowers in the next few years -- can take advantage of the new direct student loan program by participating directly in the program or by consolidating guaranteed loans into direct loans. Some will benefit from lower interest rates, and all will benefit from more repayment options, including income contingent repayment.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 29, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Julia Chamovitz
National Economic Council

SUBJECT: Background Information on the Maryland Economy

This memorandum presents background information about economic conditions in Maryland.

- ***Baltimore's Empowerment Zone (EZ) Creates 200 Jobs*** -- The Baltimore EZ received \$100 million in flexible block grants and tax incentives for zone businesses. To date, 11 new businesses have opened in the EZ creating at least 200 new jobs. In addition, the large health care institutions and universities in the EZ have partnered with the Empower Baltimore Management Corporation to develop EZ suppliers of products and services. This \$375,000 effort involves \$187,000 in EZ funds and \$188,000 from Johns Hopkins, the University of Maryland Medical Center and Liberty Health Systems. (Source: Community Empowerment Board)
- ***Safeway Stores in Negotiations With Teamsters; Fate of 700 Jobs in the Balance*** -- Safeway will close its outdated warehouse distribution center in Landover and eliminate more than 700 jobs unless it wins contract concessions from the Teamsters union which would make it economically feasible to build a new \$85 million facility in Carlington, MD. According to a Safeway spokesman, the company and the union are close to an agreement. Since nothing has been presented to the workers yet, the company is not releasing details about the negotiations at this time. (Source: Safeway Stores, Inc.)
- ***TRP Invests \$7.6 Million in a Project in Baltimore*** -- Westinghouse Electric Corporation, is leading the \$2,000 Electric Powertrain project based in Baltimore. This project is developing a low-cost electric vehicle powertrain with the power and smoothness of an internal combustion engine. The DoD will use this technology to develop high-efficiency, low acoustic and thermal-signature combat vehicles, such as tanks, transports, and troop carriers. These vehicles are part of the DoD's movement toward a family of combat vehicles propelled by hybrid-electric or all-electric drivetrains. (Source: ARPA)
- ***UPS to Open Distribution Center in Essex, Up to 1,500 New Jobs Will Be Created*** -- United Parcel Service recently announced it will build a new warehouse and distribution facility in Essex, MD. The facility will be ready for occupancy in September 1996 and will employ between 750 and 1,500 workers. (Source: UPS Properties)

- ***Lockheed Martin Corporation Strong and Growing*** -- This month marks the first full year that the Bethesda, MD based Lockheed Martin has been operational. Martin Marietta Corporation and Lockheed Corporation merged in March 1995. 1995 sales for Lockheed Martin were essentially unchanged from 1994 levels, which is considered positive after a merger of its magnitude. Lockheed Martin has also tendered an offer to acquire major assets of Loral Corporation, the New York based aerospace company. The offer is undergoing the regulatory review process by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. Lockheed Martin and Loral are expecting the deal to be confirmed by the middle of April. Lockheed Martin has approximately 3,700 employees in Maryland and 155,000 worldwide. (Source: Lockheed Martin Corporation)
- ***EITC*** -- According to 1993 Treasury estimates, the EITC will benefit 241,500 families in Maryland.

<u>Rep.</u>	<u>EITC Benefits</u>	<u>\$ (millions)</u>	<u>% Families</u>	<u>Higher Taxes</u>
Cardin	36,700 families	59.9	23.1	4,258 taxpayer
Wynn	27,600 families	45.0	18.2	1,861 taxpayers
Hoyer	17,100 families	27.9	11.1	2,479 taxpayers
Ehrlich	23,600 families	38.6	14.2	3,770 taxpayer
STATE	241,500 families	394.0	19.2	32,161 taxpayers

- ***Federal Reserve on the Fifth District*** -- The pace of economic activity in the District quickened in late January and February. Retailers, manufacturers, and service producers reported that growth picked up in their industries. Growth in the real estate and financial sectors also increased. Employment agencies saw stronger demand for temporary workers. Area port representatives, however, reported slower business. Abundant snowfall boosted tourism at ski resorts, but harmed farmers. (Source: Federal Reserve Beige Book, 3/13/96)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 29, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

**FROM: ANN WALKER
 DAN COLLINS**

RE: Local Issues Briefing -- Baltimore, Maryland

TOBACCO

Legislation

On Thursday, the Maryland House of Delegates passed legislation that restricts the sale of cigarettes in vending machines. The legislation prohibits cigarette vending machines in bowling alleys, skating rinks and movies. Vending machines would still be allowed in bars and restaurants if the machines are visible to employees. Supporters claim the legislation will make it more difficult for children to start smoking. The bill still has to be approved by the Senate.

Maryland to Join Suit Against Tobacco Companies

By May 1st, Maryland is expected to join other states in suing major tobacco companies to recover the costs of treating smoking-related illnesses. The Maryland state board of Public Works has hired attorney, and Baltimore Orioles' owner, Peter Angelos to represent the state in the lawsuit. According to Governor Glendening, the state spends approximately \$400 million a year on treatment for smoking-related illnesses through Medicaid or the state's employee health plans.

GUN CONTROL

House Passes Gun Control Bill

Legislation intended to make it harder for criminals to get guns cleared the Maryland House of Delegates on Friday. The state Senate passed a similar bill earlier this week, giving the Governor an almost certain victory on one of his top priorities. This bill requires a background check for all buyers of handguns and regulated semi-automatic weapons and limits gun purchases to one a month.

EDUCATION

Baltimore to Receive Emergency Funds

The Governor and the Mayor of Baltimore have reached an agreement that will give Baltimore \$12 million in emergency funds to help the city's struggling school system. The city agreed to put its lawsuit seeking an increase in state funding on hold. As part of the agreement, House Appropriations Chairman Howard Rawlings will seek to free \$5.9 million withheld from the city school system by the state legislature this year. The first installment of the funds will be used to bring teachers' salaries closer to those of their counterparts.

Library Cuts

Proposed cutbacks by Mayor Schموke may force the closure of half of the city's library branches and the lay-off of as many as 60 full-time library employees. Baltimore's Budget Director told city directors that declining property and income tax collections, as well as elimination of the beverage container tax, were precipitating the budget cutbacks. Although the city typically makes low offers during budget negotiations, the 25% gap between the library's requests and the city's position was unusually wide.

WELFARE REFORM

Senate Passes Welfare Reform Bill

On Wednesday, the Maryland Senate voted unanimously to approve welfare reform legislation. The legislation includes child care and job training provisions as well as continuing a tax credit program for companies that offer jobs to welfare recipients. The bill also includes a provision to offer would-be recipients grants to keep them off the welfare rolls. The "welfare-avoidance" grants are intended to give those in need an immediate infusion of cash to tide them over until they can find another job. The measure now moves to the House of Delegates for consideration.

HEALTH CARE

Community Health Networks

Last Monday, the Maryland Senate unanimously approved a bill to allow hospitals and doctors to compete directly with health maintenance organizations and insurance companies through community health networks. The bill allows the networks to contract with employers to provide health care. Hospital officials believe the bill would allow them to cut costs and retain more control over patient care. Opponents fear that the networks would put patients at risk as the networks would not have to meet the same financial solvency and consumer protection requirements as HMOs. The bill faces a major battle in the House of Delegates as the House Economic Matters Committee killed similar legislation two weeks ago.

DRUGS

Study Lauds City Drug Court

A study by Denise C. Gottfredson, a professor of criminology at the University of Maryland, has found that participants in Baltimore's 2-year-old drug-treatment court were substantially less likely to be arrested for new crimes than they would have been without the program. In Baltimore's version of the drug court, judges order participants into treatment instead of prison, unless the addicts do not stay clean. In the past year, the number of participants in the program has ballooned from about 200 to 775 because of changes in eligibility requirements. To get into the program, offenders must not have committed a violent crime within the previous five years and their crime must have been motivated by drug addiction. Baltimore has an estimated 50,000 drug addicts and the highest per capita rate of heroin users in the nation.

SPORTS

State Board OKs Funding for Football Stadiums

Last week, the Maryland state legislature passed the state's fiscal budget which included \$270 million for new professional football stadiums in Baltimore and Prince George's county. This vote handed a major victory to Governor Glendening who has made this his top priority for this session of the General Assembly.

New Baltimore Football Team Named

On Friday, Art Modell, owner of Baltimore's new NFL football team, announced the new team name will be the "Ravens". As part of an agreement allowing him to move his team from Cleveland to Baltimore, Modell has to relinquish control of the Cleveland Brown's name and colors. The Ravens, chosen over the Americans and the Marauders in a newspaper phone poll, was inspired by an Edgar Allan Poe poem. Poe once lived, and is now buried, in Baltimore.

**THE TRIP OF
THE PRESIDENT
TO
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

April 5, 1996

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Partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of early morning showers. Wind southwest to northwest at 10 to 25 knots. Low 41 to 46. High 56 to 61.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Mostly cloudy with isolated rain showers and thunderstorms. Wind east at 10 to 20 knots, gusting to 30 knots. Low 36 to 41. High 49 to 54.

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1996
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NOTE: Staff vans depart at 8:30 am from the West Basement.

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MORNING RUN

8:40 am-

8:50 am

**OFFICIAL PHOTO IN HONOR OF NATIONAL
STUDENT ATHLETE DAY
DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM
Staff Contact: Alexis Herman
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY**

8:50 am

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady proceed to the South Lawn

8:55 am-

9:00 am

**CEREMONIAL TREE PLANTING
SOUTH LAWN
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Note: This departure is open to staff and guests.

9:20 am

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart the White House via Marine One en route Andrews Air Force Base
[flight time: 10 minutes]

9:30 am

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive Andrews Air Force Base

9:45 am

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart Andrews Air Force Base via Air Force One en route Tinker Air Force Base Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
[flight time: 2 hours, 50 minutes]
[time change: - 1 hour]

11:35 am (CST)

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive Oklahoma City/Tinker
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Cathy Keating
Lt. Governor Mary Fallin
Senator Don Nickles
Representative Bill Brewster
Carol Brewster
Representative Ernest Istook
James Lee Witt, Director, Federal Emergency
Management Agency
Mayor Ron Norick, Oklahoma City
Don Williams, State Senate
Sharon Williams
Attorney General Drew Edmondson
Clifton Scott, State Auditor
Robert Butkin, State Treasurer
John Crawford, Commissioner, Insurance
Brenda Reneau, Commissioner, Labor
James Hamm, Director, Department of Mines
Major General Kenneth Eickmann, Base Commander
Brig. General Silas Johnson, Jr.
Capt. Kermit Ayres, Wings Commander

11:50 am

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart Tinker Air Force Base,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma via motorcade en route the former site of
the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building
[drive time: 15 minutes]

12:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive the former site of the
Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building

NOTE:	Six children, accompanied by a parent or guardian, who survived the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, will greet the President and the First Lady and accompany them during the Wreath Laying Ceremony.
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12:10 pm-
12:20 pm

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY
FORMER SITE OF ALFRED P. MURRAH FEDERAL BUILDING
Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins
Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel
POOL PRESS

NOTE: The Wreath will be borne by Capt. Matthew Cooper, USMC and Sgt. First Class, Harold Davenport, US Army, both of whom were survivors of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building bombing.
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12:25 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady proceed on foot to the YMCA Day Care Center
[walk time: 5 minutes]

12:30 pm **THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady arrive the YMCA Day Care Center

Note: The President and the First Lady proceed directly to the stage.

12:30 pm-
12:55 pm **PLAQUE DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR NEW
YMCA CHILD CARE CENTER
OPEN AREA**

The YMCA Day Care Center
Remarks: David Shipley
Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins, Marcia Hale
Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel
EXPANDED POOL PRESS

Note: Andrew Splaingard, a Boy Scout and Molly Malloy, a Girl Scout, will lead the President, First Lady and the audience in *The Pledge of Allegiance* prior to the start of the program.

- Mayor Ron Norick makes welcoming remarks and introduces Senator Don Nickles.
- Senator Don Nickles makes remarks and introduces Lt. Governor Mary Fallin.
- Lt. Governor Mary Fallin makes remarks and introduces Governor Frank Keating.
- Governor Frank Keating makes remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks.
- The President and the First Lady, accompanied by Governor Frank Keating, Mayor Ron Norick and the children, unveil the New YMCA Day Care Child Care Center Plaque.
- The President and the First Lady work a ropeline and depart.

1:00 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart the YMCA Day Care Center via motorcade en route the Myriad Convention Center [drive time: 5 minutes]

1:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive the Myriad Convention Center

Greeter: Reverend Don Alexander, First Christian Church

1:15 pm-
2:30 pm

REMARKS TO THE FAMILIES OF THE VICTIMS IN THE OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING EXHIBIT HALL

The Myriad Convention Center

Remarks: Terry Edmonds

Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins, Marcia Hale

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

OPEN PRESS

- Off-stage announcement of the President and the First Lady, accompanied by Reverend Don Alexander, First Christian Church.
- Reverend Don Alexander makes remarks and introduces the First Lady.
- The First Lady makes remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, the President and the First Lady work a ropeline and depart.

2:30 pm-
2:35 pm

OFFICIAL PHOTOS WITH RICHARD DEAN AND FAMILY BACKSTAGE

The Myriad Convention Center

Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins

WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY

2:35 pm-
2:40 pm

**OFFICIAL PHOTO WITH THE CITY COUNCIL OF
OKLAHOMA CITY
BACKSTAGE
The Myriad Convention Center
Staff Contact: Marcia Hale
WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY**

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Frosty Peak
Mark Schwartz
Jack Cornett
Frances Lowery
Jerry Foshee
Ann Simank
Willa Johnson
Guy Liebmann

2:40 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart the Myriad Convention Center via motorcade en route the University of Central Oklahoma [drive time: 30 minutes]

3:10 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive the University of Central Oklahoma

Greeters: Former Governor George Nigh
 Mrs. Donna Nigh
 Former Governor David Walters
 Mrs. Ronda Walters
 Former Governor Henry Bellmon
 Mrs. Shirley Bellmon

3:20 pm-
3:50 pm

**MEETING WITH PRESIDENT'S OKLAHOMA CITY
SCHOLARSHIP FUND ADVISORY BOARD
CLASSROOM**

School of Education, University of Central Oklahoma

Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins, Marcia Hale

Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel

CLOSED PRESS

- Governor George Nigh makes opening remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, the President and the First Lady meet and greet with board members.
- The President and the First Lady depart.

4:00 pm-
4:20 pm

**TAPE RADIO ADDRESS
CLASSROOM**

School of Education, University of Central Oklahoma
Remarks: David Shipley
Staff Contact: Rica Rodman
CLOSED PRESS

4:30 pm-
5:15 pm

**REMARKS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL
OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY
COURTYARD**

School of Education, University of Central Oklahoma
Remarks: Tony Blinken
Staff Contact: Kitty Higgins, Marcia Hale
Event Coordinator: Patrick Steel
OPEN PRESS

- Off-stage announcement of **the President** and the First Lady to "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief", accompanied by Governor George Nigh, President, University of Central Oklahoma and Glen Johnson, Speaker, State House of Representatives.
- Governor George Nigh makes welcoming remarks and introduces Speaker Glen Johnson.
- Speaker Glen Johnson make remarks.
- Speaker Glen Johnson presents **the President** with a resolution of appreciation from the Oklahoma State Legislature.
- Governor George Nigh introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **the President** and the First Lady work a ropeline and depart.

5:25 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart the University of Oklahoma via motorcade en route Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
[drive time: 40 minutes]

6:05 pm

THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

6:20 pm	(CST)	THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma via Air Force One en route Andrews Air Force Base [flight time: 2 hours, 25 minutes] [time change: + 1 hour] OPEN PRESS CLOSED PUBLIC
		Note: This departure will be open to approximately 100 base personnel.
9:45 pm	(EST)	THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive Andrews Air Force Base
10:00 pm		THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart Andrews Air Force Base via Marine One en route the Landing Zone [flight time: 10 minutes]
10:10 pm		THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive the Reflecting Pool
10:20 pm		THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady depart the Reflecting Pool via motorcade en route the White House [drive time: 5 minutes]
10:25 pm		THE PRESIDENT and the First Lady arrive the White House
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WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Former Site of
Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 12:10 pm - 12:20 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins 

I. PURPOSE

To lay a wreath on the site of the Murrah building in memory of the 168 people who died.

II. BACKGROUND

On May 23, 1995, after consulting with the families that still had loved ones in the building, the remains of the Murrah building were demolished with 150 pounds of dynamite. The General Services Administration had pronounced the building structurally unsound and it was believed that the sooner the building was leveled, the sooner the remaining bodies of the last victims could be recovered and returned to their families. The building reportedly collapsed in 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ seconds, with some two thousand people witnessing the demolition.

The site has been planted with grass and a chain link fence is up. The fence has become a place for leaving flowers, stuffed animals, even letters of memory to the loved ones lost. You will place a wreath at the approximate site where the day care center was located in the Murrah Building.

Joining you will be the six children that survived the bombing and a parent or guardian for each. In addition, a representative from the Army and Marine recruiting offices will participate.

A memorial will be built on this site, but there is not yet agreement on the plans or design. Since last July, a 370-member Murrah Building Memorial Task Force has been meeting to discuss ideas. However, grieving relatives cannot agree on what kind of monument to build. (A recent article that appeared in *The Washington Post* is attached.)

The ribbon on the wreath you will present will say "From the People of the United States to the People of Oklahoma City." There are four auxiliary ribbons, which say:

Remembrance, Renewal, Rebirth, Rebuild

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

The First Lady

P.J. Allen - 2 years-old, was seriously injured in the bombing and his recovery is far from complete. He and his sister, Rodesa, are in the custody of their grandparents, Willie & Deloris Watson.

Rebecca Denny - 3-years-old, was not seriously injured.

Brandon Denny - 4-years-old, was not expected to live as a result of the blast and has experienced many surgeries, with many yet to come. He continues in physical therapy and is now walking. Along with their parents, Claudia & Jim, they visited with you and the First Lady at the White House in January.

Nekia McCloud - 5 years-old, sustained limited injuries and is doing well. Her mother, Laverne, and older sister, Shari, will be with her.

Chris Nguyen - 6 years-old, was injured, however, his recovery has progressed and he appears to be doing well. His parents, Phuong and Thu, and older brothers, Steve and John, will be with him.

Joseph Webber - 2 years-old, was injured during the bombing, but has been recovering nicely. His parents are Dawn and Daniel Webber. Mr. Webber is a former aide to Sen. David Boren.

Capt. Matthew Cooper - member of the United States Marine Corps who worked in the recruiting office in the Murrah building.

Sgt. First Class Harold Davenport - member of the United States Army who worked in the recruiting office in the Murrah building.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Pool Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** and the First Lady, will follow closely behind the wreath, which will be carried by the representatives from the Army and Marines.
- **YOU** and the First Lady will arrange the ribbons on the wreath.
- Each of the children will place two flowers on the wreath.

- A Scottish bag piper will play "Amazing Grace" upon departure.

VI. REMARKS

None.

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HEADLINE: <Oklahoma> City's Measure of Grief; Blast Survivors, Victims' Families
Feud Over Planned <Memorial>

BYLINE: Lois Romano, Special to The Washington Post

DATELINE: <OKLAHOMA> CITY

BODY:

To the outside world, they speak with one voice, but close to home there is discord. Nearly a year after a bomb ripped apart the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building here, killing 168 people, emotions are still so raw that survivors of the blast and relatives of the victims are bickering over the one thing they all seem to want: a <memorial.>

Propose the idea of a separate monument to the 19 children who were killed, and parents who lost grown children flinch. Recommend that survivors of the blast get equal billing on a <memorial> with those who died, and relatives of the dead protest. Circulate a survey on what visitors to the site might like to see in a <memorial,> and rumors fly that a restaurant is going to be built on the "sacred ground."

Almost from its inception last July, the unwieldy 370-member Murrah Building <Memorial> Task Force has been fraught with tension, conflict and heartache. "The whole process is a tinder box," said Bud Welch, who lost his 23-year-old daughter in the April 19 blast, and who sits on various subcommittees of the task force. "Just one match would set it right off."

There have been more than a few sparks. In recent months, a nationally known architect pulled out of the project, believing that the intense emotionalism would diminish the integrity of the design; a prominent local businessman resigned from a leadership role on the task force over disagreements with its chairman; and others have stopped attending the planning meetings in frustration. At one meeting this month, a man had to physically separate two women -- both of whom had lost young children in the bombing -- in the midst of a nasty argument over whether one of them knew some minor fact that she had not shared with the group.

This is not a story of infighting in the traditional sense. Rather it is a story of grieving relatives forced to make decisions about honoring their loved ones without the benefit of time and distance from the tragedy. The pain is still so fresh that these decisions have taken on profound meaning.

"They are trying to find a way to gain back the power and control they have lost in their lives," explained <Oklahoma> City psychologist Randy Cochran, who has counseled victims full time since September. "The <memorial,> the anniversary date -- these are invitations to honor their loved ones, and they need to feel that they are adequately bringing forward the legacy of the person they lost."

Bob Johnson, a local lawyer with a long history of civic activism, was appointed chairman of the task force in late June by <Oklahoma> City Mayor Ron Norick. It was a job he enthusiastically took on, although he now jokingly describes himself as "53 going on 72." Even before the task force was assembled in early July, relatives of the victims held a news conference to complain that they were being ignored. Johnson learned quickly what he was up against.

"I don't take their comments personally," he said in an interview last week.

"I simply take it as part of the grieving process and try to include everyone."

Little about the <memorial> has been decided. What form it will take, what it will cost and who, in addition to those killed, will be commemorated are all questions that must be addressed in the upcoming months.

One thing is certain: The <memorial> will stand on the vacant city block that was occupied by the now-demolished Murrah building. Various parts of the property are owned by the federal government, the state and the city, and task force leaders hope the National Park Service will ultimately manage the site. Early estimates put the price tag at \$ 7 million to \$ 10 million, which is to be raised privately. The design will be selected in a national competition.

In January Johnson sought the help of Paul Spreiregen, the Washington architect who served as the primary adviser to the Vietnam Veterans <Memorial> competition in the late '70s. Spreiregen wrote up a detailed plan on how the <Oklahoma> City competition should be organized and, as he had done with the Vietnam <memorial,> recommended against having nonprofessionals -- i.e., survivors and relatives of the victims -- judge the entries.

But Johnson and the task force believed that the victim community had to be a major part of the design selection. They instead devised a two-tier plan to judge the contest: The first tier will consist of six design professionals and three family members who will recommend three finalists to a second set of judges. Of this second and final group of 15 judges, eight of them -- a majority -- will be survivors and relatives of the victims.

Spreiregen saw this as a recipe for disaster and bowed out of the process.

"The entries have to be evaluated by a group of designers who are eminently respected or you are not going to draw from the field you want," he said in an interview from his home in Washington. "It would be a mess and not result in quality. . . . I felt I was having something shoved down my throat and I couldn't in good conscience accept the way they wanted it done."

His departure led to another casualty. William B. Cleary, an oil executive who believed Spreiregen offered much-needed detachment and professionalism, resigned as co-chairman of the design subcommittee. "I thought emotions were dominating the process," Cleary said. "All these people are my friends, and the last thing I wanted to do is kick up more sawdust."

To Jan Scruggs, the president of the Vietnam Veterans <Memorial> Fund in Washington, who spearheaded the contentious effort to build that <memorial> in the late '70s, this all has a familiar ring. "When you're managing a <memorial> that will commemorate tragedy and death, there is an additional need to manage an awful lot of emotions coming from a lot of directions," he said.

In an effort to cast a wider net, Johnson developed a questionnaire soliciting ideas not just from family members and survivors, but also from a national audience. The questionnaire was sent to national and local newspapers and given its own site on the World Wide Web. This, too, brought criticism at home. "The decisions for this <memorial> should be made solely by the family members," said Jannie Coverdale, who lost two grandsons in the explosion and who has been vocal on every aspect of the matter. "We're grieving but we're not brain-dead."

Johnson says the results of the survey, to be made public today, show that the views of the nation mirror the opinions of those personally affected by the blast. A majority of those surveyed agree that honoring the victims and survivors should have first priority in any plans, that the rescue workers and state should be commended in some form, and that the <memorial> should have a "peaceful" aura.

But there are as many opinions about what the <memorial> should include -- a

statue, a wall of names, a little museum, a special tribute to the 19 children who died -- as there are people involved in the decision. And misinformation is rampant. Tina Tomlin, who lost her husband in the explosion, said she stopped going to meetings because she had heard -- erroneously, it turns out -- that there were plans for a restaurant in the <memorial> complex. And no one was more surprised than Debbie Almon to hear that the task force was considering building a statue replicating the now-famous photo of a firefighter holding the lifeless body of her year-old granddaughter, Baylee. "I hated that picture," Almon said. That rumor was another bit of misinformation.

The question of creating a special monument to the children killed in the blast has also hit a raw nerve. "A lot of people want to see separate recognition of the little ones and that's hard for me," said Welch, who lost a grown daughter, Julie. "You have to remember I lost my baby, too."

By far, the most uncomfortable and tense discussions for everyone have been over how the blast's survivors should be recognized. Those who lost family members bristle at the idea that survivors should have equal status. "You don't memorialize the living," said Jeannine Gist, who lost her 32-year-old daughter in the bombing.

This kind of talk saddens Gwen Allen, the director of Project Heartland, the office in the state's department of mental health created to counsel people after the blast. "What they are saying is my loss is greater than your loss -- you survived. They're angry," she said. "But I wish they could hear what we're hearing from the survivors -- that it is difficult for some of them to even get out of bed in the morning."

Richard Williams, a General Services Administration employee, is a survivor. He started working as a maintenance mechanic in the Murrah building the day it opened in 1978 -- and worked his way up to deputy building manager by the time of the blast. "This was my building and those were my people," he said.

When the 4,800-pound fuel oil and fertilizer bomb exploded, Williams's office collapsed on top of him, causing countless fractures along with other injuries -- it took 200 stitches to sew his ear back on -- that kept him away from work for 45 days. He is helping to draft a mission statement for the <memorial,> and it would be difficult convincing him that he hasn't earned the right to be heard.

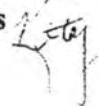
"Everyone is trying to write their own script to get through this," Williams said the other day. "We all have different levels of pain and suffering and we all just want them represented. It's very hard."

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

**PLAQUE DEDICATION CEREMONY
FOR NEW YMCA CHILD CARE CENTER**

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Old YMCA Day Care Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 12:30 pm - 12:55 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins 

I. PURPOSE

To visit the site of the old YMCA day care center and unveil a plaque that will be placed inside the new YMCA Heartland Child Care Center.

II. BACKGROUND

The plaque will read:

Dedicated to the Children of Oklahoma City whose young lives remind us of the eternal beauty of the human spirit. May each child who enters here always find peace, warmth, love and safety. And may each child know the joy and promise for a bright and glorious tomorrow.

**William J. Clinton
President of the United States**

Presented April 5, 1996

Before the bombing, there were two day care centers in the downtown area. One was in the Murrah building, which was operated by GSA, and the other was across the street and run by the YMCA. There were only six children (of 21) that survived from the Murrah day care center, and they join you today to unveil the plaque. There were approximately 80 children in the YMCA facility and they suffered cuts and bruises.

After the bombing, civic and business leaders began working together to re-build a downtown daycare center. It was decided that they would put their resources together and build just one facility, the Heartland Child Care Center. Working with the YMCA, Rotary, Mayor's Office, GSA, HHS, and Oklahoma State University, Lt. Governor Mary Fallin made this her "pet project." This new facility will be run by the YMCA and will be available for Federal employees to use.

At this point, all of the money has been raised or donated to build the child care center. There is a continuing effort to raise an additional \$2.5 million to create an endowment for teachers' salaries, education and training, equipment replacement, special services (including immunizations, health screening, parent education and financial assistance programs).

After receiving \$125,000 from the Campbell's Soup World Figure Skating Champions in May 1995, people from all over offered support for this project. Contributions have been received from almost every state in the union, from \$10 to \$400,000. Some of the contributions have come from: the Senior PGA Golf Tour - \$400,000; NFL Charities - \$250,000; Colorado Rockies Charity Fund - \$32,000; the Williams Companies - \$250,000.

The site for the center has been donated by the Oklahoma Publishing Company, owned by the Gaylord Family. The building on the site is the old Oklahoma Publishing Company building and needs to be brought up to code. A \$1.1 million grant from HUD's Community Development Block Grant will be used for renovations to the building.

A dedication ceremony of the site has been planned for April 18. The construction is scheduled to begin in December, with completion date of August 1997.

The site of this event - the old YMCA day care center- will be in front of an elm tree that survived the bombing. It has become known as the "Survivors' Tree."

The audience will be made up of some of the corporate sponsors and others involved with the YMCA, including: Jim Everest, YMCA Chairman of the Board; Mike Grady, President and CEO of the YMCA of Greater Oklahoma City; Sam Cerny, Immediate Past Chairman of the Board (was Chairman when the bombing occurred); Rainey Williams, Board member and chairman of the downtown task force who made decisions regarding the future of the Y in downtown and worked to get the site selection accomplished.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

Mayor Ron Norick

Senator Don Nickles

Lt. Governor Mary Fallin - elected in 1994, she is the first woman and first Republican ever elected Lieutenant Governor in the State of Oklahoma. She served in the State Legislature from 1990 - 1994 and was the leading House Republican on health care issues.

Governor Frank Keating

Andrew Splaingard and Molly Malloy - members of a local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troop.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- Andrew Splaingard and Molly Malloy will lead the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Mayor Norick makes welcoming remarks and introduces Senator Nickles.
- Senator Nickles makes remarks and introduces Lt. Governor Fallin.
- Lt. Governor Fallin makes remarks and introduces Governor Keating.
- Governor Keating makes remarks and introduces **YOU**.
- **YOU** make remarks and invite families and elected officials to join you to unveil the plaque.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **YOU** and the First Lady work a ropeline and depart

VI. REMARKS

Provided by Speechwriting.

4/4/96 8:00 P.M.

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
STATEMENT AT CEREMONY
FOR YMCA CHILD-CARE CENTER
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
APRIL 5, 1996**

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Acknowledgments: Governor Keating; Senator Nickles; Congressmen Brewster and Istook; Lt. Governor Mary Fallin; Mayor Ron Norick.

Today is Good Friday -- a day that marks the passage from loss and despair to hope and redemption. That is the lesson of the walk we have just taken -- from a place where we mourn lives cut brutally short...to a place where we can truly celebrate their beginnings. May the lesson of this day and of our walk give us comfort and inspire us in all our lives.

Any parent can imagine that the most unbearable feeling is the sudden knowledge that a disaster has befallen the place where you hugged your child goodbye that morning.

Almost a year ago, that feeling swept over parents in this city. And despite the passing of time, there is nothing we can do to erase the terror they must have felt. Nothing we can do to bring back the children whose lives were torn from us 100 feet from here. Nothing we can do to sweep away the frightening memory that lingers in the minds of these children who, with God's help, were spared. There is no way -- as parents, as a community, as a country -- to understand the true evil that deliberately set in motion this shattering of lives.

We cannot comprehend the incomprehensible. But we can show our children that in the wake of evil, goodness will surround them, and lift them up. We can prove to them that genuine compassion and our commitment to caring for one another will always prevail over hate and division. We can prove to them that their lives are as strong and powerful as this tree -- which withstood the bomb's blast while larger buildings crumbled. Its leaves were blasted off. Every single one of them. Its bark was scarred with shrapnel. But this tree survived. And soon it will bloom again. [Tree is to your right. It is an Elm. It is called "the Survivors' Tree."]

That is how we must think about these children. In creating this new YMCA child-care center just three blocks from here, you are reminding your children of the resilience of the human spirit -- of the American spirit. You are also showing them that as parents we will always be there to build and rebuild safe places to sustain and nurture their new lives.

Let us remember how important it is for our children to have a safe place to finger-paint or to plead with a teacher to read them a story for the fifth time that day. In many ways, these places are some of the most important on Earth. For in them, our children learn the essential American values that have stood us so well for so long: to build, to work together, to treat others with tolerance and respect.

By rebuilding a place for our children to learn these essential lessons, you -- as parents, as business people, as government workers, and most of all, as citizens -- are engaged in the most honorable task a nation can call for. And I thank you.

We have endured another unimaginable tragedy in recent days. The mission on which Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and 32 other Americans lost their lives grew out of the very spirit I am talking about. They went to the Balkans, a region that for too long has known only war, to do what you have done here: to prove that, through faith and commitment, we **can** heal the wounds of intolerance. No matter the depth of the tragedy, we **can** build again -- if we work together. As we remember those who perished across this street a year ago, I ask that we mourn, too, the lives that were lost on a hard mountain thousands of miles from where we stand today -- and for those, the family members, who lost them.

Now, on behalf of the American people and those who are with me on stage today, I would like to ask these children to help me unveil the plaque that will be placed in front of the new child-care center. And as we do that, I ask you to think about the hymn we heard a moment ago ["Amazing Grace"]. We know the first verse very well. But today I ask you to recall the words of the third verse. For it is here in Oklahoma City, that we have truly seen the power of God's amazing grace.

"Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home."

God bless you all. And God bless America.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

REMARKS TO THE FAMILIES OF THE VICTIMS
IN THE OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Exhibit Hall
The Myriad Convention Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins 

I. PURPOSE

To speak and visit with the Federal employees who were in the Murrah building and the families of the victims in the bombing.

II. BACKGROUND

During your visit to Oklahoma City last year, you met with the families of the United States Secret Service who were in the building. You also had the opportunity to visit with some families who had loved ones in the building. However, because the search and rescue for survivors was still going on, you did not have the opportunity to meet with most of the families of the 168 victims.

Mayor Norick's office has invited everyone who worked in the Murrah building and family members of the deceased to this event. An audience of 2,500 - 3,000 is expected. The Office of Personnel Management has offered Federal employees in Oklahoma City administrative leave so that they may attend this event.

On your way to Oklahoma City, you will sign a proclamation for a "National Day of Remembrance of the Oklahoma City Bombing," which will ask for a moment of silence at 9:02 a.m. Central Daylight Time on April 19, 1996, to commemorate the solemn occasion of the one-year anniversary.

Besides the employees and families of the victims in the Murrah building, others in the audience will be survivors from the Federal Courthouse and Water Resources building located across the street from the bomb site, staff from the U.S. Attorney's office handling the prosecution of the defendants, and children and families from the YMCA day care center.

The backdrop on stage will be a large replica of the ribbons that were given out at last year's memorial service. Many family members have continued to wear their ribbons to events throughout the year. The following is the key to what the different ribbons signify:

purple: children

white: dead

yellow: missing

blue: Oklahoma

On April 19, the Vice President will participate in a memorial service the Mayor's office is organizing. Members of your Cabinet will travel to Oklahoma City for this observance, including the Attorney General, Secretary Cisneros, and Commissioner Chater.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

The First Lady

Governor Frank Keating

Mayor Ron Norick

Reverend Don Alexander - pastor of the First Christian Church in Oklahoma City. First Christian Church was a site where many families gathered while waiting for news of their loved ones.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- Reverend Alexander makes remarks and introduces the First Lady.
- The First Lady makes remarks and introduces **YOU**.
- **YOU** make remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **YOU** and the First Lady will have the opportunity to visit with families.

VI. REMARKS

Remarks provided by Speechwriting.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

On the morning of April 19, 1995, America was devastated by news of an explosion at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. As rescuers rushed to the scene, citizens across the country waited by their televisions and radios for information, and we prayed for the children, Federal workers, and many others caught by the bomb's deadly blast. Despite heroic efforts of emergency personnel and countless samaritans, 168 people lost their lives as a result of the brutal attack.

For a year we have mourned the dead, aided the residents of Oklahoma City in their struggle to rebuild, and strengthened our resolve to fight terrorism. And though it has been a sad and challenging time, the outpouring of love and support for those affected by the tragedy has helped our Nation to come together in common purpose. As we mark the first anniversary of the bombing, we remember the victims and honor their memory with a moment of silence. In prayer and quiet reflection, let us move forward together to foster peace in our land.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 19, 1996, as a National Day of Remembrance of the Oklahoma City Bombing. I ask all the people of the United States to observe a moment of silence on that day at 9:02 a.m., Central Daylight Time, gathering with family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues at home, at work, and in places of worship to commemorate this solemn occasion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
day of , in the year of our
Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-six, and of the Independence of
the United States of America the two hundred and twentieth.

Occupants of the Alfred P. Murrah Building

TOTAL

168 people, 19 of them children, were killed in the bombing

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

On April 19, 1995, 14 people were killed and 11 people were injured who either worked for one of the Treasury bureaus or were close family members of Treasury employees.

- **Internal Revenue Service:** Although there were no personnel assigned to the building, one person was injured. Most notably, unfortunately, is that of Edye Smith who lost her only two children, and her mother, Kathryn Graham, also an IRS employee and their grandmother.
- **Customs:** Of the six employees assigned to the Murrah Building, two Special Agents were killed and one employee was seriously injured.
- **Secret Service:** The Secret Service had a total of 13 employees assigned to the building, 6 of whom were killed in the blast.
- **Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms:** Of the 13 employees assigned to the building, only 4 were injured.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Investigative Service- 5 employees were killed in the bombing

Army- 7 employees and one child were killed

USMC- 2 employees were killed

Air Force- 5 employees were killed

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT AGRICULTURE

Seven (7) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) employees were killed in the bombing of the Murrah Federal Building, while 3 employees survived with minor injuries. In immediate response to the bombing, another APHIS office in Oklahoma City temporarily housed many of the survivors so APHIS' work in Oklahoma could continue. Since that time, APHIS' Oklahoma City offices have relocated to 4020 North Lincoln Boulevard. In addition, APHIS has contracted with a local psychologist to provide counseling to all of the employees in Oklahoma, as well as families of the victims.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

1 employee who was NOT in the building at the time of the explosion.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

At the time of the bombing, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, had 8 auditors assigned to the Oklahoma Field Office, which was located on the third floor of the building. Of these staff, 7 individuals were in the building and all survived the blast. Due to the unfortunate death of an 18-month old child of an HHS auditor, a memorial fund has been established at the school in the child's hometown of Amber, Oklahoma. Over \$12,000 has been raised for the purchase of books, computers, and other support services to establish a school library. At this time, 5 of the 8 auditors assigned to the HHS Oklahoma City Field Office are still being treated for lingering traumatic effects of the blast; 4 have returned to work, but 4 remain on worker's compensation leave.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HUD lost 35 employees of 126 in the April 19 bombing of the Murrah Building. The Department has relocated into permanent office space in downtown Oklahoma City. Nearly all of the surviving employees have returned to work and most of the other positions have been filled. Other HUD offices are still assisting with a small portion of the workload.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Oklahoma Division was located on the fourth floor of the building in Room 454. This office was responsible for all Federal-aid and motor carrier activities within the State of Oklahoma. Of the 24 employees, only 18 were in the building at the time of the blast. Ten (10) FHWA employees died as a direct result of the blast. The FHWA Memorial Fund was established to assist over \$20,000 in contributions have already been received. This fund will issue 100% of all contributions to DOT employees and their families.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

There were 8 employees in the building, none of whom were killed in the explosion. Due to the bombing, the new VA benefits office is located in the Old Post Office Building and will provide full service to the public on veterans' benefits, insurance, VA guaranteed home loans and vocational rehabilitation and training.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

At the height of the aftermath of the bombing, there were 19 SBA disaster employees in Oklahoma City. As of February 17, 1996, SBA had approved 162 loans for a total of \$7,263,500 to individuals and businesses as a result of the Oklahoma City bombing. On April 27, 1995, a day after Oklahoma City was declared a disaster, SBA opened a workshop. Two days later, the workshop was converted to the FEMA Disaster Recovery Center. The first checks were presented to loan recipients on May 3, one week after the SBA workshop reopened.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

At the time of the blast, 16 employees were killed. Of the 34 employees who were on duty, 24 survivors were injured physically, 2 were hospitalized overnight, and 2 involved lengthy hospital stays. In addition, 24 SSA customers were killed in the bombing and 3 more were injured, while only one escaped unharmed. The Department reopened on May 22, 1995, yet, the staff continues to recover and make decisions about their careers to the present day. On the whole, most employees returned, however, a few individuals have retired early or transferred to different buildings. At this time there are 24 new employees. SSA continues to provide official time to employees for 3 weekly support groups and 1 monthly group counseling session.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

OFFICIAL PHOTO WITH
RICHARD DEAN AND FAMILY

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Backstage
The Myriad Convention Center
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 2:30 pm - 2:35 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins *Kitty*

I. PURPOSE

To visit with Richard Dean and his family.

II. BACKGROUND

As you will recall, Richard Dean was an invited guest of yours to the State of the Union Address. Mr. Dean has worked for the Social Security Administration for 22 years. And, last year, after the bomb exploded he reentered the Murrah building four times to assist other people.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

The First Lady

Richard Dean

Barbara West - Richard's wife.

Melanie Patry - daughter

Miranda Morrison - granddaughter

Mark Maples - grandson

Cody Compton - grandson

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** and the First Lady will meet the Dean family after the event in the Convention Center.
- **YOU** take photo and depart.

VI. REMARKS

None.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

APRIL 4, 1996

OFFICIAL PHOTO WITH THE
CITY COUNCIL OF OKLAHOMA CITY

DATE: APRIL 5, 1996
TIME: 2:35 - 2:40 PM
LOCATION: BACKSTAGE, MYRIAD CONVENTION CENTER
OKLAHOMA CITY
FROM: MARCIA HALE *MH*
MEGAN WILLIAMS

I. PURPOSE

To meet with the members of the Oklahoma City City Council for a group photo.

II. BACKGROUND

Mayor Ron Norick requested this meeting and will introduce you to the city council members. You have never had a group photo taken with the Oklahoma City Council.

III. PARTICIPANTS

THE PRESIDENT
Mayor Ron Norick
City Councilman Frosty Peak
City Councilman Mark Schwartz
City Councilman Jack Cornett
City Councilman Frances Lowery
City Councilman Jerry Foshee
City Councilman Ann Simank
City Councilman Willa Johnson
City Councilman Guy Liebmann

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

The President enters the backstage area and is greeted by Mayor Ron Norick.

Mayor Ron Norick introduces the members of the Oklahoma City City Council to the President.

THE President speaks briefly with the City Council members.

The President poses for group photo with the City Council members.

VI. REMARKS

None required

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

MEETING WITH PRESIDENT'S OKLAHOMA CITY
SCHOLARSHIP FUND ADVISORY BOARD

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Classroom
School of Education
The University of Central Oklahoma
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 3:20 pm - 3:50 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins 

I. PURPOSE

To meet with the Advisory Board of the President's OKC Scholarship Fund.

II. BACKGROUND

As you know, the Advisory Board was appointed last fall, but has not formally met. Most of the identified need for education assistance has been realized through the contributions made to 11 different scholarship funds created in the aftermath of the bombing. Since the goal has virtually been met the original reason for bringing this board together no longer exists. The meeting will provide an opportunity to thank those distinguished citizens for their willingness to serve and recognize and celebrate the success of all those who have helped to meet the education needs of the children victimized by this tragedy. There are numerous other needs of the community and Governor Nigh suggests we invite the Board members to get involved in other areas.

185 children have been identified as eligible for scholarship assistance. It is estimated that \$8.96 million of a goal of \$10.5 million has been donated.

III. PARTICIPANTS

28 individuals were appointed to the Advisory Board, and the following members join you:

GEORGE NIGH, Democrat of Oklahoma, who will serve as Chair of the Board, is the former Governor of Oklahoma and currently serves as the President of the University of Central Oklahoma. His wife, Donna, will be with him.

NANCY B. ANTHONY, of Oklahoma, is the executive director of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, Inc., an organization which manages endowments for nonprofits and scholarship programs, among other things. This organization has been extremely involved in giving scholarships to those affected by the bombing. Her husband, Bob, will be with her.

JAMES B. APPLEBERRY, of Oklahoma, is the president of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU).

HANS BRISCH, of Oklahoma, is the Chancellor of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education and CEO for the State Regents. His wife, Margaret, will be with him.

RUTH ANN DREYER, Democrat of Oklahoma, is Chair of the Heartland Scholarship Fund. Her husband, Roger, will be with her.

BARBARA K. JOBE, of Oklahoma, is the Chief of Staff to the First Lady in Gov. Keating's office. Her husband, Michael, will be with her.

MELVIN HALL, Democrat of Oklahoma, is an attorney, a member of the Oklahoma University Board of Regents and the former Executive Director of the Human Rights Division for the State of Oklahoma. Mr. Hall is extremely highly regarded throughout the state. His wife, Alicia, will be with him.

V. BURNS HARGIS, Republican of Oklahoma, is a political commentator in Oklahoma City. His wife, Ann, will be with him.

LOU KERR, Democrat of Oklahoma, is the daughter-in-law of Senator Robert S. Kerr. She heads the Kerr Foundation, an OKC philanthropic foundation. Her husband, Bob, will be with her.

MARTHA KING, of Oklahoma, will be representing the Governor's Fund on the Council. Ms. King is the chief volunteer contact with children of victims on behalf of the Governor's Fund. She is the former Director of Neighbor for Neighbor, a non-profit organization in OKC. Her husband, William, will be with her.

MICHAEL MASHBURN, Democrat of Oklahoma, is the step-son of Governor Nigh. His wife, Suzi, will be with him.

RONALD NORICK, Republican of Oklahoma, is the Mayor of Oklahoma City. His wife, Carolyn, will be with him.

DIANE OAKLEY, of Washington, D.C., is the vice president of Associations and Government Relations for the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association -- College Retirement Equities Fund.

MICHAEL TURPEN, Democrat of Oklahoma, is the former Attorney General of Oklahoma. His wife, Susie, will be with him.

RHONDA WALTERS, Democrat of Oklahoma, and former Governor David Walters.

JAMES LEE WITT, Democrat of Arkansas, is the Director of FEMA.

STANTON YOUNG, Democrat of Oklahoma, is the Chairman of the Presbyterian Health Foundation and is considered a city father of OKC. He is a businessman, philanthropist, investor, and former Oklahoma Highway Commissioner. His wife, Barbara, will be with him.

STEVE BAUER, of Colorado, who administers the Board, is the executive director of the Federal Employees Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA). His wife, Eileen, will be with him.

MICHAEL ENOCH, a 9th grade student, lost his mother in the bombing. She was killed when she went to the Social Security Administration Office to get a number for her baby. Michael's stepfather is a housekeeper at Baptist Medical Center. Michael is a mature young man who is well regarded by fellow students and school officials. A member of the football team at McGuiness Catholic High School, he was pre-enrolled with his mother's assistance shortly before the bombing. His mother reaffirmed her commitment to getting her children a good education during her conversation with the Superintendent of the school. Michael will serve as an ex-officio, non voting member and will be accompanied by his step-father, Martin Alexander.

JASON SMITH, of Oklahoma, a student at the University of Central Oklahoma, is the recipient of a Regent's Scholarship. Jason served in the Air Force for four years and lost his mother in the bombing. She worked for the Secret Service for sixteen years.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- Governor Nigh makes opening remarks and introduces YOU.
- YOU make brief remarks.
- YOU and the First Lady meet and greet with board members.

VI. REMARKS

Provided by Speechwriting.

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON
MEETING WITH OKLAHOMA CITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE
OKLAHOMA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY**

APRIL 5, 1996 30 APR 4 P 6:05

- Thank you, Governor Nigh. I'm pleased to have this opportunity to meet with you.
- Today is a difficult day for all of us, as we remember the 168 Americans who were killed in the terrible bombing one year ago. It is also especially difficult for many of us, because we are also mourning 35 people, including my dear friend Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, who were killed in a tragic plane crash earlier this week.
- Everyone who died was killed while performing their jobs -- doing what they believed in -- and giving something back to their country.
- In mourning our losses, it is important that we look at what Oklahoma City and this country have done to rebuild not only their city but also their faith in humanity.
- This scholarship fund is a very vivid example of the nation coming together to support the people of Oklahoma City. In less than a year, this community has almost reached the goal of raising ten million dollars in scholarship money for the 185 children whose lives were changed forever last April 19.
- But it is the stories behind the money raised, that touch our hearts and give us hope. We hear of young children sending in their \$2 allowances. Boy Scouts holding car washes. Communities setting up bake sales. This is the part of America that makes us great.
- I have learned many lessons since I became President. But the most important thing I have learned in the last three years is that our country must work together to face our challenges. When we are divided, we defeat ourselves, when we are together, we always win.
- I want to thank each of you for offering to serve on this Committee. And I'd like to ask for your ongoing support as Oklahoma City continues to rebuild and recover.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

TAPED NATIONAL RADIO ADDRESS

DATE: April 5, 1996
LOCATION: School of Education
University of Central Oklahoma
TIME: 4:00 PM CST
FROM: Rica Rodman

I. PURPOSE

As the one year anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing approaches, you will strongly encourage Congress to pass the anti-terrorism bill. You will briefly compare Secretary Ron Brown's rebuilding efforts in Croatia with those in Oklahoma City.

II. BACKGROUND

There will be a cough button on your desk should you need it. This address is closed to guests.

III. PARTICIPANTS

President
Kris Engskov
White House Communications Agency (WHCA) staff
White House Television (WHTV)
Staff photographer

IV. PRESS PLAN

The ABC, CNN, AP, C-SPAN, CBS, NBC, Mutual, UPI, USA, American Urban Radio Network, and Standard News radio networks will carry the address in its entirety to their thousands of stations across the country this Saturday at 9:06 AM CST.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Briefing
Tape Radio Address

VI. REMARKS

The speech text will be provided by David Shipley in the Speechwriting Office.

4/4/96 10:00 P.M.

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESS
APRIL 6, 1996**

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Good morning. This week, 33 courageous Americans, led by my dear friend Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, perished in the Balkans. They gave their lives on a mission to prove to the people of that war-torn region that, through faith and commitment, we can heal the wounds of intolerance.

The people of Oklahoma City -- where I visited yesterday -- have proved this to our nation. Nearly a year has passed since evil struck our heartland, killing 168 people, injuring many more, touching us all. Yet from the moment terror's shadow darkened their lives, the people of Oklahoma City have known only one response: to join together to rebuild their city and their community.

They have shown us that while we cannot guarantee our children a world free of mad men, we **can** promise them that we will always build and rebuild safe places to sustain and nurture their new lives. They have reminded us that while we can never bring back the souls that were torn from us, we **can** prove that the forces of hatred and division are no match for the goodness in the human spirit.

Oklahoma City reminds us of something else, too. That we must give nothing less than everything we have in the fight against terrorism -- in this country, and around the world. For as open societies and markets flourish, progress spreads quickly -- but problems can, too.

Terror knows no boundaries. No one is immune -- not the people of Japan, where a gas attack in the Tokyo subway poisoned hundreds of commuters...not the people of England, where brutal bombings took innocent lives and threatened the dream of peace in Northern Ireland...and not the people of Israel, where suicide bombers killed themselves and scores of others in hopes of stopping the Middle East peace process.

I have made our battle against terrorism a priority. On our own and with the United Nations, we have put in place strong sanctions against states that sponsor terrorism. We have improved our cooperation with other nations to deter terrorists before they act...capture them when they do...and see to it that they are brought to justice. And we have increased funding, personnel, and training for our law enforcement agencies.

Our efforts are paying off. We've prevented terrorist attacks. We've extradited and arrested more terrorists than all previous administrations combined. And we helped lead the Summit of Peacemakers last month, where 29 leaders from the Middle East and around the world came together for the first time to stare down terror and stand up for peace.

Despite our progress, we know there is much more to do. We must be as relentless as the forces we aim to defeat. Terrorists may never give up...and we must never give in.

That is why, more than a year ago, I sent to Congress legislation that would strengthen our ability to investigate, prosecute, and punish terrorist activity. After Oklahoma City, I made it even stronger. My efforts were guided by three firm goals: To protect American lives without infringing on American rights...to give the F.B.I. and other law enforcement officials the tools they have asked for to do the job...and to make sure terrorists are barred from this country.

In the wake of Oklahoma City, Congress promised to send me the bill -- 6 weeks after the tragic bombing. And yet, unbelievably, almost an entire year has passed, and Congress still has not managed to send me strong anti-terrorism legislation.

There is simply no excuse for this foot-dragging. This bill should have been signed and sealed a year ago. So I urge the Congress: Make it happen. Get this bill onto my desk so that I can sign it into law. I urge Congress to pass anti-terrorism legislation by April 19, the first anniversary of the bombing. In the name of the children and all the people of Oklahoma City, I say to Congress: Do not let another day go by in which America does not have the tools it needs to fight terrorism.

It is essential that Congress send me the **right** anti-terrorism legislation -- legislation that will finally give law-enforcement the upper-hand.

We need explicit authority to prevent terrorist groups like Hamas from raising money in the United States for their dirty deeds. We need the authority to deport quickly foreigners who abuse our hospitality by supporting terrorist activities from our shores. We need to give law enforcement officials the ability to use high-tech surveillance and other investigative tools to keep up with stealthy, fast-moving terrorists.

And we need a provision to chemically mark the explosive materials terrorists use to build their deadly bombs. If we know where explosives come from, we have a much better chance of finding out who used them. Yet the Republicans in Congress actually oppose this common-sense initiative. And they oppose it because the Washington gun lobby told them to. I hope the Republicans in Congress will change course when they return to work -- and realize that the special interests must never take precedence over the national interest.

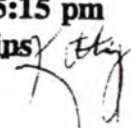
We know acts of terror are no match for the human spirit. In the last year, the people of Oklahoma City have proved this. We know we can heal from terrorism. Now, we must do even more to stop it before it happens. This bill will help us do just that. And that's why it must be the law of the land.

In closing, Hillary and I want to take this moment to wish you a happy Easter and a joyous Passover. Thanks for listening.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1996

REMARKS TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY

DATE: Friday, April 5, 1996
LOCATION: Courtyard
School of Education
The University of Central Oklahoma
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
TIME: 4:30 pm - 5:15 pm
FROM: Kitty Higgins 

I. PURPOSE

To address the students and community of the University of Central Oklahoma.

II. BACKGROUND

Former Governor Nigh is President of the University of Central Oklahoma and invited you to his campus on your trip to Oklahoma City. He originally asked that you dedicate a new Education Building, however we did not think that it would be appropriate for this trip.

The backdrop of your speech will be the old and new Education Buildings.

In the VIP section will be numerous invited guests, including some of the political appointees from the region.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

Former Governor George Nigh - President, University of Central Oklahoma

Speaker Glen Johnson - Speaker of the Oklahoma State House of Representatives. Speaker Johnson invited you to the Capitol to publicly thank you for your "gracious support you so generously gave."

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- Former Governor George Nigh, President, University of Central Oklahoma, makes welcoming remarks and introduces Speaker Johnson.
- Speaker Johnson makes remarks and presents **YOU** with a resolution of appreciation.
- **YOU** make remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **YOU** work a ropeline and depart.

VI. REMARKS

Provided by Speechwriting.



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March 26, 1996

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of The United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

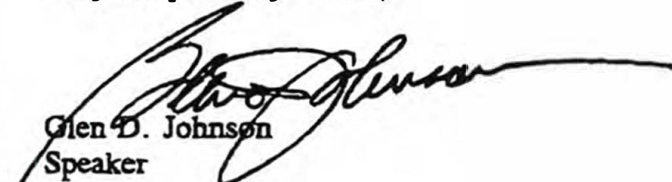
It has been brought to our attention that you will be visiting the State of Oklahoma on Friday, April 5, 1996. This is, indeed, a great honor for our State. Accordingly, on behalf of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, I would like to extend an invitation for you to be our guest that day at the Capitol for appropriate recognition by members of the Oklahoma Legislature.

Your sensitivity to the needs of Oklahomans and the caring manner in which you comforted the bombing survivors and the families of the bombing victims in the aftermath of the April 19th tragedy in Oklahoma City, was sincerely appreciated. We would, therefore, welcome the opportunity to extend, publicly, our personal thank you for the gracious support you so generously gave.

If your schedule does not permit a visit to the Capitol on April 5th, however, we would also be pleased to make our appreciation presentation to you at another event during your visit.

Mr. President, we are glad you are coming to Oklahoma and again say, "thank you" for the kindnesses you have extended to the people of our Great State.

Very Respectfully Yours,


Glen D. Johnson
Speaker

GDJ:PT:go/Clinton

cc: President George Nigh

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)

HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1095

By: Johnson of the House

and

Taylor of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution expressing appreciation for President Bill Clinton's continued support since the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building on April 19, 1995; commending President Bill Clinton for his April 5, 1996, visit to Oklahoma City; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, President Bill Clinton and his administration's immediate and continuous leadership and support during the rescue and search efforts following the devastating and infamous bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building on April 19, 1995, will be cherished and remembered by all Oklahomans and Americans; and

WHEREAS, President Clinton's participation in the April 23, 1995, memorial service at the state fairgrounds during this state's darkest moments was symbolic of the prayers, support and concern of all Americans for survivors, victims and their families and friends, workers in buildings impacted by the bombing, rescue workers, and citizens of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, President Bill Clinton uplifted the spirits of Oklahomans and Americans at the April 23, 1995, memorial service by stating: "If anybody thinks Americans are mostly mean and selfish, they ought to come to Oklahoma. If anybody thinks Americans have lost their capacity for love and caring and courage, they ought to

31 | come to Oklahoma"; and

32 | WHEREAS, President Clinton that day underscored this country's
33 | determination to stand against domestic terrorism by stating: "Let
34 | let our own children know that we will stand against the forces of
35 | fear."; and

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1 WHEREAS, President Clinton and his administration have continued
2 the covenant with the survivors and families of victims of the
3 bombing by supporting their attendance at the trial in Denver of the
4 alleged perpetrators of the terrorist bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah
5 Federal Building, and the rebuilding of the Oklahoma City downtown
6 area impacted by the devastating explosion; and

7 WHEREAS, President Clinton, because of an out-of-country
8 commitment, will be unable to be present for the April 19, 1996,
9 memorial service in Oklahoma City; and

10 WHEREAS, President Clinton has announced plans to be in Oklahoma
11 City on April 5, 1996, to make tribute to those who lost their lives
12 as a result of the explosion and to visit with the survivors of the
13 bombing and their families at the Myriad Convention Center in
14 Oklahoma City and to share in their and the state's healing from the
15 tragic events surrounding the bombing and its aftermath.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
17 THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
18 CONCURRING THEREIN:

19 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature wishes to express its sincere
20 appreciation on behalf of the State of Oklahoma for President
21 Clinton's continuing support and inspiring message of hope and
22 encouragement for bombing survivors and families of victims, workers
23 who lost colleagues in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building bombing,
24 all those who participated in the search and recovery process, and
25 all Oklahomans who were affected by the crisis of April 19, 1995.

26 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature commends President Clinton for his
27 visit to Oklahoma City on April 5, 1996, and his continuing personal
28 commitment to participation in the healing process one year after the
29 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

30 THAT a copy of this resolution shall be distributed to President

31 Bill Clinton, a leader whose prompt decisive action to reach out to
32 this state when fevered assistance was so urgently needed will be
33 inscribed in the hearts of Oklahomans.

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4/4/96 8 p.m.

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**PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON
REMARKS TO UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY
OKLAHOMA CITY
APRIL 5, 1996**

[Acknowledgments:] Former Governor George Nigh; Rep. Ernest Istook; Mayor Bob Rudkin; House Speaker Glen Johnson; HUD Regional Representative Steve Weatherford [POTUS appointee; graduate of UCO]; members of the University of Central Oklahoma community.

I have just come from a memorial service for the victims of the Oklahoma City tragedy. So let me begin by sharing with you what I said to their families and friends.

The loss this community suffered one year ago can never be made whole. Nothing we say or do can bring back the children... the mothers and fathers... the sons and daughters... the husbands and wives who were stolen from you before their time.

But while your spirit has been terribly tested, it has not been defeated. Ever since the very first alarm sounded, Oklahoma City, with the help of thousands of Americans all across our land, came together. From an extraordinary rescue effort... to the scholarship funds for surviving children... to the current outpouring of support that will allow families to travel to Denver for the trial, you have reminded us that when America pulls together, we are never defeated. And you have shown children all over our country that in the wake of evil, goodness will prevail.

I wanted to end this day of remembrance here, in a place of learning and reason that is focused on the future. You share with me a special responsibility to make sense of this senseless act of violence -- and to do everything we can to stop it from happening again. To succeed, we have to put Oklahoma City in a larger context: the challenge that all democracies now face in protecting the safety of their citizens.

Think about this moment we are living. For more people than ever before, it is a moment of remarkable possibility. Our country is at peace. Our economy is strong. The Cold War is over. Democracy and free markets are taking root on every continent. Former political prisoners -- from Havel to Mandela -- are now presidents. And around the world, conflicts that once seemed beyond solution are closer than ever to resolution.

What we're seeing is the blocs, barriers and borders that defined the world for previous generations give way -- with the help of a new generation of extraordinary technology. The laptops, modems, CD-ROMs and satellites you use every day send ideas, products and money across our planet in seconds. They bring with them extraordinary opportunities to build a safer and more prosperous future... to make our own people healthier and wiser through advances in medicine and education... to protect our planet from decay through sustainable development... to create good new jobs by opening markets around the world.

But the promise of this moment is matched by peril. The false prophets that dominated so much of our century -- fascism and communism -- are dead or discredited. But the forces of intolerance live on -- and just as surely as fascism and communism, they would spread hatred over hope... chaos over community.

These forces can be seen in sudden explosions of ethnic and religious rivalries that my friend Ron Brown, his Commerce Department colleagues, some of our finest business leaders and their military crew were working so hard to stop from happening again when their plane went down in the Balkans. They can be seen in the reckless aggression of rogue states. And they can be seen especially in a growing web of threats that include terrorism, international organized crime, drug trafficking and the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

Now, groups that once operated only in one country or region, or engaged in only one kind of criminal activity have become global and diversified. Drug traffickers barter machine guns. Terrorists sell counterfeit bills. Organized criminals smuggle nuclear materials. They find strength in the very openness, freedom and progress we cherish. They are equal opportunity destroyers with no respect for borders.

No one is immune -- not the people of Japan, where a gas attack in the Tokyo subway poisoned thousands of commuters

Not the people of England, where brutal bombings took innocent lives and threatened the growing prospects for peace in Northern Ireland.

Not the people of Israel, where suicide bombers killed scores of innocent people in their desperate attempt to kill the peace process.

Not the people of Latin America or Southeast Asia, where heavily armed drug traffickers have murdered judges, journalists, police officers and passers-by.

Not the people of the new democracies in Eastern Europe, where organized criminals prey on decent men and women trying to build a better life.

And not the people of our own country -- where homegrown terrorists blew up your Federal Building, where foreign hate mongers tried to topple the World Trade Center in New York, where drugs and the violence that is their by-product destroy so many lives.

That's why my administration has made the fight against these forces of destruction a national priority -- and a national security priority.

To stem the flow of narcotics and stop the spread of organized crime, we are cooperating as never before with countries around the world -- sharing information, providing military support, initiating anti-corruption efforts, taking on money laundering, shutting down drug syndicate front companies, opening an FBI office in Russia and a training center in Hungary. And we're getting results -- busting up drug cartels... bringing crime kingpins to justice... giving our new Drug Czar General McCaffrey the tools he needs to slow the flow of drugs to our children.

To reduce the nuclear threat and prevent weapons of mass destruction from falling into the wrong hands, we have engaged in the most far reaching arms control and nuclear security effort in history. I am very proud of the results:

Today there are no Russian missiles pointed at our cities or citizens. Through the START treaties, our two countries are cutting their nuclear arsenals by 2/3rds from their Cold War height. We convinced Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan to give up the nuclear weapons left on their land when the Soviet Union collapsed. We got North Korea to freeze its dangerous nuclear weapons program. We helped win the indefinite extension of the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. We're working with countries around the world to safeguard nuclear materials and convert them to peaceful use -- which will be at the top of the agenda when I'm in Moscow for the Nuclear Summit two weeks from now. And I am determined to secure a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and to get our Congress to approve the Chemical Weapons Convention -- this year.

And we are waging the battle against terrorism here at home and around the world.

Working through the United Nations and on our own, we maintain strong sanctions against states that sponsor terrorism -- like Iran, Iraq, Sudan and Libya. We're cooperating closely with countries around the world to stop terrorists before they act... to capture them when they do... and to bring them to justice. We have increased funding, personnel and training for our law enforcement agencies. We've developed new technologies -- like brief-case sized x-ray machines and bomb squad robots -- to detect and disable bombs. After the terrible suicide bombings in the Middle East, we pledged \$100 million for counter-terrorism equipment and training to Israel. And we led the Summit of Peacemakers where 29 leaders from the Middle East and around the world came together to stand down terror and stand up for peace.

Our policy is clear: terrorism will not pay. Terrorists will pay.

These efforts are getting results. We've foiled terrorist attacks on New York City and on our airliners abroad. We've arrested and extradited more terrorists than all previous administrations combined. We've brought to justice and won convictions against most of the terrorists responsible for the World Trade Center bombing. We've strengthened our ability to deal with terrorists attacks involving chemical or biological weapons.

These achievements are real. They have saved lives. But terrorists never give up. So we must never give in. We have to remain vigilant, reduce our vulnerabilities and constantly renew our efforts to defeat terrorism. That's why I have been so frustrated by Congress' failure to pass the tough anti-terrorism legislation I proposed after Oklahoma City.

The legislation I sent to Congress would strengthen our ability to investigate, prosecute and punish terrorist activity. Congressional leaders promised to send the bill back to me for signature by last Memorial Day -- 6 weeks after Oklahoma City. Now, almost an entire year has passed and that bill has yet to cross my desk. While Congress is dragging its feet, you can bet that terrorists won't be dragging theirs. Terrorists do not go slow. Their only agenda is death and destruction on their own timetable. We need this legislation, and we need it now.

But we also need the right kind of legislation. It should include a provision to chemically mark the explosive materials terrorists use to build their bombs. It should grant us explicit authority to prevent terrorist groups like Hamas from raising money in America. It should allow us to quickly deport foreigners who support terrorist activities from our shores. And it should give our law enforcement officials the ability to use high tech surveillance to keep up with stealthy, fast moving terrorists.

The forces of destruction prey on all that divides us. They forget that for all our differences, so much more unites us. Here in America's heartland and all over the world, most people want the same things: to live in peace... to be treated with dignity... to provide for themselves and their families... to build a better life than their parents had -- and to pass on an even better one to their children.

The lesson of Oklahoma City is that even the most horrible acts of terror are no match for those simple dreams... and for the human spirit. If we follow your example -- if we come together and work together as a team in our communities, in Washington, all across America and around the world -- we can and we will defeat them.

Thank you.

ECONOMIC PROGRESS IN OKLAHOMA UNDER PRESIDENT CLINTON

President Clinton's strategy to strengthen the economy is based on reducing the federal budget deficit, lowering trade barriers, and empowering workers, families, businesses and communities to succeed. Here are some of the results for Oklahoma after the first 37 months of the Clinton Administration:

Improved Economic Conditions in Oklahoma:

- The unemployment rate has dropped from 5.7% to 4.7%.
- Over 1 1/2 times more new jobs **per year** --32,659 vs. 21,275 average during the previous 4 years. In 37 months, Oklahoma has added 100,700 total jobs, after adding 85,100 during the previous 4 years combined.
- Over twice as many new private-sector jobs **per year** -- 33,600 vs. 16,450 average during the previous 4 years. In 37 months, Oklahoma has added 103,600 private-sector jobs, after adding 65,800 during the previous 4 years combined.
- Oklahoma has added 300 manufacturing jobs, after *ADDING* 3,800 during the previous 4 years combined.
- New business incorporations have increased 8% **per year** -- after increasing 2% **per year** during the previous 12 years.
- New home building has increased 9% **per year** -- after falling 7% **per year** during the previous 12 years.
- Bank lending has increased by \$3.7 billion -- after dropping by \$9.6 billion during the previous 8 years.
- Consumer confidence has increased 73%.
- Help Wanted Index has increased 20%.

What President Clinton's Accomplishments Have Achieved for the People of Oklahoma:

\$15,000 OF REDUCED FEDERAL DEBT FOR EVERY FAMILY OF FOUR IN OKLAHOMA: The national debt will be **more than \$1 trillion** lower over 7 years than was projected before the passage of the President's 1993 economic plan. That's about \$15,000 of reduced federal debt for each family of four in Oklahoma.

20 TIMES MORE OKLAHOMA FAMILIES RECEIVE A TAX CUT THAN A TAX INCREASE: As a result of the expanded Earned Income Tax Credit, 213,568 working families in Oklahoma will receive a tax cut. This compares to an increase in the income tax rate for only the 10,858 wealthiest taxpayers in Oklahoma.

TAX CUT FOR 18,653 SMALL BUSINESSES IN OKLAHOMA: The President helped entrepreneurs, proprietors, and other small businessmen and women by expanding the annual expensing allowance from \$10,000 to \$17,500. About 18,653 small businesses in Oklahoma are likely to benefit from the expansion of the expensing allowance this year alone *and many more will benefit over the coming years.*

418,000 OKLAHOMA WORKERS PROTECTED BY FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT: The Family and Medical Leave Act allows workers to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave for the birth of a child, to care for a sick family member, or if they become too sick to work. This law covers about 417,627 workers in Oklahoma, and protects the jobs of 25,089 workers in Oklahoma who are likely to use unpaid leave this year alone.

182,700 STUDENTS AND FORMER STUDENTS IN OKLAHOMA WILL BE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM STUDENT LOAN REFORMS: Approximately 182,700 Oklahoma borrowers -- 127,900 current borrowers and 54,800 new borrowers in the next few years -- can take advantage of the new direct student loan program by participating directly in the program or by consolidating guaranteed loans into direct loans. Some will benefit from lower interest rates, and all will benefit from more repayment options, including income contingent repayment.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 3, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Julia Chamovitz
National Economic Council

SUBJECT: Background Information on the Oklahoma Economy

This memorandum presents background information about economic conditions in Oklahoma.

- ***America Online to Create Up to 1,000 Jobs in Oklahoma City*** -- Virginia-based America Online announced on February 28 that Oklahoma City will be the location for its fifth and largest customer support center. The center, which will create approximately 1,000 jobs over the next two years, is expected to be operational by May. America Online employs approximately 4,000 worldwide. (Source: America Online)
- ***Oklahoma Awarded a Rural and Urban Enterprise Community (EC)*** -- Oklahoma City was designated as an urban EC and Southeast Oklahoma (Choctaw & McCurtain Counties) was designated a rural EC. Each EC was awarded \$3 million in flexible social services block grant funding in tax-exempt bonding authority for zone businesses. The Oklahoma City EC is focusing on five areas: small business assistance, education and training, community services, recreation and youth development, and physical improvements. The Southeast Oklahoma EC is focusing on developing telecommunications systems and infrastructure to link rural and urban areas. (Source: CEB)
- ***TRP Funds \$2.7 Million for a Project in Oklahoma City*** -- The Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science & Technology is leading the Oklahoma Industrial Extension System project to help renew and upgrade the manufacturing and technical skills of small defense firms. The project supports a network of 25 hands-on local extension/agents, six industrial specialists who provide market intelligence, coordination of specialized public and private sector resources, and an electronic information and communication system. The target population is nearly 4,000 dual-use manufacturers. (Source: ARPA)

- **Construction Underway at American Paging Inc.'s Call Center** -- American Paging Inc. is preparing to open a new customer call center in Oklahoma City this month. Initially, 150 employees will be hired to staff the center, but Minneapolis-based American Paging anticipates increasing employment up to 700 over the next several years. (Source: American Paging Inc.)

- **EITC Benefits 213,600 Families in Oklahoma** -- This comes from 1993 Treasury estimates.

<u>Rep.</u>	<u>EITC Benefits</u>	<u>\$ (millions)</u>	<u>% Families</u>	<u>Higher Taxes</u>
Largent	32,100 families	53.9	22.5	3,470 taxpayers
Coburn	38,000 families	63.7	25.7	962 taxpayers
Brewster	42,400 families	71.2	29.5	940 taxpayers
Watts	32,700 families	54.8	22.9	1,124 taxpayers
Istook	30,200 families	50.7	20.9	3,396 taxpayers
Lucas	38,000 families	63.8	26.8	967 taxpayers
STATE	213,600 families	358.2	24.7	10,858 taxpayers

- **Wal-Mart Will Build Distribution Center in Oklahoma** -- Wal-Mart Stores Inc. recently announced that Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, will be the site of its new distribution center. The company will invest approximately \$30 million in the facility and will create approximately 600 jobs over a two period. The facility, which will serve Wal-Mart stores in Northern Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma, is expected to be operational by the fall of 1998. (Source: Wal-Mart Stores Inc.)

- **Oklahoma Experiences Growth in Communications Jobs** -- A number of sources have commented on the growth of communications related jobs in Oklahoma City. In addition to the recent announcements by America Online and American Paging, Southwest Airlines and Idelman Telemarketing also announced the establishment of call centers in 1995 that will create a combined total of 2,500 Oklahoma jobs over the next few years. (Source: The Tulsa World 3/1/96, U.P.I. 2/28/96, The Times-Picayune 2/29/96, PR Newswire 2/28/96)

- **The Federal Reserve on the 10th District** -- The District's economy continues to grow at a moderate pace. Retail sales increased modestly, and homebuilding activity strengthened. In the banking sector, loan demand held steady. Manufacturing activity has slowed somewhat. Energy activity remains sluggish. In the wheat producing region of central Oklahoma, dry, cold weather has harmed yield prospects. Profits are also down in the cattle industry, due to high feed costs and low cattle prices. Although labor markets are tight, wages have held steady. (Source: The Federal Reserve Beige Book 3/13/96)

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WASHINGTON

April 3, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

**FROM: ANN WALKER
RUSSELL HORWITZ**

RE: Local Issues Briefing -- Oklahoma City

OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING

Trial

Last Saturday, Oklahoma bombing suspects Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols were moved from Oklahoma City to a medium-security federal prison in Englewood, Colorado. Since their arrest, McVeigh and Nichols had been held in a federal prison in El Reno, Oklahoma. The trial judge, U.S. District Court Judge Richard Matsch, ordered that the trial be moved to Denver after deciding that the suspects could not receive a fair trial in Oklahoma. Matsch has set August 27th as the date to hear a critical pre-trial motion in which the defendants, who have both plead not guilty, will ask that they be tried separately. The trial will most likely begin this fall or in early 1997. McVeigh and Nichols face the death penalty if convicted of federal murder and conspiracy charges for the bombing, which killed 169 people and injured more than 500.

Defense

Evidence that Timothy McVeigh suffers from severe mental problems could be used to avoid the death penalty if he is convicted of murder and conspiracy charges. Documents unsealed in March indicated that McVeigh's attorneys planned to use military records that show mental instability as a mitigating factor to keep McVeigh from possibly dying by lethal injection.

Coverage

Judge Matsch has decided that the prosecutors' request for broadcasting the bombing trial proceedings would violate court rules. Consequently, Attorney General Reno has decided against pursuing the video broadcast request any further. Senators Nickles, Inhofe and Hatch made the request to Reno for an unprecedented television hook-up because of the financial and emotional hardships posed on the victims and their families after the judge moved the trial to Denver. Attorney General Reno announced on February 27th that the department would make \$200,000 available through the Office for Victims of Crime to assist survivors and family members of victims who wish to attend the trial in Denver. Reno also has asked Congress to consider an amendment authorizing the Office for Victims of Crime to set aside up to \$500,000 for a travel and lodging fund for family members of victims traveling to Denver for the trial.

Education Scholarships

Over \$5.5 million in educational scholarships for the children of victims of the federal building bombing have been raised by fundraising campaigns, primarily outside Oklahoma. The Oklahoma City Scholarship fund, chaired by University of Central Oklahoma President George Nigh, has raised \$150,000. State regents have estimated that \$7-\$9 million will be needed if all of the surviving children attend college. During the 1995-96 academic year, 60 students are having their tuition and living expenses paid through the regents' Heartland Scholarship fund.

Downtown Redevelopment

A 13-member advisory panel from the Urban Land Institute, a nonprofit research and education organization, has concluded that downtown Oklahoma City is successfully redeveloping. One of the keys to the city's redevelopment is a proposed system of parks and greenways anchored by a memorial to the victims and survivors of the April 19, 1995 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building.

EDUCATION

University of Oklahoma to Eliminate Pornography

Officials from the University of Oklahoma took steps last Monday to limit internet access to obscene material, after learning that the University's computer system was being used to store obscene pictures. Although the material did not originate within the University, Catherine Bishop, the University's Associate Vice-President for Public Affairs, has established a task force to examine the problem. University of Oklahoma President David Boren learned that internet users were accessing pornographic material after meeting with the president of Oklahomans for Children and Families.

Pencil Drive for Bosnia

A student-organized campaign to collect pencils for Bosnian children starts this Wednesday in Bartlesville Mid-High School, located about 100 miles from Oklahoma City. The sophomore who started the drive said that she got the idea from watching footage on television of Bosnian children digging up a landmine to trade for pencils. The pencils collected by "Pencils For Bosnia" will be shipped overseas by the American Red Cross.

STATE GOVERNMENT

Handguns

The state House passed two concealed handgun measures on Monday. The first measure, already passed in the Senate, would allow farmers and ranchers to carry unloaded shotguns or rifles in their vehicles. Under the second bill, also passed by the Senate, concealed handgun applicants could get their permits without an immediate FBI fingerprint check, if their county and state background checks are complete. The Governor has already signed into law similar legislation granting temporary permits to firearms safety instructors.

State Senate OKs Freon Manufacture and Sale

A Senate panel approved a bill last Thursday to allow the manufacture, possession and sale of Freon in Oklahoma. The bill, which has already passed the state House of Representatives, will now be sent to the full Senate. The manufacture of Freon has been outlawed by Congress in order to cut the emission of chlorofluorocarbons which are believed to damage the ozone layer. Supporters of the Oklahoma bill believe that the danger of Freon is a myth and see the bill as a states' rights proposal which they expect to be challenged in the courts.

WELFARE

Keating Nixes Welfare Benefits Hike

Governor Keating has refused to restore welfare benefits that were cut last June. In January, the Commission for Human Services, citing a drop in welfare rolls, voted to restore the benefits which the commission had trimmed in June 1995 to balance its budget. Keating rejected the proposed 5 percent increase, citing overall improvements in the state's economy.

COURT CASE

Bomb Conspiracy Case

Opening remarks began Tuesday morning in the case of Willie Ray Lampley, Cecelia Lampley and John Dare Baird who are accused of conspiring to blow up gay bars, abortion clinics and civil rights centers. Mr. and Mrs. Lampley and Mr. Baird were arrested last November when an FBI agent discovered six bags of ammonium nitrate and books describing how to make explosives inside a trailer close to Lampleys' residence. Last August, Mr. Lampley apparently asked members of the Tri-States Militia in South Dakota for help in his "holy war" against Jews, gays, abortion doctors, and the government. Militia member Richard Schrum later informed the FBI of Lampley's request.

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April 4, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: John Hilley *JH*

SUBJECT: House-Senate Conference on Antiterrorism Legislation

SUMMARY

On March 27th the House and Senate conferees met to begin negotiating the differences between the House and Senate versions of antiterrorism legislation. Final House and Senate floor consideration of the conference agreement is tentatively scheduled for April 19, the one year anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing.

Very generally the Senate-passed bill is reflective of the Administration's original counterterrorism proposals while many of the House bill's Administration-backed antiterrorism provisions were "eviscerated" during House floor consideration of the measure. While it is anticipated that the conference agreement will largely track the House measure, conferees are likely to adopt key Administration proposals from the Senate measure.

Given that the conference report is still being developed, your position should be:

- You are in favor of the strongest bill possible emerging from conference and you are working with Congress to see that occur (refer to the Radio Address for 4/6).
- You should not promise to either sign or veto the bill at this time because it is very much a work in progress.

Additionally, Oklahoma State Attorney General Drew Edmondson has recruited many of the family members of the Oklahoma City bombing victims to support the habeas corpus provisions currently in the legislation. Moreover, since both the House and the Senate bill contain the same exact habeas provisions, there is almost no chance for change in conference.

- For these reasons, public opposition to the current habeas provisions should be avoided.

Please find attached a list of the key issues in the House and Senate counterterrorism bills and their likely disposition (based on initial conversations with both staff and conferees) in the House-Senate conference.

Key Counterterrorism Legislation Provisions

- Federal criminal jurisdiction for any international terrorist attack in the U.S. as well as for terrorists who use the U.S. as a base from which to plan activities overseas. Proposed by the Administration and contained in both the House and Senate bill. Likely to be adopted by conferees.
- An effective means of preventing fund raising in the U.S. that supports international terrorism overseas. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Likely to be adopted by conferees. (Final provision is likely to be weaker than Administration or Senate provision)
- A mechanism for expeditiously and fairly deporting alien terrorists without disclosing national security information. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Conference position is unclear.
- Authorization for "roving" wiretaps; adding terrorism cases to the list of cases under which temporary emergency wiretaps may be used; expanding the list of felonies that could be predicate offenses for wiretaps. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Not likely to be adopted by conferees.
- Authority to use the national security letter process to obtain records in terrorism investigations from hotels, motels, common carriers and storage and rental facilities. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Not likely to be adopted by conferees.
- Implementation of the Plastic Explosives Convention which requires chemicals be added in plastic explosives to permit detection. Proposed by the Administration and contained in both the House and the Senate bill. Likely to be adopted by conferees.
- Requirement of inclusion of microscopic taggants in explosives for tracing purposes. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Not likely to be adopted by conferees. (House bill contains a taggants study which is likely to be adopted by conferees.)
- A source of funding for the Administration's digital telephony initiative. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Conference position unclear.
- A new Federal offense for knowing possession of stolen explosives. Proposed by the Administration and contained in both the House and Senate bills. Likely to be adopted by conferees.

Enhanced penalties for transfer of firearms or explosives knowing they will be used in a crime of violence and for terrorist attacks against federal employees and their families. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the House bill with certain provisions also contained in the Senate bill. A weakened, compromise version likely to be adopted by conferees.

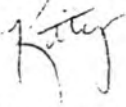
Extension of the statute of limitations for certain firearm offenses. Proposed by the Administration and contained in the Senate bill only. Unlikely to be adopted by conferees.

- Provisions to reform habeas corpus by setting a one year limitation on an application for a habeas writ and revising the procedures for consideration of a writ in Federal court (the measure would require Federal courts to give state court rulings broad deference). Generally opposed by the Administration because of the deference provisions. Identical provisions contained in both the House and Senate bills. Likely to be adopted by the conferees.
- Amendments to the Foreign Sovereign Immunity Act that would allow U.S. citizens to sue foreign perpetrators of terrorism in U.S. courts. Opposed by the Administration. Contained in both the House and Senate bills (although the Senate language is much more limited in scope). Likely to be adopted by the conferees.

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April 4, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KITTY HIGGINS 

SUBJECT: OKLAHOMA HOT ISSUES

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

- **Davis-Bacon:** In response to concerns raised by Senator Nickles and Rep. Istook the Department is updating the prevailing wage rates in Oklahoma. The revised wage rates will update the local wage rates that federal contractors are required to pay under the Davis-Bacon Act. The integrity of the original wage rate data was questioned by Oklahoma Labor Commissioner Brenda Reneau who claimed that fraud and abuse by private individuals had impinged the accuracy of the rates. The DOJ, FBI, DOL's Inspector General, and the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations are investigating her allegations.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

- **Animal Feeding Operation Issues:** A risk assessment review of concentrated animal feeding operation facilities in Texas and Oklahoma recently confirmed a developing problem with cumulative adverse impacts to surface and ground water resources, and land and air quality. The wastes generated by these operations have increased the nitrate levels in the groundwater, a source of drinking water for the local communities. In the Panhandle areas of Texas and Oklahoma, several corporations are proposing to construct hundreds of feeding operations which could result in significant adverse impacts to the local environment. EPA is working to develop ways to mitigate the adverse impacts from these feeding operation activities.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

- **Advanced Technology Program (ATP) Awards:** NIST recently made three awards involving the development of composite materials for use in offshore drilling operations. The use of composite "production risers", drill pipes, and spool able tubing would significantly reduce the capital costs of pursuing oil in deepwater tracts. The total ATP investment in these three projects is \$7.5 million.

- **Census Ruling:** The State of Oklahoma was a defendant-intervenor in a lawsuit decided by the Supreme Court March 20 involving adjustment of the 1990 census. The Court upheld former Commerce Secretary Mosbacher's decision not to adjust the 1990 census to correct for the undercounting of minorities. In reversing a lower court ruling, the Court ruled unanimously that Mosbacher was "well within the constitutional bounds of discretion over the conduct of the census provided to the Federal government."

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- **State Infrastructure Banks:** On April 4, Secretary Pena announced that Oklahoma had been selected for the State Infrastructure Banks (SIBs) pilot program. This program will demonstrate the ability to leverage Federal, State, local, and private funding for construction and re-construction of highway or transit projects. The seed money will come from 10% of the States Federal apportionments matched by 25% state funds.
- **Collection of State Motor Fuel Taxes on Indian Lands:** On June 14, 1995, the U.S. Supreme Court handed down a ruling that the State of Oklahoma may not tax motor fuel sold by Indian tribes on Indian lands. Although there are no Indian reservations in Oklahoma, there is a significant amount of land held in Tribal Trust.

At present there are only a few gas stations on Indian lands, but the number is expected to grow quickly as a result of the ruling. The Indian tribes are proposing to enter into a compact to share the tax revenues collected on tribal lands. Similar compacts have been signed with a number of the tribes for the collection of cigarette taxes. The State is very concerned that the ruling could have a severe impact on the amount of funds available for highway work in Oklahoma--as much as \$2 million next year.

The State Legislature is presently debating proposed legislation to change its motor fuel tax collection law. Currently, the States fuel taxes are levied upon the retailer who has the option of passing it on to the consumer; this, the court ruled, improperly interferes with the tribes right to self-government. The courts decision, however, does allow the State to rewrite its law to place the tax burden on the fuel distributor or consumer.

- **Air Service to Lawton, OK:** The City of Lawton news media incorrectly reported that the U.S. Army's that this summer's shut down of the Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR) at Fort Sill will have negative consequences to Lawton's Municipal Airport, including the possible shutdown of the airport. The Army will only be shutting down only the ASR (possibly this summer). The FAA has been notified and is studying how Approach Control Services can be provided.

- **Okemah, OK:** The city of Okemah wants to build a new general aviation airport to replace a small inadequate turf facility. The State has not placed a high priority on this project and has not yet recommended funding this airport to the FAA.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- **School Funding:** Since the state legislature and governor have not been able to agree on an amount to accommodate a 30,000-student increase in K-12 enrollment statewide, schools did not receive any interim funds for FY 1995 or FY 1996. Districts therefore have had a funding shortfall for two years since funding is not keeping pace with growing enrollment. To compound the problem, Oklahoma has experienced a five-year drop in the gross production taxes used to fund the teachers' pension fund, so schools had to make up the difference, stretching their budgets even further.

The legislature is still trying to resolve its disagreement with the governor. The governor has offered to approve \$22 million for mid-term adjustments to districts, but the state superintendent is pushing for \$26 million. The legislature is also debating proposals to create a more reliable system for tracking student enrollment shifts across the state. Oklahoma does not have a centralized system that yields uniform counts in all districts.

- **School Curriculum/Higher Standards:** On March 28, the State Board of Education approved a measure that will require Oklahoma high school students take a minimum of three years of mathematics in order to graduate. The requirement will begin to take effect for the class of 2000.
- **Gun-Free School Act:** Oklahoma is one of five states not in compliance with the Gun-Free Schools Act, which requires states to pass a law ordering the expulsion of youth caught carrying a firearm to school for a period of not less than one year. The law, which was passed as part of the 1994 Improving America's Schools Act, went into effect in October 1995.
- **Gender Equity in Athletics:** In March, the *Dallas Morning News* reported that five high school students had filed a lawsuit in federal court accusing the Tulsa Public School System of gender discrimination. The plaintiffs claim that the school districts violate their rights under Title IX. They allege that the school districts discriminate against female athletes in the areas of equipment and supplies, scheduling of games and practice times, travel, opportunity to receive qualified coaching, assignment and compensation of coaches, provisions for locker rooms and facilities for both practice and competition, as well as publicity. These cases have provoked local media coverage.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

- **Royalty Fairness:** The House Resources Committee on Friday, March 28th, passed the Royalty Fairness bill to overhaul natural gas and oil royalty collections on federal lands. The Administration has not yet stated a position due to disagreement within over one provision in the bill regarding delegating collection and enforcement procedures to the States. The NEC is currently addressing this issue. Industry and the States are in favor of this legislation because it reduces the cost of regulatory compliance and streamlines the reporting process.
- **Privatization of National Institute for Petroleum and Energy Research:** The Department plans to privatize the National Institute for Petroleum and Energy Research in Bartlesville, OK. DOE is currently in negotiations with the management contractor at the facility to privatize research on phased basis over the next two years. They expect this effort to save \$25 - \$35 million over five years without diminishing the quality and quantity of the research performed.

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

- **Tinker Air Force Base (AFB):** Privatization at the base is a topic of real concern because it is a competitor for the workloads which are being privatized at Kelly and McClellan AFBs. Tinker employs 13, 207 civilians and 8,357 military personnel and has a payroll of \$765 million.

THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- **Rural Electric Condemnation Challenge Heard By Tenth Circuit:** City of Sitwell, Oklahoma v. Ozarks Rural Electric Cooperative, et al., The City of Sitwell, OK expanded its municipal boundaries and sought to expropriate electric facilities in the newly-annexed area belonging to Ozarks Rural Electric Cooperative, a federally subsidized rural cooperative participating in the federal rural electrification program. The Federal agency involved -- the Rural Electrification Administration, now known as the Rural Utilities Service -- studied the proposed taking and concluded that it was very small in scope and presented no threat to the Federal program. The cooperative nevertheless resisted the condemnation, arguing that it was preempted by federal law under the Rural Electrification Act. The district court agreed, and held the condemnation barred by Supremacy Clause principles. The city appealed, and the Tenth Circuit held oral argument on January 24th and has not yet issued a decision.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- **Welfare Reform Proposal:** Oklahoma's pending welfare reform demonstration proposal is called the Welfare Self- Sufficiency Initiative and would be implemented in four pilots in selected counties. This proposal would establish a family cap, extend transitional child care up to 24 months, and pay new residents AFDC benefits at the level of the previous state of residence if those benefits are lower than Oklahoma's.

- **SoonerCare Begins Implementation:** SoonerCare, Oklahoma's section 1115 demonstration approved by HCFA on October 12, 1995, has begun enrolling beneficiaries in a tri-county area. Statewide enrollment will begin July 1. The program was designed to develop managed care in rural areas through the expansion of urban managed care organizations and implementation of two partially capitated delivery models. SoonerCare will serve approximately 458,000 beneficiaries and save the State an estimated \$56.4 million over 5 years.
- **Congressional Interest in Tulsa Community Action Agency (TCAA) Head Start Program:** Senators Inhofe and Nickels and Rep. Largent are asking for State and Federal probes into the financial operations of the Tulsa Community Action Agency (TCAA). They have sent letters to Governor Keating, the State Auditor, and to HHS Inspector General regarding "possible indiscretions in the TCAA's financial management". Several articles concerning the allegations have appeared in local newspapers. The HHS Regional Office has received no allegations of misappropriation of funds; however, a team of regional financial management specialists will be traveling to Tulsa in May to perform financial review of the Head Start Program.