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Dear Mr. President

I think it would be a very good idea if you sent your budget to many Americans.

This is an example of what it might say

Taxes = 40% = 30000000

Welfare = - 10000000

Healthcare funds

for old people - 100000

for the rest of people 900000

total Healthcare = - 1000000 etc.

I think you would have a 100% chance of winning the election if all you said about your budget were true and you could prove it to the Americans!

Teddy

From the Oval

Send to Democrats?

Yes ☒  
No ☐

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No ☐

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November 14, 1996

Ms. Betty Curry  
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Dear Ms. Curry:

Our mutual friends, Dr. Robert Muller and Barbara Gaughen, have urged me to bring the enclosed essays to the attention of the President.

Most importantly, the packet includes the first five hundred of Dr. Muller's Two Thousand Ideas For A Better World.

Dr. Muller is a candidate to become the next Secretary General of the United Nations. We believe that these writings clearly demonstrate that Dr. Muller is a true international servant and world citizen. In the tradition of Thomas Paine, he possesses the qualities of vision, enthusiasm and dynamic wisdom that are so critical to fulfill the responsible role of Secretary General in today's world.

We hope the President will be receptive to these suggestions and take special note of Dr. Muller's campaign.

With our gratitude for placing these papers in the President's hands.

Yours sincerely,

*Selma Brackman*

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***THE URGENCY AND ABSOLUTE NEED FOR A  
PROPER SYSTEM OF WORLD GOVERNMENT***

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***Dr. Robert Muller  
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*Statistics and Information from his speech delivered  
October 1996 for the world conference in Costa Rica'  
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TWO THOUSAND IDEAS FOR A BETTER WORLD

My countdown of dreams on Mt Rasur  
to the year 2000

for your thoughts and action

by ROBERT MULLER

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The first one hundred ideas

I am very grateful to Barbara Gaughen, of Gaughen Public Relations in Santa Barbara, California, for having drawn my attention to the countdown 2000 which started on 11 JULY 1994.

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Dear President Clinton,  
11<sup>th</sup> November  
Congratulations on yet another successful election. I graduated from the F.B.I. Academy in October and have been assigned to New York City. My graduation was wonderful, Director Freen delivered a very inspiring speech. Uncle Tom, Aunt Jude, Clara and Patrick were there as was Grandma Jean and Mom. Tommy, who is out achieving his own dream, couldn't make it. New York has been quite exciting, Jim + Jane Moore have invited me to dinner and Kit has put me in touch with his son Christopher who is also living in New York.

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. I hope to attend your Inauguration  
in January and look forward to  
talking with you and Hillary then.

Congratulations again President Clinton,  
it is wonderful to see you achieve  
so much. Grandma Jean sends her  
regards - I've been staying out here  
with her while I look for an  
apartment in the city.

Warmest Regards,  
Anne C. Beagan

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

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November 8, 1996

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KITTY HIGGINS *Kitty*

SUBJECT: Summary of Cabinet Weekly Reports  
November 1 - November 8, 1996

*Leon Panetta*  
*E. Liberman*

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

- **IRS/RIF:** On October 23, the IRS and the National Treasury Employees Union reached an agreement on approximately 1,000 field positions that will be eliminated through a reduction-in-force.
- **Computer Software Exports:** The IRS has published a proposed regulation that will establish a comprehensive framework for characterizing software transfers for the international provisions of the tax code. U.S. software companies have been seeking guidance in this area. These rules will determine when an export of computer software is considered a *licensing transaction* -- under which the income generated is subject to withholding in the foreign country -- and when it is considered a *sale of goods* -- under which no withholding is required.
- **Taiwan Carnet Agreement:** Customs has published a proposed regulation that will implement a bilateral carnet agreement between the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representatives in the U.S. and the American Institute in Taiwan. A carnet is an international customs document used to secure the temporary admission of goods, commercial samples, and professional equipment on a duty free basis. Taiwan was excluded from the international carnet convention, which includes more than 50 contracting countries.

- **Church Fires Update:** On October 28, an African-American defendant pled guilty to state arson and fraud charges in connection with a May 1996 fire that destroyed a fellowship hall at the Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, an African-American church in Cerro Gordo, NC. The defendant was sentenced to 20 months in prison and was ordered to pay \$40,000 in restitution to the church. A second defendant is awaiting trial. On October 28, ATF agents arrested a white suspect on federal arson charges in connection with an arson of the Church of Christ, an African-American church in Henderson, NV. As of October 29, the National Church Arson Task Force had a total of 280 cases under investigation. A total of 112 people have been arrested in connection with the fires. In African-American church fires, two of every three suspects arrested are white, whereas in white churches, nine of every ten suspects arrested are white.
- **Credit Card Fraud Arrests:** On October 30, Secret Service agents and local law enforcement officials in the U.S., Canada, and Britain executed 20 search warrants and arrested 32 individuals for mail fraud and access device fraud. The 5-month investigation focused on Nigerian nationals who defrauded legitimate credit card holders and companies of more than \$2 million.

#### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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**Federal Funds Use in Parochial School Case:** On October 29, in Agostini v. Felton [S. Ct.; 2d Cir.; E.D.N.Y.], the Supreme Court declared unconstitutional the practice of sending public school teachers into parochial schools to provide remedial education under a federal program. The City of NY and intervenor religious school children and parents of those children filed motions in the district court in the Aguilar case asking for relief from the judgment. The district court denied relief, and its denial was upheld on appeal. The City and the intervenors filed petitions for a writ of *certiorari*, and DOJ filed a brief on behalf of Secretary Riley stating that the decision in Aguilar v. Felton should be reconsidered and overruled.

- **D.C. Circuit Rejects Equal Protection Challenge:** On October 8, in Lorelyn Penero Miller v. Warren Christopher, the D.C. Circuit upheld the constitutionality of a statutory provision governing the attainment of U.S. citizenship by a child born outside the U.S. of an American father and an alien mother, despite the statute's imposition upon that child of greater requirements than those imposed upon the illegitimate child of an American mother and an alien father.

- **MO Representatives Indicted on RICO Charges:** On October 31, in the Western District of MO, the Organized Crime Strike Force Unit presented a 26-count indictment charging four individuals with racketeering (RICO), mail fraud, and state bribery charges. The indictment alleges that Bob Griffin, during his tenure as Speaker of the MO House of Representatives, received money from a public relations consultant in Kansas City, MO, in return for helping her obtain consulting work for various interest groups. The President of the KS City AFL-CIO, a lobbyist, and a former County Commissioner, allegedly aided and abetted the activities.
- **Suspected Nazi Blocked from U.S.:** On October 29, the Office of Special Investigations (OSI) and the INS jointly enforced the exclusion of Roman Kronegger, an Austrian tourist who was attempting to enter the United States at Atlanta International Airport pursuant to the Visa Waiver Pilot Program. Kronegger's name was placed on the visa denial/border control watchlist in 1980 on the basis of Kronegger's service as an SS lieutenant during World War II.
- **OH Post-Adarand Challenge:** On November 5, in Cortez III Service Corporation v. the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Small Business Administration (D.D.C.), the Court will hear oral arguments on defendants' motion to dismiss for lack of standing, and on plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction. The suit is a post-Adarand constitutional challenge and Administrative Procedures Act challenge to the placement into the SBA 8(a) program of a NASA procurement to provide logistics and support services at NASA's Lewis Research Center in Cleveland, OH. Cortez, a business owned and operated by a socially disadvantaged individual, once participated in the 8(a) program for the maximum term allowed under the SBA, and Cortez was at one time awarded an 8(a) contract similar to the one it is now challenging. Cortez has annual revenues in excess of \$60 million.
- **IL Voter Registration Case:** On October 31, the Seventh Circuit granted DOJ's motion to dismiss IL's appeal in Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) v. IL State Board of Elections (7th Cir.), DOJ's action to enforce the National Voter Registration Act in IL.
- **Media Inquiries:** All major media are doing stories on Attorney General Reno's future plans. The *Washington Post* is working on a piece on the use of the military to fight drugs and on the 1995 Office of Professional Responsibility report. The *Washington Post* is also working on a story on upcoming decisions on a number of Independent Counsel requests. The *New York Times*, *AP* and *CNN* are working on stories on the Child Support Recovery Act. *Nightline* is working on a segment on the Brady Bill. *Time* is working on a story on the tools that are still needed to fight terrorism. *Working Mother Magazine* is including Deputy Attorney General Gorelick in their 50 Most Influential Working Mothers issue.

- **CSX-Conrail Merger:** On November 19, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has scheduled a hearing on the proposed takeover of Conrail by another railroad company. The announced merger of Conrail and CSX has been challenged by Norfolk Southern.

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

- **Transatlantic Business Dialogue:** On November 8-9, Secretary Kantor and Under Secretary Eizenstat are participating in the Transatlantic Business Dialogue conference in Chicago, IL. The conference is expected to attract over 270 participants, including 70 U.S. and European CEOs, business representatives, European Commission officials, U.S. government officials. Under Secretary Eizenstat will lead a discussion on Helms/Burton, international business practices and investments.
- **Super Computer Litigation:** On November 1, the U.S. Government filed its opposition to NEC Corporation's requests for the Court of International Trade to issue a preliminary injunction halting DOC's anti-dumping investigation of Japanese supercomputers.
- **The following economic indicators will be released during the next two weeks:**

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| Advance Retail Sales (October)                             | November 14 |
| Manufacturing and Trade: Inventories and Sales (September) | November 15 |
| Housing Starts and Building Permits (October)              | November 19 |
| U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services (September) | November 20 |
- **Palestinian Trade:** The Office of the Near East met with USTR to discuss implementation of the agreement granting duty-free access to the U.S. market to Palestinian products. You are expected to sign a proclamation putting the agreement into effect very soon. DOC expects to participate with USTR Chief Counsel on a technical team that will go to Gaza, possibly in December, to advise the Palestinians on how to use the agreement.
- **Cairo Economic Summit:** On November 11-14, Secretary Kantor and Under Secretary Eizenstat will attend the Cairo Economic Summit. Over 200 American business representatives will attend, including 40 CEOs and 15 members of the U.S.-Egypt Presidents' Council.

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

- **UAW/GM Contract:** On November 2, the United Auto Workers and General Motors announced that they had come to terms on a three-year master contract. Later that day, a tentative local contract agreement was reached at the company's metal fabrication plant in IN, where about 2,700 workers had walked off the job on October 29. On November 5, a tentative local agreement was reached in Janesville, WI. Since October 29, about 4,800 workers had been on strike at the truck assembly plant.
- **Retirees Health Benefits:** On October 28, DOL filed an *amicus* brief in the federal district court in Milwaukee in the case of Pabst Brewing Co. v. Corrao. The brief argues for reconsideration of the refusal to grant a preliminary injunction to prevent Pabst from eliminating health benefits for retirees.
- **Bridgestone/Firestone:** On November 5, Bridgestone/Firestone and the U.S. Steelworkers announced that they had reached a tentative agreement resolving all key issues in their longstanding labor dispute. The agreement reportedly was worked out during several days of secret talks beginning on October 31. A ratification vote is expected in mid-December. The Bridgestone/Firestone dispute began in July 1994. During the course of the strike, the company permanently replaced more than 2,000 strikers.
- **Steelworkers:** No talks have been held and none are scheduled in the strike at the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation. On October 30, the company stated that the union has refused to bargain over the pension issue and "assumed a take-it-or-leave-it attitude." The United Steelworkers countered by drawing attention to the rumored closure of certain facilities. The strike began October 1, when about 4,500 workers left their jobs at facilities in OH, PA, and WV, after negotiations failed to produce agreement on a new contract.
- **Baseball:** On November 6, the baseball team owners rejected a tentative labor agreement while stating that they want to return to negotiations to address the issues of the "option year" and payroll tax provisions. Baseball management is attempting to schedule a negotiating session. Earlier, the parties set November 15 as the deadline for completing an agreement and failure to do so has the potential to delay the season.
- **Pension Protection:** A consent judgment was entered in the case of Reich v. Hoosier Fiberglass Industries, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan. The judgment provides for restoration of almost \$530,000 losses from the plan. DOL alleged that the plan trustee failed to act prudently when he lent assets from the plan to friends and relatives at below-market rates.

- **Secretary's Schedule:** Secretary Reich will attend the following events:  
November 12 - Meet with religious leaders to eliminate sweatshops in the garment industry.  
November 13 - Convene the annual DOL Town Hall meeting with all of DOL's employees.  
November 13 - Convene a roundtable of reporters to discuss ergonomics and how simple ergonomic practices can reduce muscular-skeletal disorders.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

- **MA Shipyard Agreement:** On October 31, DOT successfully concluded negotiations with MA Heavy Industries, Inc., and will sign a letter of commitment to extend \$55 million in loan guarantees to refinance the rebuilding and modernization of the Fore River Shipyard in Quincy, MA. This agreement fulfills the promise made last month by you to the people of MA. Senator Kerry announced the agreement at a large event in Quincy.
- **Spain Trip:** On November 14-19, Secretary Peña will travel to Toledo, Spain, to attend the U.S.-Spain Forum and to meet with Spanish transport officials. Secretary Peña will also travel to Paris, France, for aviation talks.
- **FAA Administrator Hinson Resignation:** On November 9, David Hinson, the FAA Administrator resigned. Linda Daschle is the Acting Administrator. She has announced her intention to leave by January 31, 1997.
- **Alameda Corridor:** This week, in a long-awaited decision, the CA Court of Appeals ruled against a challenge by four of the corridor cities opposing the governance structure of the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority (ACTA). The court upheld the ability of Los Angeles and Long Beach, CA, to control all major project decisions. The small cities meet tomorrow to determine their course of action, which may involve an appeal to the CA Supreme Court. With the immediate lawsuit resolved, ACTA plans to move quickly to add the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which has committed up to \$350 million of Federal Highway funds to the project.
- **AR Highway and Transit Grants:** On October 30, Federal Highway Administrator Slater and Senator Bumpers announced the award of \$4.2 million in highway and transit funds to AR. The funds will be used to support a National Highway System Priority Corridor Study and to construct an intermodal transit facility on the campus of the University of AR at Fayetteville.

- **Airport Revenue Diversion:** The city of Los Angeles has responded to the FAA's request to justify its position that Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) owed it \$31 million for contributions made by the Los Angeles in past decades. The FAA currently is reviewing the extensive documentation submitted by the city. DOT's IG, in response to a request from DOT Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman Wolf about the alleged revenue diversion at LAX, advised Congressman Wolf that it appeared as though Los Angeles was not entitled to the \$31 million, due to a 1975 City Council Resolution settling any outstanding amounts owed by LAX to the city. The IG referred the matter to the FAA for a legal determination and acknowledged that it might involve a policy review. Secretary Peña has separately advised Congressman Wolf about the status of the review.
- **U.S.- U.K. Open Skies:** During the week of November 4, intergovernmental U.S.-U.K. aviation talks were held in Washington, D.C. The talks are exploratory to see if there is a basis for further negotiation to agree on an "open skies" aviation bilateral agreement.
- **Turkey Airport:** Secretary Peña determined that Ataturk International Airport should be given 90 days to rectify the security deficiencies in order to meet the minimum ICAO Standards. The assessment letter was signed by Secretary Pena on October 31, and will be delivered to the Turkish Minister of Transport.
- **Indonesian Airport:** From October 28-November 1, the security assessment of Soekarno-Hatta International Airport took place. The team has reported that the host government has achieved significant progress toward correcting the previously reported security deficiencies.
- **Saudi Arabian Airport:** On October 25, the FAA security team concluded their assessment of King Khaled International Airport. During the assessment, the team found operational and administrative deficiencies at the airport. Administrator Hinson's November 1 letter to the President of the Civil Aviation Presidency in Saudi Arabia advised him of the security concerns regarding the inadequate security screening and requested assistance to permit airlines to implement redundant screening measures for all direct flights from Riyadh to the U.S. FAA was notified by Saudi officials that they will allow TWA and Saudi Arabia to conduct additional measures with their assistance in the future. FAA will continue to monitor the situation.
- **Passenger-Baggage Test:** To implement the White House Commission on Aviation Safety and Security's recommendation to begin full passenger-baggage match, the FAA, the Air Transport Association and the Commission staff have developed a protocol to ensure that the pilot test is an accurate predictor of the effects of system-wide implementation. The test will take place nationwide throughout the month of November.

- **ValuJet Crash Prehearing:** On November 12, the NTSB will hold a prehearing conference for parties to the investigation on the ValuJet Flight 525 accident. The conference will consist of final administrative preparation for the public hearing beginning November 18 into the fatal accident which occurred May 11 in the FL Everglades.
- **Media Inquiries:** *NBC's Dateline* plans to do a segment to examine companies that provide aviation security services, their hiring practices, employees, effectiveness of measures to prevent unescorted access to security areas, current state of security and proposed changes. Air date is scheduled for November 22.
- **FOIA Requests:** The city of Los Angeles, and others, requested the investigation of Webster Hubbell. *Consumer Digest* requested reports pertaining to Aviation Security.

#### UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

- **Special 301 Reviews:** On November 6, Ambassador Barshefsky announced "out-of-cycle" review decisions with respect to Italy, Thailand, and Taiwan under the "Special 301 program," designed to advance the protection of intellectual property rights:

Italy - will remain on the watch list. Piracy and counterfeiting of American intellectual property in Italy continue as major problems, particularly with regard to illegitimate CD and software problems.

Thailand - will remain on the watch list. In April, the Ambassador formally identified lagging enforcement efforts and Thailand's unfulfilled commitment to establish specialized IPR Courts and create new patent protections as fundamental IPR enforcement problems.

Taiwan - is being removed from "special mention." Over the past six months, the Taiwan copyright authorities have actively discouraged investment in any PRC facilities that might be producing pirate disks, and all Taiwan CD producers have made public pledges to combat Cross-Straits piracy.

- **U.S.-Israel Agricultural Agreement:** On November 4, Ambassador Barshefsky and Israel's Minister of Industry and Trade, Natan Sharansky, signed a new agreement to boost agricultural trade between the two countries. USDA estimates that the package could push agricultural exports to Israel to in excess of \$800 million by the year 2000.
- **Woman of the Year Award:** On November 12, Ambassador Barshefsky will travel to NYC, where she will be named one of *Glamour* Magazine's "10 Women of the Year." She will be featured in the December issue of the magazine.

## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- **Cairo Summit:** On November 11-13, Administrator Lader will join Secretary Christopher and Secretary Kantor in Cairo, Egypt, for the Economic Summit. In addition to participating and moderating panels at the conference, he will hold several bilateral meetings with various Ministers from the region and also address the American Chamber of Commerce in Cairo, Egypt.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- **Domestic Violence Hotline Update:** The National Domestic Violence Hotline has received over 50,000 calls since it was launched by you on February 21, 1996. The vast majority of these calls are from individuals who have never before reached out for assistance. The Hotline reports a significant increase in calls after Secretary Shalala advertised the service while discussing domestic violence on the *Leeza Gibbons Show* last month.
- **Kurdish Asylees Update:** On November 4, the first group of 78 Kurdish refugees left Guam for the U.S. The group arrived safely and is being resettled by voluntary agencies in communities where they have family members, or that offer good prospects for employment and acculturation. The remaining 2600 refugees are scheduled to be transferred from Guam to the mainland within the next two to three weeks. The second group of 600 evacuees, Iraqis who opposed the current regime in Baghdad, are now in Guam for asylum processing and resettlement to the U.S.
- **E. Coli in Apple Juice:** There have been a total of 40 confirmed cases of *e. coli* in Western states since the food poisoning outbreak was discovered on October 30. The apparent source of *e. coli* is unpasteurized apple juice manufactured by Odwalla, Inc., of Half Moon Bay, CA. FDA and CDC have been investigating the outbreak and coordinating efforts with local and state health authorities.
- **HCFA Reorganization:** Administrator Vladeck has announced broad structural plans to reorganize HCFA. The plan organizes HCFA around the agency's primary customers: beneficiaries, health plans and providers and states. For the first time, HCFA will have a large division dedicated to providing services to beneficiaries.
- **Hearings on Liver Allocation:** On November 8, Secretary Shalala submitted a notice to the Federal Register announcing that she seeks additional public comment and will hold public hearings on the allocation of human livers for transplant.

- **Elementary School Anti-Drug Curriculum:** On November 1, HHS and *Scholastic* magazine distributed an innovative anti-drug curriculum to schools across the country. Nearly 74,000 teachers of grades 3-6 will receive a poster and collection of classroom activities to educate students about substance abuse. In addition, a take-home drug prevention insert will reach the households of 2.3 million elementary students.
- **Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention:** On November 20-22, an FDA panel of outside experts in anti-viral, anti-infective, reproductive and over-the-counter drugs will discuss the use of topical vaginal products to prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases. The panel will discuss guidelines for the development of vaginal products for preventing the transmission of HIV and the use of topical spermicides to prevent the spread of Chlamydia and gonorrhea.
- **New AIDS Drug:** On November 22, an FDA advisory panel will discuss data on the new AIDS drug Rescriptor, which is manufactured by the Pharmacia and Upjohn Co. This drug is not a nucleoside analog like AZT, but it attacks the AIDS virus at the same stage as does AZT. It is designed to stop RNA to DNA conversion of HIV, using a different mechanism of action than recently approved protease inhibitor drugs.
- **Norplant II:** On November 1, the FDA approved Norplant II for the prevention of pregnancy. The approved dosage is contained in two implantable rods, rather than the six rods used in the original version.
- **Needle Exchange Program:** On November 30, advisors selected by Director Varmus of the National Institutes for Health, to examine an NIH-funded project application for the study of a needle exchange program in AK, will complete their review. On December 12, the advisors will provide the report at the meeting of the Advisory Committee to the Director. This program received significant media attention last month after Public Citizen charged that the program, which has not yet begun to enroll participants, is ethnically flawed.
- **Cancer Care:** As early as November 12, HHS will announce that in January 1997 veterans will gain expanded access to promising new approaches to cancer care, under the terms of a clinical trials agreement announced by the National Cancer Institute and Veterans' Administration. VA will provide coverage for eligible veterans to participate in a broad range of NCI clinical trials across the country. In selected cases, the VA will pay for the medical care costs of veterans who enroll in NCI trials in non-VA facilities.

- **OR and NC Child Welfare Waivers:** Next week, HHS may approve demonstration projects to improve child protection services in OR and NC. These demonstrations will be the third and fourth waivers approved by the Administration, allowing states to undertake innovations in their child welfare programs. Two earlier waivers were granted to DE and IL.
- **Medicare Managed Care:** On November 13, the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor/HHS will hold a hearing on Medicare Managed Care. Director Fried of HCFA's Office of Managed Care will testify about actions HCFA has implemented to assure that beneficiaries have access to quality managed care.
- **MA Cigarette Tax and Anti-Smoking Campaign:** New data from MA and CDC suggests that combining a cigarette tax hike with a statewide media campaign markedly reduced cigarette consumption in MA. Between 1992 and 1996, per-capita cigarette consumption in MA fell more than three times as fast as in the 48 states which do not have such programs. The data, reported in *Mortality and Morbidity Weekly Report*, concludes that comprehensive statewide tobacco control and health education campaigns financed by earmarked cigarette taxes are an effective approach to reduce smoking.
- **Cancer Mortality:** On November 14, the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute will hold a press conference at the Press Club in Washington, DC, announcing a study which shows a downturn in cancer mortality. This is the first sustained drop in overall cancer mortality in the history of keeping mortality statistics.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- **Elderly and Disability Housing:** Next week, HUD will announce \$1.2 billion in grants to local housing providers, churches, and other nonprofit organizations to build housing with supportive services and rental assistance for older Americans and persons with disabilities.
- **Economic Development Grants:** On November 25, HUD will award \$20 million in Economic Development Initiative grants, in conjunction with federal loan guarantees, to help cities nationwide leverage private investments to create jobs and spur economic revitalization in distressed urban and rural neighborhoods.
- **Homeownership Zones:** On November 25, HUD will announce \$30 million for local governments to redevelop whole neighborhoods on large tracts of vacant or neglected land by building affordable homes.

- **Media Activities:** On November 10, *NBC Dateline* will air a story on your "One Strike and You're Out" initiative to use strict screening and eviction policies to keep gang members, drug dealers, and other violent criminals out of public housing. This week, *CNN* will feature a story on the nation's affordable housing crisis and the effectiveness of federal housing vouchers.

#### **OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY**

- **U.S. Marine Corps Anniversary:** On November 9, Director McCaffrey will participate in the 221st anniversary of the U.S. Marine Corps wreath laying ceremony at the Iwo Jima Memorial in Arlington, VA.
- **Veterans' Day:** On November 11, Director McCaffrey will participate in Veterans' Day events with you in Arlington National Cemetery.
- **Propositions 200 and 215:** On October 30, a letter opposing Proposition 200 and 215 from former Presidents Bush, Carter, and Ford was released to AZ and CA by the *Arizona Republic*, *New York Times*, the *Sacramento Bee*, *Oregonian*, *San Diego Union Tribune*, *San Francisco Examiner*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Baltimore Sun*, *Orange County Register*, and the *Wall Street Journal*.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR**

- **Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Program (OCS):** On August 28, Secretary Babbitt submitted the Proposed Final 5-Year Program to you and Congress. October 28, 1996, marked the end of the 60-day waiting period and Secretary Babbitt expects to approve the new program soon. Approval will culminate a 2-year process of extensive consultation and analysis. This is the first OCS leasing program that resolved the objections of all state government, Congressional, and local representatives. It will propose leasing offshore acreage containing economically recoverable resources of natural gas and oil worth more than \$8 billion, and includes 16 sales in 7 areas of the OCS. No leasing is under consideration off the Atlantic or Pacific coasts. Sales are scheduled for the Gulf of Mexico and will be considered in AK.
- **UT National Monument:** This week, DOI agreed to provide Kane County, UT, with \$200,000 for participation in developing the management plan for the Monument. Within the next week, BLM will issue interim management guidance. Discussions continue with the Andalex Coal Company regarding a potential exchange of the Company's coal leases within the Monument.

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- **China Poultry:** On October 30, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service officials met with officials from China's Animal and Plant Quarantine Division (CAPQ) in Beijing to discuss China's concern over the alleged presence of highly pathogenic avian influenza in U.S. poultry. CAPQ recognizes that the U.S. does not have highly non-pathogenic avian influenza, but is concerned about the possibility of a non-pathogenic virus mutating into a highly pathogenic form. The Agriculture Trade Officer in Shanghai reports no disruption in poultry trade and also reports that CAPQ's Shanghai director has received no word from Beijing concerning a ban on U.S. poultry.
- **World Food Summit:** On November 8, Secretary Glickman held a press conference to announce the November 13-17 World Food Summit in Rome. Secretary Glickman is leading the U.S. delegation which includes State, AID, and USDA officials.
- **CA Illegal Immigrants Prenatal Care Ban:** This week, Governor Wilson announced regulations to deny state subsidized prenatal services to about 700,000 pregnant women who are undocumented aliens. This action was upheld by a U.S. District Court judge, based on the sense of Congress in welfare reform legislation that states may deny benefits to illegals. The emergency proposed regulations, if unchallenged, will become effective December 1. While these regulations will not directly affect the WIC program, they may have a small and indirect negative impact.
- **OR National Forest Arsons:** On October 28, a fire prevention vehicle was completely destroyed by arson at the Detroit Range District. Forest Service investigators on the scene also found graffiti on four other vehicles and on the doors and outside walls of several buildings. On October 30, another fire totally destroyed the Oakridge Ranger Station. The FBI, ATF, Forest Service law enforcement personnel, and county law enforcement officials are investigating both incidents.
- **VT Forest Land Deal:** On October 30, USDA officials attended a press conference with Governor Dean, Senator Leahy and the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company to announce VT's purchase of a conservation easement on over 31,000 acres of forested lands owned by Hancock in northern VT. The state option grant from the Forest Service Legacy Program, as authorized by a provision in the 1996 Farm Bill, was utilized to facilitate the deal. Governor Dean had previously appealed to you and the Secretary Glickman for assistance on this effort.

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

- **Nuclear Weapons Stockpile:** On November 12, DOE expects to release the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for maintaining the safety and reliability of the U.S. nuclear weapons arsenal without underground nuclear testing.
- **ID Spent Fuel Shipments Case:** On October 23, Contra Costa County Supervisors voted unanimously to take DOE to court to prevent shipment of foreign research reactor spent nuclear fuel through the Concord Naval Weapons Station. Up to 38 casks of spent fuel would be shipped through the station port to Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.
- **ID Spent Nuclear Fuel Referendum:** On November 5, by 65 to 35 percent, ID voters rejected a referendum to void the spent fuel settlement agreement between DOE and the State of ID.
- **CO Cleanup Sites:** Two Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action sites are nearing completion -- the 19th and 20th of 22 planned cleanups. The sites are in Slick Rock, CO. Final efforts should be completed by November 15, with the closing ceremony scheduled for November 21.
- **TN Cleanup Agreement:** On October 30, DOE announced plans to contract with a group of businesses to clean up and re-industrialize several of the massive process buildings located at Oak Ridge's K-25 Site. The effort will reduce the cost of cleanup for DOE and transform idle facilities into a source of jobs and economic development for the region. An estimated 500 new jobs will be created by the Consortium, and 600 million in taxpayer dollars may be saved through innovative approaches to decontamination and decommissioning.

## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

- **MS School Prayer Case:** On November 4, the Supreme Court denied the petition for review filed in the MS case of Moore v. Ingrebretsen. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit upheld an injunction against enforcement of a statute requiring that student-initiated school prayers be allowed at compulsory and non-compulsory school events and activities.
- **School-to-Work:** On November 19, DoEd will announce approximately \$50 million in competitive grants to 10-12 states.

- **Hoekstra Request:** On November 6, DoEd received a request from Congressman Hoekstra, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, for a list and copies of all newsletters, fliers, or other similar informational material prepared by DoEd and a breakdown in costs for each such document, by November 14.

#### VETERANS AFFAIRS

- **Persian Gulf Mortality Study:** On November 14, the VA study on mortality among Persian Gulf veterans will be published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. The study, conducted by Dr. Han Kang, Director of VA's Environmental Epidemiology Service, examined the causes of postwar death among 695,516 Gulf War veterans compared with 746,291 veterans who did not serve in the Persian Gulf. Under Secretary for Health Kizer and Environmental Agents Service Director Murphy will discuss VA's Persian Gulf initiatives and the results of the mortality study at a media briefing event. The selection of the site for VA's new research center to investigate potential environmental reproductive hazards of military service may also be announced.
- **Rape Counseling Programs:** This week, *ABC's 20/20* may air a one-hour special on rape in the military and counseling programs for women veterans.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

- **Coastal Oil and Gas Pollution:** This week, Administrator Browner issued a final rule that will improve public health along the coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico and Cook Island, AK. The rule will require coastal oil and gas production facilities to stop pollutant discharge along the Gulf of Mexico and set limitations for pollutant discharge at Cook Island, thereby eliminating nearly 2 billion pounds of contaminants that affect the waters each year. The rule incorporates "zero-discharge" standards already in place for oil and gas production facilities along the FL, AL, CA, and northern AK coasts.
- **Air Quality Standards:** EPA has sent two important proposed regulations concerning fundamental Clean Air Act standards to OMB for review. EPA proposes to change their quality standards for ozone and particulate matter to protect public health and safety. EPA is working with the White House and other agencies to review these standards. A court order requires issuance of a proposal on particulate matter by November 29.
- **Climate Change:** On November 1, representatives of EPA, State, and DOE met with staff from the offices of Representative Schaefer, chairman of the Subcommittee on Energy and Power, and Representative Dingell, to discuss the process for responding to the chairman's requests for information and documents related to climate change and the Administration's implementation of the Framework Convention on Climate Change.

## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

- **Plum Book:** OPM is finalizing the data that will be transmitted to the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee for inclusion in the 1996 version of the *Plum Book*. The data has been verified by the agencies. OPM forwarded all material to the committee on schedule, but the committee requested additional information pertaining to conversions of political appointees to career positions. Instead of including conversion figures back to 1984 as part of the historical record, the Committee preferred to concentrate on conversions during the past four years. Providing the additional information resulted in a publication delay from November 6 until approximately November 15.
- **John Huang Investigation:** Last week, OPM talked to reporters from the *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *AP*, *Newsday*, *Baltimore Sun*, and *Business Week* about the background investigations process. OPM stressed the fact that, while they could not invade the confidentiality of Mr. Huang's files, his investigation was the same as that of any American citizen with similar background and that all legal and required checks were made and forwarded to Commerce for adjudication of clearance. OPM also provided full text of National Security Directive 63 (NSD63) to reporters who were receiving partial and misleading information from House Intelligence Committee staffers, and told the media that NSD63 and all other applicable regulations were fully complied with in conducting Huang's background check.
- **Federal Union Membership:** The *New York Times* is preparing a story on federal employees' union membership. They are interested in the number of federal workers paying dues to unions. OPM does not collect this data, and could not help on this specific question. OPM did provide available public information about the number and names of unions covered by collective bargaining agreements.

## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

- **Rabin Remembrance:** On October 23, your remembrance of Prime Minister Rabin appeared in all Israeli media, including the two-hour prime-time remembrance program featuring the WORLDNET tape, along with tributes by Egyptian President Mubarak and Palestinian Chairman Arafat. All print media quoted the entire message or significant portions of it.

- **South Koreans' Security:** Following the North Korean submarine incursion, South Korean media criticized the U.S. response as "too mild" and raised concerns about U.S. reliability. There is little evidence of this sentiment among the public at large, according to a joint RAND/Joong-Ang Ilbo survey fielded as news of the incident shocked the country. Nine-in-ten South Koreans believe the U.S. will come to their country's aid if it is invaded by the North, essentially the same level of confidence in the U.S. security guarantee registered last June in a USIA poll.
- **Haiti and Nicaragua:** From November 8-11, Senator DeWine and Congressman Gross are visiting Haiti to review USAID projects. USIS Port-au-Prince will provide media support. On November 11-13, Senator DeWine will visit Nicaragua.

#### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

- **Presidential Inaugural:** Administrator Barram announced that Joel Odum has been named the COO of the GSA Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC) operations. GSA is authorized to provide administrative, financial, procurement, personnel, and security services to the PIC. Odum has met with representatives from the White House regarding PIC. A site has been selected and GSA has installed phones and furniture to begin operations.

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