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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: MACK McLARTY *mcl*
SUBJECT: GOVERNOR ROY ROMER

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Governor Romer and I had a good conversation Wednesday after your DLC speech while you were working the rope line. Roy raised his deep interest in serving in our Administration, and I related in an appropriate way our conversation as we rode to the DLC event. He was appreciative and flattered and said he felt there were several positions he might qualify for given his background in business and elective office, and his interest in and knowledge of a number of critical issues.

I simply wanted to make you aware of Roy's comments given our earlier conversation.

Roy also mentioned that he strongly recommended that we consider Mike Beaty for a senior position at USTR. I told him we would do so. You will recall that Mike got a raw deal in 1993, and he has been unfailingly loyal to you and our Administration. Moreover, I can tell you from first-hand experience, he is an extremely capable negotiator and an effective advocate.

I think it probably will take your weighing in on this matter for it to be seriously considered. As you know, I have extremely high regard for Charlene, but given the wide range of issues, she is going to need strong support, and USTR currently does not have a deputy.

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