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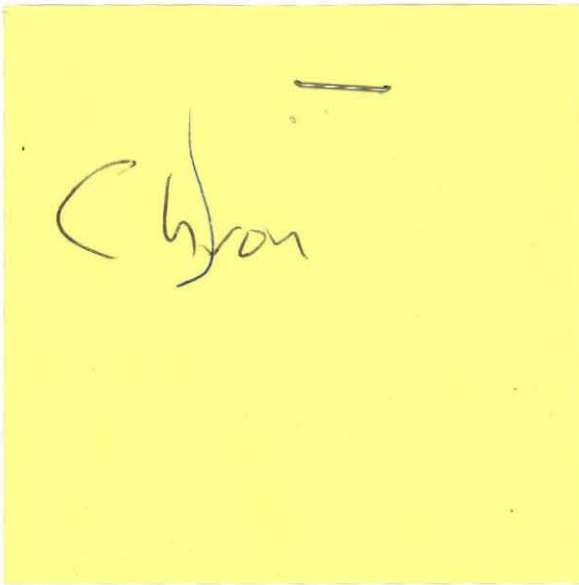
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NOTE FOR: Eli Segal

The President has reviewed the attached, and it is forwarded to you for your:

Information ☒

Action ☐



Thank you.

Staff Secretary
(x6-2702)

cc:

Eli Segal
2315 Bancroft Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Please coordinate
the reply.

Ashley Stewart

2-20-77

William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20090

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— James Earl Ray —
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- cc Eli Segal, Kanner

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It was an honor to meet you and have the opportunity to introduce you to Ashley Stewart, Ltd. Our company is committed to serving African American communities by bringing a quality business to some of the toughest streets in this country. Ashley Stewart believes that the African American community has been ignored by professional merchants for far too long. Perhaps it is the fact that a 32 year old Jewish man and a 35 year old African American man, have partnered together to create a concept focused on breaking down racial barriers, that make us so special. Our unique partnership, enables us to pinpoint obstacles and develop subsequent strategies to break through the barriers that separate the races in our country. We believe, if more businesses followed our lead, and took the time to understand the needs of the African American market, a better quality of life would exist in these areas, reducing tension and prejudice.

Our experience shows that the foregoing strategies yield positive results and bring economic and quality of life improvements to the communities. What we do is special and makes a real difference in the lives of our African American customers.

Again, Mr. President, it was a pleasure to meet you. I look forward to learning how I can help you make our communities better places for Americans of every ethnic background to live in harmony and prosperity.

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Ashley Stewart Ltd. 100 Metro Way, Secaucus, NJ 07094 Tel: 201-319-9093 Fax: 201-319-9097

THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE: 2/20

TO: Marcia Ale

FROM: Staff Secretary

Marcia -

I thought this was
taken care of.

Phil

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Ms. Carolyn Huber
Special Assistant to the President
& Director of Personal Correspondence
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
West Wing, Room #214
Washington, D.C. 20500-2000

Dear Carolyn:

Please have the President sign this "Intergovernmental Letter of Understanding" document as soon as possible. Please return it to me so I can convey it to The Oklahoma City Memorial Foundation.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Turpen
FOR THE FIRM

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Thank you
Carolyn
for your help

assistance in this matter.

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OKLAHOMA CITY
MEMORIAL
FOUNDATION

*We come here to remember those who were killed,
those who survived and those changed forever.
May all who leave here know the impact of
violence. May this memorial offer comfort,
strength, peace, hope and serenity. ©*

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING
October 28, 1996**

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

PREMISE

This Letter of Understanding is intended to provide a framework that will enable the Murrah Federal Building Memorial Task Force (the "Task Force"), Oklahoma City Memorial Foundation (the "Foundation"), and representatives of the City of Oklahoma City (the "City"), the State of Oklahoma (the "State") and the government of the United States (the "U.S. Government") to work together efficiently and respectfully in developing a National Memorial (the "Memorial") relating to the April 19, 1995, bombing in Oklahoma City, which will be appropriate, enduring and sensitive to those most directly affected by the bombing.

This document outlines the expectations and responsibilities each participant has related to development and ongoing maintenance of the Memorial. It reinforces the mutual commitment participants have to ensure that Memorial efforts are timely, non-political, productive and respectful of the needs of victims' families and survivors.

BACKGROUND

Few events in the past quarter-century have rocked Americans' perception of themselves and their institutions, and brought together the people of our nation more intensely than the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in downtown Oklahoma City.

The resulting 168 murders immediately touched thousands of family members -- wives, husbands, children, brothers, sisters, parents -- whose lives will forever bear the scars of having had those precious to them taken away so brutally. Suffering with such families are hundreds of survivors who struggle not only with the suffering around them, but with their own physical and emotional injuries and with shaping a life beyond April 19. Such losses and struggles are personal and, since they resulted from so public an attack, they also are shared with a community, a nation and the world.

Just as reverberations from the blast shook people as far away as 50 miles, the effects of the crime reach across Oklahoma and throughout the nation. By its very nature as an attack on the American government and our public servants, the bombing was a violent assault on each American citizen. When friends, colleagues, neighbors and fellow citizens are brutalized, each of us is diminished.

Mindful of the far-reaching impact of the assault in the heart of Oklahoma City and the nation, and aware of the historic nature of the event, Oklahoma City Mayor Ron Norick appointed

the 350-member volunteer Task Force charged with developing an appropriate Memorial. The Task Force, in turn, organized the Foundation to acquire funding for development of the Memorial.

Parties to this Letter of Understanding recognize that prior to Sept. 1, 1996, all Memorial planning activities occurred by operation of the Task Force, but, effective Sept. 1, 1996, the Task Force will be transformed into the Foundation, and all future Memorial planning activities will be conducted by the Foundation.

MUTUAL COMMITMENTS

Throughout the planning, design and construction of the Memorial, we, the undersigned participants, agree on behalf of ourselves and our organizations to:

1. Remain faithful to the ideal that the development of the Memorial shall be respectful, non-political and timely.
2. Recognize, respect and support the autonomy of the Task Force and the Foundation as non-profit, non-political organizations dedicated to creating and overseeing a Memorial development process that is sensitive, inclusive, collaborative, thorough and productive.
3. Recognize and respect the special role the local community has as the site of the 1995 bombing and as the home of the Memorial. While the crime has national and international implications, victims' families, survivors and residents of Central Oklahoma bore the brunt of the impact and rightly shall play a leadership role in planning and establishing a lasting Memorial.
4. Recognize that among the range of opinions, ideas and priorities expressed in the information gathering phase of the Memorial development process, those expressed by victims' families and survivors shall be given the greatest weight and highest degree of respect.
5. Recognize and abide by the Task Force Mission Statement adopted by the Advisory Committee of the Task Force on March 26, 1996.
6. Recognize as being final the design selection made pursuant to the design selection methodology adopted by the Task Force and an International Design Competition administered by the Task Force.
7. Recognize, respect and facilitate a Memorial development time line to be outlined by the Task Force.

8. Recognize the importance of working together to accommodate the Memorial design selected pursuant to the International Design Competition. For instance, should the selected design call for using a portion of the Murrah Building site, its plaza and/or acquiring a parcel of land near the site of the former Murrah Building, all participants agree to cooperate in making such efforts possible.
9. Recognize the importance of administering and maintaining the Memorial and surrounding sites with dignity and honor befitting the memories of those killed or injured in the blast. Signatories of this Letter of Understanding agree to cooperate with one another to ensure that such ongoing administration and maintenance of the Memorial is consistent, efficient and respectful.
10. Recognize that governmental and private financial assistance may be required to support the planning, design, construction and operation of the Memorial.
11. Recognize the work of the Task Force and Foundation as a unified effort to establish one Memorial commemorating the April 19, 1995, bombing and commit *not* to develop or take part in developing competing Memorial proposals without prior written consent of the Foundation.
12. Pursue Congressional Authorization for the completed Memorial Complex to be designated a National Monument to be operated and maintained by the National Park Service.

SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

The following specific commitments are made:

1. The Task Force & Foundation agree to:

- A. pursue the funding of both the planning and construction of the Memorial;
- B. select the design of the Memorial through an International Design Competition pursuant to a design selection methodology adopted by the Task Force;
- C. notify the General Services Administration (the "GSA") and the City when (1) the Foundation has selected the final Memorial design and (2) the Foundation is prepared to commence construction of the Memorial, so that GSA may deliver to whomever is ultimately going to maintain the property the deed to the land on which the Murrah Federal Building was located;
- D. enter into a separate agreement with GSA providing for the use of the Murrah Federal Building Block Plaza as a part of the Memorial complex; and
- E. oversee construction of the Memorial.

2. The City agrees to:

- A. acquire the South half of the Journal-Record Building block for incorporation into the Memorial site and, if required by the Task Force, to raze the remains of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board building and Athenian building;
- B. erect and maintain permanent-style fencing to the south half of the Journal-Record Building block, pending commencement of construction of the Memorial by adding fencing beginning at the northeast corner of the Athenian building fence going east to the sidewalk at Robinson Street, then south along the Robinson Street sidewalk to 5th Street. Such fencing shall contain two gates, one at each end of the closed portion of 5th Street, and shall allow, where safe, pedestrian access to the closed portion of 5th Street. Such fencing also shall be of the same style erected by the GSA surrounding the Murrah Building block;
- C. honor the adopted Mission Statement of the Task Force as a community consensus guidance document, including the permanent closure of 5th Street by the City of Oklahoma City City Council by a unanimous vote on October 22, 1996;
- D. enclose with permanent-style fencing, while the International Design Competition is taking place, that portion of 5th Street between the Journal-Record Building block and the Murrah Federal Building block until the City determines whether that portion of the street is to be permanently closed;
- E. pursue the adoption of the North Downtown Design Workshop and Urban Land Institute recommendations regarding protective zoning for the area surrounding the Memorial site;
- F. receive from the Foundation notification that (1) the Foundation has selected the final Memorial design and (2) the Foundation is prepared to commence construction of the Memorial, and then, based upon GSA receiving similar notification from the Foundation, grant to the Foundation an agreement allowing the Foundation to construct the Memorial on the site; and
- G. convey to the National Park Service the site of the Memorial and its associated improvements upon completion of the Memorial and final Congressional Authorization of the site as a National Monument to be operated and maintained by the National Park Service.

3. The State agrees to:

- A. participate in a coordinated effort to facilitate, support and assist work of the Task Force and Foundation;

- B. recognize Task Force and Foundation efforts to procure private funding for planning and construction of the Memorial, while standing ready to identify and possibly allocate State resources, if available, to assist in development of the Memorial;
- C. endorse and assist efforts of the Task Force, Foundation and other signatories to procure designation of the Memorial as a National Monument and to secure U.S. Government funding to support the ongoing operation and maintenance of the Memorial;
- D. provide the necessary professional archival assistance of the Oklahoma Historical Society, as requested by the Task Force, to collect, catalog and preserve artifacts related to the April 19, 1995, bombing for possible inclusion in the Memorial Information/Learning Center and Museum to be developed by the Foundation; and
- E. make available to the Foundation all April 19, 1995, bombing artifacts received by any office or agency of the State of Oklahoma.

4. The GSA agrees to:

- A. maintain protective fencing around the Murrah Federal Building block in good condition and maintain the landscaping and other improvements, including the vault and underground parking garage, on such block until such time as the former office building footprint of the Murrah Federal Building block is transferred by GSA to the City for construction of the Memorial and to reroute any easements as may be required prior to such transfer;
- B. upon receiving from the Foundation notification that (1) the Foundation has selected the final Memorial design and (2) the Foundation is prepared to commence construction of the Memorial, GSA shall deliver to whomever is ultimately going to maintain the property the deed to the land on which the footprint of the Murrah Federal Building was located;
- C. enter into a separate agreement with the Foundation providing for the use of the Murrah Federal Building Block Plaza as a part of the Memorial complex. Further, the Murrah Federal Building Memorial Block Plaza, parking garage and vault will remain the property of the U.S. Government; and
- D. provide warehousing facilities for storing artifacts regarding the bombing pending completion of the Memorial, and provide, as existing facilities permit, warehouse and office space with climates suitable for needs of the International Design Competition not to exceed current facility conditions.

5. U.S. Government representatives who are signatories to this Agreement agree to:

- A. exercise their best efforts to cause the National Park Service to participate as a technical advisor to the Foundation, lending consultation and experience to help the foundation develop a Memorial appropriate for National Monument status and care.

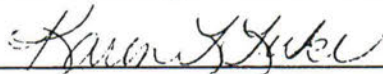
6. All signatories to this Letter of Understanding acknowledge that:

- A. this letter is not intended to create, nor does it create, any right or benefit, substantial or procedural, enforceable at law by a party against any body or agency represented as a signatory to the agreement or such body's or agency's instrumentalities, officers or employees, or any other person.

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this Letter of Understanding

on this 28th day of October, 1996.

Murrah Federal Building Memorial Task Force

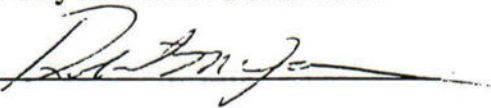
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Title: Vice-Chair

Date: October 28, 1996

Oklahoma City Memorial Foundation

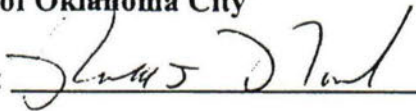
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Title: Chairman of the Board

Date: October 28, 1996

The City of Oklahoma City

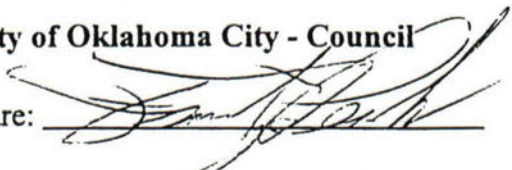
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Title: Mayor

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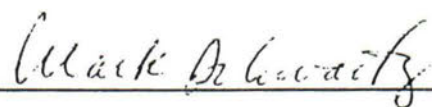
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Printed Name: Frosty Peak

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Printed Name: Mark Schwartz

Title: Councilmember, Ward Two

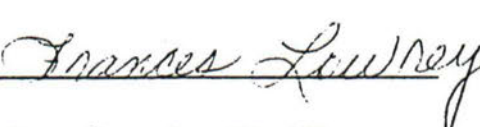
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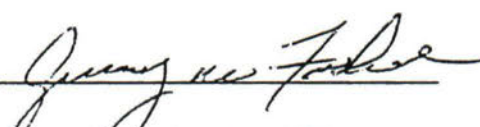
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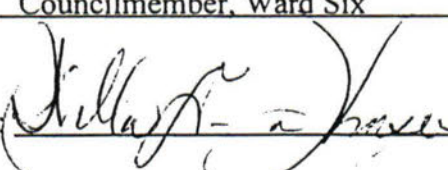
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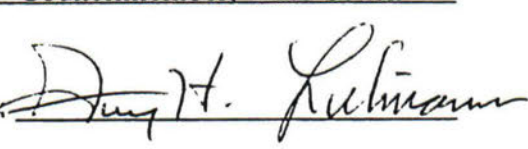
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Title: Councilmember, Ward Seven

Date: October 28, 1996

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Printed Name: Guy H. Liebmann

Title: Councilmember, Ward Eight

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Association of Central Oklahoma Governments

Signature: Zach D. Taylor

Title: Executive Director

Printed Name: Zach D. Taylor

Date: October 28, 1996

Commissioner, Oklahoma County

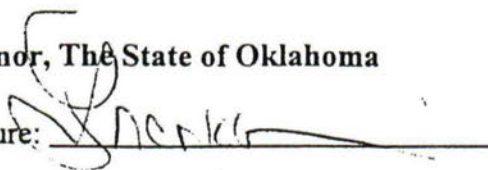
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Printed Name: Stuart E. Earnest, Sr.

Title: Commissioner, District Three

Date: October 28, 1996

Governor, The State of Oklahoma

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Governor _____

Printed Name: _____ Frank Keating _____

Date: _____ October 28, 1996 _____

Lieutenant Governor, The State of Oklahoma

Signature: Mary Fallin

Printed Name: Mary Fallin

Title: Lieutenant Governor

Date: October 28, 1996

Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives

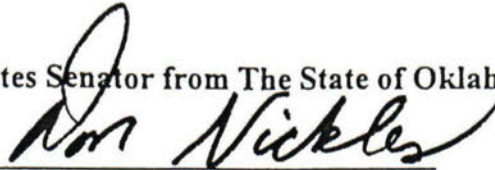
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Printed Name: Debbie Blackburn

Title: Speaker of the House Designee

Date: October 28, 1996

United States Senator from The State of Oklahoma

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Printed Name: Don Nickles

Title: Senator

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United States Senator from The State of Oklahoma

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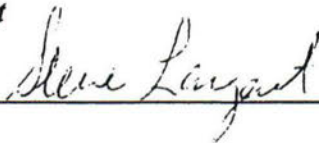
Printed Name: James Inhofe

Title: Senator

Date: October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

First District

Signature: 

Printed Name: Steve Largent

Title: U.S. Representative, First District

Date: October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

Second District

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Printed Name: Tom Coburn

Title: U.S. Representative, Second District

Date: October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

Third District

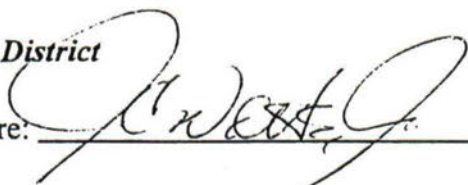
Signature: Bill K. Brewster Printed Name: Bill Brewster

Title: U.S. Representative, Third District Date: October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

Fourth District

Signature: _____

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Printed Name: _____

J. C. Watts

Title: U.S. Representative, Fourth District

Date: _____

October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

Fifth District

Signature: 

Printed Name: Ernest Istook

Title: U.S. Representative, Fifth District

Date: October 28, 1996

United States Representative from The State of Oklahoma

Sixth District

Signature:  Printed Name: Frank Lucas

Title: U.S. Representative Sixth District Date: October 28, 1996

Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Office of the White House

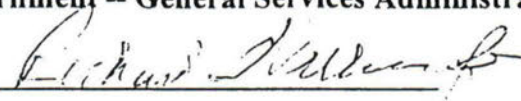
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Signature:  Printed Name: Leighton Waters

Title: Acting Regional Administrator Date: October 28, 1996

U. S. Government -- Federal Emergency Management Agency

Signature: RLBuddy Young

Printed Name: Buddy Young

Title: Regional Director

Date: October 28, 1996

U. S. Government -- White House

Signature: _____

Printed Name: William J. Clinton

Title: President of the United States of America

Date: October 28, 1996

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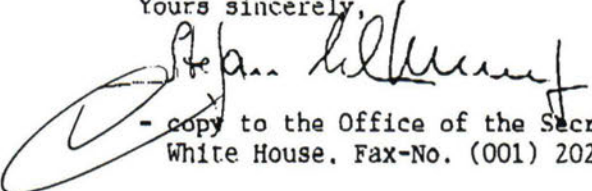
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As German nationalities we were driven out of Germany. An offer for employment by the American Y.M.C.A. - international organization employer - would make me eligible to obtain a legal permanent residence status and I can move with my family, consisting of my wife, Regina Susann, and our son, Gian Philipp (5) to California USA.

Do we have to pay for a visa fee in advance? In case, we have to file a Form I-360 petition directly with an INS office, can you provide us with the forms?
As we were living in Orange County, California, the Y.M.C.A. was filing a Form I-129 petition with the INS office in Laguna Niguel, but at that time we were not legally staying in the United States and the petition was of no effect.

Your immediate response would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,


- copy to the Office of the Secretary to the President, Mr Bill Clinton,
White House. Fax-No. (001) 202-456-2461

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Archbishop Iakovos

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January 13, 1997

My dear Mr. President,

The reception that you, the President of our Nation and the First Lady are offering in honor of George Stephanopoulos, your former Political Advisor, speaks of your noble thinking about those people who indeed distinguished themselves through their zealous services to our Nation and your person.

May I, as one of your admirers and friends, congratulate you for this gracious gesture and most warmly thank you on behalf of the faithful of the Greek Orthodox Community.

Most Sincerely,

Archbishop Iakovos

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20502

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February 18, 1997

The President
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of Paramount Pictures, we would be delighted if you would be our special guest at an upcoming screening of the popular television show *JAG*, which will be held on Monday, February 24, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the U.S. Navy Memorial and Naval Heritage Center at 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest (invitation enclosed).

The television show *JAG* depicts tales of two investigators within the Office of the Judge Advocate General of the U.S. Navy. We thought you would enjoy these clips of some of the shows in which you appear superimposed -- using the same technique made popular in the Paramount film *Forrest Gump*.

Sincerely,

Ellen Schned

Ellen J. Schned

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2/20/97

Enclosures

Send to Scheduling?

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Date : February 17, 1997

For	: Betty Currie
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Subject : Latest technology competitiveness update

Enclosed is the latest update on my research as part of the continuing "stream" of them requested by the President. A copy has also been sent to the Vice President.

If there is a need to reach me you may do so at the numbers above or via pager at 800-SKY-PAGE Pin# 2291309.

Note: The Supervisor of the town where I live, Pound Ridge, NY, is aware that I have been in touch with the President and requested that I forward the enclosed letter to him. Thanks in advance for forwarding it to his attention.



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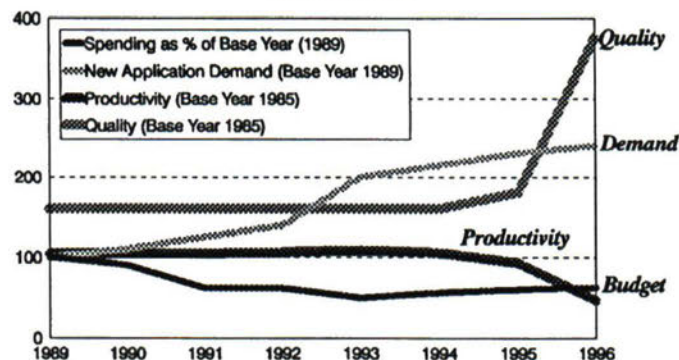
Date : February 17, 1997

For : President Clinton
Vice President Gore

Subject : Update on U.S. software technology competitiveness
Results of the 1996 Worldwide Benchmark Project

Heidi Battaglia and I have just completed analyzing the worldwide data we obtained during 1996 on the competitiveness of the United States in the area of software engineering. While the innovation rate in the U.S. in this area is high, performance in building and maintaining core information systems in corporations, the government, and the defense sector is slipping. The graph below summarizes what we consider to be the "big picture"....

Software Engineering Trends
1989 to 1996



Quite simply, demand is increasing while productivity continues to drop dramatically. The only good news in this picture is that quality is increasing substantially and the U.S. is now truly producing world-class products.

What is not shown in this graphic is equally important. There appears to be a global software labor shortage and the impact is first being felt in the U.S. Recent Dept. of Labor statistics indicate that the number of computer science graduates produced in the U.S. has dropped from 42,000 in 1986 to 24,000 in 1994. They also predict that almost 500,000 new jobs in software engineering will emerge in the next 5-8 years.

All of these findings will further be compounded by the Year 2000 computer crisis that I have discussed in earlier briefing documents. [I still have serious concerns about the schedules and plans published by the OMB.... I suggest that you assemble a panel of external experts to review the government's position as an additional risk management element.]

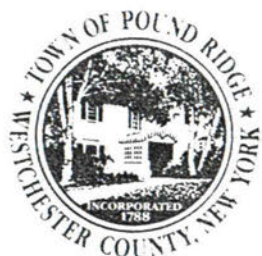
As usual, I would be pleased to supply you with more details and suggestions for programmatic action, if desired. I will be briefing Dr. Mary Good, Under Secretary for Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce, in early March if you wish to attend.

Meanwhile, support for the concept of a National Software Competitiveness Council is increasing. Major corporations, branches of the Armed Forces, and leading universities have expressed their interest in forming a consortium to address all aspects of the issues I have mentioned... from its educational roots to the development of advanced technologies.

I will be sending you additional information as Heidi and I complete our analyses. If there is anything we can do to help you better understand and address these critical national issues please let me know.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Howard A. Rubin', with a stylized, flowing script.

Dr. Howard A. Rubin
Chair, Dept. of Computer Science, Hunter College of CUNY
CEO & Founder, Rubin Systems Inc.



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Honorable William J. Clinton
The President
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Dear Mr. President:

Congratulations on the appointment of the Co-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on

High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet. and numerous other members of your new committee are well aware of this issue. Farber has published the it

Are you aware of this [see below] very informed comment on the Administration's encryption policies? It make

This is a very hard issue, as you know, but some how a creative solution has escaped your advisors. I have jus
, business critical, computer networks. Until these networks clearly offer point-to-point security and accountab

For additional expert testimony:

Also see: USACM analysis of Commerce Dept crypto export proposals

And: Swiss-based Ph.D. Student Solves 48-bit

Key in RSA Data Security's Secret-Key Challenge; Search rate by

3,500 computers reaches 1.5 trillion keys per hour

I can provide the URLs for these, and more, if it would be of interest.

A corporate friend and an NSA alumnus visited the Justice department recently. They were introduced to the

Worse, the DOJ seemed to have total dis-regard for due process, symmetrical regulation, and enforceable penal
ons of fairness and balance as well as our notions of symmetrical contracts. Hardly a negotiating stance desig

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BTW, is anyone talking about making packet sniffing illegal? If wire tapping and cellular phone interception are

Best regards,

Jock

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>Industry groups blast

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> WASHINGTON — An array of private-sector trade groups said Thursday

>that the Clinton administration's new export policy on computer encoding

>technology was a failure.

> Encryption products, which scramble information and render it

>unreadable without a password or software "key," are subject to strict

>export limits, although the administration recently relaxed the rules a

>bit. The new policy "does not adequately address the needs of either the

>American business community or the general public," the 13 groups said in a

>letter to Clinton dated Wednesday and released Thursday.

> Among the groups signing the letter were the U.S. Chamber of

>Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers and the National Retail

> Federation, along with a host of high-tech industry groups such as the
> Business Software Alliance and the Information Technology Association of
> America.

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Questions for the President

① What does your morning routine consist of aside from jogging?

② Do you feel as if your job is very stressful?

③ How do you feel about giving money to help sick and poor children?

④ What is your favorite food?

⑤ What is your favorite movie?

⑥ ~~Do you~~ Could I meet Sox the Cat?

⑦ MAY I have your autograph?

⑧ Is Chelsy home? May I meet her?

⑨ Do you have time to watch movies in the Theater in the White House?

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*Send an your visit
to Finland in March.*

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN *Hawley*

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EMBASSY OF THE
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OFFICE OF THE AMBASSADOR
Helsinki, Sat. Feb. 8 *BC*

Dear Mr. President,

Ruth and I are pleased that we'll be seeing you and Hillary in Helsinki next month - and we're glad that our good and close relationship with the President of Finland will allow us to put on a smooth, comfortable and efficient Summit so that you and Yeltsin can do your important work.

Ruth looks forward to working with Hillary on her program with Mrs. Yeltsin.

We'd both be happy to have you and Hillary stay with us at the Residence, but we'll understand if logistics dictates otherwise. In any case, it will be a thrill for my staff to have you visit the Embassy and meet them as Hillary did so graciously. Maybe we'll even have time to take you on a walk along the Baltic for ice cream or wander through the quaint downtown market place.

If you have time to visit a Finnish photo op. site, we might consider a wired secondary school. Finland is the most "Internet-connected" country in the world, and a leader in utilizing computers in the classroom (see the attached NYT report).

You should know that your Ambassador went "supersonic" this week. It became the first civilian to fly in the F/18 Hornet jet (the fighter which saves the world in Independence Day!). We broke the sound barrier and engaged in mock combat. I'll send you a photo of me in my G-suit. I also went on winter maneuvers with the Finnish Army above the Arctic Circle and spent the night in the forest in a tent.

Phil -

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OFFICE OF THE AMBASSADOR

with the head of the Finnish Armed Forces. We also got to drive skimobiles across frozen lakes at night. I'm now your completely commando-trained Ambassador.

Usually, I just go out for Pizga (see clip) which we can do too, if you like.

Casey is loving Brown. He's getting straight A's, and also broadcasting varsity basketball and ice hockey for the university's FM radio station. He saw Chelsea when she came to look over the school. Ruth and I think that it's more student-friendly than Yale or Harvard.

Anthony is playing pro-basketball in Finland at night, and working at a computer company during the day. He's averaging 20 pts a game and 10 assists, and the team is playing .500 ball. He can get you a gym to shoot hoops, and he's offered to run with you in the morning.

Congrats. on the well received State of the Union too.

Best to Hillary,

- Derek

Attachments: NYT article
Pizga article

Ilta-Sanomat, Feb. 1, 1997

(Cover)

A RARE TREAT: U.S. AMBASSADOR SNEAKS OUT FOR PIZZA

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(Page B22)

A RARE TREAT

U.S. Ambassador Chooses Downtown Pizza Over Diplomatic Dinner

by Anu Kuistiala

A cheese lover's pan pizza, a Coke and garlic bread, U.S. Ambassador to Finland Derek Shearer places his order at a Helsinki pizza restaurant.

He gets to be invited to fancy dinners nearly every night but a simple pizza party has become a rare treat.

"We would like to have more informal encounters, as a balance to all those official dinners," Ambassador Shearer and his wife, Ruth Goldway, say.

Shearer, who was appointed ambassador to Finland two years ago, likes his job very much but misses the opportunity to be less formal. When the title is the U.S. Ambassador, many people think that such a high and mighty gentleman can be approached only humbly and only to talk about important issues.

"Finns are a little shy but of course I understand that you don't just call an Ambassador and ask him out," he says with a smile, taking a bite of garlic bread.

The Ambassadorial couple, who come from California, say they miss spontaneous discussions with people. Especially now that they live alone in their Kaivopuisto residence. Their younger son, Casey, began his studies in the U.S. in the fall, and the older son, Anthony, has a place of his own in Westend, Espoo. Anthony Shearer, who works for a computer company, is also a basketball player in the Porvoon Tarmo First Division team.

"We only see him once a week when he brings in the laundry," Shearer jokes.

During their free time Shearer and Goldway go to movies and visit new Helsinki restaurants. Töölönrauta Restaurant is one of their current favorites.

"Yes, and at Cafe Stringberg you get excellent Gorgonzola pasta," Shearer says full of praise. He admits he is a pasta lover.

And when he wants to indulge his wife they go to Fazer's and Ruth gets a double chocolate ice cream.

"At home, we try to eat light to watch our weight," Goldway says.

Both say they are enchanted with Finland. The nature, the quietness and the calm are, in their opinion, Finland's trump cards.

"All our guests say how safe they feel in Finland and how relaxed, even tranquil people look. Car horns don't honk and people don't yell at each other on the streets," Shearer says.

The only thing that Shearer, an early riser, misses is the opportunity to go to a cafe at 5.30 in the morning, read a pile of newspapers and drink cafe au lait.

"In Finland, the morning starts slowly, probably because of the dark of the winter," he says.

"Paavo Lipponen Is A Funny Man"

Prime Minister Paavo Lipponen is a very funny and relaxed man privately," Ambassador Derek Shearer says.

Shearer and Ruth Goldway say they frequently meet with Lipponen and his lady friend, Päivi Herzberg.

"Päivi is a charming woman," Shearer says.

He says he has known Paavo Lipponen for over 20 years and describes him as excellent company.

"He is a fun man to be around. I always tell him to smile more in public."

Shearer and Goldway say they have made many friends among prominent Finns. They regularly visit the home of Max and Marilyn Jakobson, among others.

"Marilyn is always asking me about what movies she should see," Shearer notes and says that his own favorite still is *Independence Day*.

Foreign Minister Tarja Halonen and Jörn Donner are also good friends. The Ambassador

says that Donner always makes him fish soup according to a secret recipe.

"Once he made a soup that had no fish in it," Shearer says and laughs.

Hillary Went for a Nightly Ice Cream in Kaivopuisto

First Lady Hillary Clinton fell in love with Helsinki last summer, Ruth Goldway says.

"She loved walking in Helsinki. To her, it all looked so calm and quiet."

Hillary, who visited Helsinki last July, was photographed taking a walk on the Kauppatori market place. Derek Shearer says that after the dinner, Hillary wanted to take another walk, even though it was almost midnight.

"We went to Cafe Ursula at the Kaivopuisto waterfront and had ice creams," Shearer says.

"It was for her the freest moment of her year. She sat there in peace without security guards and really enjoyed it."

Shearer says that Hillary has praised Finland to the new U.S. Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, who immediately said she wanted to visit Finland and also take a walk. Shearer met Albright at President Clinton's inauguration two weeks ago.

Captions: Ambassador Shearer would like Finns to be more informal, not so sycophantic.

Not always caviar! Pan pizza, a Coke and garlic bread, yam, yam. Ruth Goldway and Derek Shearer like these international American delicatessen.



HARVINAISTA

Yhdysvaltain suurlähettiläs vaihtoi diplomaattipäivälliset pizzailtaan kaupungilla

HERKKUA



Anu Kuistala

Juustonystövan pannupizza, kinkistä ja valkosipulileipää. Yhdysvaltain Suomen-suurlähettiläs Derek Shearer (o.s. helsinkiläisessä pizzariassa).

Hienoille illallisille suurlähettiläs kutsutaan harva se ilta, mutta yksinkertaisesta pizzalle menosta on tullut harvinaista ylellisyyttä.

– Kaipaamme enemmän epävirallisia tapaamisia lukuisten virallisten illallisten vastapainoksi, suurlähettiläs Shearer ja hänen vaimonsa Ruth Goldway sanovat.

Kaksi vuotta sitten Suomen-suurlähettiläskä nimetty Shearer onen vihtyvän erinomaisesti vierassaan, mutta kertoo kaipaavansa enemmän epämuodollisuutta. Kun nimikkeenä on Yhdysvaltain suurlähettiläs, moni ajattelee, että muista herraa voi lähestyä vain nyrystä pötkuröiden ja puhua vakavista asioista.

– Suomalaiset ovat vähän noja, mutta ymmärtävät sen, että suurlähettiläälle noin vain soittaa ja pyydetään ulos, hän sanoo hymyillen ja hauskaa valkosipulileipää.

Kaliforniasta kotoisin oleva suurlähettiläspari kertoo kaipaavansa spontaanista seurustelua ihmisten kanssa. Varsinkin nyt, kun he asuvat Kaivopuiston asuinosa kahdestaan. Nuorempi poika Casey



"Paavo Lipponen on hauska mies"

Pääministeri Paavo Lipponen on yksityisesti todella hauska ja rento mies, suurlähettiläs Derek Shearer sanoo.

Shearer ja Ruth Goldway kertovat tapaavansa säännöllisesti Lipponen ja tämän naisystävää Päivi Hertzbergiä.

– Päivi on hyvin viehättävä nainen, Shearer toteaa.

Hän kertoo tunteensa Lipponen yli 20 vuotta ja viihtävänsä tämän seurassa erinomaisesti.

– Hän on hauskaa seurata. Kuvottan häntä aina hymyilemään enemminkin julkisuudessa.

Shearer ja Goldway kertovat saaneensa paljon ystäviä suomalaisista vaikuttajista. He käyvät säännöllisesti mm. Max ja Marilyn Jakobsonin kotona.

– Marilyn kyselee minulta, mitä elokuvia kannattaa katsoa kansainvälisessä maailmassa, Shearer sanoo ja kertoo *Independence Dayn* olevan edelleen hänen suosikkielekuvansa.

Hyviä ystäviä ovat myös ulkoministeri Tarja Halonen, sekä Jörn Donner, joka laittaa suurlähettiläille kalakeittoa salaisen reseptinsä mukaan.

– Tosin kerran hän teki kalakeittoa, jossa ei ollut yhtään kalaa, Shearer nauroo.



Ruth Goldway paljastaa, että Hillary Clinton ihastui Suomeen turvallisuusneuvon.

Hillary kävi Kaivopuistossa yöjäätelöllä

Yhdysvaltain ensimmäinen nainen Hillary Clinton ihastui ikkhyviksi Helsinkiin viime kesänä, Ruth Goldway kertoo.

– Hän rakasti kävelmistä Helsingissä. Hänen silmissään kaikkein näytin mukavan tyyneitä ja rauhallisia.

Viime heinäkuussa Helsingissä vierailut Hillary kovettui kävelymässä Kaivopuiston halki, Derek Shearer kertoo, että ihaillessaan Hillary halusi mennä uudestaan kävelylle, vaikka kello läheni puoltayötä.

– Kävelimme Kaivopuiston rantaan Café Ursulan ja söimme maitotortut, Shearer kertoo.

– Se oli hänelle (Hillarylle) erittäin vapaa hetki. Hän istoi rauhassa ilman turvamehiä ja iustella nautti elämästä.

Shearerin mukaan Hillary on kehoittanut Suomea mm. Yhdysvaltojen uudelle ulkoministerille Madeleine Albrightille, joka ihastui heti haluavansa tulla käymään Suomeen ja tehdä samantyyppisen kävelytreenin Shearerin tapaan Albrightin Clintonin virkaanastujaisissa käveltyänsä sitten. ■



Suurlähettiläs Shearer kaipa Suomessa pohkuroinnin sijaan epämukavuutta.

aloitti nykyisellä opiskelun Yhdysvalloissa ja vaimunmalla pojalla Anthonylla on oma asunto Espoon Westendissä. Tietokoneyksikössä työskentelevä Anthony Shearer pelaa myös koripalloa Porvoon Tarniossa kassa divisiomissa.

– Nautimme nykyisin vain kerran viikossa, kun

hän tuo pyykin pestäväksi, Shearer vitsailee.

Vapaanäkään Shearer ja Goldway käyvät elokuvissa sekä tutustumassa uusiin helsinkiläisiin ruokapaikkoihin. Ravintola Törlönranta on yksi tämän hetken suosikeista.

– Niin, ja Café Strindbergissä saa aivan erinomaista gorgonzolapastaa, Shearer ylistää ja kertoo rakastavansa pastarunkia.

Jos hän haluaa hemmutella vaimoaan, he menevät Fazerin kahvilaan ja Ruth saa ruusukakut jälkelle.

– Kotona yritämme syödä kevyesti, jotta paino pysyy kurissa, Goldway pistää väljin.

Molemmat kertovat olevansa aivan ihastuneita Suomeen. Luonto, hiljaisuus ja rauhallisuus ovat heidän mielestään Suomen vahvoja.

– Kaikki vierastamme sanovat, miten turvalliseksi he tuntevat olonsa Suomessa ja miten rentoutuvansa, suorastaan tyytyväisiä ihmiset näytävät. Auton torvet eivät soi, eikä kukaan hoida töksähtäen liikenteessä, Shearer sanoo.

Ainoa asia mitä saamuvieriksi Shearer kaipaakaan, että hän voisi mennä kahvilaan jo kello 5.30 aamulla, lukea pienen ulkomaista lehtiä ja nauttia maistokahvia.

– Suomessa aamu alkaa jotenkin hitaammin, pohtuu vaimon ja veljen hiljaisuudesta, hän toteaa.

Etäine kävelijät Pennuputza, kokiasta, valkoisilleleplä, naminä. Kansainväliset Amerikan-herkut maistuvat myös suurlähettiläpari Ruth Goldwaylle ja Derek Shearerille.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 20, 1997



TO: Bob Nash

FROM: The Staff Secretary



THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

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February 4, 1997

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I understand that Stan McLelland is under consideration for appointment as Ambassador, and I am writing to voice my enthusiastic support for him.

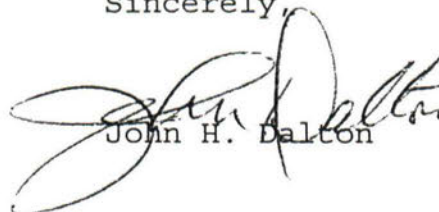
I have known Stan for more than 15 years in contexts which include social, business, community involvement and political affairs. He is a highly respected business and civic leader in San Antonio and throughout Texas. We have been friends for many years, and I know that he is reliable, loyal and trustworthy. More importantly, he has excellent judgment. Politically, of course, he has always been a strong Democrat, and he has worked hard for the Party as long as I have known him. As you know, Stan was an early and strong supporter of yours in 1992, and he has been most supportive of the Clinton Administration.

With regard to his integrity, I can think of no better endorsement than to point out that he was one of only a handful of Barbara Jordan's closest friends and confidants for over 25 years. It is unthinkable to me that anyone could be so close to her for so long if his integrity was anything other than of the highest order.

I am confident that Stan would be an outstanding representative of our Country and would reflect very favorably on your Administration.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information that would be helpful.

Sincerely,


John H. Dalton

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Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de León

President of the United Mexican States

February 18, 1997
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MR. WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON,
President of the United States of America
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

I was pleased to receive your letter, dated February 11, 1997, in which you confirm your visit to Mexico in the month of April. I am just as convinced as you are that your trip will be an extraordinary opportunity to further strengthen the links of cooperation between Mexico and the United States and to talk about the efforts of hemispheric integration.

Regarding the negotiations on telecommunications which took place at the World Trade Organization, I am glad that they have successfully concluded. The achievement of the opening of markets and the establishment of clear regulations for the sector are a great triumph for the multilateral trade system.

As a part of Mexico's commitment to strengthen the multilateral trade system, my government included in its list of concessions all of the telecommunication services and it consolidated its foreign investment regulations in the sector. It also opened the markets of the reselling of telecommunication services and cellular telephony allowing, in the terms of our legal framework, up to 100% of foreign investment in the provision of these services, as well as the liberalization of satellite telecommunication services.

Mexico appreciates in all its value the establishment of multilateral regulations which are in favor of competition in the national market among the providers of telecommunication services and it will continue to make efforts to be among the front-runners regarding the regulation and opening of telecommunication services. This is why Mexico has entirely adopted all of the regulations regarding telecommunications which were established during these negotiations.

Gladly looking forward to your upcoming visit, I avail myself of this occasion to send you my warmest regards.

(Signed, Ernesto Zedillo)

Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de León

PRÉSIDENTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS

Febrero 18 de 1997

SEÑOR WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON

**Presidente de los Estados Unidos de América
Washington, D.C.**

Respetable señor Presidente:

Con mucho agrado recibí su carta del pasado 11 de febrero, en la cual confirma su visita a México el próximo mes de abril. Al igual que usted, estoy convencido de que su viaje constituirá una extraordinaria oportunidad para fortalecer aún más los lazos de cooperación entre México y los Estados Unidos y para conversar de los esfuerzos de integración hemisférica.

Respecto de las negociaciones en materia de telecomunicaciones efectuadas en el seno de la Organización Mundial de Comercio, me congratulo de que hayan concluido exitosamente. La apertura de mercados lograda y el establecimiento de reglas transparentes para el sector constituyen un gran triunfo para el sistema comercial multilateral.

Como parte del compromiso de México de fortalecer el sistema comercial multilateral, mi gobierno incluyó en su lista de concesiones todos los servicios de telecomunicaciones y consolidó su régimen de inversión extranjera en el sector. También abrió el mercado de reventa de servicios de telecomunicaciones y telefonía celular permitiendo, en los términos de nuestro marco jurídico, hasta 100% de inversión extranjera en la prestación de estos servicios, y liberalizó los servicios satelitales de telecomunicación.

México aquilata en todo su valor el establecimiento de reglas multilaterales en favor de la competencia en el mercado nacional entre

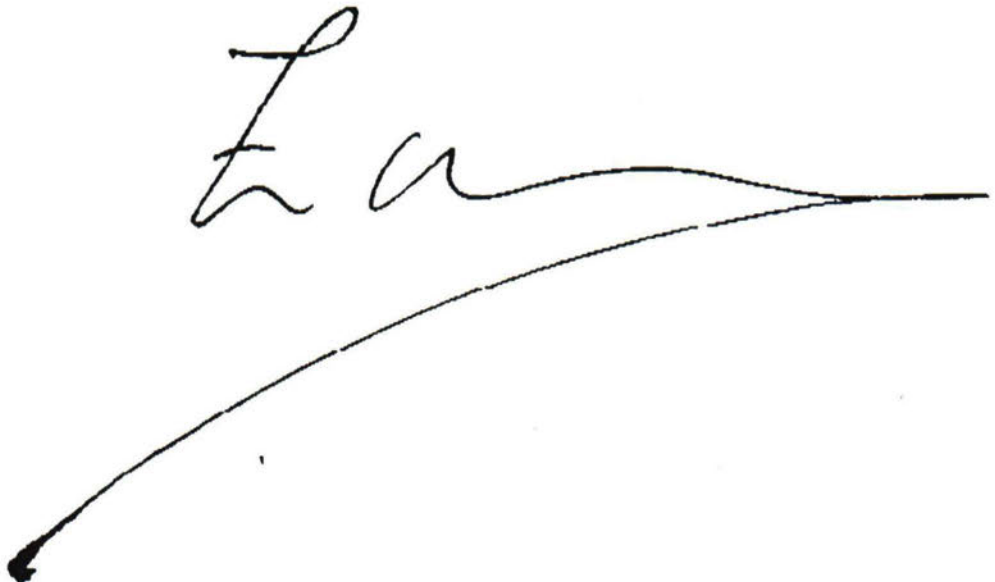
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PRESIDENTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS

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los proveedores de servicios de telecomunicaciones y continuará haciendo esfuerzos para mantenerse a la vanguardia en cuanto a la regulación y apertura de servicios de telecomunicaciones. Por ello, ha adoptado, íntegramente, todas las reglas que sobre la materia fueron establecidas durante estas negociaciones.

Esperando gustosamente su próxima visita, aprovecho esta oportunidad para refrendarle mi mayor afecto.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 20, 1997

TO: Chris Walker

From: Staff Secretary

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3003

February 14, 1997

Ms. Betty Currie
Personal Secretary To the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C 20500

Dear Ms. Currie:

Please find the enclosed invitation I am forwarding to President Clinton and Vice-President Gore.

GPU Energy, a utilities company operating in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, is launching an interactive, energy-related, on-line website designed for elementary school teachers and students. One component of the site, known as the teacher's chat room, is an area where teachers from across the region could discuss ideas and share information in a centralized location. As part of their launch, GPU Energy would like to invite the President and Vice-President to participate in the chat room *via* the internet.

The unveiling of the site, known as GPUKIDS, promises to provide an exciting glimpse into the vast potential that a partnership between business and education can offer, and would integrate with the President and Vice-President's goal of linking technology and education. New Jersey would be proud to host this online discussion.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

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United States Senator

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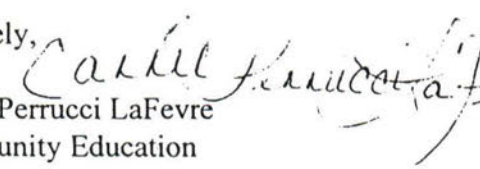
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c: Dennis Baldassari
Pete McDonough
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3003

February 14, 1997

Ms. Betty Currie
Personal Secretary To the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C 20500

Dear Ms. Currie:

Please find the enclosed invitation I am forwarding to President Clinton and Vice-President Gore.

GPU Energy, a utilities company operating in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, is launching an interactive, energy-related, on-line website designed for elementary school teachers and students. One component of the site, known as the teacher's chat room, is an area where teachers from across the region could discuss ideas and share information in a centralized location. As part of their launch, GPU Energy would like to invite the President and Vice-President to participate in the chat room *via* the internet.

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Phil -

Yesterday, we sent
a request on this same
subject to scheduling,
from the same org. as
then as attached to Torricelli's
etc.

OK to send Senator's

letter to scheduling

yes - no. cc: Chris

Walter



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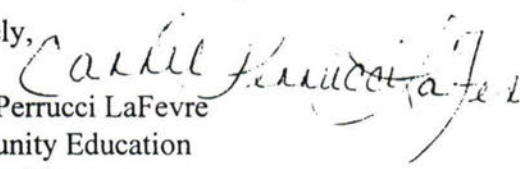
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2-20-97

I. Pell Grants - Making Sure The \$ Gets To The Students

The President's initiative to increase support for Pell Grants would be strengthened by prohibiting states from using both the award and any hike to reduce locally - sponsored student financial aid programs. In New York, for example, the proposed 1997-98 Executive Budget requires the state's tuition assistance program awards to be cut by 50% of a student's Pell Grant. Pell Grants and any increases should not alleviate the state's obligation to provide access to college. The benefit of the President's initiative is that student aid is intended to go discreetly to students and their families. If states put a "bounty" on Pell Grants, students will get less support and the purpose of the original Presidential initiative would be undermined.

II. America Reads - Students On Welfare Can Help

Good idea!

As part of the implementation of the President's reading initiative, some of the tutors who participate should be college students who receive public assistance. They should be permitted to fulfill their "workfare" requirements by such tutoring - - if they are qualified and eligible in the same way as college work study students.



Most major public universities have a significant population of students who receive welfare (The City University of New York has almost 19,000 on public assistance out of 203,000 students). This involvement on the part of students who receive welfare would help cast "workfare" in the broadest sense of public service - - to help educate our nation's children.

Bruce / Rahm

- P/s check this out
- ~~good to~~ #2 is good idea
- #1 sounds good but probably impractical

*Edith is a good friend
Will reply to him*



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STATE OF MARYLAND
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PARRIS N. GLENDENING
GOVERNOR

February 10, 1997

The Honorable William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

What a tremendous day for Maryland and for the nation! We greatly appreciated your visit to Annapolis earlier today. I was thrilled to share this day in Maryland history with you.

As you well remember from your days as Governor, the next few weeks of the Legislative session will be critical. I am confident that your kind words of support for our programs, particularly the Maryland Hope Scholarship, will help us advance these important initiatives. I applaud your intention to visit other states to encourage them to join with Maryland in making education both a priority and more accessible to all of our young people, and for your strong national leadership in making higher education affordable. We both know that if our youth have the chance to go to college, that even a poor kid from Florida or from Arkansas can grow up to be Governor. One of those people could even become President!

Again, thank you for coming to Annapolis -- it was a great success! I am honored to call you both my President and my friend, and I look forward to working closely with you and the Vice President in the months and years to come. Please do not hesitate to call on me if I can be of assistance to you or your staff.

Sincerely,

Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Mr. President,
This was a great help to me
personally. Thank you!
P.

Dr. Alexander Randall 5th
The Point, Water Island VI 00802

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

2-20-97

January 2, 1997

Mr. President:

The first time we spoke was at **Axel LeBlois'** and **Bob Farmer's** fund raiser in Massachusetts back in the winter of your first campaign for President. We spoke about computer technology for schools. I have been with you ever since.

The next time we spoke was at the **National Endowment for Democracy** banquet where you honored **Vesna Pesic** of Belgrade with the Statue of Freedom.

Ironically, that morning I gave Vesna Pesic a **laptop computer with a fax/modem**. I ran the Foundation working for National Endowment for Democracy that recycled computers and gave them to democracy workers in the 2nd and 3rd worlds. We made a lot of information revolution happen in the last five years. Vesna Pesic seems to have things stirred up in Belgrade these days. At that time, I asked you to help get the GSA recycling their computers. You wrote an **Executive Order** about recycling surplus government technology. The situation improved, but we are not going to have every school on-line by 2000. I can help you achieve that goal.

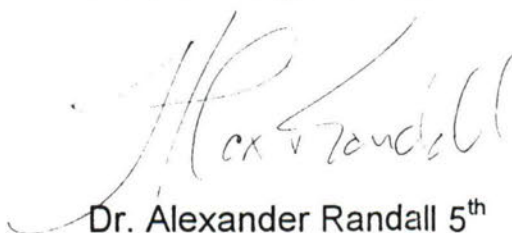
I am asking you to review my application to be a White House Fellow.

My application is on a desk in Jackson Place. I can help you achieve the goal of getting every **American School on the Internet by 2000**. I want to come to Washington to **help you achieve your goal** and others regarding the information technology and our children's education.

And listen to **Good News Headlines** on the local AM radio on the hour, 1340 AM. We'll have a special report for **you** at 8:04 AM.

Not Sunday

Keep making Good News.


Dr. Alexander Randall 5th


ELB/ccVP

This may be worth checking out - might want to get him in to help even if he can't be a WH fellow -



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 20, 1997

TO: Bruce Lindsey
FROM: The Staff Secretary

P. 1/2/2

☐ Martha D. Sipe, C.F.A.
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February 13, 1997

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Via Fax

President Bill Clinton
The White House

Dear Bill,

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This is the time to take a stand for people--the ones in organizations that make it possible for everything to happen from the micro level to the macro. The few from whom management have profited for far too long.

You are not running for reelection...and therefore you can take a stand for this evolving world and economy--from a spiritual basis. It is time to share and care. To act from love rather than fear.

Have you noticed how the better part of our economic models are based on fear and scarcity--allocation of scarce limited resources? We live in a technologically revolutionary period where we can now see that it is our thoughts that make our reality.

As you said at your Inaugural luncheon (I watched on CSPAN), "you have to first imagine it before it becomes reality"...ENERGY FOLLOWS THOUGHT.

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With Love and Light, I am

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From Rebecca
Cameron

Send to Lindsey ✓
Yes ✓
No —
cc: Portland >/

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

DATE: 2/20

TO:

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John Hilkey

FROM: Staff Secretary

FYI - Ann Lewis' response
to campaign finance memo you
submitted to POTUS.

PHF/

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 20, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO THE STAFF SECRETARY

FROM: ANN LEWIS

SUBJECT: CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

1. About the FEC: I continue to think we could come up with a **technology-based** initiative that would make FEC disclosures easier to read much sooner in the process.

For example, instead of mailing in the FEC reports (the Dole campaign, when they were out of money, found the slowest possible mailbox) why not require on-line filing that can be immediately available on the Web?

The DNC must file regularly now (is it twice yearly?). We could set an example of how this would work by posting the DNC filing.

This suggestion is not in lieu of any of the other recommendations for the FEC, although it could accompany the request for additional funds. This approach might actually be less expensive, but it reinforces the point that the FEC needs adequate resources to do its job.

It is also another example of the President's point that the existing system worked for twenty years. Electronic filing was not thought of when the FEC was created. They do eventually post campaign filings now -- after they've been mailed in. Why not immediately?

2. Soft money: I am wary of asking corporations voluntarily to give up on soft money with no sense of what the party impact will be. Somehow, I don't think Phillip Morris is going to be touched by this approach to civic virtue as quickly as many Democratic donors.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 2/19 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2/20SUBJECT: Campaign Finance Reform Decisions

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REMARKS:

Please advise

RESPONSE:

Options list
for campaign
finance reform
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February 19, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO: THE PRESIDENT

**FROM: RAHM EMANUEL
JOHN HILLEY
WENDY SMITH**

RE: OPTIONS LIST FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

We are facing real questions on our sincerity in regards to campaign finance reform. The press corps continues to challenge the credibility of our intention to seek reform (see USA Today editorial, 2.18.97). They believe we are lip synching our resolve for change rather than leading the effort for political reform. If we intend to turn this prevailing attitude around, we must step up our efforts with real actions coupled with real rhetoric.

The following is a list of reforms which we should promote over the next two months. The objective is to make real progress on the Citizen's Committee to push McCain-Feingold. In addition to the legislation, we must begin a campaign to strengthen and reform the FEC.

Citizen's Committee

We need a committee with leadership ability similar to that of Bill Daley and the former Minnesota Congressman Bill Frenzel who worked on NAFTA. The announcements should come in two steps: first the Co-Chairs and then a full Citizen's Committee. The Co-Chairs who would be best suited for this job are Walter Mondale and Vin Weber.

- Walter Mondale, former Vice President and Presidential candidate, has served as the President's ambassador to Japan and continues to have a solid relationship with this administration. He is highly respected and brings stature to any endeavor. He is very experienced with campaign finance reform and would be a strong leader. His stature and experience would make him an ideal candidate.
- Vin Weber is a Republican who also has a long time association with the issue of campaign finance reform. He has a good working relationship with Walter Mondale. We need to clear him with the political groups and Senators McCain and Feingold and Congressmen Shays and Meehan.

The announcement of our two Co-Chairs to head our Citizen's Committee would help rectify the present situation. We would need to follow up with an announcement of a full committee in the

coming weeks. Both of these announcements need to be made at events with participation by you and the Vice President preferably in the Oval Office.

Option 1: To name Walter Mondale as a Co-Chair to the Citizen's Committee.

Option 2: To name Vin Weber as a Co-Chair to the Citizen's Committee.

Option 1: _____

Option 2: _____

FEC

We must utilize the FEC as a vehicle for our campaign finance reform agenda. The FEC must be strengthened and reformed, and we must claim the new stronger FEC as our own. A real FEC is our best bet to avoid blame if McCain-Feingold fails. Reform groups and the media will regard proposed changes to the FEC as the reiteration of your commitment to and understanding of substantive campaign finance reform.

- First, we must establish and announce new standards for future FEC appointments.
- After we have established our new set of standards, we must select proper board members when the two new spots open in April. (Note: As you may know, the renomination of Commissioner McGarry was submitted last month. We may choose to withdraw his nomination and nominate a new person for his slot, thereby giving us the two open slots in April and sending another significant signal that you are serious.)
- We must petition the FEC to review its soft money ruling.
- We must finally seek additional funds for the FEC to keep it formidable.

Without bold action on the FEC front, we will be left with the Thompson hearings and McCain-Feingold dictating the Administration's image on the issue. as our only chances to project a reformist agenda. We would be leaving ourselves open to attack. If we complete these steps we would assure our critics of our sincerity for speedy and bold reform.

Option 3: To establish and announce new FEC standards

Option 4: To select two new board members

Option 5: To petition the FEC to review its soft money ruling

Option 6: To seek additional funds for the FEC

Option 3: _____

Option 4: _____

Option 5: _____

Option 6: _____

Soft Money

Another option which has been suggested to us by Bobby Rozen (a former Senator Mitchell legislative aide who specialized on this issue and is now on contract with Common Cause) is to ask and encourage corporations to forswear soft money contributions. Apparently many Fortune 500 corporations have already agreed not to donate soft money (we are doing research to find out which ones those are and at whose prompting it was decided). A suggested forum for such an announcement is the Business Roundtable. Such a group would be a salient vehicle through which to send a message considering the fact that Haley Barbour threatened the BRT with their Republican access if they continued giving to both parties.

Option 7: To ask and encourage corporations to forswear soft money contributions.

Option 7: ____

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by Ira Glasser, ACLU Executive Director

September 8, 1996

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good guy - we should
 write him something
 to a meeting

School Vouchers and False Promises

new try
 to do

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The new look in educational fashion this season is "choice."

A powerful movement has developed to push the idea that parents ought to be able to send their children to any school they choose -- public or private -- and that the government ought to pay for that choice by giving parents vouchers worth, say, \$3,000, which they can use to pay tuition at any school they choose.

Thus if parents choose to send their child to a private school, the government would be obligated to pay part of the tuition. This would constitute a new and huge government expenditure. Where will this money come from at a time when government spending is being cut and candidates everywhere are proposing to lower taxes and reduce aid to education? There is only one place it can come from: the existing public school budget.

Government support for parents who pay private school tuition inescapably means less government money for the already-struggling public schools. There is little question that the growing movement to have the government pay for private school tuitions will result in weakening the public school system. And once it is weakened, the flight from public schools will accelerate, assisted by government dollars, until the public school system itself is mortally wounded.

So what, some say. Supporters of vouchers and the shift toward private schools argue that the competition to attract students, and therefore government dollars, among schools both public and private will improve education and result in improved academic performance, particularly for poor, minority students who currently attend inner-city schools. Such students will be better off, so the argument goes, if they can go to the same private schools where wealthy parents send their children.

There are some factual problems with this argument:

1. There is no credible evidence to support the belief that poor children, given public money to go to private schools, actually do better in math and reading than

comparable children in public school. An experiment to test precisely this proposition has been going on in Milwaukee, Wisconsin since 1990. The study's conclusion shows no difference, so far, in math and reading scores. (A second study by a different team of researchers recently concluded the opposite -- that the children in private schools did better than those in public schools. But the study failed to take account of differences in family background, a critical methodological error. There is no way to measure the difference a school makes if you don't compare children with similar advantages or disadvantages.)

2. Unlike public schools, private schools are not required to accept everyone. Therefore they tend to avoid students with the most problems, a luxury public schools do not have. If you pick your students right, your school's results will look good. Moreover, the notion that under a voucher system, parents will be able to choose "the best school" for their child is a fantasy if "the best school" can refuse to admit the child. That is precisely what will happen to many parents, thereby making the reality of choice something less than promised. If the voucher system is supposed to benefit the most disadvantaged children, how will that happen if those children are denied admission by "the best schools?"

3. No voucher system that has been passed or proposed pays the entire tuition at private schools. The bill that passed the House of Representatives in late 1995 provided vouchers worth \$3,000. But according to the National Association of Independent Schools, the median tuition bill for their schools was \$10,300 in 1995; that means half the schools charged more than \$10,300. In New York and New Jersey, the median tuition was \$12,500. Even in the Southeast, it was \$7,200. So in order to be able to use the \$3,000 government voucher, a parent would have to come up with the rest -- in New York that would mean \$9,500 more; nationally it would mean \$7,300 more.

Where will poor, inner-city parents get that money? Indeed, where will the average middle-class parent get \$7,300 per child per year to supplement the \$3,000 government voucher?

The fact is that if such a \$3,000 voucher were available, it would primarily provide assistance to the affluent and the wealthy, to parents who already send their children to private schools or to parents who could afford \$7,000 but not \$10,000.

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February 14, 1997

Talking Sense To Syria

Prime Minister Netanyahu's visit to Washington this week signals the beginning of the next round of Mideast talks, with the U.S. continuing to play a major role. The Israeli leader will be followed at the White House in the weeks ahead by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Jordan's King Hussein and Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat.

All sides acknowledge that the U.S. must play an active role to move the negotiations forward. So do American Jews, according to a new poll commissioned by the Israel Policy Forum. The poll found that 84 percent of American Jews think the U.S. should play an active role in future talks between Israel and the Palestinians, and 78 percent support an active U.S. role in Israel-Syria negotiations.

Netanyahu will be briefing the Clinton administration on the next phase of withdrawal from areas in the West Bank, scheduled for March 7; a basic outline of the final-status talks with the Palestinians, due to begin next month; and a formula for the renewal of negotiations with Syria.

Syrian President Hafez Assad, who is ailing, is

said to be insistent on not renewing talks until Israel agrees to a full withdrawal from the Golan Heights as a precondition. Syrian officials claim that Israel under Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres had agreed to such an arrangement, but it seems clear that Netanyahu would not consider such a move, and he has the support of the great majority of Israelis on this.

Israel would like to put the last piece of the Mideast puzzle in place by resuming talks with Syria, particularly since Damascus controls the military in Lebanon, where Israeli soldiers continue to suffer casualties from terrorists in the so-called buffer zone. But Israelis see the Golan as their main bargaining chip and few are disposed to cede it simply to resume negotiations with their most intransigent neighbor.

Perhaps the Clinton administration can use its clout to convince Syria that its current tactic is a non-starter, and that a more realistic solution must be found to get the Jerusalem-Damascus talks on track. Syria must come to understand that Israel will not and should not give up strategic territory in return for the promise of conversation.

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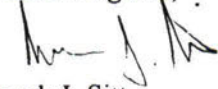
At Ashley Stewart we are committed to the following: (1) Bringing a quality shopping experience that is based on respect and mutual understanding to the African American neighborhoods where we do business, (2) Staffing our stores with local residents, using government funded placement agencies whenever possible, to help the unemployed residents get back to work, (3) Utilizing mentor programs and extensive corporate training to help our minority employees develop long-term upwardly mobile careers, and (4) Getting involved in the communities, focusing on churches and civic groups to better understand the needs of the African American neighborhoods where we operate stores.

Our experience shows that the foregoing strategies yield positive results and bring economic and quality of life improvements to the communities. What we do is special and makes a real difference in the lives of our African American customers.

I would welcome the opportunity to assist you, and our government, by sitting on committees that focus on inner city economic development primarily in African American communities. I feel I could provide advice and substantial help, enabling more Americans to get off welfare, and reducing the "hatred" in our ethnically diverse neighborhoods.

Again, Mr. President, it was a pleasure to meet you. I look forward to learning how I can help you make our communities better places for Americans of every ethnic background to live in harmony and prosperity.

Warmest regards,


Joseph J. Sitt
President & CEO

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by Ira Glasser, ACLU Executive Director

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The new look in educational fashion this season is "choice."

A powerful movement has developed to push the idea that parents ought to be able to send their children to any school they choose – public or private – and that the government ought to pay for that choice by giving parents vouchers worth, say, \$3,000, which they can use to pay tuition at any school they choose.

Thus if parents choose to send their child to a private school, the government would be obligated to pay part of the tuition. This would constitute a new and huge government expenditure. Where will this money come from at a time when government spending is being cut and candidates everywhere are proposing to lower taxes and reduce aid to education? There is only one place it can come from: the existing public school budget.

Government support for parents who pay private school tuition inescapably means less government money for the already-struggling public schools. There is little question that the growing movement to have the government pay for private school tuitions will result in weakening the public school system. And once it is weakened, the flight from public schools will accelerate, assisted by government dollars, until the public school system itself is mortally wounded.

So what, some say. Supporters of vouchers and the shift toward private schools argue that the competition to attract students, and therefore government dollars, among schools both public and private will improve education and result in improved academic performance, particularly for poor, minority students who currently attend inner-city schools. Such students will be better off, so the argument goes, if they can go to the same private schools where wealthy parents send their children.

There are some factual problems with this argument:

1. There is no credible evidence to support the belief that poor children, given public money to go to private schools, actually do better in math and reading than

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comparable children in public school. An experiment to test precisely this proposition has been going on in Milwaukee, Wisconsin since 1990. The study's conclusion shows no difference, so far, in math and reading scores. (A second study by a different team of researchers recently concluded the opposite -- that the children in private schools did better than those in public schools. But the study failed to take account of differences in family background, a critical methodological error. There is no way to measure the difference a school makes if you don't compare children with similar advantages or disadvantages.)

2. Unlike public schools, private schools are not required to accept everyone. Therefore they tend to avoid students with the most problems, a luxury public schools do not have. If you pick your students right, your school's results will look good. Moreover, the notion that under a voucher system, parents will be able to choose "the best school" for their child is a fantasy if "the best school" can refuse to admit the child. That is precisely what will happen to many parents, thereby making the reality of choice something less than promised. If the voucher system is supposed to benefit the most disadvantaged children, how will that happen if those children are denied admission by "the best schools?"

3. No voucher system that has been passed or proposed pays the entire tuition at private schools. The bill that passed the House of Representatives in late 1995 provided vouchers worth \$3,000. But according to the National Association of Independent Schools, the median tuition bill for their schools was \$10,300 in 1995; that means half the schools charged more than \$10,300. In New York and New Jersey, the median tuition was \$12,500. Even in the Southeast, it was \$7,200. So in order to be able to use the \$3,000 government voucher, a parent would have to come up with the rest -- in New York that would mean \$9,500 more; nationally it would mean \$7,300 more.

Where will poor, inner-city parents get that money? Indeed, where will the average middle-class parent get \$7,300 per child per year to supplement the \$3,000 government voucher?

The fact is that if such a \$3,000 voucher were available, it would primarily provide assistance to the affluent and the wealthy, to parents who already send their children to private schools or to parents who could afford \$7,000 but not \$10,000.

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**AMERICAN JEWISH ATTITUDES TOWARD U.S. ROLE IN
MIDEAST PEACE PROCESS**

***Survey by Penn + Schoen Associates
Commissioned by Israel Policy Forum***

February 7, 1997

Based on a nationwide telephone survey of 700 American Jews conducted Feb 2 - 3, 1997 by Penn + Schoen Associates, Inc. The margin of error for this study is $\pm 3.7\%$ overall, and somewhat higher for sub-groups.

MAJOR FINDINGS

Attitudes toward the Hebron agreement

- Two-thirds (64%) strongly or somewhat support the recent agreement over Hebron reached by the Israeli government and Palestinian Authority, while 14% either strongly or somewhat oppose the agreement and 23% don't know.
- Eight in ten (81%) support the active role the U.S. played in reaching the Hebron agreement. Three in four (74%) say the U.S. played a very or somewhat important role in facilitating the agreement. In addition, a 53% majority say the agreement would not have been reached without U.S. involvement.

Support for an active U.S. role

The is almost universal support among American Jews for an active U.S. role in Mideast affairs:

- Over 90% say it is either very or somewhat important that the United States take an active role in both world and Mideastern affairs;
- Almost 80% say the Mideast peace process should be a top or a very high foreign policy priority of the Clinton Administration and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright;

- Approximately 80% strongly or somewhat support an active U.S. role in both future Israeli-Palestinian and Israeli-Syrian negotiations.

Most American Jews believe that the level of U.S. involvement should be determined by Israeli actions:

- By 41% to 30%, American Jews are somewhat more likely to say the U.S. should wait and see what Israel and its government does before deciding whether to encourage the government during the peace process than they are to say the U.S. should actively encourage Israel during this process. An additional 24% say the U.S. should support Israel no matter what decisions it makes concerning the peace process.

There is great concern about the consequences of a failed peace process:

- 89% of American Jews are either somewhat or very concerned that there will be renewed violence in Israel if the current peace process is unsuccessful.

SURVEY QUESTIONS

1. How important is it for the United states to take an active role in world affairs in the future? Very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

1) very important	78%
2) somewhat important	18
3) not very important	2
4) not at all important	1
9) don't know (vol)	2

2. How important do you think it is for the United States to take an active role in working to promote a lasting peace in the middle east: Very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

1) very important	72%
2) somewhat important	22
3) not very important	2
4) not at all important	4
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I am very happy that you are still our President, and it was a great pleasure to watch your State of the Union address.

When I saw you last May at the Presidential Gala in Stamford, Connecticut, you suggested I keep you up-to-date on Gerry's projects.

The very first jazz enhanced CD "Gerry Mulligan Legacy" is released world-wide, via the Internet.

A master class video by Gerry Mulligan, along with a music folio and play-along CD, will be released shortly by the Hal Leonard Corporation, and we will send you a copy.

I am donating all Gerry's music to the Library of Congress, as he wished.

I am also donating Gerry's baritone saxophone to the Library, where it will be available for recitals and workshops on Gerry's music. The educational part of all this was very important to Gerry.

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People would tell Gerry he was a living legend, and he would reply, no, I'm a walking history.

With my warmest regards to you and Mrs. Clinton.

Sincerely

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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MEMORANDUM FOR: JODIE TORKELSON
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THROUGH: TODD STERN 
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
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FROM: JIM DORSKIND 
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE
AND PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

SUBJECT: BLUE PASS REQUEST

Since new staff passes are about to be issued, I would like to take this opportunity to request a change from an orange pass to a blue pass for Robert C. Houser. Bob became the Director of Mail Analysis last month, replacing Mary Lou Maddox, who retired and held a blue pass her entire tenure as Director.

Mail Analysis is the largest office in the Correspondence Department and receives almost all incoming mail addressed to the President. Often a piece of mail is received and needs to go directly to the Staff Secretary's office due to the content or time sensitivity. (For example, when the President went to Annapolis recently, a letter came into Mail Analysis from the Superintendent of Schools/State of Maryland and needed to be taken to the Staff Secretary's office immediately for review before the trip). Also, Mail Analysis handles the largest amount of volunteers (300-350) and there is often a need to escort volunteers to events on the South Lawn.

I feel Bob's position as Director warrants this change and that the office of Mail Analysis should have a Director with a blue pass.

Thank you very much for your consideration.