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Schedule Proposal

February 5, 1998

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TO: Stephanie Streett
Assistant to the President and Director of Scheduling

FROM: Phil Caplan 
Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Staff Secretary

REQUEST: To award a Citizens Medal to Albert Abramson.

PURPOSE: To honor Mr. Abramson, a successful real estate developer, for his contributions as a driving force behind the construction of the United States Holocaust Museum.

BACKGROUND: The President approved awarding Mr. Abramson the Citizens Medal on December 2, 1997. Mr. Abramson was nominated for the medal by Miles Lerman, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Museum. Mr. Abramson mobilized the political and financial resources and architectural and building talents that were key to the realization of the Museum, and along with one other donor, personally secured the \$50 million construction loan.

The Office of Public Liaison has submitted a scheduling request for the President and First Lady to host a reception at the White House in honor of the Fifth Anniversary of the U.S. Holocaust Museum on Wednesday, April 22. The small ceremony honoring Mr. Abramson could be combined with this reception. If the reception becomes a reality, there could be a 15 minute "pull-aside" before the reception to present Mr. Abramson with the medal. If the reception does not happen, the Citizens Medal presentation could be a small event in the Oval Office.

DATE AND TIME: TBD

DURATION: 15 minutes

LOCATION: White House

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Abramson and his family members, as well as current U.S. Holocaust Museum leaders, Museum founders and past Museum leadership.

PRESS/MEDIA: TBD -- but probably Closed Press.

RECOMMENDED BY: Phil Caplan

CONTACT: Phil Caplan

To: Ms Betty Currie

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1-30-98

Secretary to the President

From: Bob McCarthy

Fax Number: 3138 TURTLE LANE
Orlando, Florida

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407-438-6107

Send to Burkhardt?

Yes ☒

No ☐

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I've written to, and spoken to Ma
to purchase the Pen President Clinton
At inauguration time last year one

was selling them, but unfortunately by the time I called in they
were sold out. I'm speaking of the Parker Pens, with the
President's name on it + the Presidential Seal. I've been searching
for well over a year now - without success. I am willing to
pay for one, BUT I can't locate any. I will be forever in
your debt if you can assist me.

I am a retired Detective from the New York City Police Dept -
I was forced to retire due to an injury I sustained during an
undercover drug operation. I met the President while he was Governor
of Arkansas and was visited New York. I'd just love to have a
pen so I can relate our meeting to my children and grandchildren
and show them something to instill the Great Country we are, where
a common man has the chance to shake hands with a President.
I thank you for your time and consideration and will be awaiting
anxiously to hear from you and hopefully with a positive reply.
Continues Good Health - Success & you + yours.

Don -
I spoke with Parker Pens
this gentleman's letter is incorrect.
should send him a nice handwritten
letter from you 2/5/98!
Phil

Respond On Back: ☐



With Great Appreciation

Bob
Assistant Secretary

To: Ms. Betty Currie

Subject: Presidential Pen

Secretary to the President

From: Bob McCarthy

Date: JANUARY 24, 1998

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Orlando, Florida

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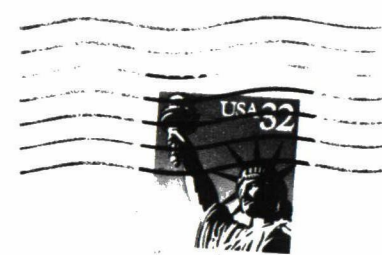
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With Great Appreciation -

Bob
No Response Necessary

Respond On Back: ☐





Mrs Betty Currie
Secretary to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

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11:57:22 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Phillip Caplan/WHO/EOP

cc:

Subject: Potus signing pens

Phil:

The Gillette Company provided 300 signing pens on 10/20/97 that WH paid for. Their address and phone number is:

The Gillette Company
1400 North Parker
PO Box 15969
Janesville, WI 53547
(800) 356-9466
Contact: Gary Deiterichs

Please let me know if I can offer assistance in any way. Thank you.

Courtland

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Send to Burkhardt?

Yes ☒

No ☐

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Dear Mr. President and First Lady Mrs. Clinton,

I just happened to catch your State of the Union Address last Monday night and being a teacher of some 28 years in the state of California, my ears perked up at the mention of Schools, Education, and our wealth of "customers"....I often refer to as the "growing edges of the world". I was delighted to hear your concerns for our children, for I, too, feel that these priceless "growing edges" are our most important resource, one that is too often over-looked. The fact that attention is being given in the area of education makes my "heart smile", but this is an area that needs to be considered daily, monthly and on an on going basis for the rest of creation!

Yes, schools have been designated to reduce class sizes from 34-1 down to a manageable and teachable 20-1 ratio. It's too bad that the hard fact of space and accommodations were not given the FIRST consideration to insure the success of implementing a great step forward in education. Now, schools across the United States are creatively struggling to full fill this mandate with limited or, more often times than not, no physical building or space available at all!

At my particular site, we have scrimped, squeezed, combined, used closet space for classrooms, even gone backwards in education 25 years by reverting back to "double session" in order to try and provide enough adequate space. Yet, after all our "creativity" there is just not enough physical space to implement 20-1 for all our students. Our community of parents even rallied and donated an incredible \$130,000 to install a portable, just to maintain our outstanding science and computer programs throughout the school. And still, it is not enough.

That is especially why I appreciated your assurance, via national media coverage that there is money to insure the building of new schools. But I was a bit unclear as to the limitations of the number. Was that 5,000 new schools per district, county, state, or was that to be the total number of schools for the entire United States?

As a teacher of our youngest resources, "Kindergarten", I am still dealing with a class maximum of 33 per teacher. We desperately want to implement an all day kindergarten reducing to 20-1, which makes logical sense for entrance into a working 20-1 first grade. We have the teachers, an excellent academic schedule, the enrollment, but not the room space. The implementation has been carried out in first and second grades...but it is a constant struggle all schools seem to be faced with (especially in California)...Not enough classroom space. So you can see why I was so interested in your offer of 5,000 new schools. Now at my particular site we do not need a whole school, so I respectfully request for only 3 portable classrooms to be established at Ruskin School, hopefully in place and ready for occupancy by Summer of 1998. This would enable optimum teaching and learning for our staff and its "customers", those growing edges of the world. Thank you for wanting to help education now!

You may be wondering just where "is this Ruskin School? It just so happens that Berryessa District, the home of Ruskin School, is but a "stones throw" from Stanford. So, the next time you and Mrs. Clinton are in town to visit Chelsea, it would be wonderful for you to drop by Ruskin School and see first hand, a real world working school in action! As a matter of fact, it would be a great learning experience for Chelsea to come along too! Can you imagine the student's response if they were to actually see the President of the United States care enough to stop by and see them! The students would realize they are also important in this wide world of politics if the President and First Lady took the time to actually come to their school to learn first hand how an every day school functions. It would be but a 30 minute (or less) drive to 1401 Turlock Ave. San Jose, Ca. 95132 to reach Ruskin School. (408-923-1950) You have a standing invitation, anytime you are in the area!

Although I do currently teach kindergarten, last year I had a 20-1 first grade. It was wonderful and the students reached goals of unbelievable height,. I also hold Lifetime Credentials in grades K - 12 Special Education, Lifetime Credentials in grades K - 9, SDAIE and ELD Credentials which prove to be of great value due to the fact that every year my classroom is filled with children who do not speak English. I have also traveled and lectured nationally across the U.S. for the past 10+ years to other working teachers that also find themselves in a real world classroom everyday, with the problems, constraints and limitations that are faced every day. During that period of time, I have been able to share with teachers in over 40 of our states, including Alaska and Hawaii, and out of the U.S. in Canada, on over 8 different occasions.

I will be presenting one of these BER Seminars this month on February 19th in Washington D.C. I have also enclosed a recent brochure outlining the contents of the day, times and location. If you happen to be in the area of the Holiday Inn, Arlington, VA (703-243-9800) you will be most welcome to attend and learn just how educators are being empowered with these current teaching strategies that bridge and connect teachers across the United States. Together, we are making a world of difference!

Enclosed with this letter that will be received at the White House, will be a copy of my seminar book that I use for consultations and seminars with the "everyday teacher". It contains some of the most current and successful strategies for enabling success for all children. Teachers need to be made to realize just how important each and every one of them is in this great scale of education. That each teachers efforts are not made in vain, and that eventually their "growing edges" will grow up and reach out to touch yet another set of hands of little "growing edges" until the world is surrounded by the hands of tomorrow's leaders who really do care, who can and will make a world of difference.

I heartily agree that these young customers of our educational system deserve the very best...from the youngest to the 12th grader and on into college. After all, they really are the new growing edges of the world that will be running our country of tomorrow. It is our job and responsibility as a world community to give them every opportunity to grow and reach their fullest potential. Class size reduction AND the space in which to implement such a plan will work together to insure its success. But providing adequate space should have been the FIRST PRIORITY to insure this success for students as well as the professionals, the TEACHERS that dedicate their time and life to serve them. We should not have to rely on the passing of bonds, extra taxes, etc. to make education our first priority. So, thank you, Mr. President, for your most needed offer of more rooms and schools, but this will only be a minimal beginning. Please continue to make the education of these irreplaceable resources....our children...your first priority. These children are an investment in the future of the United States. For they will become the leaders of tomorrow.

Sincerely,
Charlene Sutter Arvizu

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Rule:
NEVER HURT ANYONE ON THE
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TEACHER. A TEACHER IS THE FIRST!

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OF DIFFERENCE!!



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Dear Mrs Curry,

I hope all is going well with you. I'm a big fan of Mr. Clinton and was wondering if he could sign my baseball for me. Best of luck to you both!

Sincerely,

Todd Scott Unger

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Send to Burkhardt

Yes ☒

No ☐

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January 5, 1998

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TO BURKHARDT
FOR REPLY?
YES — per
Cajun

The President and Mrs. Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Bill and Hillary,

Thank you for your delightful and kind note on my stepping down in May as CEO. That you have found time in your overcrowded diary to pen such a letter is the reason why you live in the big house!

I will stay as Chairman of Heinz for another 3 years and with the company now worth over \$20 billion, earnestly entreat you to keep this present bull market running!

You have done extraordinary work for the peace process in Ireland. It is not an easy or uncomplicated task and Disraeli once observed in exasperation in the House of Commons "that every time we find the answer to the Irish question--the Irish change the question". I am sure that George Mitchell now thinks that U.S politics are relatively simple!

Perhaps the best observation on the future came from Maurice Hayes, one of our paper's key writers on Northern Ireland, when he said, "There is a ray of hope in all this talk and it is this. David Trimble believes he is intellectually superior to Bertie Ahern--and Bertie Ahern is determined to prove him right!"--no need for guessing who is the wilier politician, and Bertie might just pull it off yet. (I might add that David Trimble is a very important man in Northern Ireland unionism and, in my view, an important force for good.)

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The President and Mrs. Clinton

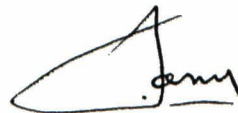
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My best wishes to you both for 1998 and the hope that if you come to Ireland informally to rest en route to Europe, you might stay with us at Castlemartin (where, unfortunately, James II stayed on the night before he lost the battle of the Boyne to William). Liz Robbins is by now no longer a guest, but an inmate, and she can fill in the blanks.

All good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Chryss & Tony O'Reilly', with a stylized, cursive script.

Chryss & Tony O'Reilly

P.S. Mark McCormack, Bernhard Langer and I have just built a new links course at Portmarnock--8 minutes from Dublin Airport--and I am told that it is of Ryder Cup standards. The bunkers are so deep they could only have been built by Germans!

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