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I am writing to call your attention to the issue of global climate change. President Clinton has made this one of his top priorities and on October 6 will host the White House Conference on Climate Change: The Challenge of Global Warming. In December, the nations of the world will gather in Japan with the intention of concluding an international agreement to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change.

The science on this issue is real -- humans are substantially increasing the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, and such increases are projected to raise temperatures in the 21st century anywhere from 2 to 6.5°F. While there remains substantial debate about the magnitude, timing, and location of likely impacts, it is widely believed that climate change poses a significant threat to the United States and the world that cannot be responsibly ignored.

Recognizing the weight of ~~scientific~~ ^{appropriate} evidence, the President is convinced of the need to take ~~responsible~~ action to address global climate change. He believes that such action can and should be consistent with maintaining economic growth. And he believes that, inasmuch as this is a truly global problem, its solution will require the meaningful and equitable participation of all nations.

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In view of the significance of this issue and the important role you play in educating the public, I have enclosed a climate change information packet. I hope that you will consider contributing to the public debate on this issue. If you have any questions, please contact me or Natalie Wymer at 202/343-1074.

Sincerely,

Todd Stern
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary

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The first step in responding to climate change is to make sure people have the facts. That is why the President has directed the Cabinet to travel the country and discuss climate change with community leaders and editorial boards. That is why he and Vice President Gore hosted a roundtable of eminent scientists in July. That is why he will address broadcast weathercasters after a series of briefings at the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration. That is why he has asked a range of national leaders to attend the White House Conference on Climate Change, The Challenge of Global Warming. And, that is why the President has asked me to lead an outreach effort to bolster these initiatives.

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