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September 25, 1997, 10:00am - 2:00pm
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| 10:00 - 10:15 | Welcome/Introductions/WTO Task Force
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| 10:15 - 11:30 | Remarks/Discussion
Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky
-- <i>Fast Track</i>
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Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky
Jane Bradley, Assistant USTR for Monitoring and Enforcement |

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Talking Points for Todd Stern
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September 25, 1997
12:00 - 12:15

Background: You will be speaking to a group that includes the CEOs of more than 20 major corporations (latest RSVP list attached). None of the more environmentally inclined members of the Committee are expected to be present. You will be introduced by Mayor Susan Hammer of San Jose, California, who is the Committee's Chairperson. You should speak for no more than 5-10 minutes. Donald Fites, CEO of Caterpillar Corp., was apparently the one who pushed for climate change to be on the agenda. He will speak briefly after you are through. It sounds as if he may focus on the Byrd Resolution. {You should know that Caterpillar was the leading industry advocate for the U.S. to support the Three Gorges Dam project in China (with loans that would have allowed U.S. companies to participate in its construction). We chose not to do so for environmental reasons. Don't be surprised if Fites makes a pitch something like, "if the Administration really cared about climate change, it would have supported the largest renewable energy project in the world and in so doing created thousands of American jobs."}

- Thank you all for the opportunity to take a few minutes to bring you up to speed on the Administration's activities related to global climate change. This issue is a high priority for the President and is getting a lot of attention in the Administration currently.
- As most of you are probably aware, we are in the midst of a policy process aimed at developing a U.S. position for the Kyoto Climate Conference this December, at which the world's nations are hoping to conclude a new agreement on greenhouse gas emission reductions.
- The policy process is being run out of the White House by Gene Sperling and Dan Tarullo of the National Economic Council and Katie McGinty of CEQ. ~~While you all may have a number of questions about where we stand on specific issues, I'm probably not your best resource.~~
- As the person running the public outreach effort on global climate change, I *can* tell you that we are doing our best to solicit the advice of as many interests as possible on how to move forward productively. The President has personally met with industry leaders, scientific experts, environmentalists and others on this issue. Members of the Cabinet are traveling around the country and raising climate change with a variety of interested parties. And I can tell you that from the churches to the car companies, I've heard from an awful lot of voices myself.
- The highlight of this effort will be the White House Conference on Climate Change which is coming up a week from Monday. Our goals for the Conference are to improve the basic understanding of climate change among the American people and to explore the technological, international, and economic aspects that would inevitably be a part of any sensible response.

- We recognize that a number of you have real and legitimate concerns about a range of the issues involved here -- whether it is the level of target and timetable we choose, the mechanisms for getting there, the role of developing countries, or the issue of early credit. While I cannot tell you where we will ultimately wind up on any of these points, I assure you that we remain interested in your constructive input.
- The President has laid down several principles that set the parameters for any policy we develop, and these principles remain unchanged. We are committed to binding emissions targets, because we feel they represent the best way to ensure that countries live up to the commitments they make. We are committed to flexible implementation mechanisms, including international emissions trading and joint implementation. And we are committed to a global response that includes meaningful, equitable obligations from all countries.
- Given the focus of this Committee -- not to mention the highly visible advertisement now running on television -- let me just say an additional word on the developing country issue. It has never been the intention of the United States to sign a treaty that would exempt developing countries from meaningful obligations to address climate change. Over the course of the last year, we have been the leading international voice calling for a global response. And when we announce our policy later this fall, you can count on a more specific elaboration of what we feel are appropriate developing country obligations.
- I don't want to add much more other than to give you a brief schedule of the upcoming events. As I mentioned, the White House Conference takes place a week from Monday here in Washington. The final international negotiating session prior to Kyoto will occur in Bonn, Germany from October 20-31. And then the Kyoto Conference comes along the first two weeks of December. The Administration is likely to announce a detailed U.S. policy position sometime around the Bonn meeting.

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