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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 7, 1983

TO: MORTON BLACKWELL

THRU: JONATHAN VIPOND III *Jonathan*

FROM: SUSAN GRAF *SG*

Morton: I realize that this is a bit in the future, but could we have your feelings on this? Is this something FRW should attend or someone else?

Susan:

This is virtually certain to be an unfriendly gathering. Our most frequent contact, in fact virtually our only contact, from this denomination has been their urging we cut and run in Central America. I don't think FRW wants to become cannon fodder at this meeting. In the absence of any indication that the audience will be balanced, we should not bother to send them a spokesman. That would only make news for their viewpoint at the expense of ours.

Morton

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JEW
To: Mr. H. T. Spang
March 27, 1983
no name
want recommendation
from Martin?

Ambassador Faith Whittlesey
Assistant to the President for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ambassador Whittlesey:

I trust that by now you are settling into your new responsibilities in Washington. It certainly is a major transition from Switzerland.

On January 20-22, 1984 a conference on "Peacemaking: An Open Inquiry" will be held at Eastern College, St. Davids, Pennsylvania. The conference is being planned through the cooperation of four different groups related to the American Baptist Churches U.S.A. Eastern College is the host institution, and the academic setting is important to the conference as it is taking shape. Two regional units of the churches -- The Philadelphia Baptist Association and the American Baptist Churches of Pennsylvania and Delaware -- are also the co-sponsors. One national agency of the denomination -- Educational Ministries -- is also involved in sponsorship. This multi-dimensional collaboration of college, churches and denomination is significant for us.

The selection of the topic, particularly the part "An Open Inquiry" is something we take most seriously. We want to present, with fairness, the range of perspective which concerned persons bring to the issue of peacemaking. Thus, we are approaching you to interpret the present administration's concerns and efforts in this regard.

Specifically, we would like you to serve on a panel discussion on Saturday morning, January 21, from 9 a.m. till 10:30 a.m. on the conference theme. Other members of the panel who have been confirmed to date are Dr. Gerhard Claas, Executive Director of the Baptist World Alliance, who will represent the international perspective, and Ms. Kay Camp, who comes from the Quaker tradition.

Others who have been invited are a General Electric executive from King of Prussia and a representative from a community organization group. We are waiting confirmation that Bill Moyers will be our Moderator.

Ambassador Faith Whittlesey
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Let me quote from the guidelines we have developed for this time:
"Panel will consist of a number of people whose positions differ. A moderator will facilitate discussion among panelists. (Panelists will not make speeches.) Emphasis will be placed on sharing something of the separate journey each has traveled to reach his/her position."

I hope that this helps to interpret for you what we are trying to achieve. We want a fair exchange of experiences and perspectives of persons seeking, in different ways, to be peacemakers.

~~Panelists will be selected by Senator Robert Edgar~~
who represents the risk is not to speak to the issue of peacemaking, but to interpret the "legislative process" so that concerned persons will know how to make their voices heard.

The afternoon will feature a wide variety of workshops.

Those attending will be members of local churches, persons from the Eastern College and Seminary communities, public educators from the surrounding area as well as interested persons from the larger community. We anticipate a minimum attendance of 200.

We would hope that you would be eager to be present for this kind of discussion, especially in your "home turf". If you have any questions, please contact me by mail or telephone. I would be glad to interpret our objectives more clearly.

We would hope that you could stay with us through lunch. Also, I will need to know what our obligations would be for expenses and honorarium.

Thank you for your consideration. Good luck in your new venture. We look forward to your reply.

Peace,

William C. Cline

William C. Cline
Director, Evangelism and Social Concern and Communication
American Baptist Churches of Pennsylvania and Delaware
Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481 (215-768-2225)

cc: Senator Arlen Specter
Senator H. John Heinz, III
Congressman Richard Schultze
Congressman Robert Edgar
Mr. James Taylor

WCC:lg

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 13, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM

MORTON C. BLACKWELL



I am a member of the Philadelphia Society which is meeting in Chicago Friday and Saturday.

It is my intention to take Friday as a day of annual leave in order to participate in this meeting of "conservative" intellectuals.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 14, 1983

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Senator Alan K. Simpson
(R-Wyoming)

DATE: Before Tuesday, April 19, 1983

RECOMMENDED BY: Faith Ryan Whittlesey

PURPOSE: To urge Senator Simpson to vote in the Judiciary Committee on April 19, in support of the Hatch-Eagleton Amendment.

BACKGROUND: The President specifically promised last year when he supported the Helms Human Life bill that he would this year support the Hatch Amendment.
The Senate Judiciary Committee is scheduled to vote April 19, on the Hatch-Eagleton constitutional amendment(S.J.R.3). This amendment states simply that the constitution does not guarantee the right of abortion. It would overturn the 1973 Supreme Court decision for abortion on demand and would permit legislative bodies to restrict or prohibit abortion.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:1. Majority Leader Baker has promised early floor consideration of the Hatch-Eagleton amendment if it is approved by the Judiciary Committee.
2. This would be the first full-fledged debate ever, in either house of Congress, on a constitutional amendment to nullify the Supreme Court decision.
3. Senator Simpson should be encouraged to vote this amendment out of committee in order to allow the debate to take place on this topic.

DATE OF SUBMISSION: April 14, 1983

ACTION _____



National RIGHT TO LIFE

committee, inc.

Suite 402, 419 7th Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004 — (202) 638-4396

April 14, 1983

Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Morton,

The Senate Judiciary Committee is scheduled to vote next Tuesday, April 19, on the Hatch-Eagleton constitutional amendment (S.J.R. 3). This proposal would wipe out the infamous 1973 Supreme Court decision which, in practical terms, legalized abortion on demand throughout pregnancy, and would permit legislative bodies to once again restrict or prohibit abortion.

The National Right to Life Committee is strongly in support of the Hatch-Eagleton Amendment.

Majority Leader Baker has promised early floor consideration of the Hatch-Eagleton Amendment, if it is approved by the Judiciary Committee. This would be the first full-fledged debate ever, in either house of Congress, on a constitutional amendment to nullify the Supreme Court decision.

A close vote is expected in the Judiciary Committee. Senator Simpson may hold the deciding vote. Senator Simpson last year reluctantly voted for the original Hatch Amendment in the committee. But in recent days he has indicated that he will now oppose the Hatch-Eagleton Amendment, taking the position that there should be no government involvement with respect to abortion.

In letters to a number of senators last fall, and in his stirring filmed address to the 1982 National Right to Life Committee Convention, President Reagan expressed strong support for the Hatch Amendment. At this crucial juncture, we hope that the President will urge Senator Simpson to reconsider his position and to vote against abortion on demand next Tuesday.

Cordially,

John C. Willke, M.D.
President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM MORTON C. BLACKWELL

Kerry Moody who is in charge of the White House complex for GSA gave me the attached letter to Jerry Carmen from former Governor Mel Thompson.

Governor Thompson wants a speaker for a 5,000 man encampment May 5 of fundamentalist ministers and laymen gathered from around the country in Oklahoma.

I suggested Kerry contact Sven Kraemer of the NSC staff as an appropriate speaker.

Moody sent Kraemer the attached memorandum. Kraemer is brilliant and very good at discussing defense issues with religious activists. He is an active Lutheran layman.

Kraemer is willing to go if Judge Clark okays it. I strongly suggest you let Judge Clark know you think it would be a good idea for us to be represented at this meeting.



April 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: Sven Kraemer
FROM: Kerry B. Moody
SUBJECT: Speaking Request

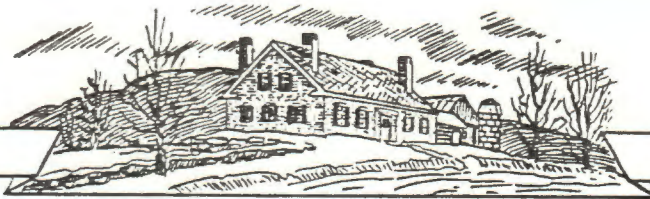
The attached letter gives me some brief background about the event, but let me elaborate further.

In the past while on the staff of former Governor Thomson, I attended this forum. It is primarily a religious gathering bringing together ministers and laymen for religious instruction and training. Every year they have a mystery speaker often a public official or some other well known personality. Naturally it is always someone who is sensitive to the "Christian issues" of such a gathering.

You should probably speak 30 - 45 minutes and explain the Christian ethics as they relate to your position on the NSC. Naturally, you may speak about the virtues of the Reagan program in this area. I would guess that more than 95% of the audience would be Reagan supporters and they will come from all over the United States. It isn't often we get such a large forum to talk about the good things happening in the Reagan Administration.

If I can answer further questions or be of help in any other way, please call me on x3815.

Mt. Cube Farm



Orford, N.H. 03777

"LIVE FREE OR DIE" — NEW HAMPSHIRE'S MOTTO

March 29, 1983

Mr. Jerry Carmen
General Service Administration
6th Floor
18th & E Street
Washington, D.C. 20405

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GSA
ADMINISTRATOR (A)

Dear Jerry:

It was almost like old times to see you and Bob and others of bygone days at the Bob Smith gathering last Saturday night. I enjoyed your remarks and thought you did an excellent job by speaking off-the-cuff. Try to do more of it!

The purpose of this note is to ask if you could speak to Secretary Watts relative to a speaking engagement on May 5th at the Choctaw Nation's Campground in Tuskahoma, Oklahoma before a gathering of fundamental ministers and laymen -- the number of which is about 5,000.

The campground meeting is organized by Reverend Riley Donica, who had me speak to these patriotic people of God-fearing stock on two different occasions in the past.

Reverend Donica would be glad to provide more details for the Secretary if it is possible for him to address this excellent audience. He is prepared to pay all expenses for the Secretary and to provide a modest honorarium. If you could be of help to me in this matter, I would be most grateful.

Syrup-making permitting, I hope to be in Washington one or two days next week. If I am, I will be in touch with you.

With warm regards and best wishes to Anita,

Sincerely,

Mel

Meldrim Thomson, Jr.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Commissioner John D. Needham, United States National Commander of the Salvation Army has just died. His funeral will be at 10:30 am, Saturday, April 16.

The President should send a telegram of condolence to his widow Florence, care of Commissioner Andrew S. Miller, 1424 Northeast Expressway, Atlanta GA. 30329.

Commissioner Miller's telephone number is 404-321-7938.

Commissioner Needham became National Commander of the Salvation Army in January, 1982.

Commissioner Needham met with the President and other Salvation Army leaders in the Oval Office in February, 1982.

In addition to serving the Salvation Army in a wide range of posts in the U.S. and overseas, Commander Needham was particularly enthusiastic about the President's call for private sector initiatives. He developed a large number of initiatives in response to suggestions made by the President, and at White House briefings which Commissioner Needham attended.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 18, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM MORTON C. BLACKWELL

In thinking about the proposed strategic missile defense strategy, I came up with this point:

The current doctrine of massive retaliation in case of nuclear attack and its cousin, Mutual Assured Destruction, rely on our ability to match the Soviets in a "balance of terror." Each side is to keep the other side in terror of a possible nuclear exchange.

Unfortunately, there is no major country in the world today less expert in or comfortable with the use of terror as an instrument of national policy than the United States. And there is no major country more expert in or comfortable with the use of terror than the Soviet Union.

Shifting to a strategy based more on defense and less on offense destroys much of the advantage which now accrues to the Soviets due to their greater facility in the uses of terror.

Perhaps this point can be worked into our arguments supporting the President's new strategy.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 21, 1983

TO: John Herrington 

FROM: Morton C. Blackwell

This is a highly qualified black
who should be on some health/medicine
related Presidential Advisory Board
or Commission.

I greatly appreciate your help with
this matter.



DAVID C. TREEN
GOVERNOR

State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES
OFFICE OF HOSPITALS
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
200 LAFAYETTE STREET
P. O. BOX 44215 - PHONE - 504/342-2595
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70804

ROGER P. GUISSINGER
SECRETARY

February 4, 1983

Mr. Morten Blackwell, Special Assistant
to the President for Public Liaison
The White House, O.E.O.B.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

It was a pleasure chatting with you by telephone last week. I sincerely regret that time and scheduling problems prohibited a personal visit by me to your office. Hopefully, we can meet some time in the near future, especially since our mutual friend, Jeanie, speaks so highly of you.

I have enclosed two copies of my curriculum vitae as you requested. Please feel free to use them as necessary. I would consider it a privilege to serve on a national commission, board or committee where my background, knowledge and experience in health systems could benefit the American people.

If you need additional information, please call me at (504) 342-2596. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Roberts", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Jonathan Roberts, Dr. P.H.
Assistant Secretary

JR:dcn

Enclosure

CURRICULUM VITAE

JONATHAN ROBERTS, DR. P.H.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Full Name Jonathan Roberts

Address:
Home 2997 Yorktown Drive
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

Office 200 Lafayette Street, 1st Floor
P. O. Box 44215
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Personal Data:
Birth Alexandria, Louisiana - January 9, 1935
Height 6'0"
Weight 190 lbs.

Spouse Geraldine Locks
Married June 8, 1962
Children Jonathan Jerrard Roberts - May 13, 1963
Joni Jennelle Roberts - January 19, 1965
Michael Henry Roberts - December 5, 1967

MILITARY SERVICE:

Army April 15, 1959 - Commissioned Second Lieutenant,
Army Medical Service Corps
July 28, 1967 - Honorable Discharge with the rank of Major

EDUCATION:

Graduate School Tulane University (1967-1971)
School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
New Orleans, Louisiana
Degree: Doctor of Public Health (August, 1971)
Degree: Master of Public Health - Health Services
Administration (1968)

Post Doctoral Fellowship "Program for Health Systems Management," sponsored by
School of Business Administration, Harvard University,
Boston, Massachusetts (June - August, 1971)

EDUCATION: (continued)

Fellowship	Public Health Service Traineeship (1967-1968)
Other Post	
Graduate Courses	Management Program: "Management by Objectives for Hospital Executives," sponsored by the Center for Management and Technical Programs, University of Colorado (May, 1972)
	"Modern Management and Supervision," U.S.D.A. Graduate School, Washington, D.C. (August, 1973)
	"Advanced Training in Health Care Administration," sponsored by the Inter-Agency Institute for Federal Health Care Executives, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois (June, 1974)
College	Southern University (September, 1954 - January, 1959)
High School	Peabody High School (1950-1954) Alexandria, Louisiana Graduation: 1954 (with honors)
Board Certification	Oral and written examinations of the Council of Regents, American College of Hospital Administrators

EMPLOYMENT:

1980 - Present	Assistant Secretary Office of Hospitals Department of Health and Human Resources State of Louisiana
1978 - 1980	Director National Residency Program in Health Care Administration Health Services Administration - Public Health Service
1973 - 1980	Deputy Director National Hansen's Disease Center Carville, Louisiana
1971 - 1972	Assistant Director National Hansen's Disease Center Carville, Louisiana

EMPLOYMENT: (continued)

1968 - 1971 Research Associate
 Department of Health Services Research
 U. S. Public Health Service Hospital
 New Orleans, Louisiana

1965 - 1967 Chief
 Laboratory Service
 Kimbrough Army Hospital
 Fort George G. Meade, Maryland

1960 - 1964 Clinical Laboratory Officer
 U. S. Army Hospital
 Fort Gordon, Georgia

1959 - 1960 Clinical Laboratory
 121st Evacuation Hospital
 Korea

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

American College of Hospital Administrators, Member
American Hospital Association
American Medical Technologists (AMT)
American Public Health Association
The Association of Military Surgeons of the United States
Louisiana Public Health Association

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

Instructor
Southern University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Associate Professor of Health Sciences
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Consultant
Delgado Junior College
New Orleans, Louisiana

Clinical Assistant Professor
Department of Public Health and Preventative Medicine
Louisiana State University, Medical Center

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS: (continued)

Adjunct Assistant Professor
Health Care Administration
School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Consultant
Department of Allied Health Sciences
Southern University
Shreveport, Louisiana

Preceptor
Health Care Administration
University of California
Berkeley, California

OTHER APPOINTMENTS:

Member
Louisiana Council of Physician Manpower

Consultant
Health Department
City of New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Consultant
Charity Hospital
New Orleans, Louisiana

Member
Louisiana Hospital Association Research Committee
New Orleans, Louisiana

SCIENTIFIC PAPERS:

Master's Thesis "The Clinical Laboratory in the Regional Programs for
Heart Disease, Cancer and Stroke, Public Law 89-239"

"The Effect of Chemical Inhibitors on the Respiratory
Rate of Various Protozoans"

"The Effect of Freezer Storage Temperature on the
Stability of Quality Control Results Obtained from
Pooled Serum"

SCIENTIFIC PAPERS: (continued)

Doctoral
Dissertation

"The Development of a Cooperative Quality Control
Program for Monitoring the Validity of Automated
Clinical Laboratory Testing"

Presented: Annual Meeting of the American Public
Health Association

Fifth International Congress on Automation
(Technicon) New York City, New York

Published: Volume I
Fifth International Congress of Automation

"The Utilization of Automated Multiphasic Health
Testing to Determine the Effects of Drugs on Laboratory
Test Results in a Non-Hospitalized Population"

Authors: George Armstrong, Tom Simpson, and Jonathan
Roberts

Presented: Clinical Society Meeting of the United
States Public Health Service, Sixth Joint
Meeting (1971)

"The Pharmacist's Role in Determining Drug Related
Discrepancies of Laboratory Values"

Authors: Darrel Nerstad, Gary M. McCart, and
Jonathan Roberts

Presented: Clinical Society and Commissioned Officers
Association Meeting of the United States
Public Health Service, Fifth Joint Meeting
(March 31, 1970 - April 3, 1970)

"A System for Detecting Medication Interference with
Laboratory Values"

Authors: Gary M. McCart, Darrel Nerstad, and
Jonathan Roberts

Presented: Clinical Society and Commissioned Officers
Association Meeting (March 31, 1970 -
April 3, 1970)

"Management by Objectives in the Long Term Care
Institutions"

Authors: J. Roberts, R. J. Rolfsen and J. R. Buchtel

Presented: Eighth Joint Meeting of the Professional
Associations of the U. S. Public Health
Service (May 9 - 12, 1973)

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Selected to appear in
"Who's Who Among Students in American Universities
and Colleges"

Selected for membership into
"Eta Chi Sigma Honorary Biology Club"

Selected for membership into
"Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society"

Awarded the
"Third United States Army Certificate of Achievement"

Received the Commanding Officer's Award
"Certificate of Achievement in the Recognition of
Meritorious Performance of Duty"

Selected for membership into
"The National Society of Scabbard and Blade"

Recipient of
"Public Health Traineeship"
Cum Laude College Graduate
Meritorious Service Medal
Public Health Service
Awarded February, 1979

Outstanding Alumnus for the Tulane University School
of Public Health and Tropical Medicine for 1981.

CIVIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

President
Concord Estates Home Owners' Association
(250 homes in the subdivision)

Chairman
Council on Ministries
Bethany United Methodist Church

Chairman
Troop Committee
Boy Scouts of American, Troop 269

CIVIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES: (continued)

Member
Health Programs for Minority Students
Tulane University School of Public Health and
Tropical Medicine

Member
Minorities Business Opportunities Committee of
Louisiana Small Business Administration
New Orleans, Louisiana

Member
Consumer Protection Center Review Committee
City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Vice Chairman
Project Review Committee
Mid-Louisiana Health Systems Agency

Member
Scientist Career Development Committee
Commissioned Corps
Public Health Service

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM MORTON C. BLACKWELL 

SUBJECT: "One Pager" on the Freeze

Finally, we have something I think we can use.

Attached is what we got from Mary McConnell at Defense. She promises more to come next week.

I suggest we send this promptly to Jerry.

2 Kings, Chapter 9, describes the encounter between Joram, Israel's idolatrous king, and Jehu, the man whom God has chosen to rule Israel. As Jehu rides out to challenge Joram, the King's messenger calls out: "Is it Peace?" Jehu replies: "What have you to do with peace?"

Let us not fear to ask the Soviet Union the same question: what have you to do with peace?

The Department of Defense has recently published a report, entitled Soviet Military Power, which reveals that in the last year and a half alone, the Soviets have begun test flights of two new generations of Intercontinental Ballistic missiles, a new intercontinental bomber, and new generations of air- and sea-launched cruise missiles. They have test-fired a new class of strategic ballistic submarines, which can reach targets in America from the security of Soviet home waters. They have introduced a new main battle tank, launched two new aircraft carriers, and put an average of 3 new SS-20 nuclear warheads on the ground each week -- again, all since late 1981. There is no ^{serious} talk of a "freeze" in the Soviet Union.

The Soviets would not need this many nuclear missiles, or missiles with this much explosive power and accuracy, if they were only concerned with being able to respond to an attack. But Soviet strategy, unlike our own, is not defensive. It is offensive.

Consider the following statement, which appeared in a lead editorial published in Red Star, the central daily of USSR Ministry of Defense, on March 5, 1983: "Artful maneuver, conducted at

high tempo, with diverse formations of order of battle, and with maximal exploitation of results of employment of nuclear weapons at all stages of combat operations, has become the determinant of success."

The Soviets, in other words, think they could win a nuclear war. The United States has already tried to slow the arms race by unilaterally freezing its own nuclear weapons development. The only result was a growing Soviet advantage, and a growing threat to peace. We can counter that threat only by remaining strong, and retaining the courage not just to seek true peace, but to ask "What have you to do with peace" when we see it threatened.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 3, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM MORTON C. BLACKWELL

SUBJECT: National Rifle Association Convention Speech Draft

I think this is an excellent speech and it will be well received.

It does a good job with the crime issue, the defense issue and with Central America.

The only changes I propose are in the paragraph on page 7 which begins: "Such wild creatures..." I suggest that this sentence be changed to read: "In many areas, such wild creatures as the white tail deer, ruffed grouse, wild turkey and the pronghorned antelope have been brought back from the edge of extinction to great abundance today."

There was a typing error here, as well, it is "ruffed grouse" not ruffled goose.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 11, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

FROM MORTON C. BLACKWELL

SUBJECT: Mylio Kraja

Kraja is the Executive Director of the Washington office of the American Legion. With about 2.7 million members they have a million more members than the next largest veterans organization, the V.F.W.

Kraja works for the top staffer of the organization, National Adjutant Bob Spanogle. Spanogle runs the national office in Indianapolis.

While the rank and file legionnaires tend to be very conservative, most of the conservatives on the American Legion staff were removed by Spanogle some years ago. Although it is clear that the top American Legion staff are not enthusiastic republicans or conservatives, they know that their membership tends to be strongly supportive of the President. Thus they have proven in the last two and half years to be willing to support most presidential initiatives if other major veterans organizations such as the V.F.W. have declared for us first.

There is a special issue with the Legion, Pershing Hall in Paris. This building was built in the 1930s with federal funds but, by statute, has been operated by the American Legion. It houses American Legion Post 1.

In recent years the leadership of Paris Post 1 has been at odds with the national leadership of the Legion. There were allegations of financial mismanagement and vice operations in the building.

Last year the Legion top officers, including elected National Commander Al Keller, along with Kraja and Spanogle, met with Mr. Meese in an effort to get the federal government to assume responsibility for the operation of Pershing Hall.

The Justice Department advised Mr. Meese that it will take a change in the statute to relieve the Legion of its overall responsibility for Pershing Hall, which is now being operated by an ad hoc committee of Americans in Paris.

We have had many meetings with the Property Review Board, the Legion, and other interested veterans groups. The upshot is that the V.F.W. and the Reserve Officers Association have agreed to assume responsibility for Pershing Hall. A bill is being drafted which will authorize the V.F.W. and the Reserve Officers Association, under the general supervision of the Battlefield Monuments Commission to continue the operation of Pershing Hall as the center for U.S. organization activities in Paris. The Legion's position is that they want nothing further to do with Pershing Hall and they have indicated, at least to date, that they will not oppose the change in the statute.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF PUBLIC LIAISON

DATE: MAY 23 1983

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: _____

SUBJECT: Inter. Union Police Assoc. ltr to Pres

re: housing manufacture, import & sale
non-piercing handgun ammunition

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
WHITTLESEY	☐	☐	TILLER	☐	☐
VIPOND	☐	☐	VILA	☐	☐
ROUSSELOT	☐	☐	GRAF	☐	☐
✓ BLACKWELL	☒	☐	SUNDSETH	☐	☐
BUCKALEW	☐	☐	MORECI	☐	☐
GALE	☐	☐	_____	☐	☐
JACOBI	☐	☐	_____	☐	☐
JEPSEN	☐	☐	_____	☐	☐

REMARKS:

This does not require reply. It is a thank-you letter to the President for his support of H.R. 953, (mandatory sentencing for the use of so-called "cop killer" bullets.) It is not necessary to send a thank-you letter for a thank-you letter.

RESPONSE: None required. Send to files.

Faith Ryan Whittlesey
 Assistant to the President
 Ext. 2270

Jan Moresi

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OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS
AFL-CIO**

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Edward J. Kiernan
President

David E. Baker
Secretary-Treasurer

May 17, 1983

The Honorable Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of our members in the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I wish to thank you for your support of the legislation which provides for a mandatory term for the use of the so-called "Cop Killer" bullet. H.R. 953, which was introduced by Congressman Mario Biaggi, would ban the manufacture, importation and sale of armor-piercing handgun ammunition. Having worked as a patrolman in New York City with the Congressman for many years, I can testify to his concern for police officers throughout the country and I would hope that with your support and the support of the many co-sponsors in the House and Senate that this bill will eventually reach your desk.

Once again, please accept our thanks for your support.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Kiernan
Edward J. Kiernan
President

EJK/rf

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: Faith Ryan Whittlesey
FROM: Morton C. Blackwell *MB*
SUBJECT: Talking Points for Administration Spokesmen
Re: The Reagan Record: Two Years of Progress

I am sorry to say that most of this talking points paper is dull. (The only major exception to that is the concluding "Then and Now" piece.) Reading it in the evening could be a substitute for a glass of warm milk.

The problem is that there is no sense of confrontation in the talking points. It seems like we are trying to defend ourselves with statistics and by claiming everything has been wonderful during this Administration.

Everyone knows the country has had and still has big trouble. Who is to blame? The Democrats aren't shy about blaming the President!

A better approach would be to identify and attack the sources of some of the problems with which we have struggled. Wouldn't it be O.K. to say how much the liberal Democratic leadership in the Congress has stopped the President from making many of the changes he sought?

In short, the talking points are timid, defensive, and dry. If we send our spokesmen with this set of directions, they will be only targets -- not targeters.

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