

**NLWJC - Kagan**

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**DPC [Domestic Policy Council] -  
Team Leader Mtgs.**

2/1 Team leaders

Tan: Food Safety - NAS Response

Child Care beats - ready

Chris: Medicare Commission - principal traversal

Ken/Rock - want to introduce drug bill. this week  
 - very suspicious of any & press sup. program  
 Breaux - will introduce his regardless of what Conn. does  
 - looks like his proposal won't save \$

Today - 9.5 b in cuts in Medicare; 1.5 in Medicaid.

Punitive tax - memo w/ 3 options

- start cut.

- push for by first

- explicitly do D

Kids event - Feb 23. Private sector announcements.

Cancer/leukemia to come.

Grijalva brief - mtg w/ DM, CT

Subsidy gainful activ. cap - \$500  $\rightarrow$  \$200. VP to do later in wk.

PBOBZ - can be reaching out to Repubs - but may be attracting  
 Bone Dogs

OTC rep - ready when we.

Nursing homes - new penalties event ready - Wk of 18th earliest

$\rightarrow$  Tethers Kennedy - hearing in Fin. Comm - Thursday

Tose: gun shows on 6th

Tracing + trafficking ready after 9th -

Needs to go before 23rd (Rubin testifies)

Could do outside of DC - Philly e.g.

Drug strategy - go back to 8th?

Think OK w/ SWBaker piece.

But... parity is in there!

Race profiling - ECunneia calling mtg. BScorr trying to add this to cops prof!

Some division at DOT: courts v. int. bureaus (federal cut also)

involved - not just state + local).

Edley - comments back to day?

Cynthia: Smuggling - still for leg auth to combat smuggling? Pub so.  
Menu - need to be assertive; prevent people from jumping on bill.  
W2 rule - mtg today.

Nicole: Parent division bill - ready by end of this wk.

Dodd / Slaughter - probable co-sponsors.

MH w/ Ken's office - Early Learning Trust Fund.

Polack went to states -  
but problem -  
targeted to slots

Q: competition w/ Head Start - appropriations would stop  
funding HS!

Erlay - FMLA anniversary. FL will say something at her event  
tomorrow.

Paul: Livability agenda - one-paper bin POTUS on Better America Bonds  
Must do more on LHTC.

## Team Leaders Dec 5

Edu: Double mtg on teacher quality - very imp to them  
 a) teacher recruitment - scholarships<sup>to undergrads</sup> / mid-career.  
 b) beginning teachers - mentoring other  
 c) prep for teachers / principals  
 d) teacher basic edn prog in HEA - more \$ in this.

Hether/Dennica

They're OK w/ accountability things too - testing etc.

1.2 b per year - FY2000 (500m for mentoring alone)  
 ↳ (same as class size)

Charters - go for 50% ↑

} 50

Choice + H - could delay until ESEA

↳ do work site schools through this. } 30

Social promotion / afterschool

~~more~~ later grant; others (u/s.p.) can set \$ at top. 50%/50%  
 need: test, standard, action plan to help kids

Americorps - appeal is about right - 20 camps + 100,000 participants per year.

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Goals Panel Report - should put out a statement  
 by Thursday.

Gary Davis - Not talked yet.

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Health: Florida (Child) recompement - DOT. (Where is this?)

Memo to POCUS on young people's coverage

Parity for part-time workers in ins?

Stem cells - need options, mtg

HIV surveillance - CDC neg in states - want to do before Advis Council mtg.

Sandy says - don't do!

Children: Child welfare pieces are mandatory

Toys - combine vinyl toy announcement w/ toy recall for VP  
CHIP outreach - can't do during sweeps - must do before Jan 15 /  
or after Feb. 15 - pick a date in Feb.

Abortion safety - 5 million

Ct return in child welfare - 10 million

Q - how to do child care? (0-3 merger?)

Paid leave - research (10 m) >  
grants to states (50 m)

Crime: Have to do gun stuff inside the pot?

Drug testing guidelines - in 10 days - combine w/ new budget in  
early Jan

Crime victimization report - maybe Dec 28. Good news.

Education in Prison \$1??

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Our adult education??

Race/hum: Tries to do R&B crosscut

Tan: New version of food safety one-pager

Equal pay - also one-pager

Injuries - your proposal. OMB gave only about 10

ECDL - doubling report

Participation:

WR: Participation #s - All but Nevada + DC are meeting all-family  
2-combo w/ WFW result?  
Have new enrollment #s too.

Find radio address.

Welfare - Privatization has to be reviewed

FICA - not done yet

Tobacco - good advertising

Tobacco - need ~~to~~ put health money? Enact-20%o. Ken/David - half & half (25%)

2 charg: once you do this, tobacco  
is over with.

Housing vouchers - \$0,000! our language!

only 2 left: waiver authority.

also: some g's re earmarks.

WR re-calling to OMB

Race: List of accoups after appropo comes in.

Race outline of Ed by - comments due

Tech: Top Cops - Deegan??

Technology / databases bill?

DOT auth bill?

Maloney cops-in-schools bill? - do this! Schumer  
then, actually give COPs at school conference.

Surveill. bill? Nothing going on.

Drug supp to Lew last week - mostly international  
Southwest Border - too to check where things are.

Paul: EFT event? Rep - call the AARP.

Chris:

~~Ed~~ No more elder abuse - City gone; no more grants

VP, privacy event? guidance EO?

letter from OPM to health plans - see how good this is -  
save for Poors??

Karen - anything chance to happen this week?

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Chris

CHIP - POMS event <sup>b/w</sup> 10/5 - 10/12 - or DSS (Shabaka) (VP?)Cancer - Medicare coverage of oral analogues to IV drugs

New drug announced Friday

Expanded access to clinical trials; more patient involvement

Progress report on Human Genome Project

~~#~~ [CJ will write bullet for radio address]Elder Abuse - 9/29<sup>about</sup> how many millions covered, etc.PBOR - Closure report on how many millions

(CEO)

Progressive HMDs - CJ will check them

LT care - CJ to talk to Stein (Murgin re slowing down Cummings/Morella FEHB)

Disabilities - Give states option to let people leave nursing homes for home care by date certain- Finance-Labor agent on Jeffords-Kennedy (Roth-Magnuson)

- Do event?

- But: risk that R's will use surplus to pay for it.

HCFA - Mtg. w/Jackson re Tobacco Recoupment

Mike

Try to do school construction in Chicago <sup>taking event;</sup> but talk abt whole ed agenda

Charter schools: Riley hasn't connected w/Hutchinson yet

Single-sex schools mtg. today. Kennedy + Hutchinson have been talking

HEA - not likely to get much of 35,000 <sup>teacher prep, but not</sup> per min. living.

Ed Flex - NGA is trying to attach to approps bill. Kennedy may go along.

Nat. Test: looking at private funding. The Gap + high-tech folks.

DoEd is sending over list of reports October- Social promotions guidbook is almost done. - no draft yet

CR: Counterparts are good. - Top 10

FICA - Treasury has Labor's suggestions.

Do anything?

Sr Staff p.2

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Ak has draft of minority caseloads memo

No Wellstone changes in HCA - Rs said no.

AZ waiver: 1-county privatization being (McCain)

Goplatte andt - reprogram \$80m from FS work 18-50 to TFAP. Bad idea.

/ - Look at FS ~~memorandum~~ for deadbeat crackdown

2 use this part of it somehow

↳ well-liked Food stamp program

JEN

We'll say in Labor/H SAP that we prefer \$180m earmarked

Breast cancer - good report on 5yr progress. Looking for actions.

- Name group to determine new agenda

Child welfare demos - good neighborhoods reduce child abuse. May be able to do community demos w/ existing authority.

JOSE

Juvie conference - Sen. Dems didn't name conference

10/9 - Top Cops - concealed weapons? Police Officers Bill of Rts?

Talk to Rahm re Crime mtgs.

JULIE

H1B - close to a deal? But need AFL signoff.

H2A - Hispanic Caucus mtg w/ groups today to plan how to kill Wyde andt.

Hondurans - working w/ NSC to say no gently

Tom

Homeless vets - VP?

Food safety - study ready; check on budget fight

TV violence study

Why change  
our mind?

9/26

## Team Leaders Mtg

Chris: Elder Abuse - next wh., though grants must go out Sept 30.

Med man care - this week: detections

over 40 coming in as well; may be more in than out.

Uninsured numbers - Pear, etc.

Children's health report? (DPC / NEC)

Kennedy - Tethers - offsets?

Patients - will up Senate - filibuster - as early as tomorrow

VP participation

report - the week after they leave

Toni: Single-sex educ.

Pediatric labelling - sitting on this to allow Henry to go through  
 Title IX - mts w/ Ecclesia - proposed exec order has come  
 but still issue re DOD.

" { Mammoq Health Act - advocates want bill signing - see if can do 21st?  
 how many days do we have?

- not much policy  
 - report really bad

After-school grants - new camp or go down list?

latter! do at school safety conference (Ed doesn't want)

Toni: School safety - need to wholly rework prog; bulk size ( $500 \rightarrow 16$ ), or at least 250m

→ This year got what we asked for  
 new verbiage: list of allowable uses

reg of schoolwide plan / repair card - i.e. accountability

reg schools to be all as comprehensive pgs.

formulate rules; coming to districts (new formula)

sun service - 1st step along these lines

BR: awkward timing - esp. if haven't signed bill yet.

Chris: more complete memo  
on minorities.

Also no way to get this amount of \$ at this time?

Gap on school uniforms

Need something on guns!

Set up sep mtg on sch. safety.

Bender - DOT/DOT going out in public w/ an plan?!

Money laundering reg - where is it? issued already?

Brady reg - allow DOT to negotiate on record-keeping?

Cynthia

Minuties cardstock memo - do get it today.

Nazi/SEPA - Franks bill; D'Amato to get in? No letter.

FICA. Tras. persistent. OR will push harder.

Child support - MS should try to get a networks interested.

Tulie: HEA - mtg tomorrow.

Public charge-DOT to get back to us Thursday.

Mike: HEA - conf report filed.

Teachers stuff OK?

House to vote soon

Thursday event - awkward that lit. + charters bills came up? This wh.

"One Day for Schools" Event mtg @ 2:00.

MC to write up concept - what would we vote ~~on~~ on  
this one day?

Tam: FDA exec order re imports

Country of origin - didn't say.

Mad cow - Harr study. - Anything to do? -

Brain/cows - only 3 cows!

9-8 Team leaders Mtg

Edcu: Events this week

Bilingual edcu<sup>n</sup> bill in House this week?

Charter legis.

Higher Ed - teacher quality

Literacy bill

work: FLCB - include citation (Treas Ok)

move on FLCB?

cur. curv. exceptio - doesn't seem like much.

TANF study - Pierce - 2+ a

Food stamps - ready to go on Friday

q on death match? have to answer.

Also could do stuff on TANF/Medicaid? Packaging

Public charge - memo going to INS/AG - timing on Friday.

Minority caseloads - mtg w/ PBR/ERL

Chadwick - keep pushing w/ CDC.

Family: Approve on child care - 180m (undesignated) } Senate  
75 in afterschool }  
try to relate / to others

Adoption - hearing on multi-racial - extinction.

Crime: See Crime bill - 10 title - not bad.

Hatch prob. won't get bill on floor.

Border Patrol - need our views

Race: H2A - 2 mtgs: w/ Ag + Labor - going to principals  
bipartisan mtg -(k+)- scheduled.

Tom: CEA - Family report - bad.

Food safety approps - QP's going around.

NSDA - show it is a fee, not a tax

Food labeling - Graham met w/ Snakes - may reach compromise -  
all meat except ground beef

TV Ratings - give to VP.

Food safety committee: Lane meeting

Paul: Lb on campaign finance

vote this week. can't take up H.R. bill b/c lone house  
One-pagers due for pub hearing on budget battles  
NEC/PPC to do another brief on campaign finance

Health: Elder abuse on hold - maybe late Sept.

Patient Bill R - events on 17th. Med rep may not be done.

Long-term care - still on hold, though H. Dems now questioning  
FEHDP premiums up 10% (for workers 7%) -

try to hold for a week, launch w/ some other better news. stretch?  
tentative Friday.

Med. Am'n - Vladek getting off the train, talking about revenue?  
Medicaid recap here - what kind of data do we need to one state?  
briefing to me.

Provider tax recovery. After election - don't do a lot of it now.  
Ass suicide-wtg's this week.

## 8-3 Team Leaders Mtg

## 1. Welfare -

- + a. event tomorrow - talk to Robert Pear -  
couple of hundred thousand farms to benefit.
- + b. Welfare amendment - do internal mtg.
- + c. Shear-cure in this week re FICA.

## 2. Health -

- + a. VP event this wk in PA. - negotiation
- + b. Other Americans Act - challenge Congress to pass this year?  
meals-on-wheels (50-50 now)
- +      → elder abuse ← This is connects! (Aug 13/14 - 674 people  
panader)
- +      → new grants - APP
- + c. Patient Bill R - Medicaid looks bad...  
could do: veto Threat on Senate bill?  
event w/ PGs + Rutgers?  
FGHBP on gay rule?
- + d. Provider tax - HHS letter - say schedule - in Nov, we're  
coming after you.
- + e. Long-term care - need to force issue.
- + f. Assisted suicide
- + g. Title IX - like of mother!
- + h. Heming - Sept 1 hearing.

## 3. Education -

- + a. Labor it on House floor if enough votes
- + b. Riggs bilingual later this week - SAPP?
- + c. National Board - one/bw common/PA

Voinovich op. ed?

4. Tan Staff -

- a. NAS report - exec order - coordinated I.S. council  
- jet budget, strategic plan.  
- Marley, Welsh anxious.  
- took cheap if try to prevent  
- repair not devastating

Do!

Also, egg thing.

- b. Ratings report - new version - late September

- c. Family report - CEA

- d. Food safety approps - Archer objecting - considers it a tax.  
- Need strong statement in Ag. Approps.

5. Crim -

- a. Thursday event - no rule. (due by 15th) → wait until next wk.  
- waiting period. (3-5) (not mandatory)  
- veto threat by cu for provisions
- b. Crimes - building critical mass.
- c. School violence still on for 15th.

6. Immigration/Race -

- a. Amnesty for Latin Americans.
- b. Public charge - not getting done. Chris - do meeting

7. First Lady

- a. DC Charter - good shape
- b. Head Start - very bad bill coming out of full committee

8. Paul shuttle

- a. G2 bill - what vehicle?
- b. IDA? ~~as~~ <sup>in</sup> event - connected to last head start Bill.
- c. EFT - September - connect w/ IDA
- d. Public hearings - Census worked out draft.

6-15 Team Leaders Mtg

## 1. Education

a. Bilingual ~~noting~~ memo

b. HSA - may come up in Dec.

Polyamorous amend. - cut off financial aid to teachers, colleges where certain 90-day basic certif reqs.

Bad mechanism - we're looking at other mech's of accountability.

c. Charter Schools Bill - Setbacks to work up.

d. EdFlex - Frist + Wyden have bill to expand

We have our bill, but should we work w/ them?

e. Class size - options - ~~must~~ adds up to 7.4, but don't get 2.8 in last year.

## 2. Child / Families -

Rep.

a. Adoption registry - HITs user w/ "lewin. He thinks they're only progress.

b. After-school event on Wed. - Pres + FL / VP tentative / parent /

c. Kiddie Mac

# DPC Team Leader Mtg

→ | - Ass suicide  
| - Unz etc.  
- Atkinson
Farm corp. /

## 6/2 Team Leader Mtg

### 1. Race

- a. Accamps document
- b. Commencement speech minority - no policy; bilingual staff?
- c. EEOC - Broderick + Martha policy around
- d. Get more info before making any conclusions on testing

### 2. Education -

- a. MIT speech
- b. APT/NEA memo class size school const.
- c. Bilingual ed. - Wed mtg.; Unz 2+ a P
- d. NEA - Calif. situation (Spinner) - new legis (Riggs)  
veto threat?  
BZ: not inclined to break w/ Dept on this.

e. Atkinson - call Karen S. - info on minority enrollment?

### 3. Health

VA - check w/ Reps & vets (Rockefeller)

- a. Minority caucus staff mts re tobacco - 3:00
- b. Health care tax cut < self-employed individual
- c. NEA getting killed by Hill Repubs - on menu  
looking for ways to libel.  
do court call w/ NEA - oppose to Gramm. (2:15)

d. Medicare com'n - not a lot of news.

e. Ass. suicide - 1 P - release on Friday

f. Medicare P80: only in next 24 hrs.

g. First Lady commencement speech

h. FDA Commissioner next week - wait until Sun done w/ tobacco?

i. VP AARP speech / Farm Conf. / quality forum.

j. Disability - community anger  
position in DPC?

#### 4. Crime

- a. Reinstate ban on COPs
- b. Get Leahy stat lang on smuggling; also any further info on drugs.
- c. '08 - introduce legislation (combine w/ other thing.)

#### 5. Tax

##### a. Farmers

- i. Supporting our pos  $\leq$  lay off of guys - only Dublin a prob  
getting health 9Ps  
OMB state #s - how much it would  
hurt - public health #s  
26 v 46.
- ii. Developing a compromise - menu of options per then paper
  - privatizing
  - longer phase-out or program, w/ review.  
BTR: should push off until after  
~~the~~ election

##### b. Equal Pay event - CEA report

##### c. Child Care

- a. After school care & HHS.
- b. Major kick sp. in July - they stuck on children's issues -

## 5-26 Team Leader Mtg

## 1. Child care

- + House bill - waiting until 10th. First Lady possible; perhaps VP.
- + "At-risk" mtg - experts on at-risk youth - First Lady.
- + 25 people - open to press
- + not just violence people
- + After-school event - June 11

## 2. Education

- + Strategy - creatingights on class-size + construction
- + ask OMB to look for effect.
- + Bilingual - mark-up on full-court next week or week after.
- + 2 year staff plus compliance stds/amount decrees  
(rap: many commun. to put kids in bilingual programs)
- + OCR - just saying districts have to provide some service - enter into voluntary consent decrees)
- + Memo - alternative bill; 2 eq. timins

## 3. Health

- + Bill of Rights event - state-by-state #s; lump to women.
- + Genetic discrimination - hearing last wk
- + moving in next month or so in Senate
- + Ass. suicide - rollout of DOT decision
- + Medicare/abortion issue - mtg today or tomorrow -  
Sun. may want to go early next week.
- + Med Cmte - June 1 - mtg
- + VP-AARP speech - June 2 or 3.
- + Quality Forum - VP - June 17
- + Fam Conf - June 23 - VP.

#### 4. Welfare

+ Tomorrow's event.

Civil rts guidance on WR reform - get no guidance

FECR - BK to talk to Podesta

#### 5. Crime

2 bill signings - new ~~tit~~ grants -- 73,000 cops.

+ how to connect juvenile bill?

Gang ordinance - no federal interest

[June 18]

+ crime div aft

- talk to Bill Marshall.

VAWA II - \$1.4 b; extends crime trust fund

#### 6. Race / Immigration: EEOC leg - testing issue.

HHS mtg - this afternoon - need to dev. House floor strategy,  
+ training? floor amendment?

HHS reform - mtgs w/ Davis / Deitchman. HHS wants pay equity for  
inspectors. OMB says doesn't have it.

Race bill - June 17. Table to draft

#### 7. Tax

+ Farm strategy - offer compromise now? prob. not now.  
see where voters are then. mt.

1:00 - call: Roll / Hollings / Enzi / WDA / Farm

Equal Pay - June 10. Roundtable w/ businesses.

, New issue - unbanked?

Immig speech - June 13.

## 3-6 Team Leaders Mtg

## 1. Immigration

~~HIBS~~ -- Letter from Homan / Daily / Reno

Deputies vty / principals vty

b) Reform - ck w/ Peter - doing anything?

c) Labor enforcement - talking to groups. (Maria)

d) Section 377 - a. imp't

## 2. Child care

~~Child care~~

a) Treasury report / why it / Labor - home will companies

b) After-school - grants + report.

## 3. Crime

a) assault weapons

b) school safety - on 10th??

c) COPs - target zones, hot spots, p. can pub assistance  
Wain The watch.

## 4. Welfare

a) Child support - small diff's - has to be concerned.

b) FICA - Higgins lobbying Rubin - find out where this is.

c) Up-to-date data - have to think thru some of this -  
too many bureaus

d) Calif challenge to FL8A

e) TANF report to Cong - running late - by April 1

f) funky Senate Welfare/Moynihan - what is this?

g) Caseloads. ↗?

h) Secretaries' went on budget. (2nd)

i) VP event - out lining

School request →

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- a) Tobacco farmers - new dispute between flue and burley?  
Do paper - incl. g+a.
- b) Privacy - disputes w/ Thrus.
- c) Food safety report - juice labeling - unpasteurized.  
~~HHS~~ sent over to OMB.
- d) Wh family Regns - CEA endorsed  
Prevalence of Recr diseases - snapshot

Weinstein

- a) Letter to Kennedy - congrat on NOJ.
- b) Letter to Clegg on low income tax credit.

Educate

In construction event?

- a) Zones - DC vetoed (combined w/ class size)
- b) Teacher <sup>the</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Y - BS1 veto
- c) Mayors - conference May 2 - do zones here? Yes.
- d) New amounts in Senate in Cardell
  - (i) Single sex schools - Hutchinson - (as long as one for each sex)
  - (ii) Discipline in IDEA - school districts can set their own discipline policies
  - (iii) Block grant



## 2) Team Leader Mtg

Educational: Class size leg + EOZ leg. — meeting w/ Bill May this afternoon.

NE to call back → Sam Denner - play by leg am (w/ Riley) - hoping to get his report  
Thurs - class size; curriculum; social promotions; funding block zones

Ed to give us policy options - bilingual ed. - call mtg today for next wk.

Tobacco: VP events - Smalak - maybe Friday.

Farmers - Fred + Rob have gotten down 12:00 mtg

Minorities - caucuses want press conf week from Wed.

4 Denner - don't be partisan

Welfare → FLPA - do now (after talking to Karen)

Child care: Coats "criminal"

Mar 10 - GSA directive

DOS/ED - imp of afterschool care.

Treas w/b sp - Apr.

Medicaid manual Jr. c.c. where

2 lot cen grants for this yr.

cities - coordinate (incl DC)

DOS - 12.5 m - reducing crime on or near schools -

summit on issue?

Park - financial bill of rights

- Autchance

Julie: Draft of BrozAllen -

- Peter Tracy - Cordea - Fred Gregg

2-1-98 Team Leader Mtg

CR: 1. FICA/Treasury - try before NGA

2. Perf bonuses - poss event

3. State grants (formula)

comp - applies due Mar. 10.

4. withhold fed licenses for child support??

Bill - interstate ch sup. enf. (passed Senate?)

Challenge here to pass Senate's lead.

5. Illegitimacy bonus (together w/ other perf bonuses)

6. Mar anniv - annual statewide hire

7. Keep thinking abt college / well strike

MCI: 1. Try to change reporting on AmReacts (# of vol.)

2. Ed block grant proposal - at NGA mtg. (close to PWS' proposal)

Take 3 programmes - Goals / Prof Dev / Existing Repub Blg

includes stds/acceptability - exchange: flexibility

pitch as logical extension of Goals - same prncps.

also expand Goals - edflex

1. 2d. per year

3. Achieve / business groups - using b.s. manuscripts count

need to - who's notice for CEO participation

to support for national test.

Also good place to discuss social promote.

4. Ed report on how to turnaround failing schools -

5. Handbook on how to end social promotion - do a directive - plus a / something

6. Feb. 24 - ~~send~~ to TNESS 12th grades - very low

keep PWS away? or call for 8th grade test.

7. Diversity reports - value of dir in hier ed.

ways of achieving div. in hier ed. ]

- 8. Specs on zones by end of tele-transmittal event. Sparsus? Clay? Kennedy?
  - 9. Working on specs for class size - do we want to send up? IL? Specter?
- Announcement by this?

MC: to write up ed part of dem unity agenda

~~█~~ 10. Gooding test vote -

→ 11. Call Wade - thank him etc.  
consult w/ CA.

11. Bilingual - Riley - still info return (§ 3 vs. cut??) >

- Senate: 1. Expansion of his. service scholars ] combine  
2. Announce health proposal  
— 3. Disability Exec Order.

- Child care 1. Introduce child care leg. Do we send up?  
2. Announce our stay-at-home policy when we have one.  
3. Child care / health line - handbook re medicaid enrollment  
4. Treas. wh sp finished in March ← Report on on-site  
house will JPM companies? child care  
5. Director to GPO about accred., etc.  
More info on effects of plan - e.g. not  
just institutional care.  
6. LIHTC idea - Treasury negative - has to be pushed.  
7. 5th anniv FMLA - new proposal  
radio address?  
8. Report on afterschool programs - how/why kids are safer

- Race: 1. EEOC - fed. sector complaint resolution  
2. INS Reform - make contact w/ Peter Jacoby.  
3. Indian - interagency report to Bruce/Eshkinan  
4. Race init event in March - on hunting  
5. Americanization - anything to do?

- Chris: Quality - a. exec order? know within a week / HHS: rep. in every trans - medicare  
 b. DOL -  
 c. DOD -  
 do together / 19th - report due on agency compliance - could hold until...  
 together / QC mtg at end of month  
 d. even w/ 1st bill receiving Demo leadership bill?? - 2 -> who away  
Childrens - Colorado/SC - Rep. 1st 3.  
 + 14 states other review.  
 = balanced budget  
 (future study - says some kids eligible but not enrolled)  
 radio address?  
 or event?
- Race/Health - ~~██████████~~ Intercultural Cancer Coalition. [17/19??]
- Medicare buy-in - Moynihan introduction.
  - Fraud - send up leg - rather not
  - Tobacco event - reach out to groups - do event -  
 comprehensive / not piecemeal → ?? coalescing around legis at same time??  
 (BR to talk to Koop)
  - Event w/ research committee - play up -  
 make connection to tobacco-harm to pars.
  - Senator coming up this week - we'll probably win. (w/ Race-Health)

- Toni: Money laundering bill + final wog.  
 Prison work bill - DOT wants to do demos  
 Victims Amendment - Feinstein/Kyl  
 Drunk driving [OK] - do event w/ MADD?  
 Drug testing → licenses - 2 states interested (Ariz/FL)  
 video in approp. bill prevents this  
 submit leg on prosecutors  
 Indian country  
 ATF - new agents - new leg piece - gun running bill by Schumer  
 gun dealer see - already in one bill.  
 show purchase problem?? (go back to Tread)  
 Assaults report - ready mid-March

Mkt. to release drug strategy on 10th.

School violence report - Preliminary soon

Have to do summaries in COPs - e.g. on school viof  
small cities  
meth.

Law enforcement technology - commun: industry, cops, researchers

what are best technologies?

how can fed labs be enforced?

how to protect law enforcement? - surveillance techs  
~~surveillance~~

Freedman: Tobacco - communiqué to embassies - don't promote tol. overseas  
(covers ~~unofficial~~ policy)

Whistle Blower Freedom bill

Papers for battered women - 1400 shelters

Defibrillators

Pay equity - ↑ remedies.

Out-of-country labeling?

Paul: FCC letter on Free TV

- FEC - qual. phys/comms can't fundraise for soft \$ (states still can)  
on agenda for 12th

Reg B - data we vacc on labeling

Unbanked - in April.

Unplanned?

11/24 : Team Leaders Meeting

## 1. Education

AFT/NEA conversation

## a. Teachers - Pre K?

Partnership w/ states - how much on each?

Link w/ reading - mean through grade Three?

Teacher accountability - pledge to not reward <sup>worst</sup> <sub>incumbent</sub> teachers  
- entry-level testing  
- no lowering of standards

## b. Race staff

Do directors w/ mentoring / eoz's

## c. Public school vouchers

- requirement of choice // information ??

- facilitate # following students ?

2 (Title I / special ed)

Cynthia: Housing / wr-paper being circulated by OMB

dust tie to 3b WTW.

Adoption bill -- Reg-HHS to look at structure of contingency fund.

Child support comp systs - Haskins getting eng'd.

Child support ways in summer.

VP Comp Grav announcement (3b)

Blair - visit options

Chris: Mental health parity

States want waivers on children's health insurance?

Cms BFR - to women - OB/GYN access (no primary care 1st)

genetic antidiscrim

privacy

Research - doubling NID

Medicare premiums - med. coverage of clinical trials

Coverage - brand long-term care

- part. coop 55-65 buyin

children's coverage terms whos in between

Consumer

11-10-97 Team Leader Mtg

Education -

- a. Ed Op Zones
- b. Bilingual
- c. Native American
- d. Sit down w/ M Smith - need to move forward: new strat plan.
- e. Agenda for Nov 19 race memo
  - boring
  - diversity in ed / civil rights enforcement
- f. Single sex -
- g. Pub Schools draft proposal
- h. DC schools
- i. School contract issue in budget
- j. Teacher testing??

Welfare - 10:00 conf call

- a. Regulation Find out about drug testing  
Go over eligibility/enforcement w/ PDR
- b. Cervia
- c. Caseloads - Kharfen also wants.

Children -

- a. Adoption - signing struck  
ready to give adoption excellence awards.
- b. Child Care - deputies mtg. Friday.
  - Business group taking off word - not by State of Union.
  - Stay-at-home moms??
  - Quality - anything that appeals to everyone - not just low-income.
  - Quality piece of subsidy - piece just on enforcement??

paid leave

FMCRA

marriage penalty  
no mommy-track  
discrim??

### Race

Advis. bl. mtgs - Nov/Dec.

Tomorrow, 1-4: tough issues.

Data collection - all info now available - give to Board.

To be added to over course of yr.

Goal: comprehensive book.

Enforcement # - OMB mtg - today?

Fairfax community - commissioned a study.

### Crime

Surveillance + relics

McCarthy 140m letter

Drug border

POTS annual #'s

Guns - no feedback

### Health

FDA Reform - signing?

q/

Team leader mtgs

- NV medicaid - memo to Pres

Educate - school construction - memo

(Call Tech - approps mtg on Labor-H)

- DC voucher - same Tim for our purposes  
(Riley → OMB endorsement in tomorrow)

- "Rahm list" underway

- commun. college report - grinded - it's free

- urban initiative

- NYC girls school

- IDEA unit

- Henderson mtg.

Welfare

- Times story

Anything to do Oct 1? (report on datadam we've had running)

Do Medicare thing at this time.

- Events in implementation, + on way??

- Stat rape - #'s very small; DRG's office putting catch on.

Report? Add-on to CDC initiative?

Crime

- DOJ restructuring

Joint DPC/NPR

- Drug reclassification

pursuing no-agreement strategy - so CJ does not want this to be part of FDA reform.

PC to tell DOT to tell Biden: don't do this here; then we'll work to do everything we can w/ HHS to solve.

- Pre-budget dev. - crime initiatives

- Background checks - coming to mtg w/ proposal - PC to make more consistent w/ other stuff - e.g. - Brady.

Options - expensive v. cheap. ↔ (compact?)

- Hate crimes cont - talk w/ law enforcement folks.

- Ammo clips / assault weapon - do legislation on clips + gun laws - not worry abt copy cat.

- Brady / Schumer?

He wants to introduce something.

Role in Ark + Ohio. → may solve - AG looking for solution

Also another } follow-up Brady mtg.

Council for Gov has told St. police not to do;  
after AG opinion either way!

→ (memo for him)

- Crack - dying a slow death. - no - getting any Report request  
prepare ONDCP. Another mtg this week.
- Prison/Jail testing: Directive floating around.
- Technology conference

## Welfare

1. Interagency cut call - essentially taken care of union problem - don't keep waiving of wh requirements. Blue dogs want to climb on board.

# White House

Shaw/Tanner want bipartisan press conf. This wh.  
at dinner w/ Steinbrenner/Tanner. One of us to be there.

## News Report

BR - Clarity that waivers don't set you around time limits →

### 1. Educ - SPAs

Hosp Caucus - Tues 11/1 - every bill can have speech

Vote on Wednesday probably

Riley to go up & talk w/ Breena -

do it thru Title I (add commercially avail Spain test)

Pres address Dem Caucus  
Tuesday??

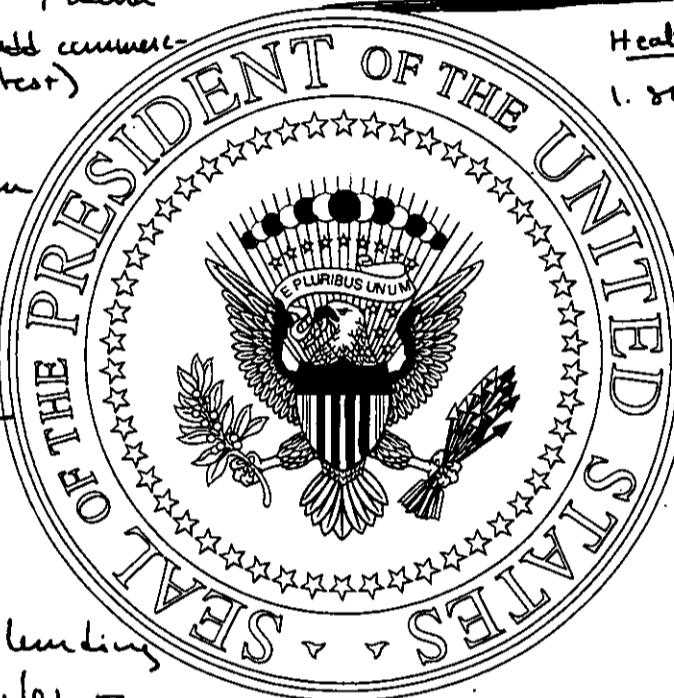
### Health

1. SEMI speech - fraud - good story in WSJ  
Home care people will say too tough.  
Also, a certain ambiguity.  
Not new.

2. Tobacco - NGA mtg called.  
POTR to give briefing

3. Surgeon General -  
Human services  
No one seems to be running.

Needle exchange  
protest on Web.



### 2. Educ - voucher amendments on DC bill - means tested scholarships for all 2000 kids

Lieberman/Landrieu - on board in Senate

Prospects pretty good,  
espc in Senate

3. Hearing in H. on direct lending program - real backlog - we'll get some heat.

Elena [REDACTED]  
2FL [REDACTED]



### Crime

1. Feinstein mtg. - RG on POTR to go. SC too.

2. AG Meeting - coordination / communities concept paper we've supposed to go back to her on mechanism. SC to submit a process to us.

3. Sex offenders - quite passed amendment - very good. Don't do directive law - sign last fall.



4. Judy - has workplace - we need to talk w/ her.

5. Immigration - mtg on structured return.

### 4. Educ - block grants -

have to deal w/  
in conference

This leaves when to  
announce veto threat

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### 5. Educ - charter schools.

Having trouble finding one.

### 6. Educ - PRT/WAB/Achieve -

proposed event

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DPC -

File: team leader meeting



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Paul

Superintendent

OR - Welfare setting up  
war room.

Care Dev / Unite w/ this week.

## 2. Child support

Federal proposing minimum consequences.  
Haskins will oppose.

wants to make sure we will too.

## 3. HHS to be talking points in W. Post story this morning

4. \$3 billion - DOL to revise guidance - We should get today.  
Will give it to us.

a. Allowable uses - gives "such as's" - HHS wants to be vague.  
giving all e.g.'s not focused on work.

b. On match - DOL team states won't put it up.

DOL wants to allow, in-kind matches (e.g. location  
of facilities) - maybe small Goage (capped)

Haskins means cash match.

c. Defining targeting criteria for waivers -

DOL wants to leave loose.

Fight for another day - won't be part of  
guidelines.

## 5. Murray - dom v/d added in Senate - come out in draft??

### 6. Arizona has asked for waiver to privatize -

reg

2) FSTaus / Medicaid.

Deadline -  
Oct 4

Have to decide in 60 days.

Set up Mtg w/ HHS/USD A - talk about where we stand on  
this.

## 7. N. Mexico - do throw out whole TANF plan -

New issue: HHS has to withhold fed funds b/c NM has not ban?

## Freedman

places

1. Western governors' idea

2. USD A has to send someone up on Friday to testify about bill

DR says to check w/ Tarlton.

Donna going to do this next week.

3. Dom Visit Event - beginning of October.

## 9/30 Team Leaders Meeting

## 1. Education

a. Broader ~~new~~ column -

Binghaman response.

b. Urban Initiatives - which way to move? talk to CDC etc or no?

c. Chaka proposal - mentoring proposal

d. Curriculum in tests - from Repub standpoint

i. never asked curric - language

ii. develop now/ implement later

iii. implement by just having parents take tests

iv. NAEDS - start from scratch

v. give long auth to prevent implementation

vi. more extensive development process

e. Business community on tests

## 2. Health

a. NY provider tax issue - carrying to NY before 10-14 days from now - They're getting 80-90% of what they want.

b. Children's health - 800,000 more uninsured.

## 3. Crime

a. WiFi - small things can be done on your laws + clips.

ultimately need legislation

Gatils - none coming in!

b. Immigration commission

c. COPS fix

d. Public Hearing bill - Senate not far from us.

e. Taxic bill - memo from Rahm/Bruce to Hillyer.

f. EZs - VP memo

4. Child care.

a. Policy for day

i. Checks -

ii. Scholarships - outreach only or some 15

iii. Unit code com'n - bipartition

iv. Summer et plan - couple million

- Exec memo draft. -

# DPC-team leader meeting

Diane

## 8-3 Team Leader Meeting

### 1. Health

- a. Diabetes event
- b. Fraud - signing + other things
- c. Budget generally - HPC article
- d. Pediatric - ready to roll.

### 2. WR

- a. St. Louis event - how many cor. nationwide or St. Louis? commitments in #s of jobs?

Get new caseload #s.

Theme - One yr later. I was right / you were wrong.

- b. Aug. 22 report.

Forget it - just get them to do budget story over + over.

- c. Work reg -

HHS briefing on it. No rush.

- d. FERS shift - have to figure out min wage calc - child support work
- e. WTW program implementation

have to make big deal out of application, grants etc.

- f. Diff Ltw whtare/tabs comp (pub or priv)

for range of purposes - need to wh out

### 3. Crime

- a. True bill - mtg w/ Dem staff Aug 19.

- b. Brady mtg - good contented. Not in hurry to introduce leg.

Have to focus on instachek - then, maybe do fix as card on more funds.

- c. Tarrant report - dry + inconclusive

4. Entitlement return

Setting up new commission - what type of people?

D Shalala wants Bruce Vladek

7/21

## Team Leaders Meeting

### 1. Health

- a. Medicare means-testing - new way to do Through Treatment (but not regular through tax system)
- b. Children. Prob come from tobacco tax. (looks good)
- c. Immunization - rates, cc req., facilitation of registry  
past success / present action / future challenges  
wh out w/ Melissa on leads

### 2. Crime

- a. Brady - need follow-up mtg.
- b. Tiv. bill - agreement to limit amendments being worked out.

### 3. Welfare

- a. HHS / 90% formula / FL&A exemption / stupid perf bonus / House runs if  
lauy / full privatization / House voc ed / House displacement / SSI. MOE  
Byrd process?
- b. WTW Partnership mtg - small speaking program. 12th  
300 ~~emp~~ / 888 # / web page.  
2) how many jobs?  
6 - 12 more cities.
- c. Child support - what can we do?
- d. NGA speech - do memo to Presidents. Get him talking the right way.

### 4. Education

- a. City testing event - NY, Chi, LA, Phil, SF, Long Beach, Houston, Seattle,  
Cincinnati, Broward County, San Antonio.
- b. Civil rights groups - mtg w/ Wade Henderson. (postpone on CBArt)
- c. Bilingual ed issue - CA proposition.
- d. Obey proposal in approps - 1st cousin to failing schools isn't  
try to work this.

## Team Leader Meeting 7-14-97

## 1. Crime

- a. Brady meeting - Wed. Legislation ready. Play it up big.
- b. Report on gun tracing - radio ~~to~~ address.  
Need good explain of what we've learned, why it matters
- c. Tervie mark-up - 10 amendments last week - tomorrow at 2:00 <sup>starts again</sup>  
gang injunction lost!  
Did not ↑ penalties for guns / drugs

## 2. Education

- a. Title V. FR has to decide. Ramp-up = 400.  
Can't do damage to new recruitment program (2.1 m)  
BR - talk to Thursday? Otherwise story will be all closed.  
interpretive (try to be as vague as possible)
- b. Big City sign-up - NY, Phil, LA, SF, etc.  
prob states - Alaska, Colorado, Missouri, Vermont

## 3. Welfare

- a. Tuesday mtg 11:00 - w/ others.  
Issues from Dems - com serv. - swap for 50%?  
(innovative!)  
↳ at least limit in some way. Not 3-month stretch;  
Not 18% limit.  
Displacement - the developing fallbacks.
- b. Welfare-to-work partnership - day still up in air? Meeting  
↳ Grandmothers - Maxine etc.
- c. Work negs - haven't come over yet.

=

4. Child care - tax proposal - DCTC + Kohl  
Gene/John/Rubin/Raines Spend 6m/ if none...

5. Health Care -

- a. Do income-related thru Treas but not in tax code?  
Have to work out compromise.
- b. Commission will stay in.
- c. Checking to see if Justice will be avail by time of immun event.  
→ w/ counsel's office
- d. Need to hold W's health info → per Melania
  - various open g's on breast cancer, etc.
  - S. Johnson issue - complete disaster
- e. Ped Labeling - still try to schedule.
- f. Needle exchange - → to check w/ Boar. Chew/McKey - on authority
- g. FDA reform - may happen quickly  
off-label issue key.

# DPC - team leaders meeting

Team Leaders Meeting 3-20-97

Health: Genetic screening - do another event

Release report validating need for this  
- endown legislation

Radio address - saving medicare + children's health. (w/report)

FL = press roundtable on ~~ED~~ <sup>There</sup> embargoes for far

Kaiser - Pres by satellite sometime in June?

Newsmen in Gephardt - both tax talker + Medicare premium -  
re budget.

→ AIDS - standards of care - JT to check.

Turnoff: ED → Heart attacks - priv GPS now offered to put up some H -  
ED thinks this might move HHS.

→ Domestic viol - alarms / workplace stuff - waiting for assignment

Gun Running - where to do this?

w/ Rubin report on youth gun initiation?

Crime: Mtg w/ San Dem staff today on JT bill -  
initiat in after-school?

CIO - Rubin brief today - then telling mayors.

Pres will announce reduction in meth use  
Also, drug-testing report.

Then close mtg - just mayors, forces, Pres.

→ Drug testing/driving licenses

Where is our 4-state pilot program?

→ Asl Leanne: look at new immigr. study.

Pediatric MDS -

Melanne to call HHS.

Child care - Waiting for HHS options memo.

Reps - do on June 30 in Boston? Hook up to immun stats?

Welfare: 15,000 #? Real?

→ Later P. Levine study? Reactie back from President?

Urban Policy Task Force - Some NEC/DPC - wide-ranging set of issues.  
limit to econ development?

Educate: Math battle? Keep pushing.

WVA/Ky/MA

NABusiness - also part of announcement?

This afternoon - 4 issues and testing initiative

Charter report - M. Smith thinks it still needs substantial wh.  
scaled requests - Major League Baseball (Ripken)

Business roundtable

Part of release of new ads - early July.

Show them at game.

# DPC - Team Leader Meeting

## S-II. Team Leader Mtg

### 1. Thursday memorial.

Stain of study to USA Today Thurs morn.  
- Amended Brady laws  
- safety locks  
- cop #'s (stain)  
- scholarships

### 2. Sunday commencement

ADDS memo to airc today or tomorrow??  
Genetic screening - follow-up event?

### 3. Health Care Qual Comm.

### 4. Pediatric ADDS - ok? To Solly early next week?

Children's health mtg - know its  
but exact policy wholly open  
so should have mtg w/ Pres.

5. Immigration - high-profile process. (see LS's memo)  
Involvement of NRC?  
DOT speaking to Ted Crutts?

Karen  
Report  
end of mo.  
VP?  
radio?

Qs + As on  
privatization ↗

5-5 Team Leader Meeting

Tobacco - talk to Bruce L.

Radio - children's health/Kaiser  
• Melanne: call Ann.

CA/TK -

Pediatric AIDS

What to do w/ tobacco tax

AIDS vaccine

AIDS - standard of care

AIDS clinical trials - Third world.

Quality Commission - May 13 - 70% letter-reducing charges to Hc.

PC (Crime)

TT bill - as early as next week.

make big fight out of bigger locks?

RE: talk to prosecutors

Moo-op to have a Brady fix

Police Officers -

Deegan scholarships.

Trigger locks?

Fewer stains in line of duty.

Mayors Drug Conf.

Meth reports - OK - needs work

Drug Testing expansion (?)

Media campaign (?) (Pete Woods?)

COPS study by DOT? looking into - does it exist?

Smart gun prototype?

Gun clips

Uniformed Division minimization  
Med. marijuana

Tam F.

Heart attacks - HHS memo. Eliz mtg this week.  
■ Women's alarms  
Wholplace principles - Sun visit.

Mike C.

1:00 Mtg on Educ Town Hall (Dan)  
Do in KY! (also receptive w/ Rep?) - tight time constraints  
WVA, MA, KY, VT, (MO) ← almost certain  
WY NT NM CO DE ← probable  
NAB - business leaders support our Test.  
Asia com' - trying to figure out politics on Hill  
Charters - report ready May 8.  
Budget - lock in any discretion? ag - 12% ↑ - our request  
ATR moved over to disc. side.  
What got on ATR??  
Doing city initiative now - working on.  
↳ Anything E2s can do??  
Tobacco - mtg w/ DoEd.  
↳ need for urban ed discussion,  
espec in light of tension of sch cent init.  
→ continuous group - that subject

Cynthia R

Supp today

DPC mtg

- clean paper for tomorrow's press conf. What we got.

Don't need buckets anymore

DB - process for dealing w/ Hill - how to do?  
targeting? timing?

CEA announcement - Thursday.

Fact sheet on waivers - also map.

Newest can load #'s.

Evaluating grants?? (lunch-budget map)

CIA letter

Eli - all-comprehensive plan or just initiative?

FLRA

Team Leader Mtg 4/14/97

DPC - team  
leader meeting

1. Chris

a. budget - need to make some WR decisions.

b. diabetes - need info w/ KThurin / w/ Enshine?

CT/NAMI - figure out a proposal.

Give KT chance to sign on.)

If not, have info w/ EB

double research?

decide - have an offrt  
or no?

2. Medicare trust fund report in 24th.

d. HC Quality Comm - appeals very prob won't wh.  
Payout to QC - state actions can v-t-to-known

e. Genetic screening - late May.

Report from HHS -

support leg in Hill banning use of this info  
for underwriting purposes - on health  
coverage.

life ins - harder - call for further review?

2. Cynthia

a. Budget - ck in w/ bluedogs - how are they  
doing

C&H will e-mail some options

b. FICA/FLSA issue - technicals bill?

Also - under 6 - food stamp ↑

or waivers - will FLSA still apply?

c. Privatization - cancer later

d. Internet proposal - still a hold up - waiting for  
priv. sector dynamics of computers.

e. Pathfinders ?? (nonprofits)

f. CEA report - hold it until Eli event.

3. Mike

a. Teacher of yr -

b. Mtg - teacher incentive - service summit  
They're assuming we're talking abt '99  
budget.

c. Testing - KY sign up

WVA bld by ed.

Weld says maybe.

Turn up heat on MO?

Play of cities - mid-June

e. AmReads event - 23rd

RIF people seem to be OK.

f. Wash state - hard to know what's going on.

Hold Riley up!!

g. draft Notary directive -

h. Service initiative - follow-up - get our  
arms around?

i. Aquilar - argued tomorrow. Do Ed do anything?

j. Discipline / special ed article  
change the spin.

4. Dennis

a. Report on com policing / crime rates  
COPS office / BTS

b. GPO deal - ready 4/24?? - Treasury  
extend time for NY  
and go to other places

- wkly] c. Calif. 811 (Also DC) (+ comp stat)
- d. Gun clips - RE to Feinstein. outcome?
  - e. PD. accs - have draft to us this wk.  
20m.
  - f. Sex offender - still shg
  - g. Victims fund - DFLans in bud -  
need to figure out what to do w/  
overflow.
  - h. Points report - DFL w/ DOT.
  - i. Gun trafficking - ref. Tigr penalties

5. Paul

- a. Foreign lobbyists memo today
- b. Brown fields - nice ready  
<sup>credit for</sup>
- \* c. CRA/CDFI - child care??  
try to encourage ↗  
few rays don't ne guarantee.

6. Prince

- a. Closing due end of May
- b. Cutts - DOT will come up w/ something.  
even more enforcement things

# DPC - Team Leader Meetings

Team Leaders' Mtgs

4/1/97

MC - ft. on Camilo idea

b. start steps:

c. care. stds/quality things

Ed - next steps:

1. Still consults - add sp.
2. 1/2 dozen ch. st. each of bs. - talk w/
3. Urban strategy - taking up Marica

Shanker deal - ?

WR

1. Notebooks - under review

2. Interim

3. FLSTF priv.

4. CEA Draft

42% econ

26% adm. law

32% waivers

PLA guidance

"Nobody here said, 'Oh, great idea,'" said Karie Dozer, spokeswoman for Grant's office. "I'm trying to think of anything we didn't have concerns about."

The proposal would require ground-breaking levels of binational cooperation at a time when relations between the United States and Mexico have sunk over drug trafficking concerns. It also comes as the governors of Arizona and Sonora, the Mexican state across the border, face troubles of their own.

Sonora Gov. Manlio Fabio Beltrones Rivera recently was named in the New York Times as a collaborator with Mexican drug lords. The governor has denounced the report and denied the allegations.

Symington faces a May 13 criminal trial in U.S. District Court in Phoenix on 23 felony counts, including bank fraud and extortion, related to real estate deals. He not only maintains his innocence, but last week declared he is "charging forward" to run for re-election in 1998.

The idea of an Arizona prison in Mexico, in part, grew out of frustration with existing treaties governing the exchange of prisoners, officials said.

That process, according to state documents, is "quite cumbersome," and not suited for large numbers of inmates. State officials also could not be assured that the prisoners handed over to Mexico for incarceration would not simply be set free, Heiler said.

Arizona officials envision a privately operated prison that could house most of the state's 1,600 undocumented immigrants serving time for felonies. Violent criminals, such as those convicted of rape, murder or armed robbery, would be ineligible to serve their sentences in Mexico.

Currently, undocumented immigrants in prison face immediate deportation upon release.

Arizona officials paint the proposal in glowing terms that would benefit all parties. Arizona taxpayers would pay less, while the state's prison overcrowding problem would be erased. And Mexican cities, much like rural towns across America, might clamor for a new prison as a job-producing, nonpolluting industry.

The bid-winning private prison company would establish itself "in a new arena which has potential for rapid growth and expansion," according to the state's request for information.

Even the Mexican inmates would benefit, the document said. They would be closer to family, all the guards would speak Spanish, and they would be jailed in a "more culturally compatible environment."

Just what is meant by "culturally compatible" has some critics worried, however, since Mexico is known for notorious prisons.

A few years ago, Amnesty International publicized methods of torture widely used in Mexico. The list included electric shocks, beatings and "Tehuacanazo," the method of pouring carbonated water, usually mixed with chili powder, into a subject's nostrils.

Mexico continues to hold a place on the State Department's list of human rights violators, in part because of prison practices. Mexican human rights activists regularly prod authorities for better conditions to little avail.

Ronald Lee, a Jerome, Ariz., lawyer, spent five days in Mexican custody this month after he tried to cross the border with his wife. He forgot about an old hunting rifle in utility box of his pickup, and ran afoul of Mexico's strict prohibition on arms.

The experience was hellish, according to his wife, Joan.

"He said there was human excrement on the walls and floor, and dirty toilet paper on the walls," she said of the first cell he occupied. "It was dark. There was no light."

Arizona officials insist that any U.S.-run prison would have to uphold basic inmate rights required under U.S. law.

"This prison would be basically a microcosm of an American prison," said John Kohl, manager of private prison contracts in the state Department of Corrections. "It would just happen to be operating south of the border."

A visit to the federal and state prison in Nogales, Mexico, makes a melding of the two systems hard to imagine. A hulking building of flaking concrete, the prison is guarded by men who appear barely out of their teens. Wearing civilian clothes, they slouch against dusty railings with automatic weapons slung over their shoulders. A few guards the only ones prison authorities would allow photographed are able to afford uniforms.

Here, prisoners are allowed visits by wives, parents, children and other relatives. Most rely on relatives for food and clothing, lawyers familiar with Mexico say.

Inside an office with a blond-wood desk, pale paneling and flickering bare florescent lights, Director Gonzalo Perez Ascolani displays a Rambo-style studio photograph of himself, bare-chested and with long, flowing hair, next to another where he stands stiffly in

military regalia.

During an interview, he muttered profanities, scolded his secretary and slammed an incessantly ringing telephone. He declined to give a tour of the facility, calling it, "too dangerous."

But the prospect of a Yankee-owned prison in Mexico brightened his face and made his broad shoulders shake. He laughed deeply.

"In our country, there's a Constitution and our country has its own laws," he said. "I don't think it's possible that an American prison could operate in Mexican territory."

Back on the U.S. side, the proposal has similarly brought laughs. That an indicted governor is pushing for a trans-border prison has some suggesting scenic locations such as Acapulco.

"Maybe, he wants to be incarcerated in Mexico," said Andy Silverman, a law professor at the University of Arizona.

Not so fast, said Symington chief of staff Heiler, insisting that the notion of an Arizona prison in Mexico will gain public approval, regardless of ill-mannered "carping" from critics.

"I'm quite confident, so long as there was a reasonable assurance of security, that the public would be overwhelmingly in support of it," he said. "The idea makes sense to anyone who has common sense."

## EDUC

- LA dist prob?
- Shanker/AFT
- Also need news for Teacher of Yr
- certified teacher?
- standards?
- Higher Ed bill
- PFT about to go up in web.
- Adv. crmte issue

Ask Cheryl - can we be at  
that mtg

- Americadeals - end up legislative?  
(building - may next yr - we'll  
take it up)

Paul -  
Foreign lobbyists idea??

EIN RJ Conf. 2/28/98  
mtg. mtg.

23rd  
anniv.

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FILE - DPC - Team Leader  
Meetings

- How to characterize our plan for budget negotiations? / Do A+
  - Get Parche bill
    - Priv/FLSA
    - Internet - what do we do to close the loop?
      - Han to make sure DOL ready to do its part.
      - BPN - need to have private commitments in hand
        - (Eli - waiting on him)
    - Transportation - mainstreaming today.
      - (Also HUD)
    - Stat wage - percolating through.
    - State profile - BPR comments (also CEA wants to help)
    - College wk-study
    - Food stamp waivers // bills
      - (weekly)
    - Budget - before April 1 -
      - (weekly)
    - Big shift can ideas
      - Sen Kohl bill - ~~tax~~ tax credit
        - cabinet meeting
    - Youth corps
    - Adoption - father (Lyn)

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### CRIME

1. Sex of offender - not much in guidelines
  - call Kent - needs checking up
2. Clips - going to Treasury for further info.
  - secret service unit
3. Victims - probably no event.
  - resolved COP's info