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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 09:03:21.00

SUBJECT: Re: Rollout of disability reg and guidance

TO: Stephen C. Warnath (CN=Stephen C. Warnath/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

----- Forwarded by Diana Fortuna/OPD/EOP on 02/24/97
08:40 AM -----

From: Kenneth S. Apfel on 02/21/97 06:35:46 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Diana Fortuna/OPD/EOP
cc:
Subject: Re: Rollout of disability reg and guidance

I don't know enough (and it is not in my PAD-dome) to know for sure , but my take is that the reg is not a big enough winner issue for the disability or immigrant community for us to promote. If it were more to their liking, we still probably wouldn't want to promote it because of the likely heat on the Hill.

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CREATOR: Stephen C. Warnath (CN=Stephen C. Warnath/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 09:03:31.00

SUBJECT: Re: disability guidnce

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

OLC is still looking at the issue of the extent to which a guardian or proxy might be permitted to be involved in establishing the oath requirement for the incapacitated individual. This might be to provide some evidence of earlier intent to naturalize or the extent to which the guardian can essentially take the oath on behalf of the individual. Also, the guidance might be updated on how individuals might be accomodated as more experience is obtained in the field.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Stephen C. Warnath (CN=Stephen C. Warnath/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 09:19:09.00

SUBJECT: Re: medicaid case

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I agree with your conclusion. It appears pretty straightforward from the brief. I will pass on the word to Counsel's office.

Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Christa Robinson (CN=Christa Robinson/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 09:32:42.00

SUBJECT: ACE event memo

TO: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jonathan Murchinson (CN=Jonathan Murchinson/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kathleen M. McKiernan (CN=Kathleen M. McKiernan/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Julia R. Green (CN=Julia R. Green/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kris M Balderston (CN=Kris M Balderston/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

----- Forwarded by Christa Robinson/WHO/EOP on 02/24/97
09:35 AM -----

Russell W. Horwitz
02/23/97 06:14:58 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Michael Cohen/OPD/EOP, Christa Robinson/WHO/EOP
cc:
Subject: ACE event memo

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===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====
ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

TEXT:

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February 22, 1997

SPEECH TO THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION

DATE: February 24, 1997
TIME: 1:45pm - 3:10pm
LOCATION: Grand Hyatt Hotel, D.C.
FROM: Bruce Reed
Gene Sperling
Mike Cohen

I. PURPOSE:

To demonstrate and mobilize support among college and university presidents for your HOPE Scholarship and Tuition Tax Deduction proposals.

II. BACKGROUND:

This speech is an opportunity to demonstrate, in advance of budget negotiations, the support your budget proposals for higher education enjoy, particularly the Hope Scholarship and the Tuition Tax Deduction. In addition, this is an opportunity to highlight the progress we have already made on your America Reads/Work Study challenge and to reiterate that challenge in person to 1,300 college and university officials.

At this event, you will be receiving the endorsement of the American Council on Education (ACE) Board of Trustees for your package of higher education proposals. The Board is expected to pass this resolution on Sunday. In addition, we expect that the boards of directors of the Association of Community College Trustees and the American Association of Community Colleges will also endorse your package of higher education proposals.

While these endorsements are forthcoming, it is also important to recognize that there is concern within the higher education community about the HOPE Scholarship proposal. Two concerns have been expressed most frequently. First, college administrators are concerned that the reporting requirements to the IRS will be burdensome. Second, many are concerned that the tax credits and deductions will favor middle class families at the expense of poor families, and would prefer that Pell Grants be used as the vehicle for increasing student financial aid. Your speech is designed to respond directly to these concerns and to thereby help transform these organizational endorsements into active,

grass roots support by college presidents nationwide.

Others have raised concerns about aspects of the HOPE Scholarship proposal, specifically that it will lead to tuition and grade inflation. The experience of Georgia colleges and universities provide powerful responses to these concerns. Charles Knapp, the President of the University of Georgia, will speak prior to your remarks, to address these issues and speak to the benefits of HOPE Scholarships.

ACE is the umbrella higher education organization, representing nearly 1,700 public and private 2 and 4-year colleges and universities. Its members are college and university presidents, and it is the only organization that represents all sectors of higher education. It is the largest organization representing higher education. You will be the keynote speaker at their annual conference. You have been the keynote speaker twice before, in 1993 and 1995.

III. PARTICIPANTS:

- The President
- Secretary Riley
- Charles Knapp, President of the University of Georgia
- Stanley Ikenberry, President of the American Council on Education
- ACE Board of Directors will meet you in holding room (see attached list)

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

- Stan Ikenberry, President of the American Council on Education or Barry Munitz, Chairman of the Board of Directors of ACE, makes remarks.
- Charles Knapp, President of the University of Georgia makes remarks.
- Secretary Riley makes remarks and introduces the President.
- The President makes remarks
- The President works a ropeline and departs.
- The President proceeds to the holding room for a meet and greet with the ACE Board of Directors.

V. PRESS COVERAGE:

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VI. REMARKS:

Prepared by Speech Writing.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- List of Board of Directors on American Council on Education
- Clinton Administration Higher Education Initiatives

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diane C. Regas (CN=Diane C. Regas/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 09:59:39.00

SUBJECT: Early Childhood Presidential Memo

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeanine D. Smartt (CN=Jeanine D. Smartt/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

T J. Glauthier (CN=T J. Glauthier/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

If the memo that TJ refers to is not yet signed, I think that it would be a very good idea to put the words "a healthy environment" or "a safe environment" right before safe housing. Jeanine is checking on signature.

This is a good example of where can integrate consideration of the "environment", which the public health community defines very broadly, into the consideration of other domestic issues. Environmental hazards like lead, abandoned industrial sites, and developmental toxins can have a profoundly negative influence on kids. At the same time investment in parks and recreation, scientific education that starts with the environment, and infrastructure that accounts for the environment can make a strong positive contribution to healthy children.

thanks.

----- Forwarded by Diane C. Regas/OPD/EOP on 02/24/97
09:51 AM -----

T J. Glauthier

02/22/97 11:27:50 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Diane C. Regas/OPD/EOP

cc: Alecia Ward/OMB/EOP

Subject: Early Childhood Presidential Memo

Has any thought been given to whether "environment" ought to be included in the Presidential memo that is to be issued in the next couple of days? I just saw it in WH Staffing Clearance. While its main emphasis is on health care, parental support, and nutrition, it does also mention "safe housing".

To the extent that this is shaping the agenda for the April conference, it would be good to get environmental risks included. I'll leave it to you to decide in the context of the rest of the initiative you're working on.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: June G. Turner (CN=June G. Turner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 10:27:57.00

SUBJECT: CHANGE IN TIME - Procurement Affirmative Action meeting

TO: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Katharine Button (CN=Katharine Button/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Bob J. Nash (CN=Bob J. Nash/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Margaret A. Williams (CN=Margaret A. Williams/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kumiki S. Gibson (CN=Kumiki S. Gibson/O=OVP @ OVP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Alphonse J. Maldon (CN=Alphonse J. Maldon/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Michelle Crisci (CN=Michelle Crisci/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Rahm I. Emanuel (CN=Rahm I. Emanuel/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dawn M. Chirwa (CN=Dawn M. Chirwa/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Andrew J. Mayock (CN=Andrew J. Mayock/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Doris J. Wingard (CN=Doris J. Wingard/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Evan Ryan (CN=Evan Ryan/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Odetta S. Walker (CN=Odetta S. Walker/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Janet Murguia (CN=Janet Murguia/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kathleen M. Wallman (CN=Kathleen M. Wallman/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Steven J. Kelman (CN=Steven J. Kelman/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Sara M. Latham (CN=Sara M. Latham/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: John Podesta (CN=John Podesta/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Richard L. Hayes (CN=Richard L. Hayes/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The Affirmative Action Meeting (dealing with Procurement Issues) scheduled for today at 4:00 pm in the Roosevelt Room will now be at 5:00 pm.

I would appreciate confirmation of your attendance.

Invited Attendees:

Sylvia Mathews
John Podesta
Melanne Vermeer (for Maggie Williams)
Chuck Ruff
Richard Hayes
Dawn Chirwa
Rob Weiner
Alphonse Maldon
Kathy Wallman
Kumiki Gibson
Janet Murguia
Elena Kagan
Bob Nash
Steven Kelman
Susan Liss
Nancy McFadden (Transportation)
Isabelle Pinzler, Bill Yeomans, John Dwyer (Justice)
Emily Hewitt (GSA) Peter Scher (Commerce)
John Spotila, Cal Jenkins (SBA)
Witt Peters (DoD)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: William H. White Jr. (CN=William H. White Jr./OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 10:35:25.00

SUBJECT: Long Term Care - Disability

TO: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nancy A. Min (CN=Nancy A. Min/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Victoria Radd (CN=Victoria Radd/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Sarah A. Bianchi (CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Would like to invite you to a short meeting on Tuesday, Feb 25 at 2:30-3:00 in Chris Jennings's office to discuss the issue of long term care services for people with disabilities.

In November, we committed to a meeting with the President and disability leaders to discuss, "such issues as personal attendant, home and community based services, and other issues..." The purpose of this meeting will be to determine what, if anything, we are prepared to do on this subject prior to a meeting with the President.

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Christa Robinson (CN=Christa Robinson/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 12:31:18.00

SUBJECT: Drug Event

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI

----- Forwarded by Christa Robinson/WHO/EOP on 02/24/97
12:12 PM -----

Christa Robinson
02/24/97 12:11:38 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Michelle Crisci/WHO/EOP, Rahm I. Emanuel/WHO/EOP
cc:
Subject: Drug Event

P6/(b)(6)

ONDCP has done all the inviting. approx. 150, police groups, drug organizations, etc. Leg. Affairs thinks 15 members will show up -- I'll get you that list when we have it.

STAGE: Backdrop is a 4' x 6' Copy of the cover of the Drug Strategy Report. It's an American Flag with the words 1997 Drug Control Strategy. It's nice looking.

Right now on stage we will put 6 of the Cabinet members who are showing up. Reno, Shala, Rubin, Slater, and Shalikhvilli. In addition to those speaking in the program.

Also, we have 10 kids, age 11-15, that we are trying to put in the front row w /out offending any VIP's.

PROGRAM:
VP
McCaffrey
Kid tbd
POTUS

I'll fax you all remarks by end of the day today (except POTUS). Carolyn Curiel is doing POTUS remarks and Dennis is working with her.

I left a message for Marcia Hale to see if the President could announce a date for the Mayor's Drug Summit, but I haven't heard back.. Maybe you can

also ask her.

Briefing is in the Oval. McCaffrey wants to bring Janet Crist and the Deputy Director of ONDCP. Would you want Reno there in case he has questions about Drug Court Grants or will you be fine on your own. Just let me know, b/c right now we're having all the Cabinet, except McCaffrey, to come directly to Room 450.

**Hiring welfare recipients in the federal government
February 21, 1997**

The Wall St. Journal reported today that we are moving forward on consideration of having government agencies hire welfare recipients.

- All of us who have been working to move more Americans from welfare to work acknowledge that government alone cannot afford to provide jobs for all of those currently on assistance. We need the commitment of the private sector to get the job done -- and we have been very pleased by the response to date from the CEOs of several major corporations who have committed their companies to hiring welfare recipients and investing in troubled communities.
- At the same time, the White House has been interested in what federal agencies can do to open up work opportunities to those on welfare. We asked the Office of Personnel Management to look into this question and just this week OPM Director Jim King provided the President's Domestic Policy Council with a memo which outlines different options that federal agencies could undertake, including the expansion of existing programs to attract entry-level workers. The Domestic Policy Council will review the memo and move forward as appropriate.
- OPM's memo looked at the question of hiring welfare recipients in the federal government generally. The Domestic Policy Council, led by Bruce Reed, is continuing to look at the possibility of opening up opportunities for welfare recipients at the White House.

Drafted: KMcKiernan
Cleared: Elena Kagan, 6-5584

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 14:01:04.00

SUBJECT: Minimum wage

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Stacy L. Dean (CN=Stacy L. Dean/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I asked John Monahan for HHS's info on how often they have granted subminimum wage in the past. He gave me the same general, non-quantified response we have gotten in the past: all CWEP workfare had to meet minimum wage; some AWEP workfare did not; and some waivers were mushy on the topic. I assume you want me to follow up and ask them to quantify this? (Stacy, have you asked HHS for this as well?)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 14:16:36.00

SUBJECT: Re: Minimum wage

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Emily and I will try to include you in Kathi Way call. It would be helpful to get from you your take on what we're asking her on privatization; question feels a little mushy to me now.

Also, on summit: Cathy straightened it out with COS office; meeting is tomorrow at 5, in Bruce's office, and we can bring whomever we want. Cathy is inviting folks on our list.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 14:35:45.00

SUBJECT: working groups

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

can you take a stab at this for the 2 she assigned us plus education
----- Forwarded by Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP on 02/24/97
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02/24/97 10:49:00 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Gene B. Sperling, Bruce N. Reed, Franklin D. Raines

cc:

Subject: working groups

Erskine has scheduled a 2pm meeting for tomorrow to discuss how
the Administration will proceed with the working groups

identified

by the Congressional leadership and the POTUS for early
bipartisan

cooperation and has asked Legislative Affairs to coordinate this
effort. As you recall, the five issues groups are: taxes;
juvenile justice; welfare to work; D.C.; and education.

John and I met with the bipartisan leadership staff on Friday to
share information on how to structure our bipartisan efforts,
including: the composition of the task forces, possible agendas
and timing.

We decided that to satisfy the political needs of all involved,
the process would need to be very inclusive. As a consequence,

we

anticipate that each issue working group will include
approximately 25 principals (6 each from the Democrats and
Republicans in the House, four to five each from the Democrats

and

Republicans in the Senate, and three to five from the
Administration). The Congressional principals will most likely

be

the chairs and ranking members from the authorizing committees
and in some cases might include appropriators or chairs of task
forces previously established by the Leaders. The Administration
positions will be filled by Cabinet officials and White House
policy staff.

The purpose of the groups will be to identify areas of bipartisan
agreement and consensus and to report to the Leadership within a
certain period of time. The group will acknowledge and lay aside
areas where bipartisan agreement is unlikely.

John and I are meeting again on Wednesday to review draft lists of the principals recommended for each issue working group. In addition, each of the five offices will produce lists of the items that they would like to see included in the agenda for each of the five issue working groups. We also intend to discuss the timetable for reporting to the POTUS and Congressional leadership.

Therefore, for tomorrow's meeting we will need by 6 pm TODAY your recommendations: for the agenda items in your issue area (Gene-education, Bruce -Juvenile Justice and Welfare to Work, Frank- D.C., and Rubin-Taxes); the Administration principals (3 to 5) that you recommend for your issue area; and the likely timetable for completion.

We will also ask you to make a presentation of this information tomorrow in Erskine's meeting. Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: June G. Turner (CN=June G. Turner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 15:05:15.00

SUBJECT: Affirmative Action Meeting

TO: Odetta S. Walker (CN=Odetta S. Walker/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Tracey E. Thornton (CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Janet Murguia (CN=Janet Murguia/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kathleen M. Wallman (CN=Kathleen M. Wallman/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Michelle Crisci (CN=Michelle Crisci/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Rahm I. Emanuel (CN=Rahm I. Emanuel/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dawn M. Chirwa (CN=Dawn M. Chirwa/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:

In addition to today's meeting, Sylvia would like to have a minority issues meeting tomorrow (Tuesday) at 10:30 am. This would be the first of meetings scheduled every other week. Listed below is the Affirmative Action group and a list of future meetings.

Affirmative Action Group:

Sylvia Mathews
John Podesta
Chuck Ruff
Maggie Williams
Richard Hayes
Tracey Thornton
Janet Murguia
Elena Kagan
Maria Echaveste
Rob Weiner
Dawn Chirwa
Kumiki Gibson
Rahm Emmanuel
Alphonse Maldon
Kathy Wallman
Bob Nash

Meeting Schedule: All Meetings will be at 10:30 am

Feb. 25
March 11
March 25
April 8
April 22

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CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 15:11:12.00

SUBJECT: Technicals to welfare bill; please look at this today

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Lyn A. Hogan (CN=Lyn A. Hogan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

House Ways and Means has a draft technicals bill for welfare reform that they want to drop on Thursday. Olivia has been asked to testify on it on Thursday. I met with HHS and OMB today on this, and the following are some highlighted issues.

HHS feels strongly that our best opportunity to influence Shaw's bill is now, before it is introduced. Therefore, we went over these items with an eye toward identifying any issues we should raise in the next day or two to House Democrats and quietly suggest that we will make a big stink if they don't do what we want.

1. HHS doesn't want to highlight, in testimony or otherwise, our proposed new fixes on how the work requirements apply to state-only programs; or the child support issue. They say it's not technical, they already mentioned it in testimony last week, it's too complicated, etc. Ken agreed with them, but I told them we want them in. They will probably call Bruce or Elena to appeal.

2. The Shaw bill includes two items that could be seen as weakening work requirements, but they are pretty minor. They are (1) allowing 2-parent families to share the 35-hour work requirement between them; and (2) holding the number of hours of work required for teen parents flat at 20 hours, rather than allowing the hours to increase as with adults. Bruce: what do you think of these? The first one seems innocuous to me; Ken told HHS he was fine with them. So the onus is on us to complain about this. Tarplin points out that these won't be put under a spotlight since the Republicans are proposing them (unless the press does so).

3. There are 3-4 changes that would significantly weaken the MOE requirements. These are the ones Ken wants to complain about immediately. They would do things like let states count child support payments passed through to families toward MOE; and let states spend TANF money on juvenile justice facilities, which is something HHS outlawed under AFDC/EA.

The states like these and probably fought hard to get them included. I assume DPC would agree with OMB on these.

4. Others:

They would let states transfer up to 10% of their TANF money to Title XX without having to transfer money to child care. Ken wants to continue to

oppose this. Does DPC have a dog in this fight?

Our Cuban/Haitian fix is not in their package.

Our religious affiliated providers/charitable choice fix (pushed by DOJ) is not in their package. HHS doesn't care about this, because they think it isn't worth it. Haskins is very firm on this.

I may be missing a few items one way or the other; and will let you know if I find anything else.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Melinda D. Haskins (CN=Melinda D. Haskins/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 15:42:04.00

SUBJECT: HHS (Golden) Testimony on Proposed Technical Amendments to the Welfare Ref

TO: Wendy A. Taylor (CN=Wendy A. Taylor/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: E. Irene James (CN=E. Irene James/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Lester D. Cash (CN=Lester D. Cash/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
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TO: Jeffrey A. Farkas (CN=Jeffrey A. Farkas/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Kenneth S. Apfel (CN=Kenneth S. Apfel/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Janet R. Forsgren (CN=Janet R. Forsgren/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
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TEXT:

Comments on the HHS (Olivia Golden) testimony for Ways and Means on the Administration's proposed technical amendments to the welfare reform law are due to me ASAP. Thanks.

Task Force on Juvenile Justice

Administration Representatives:

Bruce Reed

John Hilley

Attorney General Reno / Jamie Gorelick

Secretary Rubin / Ray Kelly

Congressional Members:

Chairman Hatch

Senator Thurmond

Senator Sessions

Senator Leahy

Senator Biden

Chairman Hyde

Rep. McCollum

Rep. Gekas

Rep. Conyers

Rep. Schumer

TimeTable:

President Clinton submitted his comprehensive youth violence legislation, the Anti-Gang and Youth Violence Act of 1997, to Congress on February 25, 1997. Joint hearings are being held in the House on February 26th before the Judiciary and Education Committees.

Since many important provisions in the President's bill are reflected in the 1998 Budget Submission, it is essential that this legislation be enacted before or at the same time as the appropriations bill move through Congress this year.

To:
From:
Date: February 25, 1997
Re: Welfare-to-Work Options for the Federal Government

Following are four steps the Federal government can take to hire and train welfare recipients.

I. Create a New Hiring Avenue for Welfare Recipients

Through Executive Order, the President can create excepted service hiring authority for welfare recipients. The program would:

- Create an indefinite appointment with conversion eligibility to the competitive service;
- Encourage conversion to career status after two years of satisfactory performance
- Require job-specific training and/or education after initial hire
- Enact a peer counselor or mentor program for those hired under this status
- Offer performance-based tuition assistance

II. Make Work Pay for Those Welfare Recipients Who Choose Employment in the Federal Government

- Encourage agencies to establish more agency-based child care centers and set sliding-fee rate scales based on income.
- Publicize the existing Federal Fare Subsidy Program which allows Federal agencies to subsidize the cost of public transportation in areas where state and local programs exist.
- Allow welfare recipients hired through the excepted service hiring authority to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits (FEHB) program after their transitional Medicaid expires.

III. Use the Information Super Highway to Publicize Federal Job Opportunities and Offer Career Counseling

- Deliver career counseling through USACareers, a new, interactive computer-based internet web site currently under development by OPM's Employment Service. The site should be up by March 1997 and will analyze skills and abilities and develop training plans for welfare recipients to get the skills and aptitudes necessary for Federal employment.

- Initiate a publicity campaign through the Federal Employment Information Highway to inform both welfare recipients and state, local, and nonprofit social service agencies of available jobs and avenues to those jobs including training for welfare caseworkers and recipients on USAJOBS, OPM's employment information Homepage.
- Implement *Hiring Outlook*, an electronic information system designed to provide information on Federal occupations including appointment types, permanent and temporary employment opportunities, and needed skills.
- Continue and expand posting of state, local, and municipal government jobs and solicit support and help from the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and the National Governors Association.

IV. Offer Federal Agencies Incentives For Hiring Welfare Recipients

- Encourage Federal agencies to set hiring goals.
- Encourage Federal agencies to work with relevant states and localities to temporarily subsidize the wages of welfare recipients with their cash and food stamp benefits.
- Offer Presidential recognition to Federal agencies that make the greatest strives to hire people off welfare.
- Require Cabinet Secretaries to report hiring progress monthly to the White House.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jeanine D. Smartt (CN=Jeanine D. Smartt/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 17:39:45.00

SUBJECT: confusion on POTUS memo

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I called Phil's office and he was unavailable however I was told that "things have changed" and I should speak to you. so, whenever you have a moment. thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Stephen C. Warnath (CN=Stephen C. Warnath/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 18:15:30.00

SUBJECT: POTUS immigration Q&A

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Paul J. Weinstein Jr. (CN=Paul J. Weinstein Jr./OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

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TEXT:

Elena, there is no pure immigration question (regarding illegal or legal immigration) that is likely to be raised in a Presidential press conference right now. I think the press is interested in other issues and certainly there is no big event in the last week or pending legislation that would prompt a question. I would only anticipate that legal immigrants might come up in the context of a welfare reform question. I spoke with Diana and she is pulling together something on that. Let me know if you think there might be something else that needs to be produced.

You supported a moderate cut in legal immigration levels in Congress last year -- Will you support cuts in legal immigration levels again in this Congress?

Republican Congressional leaders (e.g. Majority Leader Lott and Senator Abraham, the new chair of the Senate immigration subcommittee) have made it clear that they do not intend to consider such cuts this year.

At the same time, we think that the legal immigration system can work better and can be made more responsive to the people who use it -- and we will take steps, including working with Congress, to achieve these improvements.

You ordered the release from detention of the Chinese migrants who were smuggled on the Golden Venture? Why?

The Administration's policy of detaining smuggled aliens has deterred smuggling by organized criminal syndicates, resulting in a sharp decrease in the number of alien smuggling vessels that have reached U.S. shores. Moreover, the newly enacted immigration bill's provisions that permit the expeditious exclusion of smuggled aliens has significantly strengthened our ability to deter alien smuggling. Under these circumstances, and weighed against the exceptional and unusual length of detention of the remaining 53 Golden Venture migrants, the Administration concluded that their parole from detention is appropriate. They remain in immigration proceedings and will be subject to the determinations of the immigration courts.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 18:28:27.00

SUBJECT: Some info from HHS on existing workfare programs and minimum wage

TO: Kenneth S. Apfel (CN=Kenneth S. Apfel/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Stacy L. Dean (CN=Stacy L. Dean/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

First message is my response to the second message, which is a bit confusing.

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Diana Fortuna
02/24/97 06:29:07 PM
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To: mpugh @ acf.dhhs.gov @ INET @ LNGTWY
cc:
bcc: Records Management
Subject: Re: CWEP, AWEP, Waivers

Thanks for your helpful email.

Our basic question is to what extent have states already been paying minimum wage. So we will be interested to look at the size of AWEP programs that didn't pay minimum wage. Is there a way to separate non-mw AWEP program from mw AWEP programs?

On waivers, I understand your point that waivers either simply folded in AWEP/CWEP, or else they included private sector/ wage supplementation which was always paid at minimum wage.

Our goal would be to say something like "x% of state workfare programs already pay minimum wage", where x% is fairly high. And if x% isn't that high, that would be very useful to know that we are changing the rules on the states.

mpugh @ acf.dhhs.gov

02/24/97 05:30:00 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Diana Fortuna

cc:

Subject: CWEP, AWEP, Waivers

Diana -- I'll give you a call on this but wanted to send it in writing as well...

In answer to your question about how many states have been running CWEP and AWEP programs under JOBS, according to the most recent data (JOBS 1995-1996 characteristics book):

* 32 states have CWEP programs, which are exempt from FLSA but not from the minimum wage (participants cannot work more hours than their check will cover at \$4.75/hr)

* 41 have AWEP programs, which HHS interpreted as sharing CWEP's FLSA exemption. The tricky thing is that AWEP allows flexibility in hours (so that employees work a consistent number from month to month regardless of fluctuations in the welfare check).

* There isn't a helpful way to answer your third question, which I understand was how many state waivers were silent on the min wage issue or did not meet mw. CWEP and AWEP (created under JOBS) provided states with all of the flexibility they needed in this area, so when they asked for waivers it was for provisions other than wages/hours in these "public" work activities. Usually it was for other things, like extending the amount of time people could be on work supp, or broadening eligibility standards and income disregards. States often incorporated their CWEP and AWEP activities under the "statewide welfare reform" umbrella, but you won't find things in the CWEP/AWEP area that they couldn't have done anyway without a waiver. (Work supp and the subsidized private sector stuff was different, but those types of things never had a FLSA exemption and always had to pay min wage).

I am sending both of you a chunky fax full of helpful (I promise) information (like which states have been doing this and how large a %age of their caseload was in). States don't have to tell us too much about what they are going to do under TANF, so our info is spotty in this area. We have indications that many will continue with current arrangements, simply expanding them.

Hope this is what you need. If it isn't, call me -- Margaret 401-6944

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====

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CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 18:31:17.00

SUBJECT: summit meeting tomorrow at 11

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Are you planning to come, since Bruce will probably be in drug control strategy meeting? And, if so, do you want to open the meeting? If not, Steve Silverman will probably kick it off, which I think is fine with Bruce. He did tell me Steve is an "ally" on this and not to be wary, fyi; and Cabinet Affairs has been quite helpful in my dealings with them to date. But I don't want to roll over excessively, in case that is what I am doing.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lyn A. Hogan (CN=Lyn A. Hogan/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 18:46:09.00

SUBJECT: More for your memo on the welfare reform and the Congressional Working Gro

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

You might want to talk about job creation and add the following from the POTUS budget.

TAX INCENTIVES FOR DISTRESSED AREAS (\$2.4 BILLION)

Brownfields Initiative: Allow immediate expensing of certain costs to encourage firms to clean up abandoned, contaminated industrial properties in distressed urban & rural areas.

Incentives to Empower Communities: Stimulate revitalization of economically distressed urban & rural communities by designating 20 additional Empowerment Zones and 80 additional Enterprise Communities, providing new tax incentives, additional small business expensing, and new private activity boards.

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Tax Credit: Provide \$100 million of credits to be allocated among equity investors in community development banks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 19:05:19.00

SUBJECT: Language from old Olivia testimony

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Melinda D. Haskins (CN=Melinda D. Haskins/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Here is the whole paragraph from last week's testimony. It probably needs a new intro/beginning to make it make sense in this context. Something like: "As you work to fashion this package, we would like to recommend to you certain additional changes we strongly support. These changes were not part of our own technical corrections package because we had not developed them sufficiently at the time our package was put together."

Here's the old paragraph:

"The Clinton Administration is committed to an effective implementation of this historic welfare reform law that transforms the welfare system into one with tough work requirements. We have a great deal of confidence in the states, and we believe that they will use the flexibility in the law to strengthen the focus on work. We will collect all the information we can on how the states are using their dollars and we will take all the administrative actions in our power to ensure that state policies focus on work. We will also work with you and the Governors in a bipartisan fashion to ensure that each state's overall work effort meets the statute's work participation requirements. Specifically, we will seek statutory language making it clear that the calculation of whether a state has met the applicable participation rate shall take into account the state's success in placing participants in both TANF and maintenance of efforts programs' work activities. In addition, we will work with the states and Congress to develop legislation, if necessary, to ensure that state flexibility in maintenance of effort programs does not result in costs to the Federal government due to the potential loss of child support collections."

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jeanine D. Smartt (CN=Jeanine D. Smartt/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-FEB-1997 19:11:01.00

SUBJECT: Completion of the Welfare Web Page

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Bruce N. Reed (CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CC: Diana Fortuna (CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CC: Stephen C. Warnath (CN=Stephen C. Warnath/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Lyn A. Hogan (CN=Lyn A. Hogan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Finally you can access a wide range of federal welfare information from ONE site off of the WhiteHouse homepage - the direct address is www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Welfare/

If there are any changes you would like to make or things you would like to add, just let me know. Thanks.

BRUCE REED

**Daily Schedule for
Tuesday
February 25, 1997**

**8:30 State Leg. Travel Mtg.
(Baer's office)**

10:00 Steve Warnath

10:30 Briefing/Rahm (Oval)

**11:00 Drug Strategy Ann.
(Room 450)**

11:00- NS Summit Interagency

12:00 Meeting (Room 472)

**12:30 Jennifer Palmeiri
(Your office)**

**1:00 Lunch with Rahm/Hilley
(Hilley's office)**

**2:00 Bipartisan Working
Group Mtg
(Erskine's office)**

**3:00 Welfare-to-Work
(Your office)**

**4:00 WR Strategy Mtg
(Your office)**

**5:15 NS Service Summit
Meeting
(Your office)**

POTUS

10:30 Briefing

**11:00 Drug Policy Announcement
(Room 450)**

1:00 Phone/Office Time

5:00 Briefing/McCurry

5:20 Interview/Susan Page

**6:30 Congressional Mtg
(Residence)**

Welfare Reform Q&A

Question: You have promised to help States and local areas in ensuring there are job opportunities for welfare recipients who lose benefits under welfare reform. How does the Budget fulfill your commitment, and how would the program operate?

Answer: The 1998 Budget includes \$3 billion over the FYs 1998 through 2000 for Welfare-to-Work Jobs to help communities move one million of the hardest-to-employ welfare recipients into jobs by the year 2000. Approximately \$1 billion in mandatory funding is included annually through 2000; States may use their TANF grant to complement Welfare-to-Work Jobs for similar activities if they so choose.

To complement the \$3 billion Welfare-to-Work Jobs proposal, the FY 1998 Budget includes an enhanced and expanded Work Opportunity Tax Credit. First, the WOTC would be enhanced for long-term welfare recipients for three years. This credit would allow employers who hire welfare recipients to claim a 50 percent tax credit on the first \$10,000 of wages paid to that person for two years. Wages may include the cost of training, health insurance, and day care. Second, the WOTC would be expanded to make a new population eligible for the existing base credit for the next three years. Employers could claim the WOTC for hiring able-bodied childless adults aged 18-50 who are subject to the work requirements under the food stamp legislative proposal in the budget. However, these employers *would not* be eligible for the *enhanced* credit offered for long-term welfare recipients.

Question: *How is the Administration going to move people from welfare to work when there are no jobs?*

Answer: I believe jobs are available and that the welfare rolls will continue to decline. Minimum wage jobs have always been open, but the package of welfare benefits previously available offered more to recipients than a minimum wage job. Now, with increases in the Earned Income Tax Credit, child care subsidies, and other provisions that makes work pay, work is a more attractive option than welfare. Once working, former welfare recipients will gain the employment experience necessary to move up the ladder of work.

But, we will need more jobs -- and jobs that pay more than the minimum wage if we are ensure the success of the new welfare law. The combination of private sector commitments, such as those made by the CEOs with whom I recently met, economic development, tax credits, additional welfare-to-work funds, and a focus on jobs in the growing technology industry will create the new, higher paying jobs we need.

Question: Why do you need another new welfare to work program?

Answer: Passing the welfare law was an historic accomplishment that represents a significant step forward in social policy for this country, as was the aggressive welfare waiver strategy I pursued before I was sent a welfare bill I could sign. And we are seeing results already. Since the beginning of my first term, the welfare rolls have fallen by an unprecedented 2.5 million people. Some of this drop is due to our strong economy, but a good deal is due to the aggressive welfare waiver strategy and the new welfare law. However there is more work to do.

Now that the welfare law has passed, we have to work tirelessly to ensure its success.

To truly succeed, states and localities need additional funds targeted specifically toward helping the hardest to place welfare recipients find jobs. The Welfare to Work initiative would provide funds to states and their cities that could then be leveraged with existing welfare to work funds in creative efforts to move large numbers of hard to place recipients in to the labor market.

And too, I will continue to challenge and encourage the business community, the faith community, states, localities, and others to put together plans that will move welfare recipients permanently into the workforce.

Question: During your State of the Union address, you announced that five prominent CEOs had joined the effort to help move welfare recipients to work. However, recent press stories indicate that these companies have done little to date to actually hire welfare recipients. Further, the one company that has done the most -- Marriot -- was not one of the five you announced. Can you comment?

Answer: During my State of the Union address, I was thrilled to announce that five of this country's major corporations had pledged to work with me in the effort to move welfare recipients permanently into the workforce. In early January of this year, I met with 14 CEOs interested in becoming involved in the welfare to work effort. The five companies I announced during the State of the Union emerged from the CEO meeting as the companies that wanted to take a leadership role in this effort. The CEO of Marriot was invited to the initial meeting but he unfortunately had a conflict and could not attend. However, Marriot has a top notch welfare to work program already in place that we are reviewing and will encourage other corporations to emulate. I hope Marriot, as well as all of the corporations I met with in early January, will work with me and others to make the new welfare law a success.

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Question: *What has the White House done to hire welfare recipients since the new welfare law was signed?*

Answer: Just last week, James King, Director of the U.S. Office for Personnel Management completed a report outlining several options the Federal Government might pursue to hire welfare recipients. He and his staff came up with some very good ideas and I am currently reviewing those ideas. I hope to have something to announce very soon.

Question: *How many welfare recipients will states have to put to work to meet the work requirements?*

Answer: For states to meet the work requirements included in the new welfare law, states must move an additional 1 million recipients into work nationwide by the year 2000.

Question: *You have mentioned several times that under the new welfare law, employers may turn the welfare and food stamp checks into temporary wage subsidies. How does this actually work?*

Answer: As of August 22, 1996 when you signed the welfare law, 11 states had received waivers to modify work supplementation rules. Most of those waivers sought to combine AFDC and food stamp benefits to subsidize jobs. Oregon pioneered this concept. HHS is currently gathering more recent statistics on work supplementation since you signed the law. In Oregon, both private and public sector jobs are subsidized for up to six months per placement. The job is subsidized at minimum wage and gives employers cashed out AFDC and food stamps benefits to cover the minimum wage. In addition, the employee is entitled to the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). If the minimum wage and the EITC do not bring the recipient up to the poverty line, the employer must make up the difference by paying up to \$1 dollar an hour over the reimbursed minimum wage or may put \$1 for every hour worked into an Individual Development Account (IDA). Once a recipient is hired in a full-time, unsubsidized job, she becomes eligible for her wage, the EITC, *and* food stamps coupons previously used to subsidized her wage. Such a system creates an escalating financial incentive that always makes full-time, unsubsidized work the most attractive option

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Upcoming Raines hearing on the President's Budget:
Wednesday, 2/26 Joint Economic Committee

CONGRESS TODAY (2/24):

SENATE:

The Senate held 2 hours of debate on H.J.Res 36, the Authorization for Release of International Population Funds. A vote on the resolution will occur on Tuesday at 2:15 pm. (The measure passed the House on 2/13 by a vote of 220 to 209.)

[SAP sent, 2/24: Administration strongly supports]

The Senate resumed consideration of the S.J.Res. 1, the Balanced Budget Amendment (BBA) and tabled (61-34) Senator Byrd's amendment to eliminate estimates on outlays and receipts in Section 6 of the Amendment. The Senate then began consideration of the Reid amendment to exclude the Social Security trust fund from the Resolution. A vote will occur on Tuesday at 6:00 pm.

HOUSE

Out of session

CONGRESS TOMORROW (2/25)

SENATE

From 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, the Senate will continue consideration of the Reid Amendment to the BBA, which would exclude the Social Security trust fund from the resolution.

At 2:15 pm, after 5 minutes of debate, the Senate will vote on H.J.Res. 36, the Authorization for Release of International Population Funds.

[SAP sent, 2/24: Administration strongly supports]

The Senate will then return to the Reid amendment to the BBA, and hold a vote at 6:00 pm.

HOUSE

No Votes; Convene at 12:30 pm; Begin legislative business at 2:00 pm. Consider H.R. 668, Reinstatement of Airport and Airway Trust Fund Excise Taxes, under suspension of the rules.

[SAP pending: Administration strongly supports]

CONGRESS -- LONG-TERM SCHEDULE

SENATE

Wednesday (2/26)

The Senate will convene at 9:00 am to consider the Feinstein amendment to the BBA for 2 hours, with a vote at 11:00 am. The Feinstein amendment would 1) exclude Social Security, 2) allow a military waiver (yet not a waiver for non-defense emergencies), 3) require a majority vote to raise the debt limit, rather than the present 3/5s vote, and 4) not prohibit capital budgets.

Also on Wednesday, the Senate will consider a Torricelli amendment that excludes capitol expenditures -- 3 hours debate followed by a vote.

March 22 - April 6
Easter Recess

HOUSE:

Wednesday, February 26th

Convene at 11:00 am for legislative business; No votes before 12 noon.
Consider H.R. 624, Armored Car Reciprocity, under suspension of the rules
[SAP pending: No objection]
Consider H.R. 497, Re: Blue Cross / Blue Shield Charter, under suspension
of the rules
[SAP under discussion]

Thursday, February 27th

Convene at 9:00, then proceed to the joint meeting for Chile President
Eduardo Frei
(Legislative Schedule TBD)

Friday, February 28th
No Votes

March 22 - April 7
Easter Recess

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DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 1997

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Upcoming Raines hearing on the President's Budget:
Wednesday, 2/26 Joint Economic Committee

CONGRESS TODAY (2/24):

SENATE:

The Senate held 2 hours of debate on H.J.Res 36, the Authorization for Release of International Population Funds. A vote on the resolution will occur on Tuesday at 2:15 pm. (The measure passed the House on 2/13 by a vote of 220 to 209.)

[SAP sent, 2/24: Administration strongly supports]

The Senate resumed consideration of the S.J.Res. 1, the Balanced Budget Amendment (BBA) and tabled (61-34) Senator Byrd's amendment to eliminate estimates on outlays and receipts in Section 6 of the Amendment. The Senate then began consideration of the Reid amendment to exclude the Social Security trust fund from the Resolution. A vote will occur on Tuesday at 6:00 pm.

HOUSE

Out of session

CONGRESS TOMORROW (2/25)

SENATE

From 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, the Senate will continue consideration of the Reid Amendment to the BBA, which would exclude the Social Security trust fund from the resolution.

At 2:15 pm, after 5 minutes of debate, the Senate will vote on H.J.Res. 36, the Authorization for Release of International Population Funds.

[SAP sent, 2/24: Administration strongly supports]

The Senate will then return to the Reid amendment to the BBA, and hold a vote at 6:00 pm.

HOUSE

No Votes; Convene at 12:30 pm; Begin legislative business at 2:00 pm. Consider H.R. 668, Reinstatement of Airport and Airway Trust Fund Excise Taxes, under suspension of the rules.

[SAP pending: Administration strongly supports]

CONGRESS -- LONG-TERM SCHEDULE

SENATE

Wednesday (2/26)

The Senate will convene at 9:00 am to consider the Feinstein amendment to the BBA for 2 hours, with a vote at 11:00 am. The Feinstein amendment would 1) exclude Social Security, 2) allow a military waiver (yet not a waiver for non-defense emergencies), 3) require a majority vote to raise the debt limit, rather than the present 3/5s vote, and 4) not prohibit capital budgets.

Also on Wednesday, the Senate will consider a Torricelli amendment that excludes capitol expenditures -- 3 hours debate followed by a vote.

March 22 - April 6

Easter Recess

HOUSE:

Wednesday, February 26th

Convene at 11:00 am for legislative business; No votes before 12 noon.

Consider H.R. 624, Armored Car Reciprocity, under suspension of the rules

[SAP pending: No objection]

Consider H.R. 497, Re: Blue Cross / Blue Shield Charter, under suspension of the rules

[SAP under discussion]

Thursday, February 27th

Convene at 9:00, then proceed to the joint meeting for Chile President Eduardo Frei

(Legislative Schedule TBD)

Friday, February 28th

No Votes

March 22 - April 7

Easter Recess

WELFARE REFORM: FOOD STAMP WORK REQUIREMENT

Question: The new welfare law cuts off food stamps for non-disabled adults who refuse to work after three months of benefits, and allows the Department of Agriculture to exempt areas with high unemployment. Why does the Administration want to give food stamp benefits to men and women who refuse to work?

Answer: Enacting the welfare law was an historic accomplishment that represents a significant step forward in social policy for this country. However, as I said when I signed this bill, several provisions of the law have nothing to do with the goal of welfare reform -- putting people to work. Instead, they cut back on our vital food safety net and are unfair to immigrants who have entered this country legally.

I strongly support work requirements. But the welfare law's harsh and unreasonable time limit of 3 months in 36 cuts off people who want to work but can't find jobs. In my budget, I proposed an alternative: a real and tough work requirement without arbitrary cut-offs.

Under my proposal, those who refused to work or refused to take advantage of a work opportunity would face tough new penalties. We would limit food stamps to 6 months out of 12. This policy would encourage work while giving those out of work the transitory help they need to get back on their feet. We proposed new funding and a wage supplementation option to expand the number of work slots available to this group by nearly 400,000 over five years. I am looking forward to working with Congress to enact this sensible proposal.

Background:

- As of March 1, states will begin to cut off food stamp benefits for people who have not met the new work requirement in the welfare law.
- Under the law, able-bodied childless adults between the ages of 18-50 are not permitted to get food stamps for more than 3 months in a 3-year period, unless they are working at least 20 hours a week.
- USDA can waive the work requirement in cities or counties with high unemployment. To date, USDA has granted waivers to 23 states that exempt specified counties or cities with high unemployment.
- Despite these exemptions, 600,000 individuals will lose their food stamp eligibility in FY98 due to this provision. Under the Administration's proposal, approximately 35,000 individuals would lose eligibility in FY98. Unlike the welfare law, the Administration's proposal targets tough sanctions at those individuals who are unwilling to work and to play by the rules.

WELFARE REFORM: BENEFITS TO LEGAL IMMIGRANTS

Question: Immigrants shouldn't be coming to the U.S. to get on welfare. Why is the Administration making restoration of these benefits a priority?

Answer: I believe that legal immigrants should have the same opportunity, and bear the same responsibility, as other members of our society. The welfare law denies most legal immigrants access to fundamental safety net programs unless they become citizens -- even though they are in the U.S. legally, are working and paying taxes and are responsible members of our communities. My Administration has always supported making individuals who encourage their relatives to emigrate to the United States responsible for the immigrant's well being. However, as a nation, we should not turn our backs on anyone who has lost their ability to earn a living due to injury, disease, or illness.

Consequently, my budget proposes to make legal immigrants who become disabled after entering the United States eligible for SSI and Medicaid.

My budget would also provide poor immigrant children the same Medicaid health care coverage low-income citizen children receive.

The United States admits refugees and asylees into this country on a humanitarian basis. My budget proposes to lengthen the five-year exemption for refugees from the ban from five to seven years in order to give this group adequate time to naturalize.

Finally, the law denies food stamps to most legal immigrants. My budget would delay the cutoffs from April 1, 1997 to August, 1997 in order to give immigrants more time to naturalize.

WELFARE REFORM FIX LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

Question: You say you are ready to work with Congress to fix the immigrant and food stamp parts of the welfare law, but the Republican leadership says the bill is fine as it is. Even some Democrats are saying the law shouldn't be changed until we have had a chance to see how it works. Doesn't this mean your proposals have no chance of being enacted?

Answer: I think it is very significant that the nation's Governors are now on record as recognizing that the cuts in benefits to legal immigrants are too harsh and need to be addressed -- even though their final resolution was softened at the last minute at the request of the Congressional leadership.

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As the new welfare law is being implemented, the Governors are gaining a new appreciation of some parts of the bill that I have had a problem with from the beginning -- those parts that are not related to putting people to work. This is particularly true of those Governors in states with large numbers of legal immigrants. They are now looking more carefully at their state budgets and the fact that many legal immigrants who are disabled, many in nursing homes, will lose their SSI and Medicaid over the summer. In addition to noting that these provisions are unfair, they can see the potential costs to their own state budgets if they make the decision to ameliorate those cuts.

I think that, over time, more and more people will come to see the harm that these provisions could do to hard-working people who came to this country and, through no fault of their own, became disabled and could no longer support their families.

Also, I truly believe we are seeing some real changes in our relationship with the Congress. It appears that we have gotten past some of the unproductive ways of doing business we have had over the past two years, and that we are learning how to work with one another in a far more constructive fashion.

Question: Last summer when you said you would sign the welfare bill there were press reports that you wanted to restore about \$14 billion in cuts. Now we understand your budget includes \$18 billion in legislative restorations. Are you proposing to restore more in food stamps and benefits to immigrants that you were last year?

Answer: No, absolutely not. The budget includes \$18 billion in legislative proposals for Food Stamps and immigrants that correspond directly to the commitments I made at the time I signed the bill. Because of a number of technical reestimates, the budget estimate for these legislative proposals is now higher.

The commitment I made to a \$3 billion program to help the private sector, states, and cities move welfare recipients to work was always separate from that total, and was paid for separately elsewhere in my budget.

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It appears that the last standing environmental issue in the new transportation bill (ISTEA reauthorization) is energy efficiency and climate change. I have been working with WH and agencies with the goal of getting something done in time for Secretary Slater's testimony on Wednesday 2/26. Attached is the latest iteration of a proposal for your information and comment.

I have advocated the position that the Administration's ISTEA proposal should be consistent with what the President will need to say on climate change within the next few months. Beyond that basic position, I have not taken a particular position up to now. In contrast, this compromise proposal may be unacceptable to EPA's assistant secretary (David Gardiner), but I do not expect Administrator Browner to press the issue.

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Attached is a proposed memo making an R&D proposal to promote energy efficiency in transportation--it reflects staff input from OSTP and OMB. This R&D would substitute for both EPA's \$500 million proposal and DOT's formula adjustment idea. The memo is an attempt to propose an idea that WH offices and agencies could agree to.

Please let me know of your reaction by noon on Tuesday Feb. 25.

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MEMORANDUM TO DRAFT DRAFT
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We have been working to resolve the question of whether additional provisions on energy efficiency need to be included in the Administration's proposed reauthorization of ISTEA (called NEXTEA). The reason for concern is the coincidence between the debate on ISTEA and the development of the United States' position on targets and timetables to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases. Our goal is to ensure that the two sets of policies are not inconsistent, and are complementary to the extent possible.

To achieve this goal, EPA has suggested that we include in ISTEA a \$500 million fund to reward states that most reduce their per capita energy consumption in the transportation sector. The Department of Transportation has responded that the key determinant of per capita energy consumption is likely to be the states' economic health, not state policies designed to encourage transportation energy efficiency. Thus, an incentive system will not generate significant innovation because states do not have the information and tools to choose policies that have a reasonable likelihood of substantially affecting energy efficiency in the transportation sector. Given this lack of information, NEXTEA should propose investments in developing the tools states and localities need to increase energy efficiency in the transportation sector. These investments would be in addition to investments already reflected in DOT's draft NEXTEA, and would build a foundation for more expansive approaches in coming years.

In addition, the Administration's NEXTEA proposal should not include DOT's preliminary concept of a formula adjustment factor designed to hold states harmless for any reductions in their contributions to the Highway Trust Fund. While this is a constructive idea, it will be subject to the same criticism as EPA's proposed incentive system--namely the adjustment factor will be too indirect to affect state policies, and therefore will not help to achieve the goal of improving energy efficiency.

We suggest the following additional Administration investments in improving energy efficiency in transportation:

1. Research for Energy Efficiency: Dedicate an additional \$ 20 million per year to support research in improving energy efficiency in transportation, including projects from the following

list:

- a) Research health and safety impacts of alternative fuel vehicles (including biomass and renewables), new technology batteries (including lithium-ion batteries) including transport, storage, disposal and issues related to the PNGV fuels program and alternate power sources. (\$10 million/yr.)
- c) Smart highways including smart cars to reduce the recurrence of accidents in all modes of transportation through an enhanced understanding of human performance and behavior. (\$5 million/yr.)
- d) Electric and hybrid electric vehicle research and development support. This will include true technical research and development, implementation strategies, and studies pertaining to true electric vehicle total efficiencies and emissions. (\$5 million/yr.)

2. Fuel Efficient Fleets - In addition to the 90% match available for clean-fueled buses, invest an additional \$8 million per year in fuel efficient heavy-duty vehicles. As EPA proposed, subsidize the difference in purchase price between fuel-efficient and other vehicles. The authorization should be written broadly to give DOT flexibility to use loans and grants and to vary the percentage and timing of the subsidy.

3. Demonstration of Energy Efficiency in Transportation: Set aside fund for energy efficiency demonstration projects. State and local governments would be eligible to demonstrate policies that can increase energy efficiency in transportation. Focus on implementation of on-the-ground measures to increase energy efficiency of transportation including inter-modal planning, an emphasis on minimized cost and environmental impact of the total transportation system. This investment would build a foundation for exploring broader incentives for energy efficient transportation in the next reauthorization cycle. (\$20 million per year.) (This is in addition to the \$10 authorization for intermodal strategic transportation research.)