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HHS has, on the basis of DOJ's representations, backed off their concerns. So the SAP is going to go as is unless you weigh in quickly. Please let me know what you want to do. ellen

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Attached is briefing material for POTUS, including (1) overview of education in WVA; (2) charts POTUS will use to explain the reading standards; and, (3) questions he can use to guide the discussion if he wants.

We are working on the Q's and A's for POTUS as well; there are a lot of these, and we've got more work to do on them. I'm aiming to get a handful of the most important ones done now, so they can be sent in, and then get the rest in tomorrow.

I also have finish the one-pager for the press.

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Here is the corrected version of the charts, and the overview of education in WVA for the briefing materials.

I also have materials on the local school, but only in a xerox copy. Come by please.

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## QUESTIONS FROM PRESIDENT TO AUDIENCE:

### Student Expectations and Parent/Teacher Support

*West Virginia recently adopted new instructional goals in core subject areas (its own effort at standards); education is improving steadily. In 1996, the state tied for 3rd in improvement over 1992 in both 8th grade and 4th grade math -- very impressive, since it is 49th in per capita income.*

**Q:** A recent survey of high school students by Public Agenda showed that more than 70% felt students would pay more attention to school and learn more if standards were raised and enforced. Do you think we are challenging our students enough, or expecting too little?

**Q:** [To students:] Do your teachers and parents push you to work as hard as you can? Is schoolwork more interesting when the teachers demand more, or just harder? Could most of your classmates learn more if they worked harder?

**Q:** [To teachers:] How can parents help teachers achieve higher standards for students? What can teachers do to help parents be more supportive?

**Q:** What are some of the ways that parents are involved in schools here -- and do you think that role needs to increase?

**Q:** [To parents:] How do you find the time to know what your child is doing in school, and to help them? How do you let them know that they must work hard and do well? What could the schools do to help you do a better job? Will it be useful for you to have the kinds of individual test results for your child that our standards plan will provide?

### Teaching

*West Virginia has one of the lowest student-teacher ratios anywhere (15 to 1). Teacher salaries, among the lowest in the nation in 1990, have been raised to 17th in the nation -- the biggest 3-year salary increase in the country.*

**Q:** What do you do in this community to attract the best teachers and reward excellence in teaching?

**Q:** What do you do about the few teachers who aren't effective in the classroom?

**Q:** [To teachers:] Were you adequately prepared by your teacher training programs for the challenges you face in the classroom? Do you get the kind of support you need to stay current, grow professionally, and become more effective?

**Q:** [To students:] Tell me about your best teachers. What makes them so good?

## Accountability

Q: How can we reward schools that are doing a good job?

Q: What do you do here in Clarksburg, and throughout West Virginia, if there is a school that is not meeting standards? How do you give a school the help it needs to improve?

## Technology

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Q: How do computers in the classroom help prepare students? What do they enable teachers and students to do?

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**Q: Can new technology play a role in teaching the basic subjects, such as reading and math?**

**Q: Does it make a difference to have that background in technology for life after school?**

**Q: What kind of special training do teachers need to use technology in the classroom? Who provides it, and how can more teachers get involved?**

## Community Support

*Examples: Last year, a new statewide fund (the West Virginia Education Fund) established by business leaders overhauled the state's teacher education program to make it more rigorous. A partnership between Bell-Atlantic and the state's Department of Education is giving all public schools access to the Internet. West Virginia is one of the top 10 states in offering service learning opportunities to students.*

**Q: What is the larger community doing to improve education here?**

Q: What do higher standards and better education in the basics mean to West Virginia's businesses? What can the business community do to help raise standards?

Q: I've been asking America's colleges to encourage their students to work as reading tutors, to help 8-year-olds learn to read. Are there other ways in which colleges and universities can play a role in K-12 education in West Virginia?

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## TALKING POINTS ON RACE/RECONCILIATION

*\* In discussing this initiative, we have concluded that it is prudent not to make analogies juxtaposing the future of U.S. race relations with instances of civil war or major ethnic strife, e.g. Bosnia, Zaire or the Mid East. However, it is all right to talk affirmatively about the U.S. as a beacon and example to a world where there are deep divisions among ethnic, racial and religious groups within nations and among nations.*

- **The charge the President set is for us to shape an initiative that will make a difference for Americans**
  - **He wants to make changes and improvements that we can look back on with pride.**
  - **His goal is for us to enter the next century as a strong and united America.**
- **At a time when affirmative action and other tools to deal with discrimination are under attack, we must establish a new American consensus about what it means to *be* and *become* One America.**
  - **While there is no immediate crisis driving us, the President believes that we should take stock of the progress we have made in race relations and take action to improve the ability of all Americans to succeed in the 21st century.**
- **We face a very different America in the next century.**
  - **After all, America has changed a great deal in the past three decades. Hispanic-Americans are now the fastest growing minority group.**
  - **There are four school districts in the country, including one right across the river from here --in Virginia --that have children from more than 100 different racial and ethnic groups in one single school district. We should embrace such diversity.**
- **The President has long maintained that the evil of racism is rooted in our separateness.**
  - **He believes that greater dialogue between individuals of different races will reveal the similar interests and values all Americans share.**
  - **The President wants to encourage Americans to celebrate their diversity while reinforcing the values important to us all.**

- **The President has been a constant voice in pressing racial healing and unity. Those occasions include:**
  - **speeches in Memphis, Tennessee in 1993 and Austin, Texas in 1995,**
  - **his inaugural and State of the Union addresses this year,**
  - **a recent radio address,**
  - **the Jackie Robinson anniversary commemoration.**
  - **the apology for the Tuskegee experiment**
  - **his commencement speech at Morgan State University -- an historically Black college.**
  
- **The President's experiences with discrimination are rooted in the South and in the legacy slavery left.**
  - **His grandfather had a grade school education and ran a grocery store in Hope, Arkansas. Most of his customers were black, poor and were working people. As a child in that store, President Clinton learned that people of different races could and should treat each other with respect and dignity.**
  
  - **While his grandparents were in the minority being poor, Southern whites who were pro-civil rights, they taught the President a lesson that he has carried with him through life -- Discrimination is not just morally wrong, it hurts everyone.**
  
- **The President has been consistent and steadfast throughout his life and professional career in his pursuit of equality and opportunity for all.**
  
- **We are crafting an initiative that capitalizes on the power of the Presidency and the strengths of this President.**
  - **The bully pulpit is a potent amplifier of any Presidential message.**
  
  - **President Clinton's personal history and conviction to lead this country in finding strength in our diversity make him well suited to help forge alliances and reconcile differences among us.**
  
- **The President has not yet settled on the set of activities that will constitute this initiative. We are designing a proposal that strikes the right balance between study and action.**

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1. Disregard first question about meeting with groups on suspension. Rob told me meeting is happening on Thursday.

2. We should try to talk with Rob for 10 minutes tomorrow (Wednesday) about process for circulating a memo and timing for an interagency meeting. Anytime after noon is good for me.

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Conferees for the Disaster/Bosnia Supplemental met today, but did not complete action on the bill. They are scheduled to reconvene tomorrow at 1:00 pm.

Major open issues include the automatic CR, RS2477 (wilderness rights-of-way), and restrictions on census sampling. The conferees reached a tentative agreement to eliminate objectionable Senate language concerning getting out of Bosnia by June 30, 1998. The conferees did approve \$1.9 billion for Bosnia, which is \$.2 billion below the President's Budget. Agriculture conferees approved a \$76 million supplemental for WIC. The tentative agreement also includes \$500 million for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), split equally with \$250 million in FY97 and \$250 million in FY98.

The Senate Governmental Affairs Committee postponed today's mark-up of S. 261, Senator Domenici's Biennial budget bill, and S. 207, a bill to establish a Corporate Subsidy Reform Commission.

CONGRESS TODAY (5/20):

#### SENATE

Passed (64-36) H.R. 1122, the Partial Birth Abortion Ban  
[SAP sent, 5/14: President will veto]

Began consideration of S.Con.Res. 27 - The Concurrent Budget Resolution for FY98.

While under consideration, the Senate took the following action:

- o Tabled (61-39) Dodd Amendment, to increase the discretionary spending caps by \$15.752 billion in outlays over five years to improve funding of critical programs to assist infants, toddlers, and young children, and offset this effort by closing corporate tax loopholes.

- o Tabled (70-29) Allard/Inhofe Amendment, to require that any shortfall in revenues projected by the resolution be offset by reductions in discretionary spending.

- o Tabled (8-91) Hollings Amendment, to eliminate the President's initiatives for increased spending and the tax cuts.

- o Adopted (UC) an Allard Amendment to express the sense of the Senate about the Federal debt, and that the President should submit a budget proposal with a plan for repayment of the Federal debt.

#### HOUSE

Passed the following bills (3) under suspension of the rule:

(415-0) S.Con.Res 26 - Permitting the Use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a Congressional Ceremony Honoring Mother Teresa

[No SAP]

(Voice vote) H.R.1650 - A Bill to Award a Congressional Gold Medal to Mother Teresa

[No SAP]

(Voice vote) H.Res. 147 - Expressing the Sense of the House of Representatives that the House of Representatives Should Participate in and Support Activities to Provide Decent Homes for the People of the United States

[No SAP]

\*\* At press time, the House is considering H.Con.Res.84, the Bipartisan Budget Resolution, and aims to vote on final passage late tonight, around the hour of 2:00 am. Earlier today, the House adopted the modified closed rule to consider the resolution, by a vote of 278 to 142. The House rejected, by a vote of 220 to 200, the Democratic order for the Previous Question, to allow for consideration of the Blue Dog Amendment.

[Raines letter sent, 5/20: Administration strongly supports the Bipartisan Budget Agreement, but strongly opposes the amendment to increase

transportation funding.]

Lisa Kountoupes will send an updated report early in the morning. Tonight, the House will take up the following substitute amendments (If an amendment passes, the House will drop the remaining amendments):

1 Congressional Black Caucus (Waters/Thompson) substitute amendment, which does not provide for any new tax cuts until the budget balances in 2002 and fully funds a child health initiative to cover all 10 million uninsured children.

2 Doolittle substitute amendment, which balances the budget by 2002, increases tax cuts by \$109.3 billion, and reduces NDD spending.

3 Brown's investment substitute amendment, which balances the budget by 2002, and provides for tax cuts only after the budget is actually balanced. The amendment provides increases in investments including R&D, transportation, and education and training.

4 Kennedy substitute amendment, which spends \$100 billion more than the Budget Agreement in priority areas of health, education, transportation, R&D, and economic development.

5 Shuster substitute amendment, which increases outlays from the Transportation Trust fund over 5 years to equal revenues over that period. (20 minutes debate)

CONGRESS TOMORROW (5/21)

#### SENATE

The Senate will convene at 9:30 am to continue consideration of the Budget Resolution. At 9:30 am, Senator Kennedy will offer his amendment regarding tobacco taxes and children's health care. Following the Kennedy/Hatch amendment, Senator Gramm will offer his amendment regarding deficit neutral national disaster relief.

The Senate expects to complete action on the Resolution late Wednesday or early Thursday. Close to 40 hours of debate time on the resolution remains, but Senator Lott is attempting to reach an agreement to reduce the time.

#### HOUSE

Convene at 9:00 am to consider the following bills under suspension of the rule (likely):

1 H.R. 1377 - Savings are Vital to Everyone's Retirement Act of 1997

[Draft SAP pending: The goal is laudable, but the Administration believes the bill is unnecessary. ]

2 H.R. 911 - Volunteer Protection Act

[Draft SAP pending: Administration supports the intent, but has concerns]

3 H.Con.Res. 63 - Reaffirming the Commitment of the United States to the Principles of the Marshall Plan

[No SAP]

4 H.R. 1306 - Riegle-Neal Clarification Act of 1997

[No SAP]

5 H.Res. 121 - Expressing the Sense of the House of the Representatives Regarding the March 30, 1997, Terrorist grenade Attack in Cambodia

[No SAP]

6 H.R. 956 - Drug-Free Community Act

[No SAP -- support informally]

Consider H.R. 408 - International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (Subject to a Rule)

[SAP sent, 5/20: Administration strongly supports; Letter from the Vice President sent to Rep. Gilchrest, 5/20]

CONGRESS -- LONG-TERM SCHEDULE

SENATE

The Senate will be in session through Friday, May 23rd, to consider the following items:

Implementing legislation for the Chemical Weapons Convention (possible on Thursday -- 4 hour time limit on debate)

Conference Report on the Supplemental Appropriations Bill (possible on Thursday or Friday)

[Raines Letter sent, 5/19: The President will veto the bill over the automatic CR and the Secretary of Interior will recommend veto over RS2477.]

Conference Report on the Budget Resolution

S. 4 - Comp Time Legislation (continue debate, may file cloture)

HOUSE

Thursday May 22

Convene at 10:00 am to consider the following Conference Reports if they are ready for action:

Consider H.Con.Res. \_\_\_ - Budget Resolution Conference Report (Subject to a Rule)

Consider H.R. 1469 - FY 97 Supplemental Appropriations Act Conference Report (Subject to a Rule)

[Raines Letter sent, 5/19: The President will veto the bill over the automatic CR and the Secretary of Interior will recommend veto over RS2477.]

Friday, May 23

The Majority Whip currently says the House will be out of session.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 11:12:26.00

SUBJECT: Disability EO

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We will need something for July 26, so we should probably try to make this work. I do think calling in the NEC is a good idea. Plus, it would be great to engage Cabinet secretaries of departments that have traditionally not made this a priority -- Labor, Commerce, SBA, Treasury. What do you think?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Stuart M. Schear@EOP@LNGTWY@LNGTWY ( Stuart M. Schear@EOP@LNGTWY@LNGTWY [ W

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 18:23:13.00

SUBJECT: WEEKEND TV OUTLOOK

TO: Maria Echaveste@eop ( Maria Echaveste@eop [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Deborah Falk@eop ( Deborah Falk@eop [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Bruce N. Reed@EOP ( Bruce N. Reed@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Cathy R. Mays@EOP ( Cathy R. Mays@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Michele Jolin@EOP ( Michele Jolin@EOP [ CEA ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: david t. johnson@eop ( david t. johnson@eop [ NSC ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Marjorie Tarmey@eop ( Marjorie Tarmey@eop [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Brian D. Smith@eop ( Brian D. Smith@eop [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Melissa Green@eop ( Melissa Green@eop [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Lorraine L. Wytkind@eop ( Lorraine L. Wytkind@eop [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elena Kagan@eop ( Elena Kagan@eop [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings@eop ( Christopher C. Jennings@eop [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jason S. Goldberg@EOP ( Jason S. Goldberg@EOP [ WHO ] )  
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MAY 20, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO MIKE MCCURRY, ANN LEWIS & DON BAER  
FROM STUART SCHEAR  
SUBJECT WEEKEND TV OUTLOOK

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FRIDAY MAY 23

WASHINGTON WEEK IN REVIEW

Topic TBD  
Guest TBD

SATURDAY MAY 24

EVANS & NOVAK (CNN)

Topic Democratic Party Politics & Money Troubles  
Guest Request for Gov. Romer

INSIDE POLITICS WEEKEND (CNN)

Topic TBD  
Guest TBD

SUNDAY MAY 25

FOX NEWS SUNDAY (FOX)

Guest TBD  
Topic TBD

Roundtable TBD

FACE THE NATION (CBS)

Topic China/MFN  
Guest Pat Buchanan  
Guest Request for Sandy Berger

MEET (NBC)

Topic QDR, Sex & the Armed Forces, Memorial Day  
Guest Request for Secy. Cohen

Automated Records Management System  
Hex-Dump Conversion

Roundtable      TBD

THIS WEEK (ABC)

Topic            TBD

Guest            TBD

Roundtable      Cokie, Sam, Will &TBD

LATE EDITION (CNN)

Topic            Budget

Guest            Request for Rep. Gephardt

Roundtable      Margaret Carlson, Tony Blankley & Steve Roberts

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Elizabeth Drye ( CN=Elizabeth Drye/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 18:10:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: PLEASE RESPOND TODAY -- HHS giving Wash. Post. draft cloning report

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jonathan Prince ( CN=Jonathan Prince/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Laura Emmett ( CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The Post lawyer argues that under FACA we have an obligation to get materials out BEFORE meetings, hence the urgency: "it is the commission's legal duty to provide this material immediately and without delay. The FACA requires that access to material covered under section 10(b) be provided to requesting parties, at a minimum, "before or at the meeting at which the materials are used and discussed." Rick Weiss of the Post requested the material from the Commission May 15.

Do you want to talk to HHS general counsel to explore further?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: William R. Kincaid ( CN=William R. Kincaid/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 14:48:21.00

SUBJECT: Q's and A's

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Christa Robinson ( CN=Christa Robinson/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Michael Cohen ( CN=Michael Cohen/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Per my voice mail, here are some of the specific non-education questions that we can probably anticipate from the West Virginia audience Thursday. In addition to these, I'm sure we would want one on the abortion issue.

Staff Secretary has told Christa that they need the Q's and A's and other briefing material between 6 and 7 tonight.

Please let us know how we should proceed on this.

Thanks.

How will you protect children against indecency and other harmful aspects of the Internet?

What ideas do you have to address problems of teen pregnancy?

What are you doing to address the issue of good nutrition and how that effects children's learning?

What are you doing to help provide medical coverage to all citizens at affordable rates?

How does your welfare reform program continue to help those who are needy while shifting responsibility from government to the people?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 22:37:04.00

SUBJECT: Drug Q's/A's

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: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I made the executive decision to circulate the Drug Q's/A's on meth and money laundering to staff secretary, Rahm and lower press. I don't think they're too eventful, but here they are again if you want to see them in the morning. Please page me or Leanne first thing if you think there are problems. I'm sorry for not being able to circulate them until late today; I promise my timing will improve..

Also, I've dropped off a copy of the speech with some of my edits in case your interested. As with last week's FOP speech I have serious concerns about what exactly we're trying to say in our crime/drug speeches. Perhaps we should visit on this later.

(BR: Forgive the late night call, but I was really worried about the speech and felt the need to touch base w/you.)

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 10:21:29.00

SUBJECT: Senior Staff Coverage

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Laura Emmett ( CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

WILL ANY OF YOU BE WORKING ON MEMORIAL DAY.

----- Forwarded by Paul J. Weinstein Jr./OPD/EOP on  
05/20/97 10:24 AM -----

Leanne A. Shimabukuro 05/19/97 06:28:40 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Paul J. Weinstein Jr./OPD/EOP

cc:

Subject: Senior Staff Coverage

FYI.

----- Forwarded by Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OPD/EOP on  
05/19/97 06:32 PM -----

Brooks E. Scoville

05/19/97 06:16:49 PM

Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message

cc: Ashley L. Raines/OA/EOP, Teresa Wildman/WHO/EOP

Subject: Senior Staff Coverage

Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 is a federal holiday. The Chief of Staff has requested a complete list of senior staff (Assistants to the President and Deputy Assistants to the President only) who will be working the holiday, as well as the names of those senior staff on call and how they can be reached.

Please submit this list to me no later than 12 noon on Wednesday, May 21. We will be submitting this information to the Chief of Staff on Thursday.

Also provide the WHCA Signal Switchboard with information of how the

senior staff who will be out of town may be reached.

Thank you.

Message Sent

To:

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Ronda H. Jackson/WHO/EOP  
Kevin S. Moran/WHO/EOP  
Edward F. Hughes/WHO/EOP  
Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OPD/EOP  
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Katharine Button/WHO/EOP  
Alison E. Bracewell/WHO/EOP  
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Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno/WHO/EOP  
Kerri C. Sheehan/WHO/EOP  
Lori L. Anderson/WHO/EOP  
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Deborah B. Mchile/WHO/EOP  
Mary Morrison/WHO/EOP  
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Paul J. Cusack/OVP @ OVP  
Debbie B Bengtson/OVP @ OVP  
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Eli G. Attie ( CN=Eli G. Attie/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 11:13:53.00

SUBJECT: How did your talk go?

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I had a lot of fun, I must admit; those kids are definitely more savvy than the average Hill staffer (I won't draw any White House comparisons, to protect the innocent).

In any case, it's always a pleasure to serve as your warm-up act...and tell Irving I said it was good to meet him. I actually recognized him from the hallways long ago...

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 19:19:18.00

SUBJECT: a couple of things

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

1. Immigration. Things were a little crazy today so I didn't get to call you about immigration. I do need to tell Rob Malley ASAP whether we think we should meet with the outside groups on the suspension of deportation issue. My inclination is that we should meet with them, but only if we can be sure that they know we are there in a listening capacity only, and will not be commenting on potential changes to Administration policy. Rob thought this would be possible.

2. Crime meeting. We are changing the meeting time again. Can you let me know if you are available at 10:30am on Thursday? (I thought Laura said you were, but she left before I could confirm this and re-send the meeting notice.)

THANKS!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 11:53:11.00

SUBJECT: Revised SAP for HR956, Drug-Free Communities Program

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Revised OMB SAP on H.R. 956. The plot thickens...

----- Forwarded by Jose Cerda III/OPD/EOP on 05/20/97

11:55 AM -----

Ronald E. Jones

05/20/97 11:39:03 AM

Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message

cc:

Subject: Revised SAP for HR956, Drug-Free Communities Program

DOJ believes HR 956 presents a greater Establishment Clause problem than they first thought and propose the following SAP on the bill. The original version said "support if amended".

Comments are needed no later than 1:30 PM today.

H.R. 956 - Drug-Free Communities Act of 1997  
(Portman (R) Ohio and 49 cosponsors)

The Administration does not support enactment of H.R. 956 in its current form, because proposed Section 1032 appears to condition grant eligibility on whether coalition applicants include representatives of religious organizations as members. By conditioning the grant of a governmental benefit on the inclusion of a religious organization in the coalition receiving the benefit, the bill raises very serious concerns under the Establishment Clause of the Constitution.

The Administration would support enactment of H.R. 956 if it were amended to address this concern. The Administration urges that H.R. 956 not be considered under suspension of the rules unless the version of the bill considered by the House address this concern.

Message Sent

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mary E. Glynn ( CN=Mary E. Glynn/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-MAY-1997 19:49:53.00

SUBJECT: Bruce Lindsey

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

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

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

TEXT:

Businessweek is writing a profile of Bruce Lindsey. Would you have Rahm and Doug call Rick Dunham? Elena, would you call Rick to tell him about Bruce's work on securities litigation? Call me if you would like more info.



**MAYORS' SUMMIT ON DRUGS**  
**Questions and Answers**  
**May 21, 1997**

**Methamphetamine Report**

**Q. What does today's report say?**

- A. Today's report provides an update of the Administration's National Methamphetamine Strategy and make two key findings: (1) that methamphetamine use is down in 8 key cities; and (2) that clandestine lab seizures by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) are up 170% in 1996. The Justice Department report cites 1996 data which shows that in eight western cities --Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles, Omaha, Phoenix, Portland, San Diego, and San Jose-- methamphetamine use declined between 7 and 52% from 1995 levels.

Moreover, the report shows that our strategy is being aggressively implemented and showing results. We've worked with Congress to strengthen penalties for meth trafficking and established new controls over precursor chemicals used to manufacture meth. U.S. Attorneys -- working with coalitions of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies -- are successfully prosecuting methamphetamine, including lifetime sentences for certain convicted methamphetamine traffickers. Federal agencies are working to increase information about the dangers of meth. They're producing meth-specific education and prevention materials, hosting local conferences and training local law enforcement.

**Q. What is methamphetamine? Why is it so dangerous?**

- A. Methamphetamine is a synthetic stimulant drug that creates extreme aggressiveness among chronic users. The violence-prone, irrational, and aggressive behavior associated with methamphetamine usage make it an especially volatile drug. Meth can be snorted, smoked, injected, or ingested orally. The effects of methamphetamine can last anywhere from 4 to 24 hours, while the effect of cocaine is measured in minutes. The crash that occurs with the tapering off of methamphetamine's effects is often potentially psychologically disastrous.

Additionally, clandestine laboratories that manufacture methamphetamine pose an environmental and safety hazard, as toxic wastes are frequently dumped on the ground or into waterways, as well as the enormously high risk of a fire or explosion. Anyone near a meth manufacturing lab is in potential danger, and cleanup costs, per lab, run into thousands of dollars.

**Q. How much does methamphetamine cost?**

A. A gram of methamphetamine can begin at \$50. For comparison purposes, a gram of cocaine costs about \$100. For this reason, meth is often referred to as the “poor man’s cocaine.”

**Q. How serious is the methamphetamine problem?**

A. The methamphetamine problem is serious and spreading. In recent years, use of the drug has spread from the West to the Midwest. As a result, meth-related emergency room episodes doubled between 1991 and 1994, and the number of meth-related deaths tripled. Seizures of clandestine laboratories and along the Southwest border also increased during this time period.

More importantly, methamphetamine is a triple killer and extremely dangerous: First, it is a cheap, highly addictive, long-lasting stimulant that often induces violent behavior; Second, labs used to manufacture meth present a high risk of fire or explosion, endangering nearby residents; and third, the toxic wastes produced by meth labs are often dumped on the ground and in waterways, posing an environmental threat to entire communities.

**Q. Why are you only providing meth data for 9 cities? Is there data on other cities?**

A. The Drug Use Forecasting System collects meth data for 23 cities across the country. The methamphetamine use amongst the arrestees tested in the other 14 cities was so low, it was determined to be insignificant. By insignificant, we mean less than one percent.

**Q. Doesn’t the drop in the numbers for methamphetamine mean that we’re just generating hysteria about methamphetamine when the problem is really disappearing?**

A. Not at all. I am very encouraged by the new, lower numbers. But we are just turning the corner. Now is not the time to let up. The numbers show that when we work hard, we can have some effect. Now, we’ve got to redouble that effort and help to prevent the spread of this dangerous drug to the eastern part of the U.S.

**Q. If illegal drugs are such a big problem, then why didn’t your new anti-gang bill contain new drug provisions?**

A. Our juvenile crime bill does contain increased penalties for people who sell drugs to kids and use kids to sell drugs. But we should keep in mind that existing federal drug laws are already pretty tough. Trafficking can carry up to a life sentence.

But we also need to do is to make sure that local prosecutors have more resources to go

after the gangs that pedal drugs to our kids. Our juvenile crime bill does that, too.

Additionally, our anti-gang strategy calls for expanding after school programs. This will not only help us cut crimes when kids would be otherwise unsupervised, it will help schools get the message out that gangs, guns and drugs are dangerous.

**Q. Mr. President, despite the 1994 Crime Act and tough drug laws, federal statistics show enormous increases in drug use among teenagers. Don't these figures show that you have failed and that you are taking the wrong approach?**

A. I am deeply disturbed by the current trends in teenage drug use. General McCaffrey, the Attorney General and I have spent a great deal of time on this issue. That's why I've proposed a national media campaign, leveraged with private sector resources, to reach the 68 million kids at risk in this country.

That's also why we need more programs to stop crimes and drug use from happening in the first place. We need a place for young people to go in those hours after school when they are unsupervised. If we don't, they may just wind up on a street corner using drugs or getting involved in delinquent or criminal activity. I've asked Congress to provide funds for after-school programs and for programs for at-risk youths-- so we could keep kids off the streets and out of trouble. I was disappointed that the House didn't include these provisions in its juvenile crime bill, but I'm hopeful that we'll be successful in the Senate.

## **Money Laundering**

**Q: Could you briefly describe the proposed regulations on money laundering?**

A: When I learned of the successes of the New York Geographic Targeting Order (GTO) in dramatically reducing the flow of narcotics proceeds to Columbia, I asked the Treasury Department to examine ways to extend the GTO nationally.

Today's regulations are a response to my request. There are three proposed rules which will be published today. The most fundamental of these proposals is to register "money services businesses" generally, which includes money transmitters or remitter, money order issuers and sellers, travelers check issuers and sellers, retail currency exchanges, and check cashers.

The second proposed regulation would extend the suspicious activity reporting requirements — already in place with respect to banks — to money transmitters and issuers, sellers and redeemers of traveler's checks or money orders.

The final proposed regulation essentially makes the New York GTO apply nation-wide

and on a permanent basis. Under the proposed rule, money transmitters would be required to report currency transactions of \$750 or more that involve the transmission of funds to any person outside of the United States. The rule also requires the remitters to verify the identity of the person sending the funds.

**Q: When will these proposed regulations become effective?**

A: There will be a 90-day comment period that begins today. We will then review the comments and make any appropriate changes to the rules. Once that is complete, we will publish the final rule. We hope to do this by January 1, 1998.

The rules regarding suspicious activity reporting and the new \$750 reporting threshold will take effect 30 days after the final rules are published. Money services businesses will have 180 days from publication of the final rules to register with FinCEN.

**Q: What are the current reporting requirements for sending money transmissions outside the U.S.?**

A: Currently, no record has to be kept for any transmission under \$3,000. For transmissions of \$3,000 or more, the money transmitter must keep a record of the transmission. For transmissions of \$10,000 or more, the money transmitter must fill out a Currency Transaction Report or CTR and file it with the IRS.

**Q: Why the \$750 threshold?**

A: Our experience with the El Dorado Task Force indicates that most legitimate money transmissions are between \$250 and \$500, and that most of the abuse by money launderers occurs above this level. Thus, we made the threshold \$750 so as to exclude the majority of legitimate businesses from reporting requirements.

**Q: Money transmitters are used primarily by people who do not have bank accounts—the poor and immigrants. Isn't it then discriminatory to have a \$750 threshold for transmitters and not banks?**

A: We do not believe the proposed regulations are discriminatory. The \$750 amount applies to wires purchased in cash that are sent anywhere outside the United States. We did not focus on any particular country or region.

Also, these regulations do not prevent anyone from wiring money anywhere. You can pay cash to send \$100,000 to Colombia tomorrow, so long as you fill out a form and provide a photo ID. The proposed rules are designed to stop the abuse of the money transmitter industry by criminals by collecting information, not to prevent legitimate transactions.

Banks are already subject to extensive regulation. Today's proposed rules are intended to deal with a relatively unregulated area of the financial services industry — the money services businesses.

### **GENERAL DRUG POLICY QUESTIONS**

**Q. Why do you think spending \$175 million on an ad campaign will reduce drug use among our youth?**

A. The central challenge we face is to reverse the surge in youth drug rates-- this is the focus of my 1997 National Drug Control Strategy and it is the primary concern of the mayors. My targeted anti-drug advertising campaign-- which would involve about 1 percent of the federal counterdrug budget-- holds the promise to change our youth's relaxed attitudes toward drugs. We have 68 million kids who are vulnerable to drugs. It is imperative that we get our kids accurate information about drugs.

**Q. What do you think of the Sentencing Commission's recommendations on penalties for crack and powder cocaine?**

A. Last month, I commended the Sentencing Commission for moving forward with recommendations to Congress to reduce the disparity between crack and powder cocaine penalties. My Administration will give them very serious consideration. I have asked Attorney General Reno and General McCaffrey to review the Sentencing Commission's recommendations and report back to me by the end of June.

However, I continue to believe that our sentencing laws must reflect that crack cocaine is a more harmful form of cocaine. The Sentencing Commission's new recommendations do so. Trafficking in crack, and the violence it fosters, has a devastating impact on communities across America, and any changes in penalties must ensure that more dangerous offenders receive tougher sentences.

**Q. Isn't the National Action Plan put forward by the Mayors essentially a criticism of your Administration's drug policy? Doesn't it call for more funds and different actions to be taken?**

A. I don't think so. On the contrary, I think the Mayors' Action Plan is complementary to our own National Drug Strategy. Both of our plans share the same number one priority: that drug use amongst our kids must be reduced. Both of our plans call for a comprehensive drug strategy that includes enforcement, treatment, prevention and education. And both of our plans recognize the importance of responding to the country's growing methamphetamine problem -- as well as cracking down on money laundering. While some of the details vary, the plans are largely similar.

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May 20, 1997

## BRIEFING FOR EDUCATION TOWN HALL

**DATE:** May 21, 1997  
**LOCATION:** Oval Office  
**EVENT TIME:** 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm  
**FROM:** Sylvia Mathews  
Bruce Reed

### I. PURPOSE

To brief you on the substance and format for the upcoming Education Town Hall in Clarksburg, West Virginia on Thursday.

### II. BACKGROUND

You will be holding a town hall meeting at the Robert C. Byrd High School attended by 160 students, parents, teachers, principals, school administrators, and >>> from throughout the state. This an opportunity for you to highlight the importance of national standards and, for the first time, explain in detail what standards are and why they are important. In your opening remarks, you will walk through a sample reading question. You will also be announcing that West Virginia, Massachusetts, and possibly Kentucky have agreed to participate in your national standards and testing initiative, and that the National Alliance of Business has just endorsed your proposal. Following your remarks, you will call on members of the audience to ask you questions and pose questions to audience members in return. Bob Kittle, the County Superintendent of Schools will serve as the moderator.

### III. PARTICIPANTS

Sylvia Mathews  
Rahm Emanuel  
Bruce Reed  
Michael Cohen  
Ann Lewis  
Terry Edmonds

### IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

**V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

- Overview of event format and message.
- Substance of remarks and example of reading question.
- Education Q&A.
- Other issues Q&A.

**VI. REMARKS**

None.

**VII. ATTACHMENTS**

- Outline of Event.
- Q&A.
- Remarks.
- Sample Reading Question (to be incorporated in your remarks).

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Rep. Levin asked us for talking points to help him persuade less enthusiastic members of his subcommittee, like Matsui and Stark, that the welfare portions of the budget agreement were a "win" and worthy of support. Cynthia notes that such a document would also be helpful here -- for example, in Erskine's meeting later this week with the House Progressive Caucus.

Attached is an attempt. This version really shies away from taking credit for the Administration, since that is what Levin wants -- maybe too much. I would add us back in for any version we use.

Please let me know your comments.

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## **Welfare Provisions of Budget Agreement: A Significant Advance for Work, Fairness**

### **A Major Victory on Welfare to Work**

**The recently announced budget agreement is a major victory for those who believe that the Federal government should do more to assure that those on welfare have the opportunity to make the transition to work.**

- **The budget agreement includes two critical welfare to work initiatives. The first is a \$3 billion Welfare to Work fund for cities and states to create jobs and provide incentives for employment. This proposal will help move one million adults from welfare to work. The second is a tax credit to encourage companies to hire and retain long-term welfare recipients. The budget agreement provides all of the funds the Administration was seeking in this area.**
- **Combined with the extra block grant funds that are becoming available to states as caseloads drop, this will afford us an unprecedented opportunity to move people from welfare to work.**

### **A Major Victory on Benefits for Legal Immigrants**

**The budget agreement is a significant victory for those who opposed the welfare law's harsh provisions on legal immigrants -- provisions that punish children and legal immigrants with severe disabilities, and burden State and local governments. These provisions had nothing to do with the real goal of welfare reform, which is to move people from welfare to work.**

- **The budget agreement restores SSI and Medicaid eligibility for disabled legal immigrants who entered the U.S. prior to August 1996.**
- **After months when the Congressional leadership argued that any change constituted "reopening" the welfare law and refused to consider it, this is a great turnaround. Although many wish that the budget agreement went further, this \$9.7 billion restoration is a very significant change in the welfare law, especially given that it comes as part of an agreement to balance the budget.**

### **A Major Victory on Food Stamp Work Requirement**

**Limiting food stamps to three months in three years for non-disabled unemployed childless adults was inherently unfair because it did not provide any additional opportunities for work.**

- **The budget agreement provides \$750 million to create additional work slots for this group. It also lets states exempt 15% of individuals who would lose benefits because of the time limits.**
- **This last-minute victory in the budget negotiations will help ensure that those willing to work keep their food stamps.**

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The Briefing on the town hall is now scheduled for 4-4:45pm tomorrow.

I have confirmed with Helen Howell that we will provide her with the following materials by 6:30pm today so they can go in the President's briefing book for tomorrow:

- Q&As (Mike)
- Suggested questions (Eli)
- Education background on West Virginia and local school district (Mike)
- Script (outline of the sequence of events) (Eli)
- Charts explaining reading and math standards (Eli)
- Event Memo - what is supposed to happen at this meeting. (Christa)

Materials can be updated, and we can submit additional documents in the morning.

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The Post has requested a copy of the draft cloning report under FACA. HHS doesn't think it can legally say no. Shapiro doesn't want a fight and doesn't mind giving it out. Unless we have immediate concerns, HHS will send the report over later today or tomorrow. NBAC discussed its policy recommendations publicly last Saturday, so these won't create news, but the report's interesting and detailed discussion of ethical, religious, legal and scientific issues may be newsworthy. Given HHS's legal position, I'm assuming we have to let the draft out.

Can we give HHS the go ahead to give report to Washington Post? Do I need to prepare anything for press office?

Additionally, NBAC has decided to hold its last meeting on cloning Saturday, June 7, 8:30-11:30 am in Crystal City. The Post has also asked for copies of materials for the June 7 meeting at or before the meeting. We should think about how to do POTUS announcement given these developments. Ideas?



# *WELFARE TO WORK*

May 20, 1997

## *The Welfare to Work Partnership*

Today President Clinton announced that over 100 companies have accepted his State of the Union challenge to forge "a new national effort to marshal America's businesses, large and small, to create jobs so that people can move from welfare to work." CEOs and senior executives from the companies joined the President to launch the Welfare to Work Partnership, a private, non-profit organization which will lead the national business effort to hire people from the welfare rolls. The Partnership pledged to enlist 1,000 companies within the next six months and named United Airlines Corporation CEO Gerald Greenwald its Chairman of the Board.

The Welfare to Work Partnership is an independent, nonpartisan, national effort of the American business community to help move those on public assistance into jobs in the private sector. The Partnership will provide information, technical assistance, and support for all interested companies. The Partnership was formed in response to the President's challenge in his 1997 State of the Union speech, and the CEOs from the five companies the President noted in that speech -- Sprint, Monsanto, UPS, Burger King, and United Airlines -- form the Partnership's Board of Directors. Since signing the welfare law last August, the President has launched an aggressive campaign to challenge both the public and private sector to help welfare reform succeed. The President signaled his commitment to work with the corporate community by holding a White House meeting with 14 company CEOs in January 1997. After that meeting five companies made a commitment to lead a national welfare to work effort.

## *The President's Welfare to Work Transportation Initiative*

Citing transportation as one of the biggest barriers in moving from welfare to work, President Clinton today announced grants to 24 states to develop strategies to solve this problem. The President urged Congress to enact his \$600 million welfare to work transportation initiative, part of his NEXTEA transportation proposal.

Two-thirds of new jobs are in the suburbs, but three of four welfare recipients live in rural areas or central cities. Only six percent of welfare recipients own cars, and public transit often provides inadequate connections to job and training centers. To combat this problem, the President today urged Congress to adopt the six-year, \$600 million grant program in his NEXTEA transportation bill that would support flexible, innovative transportation systems in rural, urban, and suburban areas to get people where the jobs are. Today, the President also announced grants to 24 states and the Virgin Islands to develop welfare to work transportation plans. The grants are being awarded by the Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration and the Federal Highway Administration in cooperation with the National Governors' Association.

## *A Balanced Budget that Helps Move People from Welfare to Work*

The President praised the new budget agreement which includes two critical welfare to work initiatives. The first is a \$3 billion Welfare to Work fund for cities and states to create job opportunities for welfare recipients. This proposal, a centerpiece of the President's second-term agenda, will help move one million adults from welfare to work. The budget agreement also

includes the President's proposed enhanced tax credit which would give companies that hire long-term welfare recipients a 50% tax credit on the first \$10,000 of wages paid over two years.

### Vice Presidential Initiatives

To ensure that former welfare recipients succeed in the workplace, Vice President Gore today announced a new campaign, beginning with a conference on May 29th, to help those leaving welfare retain jobs.

In addition to this new campaign, the Vice President is overseeing the federal government's hiring initiative. The President has committed the federal government, the nation's largest employer, to do its part to hire people from the welfare rolls. On April 10th the President held the first full Cabinet meeting of his second term in which federal agencies pledged to directly hire at least 10,000 welfare recipients over the next four years.

### Today's Program

The President was joined today by the Vice President, Mr. Greenwald, Partnership President Eli J. Segal, Delaware Governor Tom Carper, Wisconsin Governor Tommy Thompson, and small business owner George R. Stinson of Racine, Wisconsin, whose company workforce is more than half former welfare recipients.

**Welfare to Work**  
**May 20, 1997**  
**Q&A**

**Company Hiring**

Question: How many companies have committed to hire welfare recipients?

Answer: Today, over 100 companies committed to hire people from the welfare rolls -- and the Partnership's new Chairman, Gerald Greenwald today pledged to sign up 1,000 companies within six months.

Question: How many employees have they promised to hire?

Answer: Companies weren't asked to make specific commitments, but many have anyway. For example, United Airlines has pledged to hire 2,000 people on welfare by the end of the year 2000. Cessna currently employs 150 welfare recipients and plans to hire 50 more.

Question: Will these companies displace other workers in order to hire welfare recipients?

Answer: No. An explicit part of the commitment each company has made is to hire and retain former welfare recipients without displacing other workers.

Question: Will the companies pay health benefits?

Answer: We expect companies to treat former welfare recipients like any other workers, which includes providing health benefits if they are provided to other workers.

**Welfare to Work Partnership**

Question: What is the Welfare to Work Partnership?

Answer: **The Partnership is a national, independent, nonpartisan effort of the business community to help move people on public assistance to jobs in the private sector. The Partnership will concentrate on energizing the business community to hire and retain welfare recipients without displacement of existing workers.**

**The Partnership provides information, technical assistance and support for businesses of all sizes, from all industries and from all areas of the country.**

**Question:** What are the goals of the Partnership?

**Answer:** In the first year, the Partnership plans to build an expanding network of companies committed to hiring and retaining persons on public assistance. In addition to mobilizing companies, the Partnership will publish and broadly disseminate a best practices manual of private sector initiatives and promising public-private alliances at the state and local levels. It expects to develop a comprehensive, customer-friendly database of organizations which provide job training and readiness, child care and related services.

**Question:** Who are the five founding corporations?

**Answer:** The founding companies of the Partnership are United Airlines, Burger King, Monsanto Company, Sprint Corporation, and United Parcel Services of America. United Airlines CEO Gerald Greenwald is the chairman of the board.

**Question:** Who can participate in the Partnership?

**Answer:** Membership is open to all businesses, large or small, who are committed to either hiring and retaining those on public assistance without displacing existing workers.

**Question:** Why should businesses get involved with the Partnership or any other type of welfare reform effort?

**Answer:** Because it makes good business sense. Today many companies find it difficult to locate entry-level workers. By actively recruiting welfare recipients, companies will greatly enlarge their pool of potential entry-level workers, a pool of workers that companies have previously not actively recruited. In addition, companies will have the knowledge that they are actively participating in their communities to strengthen families and improve children's lives.

### Today's Speakers

**Question:** Why was Governor Thompson invited to speak?

**Answer:** We invited two governors to speak today -- Governor Tommy Thompson (R-Wisc.) and Governor Tom Carper (D-Del.). Both were intimately involved in developing the welfare reform proposals the President signed into law, and both have been welfare reform leaders in their own states -- so it seemed appropriate to have them here today. In addition, today the President announced transportation

planning grants to 24 states, which were given in cooperation with the National Governors' Association.

Question: Tell me more about the small business owner speaking today.

Answer: George R. Stinson is the President and owner of General Converters and Assemblers, Inc. in Racine, Wisconsin. More than half his workforce is former welfare recipients. He is currently expanding his plant and plans to fill many of the 100 new positions with welfare recipients. An African American, Stinson says that one of his primary concerns as an employer is to hire and provide on-the-job training to persons without much job experience.

### **Transportation Announcement**

Question: Why is the President talking about new transportation funding now, after the budget has been agreed to?

Answer: With the budget agreement in place, the Congressional Committees are about to take up the ISTEA reauthorization -- so now is exactly the right time for the President to highlight the welfare to work provisions of the transportation bill he sent to the Hill earlier this spring. Also, many of the business leaders involved in the Welfare to Work Partnership have told us how important transportation will be to their ability to hire welfare recipients, so today's event seemed like a good time to discuss the President's welfare to work transportation proposal.

In general, the budget negotiations assume the reauthorization of ISTEA, although the level of transportation spending within the domestic discretionary category has been under some discussion recently. But the budget agreement certainly leaves room for the President's \$600 million welfare to work transportation proposal.

Question: What does the President's transportation proposal do?

Answer: The President's NEXTEA transportation bill:

- **Invests \$600 Million to Improve Access to Jobs and Training.** NEXTEA includes a six-year, \$600 million grant program to support innovative transportation initiatives, such as vanpools, to get people where the jobs are.
- **Increases Job Training Opportunities in Transportation Technology and Construction.** NEXTEA opens opportunities in transportation by increasing incentives for states and localities to provide job training in conjunction with federally-funding technology and construction projects and enabling them to offer hiring preferences favoring welfare recipients and residents of Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

Question: What can the \$600 million be used for?

Answer: States, local governments, and private, non-profit organizations could apply for grants to plan and implement new transportation services targeted at linking welfare recipients with jobs.

Question: Would the proposal allow welfare recipients to be hired at the expense of other workers?

Answer: No. What the President's bill does allow is what are called "local hiring preferences" allowing transportation contractors to provide a preference to equally qualified welfare recipients and residents of Enterprise Zones and Enterprise Communities who apply for construction and related jobs.

Question: The grants the President announced today seem pretty small. Do you expect them to accomplish anything?

Answer: These grants, provided by the Department of Transportation in cooperation with the National Governors' Association, will enable states and communities to develop strategies that support welfare to work efforts. They will bring state and local welfare, training, and transportation authorities together to address this problem in a strategic way. But these are just seed grants for developing plans -- that's why the President has proposed a comprehensive, \$600 million fund for welfare to work transportation services.

### **White House Hiring**

Question: More than a month ago, the White House pledged to hire welfare recipients? Have any been hired?

Answer: Yes, one former welfare recipient has already been hired, and the departments are reviewing resumes to fill the remaining positions.

### **Minimum Wage**

Question: Will the Administration's announcement last week that employers must pay welfare recipients the minimum wage make it harder for companies to hire welfare recipients?

Answer: No. Private companies have always had to pay the minimum wage and follow the Fair Labor Standards Act for those workers who are "employees" instead of "trainees." The confusion lay primarily in whether the law required government-sponsored workfare to pay the minimum wage. Our lawyers believe that most welfare recipients participating in the work activities such as workfare will legally count as "employees."

Question: Won't this end welfare reform as we know it by making work more expensive for states?

Answer: Not at all. With both TANF and food stamps counting toward the minimum wage, every state except Mississippi will be able to give welfare recipients workfare slots for 20 hours a week (the welfare law's current requirement) without raising their benefit levels. And of course states should be trying to place welfare recipients in private sector jobs where the minimum wage already applies -- that's why having so many companies commit today to hiring welfare recipients is so important.

Question: Will the Administration support changes to the welfare law so workfare programs don't have to pay the minimum wage?

Answer: We would oppose legislation that flatly exempts welfare recipients from the minimum wage law. The Administration believes that people who work should be paid at least the minimum wage.

Question: Would you oppose any legislation addressing this issue?

Answer: Not necessarily, but any legislation would have to be consistent with our support for the minimum wage. In determining how the minimum wage applies to workfare, the Administration has had to address a host of technical issues that Congress did not deal with in passing the welfare law. If Congress wants to address these issues, the Administration will consider the proposals carefully. But any legislation must reflect the Administration's position that people who work should be paid at least the minimum wage.

### **Welfare Privatization**

Question: I understand Erskine Bowles and other White House officials plan to meet with members of the Texas Congressional delegation this week. Is this the beginning of a negotiation over welfare privatization?

Answer: No, we are not taking part in any negotiation. The purpose of the meetings is simply to answer any questions the Congressional delegation may have regarding the response that the Administration provided to the state of Texas last week regarding what kinds of privatization is allowed under current law.

Question: Is the Administration going to approve Wisconsin's request to privatize welfare and food stamp offices in some parts of the state?

Answer: We have not yet responded to Wisconsin's request.

## **Vice Presidential Announcement**

Question: The Vice President announced he'll chair a conference on May 29th. What's the subject?

Answer: The conference will focus on job retention strategies and will include a panel of groups that have helped former welfare recipients become successful workers.

Question: What's the purpose of the conference?

Answer: The Vice President and his staff have been meeting with a wide range of civic organizations to discuss their role in welfare reform. Of course, many of these groups have been contributing to their communities for more than a century, so public service is nothing new to them.

Question: Is there any particular model the Vice President favors?

Answer: The panelists are from a variety of types of programs -- nonprofits, like the Strive program in New York which was recently featured on 60 Minutes; America Works, the successful, private sector job placement and retention company; and public sector, such as the Social Security Administration, which has a long record of successfully hiring welfare recipients. The Vice President is particularly intrigued by what State Comptroller John Sharp has done in Texas. The Texas Pathfinders project has paired welfare recipients with community mentors to help them make the transition to self-sufficiency.

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**CLINTON ADMINISTRATION**  
**NATIONAL METHAMPHETAMINE STRATEGY UPDATE**  
**MAY 21, 1997**

**Announcement:**

Today, in a meeting with Mayors to discuss drug policy, President Clinton announced that methamphetamine use dropped in 8 key cities and that seizures of the clandestine labs used to produce methamphetamine increased by 170% in 1996.

**Background**

Methamphetamine is a synthetic stimulant drug that is cheaper than cocaine in many markets, produces a longer high than cocaine, and can produce extreme aggressiveness and irrational violence.

- *Methamphetamine use is dangerous and spreading.* While use of the drug has historically been concentrated in the West and Southwestern regions of the U.S., it is now spreading to the Midwest and the East. Methamphetamine is produced in clandestine laboratories, which carry an enormously high risk of fire and explosion.
- *President Clinton's Methamphetamine Strategy.* The President's April 1996 Strategy assessed the methamphetamine threat and established an action plan to avert its further spread. In October 1996, President Clinton signed into law the Comprehensive Methamphetamine Control Act of 1996-- which incorporates many elements of the President's Strategy, including increased penalties and regulatory provisions for precursor chemicals. New penalties are scheduled to take effect on November 1, 1997.

**Clinton Administration: Taking Action Against the Spread of Methamphetamine**

- *Increased Seizures.* DEA Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement Teams seized 879 clandestine methamphetamine laboratories in 1996-- a 170% increase over the number of labs seized in 1995. Current projections indicate an even higher number of seizures will be achieved in 1997.
- *Preliminary 1996 Data Shows Meth Use Down.* Data from the National Institute for Justice 1996 Drug Use Forecasting (DUF) show that in 8 western cities (Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles, Omaha, Phoenix, Portland, San Diego, and San Jose) methamphetamine use declined between 7 and 52% from 1995 levels. San Antonio showed a modest increase: from 1.5% in 1995 to 2.1% in 1996. 1996 DUF data also indicate that adult female arrestees use methamphetamine more than male arrestees, and white arrestees were more likely to use the drug than African-American and Hispanic arrestees.
- *Targeting the Midwest.* In 1996, the Office of National Drug Control Police (ONDCP) designated a five-state region in the Midwest (Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and South Dakota) as a High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) to address methamphetamine use, production, and trafficking. In December 1996, a joint effort between the DEA, U.S. Marshals, and state and local law enforcement within the HIDTA resulted in the conviction and life sentence of a methamphetamine trafficker in

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Update: Transportation is drafting the RFP to notify states of the funding for the 2-4 state demonstration. The notice will state that there is \$2 million in the current fiscal year to fund this demonstration. I'm pushing Transportation to nail down a date on when they will publish the RFP.