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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 09:43:22.00

SUBJECT: More ideas for memo

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

This a.m. spoke with Marty Michaelson at Hogan & Hartson; represents ACE and other higher ed orgs, plus individual higher ed institutions (including lots of big-name schools like Harvard). He had a couple of suggestions on possible things that could be helpful re: supporting diversity that were consistent with what Mike and I sent you but might add some more texture to your memo, if it hasn't gone yet. I'm off to charters/reading mark-up, but here are a couple of quick notes on his ideas:

1. Launch a low-key, non-big deal basis -- a small scale ED project to summarize for POTUS the social science research that exists on ed value of diversity. Thinks never has been done in the govt. In their Piscataway brief, they took a run at that (I□,ll give you a copy).

Impt. To encourage ed community to strengthen research, let people know what□,s going on, coord with what□,s going on in private sector -- sign of POTUS/exec branch interest, recognizing limits.

2. A visit, or meeting of POTUS with leaders from higher ed universe (not big, not necc. Associations) maybe a dozen, thoughtful folks, possibly including several foundation leaders (mellon/Bowen), to discuss the state of play on preservation of diversity in higher ed, maybe preceded by a briefing paper -- higher ed community could help. Communicating to community that POTUS is concerned -- putting out encouragement to higher ed leadership at a difficult time for them.

Thinks it would be good to do this pre-Piscataway decision (expected in Spring).

Also, he noted this stat: between 2000-2010 -- 5 million more 18-24 year-olds -- 2.1 million will be Hispanic or black -- well over 40%. 1.4 M Hispanic, rest black. Highly disproportionately low-income /or poorly ed. Real issue is what to do about that pop.

-- Bill

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CREATOR: Jessica L. Gibson (CN=Jessica L. Gibson/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 14:22:05.00

SUBJECT: Internal Child Care mtg

TO: Raymond E. Donnelly III (CN=Raymond E. Donnelly III/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])
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TO: Susan A. Brophy (CN=Susan A. Brophy/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Cynthia A. Rice (CN=Cynthia A. Rice/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Jennifer L. Klein (CN=Jennifer L. Klein/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: lgriffil (lgriffil @ os.dhhs.gov @ INET @ LNGTWY [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Janet Murguia (CN=Janet Murguia/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:

As Lauren and HHS Members were so kind to point out, we will not be at work on Monday... although it was nice of Laura Emmett and Jennifer Klein to volunteer to come in...

The internal Child Care mtg will be in Janet's office, East Wing, 112 on Tues @ 1:00pm.

Could you all let me know if this day is better? Thanks.

Also, 10:00am on Tues we are going to try and do the long awaited blue dog mtg in 2245 Rayburn.

Charter Schools Bill Approved by House Education Committee on 24-8 Bipartisan Vote. On Thursday ten Democrats and fourteen Republicans voted to approve amendments to the ESEA Public Charter Schools Program. The bill would give priority for new grants to states which give charter schools a high degree of autonomy over expenditures, allow the number of charter schools to increase, and periodically review each school to ensure academic performance requirements are met. The bill also incorporates the President's goal of increasing the number of charter schools to 3,000 by the year 2000. Prior to committee action the bill was substantially improved in response to concerns raised by the Department of Education, and Rep. Roemer joined Rep. Riggs as a co-sponsor. One outstanding issue is that the bill would allow subgrants to existing charter schools to be lengthened by two years, potentially reducing start-up funds available to new schools and risking long-term dependence on federal funding. Administration staff will continue to work with the sponsors to strengthen the legislation.

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CREATOR: Cynthia A. Rice (CN=Cynthia A. Rice/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 10:26:43.00

SUBJECT: Rumour says we've okayed, but no one in Admin has seen. CR 62846

TO: ELENA (Pager) #KAGAN (ELENA (Pager) #KAGAN [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: BRUCE N. (Pager) #REED (BRUCE N. (Pager) #REED [UNKNOWN])

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CYNTHIA (Pager) #RICE (CYNTHIA (Pager) #RICE [UNKNOWN])

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TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 19:26:17.00

SUBJECT: Modified Assault Weapons Directive

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

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TO: Karen A. Popp (CN=Karen A. Popp/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

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

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

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

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TEXT:

Rahm/Elena/Karen/Bruce/Leanne:

Attached please find an initially cleared draft of the proposed directive on modified assault wepaons. Rahm wants to temporarily hold this. Karen wants to review it one more time w/counsel. And I would like to get some back-up from Treasury on the #s and types of weapons involved. Thus, we should all review this w/the expectation of doing it pretty soon, but not just yet...

BR and EK: you guys have yet to review this. I'll start drafting the Feinstein letter on this and the other two issues, with an eye towards circulating at the start of next week.

Regards,
Jose'

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— *DRAFT* —
(10/9/97...7pm)

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

Subject: Importation of Uzi and Galil Firearms

The historic Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 banned 19 specific assault weapons, duplicates of those 19 firearms and certain other semiautomatic weapons possessing various military style features. The Administration and Congress worked to ban these deadly firearms because -- as the weapon of choice for gangs and drug dealers -- they were being recovered at numerous crime scenes and resulting in criminals being better armed than the nation's law enforcement officers. Last year, in part as a result of the ban on assault weapons, fewer police officers were slain in the line duty than any year since 1960, and no law enforcement officer was killed by an assault weapon.

In addition to the prohibitions contained in the 1994 ban on assault weapons ban, the 1968 Gun Control Act further restricts the importation of firearms unless they are determined to be particularly suitable for or readily adaptable for sporting purposes. To enforce this law, the Treasury Department has developed a factoring system to determine whether handguns meet this sporting purposes test and are thus importable. The Department also determined that semiautomatic assault type rifles do not meet the sporting purposes test and are not importable.

I am now informed that 2 of the 19 assault weapons that were specifically banned from importation in 1989, the Galil and the Uzi, have been re-designed in order to circumvent the ban. Moreover, permits allowing the importation of thousands of these firearms have been approved. The Galil and Uzi, which are manufactured by Israeli Military Industries, were specifically banned because these weapons were manufactured and used for military purposes and had no legitimate sporting function. It is now appropriate to determine whether the modified weapons would have legitimate sporting purposes in this country and are approved for continued importation under the provisions of the Gun Control Act of 1968.

My Administration has aggressively enforced all applicable laws to keep non-sporting firearms and other munitions posing a threat to public safety from entering the country. Therefore, I direct you to:

- 1) Take the necessary steps to reexamine and determine whether the sporting purposes test should be modified with respect to the importation of the Galil, Uzi and any other firearms that have been similarly adapted or re-engineered to circumvent the 1989 ban on the importation of semiautomatic assault rifles or the 1994 ban on semiautomatic assault weapons;

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- 2) Suspend action on pending applications to import these weapons effectively immediately; and
- 3) Delay final action on any application until this review process is completed.

Nothing herein shall be construed to require actions contrary to applicable provisions of law.

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CREATOR: Demond T. Martin (CN=Demond T. Martin/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 13:52:39.00

SUBJECT: Race Initiative Mtg

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

TO: Sara M. Latham (CN=Sara M. Latham/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Joseph P. Lockhart (CN=Joseph P. Lockhart/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Virginia N. Rustique (CN=Virginia N. Rustique/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])
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TO: Michelle Crisci (CN=Michelle Crisci/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Eleanor S. Parker (CN=Eleanor S. Parker/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Michael Wenger (CN=Michael Wenger/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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TO: Michael J. Sorrell (CN=Michael J. Sorrell/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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TO: Angelique Pirozzi (CN=Angelique Pirozzi/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: June G. Turner (CN=June G. Turner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Lin Liu (CN=Lin Liu/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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TO: Ann F. Lewis (CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Claire Gonzales (CN=Claire Gonzales/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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TO: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Laura K. Capps (CN=Laura K. Capps/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Terri J. Tingen (CN=Terri J. Tingen/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Cheryl D. Mills (CN=Cheryl D. Mills/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Lori L. Anderson (CN=Lori L. Anderson/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

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TO: Kevin S. Moran (CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Judith A. Winston (CN=Judith A. Winston/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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TO: Melissa Green (CN=Melissa Green/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Peter Rundlet (CN=Peter Rundlet/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Andrew J. Mayock (CN=Andrew J. Mayock/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Elisabeth Steele (CN=Elisabeth Steele/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Susan M. Liss (CN=Susan M. Liss/O=OVP @ OVP [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Mickey Ibarra (CN=Mickey Ibarra/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Michele Cavataio (CN=Michele Cavataio/OU=PIR/O=EOP @ EOP [PIR])
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CC: Jason S. Goldberg (CN=Jason S. Goldberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Carole A. Parmelee (CN=Carole A. Parmelee/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Erskine Bowles will hold a Race Initiative meeting Friday Oct. 10 at 2:00pm in 180 OEOB. The following are invited:

Michele Cavataio
Maria Echaveste
Chris Edley
Mickey Ibarra
Claire Gonzales
Elena Kagan
Ann Lewis
Susan Liss
Lin Liu
Goody Marshall
Sylvia Mathews
Andrew Mayock
Minyon Moore
Peter Rundlet
Mike Sorrell
Gene Sperling
Mike Wenger
Judith Winston

Paul Begala
Sidney Blumenthal
Rahm Emanuel
John Hilley
Ron Klain
Mike McCurry / Joe Lockhart
Cheryl Mills
John Podesta
Doug Sosnik
Melanne Verveer
Michael Waldman

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 19:00:59.00

SUBJECT: REMINDER

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

TEXT:

E-Mail Late-Term Abortion Q & A to me. Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Cynthia A. Rice (CN=Cynthia A. Rice/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 10:25:51.00

SUBJECT: Rumour: Shaw at 2:00 will offer FICA exemption. Cynthia

TO: ELENA (Pager) #KAGAN (ELENA (Pager) #KAGAN [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: BRUCE N. (Pager) #REED (BRUCE N. (Pager) #REED [UNKNOWN])

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CYNTHIA (Pager) #RICE (CYNTHIA (Pager) #RICE [UNKNOWN])

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TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 18:14:16.00

SUBJECT: Tobacco Meeting

TO: Joshua Gotbaum (CN=Joshua Gotbaum/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
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TO: Emily Bromberg (CN=Emily Bromberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Mickey Ibarra (CN=Mickey Ibarra/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CC: Suzanne Dale (CN=Suzanne Dale/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jill M. Pizzuto (CN=Jill M. Pizzuto/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

Bruce Reed is having a meeting on Tuesday, October 14, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 211 of the OEOB. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the tobacco letter to the States. HHS folks invited: Bill Corr, Jim O'Hara, Nancy Ann DeParale, Kathy King, and Rich Tarplin.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Thomas L. Freedman (CN=Thomas L. Freedman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 10:58:55.00

SUBJECT: Tobacco Agenda

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I'd suggest the following topics for today:

I. Task Forces

Announce we'll have meetings on specific problems to keep formulating positions on:

Farmers, (Rawls may have some update on what he hears)

International, (NEC had fractious meeting)

Legal

Court case-- what we've heard about where case is, need to push DOJ/HHS to be ready in short-term, just in case.

(a message, a legislative group?)

II. Update Events

VPOTUS trip to Florida, next trip to Chicago

What you've heard legislatively

(Synar?)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lin Liu (CN=Lin Liu/OU=PIR/O=EOP [PIR])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 13:48:39.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

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Policy

Goals:

- Identify, develop and rollout **concrete policy action items** - both new ideas and enhancements of existing policies - that address racial issues either directly or indirectly.
- Coordinate PIR, WH and Departmental policy deliberation and announcements
- Focus on **education and economic opportunity** as priority issues
- Provide support to Advisory Board on appropriate policy areas and possible recommendations

Process:

- Immediately, integrate PIR staff into existing DPC/NEC working groups in education and economic opportunity, health, administration of justice and other priority areas. Meet every two weeks to coordinate efforts.
- Task cabinet agencies within context of newly integrated groups to develop lists of policy proposals (updated regularly) for WH/PIR discussion and coordination - identify tough questions and re-examine existing issues or beef up enforcement of current law. Identify three policy initiatives for rollout by December (see attached list for options).
- Identify longer term developing issues for deliberation and plan for rollout throughout the year.
- PIR develops statistical resource books (quick fact book by Dec. 2 and larger resource book by March) to help identify additional areas of racial disparity that could benefit from longer term policy development and action.
- Identify and substantively support opportunities for regular and targeted policy events - bi-weekly or monthly - develop policy message consistent with communications strategy.
- Identify special problem areas in education and economic opportunities needing further analysis and study - announce research efforts early on for longer term research.

Products:

- Policy and budget announcements - list of three *in education and economic opportunity* for rollout
- Legislative proposals
- New regulations
- Statistics fact book - quick fact book and larger resource book from Interagency Forum
- Reports on problems or achievements

Resources:

- VP, First Lady, Agencies - Cabinet officials as surrogates, Congressional members
- Contract out special topics for expert analysis
- National Academy of Sciences, think tanks, foundations and other outside groups
- FY99 budget process - expanding enforcement and other priority programs

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 13:06:55.00

SUBJECT: Re: Goodling update

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

sorry -- i forgot to hit reply to all

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Bruce N. Reed

10/09/97 01:06:25 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Michael Cohen/OPD/EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: Goodling update

Hilley suggested that we go ahead and try to schedule a Goodling-Jeffords-Riley-Reed mtg for tomorrow. Do you want to run that up the flagpole with Riley's folks? (Congress leaves for recess tomorrow, so it's now or never...)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Sondra L. Seba (CN=Sondra L. Seba/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-OCT-1997 16:09:51.00

SUBJECT: Speaking request for Tues. 10/14

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Audrey T. Haynes (CN=Audrey T. Haynes/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

The Women's Office is hosting a briefing/discussion for the 75+ state coalition leaders from the National Network To End Domestic Violence with Administration officials next Tuesday, October 14th, from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, in the WHCC Truman Room. The group will be here for their annual meeting and leadership institute from October 14-17. They have requested this meeting to discuss issues relative to domestic violence including: funding for battered women's shelters and programs; VAWA; Family Violence Option; and welfare implementation particularly at the state level.

Audrey Tayse Haynes will moderate the panel of Administrations folks, which includes: Bonnie Campbell (confirmed), Ann Rosewater (confirmed), Olivia Golden (tentative), Susan Liss (tentative), and you (hopefully). We would like for each of you to make 5-7 minute presentations the first half of the program, and then open it up for discussion for the last half.

Please let me know as soon as you can if you or another DPC representative will be able to participate. Give me a call at 6-7310 if you have any questions. Thanks!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

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SUBJECT: Radio Address One-Pager

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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TEXT:
Elena, et. al.:

Attached please find a one-pager I did for press/comm. for the radio address to be taped tomorrow at 2:30pm. I told Anne Lewis that I'd get it to her by about noon. It's not too eventful, interesting, etc., but let me know you're thoughts.

EK -- if you hadn't heard late today; the radio address in on the Treasury/Postal approps and its inclusion of the anti-drug media campaign. Also, Leanne will send Q/A's on this separately for review. It will be largely based on some ONDCP factoids, and will probably also serve as our submission for the press conference (they requested a domestic drug prevention Q/A, and what could be more appropriate for Saturday in Brazil -- but info related to the previously taped radio address. Right?

MC -- I have no idea where Rahm is on this somewhat ad hoc plan for the radio address. Any thoughts? I imagine a draft speech will be circulated in the morn.

Jose'

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LAUNCHING THE PRESIDENT'S ANT-DRUG MEDIA CAMPAIGN OCTOBER 11, 1997

- **The President's First Priority.** The number one priority in the President's 1997 National Drug Control Strategy is to motivate our kids to reject the use of illegal drugs. That's why his Drug Strategy and Balanced Budget included substantial funds for an unprecedented, paid media campaign to teach our kids about the dangers of drug use.
- **Media Campaign Now Law.** Yesterday, by signing the Treasury and Postal Appropriations bill into law, the President officially launched his media campaign. Working with Congress, the private sector and others, the Office of National Drug Control Policy will now begin to shape specific drug-related messages to virtually all of the nations youth (ages 9-17).
- **Why a Paid Media Campaign?** There are several important reasons why President Clinton has proposed a paid media campaign:
 - (1) **More kids using drugs.** While overall drug use is down 50 percent over the last 15 years, adolescent drug use has been rising -- and the perceived risks of drug use falling -- since 1990;
 - (2) **Fewer anti-drug messages.** Free public service announcements (PSAs) are down by about 30 percent, and almost none are now aired during prime time viewing hours; and
 - (3) **Need for a targeted, updated strategy.** The media campaign will allow us to target specific programs or time slots that attract the young viewers we need to reach. And it will allow us to utilize modern media -- such as the internet -- to make sure our message is getting out to everyone.
- **Reaching Kids Early.** Statistical evidence shows that if a child can reach the age of 21 without using drugs, he or she will probably never use them. And studies also show that children who use drugs are even more likely to use other and more serious drugs. In fact, a recent study by Columbia University's Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) showed that kids who smoke marijuana are 85 times more likely to use cocaine than kids who did not.
- **Having the Right Tools.** The President's media campaign is designed to give government the same resources and tools to help kids reject illegal drugs that advertising agencies use ever day to market consumer products and foods. That's the least we can do.

**National Anti-Drug Media Campaign
Questions and Answers
October 11, 1997**

Q. Can you tell us more about the President's media campaign?

A. The number one priority in the President's 1997 National Drug Control Strategy is to motivate our kids to reject the use of illegal drugs. The President took the lead on educating our young people about the dangers of illegal drugs by putting \$175 million in his FY 1998 budget for an unprecedented anti-drug media campaign. By signing the Treasury-Postal appropriations bill into law yesterday, the President officially launched his media campaign.

While television ads have been found to be among the most efficient and effective means of reducing drug use, anti-drug public service messages and news coverage of drug issues have dropped markedly since 1989. The media campaign will involve the use of both paid and public service advertisements to get the message to kids and their parents about the dangers of drugs.

We will continue to rely on the outstanding materials developed by the Partnership for a Drug Free America and the Ad Council, as well as new messages we will develop specifically for the initiative.

Q. Why can't you rely on public service ads (PSAs) --used in public health awareness efforts for decades-- instead of a paid media campaign?

A. Public service ad time has been decreasing for several years. Within the currently available PSA time slots, it has become increasingly difficult to target specific drug related messages to particular audiences. Virtually no PSAs appear in prime time.

Targeting 9-17 year olds through PSAs has always been difficult. A paid media campaign will allow us to target specific programs or times when we know young people are watching-- making our efforts more effective.

Q. What kinds of messages will be part of the paid campaign?

A. The paid campaign will be limited to messages about illegal drugs. The public service component may include a variety of drug-related messages including mentoring, underage use of alcohol and tobacco, and other issues.

Q. How was the \$195 million amount for the campaign determined?

A. It is based on an estimate from the Partnership and ad agencies for the level of ad exposure necessary to change attitudes and increase risk perception. The funding level is also

similar to the market value of the public service time given to the Partnership in 1990 and 1991 when we had lower drug use figures. It also happens to be consistent with the amounts spent by ad companies to support major consumer marketing campaigns for food and other products.

Q. Won't the paid ads dry up the public service time?

A. We will work with the media industry to secure commitments for commensurate pro-bono public service efforts to bolster our paid ads. We are currently exploring these issues with the broadcast and cable television industries, the Partnership for a Drug Free America, the Ad Council and others. We have received some encouraging responses from several major networks.

Q. When can we expect to see these ads?

A. The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) has already started its initial planning of the media campaign, including a comprehensive assessment of the most successful media-related strategies-- from public health campaigns to marketing products to kids. We will work closely with Congress to move forward on the media campaign so we can air these ads as quickly as possible.

Q. Is there a role for the private sector in the media campaign?

A. Yes. A critical component of our initiative is reaching out to the private sector and challenging corporations to underwrite certain local portions of the campaign. A number of major corporations have already contacted ONDCP to express their interest in participating.

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By LAURAN NEERGAARD

WASHINGTON (AP) - Several of President Clinton's AIDS advisers say they are considering resigning to protest the White House's refusal to spend federal money on buying clean needles for drug addicts.

Some members of the Presidential Advisory Council on AIDS said Wednesday they also are upset the administration has not implemented other council recommendations.

"I think it's fairly serious," Dr. Scott Hitt, a Los Angeles physician who chairs the 30-member council, said of the resignation threats.

Leading the protest is council member Robert Fogel, a Chicago lawyer and Clinton fund-raiser. He said Wednesday he plans to seek a vote on the resignation at the council's next meeting in December.

"Somebody up there is thinking more about politics than health," Fogel said. "If they're not going to listen to us and do the right thing, I for one, and a number of other people on the council, can't think of any more excuses or apologies to give on this subject."

Fogel said "quite a few" members of the council would consider

resigning, mostly because of anger over needle exchanges.

Hitt has not taken a position on the idea of resigning. But he has met recently with Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala and White House aides in hopes of getting some action before the council issues its evaluation of national AIDS policy in December.

Hitt said the report will have ``some fair but harsh things to say.'' He said he had recently told Clinton in a letter there is ``growing perception that in your second term, HIV/AIDS issues are not the high priority that they were'' previously.

``It's not like we're asking for pie-in-the-sky or perfection in this, but there are a few basic things that need to be done,'' Hitt said in a recent interview.

An administration plan announced this spring to expand Medicaid coverage to HIV patients appears stalled because of budget concerns, Hitt said. The administration also has not lifted restrictions on the content of federal HIV-education materials or revised ``scientifically discredited'' guidelines against HIV-infected health care workers.

``This administration has an extraordinary record in fighting the HIV/AIDS epidemic,'' responded Melissa Skolfield, a spokeswoman for Shalala, who met with concerned council members last month.

An estimated one-third of American adults with AIDS got the killer virus through contaminated needles or sex with injecting drug users. Scientific studies indicate that programs that let addicts exchange used needles for fresh ones cut HIV's spread. The National Institutes of Health has called such needle-exchange programs a powerful weapon against AIDS that has been blocked by politics.

Congress in 1988 outlawed federal money for needle exchanges until there is proof that they don't encourage drug use. That question ``has not been answered conclusively,'' said Skolfield.

Over 80 needle exchanges paid for by private or other nonfederal money already operate in the United States, but AIDS activists say expanding them will require federal money.

Fogel said he was concerned because a House-approved spending bill would strip from Shalala the ability to approve federal money for needle exchanges, even if it's proved they don't encourage drug use.

The Senate version of the bill retains the 1988 language and negotiators for both houses are trying to work out differences on needle exchanges and other differences in the two measures.

``At the moment, we just have to wait to see what happens,'' Fogel said Wednesday. ``If they (administration officials) lose that authority, or retain it but choose not to exercise it, that will be a factor in deciding whether to resign.''

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EK:

Sorry, I've been out of pocket on crime stuff. What's the plan for the 2pm w/EB? I assume you want me to attend. Should I prepare anything in particular? If so, let me know. I'll be in a meeting first thing in the morn, and pitching in -- someway, somehow -- on the random radio address.

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TEXT:

Please advise if you have any objections or changes to the attached draft SAP on HR 2570.

Thanks

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H.R. 2570 - Forced Abortion Condemnation Act
(Fowler (R) Florida and 12 cosponsors)

The Administration agrees with the proponents of H.R. 2570 that the practice of forced abortion and involuntary sterilization is abhorrent. The Administration, however, strongly opposes H.R. 2570 on several grounds.

The Administration opposes the bill because it would:

- o Contradict U.S. policy to expand dialogue with the Chinese in order to advance critical U.S. security, political, economic, and human rights interests.
- o Possibly prompt China to impose its own visa restriction that could further limit the ability of U.S. officials to advocate views in China.
- o Raise serious constitutional concerns to the extent that it would inhibit the President's ability to conduct the foreign relations of the United States and to receive foreign government officials.
- o Fail to take account of U.S. international obligations to admit certain foreigners to the United Nations and other international organizations.
- o Require the State Department to divert scarce resources from core tasks to comply with the requirement to maintain lists of officials covered by the bill.

U.S. interests are best served by increasing the transparency of Chinese society and promoting expansion of China's participation in international

fora governed by standards and rules agreed to by the international community of nations. U.S. engagement exposes Chinese officials first-hand to the benefits of an open and democratic system. There is no better way to demonstrate the advantages of a free and open society than to let them experience it for themselves.

In addition, the Administration is concerned that this and other China legislation being considered in the House would undermine the Administration's efforts to address these issues on the eve of the late October summit meeting. This summit will provide an opportunity to work for concrete progress on issues of concern to the United States. Consideration of H.R. 2570 and related legislation only makes that task more difficult.

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DPC/NEC Short-Term Education Announcement Possibilities

POTUS Radio Address on Education (10/18). Attack extremists on Republican side who are blocking all of our efforts to help young kids learn to read, including America Reads and national reading tests (possibly coupled with an endorsement of bipartisan charter schools bill passed by House committee)

POTUS Reading Announcement (10/21 or other). POTUS announces that nearly 800 colleges (up from 165 in April), in all 50 States, have pledged to use work-study participants for tutoring as part of America Reads. Event could take place at an elementary school that is using work-study (and possibly also AmeriCorps) tutoring help. Release report with examples of activities going on *today* in every State (including AmeriCorps projects).

POTUS Meeting with Business Leaders (hi-tech and/or broader cross-section). President meets with 8-10 CEO's on national tests; pool spray at top of meeting, CEO's do stakeout after meeting, announcing the committment they made to POTUS to tell Congress to support the test.

Tips on Tax Cuts for Education. POTUS or VPOTUS releases guidance from the IRS on how to take advantage of the new HOPE Scholarship, Lifetime Learning Credit, and other tax cuts for college. *[We will not know until Wednesday, October 15, whether the guidance will be ready in time to be released the following week].*

Comprehensive School Reform and Dropout Prevention. Announce support for a bipartisan effort to adopt promising whole-school reforms (Obey-Porter have \$150 million in the appropriations bill). Also announce an "Action Plan" on Dropouts, particularly focusing on Hispanic Americans. Event could include school reformers from the New American Schools Development Corporation and other school reform assistance projects, as well as Hispanic Caucus members and others from the Hill.

Child Care Conference (10/23). Some emphasis on after-school programs

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (10/24). Reception in Tent on South Lawn; POTUS/FLOTUS make brief remarks; we set up regional press for teachers from around the country.

Other possible announcements

1. Announcement of ED report on the importance of kids taking 8th grade algebra and advanced math classes to prepare for college. Link findings to importance of 8th grade math test.
 - leak to USA Today or NYTimes
 - VP event week of 10/13
2. New program for recycling surplus federal computers to schools
 - announce with business leaders
 - VP event week of 10/13
3. School Construction
 - POTUS endorsement of Daschle/Gephardt at Florida school 10/31
4. VP meeting with Learning Alliance

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SUBJECT: Re: tobacco farmers, next steps?

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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TEXT:

Having talked to Rawls from USDA subsequent to the meeting, I think there was a little muddle on the farmers piece. He favors the idea of a grower meeting to show the Administration has not forgotten them (avoiding future Senator Ford rants/opposition) and keep them on board. However, the idea of a meeting to try and forge a consensus on what to do on farmers doesn't make sense. This piece doesn't need/can't be put in place prematurely-- just the groups need to be kept at a minimum anxiety so they let the process move forward.

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CREATOR: Clifford J. Gabriel (CN=Clifford J. Gabriel/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-OCT-1997 07:46:05.00

SUBJECT: Food Safety; Fruits and Veg

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Elena: Are there agency deliverables other than those specified in the Presidential Directive to Glickman and Shalala? At a meeting I was at the other day, FDA was talking about an FR notice laying out broad guidelines for GAPS, etc. due in 90 days. They said this was based on a commitment they made to the White House. Since this wasn't specified in the directive, I was wondering if there could be some misunderstanding about what is required and when. Are there two 90 day deliverables, the report/plan and this FR notice, and the specific GAPS and GMPs due in a year. I have a conference call this morning and this might come up. Any light you could shed on this for me would be appreciated. Thanks, Cliff

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CREATOR: Cynthia A. Rice (CN=Cynthia A. Rice/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-OCT-1997 12:42:50.00

SUBJECT: Re: Analysis of Welfare Regulations

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

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Subject: Re: Analysis of Welfare Regulations

Thanks. Does your domestic violence comment mean you're comfortable with the kind of work participation options but don't want to give states any reasonable cause exemptions from time limit penalties if they exempt more than 20 percent because they are victims of domestic violence?

Bruce N. Reed
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To: Cynthia A. Rice/OPD/EOP, Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP, Diana Fortuna/OPD/EOP
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Subject: Re: Analysis of Welfare Regulations

Diana, your summary is excellent, and you deserve a vacation for suffering through 400 pp of HHSese, not to mention the HHSers themselves.

It sounds like we're in for a good fight. I was concerned about the following:

1. Waivers. I think we need to bend over backwards to make sure the reg sends states a strong signal not to use their existing waivers to get around the time limits and work requirements. We should use the same strategies we have in mind to prevent bifurcation (withholding caseload reduction credits, not reducing penalties, etc.) to discourage states from doing this. We should do everything within reach of our legal authority, and where we lack the authority, we should propose a legislative fix. (And when Andrea starts, we should ask her to figure out what states are up to in this regard.)

2. Caseload reduction. It's absurd and laughable to give caseload reduction credit to states that expand eligibility, on the grounds that their caseloads would otherwise have gone down. Caseloads either go down or they don't. People are either working or they're not. If states want to expand eligibility, they can put those recipients to work.

3. Eligibility changes. I agree with you -- fingerprinting, drug testing, and sanctions are not fundamental eligibility changes -- they're enforcement mechanisms. We're in favor of these things.

4. Penalties. It's ridiculous to give states a break for making a good faith effort based on what they spend ("staff training!").

5. Other issues.

-- I would like to see some kind of stronger push for states to have in place the 2 yr work requirement. That was the President's whole idea, after all.

-- What does the reg say about penalizing states for not sanctioning people who refuse to work? (Remember the Nickles amendment.)

-- I don't understand the domestic violence time limits options. I thought we weren't going to do that.

Thanks again. Great work! Let's talk next week.

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SUBJECT: FL second hand smoke suit reported settled

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

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Tis is obviously very significant. CNN just did it live. Jerry and I are putting together some quick Q and As.

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Subject: FL second hand smoke suit reported settled

Settlement reached in
secondhand smoke trial

October 10, 1997

Web posted at: 10:14 a.m. EDT (1414 GMT)

MIAMI (CNN) -- A settlement was reached Friday between the tobacco industry and flight attendants, who filed a lawsuit claiming second-hand smoke sickened them.

The settlement was said to be worth hundreds of millions of dollars, but the exact amount was not immediately disclosed.

Attorneys for both sides met Friday with Dade County Circuit Court Judge Robert Kaye to discuss the settlement.

In the class-action suit, 60,000 nonsmoking flight

attendants sued
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the tobacco industry for \$5 billion. They maintained
suffering from cancer and smoking-related illnesses
flying aboard jetliners before smoking was banned on
flights in 1990.

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It was the first class-action lawsuit against the
reach court.

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The lead plaintiff in the case is Norma Broin, a
diagnosed in 1989 with an aggressive form of lung
said she "never took one puff on a cigarette."

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Diana, your summary is excellent, and you deserve a vacation for suffering through 400 pp of HHSese, not to mention the HHSers themselves.

It sounds like we're in for a good fight. I was concerned about the following:

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4. Penalties. It's ridiculous to give states a break for making a good faith effort based on what they spend ("staff training!").
5. Other issues.
 - I would like to see some kind of stronger push for states to have in place the 2 yr work requirement. That was the President's whole idea, after all.
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 - I don't understand the domestic violence time limits options. I thought we weren't going to do that.

Thanks again. Great work! Let's talk next week.

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SUBJECT: immigration

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TEXT:

Congress Daily reports this a.m. that Smith and Diaz-Balart have reached agreement on legislation to give legal permanent residency to Nicaraguans, and Guatamalans and Salvadorans to apply on a case-by-case basis under the old rules. Is this true? Are we satisfied?

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

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SUBJECT: immigration

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

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TEXT:

Ugh- I didn't finish that last email before I sent it. It must be Friday. Sorry.

To continue... Jose' and I generally thought we could live with the House Republican proposal since it serves our main purposes, even though it isn't perfect. There are two red flags: amnesty for all Nicaraguans (including those who have never had a case in the pipeline) and elimination of the unskilled workers category (10,000 visas).

Amnesty. This administration has never supported amnesty, and there doesn't appear to be a strong substantive argument to give it to Nicaraguans over any other Central American group. However, the main person who would beat us up on this is Lamar Smith-- and he's supporting the proposal. We can expect to hear members from the Hispanic Caucus and CBC complain that amnesty for this group is inequitable.

Legal Immigration #s. The elimination of the unskilled workers category is another issue we need to feel out. Sen. Abraham is not too happy about this part of the proposal, but he may not oppose the bill on these grounds. This visa category doesn't tend to have strong support, but some will probably oppose its elimination.

Another concern is that the House plan would subject the old standards for suspension and the 4,000 cap retroactively to all non-Central Americans/Nicaraguans who had cases in the pipeline (our bill would have covered them). However, this group is only a fraction of the total and the administrative remedy we were considering would not have covered them.

The Republicans are really going out on a limb for some fairly transparent political reasons-- but as long as they are the ones making the case for greater leniency, it makes things easier on us. The general consensus seems to be that we stay away from endorsing amnesty and the proposal for now. We may end up signing it, but we should hold out to see if they will make more improvements to their plan.

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October 10, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Bruce Reed
Elena Kagan

RE: DPC Weekly Report

1. Welfare: California Caseload Numbers -- New data from California show that caseloads are finally starting to decline there. While nationally caseloads have declined every month since March of 1994, the welfare rolls were rising in California through early 1995 due most likely to state's slow economic recovery. After falling 2 percent in 1995 and 7 percent in 1996, the rate of decline has nearly doubled this year, falling 7 percent in the first seven months of the year. The LA Times gave this drop some prominent coverage on Thursday. Twenty two percent of the nation's welfare recipients live in California.

2. Welfare: Recipients Leaving the Rolls -- Two preliminary studies have been released tracking welfare recipients leaving the welfare rolls in Maryland and Massachusetts. Both studies found similar results.

The Maryland study found that 54 percent of former recipients were working within three months of leaving the rolls and four-fifths were still off the rolls after six months. The study's author, Professor Catherine Born of the University of Maryland, did not account for the remaining recipients, but plans to do so in a follow-up report to be released next year. The study found, not surprisingly, that welfare recipients with recent work experience were more likely to be working once they left the rolls (66 percent vs. 54 percent), and those with younger children were more likely to return to the rolls. Notably, the study found no increase in foster care caseloads as a result of welfare reform. This research project will track this sample of recipients for two years.

The Massachusetts study found that 50 percent of former recipients were working after exiting the rolls. Of the remaining, nearly a third had other means of support or had left the state, 9 percent had children who had grown too old to qualify, and 6 percent were in the process of reapplying for welfare. The average wage of former recipients was \$6.72 per hour. As found in Maryland, the majority of those who went to work were employed in clerical, sales,

health care, and service industries. The state Department of Transitional Assistance plans to release a follow-up study by late next year.

3. Welfare: Exempting Workfare from FICA Taxes -- We have indicated our support for Rep. Shaw's new legislative proposal to exempt workfare participants from FICA and unemployment taxes. This proposal is a significant improvement over earlier proposals that would have endangered labor protections and weakened the work requirements. Our only concern is that this exemption should be limited to traditional workfare, so that states are not permitted to reclassify subsidized private sector jobs as workfare in order to avoid FICA taxes. But we believe we can accomplish this through regulation. On Thursday, Rep. Shaw tried to add his amendment to a tax technicals bill in Ways and Means, but since it was non-germane to the underlying bill, he withdrew it before a vote could be taken.

4. Welfare: Senator Murray's Proposal -- As you may know, Senator Murray has long advocated a proposal which would exclude individuals with a history of domestic violence from the welfare work requirements and time limits. Currently, states can exempt such individuals, so long as they put 30 percent of their overall caseload to work and enforce the federal five year time limit for 80 percent of the caseload. Under Senator Murray's approach, if 10 percent of the caseload were granted domestic violence waivers then only 20 percent of the total caseload would have to work. Our concern is two-fold: 1) this proposal would allow welfare programs to ignore particularly needy individuals who need intensive assistance to become self-sufficient; and 2) this proposal would allow states to "game" the work rates and time limits by handing out waivers to people who don't need them.

We instead have been planning, through regulations, to provide states with reasonable cause exceptions to penalties if they fail to meet the work rates or time limit rules because they granted domestic violence waivers, so long as these waivers were temporary and included services to help individuals become self-sufficient. We believe this approach has several advantages: 1) it only provides exceptions from penalties if a state provides services to these individuals; and 2) it significantly limits the "gaming" possibilities by providing some review by HHS during the reasonable cause process.

Senator Murray's proposal has passed the Senate several times -- most recently as part of the Labor-HHS appropriations bill -- it has always been dropped in conference (a pattern started by former Majority Leader Dole when he accepted this and many other amendments to help move the welfare legislation off the Senate floor, and then dropped most of them in conference.) Now that the Labor-HHS bill is in conference, Senator Murray has been lobbying us to support her proposal and has spoken to both Erskine and Frank Raines. We have shared with Senator Murray information to help her revise her proposal along the lines described above, while making clear that the details of the Administration's proposal are still being finalized. She seems to prefer the absolute, upfront exemption from work rates and time limits created by her proposal.

5. Welfare: Social Security Administration's 30-day Review of Children's SSI

Process -- In a meeting with you last month, disability advocates expressed concern about SSA's process for redetermining the eligibility of 288,000 children for SSI benefits under the new childhood disability standard. At that meeting, you stated that you had asked SSA to send you a report on its process in 30 days. While that meeting was going on, Ken Apfel was testifying at his confirmation that he would begin a "top-to-bottom" 30-day review of the process as soon as he was confirmed. He was confirmed a few weeks later. SSA has requested that, instead of having two overlapping 30-day reviews, we have a single 30-day one beginning from the date of Apfel's confirmation. Advocates appear to be comfortable with this revised timetable.

6. Adoption: Senate Legislation -- A bipartisan group of Senators led by Senators Rockefeller and Chafee and including Craig, Jeffords, Dewine, Bond, Coats, Levin and Landrieu -- have announced agreement on child welfare legislation called the Promotion of Adoption, Safety and Support for Abused and Neglected Children Act (PASS). As you know, the House passed a child welfare bill similar to your Adoption 2002 proposal last spring, but Senate action had been stalled. Mrs. Clinton spoke with Senator Rockefeller just before the agreement was reached to urge Congressional action and assure the Senator that the Administration would review the bill quickly.

PASS incorporates many provisions of Adoption 2002. It also includes other measures that we support, including judicial reforms and reauthorization of the Family Preservation and Support Act. However, the Senate bill requires the federal government to pay adoption assistance for all children in foster care, regardless of income. This provision costs \$2.4 billion and is paid for with an offset that the Administration had hoped to use for other priorities (such as child care). Because we do not believe that this provision would increase the number of adoptions, we are working with HHS and OMB to develop an alternative offset and a less expensive proposal that would guarantee Medicaid coverage to children with special needs. We and plan to discuss these options with Senators Rockefeller and Chafee as soon as possible. Our goal is to have an adoption bill on your desk before Congress leaves for recess.

7. Education: Charter Schools Bill Approved by House Education Committee on 24-8 Bipartisan Vote - On Thursday ten Democrats and fourteen Republicans voted to approve amendments to the ESEA Public Charter Schools Program. The bill would give priority for new grants to states which give charter schools a high degree of autonomy over expenditures, allow the number of charter schools to increase, and periodically review each school to ensure academic performance requirements are met. The bill also incorporates the President's goal of increasing the number of charter schools to 3,000 by the year 2000. Prior to committee action the bill was substantially improved in response to concerns raised by the Department of Education, and Rep. Roemer joined Rep. Riggs as a co-sponsor. One outstanding issue is that the bill would allow sub-grants to existing charter schools to be lengthened by two years, potentially reducing start-up funds available to new schools and risking long-term dependence on federal funding. Administration staff will continue to work with the sponsors to strengthen the legislation.

8. Education: National Tests -- As the Labor/HHS conference proceeds, Obey, Porter and a number of others have begun to float possible compromises on the national tests. Each of the proposals presumes that we receive the funds and authority to develop the tests under NAB's control. They differ primarily with respect to the circumstances under which test implementation would be permitted to proceed. Specific proposals include (1) requiring specific Congressional authorization before implementation; (2) requiring a majority of states to sign up before implementation could begin; and, (3) making test implementation an allowable state and local use of Chapter II funds, but providing no specific funding for initial implementation. An option reflecting a different approach would require that we undertake the R&D to statistically link tests already used by states and local school districts to the NAEP performance standards so that states could continue to administer the same tests and provide students with a statistically-derived score on the national test as well. Most of these alternatives have some clear advantages as well as clear down sides, with none emerging as a clear favorite for us. We are working to identify modifications that could strengthen each of them, and to identify additional possibilities as well. As of yet, none of these has gained any significant backing among conferees, or support from Goodling.

Goodling and Ashcroft publicly are hardening their opposition to the tests. Ashcroft has announced that he now has 35 Senators lined up in opposition to the tests (though he has not produced a list of them), up from the 27 he named a week ago. Both Goodling and Ashcroft have sent Secretary Riley a series of letters continuing to criticize steps the Education Department had taken prior to its temporary halt on test development.

In addition, Goodling announced at Thursday's scheduled mark-up on America Reads that he was postponing action on the bill until we reversed our position on national testing. In reality, Goodling is under strong pressure from the right wing on his committee not to advance a reading bill that reflects our priorities. Consequently, Goodling is now in the position of blocking two key steps to improve early reading--higher standards and tests and a reading program that helps families, schools and volunteers help kids learn to read.

On Wednesday, John Doerr, Jim Barksdale and 4 additional high-tech CEO's met with Gingrich, Lott, Goodling, and a number of other Republicans in both houses to urge them to support the tests. Feedback from their meetings as well meetings Leg. Affairs has had suggest that both Lott and Goodling are urging that a compromise be found.

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SUBJECT: Reno letter to Harkin on recovering federal costs due to tobacco

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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TEXT:

Here is a draft letter from Reno to Harkin that George shared with us. I think the pressure is going to continue to mount for various 3d parties to recover tobacco related costs. Today's Broin settlement will add to the pressure. I am concerned that the letter stakes out more of a position than we have thoughtfully reached. Your thoughts?

The Honorable Tom Harkin
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Harkin:

Thank you for your letter of September 18, 1997, requesting an answer to the question of whether the federal government will be bringing a suit against the tobacco companies for smoking-related health care costs. As explained in my previous letter, the Department of Justice along with the involved agencies have considered such suits and to date have not elected to try to recover smoking related costs incurred by the federal government through direct litigation against the tobacco companies.

This Administration believes that our efforts should be directed at reducing teen smoking, as the President has said, "Reducing teen smoking has always been America's bottom line." That is why the President on September 17th of this year called for comprehensive tobacco legislation with the goal of reducing teen smoking by 50 percent within seven years. The President announced five key elements which must be the heart of any national tobacco legislation:

1. A comprehensive plan to reduce teen smoking, including tough penalties if targets are not met;
2. Full authority for the FDA to regulate tobacco products;
3. Changes in the way the tobacco industry does business;
4. Progress toward other public health goals; and
5. Protection for tobacco farmers and their communities.

As Congress and the Administration work together to draft this comprehensive tobacco legislation, it will be entirely appropriate to consider the impact of smoking related diseases on federal programs. It is also important to remember that the most meaningful action we could take would be to reduce teen smoking because this is what is going to

impact the lives and the health of our children. If we can craft a legislative package that actually reduces teen smoking, then we will save not only the lives and health of our children, but we will also take the most important action possible to reduce what the states and the federal government have to spend in the future for health care costs caused by tobacco related diseases.

Crafting the comprehensive tobacco legislation called for by the President so that it will successfully reduce teen smoking, is an enormous challenge that will take commitment and concerted action by both the Administration and Congress. Forging such legislation will balance the competing interests of many different goals and policies. We believe the decision on whether and how to recoup the monies spent by federal programs to treat tobacco related diseases should be considered as part of this overall legislation and we do not believe it would be productive for the Administration to unilaterally address this matter through litigation at this juncture.

Again, we believe that the impact of tobacco related diseases should be considered as a part of the debate in forging the comprehensive tobacco legislation called for by the President. Litigation, however, is not necessarily the best method for recouping these costs. As the congressional debate and investigation into the global tobacco resolution progresses, I will, of course, remain willing to reassess the desirability of trying to recoup the federal monies which have been expended through litigation.

Sincerely,

Janet Reno

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

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TEXT:

POTUS went with short version of veto statement - Caplan

DRAFT

Dear Governor _____:

I write to you again to seek your assistance on one of our most important responsibilities -- protecting our children from violent, sexual predators. Nothing is more threatening to our families and communities than criminals who move from neighborhood to neighborhood looking for children to prey on. That is why we must do everything we can to track these offenders and keep them away from our children.

With your support we have already enacted critical legislation -- such as the Jacob Wetterling Act, the Pam Lychner Act and Megan's Law -- to help our communities guard against repeat sex offenders. These laws now serve as the foundation for many state sex offender registration systems and for notifying communities of released sex offenders. Congress is now considering -- and I strongly support -- additional legislation to help states implement these registration systems and to make sure that sex offenders convicted in federal or military courts are covered by these laws.

Equally important, my administration has worked hard to defend the constitutionality of state sex offender registration systems and community notification laws. And I am pleased to report that three federal courts of appeal have now upheld sex offender statutes in New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Washington against constitutional challenges. My Administration will continue to fight to uphold these laws in the courts, including -- if necessary -- the United States Supreme Court.

Last year, I directed the Attorney General to create a national sexual offender registry to join together the efforts being made in all fifty states to track sex offenders. Our national registry will only be effective if every state participates and shares its data on sex offenders with other states. Although our interim registry became operational this spring, only 11 states are currently participating. With an incomplete registry, the law is unable to follow dangerous sex predators wherever they go. We must do better. I urge you to move expeditiously to participate in our national registry for the safety of the public and our children.

In addition, next week I will submit legislation to the Congress that will help protect our children in other important ways. This legislation -- the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact -- would standardize policies for states to share criminal records for purposes such as background checks for child care workers and school bus drivers to help screen out convicted sex offenders and other dangerous criminals. I need your support of the Compact as it moves through Congress and your State legislature.

I can not emphasize enough how important your continued support and personal involvement is to the success of these two initiatives. Through our combined efforts, we can be confident that we will have taken decisive steps to help families across the country protect their children.

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TEXT:

Any chance we can come in today and update you on our issues?

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