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**[03/04/1997-03/06/1997]**

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 07:52:38.00

SUBJECT: Updates?

TO: Adam W. Goldberg ( CN=Adam W. Goldberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elisa Millsap ( CN=Elisa Millsap/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kristen E. Panerali ( CN=Kristen E. Panerali/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher J. Lavery ( CN=Christopher J. Lavery/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Russell W. Horwitz ( CN=Russell W. Horwitz/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RE PRESS CONFERENCE....As you can see by the schedule, it's been moved to Friday.

Staff Secretary is just holding onto the book we gave them last week. Phil Caplan said he wants to give POTUS the briefing book Wednesday so...if you have any updates/additions, please email them to me by midday Wednesday.

Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Patricia F. Lewis ( CN=Patricia F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 09:43:20.00

SUBJECT: Communications ideas

TO: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Eli G. Attie ( CN=Eli G. Attie/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

I thought this rough draft might give us something to work off of when we do get together.

March 4, 1997

Draft communications ideas for early childhood development conference

#### I. Conference goals

- Put the weight and authority of the White House behind the importance of early childhood development to stress its importance; help boost existing early childhood development campaigns
- Highlight existing federal and other programs.
- Promote knowledge of new information and research.
- Make information available to groups working with young children, educational organizations, etc.
- Get the information out in a usable form to parents and other caregivers.

#### II. Communications Plan

- Message: For the first time, the White House is hosting a conference on the critical role of early childhood development. Doing this as continuing part of effort to help build strong families. Using the authority of White House to make sure people are aware of new research coming out and new methods of putting these findings to work on behalf of our children.

##### - Media coverage

Pre-conference -- national coverage: network and print stories -- identify particularly intriguing research and small programs that are putting it to work; help regional outlets identify stories.

Day of the conference -- open press; pitch participants;  
advisories about satellite participation/viewing plans.

Post conference -- specialty press mailing; cabinet  
outreach/amplification

- Materials

Report from the federal government on existing programs

Resource guide for parents that includes national  
organizations, toll-free numbers, websites, etc. .

Webpage to serve as funnel for existing information

Report of the White House Conference (2-3 weeks after  
event) with key portions of transcripts, summaries of  
information presented, possibly summaries of research and  
programs not necessarily presented at conference.

Action sheet for parents.

III. Other communications pieces

Panel presentation -- some kind of visual to remain in background?

How to ensure good discussion

Name and logo decided on

IV. Regional Watch Events

Cabinet secretaries-- Riley, Shalala, Vice President or Mrs. Gore  
at universities with strong early childhood programs, in  
conjunction with regional cabinet officers

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CREATOR: Jennifer D. Dudley ( CN=Jennifer D. Dudley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 09:54:37.00

SUBJECT: Just checking in with the two of you

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Katherine K. Wallman ( CN=Katherine K. Wallman/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I haven't heard back from either one of you and I wanted to make sure that

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 10:42:35.00

SUBJECT: Early Childhood Development Conference

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I hear that you are free to do this meeting at 3pm...do you think we could do it some time before 2:30? Let me know and I'll help Nicole contact the appropriate participants.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jennifer D. Dudley ( CN=Jennifer D. Dudley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 10:51:01.00

SUBJECT: Re: Just checking in with the two of you

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

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

TEXT:

Oops, sorry. I didn' t think I sent that yet.

I set Elena an e-mail on Friday night and left Kathy a phone message regarding a meeting I set up with Public Citizen and Citizen Action for 2:30pm on Wednesday, March 12. I have not gotten a room yet.

Here are my questions:

Can you both attend?

Is there someone else who should be invited, also?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 11:11:52.00

SUBJECT: Re: Early Childhood Development Conference

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Today.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 12:24:13.00

SUBJECT: Early Childhood Development Conference Mtg

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Patricia F. Lewis ( CN=Patricia F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: MCHUGH\_L ( MCHUGH\_L @ A1 @ CD @ LNGTWY [ EOP ] ) (WHO)

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We will hold the early childhood development conference meeting tomorrow (Wednesday 3/5) at 10:30 in Ann's office.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Patricia F. Lewis ( CN=Patricia F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 13:11:36.00

SUBJECT: Abortion

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I talked to the reporter with Our Sunday Visitor. She said Doug Johnson, National Right to Life Committee, was making his remarks based on what Leon said in December.

What I said, as you advised, was that the President has never said that needed to be in the bill. He has said many times that he would sign this bill, if it contained an exception in cases where the procedure is necessary to save a woman's life or prevent serious harm to her health.

Thanks for the help.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Elisa Millsap ( CN=Elisa Millsap/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 13:52:41.00

SUBJECT: Comp/Flex Time

TO: Melissa Green ( CN=Melissa Green/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: John C. Angell ( CN=John C. Angell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Gene B. Sperling ( CN=Gene B. Sperling/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Ananias Blocker III ( CN=Ananias Blocker III/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

There is a comp/flex time meeting in John Hilley's office at 5:30pm today. Please let me know if you will not be able to attend. Thank you! (Geri Palast and Jennifer O'Connor have been invited)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 13:59:43.00

SUBJECT: Conversation w/Cong. Stenholm's staffer on privatization/out-sourcing

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Emily Bromberg ( CN=Emily Bromberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jeffrey A. Farkas ( CN=Jeffrey A. Farkas/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Keith J. Fontenot ( CN=Keith J. Fontenot/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I talked to Ed of Cong. Stenholm's office to ask if they had looked into the employee end of things on the Texas proposal. He didn't have much at all in the way of detail on types of employees or functions, so I suspect Comptroller Sharp's office would be a better source. (I seem to recall that someone was going to reach out to Sharp's office....)

He again indicated that he believes the state is open to middle ground solutions.

Here's what he did know:

There are currently 15,000 employees involved in "processing." The state's assumption is that, even in absence of contracting out, the process of moving to the new computerization and integrated enrollment would probably lead to about 1/3 attrition, i.e., going down to 10,000 employees.

He says that their expectation is that the new consortia will hire some significant portion of the public workforce. The RFO does require the various bids to address the issue of whether they are going to keep on current workforce, find other employment for them, etc.

They are assuming that the federal government still has approval over the final contract, and so we would know how employees are being treated before the contracts are final. He said that that would be the point when we could "try to work something out". (Sounds like he means make sure they have some job, if not necessarily in the same union or any union. I assume that if contractors hire these folks, they are certainly no longer in the same union, if any union at all.)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jill M. Pizzuto ( CN=Jill M. Pizzuto/OU=OMB/O=EOP [ OMB ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 15:07:44.00

SUBJECT: REMINDER - Head Start meeting

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Melissa Green ( CN=Melissa Green/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

today @ 5:00p, RM 260.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 15:58:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: Communications ideas

TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Eli G. Attie ( CN=Eli G. Attie/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Patricia F. Lewis ( CN=Patricia F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

In preparing for tomorrow's meeting:

1. Think about the bottom line: What is the message we want to convey as a result of the conference ? What is the phrase or sentence that reaches to the largest number of people with the most important point ?

Is the longer explanation that new research makes clear the importance of the early (0 to 3) years to the development of the brain and thus the lifelong ability to learn ? What else ?

"Our ability to learn -at school and at work - depends on (how our brain develops) (How our brain is nourished) when we are very young. That's why it's so important that ....." "

"Just as we give babies vitamins for their bodies, we want to be sure they're getting the best nutrition for their brains...."

Jim Hunt is already using Smart Start , I think. Does his program begin this early ? What about: " We want to encourage parents to give their baby the Right Start... or "Give your baby the Right Start --

2. I agree with your to-do list: thinking about communications in three phases: Pre, Day of and follow -up. You mentioned a Report to be issued. Do we have funding for a professional looking report or summary ? What about other forms of reports: a video that can be distributed to right audiences (eg professionals, parents, etc.) Given the success of HRC's taping of her book, could we do an audio tape that parents could play in their car ?

See you all tomorrow.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jill M. Pizzuto ( CN=Jill M. Pizzuto/OU=OMB/O=EOP [ OMB ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 16:04:00.00

SUBJECT: ! CANCELLED the HEAD START meeting

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

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

The Head Start meeting is CANCELLED for today at 5:00p.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mary Morrison ( CN=Mary Morrison/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 16:44:31.00

SUBJECT: NC / FL Trip Meeting on Message

TO: Marcia L. Hale ( CN=Marcia L. Hale/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Gene B. Sperling ( CN=Gene B. Sperling/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Craig T. Smith ( CN=Craig T. Smith/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

CC: Alison E. Bracewell ( CN=Alison E. Bracewell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

CC: Patrick M. Steel ( CN=Patrick M. Steel/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CC: Christopher J. Lavery ( CN=Christopher J. Lavery/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CC: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

There will be a meeting on Wednesday at 11:30am in Don's Office to discuss travel to NC / FL ... and the message on those trips.

Thank you for your attendance.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Dorothy K. Craft ( CN=Dorothy K. Craft/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 17:06:52.00

SUBJECT: Bill Kincaid has email

TO: Cynthia A. Rice ( CN=Cynthia A. Rice/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

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

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

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

TO: Dennis K. Burke ( CN=Dennis K. Burke/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TO: William R. Kincaid ( CN=William R. Kincaid/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christa Robinson ( CN=Christa Robinson/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: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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TO: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

Bill is able to email. Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Melissa Green ( CN=Melissa Green/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-MAR-1997 19:09:11.00

SUBJECT: Memo from K. Wallman

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

TO: Anne H. Lewis ( CN=Anne H. Lewis/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Thomas A. Kalil ( CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Charles F. Ruff ( CN=Charles F. Ruff/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jim Kohlenberger ( CN=Jim Kohlenberger/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

CC: Michelle Crisci ( CN=Michelle Crisci/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CC: Laura K. Capps ( CN=Laura K. Capps/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CC: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TEXT:  
Attached is a memo from Kathy Wallman===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====  
ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

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March 8, 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: MICHAEL WALDMAN  
KATHLEEN WALLMAN  
[Who else should be added?]

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH TO THE FREE TV FOR STRAIGHT TALK  
COALITION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 11

On March 11, the President will speak before Paul Taylor's Free TV group. Both the President and the Vice President have been long time advocates of free television for federal candidates. This conference presents an opportunity for the President to indicate for the first time that the Administration supports requiring digital broadcasters to take on a new public interest obligation to provide free television time to federal candidates. Further, the President could charge the group that the Vice President announced on February 5 would be formed to study the nature of digital broadcasters' public interest obligations with exploration of this solution.

**BACKGROUND**

To jump start the transition from analog to digital broadcasting, each existing analog broadcaster will be given, free of charge, enough spectrum to broadcast two channels of video programming. After a few years, the broadcasters will be required to return their analog spectrum, which then will be auctioned.

The spectrum that will be furnished to the broadcasters free of charge represents enormous capacity and has enormous commercial value. In that light, it seems reasonable to revisit the public interest obligations that currently apply to broadcasters and to see how they should be updated or expanded.

Nevertheless, the National Association of Broadcasters resists the thought of additional obligations. NAB argues that digital broadcasters have not even figured out their business plans. They do not even know, for example, whether it will be more profitable for them to use the spectrum for video or for data. Thus, they argue, it is at least premature to suggest now that any additional public interest obligations should be imposed on digital broadcasters.

The debate over possible new public interest obligations threatened to stalemate the transition process at the FCC. To avoid this, last month, the Vice President announced that a

special group would be formed to study this issue, and to report back to the President within a year while the FCC continues to move forward with the transition. The group has not been formed yet, and it would be timely within a day or two of the President's speech for the Vice President to name the head of the group and to underscore the importance of taking up the question of digital broadcasters' public interest obligation as it relates to campaign finance.

## **HOW THE NEW PUBLIC INTEREST OBLIGATION WOULD WORK**

There are many aspects of the possible new public interest obligation relating to campaign finance that demand further inquiry and study, but here is the basic outline:

Digital broadcasters collectively would be required to provide free time or its cash equivalent value totalling \$1 billion (taking 1996 cycle spending as a benchmark) for each two-year election cycle. (A mechanism would be needed to allocate responsibility for the time and money among digital broadcasters). The time and money would be pooled in a "bank" and could be redeemed by federal candidates with vouchers issued to them, perhaps by the FEC. (A mechanism would be needed to handle "deficits" that might occur when a broadcaster is asked to redeem vouchers totalling more than the amount that it paid in to the bank.)

Participation in this "Timebank" plan would be voluntary. A candidate who participates would agree, in exchange for receiving the vouchers, not to purchase additional time, or to limit additional time purchases. It will be important to confirm that nothing in this approach undercuts McCain-Feingold, but rather functions as advance implementation of the free time parts of the bill.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE HEAD OF THE STUDY GROUP**

The study group likely will need to be constituted as a committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. We are confirming this with Counsel's Office. We will need to be far enough along in establishing it by next week to be ready for an announcement.

The leading candidate to head the group appears to be Newton Minow, former Chairman of the FCC, who has been a leading advocate of improving the ways in which broadcasting serves the public interest. Other names that have come forward are Charlie Firestone, head of the Aspen Institute, and Walter Cronkite. A formal decision memorandum concerning this selection will come forward from Bob Nash. In the meantime, we seek approval to talk with Mr. Minow about serving in this capacity.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. **That the President urge in his remarks active study of the Timebank approach as a promising way to eliminate the need for candidates to raise the millions of dollars that they now need to spend to be heard by voters.**

Approve       Disapprove       Discuss further

2. **That the Vice President announce the head of the new study group shortly after the Free TV speech and underscore the need for serious study of the Timebank idea as an appropriate new public interest obligation for digital broadcasters.**

Approve       Disapprove       Discuss further

3. **That you authorize us to talk with Mr. Minow about serving as head of the group.**

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[This draft should be circulated to: Baer, Emanuel, Kagan, Kalil, Kohlenberger, A. Lewis, Ruff, Waldman; anyone else?]

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Alison E. Bracewell ( CN=Alison E. Bracewell/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 08:47:20.00

SUBJECT: are you coming to the 10:30 NC mtg in Marcia's ofc? Alison 6-7060

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Tracey E. Thornton ( CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 11:28:57.00

SUBJECT: Joint Aborton Hearing Next Week

TO: Peter G. Jacoby ( CN=Peter G. Jacoby/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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TO: FOLEY\_M ( FOLEY\_M @ A1 @ CD @ LNGTWY [ EOP ] ) (WHO)  
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TO: Elizabeth A. Myers ( CN=Elizabeth A. Myers/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CREATOR: Diana Fortuna ( CN=Diana Fortuna/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 11:31:36.00

SUBJECT: agenda for today at 4:30

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Stephen B. Silverman ( CN=Stephen B. Silverman/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

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TEXT:

Here is a proposed agenda for our meeting today at 4:30 on the service summit. We should give this some thought, so we don't alarm people too much or too little. What do you think?

1. Problems with structure/communication we are having and possible solutions

- Powell meeting
- comments on task force names
- key person at Corp?
- more emphasis on service/Americorps

2. Our involvement in summit

- President
- other principals
- cabinet

3. Pre-summit event possibilities

- HS service scholarships
- Federal commitment

Invited are Sylvia, Baer, Kamarck, Matsui, Hale, Brophy, McHugh, Hawley, and counsel's office.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (EXTERNAL MAIL)

CREATOR: Tracey E. Thornton@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 11:50:00.00

SUBJECT: Joint Aborton Hearing Next Week

TO: FOLEY\_M ( FOLEY\_M@A1@CD ) (WHO)  
READ: 5-MAR-1997 13:05:25.58

TO: John L. Hilley ( John L. Hilley@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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CC: Elisa Millsap ( Elisa Millsap@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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CREATOR: Lyn A. Hogan ( CN=Lyn A. Hogan/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 11:57:00.00

SUBJECT: OPM Update

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

TO: Jodie R. Torkelson ( CN=Jodie R. Torkelson/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TO: Kenneth S. Apfel ( CN=Kenneth S. Apfel/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )  
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TO: Albert Seferian ( CN=Albert Seferian/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )  
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TO: Elaine C. Kamarck ( CN=Elaine C. Kamarck/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )  
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TO: Elena Kagan ( CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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CC: Jill M. Pizzuto ( CN=Jill M. Pizzuto/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )  
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TEXT:

The meeting on the Federal government hiring welfare recipients is set for today at p.m in room 211 OEOP. Attending will be Ken Apfel, Elaine Kamarck, Al Serferian (OMB--OPM issues), Roz Retman (OMB-Appropriations lawyer), Jodie Torkelson, and, from OPM, Doug Walker, Mary Strand, and Rosalie Cameron.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 12:45:00.00

SUBJECT: Podesta question

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

READ: UNKNOWN

TEXT:

John was wondering where we are w/the Justice labor relations program?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (EXTERNAL MAIL)

CREATOR: Elisa Millsap@EOP@LNWTWY@EOPMRX

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 12:46:00.00

SUBJECT: Late-Term Meeting

TO: FOLEY\_M ( FOLEY\_M@A1@CD ) (WHO)  
READ: 5-MAR-1997 12:47:26.74

TO: Tracey E. Thornton ( Tracey E. Thornton@EOP@LNWTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: June G. Turner ( June G. Turner@EOP@LNWTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TEXT:

Message Creation Date was at 5-MAR-1997 12:40:00

There will be a Late-Term meeting in John Hilley's office tomorrow at 12pm.  
Please let me know if you will be unable to attend. Thank you!!



### **Criticisms that Disability Appointees May Raise:**

- Welfare Reform -- The group would have preferred that the President not sign the welfare bill. They are concerned that disabled recipients are not exempt from or given special assistance in meeting the work requirements. People with severe disabilities are not subject to welfare reform because they are eligible for SSI. Therefore, the group is more concerned about those with mild or moderate disabilities. Some estimate that a very high proportion of AFDC recipients have some form of disability. Also, the group is also concerned about parents of children with disabilities being forced to work even though they can't afford child care.

The Administration is working with states on these issues, and encouraging them to provide the more expensive child care disabled children often require. Also, the law prohibits states from cutting off assistance to parents of children under 6 who can't find appropriate child care.

- Children's SSI -- Because of tremendous growth in the children's SSI program and media reports that children were faking mental problems to get benefits, Congress proposed block granting and sweeping cuts to this program. The Administration successfully fought off these cuts, but eventually agreed to significant cuts. The Social Security Administration just issued regulations that will cut 135,000 children from the program. The appointees are disappointed in two things: that we did not fight these cuts harder, and that our regulations did not take a more liberal approach in issuing the regulations.

We can take credit for defeating Republican plans to block grant children's SSI. As to SSA's recent regulation, SSA did not believe that a more liberal interpretation was legally possible.

- Medicaid -- The appointees are concerned that our per capita cap proposal could disadvantage people with disabilities, especially people with severe developmental disabilities, because their costs are far higher than average. Our proposal does address this problem by including a separate cap for the disabled. However, it is possible that a per capita cap would lead states to be reluctant to add services for very expensive long term care needs.

In addition, the appointees are disappointed that we have not been able to move forward on a proposal for Medicaid "personal assistance" services. Many people with disabilities need assistance with activities of daily living, such as getting bathed and dressed, in order to work or live in the community, but health plans do not tend to pay for this service because it is not considered medical. (Many states have Medicaid "waiver" programs that provide these services, but the number of participants is capped.) The Administration's health care reform proposal (which was strongly supported by the disability community) would have partially addressed this issue by creating a new block grant. The appointees feel that it is time to move ahead on this issue again. However, OMB has major concerns about the cost implications. The President has made very

sympathetic statements about the need for this program in public forums.

A radical advocacy group called ADAPT is pushing this issue. The Administration has agreed to a meeting on this issue and others with the President and a range of external disability advocates, including ADAPT.

- Special Education/“Individuals with Disabilities Education Act” -- Budget: The appointees are disappointed that our FY1998 budget includes “only” a 4% increase for special education spending. However, IDEA funding increased by an astounding 25% in the FY1997 budget, so we felt that a 4% increase was appropriate for this year. (Members of Congress pushed through the 25% increase, not the Administration, but we can take credit for signing it.)

**Reauthorization:** IDEA is also up for reauthorization, and Senator Lott is leading an collaborative process that the Administration is participating in to come to an agreement on a bill. IDEA is extremely important to this community, especially to parents of children of disabilities. IDEA includes civil rights protections that ensure that children with disabilities have the right to attend school -- something they did not have before IDEA was passed 20 years ago. In fact, Judy Heumann, the Administration’s most prominent political appointee with a disability, was excluded from public schools for many years, prior to IDEA.

The Administration has been extremely supportive of the disability community’s position on IDEA. School boards and the unions view IDEA as an “unfunded mandate” that is a major drain on school budgets. They point out that federal funds support only 7-8% of the costs of special education, even though the original legislation foresaw federal payments covering 40% of costs. We have fought the “unfunded mandate” interpretation in a number of settings, instead stressing that IDEA is a civil rights law that shouldn’t be weakened or tampered with.

**Discipline:** The most contentious current IDEA issue is when and how schools can discipline students with disabilities. Critics charge that IDEA allows a double standard for students with disabilities by making it almost impossible for schools to remove them from the classroom or school, even if they are disruptive or violent. Parents respond that schools have long used the discipline issue as a smokescreen to try to remove these children just because they are different or harder to educate.

The Administration supports modest and sensible measures to ensure that schools can maintain order, but we have totally supported the disability community on this issue -- even to the point of allowing Secretary Riley to oppose a measure to expel disabled students who bring guns to school.

- Immigrants -- Disabled legal immigrants lose SSI benefits under welfare reform. We have proposed to ameliorate this, as part of our welfare “fix” package, by allowing legal immigrants who become disabled after entering the country to continue to receive SSI.

The appointees are concerned about whether we are committed to this proposal. They may also be concerned that we left out those who were disabled upon entry to the U.S.

Appointees may also be concerned about a regulation that the INS will issue shortly to waive the English and civics testing requirements of the naturalization process for legal immigrants with certain severe disabilities. They are concerned both that it has taken the INS over two years to issue these regulations, and that the final regs will not waive the oath of citizenship. An advocacy group is suing us over this regulation.

We can point out that our proposed welfare fix package would address much of this problem by exempting legal immigrants disabled after entering the U.S. from the SSI cuts. However, the INS says the law does not allow them to waive the oath of citizenship. (We have not commented on whether we would waive it if we could.)

- Employment -- Estimates are that half to two-thirds of people with disabilities are unemployed. The community argues that many unemployed people with disabilities want to work, but they face many barriers. The ADA is starting to improve this picture marginally, but there is a long way to go.

The appointees have two concerns. First, as reflected in their draft executive order, they believe this problem is not viewed as a national priority by the Administration. They point to the fact that the Bureau of Labor Statistics collects this unemployment statistic on a very occasional basis. Second, they believe that the current federal Social Security system often acts as a disincentive to work. People on SSI or SSDI benefits who want to work face the loss of Medicaid or Medicare, as well as cash benefits.

We should point to our new initiative in the President's 1998 budget that addresses the second issue (see attached description). We can also agree to consider the draft executive order. However, potential solutions to the "disincentives" of the current Social Security system could be very expensive. (Note this week's GAO report and House hearing alleging that the SSI program is out of control because, among other concerns, SSA fails to drop people from the program quickly enough when they go back to work.)

- Housing -- The appointees may be concerned that the Administration has not been more proactive in enforcing housing civil rights laws. Also, they oppose past HUD efforts to segregate people with disabilities or require them to accept services as a condition for housing assistance (i.e., residential programs for the mentally ill or drug addicted). An advocacy group is suing HUD on all these issues.

Secretary Cisneros reached out to groups very extensively on these issues and recently established an Office of Disability Policy in the Secretary's office that is staffed by a trusted appointee with a disability. He gets a lot of credit for this, but Secretary Cuomo is more of an unknown quantity to them.

- Transportation -- The concern here is probably that we should not weaken or delay the

requirements of the ADA for accessible transit systems, and that we should make funds available to assist transit systems with compliance. We have been pretty strong on this issue. State and local governments tend to view these requirements as unfunded mandates, but we have argued that as a civil rights law the ADA can't be defined as an unfunded mandate. The appointees give us credit for eliminating problematic "unfunded mandate" language in a report by the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations last year.

**Information about the Appointees:**

As the Chief of Staff knows, the appointees with disabilities have a number of sensitivities about language and behavior pertaining to people with disabilities. They are leaders in the emerging civil rights movement for this community, and see this movement as being perhaps 20 years behind African Americans or women in terms of the degree of understanding and sensitivity of the non-disabled community. They believe that denigrating language and behavior is still widely tolerated in our society. In their view, disability is a natural part of life and people with disabilities should be viewed positively, rather than as victims, courageous, or pitied.

The term "people with disabilities" is preferred to "handicapped" or even "the disabled." They often say that, in the spirit of "putting people first," you should look first at the person rather than the disability. People "use" a wheelchair rather than "are in" a wheelchair -- or worse yet, "are confined to" a wheelchair. In general, you should not offer assistance with a basic task such as opening a door or getting seated unless the person appears unable to do so on his or her own.

The Administration's most prominent appointee with a disability is probably Judy Heumann, who is Assistant Secretary at Education in charge of special education and vocational rehabilitation. She played a major role in the development of the independent living movement, which champions people with disabilities living in the community and with their families, and has helped many people leave nursing homes. (The community is very much opposed to nursing homes, viewing them as rarely or never appropriate for people with disabilities.) She is a very constructive internal advocate.

Bob Williams, who is Commissioner of the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD), part of HHS, speaks with a voice machine. When he wishes to speak, he often makes a noise and begins punching into the machine. The etiquette is that other conversations should continue until the artificial voice begins to speak, and then wait until the thought is expressed. Bob is a very thoughtful individual who has also been a leader in the disability movement.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA, which governs special education) are viewed as virtually sacred by the community. The Administration has been extremely strong in supporting these laws. In 1994, the community was very fearful that the Republican takeover of Congress would lead to attempts to weaken these laws. The threat never materialized into proposed legislation, but the community believes it must be ever-vigilant in defending these laws.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 13:28:10.00

SUBJECT: LAST CHANCE..

TO: Elena Kagan ( CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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TO: Kristen E. Panerali ( CN=Kristen E. Panerali/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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TO: Russell W. Horwitz ( CN=Russell W. Horwitz/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elisa Millsap ( CN=Elisa Millsap/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TEXT:

Aside from Russell, anyone else have additional TPs for press conference briefing book? Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 13:34:16.00

SUBJECT: follow-up

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I think you are checking with Counsel's office on various questions surrounding the upcoming brain conference (until approval of new name, I feel loyalty-driven to call it that!). I was keeping track of our questions, which may well be the same as yours:

1. Can we call it a "WH Conf"?
2. Can an outside group sponsor parts of it ? (Sat. feed, lunch, reception)
3. Can the agencies pay for the up-linking and/or the down-linking of the satellite?

FYI, we are tentative for the meeting with Pat Butler, VP of the Wash Post Company, at 4pm on Friday (Ann, Melanne, you & whomever else it makes sense to have -- although I think this one should be small.)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Angus S. King ( CN=Angus S. King/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 13:37:46.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Does 4:30p work for you? - call angus 6-2128



### Comments on Draft Executive Order on Employment of People with Disabilities

- Would establish a goal of parity in the employment rate between people with and without people with disabilities by the year 2006, including an interim goal of “a 3 percent annual increase in the employment rate” of people with disabilities.

It is not clear whether parity is an achievable goal. And the annual improvement expected appears quite ambitious. We should discuss with the NEC.

- Calls on federal agencies to “eliminate employment barriers to persons with disabilities, such as discrimination and inadequate access to health care...”

It is not clear that federal agencies are in a position to accomplish this without vastly increased resources.

- Sets a target that 11% of the federal workforce shall be persons with disabilities.

This must be considered in light of existing policies on targets for federal hiring.

- Would extend the Department of Defense’s Computer/Electronics Accommodations Program (“CAP”) to the civilian agencies, with funding for the expansion to be “sought within” DOD budget.

CAP is an excellent program that provides Defense employees with disabilities with the latest in computer equipment to allow them to do their jobs. The program has a showroom for equipment and serves as a central purchasing point so that federal purchasing power is maximized. Since funding for the program is centralized, individual departments do not have to bear the costs of a very expensive piece of computer equipment for an employee. Last year, the DPC recommended to OMB that we expand CAP to all federal agencies, but the change was not funded in the budget.

- In an otherwise innocuous section on encouraging small business and micro-enterprise among people with disabilities, the draft refers to using “the full buying power of the Federal government” to put people to work.

We would have to consider this in the context of current policy on federal purchases.

- Gives a one-year deadline for Labor and Commerce to develop a monthly measurement of the unemployment rate of people with disabilities.

We would have to investigate how achievable this suggestion is, and budget implications.

**Suggested Talking Point:** Thank you for all the hard work you have put into this package. As you can imagine, the specific points in the draft raise a number of budget and economic issues that we will want to discuss with you. We assume we should work with the President’s Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities as we pursue these issues further.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Sarah A. Bianchi ( CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/OU=OMB/O=EOP [ OMB ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 15:21:41.00

SUBJECT: AIDS Vaccinne Meeting

TO: Richard Socarides ( CN=Richard Socarides/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The AIDS Vaccine meeting will be friday at 4pm in Room 248. Dr. Varmus, Dr. Paul, and Kevin Thurm will be attending. Please call me with any questions.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 15:38:32.00

SUBJECT: Wash Post Co meeting

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The meeting with Pat Butler, VP of the Washington Post Co., will be at 11:00am on Friday in Room 100 OEOB. Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Patrick M. Steel ( CN=Patrick M. Steel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 15:40:18.00

SUBJECT: National PTA Conf.

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

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TO: Daniel Wexler ( CN=Daniel Wexler/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

As you may know, the National PTA conference which the President has addressed in the past is being held in DC next week. I have gotten a number of call from Arnie Fege, the PTA's Washington Rep inquiring as to whether or not the President will speak. Did anyone ever send in a request for the President to speak at this conference?

Please advise. I would like to call Arnie to formally regret.

Patrick Steel

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 16:07:02.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

call me re qs&as when you can. thanks. julie 62712

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 17:22:09.00

SUBJECT: SUMMARY

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Just to summarize what I have from you already in the book....(should i take any out? should any be updated?)..

Campaign Finance

Abortion (you are updating)

Welfare-to-Work

Food Stamps

Benefits to Illegal Immigrants (should Warnath update?)

Fix Legislative Proposals

Education Standards

Hope this helps.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Patricia F. Lewis ( CN=Patricia F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 17:59:16.00

SUBJECT: Goal for conference

TO: Marsha E. Berry ( CN=Marsha E. Berry/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Ann suggests that the overall conference goal better mirror the title , so that it is more how new research can and should be used to ensure that children have the very best start in life from the first days, and how we can get this information to parents and everyone else involved in raising our children.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Angus S. King ( CN=Angus S. King/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 18:18:00.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

please call angus 6-2128

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 19:14:10.00

SUBJECT: Directive

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

TO: Michael Cohen ( CN=Michael Cohen/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: Christa Robinson ( CN=Christa Robinson/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Below is the revised version of the President's directive. Christa has taken this to Staff Secretary for clearance.

March 6, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE:

SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

SUBJECT: Preparing Students to Meet National Standards of Excellence in  
Eighth Grade Math and Improving Math and Science Education

Since the early 1980's, U.S. elementary and secondary school students have begun taking tougher courses, and we are starting to see the results. National Assessment of Educational Progress scores have improved in math and science, with gains in mathematics equal to at least one grade level. On the SAT, average math scores are at their highest in 25 years, even as the number and diversity of test-takers have increased. However, the eighth-grade results of the 41-Nation Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS), released this fall, show that the U.S. is below average in math and just above average in science. That isn't acceptable; in this technology-rich information era, our students need to perform much better in both subjects, but especially in math, if they are to excel at higher level math and science courses that are the gateway to college and to citizenship, productive employment, and lifelong learning.

The first step in raising achievement is lifting expectations and setting high standards for what students should know and be able to do. TIMSS, our National Assessment of Educational Progress, and the standards developed by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics give us a solid framework to build on. Last month, to help parents and teachers learn who needs help, what changes in teaching to make, and which schools need to improve, I asked the Secretary of Education to develop a voluntary national test for individual eighth-grade students based on widely-accepted, challenging national standards in mathematics. The national test will be available to states and local school districts to give to their students in the spring of 1999, and will measure whether students have reached a high level of mathematics proficiency.

The primary responsibility for achieving high standards rests with students, teachers, parents, and schools in local communities across America. However, it is imperative that we work to ensure that federal resources support student success as well. We must ensure that federal programs, research, and human resources are used as effectively as possible to help improve teaching and learning.

Therefore, I direct the Department of Education and the National Science Foundation, together with other agencies identified in cooperation with the Office of Science and Technology Policy and the Domestic Policy Council, to develop an action strategy for using key federal resources to assist states and local school systems prepare students to meet challenging math standards in eighth grade, and for involving the mathematics, scientific, and technical communities in support of these efforts.

The action strategy should include recommendations for the use of federal resources to help states, local school districts and schools to improve teaching, upgrade curriculum, integrate technology and high-quality instructional materials into the classroom, as well as motivate students and help them understand how math concepts are applied in the real world. The strategy should identify significant federal programs, activities, and partnerships available to improve teaching and learning, ensure that these resources are appropriately focused on helping students reach challenging math standards, and determine how these resources can best support state and local reforms. In developing this strategy, the inter-agency group should review the current status of improvements in math education, and identify and address critical areas of need, drawing on research and input from educators and professional organizations.

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The working group should make its recommendations and submit its action strategy to me within 90 days.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

cc: ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR DOMESTIC POLICY  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE  
AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 19:27:29.00

SUBJECT: Qs&As

TO: Virginia M. Terzano ( CN=Virginia M. Terzano/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Russell W. Horwitz ( CN=Russell W. Horwitz/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI:

I sent the briefing book in to Staff Secretary, with a note to Phil Caplan that...

Sperling will provide CBO and CPI Qs&As.

Kagan will provide abortion Qs&As.

Voles/Terzano will provide VP Qs&As (GT - they don;t expect until COB tomorrow).

Can you please make sure you email me a copy or give me a hard copy of the Qs&As? Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAR-1997 20:27:21.00

SUBJECT: Michigan Package

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

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

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

Below are the following items:

1. One pager on announcement items for Michigan--press office will reformat
2. Final draft directive submitted to Staff Secretary.
3. Bullets on possible results of the directive.

Please let Mike or me know if you have any questions. I'm at 6-2857.

Thanks.

Continuing Progress Toward Raising Standards and Improving Reading and Math

DRAFT March 6, 1997

MICHIGAN SECOND STATE TO ACCEPT CHALLENGE ON NATIONAL STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE IN MATH AND SCIENCE.

Last month, in his State of the Union address, President Clinton challenged states and school districts to participate in a new, voluntary national test for individual students in fourth-grade reading and eighth-grade students mathematics to be administered beginning in the spring of 1999. Today, Governor Engler will announce that Michigan intends to participate in the new national tests. This makes Michigan the second state, after Maryland, to make this commitment.

FOCUSING FEDERAL RESOURCES ON HELPING STATES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS IMPROVE MATH EDUCATION

Today the President is directing the Department of Education and the National Science Foundation, working with other agencies, to develop an

action strategy for using federal resources and involving the math, scientific, and technical communities in helping states and school districts prepare students to meet challenging standards in eighth grade math, as well as raise achievement in science. The action strategy, to be completed within 90 days, will include recommendations for the use of federal resources to help states, local school districts and schools to improve teaching, upgrade curriculum, integrate technology and high-quality instructional materials into the classroom, as well as motivate students and help them understand how math concepts are applied in the real world.

#### TECHNOLOGY GRANT AWARDED TO MICHIGAN

The President also announced today that the U.S. Department of Education is awarding Michigan \$8.6 million under the President's Technology Literacy Challenge Fund. Under the award, funds will go to local schools to help teachers gain training in the use of technology, and also help fund software and hardware, as well as Internet access, to help students connect with the information superhighway and learn to high standards.

#### MORE COMMITMENTS TO AMERICA READS

In a sign of progress on his America Reads initiative, the President also announced today that 16 colleges and universities in Michigan had committed more than 1500 work study students to serve as reading tutors over the next 5 years.

March 6, 1997

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cc: ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR DOMESTIC POLICY  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE  
AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

DRAFT -- March 5, 1997

HOW THE ACTION STRATEGY WILL HELP IMPROVE MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION

The working group led by the Department of Education and the National Science Foundation (NSF) will identify and recommend key strategies for

coordinating federal resources to help states and school districts upgrade teaching and learning in math, as well as in science. For example, the working group could recommend...

#### Easy Access to Resources for Teaching to High Standards:

An easy-access joint Department of Education -- NSF Internet site where teachers could go to get challenging, classroom-tested instructional units or materials that are linked to national standards.

#### Spreading the Word on Best Practices:

A strategy for producing and disseminating products (such as videos and CD-ROMs that compare classroom teaching approaches in the U.S., Germany and Japan) that states and local school systems could use to compare their instructional practices with those used in high-performing countries and outstanding districts in the U.S.

#### Preparing Teachers for World-Class Teaching and Learning:

A plan for using Department of Education and NSF programs to foster closer collaboration among school districts, colleges of education, and math and science faculties to incorporate the insights of TIMSS and ensure that teachers graduating from pre-service programs are prepared to excel in real classrooms.

#### Textbooks that Challenge Students to High Math Achievement:

A privately-funded, nationwide competition for the development of a high-quality middle school math textbook that embodies the high standards of the national exam.

#### A Public Service Campaign Linking Academic Performance With Work Success:

A highly visible, nationwide public service campaign that would help parents and children understand the real-world importance of basic and advanced math and science skills for success in the 21st Century economy.

#### Creating a New Partnership for Math and Science Learning

A new partnership among federal agencies, laboratories, higher education, and community organizations to promote greater involvement of professionals with strong math and science backgrounds in consulting with teachers to help students and parents understand the real-world applications of what students are learning.

#### Fostering Community Schools that Promote Math Excellence

Develop principles for new community schools focusing on math instruction geared to high standards, with after-school, weekend and summer programs to enrich classroom learning, strong parental involvement, and ongoing opportunities for teachers to stay abreast of the latest developments in their field.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Tracey E. Thornton ( CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 10:00:33.00

SUBJECT: partial birth questions

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Elisa Millsap ( CN=Elisa Millsap/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: John L. Hilley ( CN=John L. Hilley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

These look good. I think the Daschle proposal will be out by friday so do you think we ought to include something on that. The question would be something designed to divided POTUS and Daschle: "You've said you want this procedure banned even pre-viability and since the Daschle approach would not prohibit abortions using this procedure before viability, aren't you saying in effect that you do not support the Daschle bill?"

----- Forwarded by Tracey E. Thornton/WHO/EOP on 03/06/97  
09:42 AM -----

Elisa Millsap  
03/05/97 08:40:53 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Tracey E. Thornton/WHO/EOP, Peter G. Jacoby/WHO/EOP, Janet Murguia/WHO/EOP, Virginia N. Rustique/WHO/EOP

cc:

Subject: partial birth questions

----- Forwarded by Elisa Millsap/WHO/EOP on 03/05/97  
08:37 PM -----

Elena Kagan  
03/05/97 07:53:33 PM  
Record Type: Record

To: Phillip Caplan/WHO/EOP, Julie E. Mason/WHO/EOP, Elisa Millsap/WHO/EOP

cc:

Subject: partial birth questions

**Question:** Ron Fitzsimmons, the executive director of the National Coalition of Abortion Providers, said this week that he lied about partial birth abortions -- that they're performed more frequently than pro-choice groups have acknowledged and that they're often performed on healthy women with healthy fetuses. In light of his statements, are you going to change your position?

**Answer:** No. My position remains what it has always been -- that so-called partial-birth abortions should be banned except when they are necessary to save the life of a woman or prevent serious harm to her health.

Nothing Mr. Fitzsimmons has said conflicts with that position. I've never claimed that partial-birth abortions are used only to prevent death or serious harm. What I've said is that when the procedure is necessary for these reasons -- in those few cases when there are tragic circumstances involving serious harm the woman -- a doctor must be allowed to perform it. But when the procedure isn't necessary for these reasons, a doctor should not be allowed to perform it.

So I will say again what I've said before: that I will sign a bill banning partial-birth abortions, but only if it has an exception that will protect those women -- even if few in number -- who need this procedure to save their lives or prevent serious harm to their health.

**Question:** Didn't you base your veto of the partial-birth abortion bill on false information -- i.e., that this procedure is performed only on a few hundred women in desperate circumstances?

**Answer:** No. I based my veto on the fact that there are a small group of women in desperate circumstances who need this procedure in order to save their lives or prevent serious injury to their health. I've never said that these are the only circumstances in which the procedure is used. Indeed, I've acknowledged that there are cases where the procedure is not necessary for life or serious health reasons -- and I've made very clear that I would sign legislation banning the procedure in those cases.

**Question:** If Congress were to add a health exception to the partial birth bill you vetoed last year, that bill would prohibit all partial birth abortions -- including pre-viability partial birth abortions -- that aren't done for life or serious health reasons. Are you really saying that you would sign a bill of that kind -- a bill that prohibited a particular procedure (except if done for life or serious health reasons) in the pre-viability period?

**Answer:** I have made very clear my condition for signing the partial birth bill. I told Congress that I would sign the bill if it protected women who needed the procedure to save their lives or avert serious harm to their health. I implored Congress to send me such a bill. I continue to take that position. If Congress adds a provision to the bill that protects women who need the procedure for life or serious health reasons, I will sign that bill.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 13:02:32.00

SUBJECT: Confirmation of Race/Unity Meeting

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

The Race/Unity Meeting will be on Friday, March 7 at 5:30 pm in Room 180.  
If you have any questions please give me a call. Thanks.

Invited Attendees:

Sylvia Mathews  
Bill Galston  
Rodney Slater  
Ron Klain  
Maggie Williams  
Walter Dellinger (by phone)  
Chris Edley (by phone)  
Ron Klain  
DeVal Patrick (?)  
John Podesta  
Rahm Emmanuel  
Vicki Radd  
Bruce Reed  
Elena Kagan  
Maria Echaveste (plus staff)  
Don Baer  
Michael Wenger  
Melanne Vereer

Minyon Moore

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kevin M. O'Keefe ( CN=Kevin M. O'Keefe/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 13:57:10.00

SUBJECT: Toledo

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Marcia L. Hale ( CN=Marcia L. Hale/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Alison E. Bracewell ( CN=Alison E. Bracewell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Based upon the advice of the Counsel's office, I have advised Mayor Finkbeiner that he should deal directly with Departments and Agencies. So there is no need for a meeting. Thanks for your help anyway.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 14:21:14.00

SUBJECT: Re: Early Learning

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I didn't know about the Conference, but I don't think it's a big deal -- in fact, I think a call from us, encouraging them to down-link the satellite feed of the WH Conf into some part of their conference would solve our problems. Do you want me to follow-up directly with Conyers' office and then the Conference organizers?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 16:02:31.00

SUBJECT: brain conf

TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I spoke to Mrs. Clinton at length today about the Conference and would like to discuss some things with you at some point -- perhaps later today?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 16:10:23.00

SUBJECT: Farewell To Jeanine--Drinks Tonight

TO: WEINSTEIN\_P ( WEINSTEIN\_P @ A1 @ CD @ LNGTWY [ EOP ] ) (OPD)

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dorothy K. Craft ( CN=Dorothy K. Craft/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Pauline M. Abernathy ( CN=Pauline M. Abernathy/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dennis K. Burke ( CN=Dennis K. Burke/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Please join us tonight at the Oval Room, 800 Connecticut, NW (between I and H) at around 6:45 p.m. to have a few drinks with Jeanine and give her a good send off!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kevin S. Moran ( CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-MAR-1997 16:37:10.00

SUBJECT: Saturday Message Strategy Meeting

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Gregory C. Simon ( CN=Gregory C. Simon/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jim Kohlenberger ( CN=Jim Kohlenberger/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Anne W. Hawley ( CN=Anne W. Hawley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kathleen A. McGinty ( CN=Kathleen A. McGinty/OU=CEQ/O=EOP @ EOP [ CEQ ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elaine C. Kamarck ( CN=Elaine C. Kamarck/O=OVP @ OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: DON BAER

SUBJECT: SATURDAY MESSAGE STRATEGY MEETING

This Saturday, I would like to hold a follow-up to last week's meeting, to continue developing message events that will carry us from late March through the month of April. The meeting will be held from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. in OEOP room 180.

In particular, the offices and individuals responsible for the following issues should be prepared to discuss events and ideas that emphasize these priorities:

- Education (DPC)
- Balancing the Budget (NEC)
- Welfare-to-Work (DPC)
- Campaign Finance Reform (RE)

It is also important to consider events to build-up to two upcoming events:

- The White House Conference on Early Childhood Development, April 17 (DPC/HRC)
- The National Service Summit, April 27-29 (SM/SS)

Additionally, we should consider possibilities for Earth Day (April 22), which provides an opportunity to launch the President's American Heritage Rivers initiative. Saturday's meeting will not include discussion of foreign policy, which we expect to proceed along a separate track.

At our last meeting, the policy councils and Cabinet Affairs agreed to prepare lists of policy and event options; these should be submitted to Eli Attie (6-5638) as soon as possible, in anticipation of Saturday's meeting.

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Any way we can make it after 4pm? Or for a half hour at 9:30 am?