

**NLWJC - KAGAN**

**EMAILS RECEIVED**

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**[07/24/1997 - 07/25/1997]**

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kay Casstevens ( CN=Kay Casstevens/O=OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 09:21:10.00

SUBJECT: tobacco amendment

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

CC: Barbara Chow ( CN=Barbara Chow/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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CC: Paul R. Carey ( CN=Paul R. Carey/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

Kay Casstevens ( CN=Kay Casstevens/O=OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi Elena. Yesterday on the Senate floor, Harkin and others offered an amendment to the Ag appropriations bill to provide full funding for the FDA's efforts to prevent youth smoking. (The offset for the \$34 million was obtained by increasing the tobacco marketing assessment, which the sponsors said would be ultimately borne by the purchasers of tobacco, ie not the tobacco farmer.) The amendment lost 52-48, with 11 Democrats voting against it (including folks like Moseley-Brau, Landrieu, Moynihan, Inouye and Reid) They are going to take a revote today. Harkin and other sponsors contend that without this amendment, the Greensboro case outcome is nullified. The sponsors are hoping that someone in the White House would call some of the Ds above and persuade them that this amendment is worth fighting for. I'm not sure who is following this issue in the White House, but I thought you and Bruce might be interested. I have some material I will fax you on it. Let me know if there are others I should contact. Thanks. Kay

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CREATOR: Ruby Shamir ( CN=Ruby Shamir/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 10:18:38.00

SUBJECT: Welfare To Work

TO: Robin J. Bachman ( CN=Robin J. Bachman/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TO: David S. Beaubaire ( CN=David S. Beaubaire/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: Elisa Millsap ( CN=Elisa Millsap/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TO: Christa Robinson ( CN=Christa Robinson/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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TO: Suzanne Dale ( CN=Suzanne Dale/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: Cathy R. Mays ( CN=Cathy R. Mays/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
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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 ] )  
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TEXT:

There will be a message meeting tomorrow (7/25) at 3pm in Ann Lewis' office for the upcoming Welfare to Work event. Kate Carr from Welfare to Work will be there as well. Please confirm your attendance.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 10:39:24.00

SUBJECT:

TO: MARTHA C. (Pager) #FOLEY ( MARTHA C. (Pager) #FOLEY [ UNKNOWN ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

Hyde Amendment Mtg is set up w/ Tarplin at 1:30 in rm 211 OEOB

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 10:47:51.00

SUBJECT: Hoekstra hearing today on Corporation/AmeriCorps

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

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

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TO: Ann F. Lewis ( CN=Ann F. Lewis/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:

Just FYI, this morning the Corporation is being raked over the coals at a hearing on the Hill by Rep. Hoekstra, one of their traditional opponents. Apparently it will focus on management issues rather than some of the political stories that came up around the time of the summit. Criticisms will be that the Corporation is not auditable and that their trust fund can't account for \$20 million. They don't expect much bad press beyond the traditional Wash. Times article, but they will update me if it goes worse than that.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 11:03:39.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI- Tarplin Mtg is now at 1:00 in 211 & OMB Mtg. is @ 2:00 in rm 252

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 12:09:42.00

SUBJECT: juvie markup update

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

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

A deal was cut last night --without consultation with Justice-- and the bill was favorably reported out of the Judiciary Committee this morning. The vote to report out bill was 12-6 with Feinstein and Torricelli voting in favor.

The only amendment voted on was the Specter prevention/intervention amendment which failed.

Accepted amendments:

- \* separation of juveniles and adults in custody.

- \* expansion of the purpose areas of the prosecutor funding in the bill (\$50 million) to allow for probation officers, and activities such as Operation Night Light in Boston.

- \* Grassley amendment on drug-free schools which originally would have kicked kids out of school for drugs and tobacco. Supposedly this is a substantially watered-down version but Justice has not yet seen.

- \* revocation of bill's provision to repeal the old prevention programs authorized in title V. Committee staff has promised to work with Kohl to insert prevention language in current appropriations bill. (Approps has \$75 million for our new DOJ anti-truancy initiative, which could be used to fund afterschool programs.)

No vote on Brady for juveniles. Hatch was planning to offer a second-degree to delay implementation until insta-check goes into effect. But this shouldn't have stopped the amendment from being offered in committee. Biden's amendments on prevention and increased funding for prosecutors were also held for floor.

Justice will be sending over a summary of markup later today.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 12:27:54.00

SUBJECT: NC4299: Wells Fargo extends benefits

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

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TEXT:

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Subject: NC4299: Wells Fargo extends benefits

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LOS ANGELES TIMES, July 23, 1997 (Excerpt)  
On Account of Image  
Wells Fargo Has New Ads Up Its Sleeve  
By DON LEE, Times Staff Writer

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Expanding Benefits

Wells Fargo Bank and Union Bank, the state's second- and third-largest banks, respectively, will join Bank of America in offering health and dental benefits to gay and heterosexual partners of employees starting in January.

The move by the three San Francisco-based banks was prompted by that city's ordinance penalizing city contractors who do not offer domestic-partner benefits. BofA, the nation's third-largest banking firm and the state's biggest, in March became the first major U.S. bank to announce such a program, extending benefits not only to domestic partners and their children, but also to adult siblings, parents and grandparents who are dependents.

Neither Union nor Wells went that far. Wells has yet to disclose eligibility standards for domestic partners, but Union defined a domestic partner as an adult of the same or opposite sex who has lived with the employee for at least six months and is exclusively committed to and financially interdependent with that person.

Both Union and Wells said they were taking the step to retain and attract talented workers. Most companies that provide the coverage have

found that only 1% to 3% of employees sign up. The low participation is in part because the benefits are taxable.

Times staff writer Don Lee can be reached by e-mail at don.lee@latimes.com

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 13:03:13.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

OMB Mtg is now at 248 OEOB @ 2:00



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## **URBAN SCHOOL SYSTEMS ACROSS AMERICA JOIN MOVEMENT FOR NATIONAL STANDARDS AND TESTS IN THE BASIC SKILLS**

In a speech to the National Association of Elementary School Principals, President Clinton announced today that 13 urban school districts -- with the support of local school boards, superintendents, and teachers organizations -- will participate in voluntary national tests in 4th grade reading and 8th grade math that reflect high national standards. These tests will be administered for the first time in the Spring of 1999.

### **GROWING NATIONWIDE SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL STANDARDS AND TESTS:**

Thirteen urban school systems, including the three largest (New York City, Los Angeles, and Chicago) and six of the seven largest, have pledged to participate in the President's voluntary national testing initiative. Located in ten states, together, they represent XXX percentage of the nation's 4th and 8th graders. The commitment of these large school systems demonstrates that support for the President's call for national standards and tests is truly nationwide. Students from Ft. Lauderdale to Seattle, from New York to Los Angeles, from El Paso to Chicago, will be prepared to meet the same basic skills in reading and math, and students, schools and school systems can and will be judged against common standards, and on the same measures. For the first time, parents, teachers and the public in these communities will know how well students perform compared to national standards in reading and math, international benchmarks in math, and to students in other cities and states throughout the nation.

**HIGH STANDARDS FOR ALL STUDENTS:** With this announcement, urban educators and communities send a clear signal that students in inner city schools can and should be held to, and measured against, the same challenging standards that are being set for all students throughout the nation. Rejecting the notion that students from disadvantaged backgrounds cannot learn to the same standards as more advantaged students, these communities recognize that setting high standards in the basic skills for all students is a prerequisite for improved teaching and learning. Research and experience shows that students can meet high standards, and that low expectations lead to low achievement. While this step alone will not improve teaching and learning for students in urban schools, it will guide and catalyze efforts to strengthen curriculum, provide training to teachers, increase parental and community involvement, and support the necessary investments at the local, state and national level to improve our schools.

**A CHALLENGE TO EDUCATORS: USE TESTS FOR IMPROVEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY:** President Clinton challenged local educators to use the test information to improve teaching and learning and to strengthen accountability. The U.S. Department of Education will make available information that describes the knowledge and skills students must master in order to meet the national standards. Each year once the tests are given, the test items will be released to the public to further clarify what students must know and be able to do to meet the standards. Educators should use this information as well as the state or local standards set for their students to take steps such as upgrading the curriculum, strengthening teacher preparation

and professional development, and promoting parental and community involvement and learning.

The President also challenged educators to use these test to strengthen accountability, by incorporating the results into school and school district report cards, by reporting the performance of subgroups of students (such as by race, gender and other background characteristics), and by providing needed help to low performing students and schools.

**A CHALLENGE TO THE NATION: PROVIDE STUDENTS AND SCHOOLS WITH THE HELP THEY NEED** President Clinton challenged the nation to support students in urban areas and throughout the nation so they can reach high standards in the basics, and continue to learn for a lifetime. He called on the Congress to [whatever we need to say about taxes, and to enact his proposal to promote early literacy and to recruit and prepare teachers for urban and poor rural areas.

**A map highlighting the cities that are signing up will be attached**

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mona G. Mohib ( CN=Mona G. Mohib/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 16:47:16.00

SUBJECT: DOJ/Interior Justice Issue

TO: Robert N. Weiner ( CN=Robert N. Weiner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: William P. Marshall ( CN=William P. Marshall/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

Lynn would like to set up a meeting this Tuesday, July 29 in her office. She suggested the times of 8:15 am, 11:30 am and 2:30 pm. Please let me know what times do not work for you in order to help actually set up the meeting.

I also can be reached at 6-2896.

Thank you. Mona

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 16:48:42.00

SUBJECT: Meeting with Tom Jolly -- Distilled Spirits

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Tom Jolly will be here at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow, accompanied by Tim Dudgeon and Fred Meister. I have notified CoS office that this meeting has been set.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JUL-1997 18:07:40.00

SUBJECT: tomorrow's schedule

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Tomorrow you were supposed to have lunch w/ Cliff Sloan at 12:30, but now there is going a 12:45 meeting with the state tobacco programs, Bruce & Shalala. It is going to be on anti-tobacco advertising campaigns. Do you want to keep your lunch or go to the tobacco meeting?



Participants in Friday, July 24, 12:45pm Tobacco Meeting:

Purpose: To hear from state and local officials who have been fighting on the front lines, and to hear from experts on anti-smoking "counter-advertising" campaigns.

1. **Gregory N. Connolly**, D.M.D., M.P.H. of Massachusetts.

Gregory Connolly is **Director of the Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program**. Massachusetts, along with California, has received national recognition for reducing tobacco use, especially among young people, by enacted a tobacco excise tax that has generated funding for a statewide counter advertising campaign. Dr. Connolly is also credited with passage of the 1986 federal law on smokeless tobacco, and was awarded the Surgeon General's Medallion for National Leadership by Dr. C. Everett Koop in 1987. He has testified before Congress on numerous occasions, and appears regularly on major national news shows.

2. **Donna Grande**, M.G.A. of Arizona.

Donna Grande is **Director, of Full Court Press** in Arizona -- a 5 year, \$3.5 million, program funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, to develop a successful prototype to reduce youth smoking by 10 percent. From 1991-1996, Ms. Grande ran Project ASSIST in Arizona.

3. **Sally Herndon Malek**, M.P.H. of North Carolina.

Sally Herndon Malek is **Manager of Project ASSIST** in the North Carolina Department of Health. She has been with the project since its inception. Sally serves as Chair of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officers' (ASTHO) Tobacco Prevention and Control Network.

4. **Randy Schwartz**, M.S.P.H. of Maine

Randy Schwartz is **Director of Community and Family Health**, with the Maine Bureau of Health, and has run Project ASSIST in Maine since it began in 1991. Mr. Schwartz has worked with numerous federal, state, and local tobacco control efforts.

5. **Peter Zollo** of Illinois

Peter Zollo is **President** and Co-founder of **Teenage Research Unlimited** the first market research firm to specialize exclusively in teenagers. Peter has worked extensively on teenage cigarette smoking cessation and the development of counter-advertising. He is on the Columbia University School of Public Health, Tobacco Counter-Marketing Panel, and has conducted research and consulted for the State of Massachusetts in its counter-advertising campaign.

## **ASSIST**

NCI's American Stop Smoking Intervention Study for Cancer Prevention (ASSIST) project, represents a joint effort among NCI, the American Cancer Society, and health departments in 17 states. During the first 24 months of the project (1991-1993), each state conducted a detailed site analysis and needs assessment. Following a careful review of these findings, each state developed its own comprehensive 5-year smoking control plan. In the intervention phase (1993-1998), each state has been implementing their plan. State programs rely on proven interventions in work sites, health care settings, schools, community groups, and mass media. Detailed guidelines and extensive training has been continually provided to ensure that all interventions used in ASSIST are consistent with current scientific knowledge. While prevention and cessation services are an integral component of any comprehensive effort, in ASSIST emphasis is placed on the strategic use of media and the adoption and implementation of those smoking control policies that support nonsmoking as the accepted community norm. ASSIST also relies on a coalition based model. To date, more than 2,000 community organizations have



July 24, 1997

**EDUCATION STANDARDS ENDORSEMENT EVENT**

**DATE:** July 25, 1997  
**LOCATION:** Gateway Marriott, Crystal City, VA  
**BRIEFING TIME:** 9:45 am - 10:15 am  
**EVENT TIME:** 10:30 am - 11:55 am  
**FROM:** Bruce Reed

**I. PURPOSE**

To announce fifteen new cities that are supporting your proposal for national standards in education.

**II. BACKGROUND**

You will be making remarks before the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) at their annual convention. The Executive Director of NAESP, Sam Sava will be presenting you with the Distinguished Leadership in Education Award. Past recipients of this award have been Secretary Riley, George Bush, Bill Bennett and Stephen Bickel, CEO of VALIC a corporate partner.

The NAESP consists of school leaders in every state, the District of Columbia, and American schools overseas. Approximately 450 principals will be in attendance, and the NAESP will distribute a copy your remarks to all 30,000 elementary and middle school principals across the country. You have been invited to address this group every year of your presidency, but have not been able to attend. The First Lady met with this group last year.

You will be announcing the support of Atlanta, Broward County (Ft. Lauderdale), Chicago, Cincinnati, Detroit, El Paso, Fresno, Houston, Long Beach, Los Angeles, New York City, Omaha, Philadelphia, San Antonio, and Seattle for national standards.

In each of these cities, a partnership including the superintendent, school board and teachers' union has endorsed the school system's participation. In almost all cases, especially where the mayor plays a major role in education, (e.g., Chicago and Philadelphia) the mayor is fully informed and supportive.

Despite their participation in the testing initiative, the superintendents have also expressed particular concern about our decision to limit the 4th grade reading test to English only. Almost every city has a large Hispanic population, and all of them test Limited Proficient English students in their native language. As we have with Hispanic groups such as MALDEF, we have told the superintendents that we will work to explore ways to address their concerns, without committing to changing our position.

Mike Cohen along with the Department of Education and the National Science Foundation staff will meet later in the day with the urban educators to discuss this issue, as well as other ways in which the federal government can assist the cities in preparing students to meet the national standards in reading and math.

### III. PARTICIPANTS

#### Briefing Participants:

Secretary Riley  
Rahm Emanuel  
Bruce Reed  
Mike Cohen  
Jordan Tamagni

#### Event Participants:

Secretary Riley  
Yvonne Allen, Incoming NAESP President, Principal of Whiteville Elementary School,  
in Whiteville, Tennessee  
Stan Paz, Superintendent of El Paso School District  
Sam Sava, NAESP Executive Director

#### Seated in the Audience:

Members of Congress (Frank Riggs and Matt Martinez)  
NAESP Board of Directors  
Elementary school principals  
Superintendents and other representatives from the endorsing cities.  
President Louise White and President Elect Ginny Markell of the National PTA

### IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press.

### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- You will briefly meet the Board of Directors of the NAESP.
- You will then take a group photo with the education representatives from each city endorsing standards at this event. (Fourteen photos total.)
- You will then be announced onto the stage accompanied by program participants.

- Incoming NAESP President Yvonne Allen will make welcoming remarks and introduce Secretary Riley.
- Secretary Riley will make remarks and introduce Stan Paz.
- Stan Paz will make remarks and introduce you.
- You will make remarks.
- *At the completion of your remarks you should remain by the podium. Yvonne Allen will introduce the NAESP Executive Director Sam Sava, who will present you with the Distinguished Leadership in Education Award, which is a 10 inch engraved bell.*
- You will then work a ropeline of school principals and depart.

**VI. REMARKS**

Remarks Provided by Jordan Tamagni in Speechwriting.

**VII. ATTACHMENTS**



July 24, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BRUCE REED  
CYNTHIA RICE

SUBJECT: NEXT WEEK'S SPEECH ON STATE WELFARE REFORM EFFORTS

On Monday, July 28th, you will speak to the National Governors' Association in Las Vegas. We believe your speech is an opportunity to make a major statement on welfare reform one year after you signed the new law into effect and four years after you began to reform welfare by granting waivers to the states. You are scheduled to follow this speech with a Welfare to Work Partnership event on August 12th with several hundred business leaders in St. Louis who will accept your challenge to hire welfare recipients.

We thought that in the NGA speech you could provide a statement of the principles and values that have guided welfare reform. You could discuss the importance of work and responsibility, of requiring both parents to support their children, and also of teaching teenagers that staying in school and avoiding parenthood are the right things to do. You could talk about the new role of welfare workers: not to dole out checks, but to assist welfare recipients in meeting the challenge of joining the workforce. And you could talk about the need to support work -- to make sure it pays better than welfare -- through the minimum wage, EITC, child support, and investments in health care, child care, and transportation.

We also thought that in the NGA speech you could turn the spotlight on the states: to underscore the successes -- but also point out some of the shortcomings -- of state welfare reform efforts. You could emphasize that while we have much to be proud of, we cannot rest on our laurels. Instead, states must seize the opportunity to use savings from declining caseloads and the growing economy to put even more people to work. Many states are investing new funds in child care, transportation, and other welfare-to-work efforts; others are diverting savings to other parts of their budgets. We thought you could praise those who are doing the right thing, and scold, though not by name, those who are not. Overall, we hope in this speech that you could send a signal that we intend to hold states accountable for their actions.

Finally, you could include an update on education standards in the speech, probably referring to the announcements you will have made on Friday of the big city school districts that have agreed to adopt the new tests.

## The State of the States

As you know, welfare reform began long before last August, with the waivers we granted to 43 states to allow them to impose tough work requirements and time limits and provide incentives to make work pay better than welfare. Under the new law, nearly 90 percent of these states have chosen to continue or build upon their waivers. Many of these states have intensified their efforts, either expanding small demonstration projects state-wide or leveraging additional financial or community resources for welfare to work efforts. Other states are simply in a holding pattern, postponing changes because of political conflict (i.e., New York and California) or for other reasons. Here's a summary of some of the interesting trends we've uncovered.

Child Care: Efforts to expand child care are widespread. Because of the additional \$4 billion we secured in the welfare law, all states are receiving more federal funds, which they must match with their own dollars. About half the states are increasing their spending beyond what is needed to match the new federal funds. Some states are adding quite a bit more: Wisconsin is adding \$160 million, Illinois is adding \$100 million, and Florida is adding \$23 million in new funds and shifting \$60 million from the welfare block grant to child care. A new paper by the Progressive Policy Institute praises Illinois, Michigan, and Washington for establishing "seamless" child care systems which provide subsidies for all workers below a certain income, whether they've been on welfare or not. (There's a growing concern that some states are short-changing the working poor by giving former welfare recipients priority for child care subsidies. Creating a universal, income-based system avoids that problem.)

Transportation: Several states have developed strategies to ensure welfare recipients have the transportation they need to get to work. Kentucky is now implementing an initiative to ensure that transportation is available in all areas of the state. Connecticut is earmarking \$2.2 million of its TANF funds for new transportation services for welfare recipients. New Jersey has announced a \$3.7 million initiative to move *Work First New Jersey* participants to work. In May, the Department of Transportation worked with NGA to award planning grants to help 24 states develop transportation strategies to support their welfare to work efforts.

Welfare to Work Programs: Nearly all state welfare-to-work programs include the traditional elements: job search, training, education, community work experience, and placement in unsubsidized jobs. But now, according to a new survey by NGA, 36 states are using welfare checks to subsidize private jobs, although mostly on a small scale. Twenty-seven states have "upfront diversion" programs which provide job search assistance or emergency cash grants to help prevent people from going on welfare. Several states (Maryland, Pennsylvania, Florida) provide tax incentives to companies that hire welfare recipients. In many states, the governor and other elected officials are reaching out to the business community to forge new partnerships. In Nevada, the state has set a goal for new casinos to set aside 10 percent of all positions for former welfare recipients.

Diverting Welfare Savings for Other Uses: Not all states are investing welfare savings in child care, transportation, or other welfare to work efforts. According to the Progressive Policy Institute, Ohio is actually cutting state spending on child care and is using some of its savings from lower welfare caseloads for tax cuts (the state protests that, with the infusion of federal dollars, it is still spending more overall on child care than before). In Connecticut, the governor proposed and the legislature enacted a plan which uses federal TANF dollars to replace existing state social services spending. In Texas, the state spent less than one-third of its surplus from declining caseloads on welfare to work programs; the rest was used on state programs previously funded by state dollars.

Child Support Enforcement: As you know, we have made progress in child support enforcement, increasing collections by 50% from 1992 to 1996. Last year's welfare law included tough new measures to help states track deadbeat parents across states lines. To date, however, many states have not enacted all the state laws needed to put these tough new measures into place. According to HHS, one state -- Idaho -- has not enacted any of the new child support provisions required by the new federal law. Moreover, nine states -- including California, which has 22% of the nation's welfare caseload -- will likely not make this October's deadline to put in place new child support computer systems. We think that in your speech you should underscore the need for prompt state action in these areas.

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DATE: JULY 24, 1997

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CONGRESS TODAY (7/24)

SENATE

Passed (99-0) S.1033 - Agriculture FY 1998 Appropriations bill  
 [SAP sent 7/23: Admin. urges the Senate to "reduce funding for lower priority programs, or for programs that would be adequately funded at the requested level, and to redirect funding to programs of higher priority, such as WIC."]

While under consideration, the Senate took the following action on S. 1033:

- o Tabled (54-45) the Wellstone amendment that would have provided \$25 million over 5 years - \$5 million per year - for the School Breakfast program.
- o Approved (voice vote) Robb amendment that reestablishes an investigative unit in the Office of Civil Rights and provides additional funding for the Outreach for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers program.

Began consideration of S. 1022 - Commerce/Justice/State FY 1998 Appropriations bill (final vote expected Tuesday)

[SAP sent 7/24: Admin. will seek restoration of funds such as ATP, Globe, etc.]

While under consideration, the Senate took the following action on S. 1022:

- o Rejected (42-57) Brownback amendment that would have banned companies that post more than \$2.5 billion in revenue during the preceding fiscal year from receiving ATP awards.

- o Approved (voice vote) Lugar amendment to provide funding for the National Endowment for Democracy at the \$30 million request level (Committee provided zero).
- o Began consideration of the Feinstein amendment which would replace Committee language that breaks up the Ninth Circuit with language establishing a commission to study the issue more broadly and produce a report by a date certain.

## HOUSE

Passed (392-32) H.R. 2160 - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 1998  
 [SAP sent 7/16: Admin. will seek restoration of certain reductions to the President's requests such as WIC]

While under consideration, the House took the following action on H.R. 2160:

- o Rejected (195-230) Obey amendment that would have increased WIC by \$24 million, offset by a \$36 million reduction to crop insurance administrative and operating expenses sales commissions.
- o Rejected (177-248) Meehan amendment that would have increased the FDA tobacco initiative by \$10 million, offset by a \$14 million reduction to crop insurance administrative and operating expenses sales commissions.
- o Approved (voice vote) Sanders amendment that increases Meals on Wheels by \$5 million, offset by a decrease of \$5.47 million in FDA Salaries and expenses.
- o The following items were dropped on points of order:
  - o Authorization for the FDA to collect \$91.204 million in user fees. The Administration supported the collection of these fees.
  - o Section 727, which would have designated the City of Galt, California, as a non-rural area. The Administration had objected to this provision.
- o Approved (voice vote) Nethercutt/Stenholm amendment to drop the limitation on funding the immediate office of the Deputy and Assistant Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs within the Farm Service Agency. The Administration had objected to this limitation.
- o Approved (voice vote) Wynn amendment to increase funding for the USDA Civil Rights Division by \$1.5 million, offset by a \$1.5 million reduction in the National Agricultural Statistics Service.
- o Approved (418-0) Cox amendment that would prohibit any direct or indirect aid to the Communist-ruled Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Any food aid distribution would be made through private groups.
- o Rejected (209-216) Lowey amendment to prohibit crop insurance for tobacco farmers.

Began consideration of H.R. 2203 - Energy & Water Appropriations Act for FY 1998

[SAP sent 7/24: Admin. strongly objects to the Committee's reallocation of national defense funds from DoE programs to DoD programs.]

CONGRESS -- TOMORROW (7/25)

## SENATE

Consider S. 39 - International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (cloture vote expected)

[POTUS letter sent 7/15: Admin. strongly supports]

Consider S. Res. 98 - Global Climate Change Resolution

## HOUSE

Convene at 9:00am for legislative business.

Continue consideration of H.R. 2203 - Energy & Water Appropriations Act for FY 1998

[SAP sent 7/24: Admin. strongly objects to the Committee's reallocation of national defense funds from DoE programs to DoD programs.]

Begin consideration of H.R. 2209 - Legislative Branch Appropriations Act for FY 1998

CONGRESS -- LONG-TERM SCHEDULE

SENATE

Week of July 28th

Begin consideration of H.R. 2169 - Transportation FY 1998 Appropriations bill

[SAP pending]

Continue consideration of S. 1022 - Commerce/Justice/State FY 1998 Appropriations bill (final vote expected Tuesday)

[SAP sent 7/24: Admin. will seek restoration of funds such as ATP, Globe, etc.]

Begin consideration of Labor/HHS/Education FY 1998 Appropriation bill (expected Tuesday)

- o FDA Reform (possible early in the week)
- o S. 462 - Public Housing Reform bill (plan to take up by Unanimous Consent)

[SAP pending: Admin. supports the purpose but believe the bill is fundamentally flawed.]

- o Balanced Budget Spending Conference Report
- o Balanced Budget Tax Fairness Conference Report

HOUSE

Week of July 28th

- o FY 1998 Appropriations Bills
  - Defense
  - C/J/S
  - Labor/HHS/Ed
  - Treasury/Postal
  - H.R. 2159 - Foreign Operations Appropriations Act for FY 1998

[SAP sent 7/23: Pres. veto threat over Mexico City amendment & State/Treasury/NSC veto threat over insufficient funding level for International Affairs]

- o H.R. 2015 - Balanced Budget Act of 1997 Conference Report (possible) (Subject to a Rule)
- o H.R. 2014 - Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 Conference Report (possible) (Subject to a Rule)



## **The National Service Scholars Program**

President Clinton announced today that more than 1,600 high school students have won scholarships of at least \$1,000 in the first year of the National Service Scholars Program. The college scholarships recognize outstanding community service.

The President proposed the program last year in an address at Penn State University, challenging communities to raise at least \$500 for their local high schools, which the federal government would then match. High school principals nominate the junior or senior with a strong commitment to community service to receive scholarships.

The \$500 federal match is provided by the Corporation for National Service, which launched the program this spring in partnership with the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America. The deadline to apply for the program was June 30, and 1,683 high schools submitted nominees. Awards will be sent to scholarship winners in early August.

The program has proved extremely popular, with a host of leading community organizations stepping forward to raise local scholarships and secure the federal match. The most frequent local contributors include: Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions, Dollars for Scholars, Seventh Day Adventists, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, Elks, Women's Clubs, the Masons, Soroptomists, Junior Leagues, Optimists, Jaycees, Quota International, Sertoma, Parent Teacher Associations, and Chambers of Commerce. The Miss America Foundation committed to providing matching scholarships in every state; Sallie Mae provided the matching funds for every public high school in the District of Columbia; and the Minnesota state legislature voted to fund the match for all high schools in that state.

When he announced the initiative at Penn State, President Clinton said, "I want every principal in America to be able to stand up before a graduating class and announce the name of a National Service Scholar. We should make service to the community a part of every high school in America and a part of life of every dedicated citizen in the United States." Noting the success of the first year effort, the President today challenged schools and communities to award scholarships to many more students next year, with the goal of instituting the program in all high schools.

The President's FY 1998 budget includes \$10 million for the National Service Scholars Program, enough to take the program nation-wide.

Attending the radio address where the President made the announcement were two scholarship winners and representatives from four civic groups that raised local scholarship funds (add names).

## Talking Points on Presidents' Summit Followup

**The President's Commitment:** The President remains committed to the goals of the Presidents' Summit for America's Future in April in Philadelphia. The Summit's goals for children (a caring adult, a safe place, a healthy start, a marketable skill, and a chance to serve) are each vital goals of the Administration.

Since April, the President has continued to speak about the importance of service and volunteerism to audiences, including the Business Roundtable, the Conference of Mayors, and businesses attending the announcement of the Welfare-to-Work Partnership. He has talked extensively about how all of us must move forward to reach the goals of the Summit **and to give more children what they need to grow up to be productive citizens.**

In addition, the President applauds the work of General Powell and America's Promise and looks forward to possible participation in future Summit activities. In fact, Members of the President's Cabinet will soon begin to participate in follow-up Summits around the country.

**National Service Scholars:** On Saturday the President announced in his weekly radio address that over 1,600 high school students have won scholarships of at least \$1,000 as part of the first year of the National Service Scholars program. These scholarships recognize students with outstanding records of community service. The President first called for this program in a speech at Penn State in May 1996, challenging communities to raise at least \$500 for their local high schools, which the federal government would then match. In the first year, a host of leading community organizations stepped forward to raise local scholarships, including the Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions, Dollars for Scholars, Seventh Day Adventists, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, Elks, Women's Clubs, Masons, Soroptomists, and Junior Leagues. The Miss America Foundation committed to provide scholarships in every state. Sallie Mae provided the matching funds for every public high school in D.C. The Minnesota state legislature voted to fund the match for all high schools in that state. Each high school principal is invited to nominate a junior or senior for the scholarship. He urged all 20,000 high schools in the nation to participate next year.

Representatives of civic groups along with five scholarship winners were in the audience. Our hope is that civic organizations will publicize this event in their newsletters and drum up even more support for this program next year.

**AmeriCorps Scholarships:** Saturday the President announced that service and religious organizations have responded positively to his summit challenge that the Administration would provide 50,000 new AmeriCorps scholarships over the next 5 years to organizations that offer young people the chance to serve. The response has been even stronger than expected, as 77 organizations have answered that challenge by offering to sponsor 10,000 new AmeriCorps members. The Corporation expects to make the first year's awards this summer.

**Recent Actions on Welfare and Children's Health:**

- **In May, the Vice President announced that he will head a new partnership of civic organizations that will mentor families seeking to leave welfare for work.**
- **Eli Segal's Welfare to Work Partnership is mobilizing businesses to hire welfare recipients, so that those parents can move into the economic mainstream and improve their children's future. A major expansion of this group was announced in May.**
- **In June, the President announced that Kaiser Permanente will commit \$100 million to provide health coverage for uninsured children in California, complementing the Administration's efforts to enact new legislation on children's health coverage.**

**Federal Agency Commitments:** Federal agencies are following through on the more than 40 commitments they made at the summit, which included mentoring and tutoring and launching new partnerships with corporations and nonprofits. They are also continuing to launch new initiatives and partnerships to reach the summit's goals. The following highlights some of our progress since the Summit.

- The White House has convened an interagency group to focus on this issue. It will meet regularly and hold agencies accountable for their progress. The White House has asked all agencies to complete timelines and milestones that show how they intend to reach their commitments.
- The Administration is working with the National Association of Partners in Education to meet its goal of adopting or establishing partnerships with an additional 500 schools by the year 2000. Prior to the summit, federal agencies had partnerships with approximately 1,500 schools across the country. The Social Security Administration and the Department of Transportation have already established new partnerships since the summit, while the Department of Health and Human Services is working with the organization "Everybody Wins" to adopt more schools. In addition, this summer the Labor Department is operating a new four-week summer academic enrichment program for D.C. public school students in partnership with the National Council of Negro Women.
- The Administration is working toward its goal of using national service as a strategy in the President's proposed America Reads program, **the national literacy campaign to ensure that every child can read well and independently by the third grade.** At this time, the Senate has appropriated \$20 million for the Corporation for National Service to fund AmeriCorps **tutor coordinators to help recruit, organize, and manage volunteers who will tutor children.** While awaiting congressional action, the Corporation is launching a "Seniors in Schools" initiative, with nine pilot sites and support for 8,700 school-based Senior Corps programs. In September, the Corporation will deploy the DC Reads Initiative, with AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and federal

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work-study students tutoring in 18 of the lowest performing public elementary schools in D.C. In addition, the Corporation and the Department of Education have recruited over 500 colleges and universities to dedicate work study students as reading tutors. This summer, AmeriCorps members are helping 8,000 pre-K to 3rd grade students with reading as part of 20 "Summer Reads" programs.

- The Corporation for National Service is taking the lead on a strategy to meet the Summit's goal of engaging an additional 2 million young people in service. In August, it will convene a national strategic planning session in Washington in partnership with America's Promise and Do Something, with participation from the youth community, faith groups, the education community, and summit commitment makers in this area. The Corporation hopes that America's Promise will assist its efforts to expand the National Service Scholars program next year; its goal is to reach every high school in America. The Corporation will place an AmeriCorps\*VISTA member in every public high school in D.C. to serve as the service-learning coordinator. Finally, the Partnering Initiative co-sponsored by the Corporation is working this summer to launch "partner schools" in the fall -- schools with model service-learning programs.
- The Corporation and its State Commissions on National and Community Service are taking lead roles in organizing many of the community and state summits in the months following the summit gathering in Philadelphia.
- In June, HHS Secretary Shalala launched a new partnership between the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and the Department's Girl Power! public education campaign. This national program will teach Girl Scouts about the dangers of substance abuse and other risky behaviors. It features a new patch that Girl Scouts can earn by completing the program. HHS has also launched its Playcorps commitment with Nike, which trains college students to coach and mentor kids in underserved areas in recreation leagues.
- In September, USDA Secretary Dan Glickman will convene his department's National Summit on Food Recovery, to develop a national strategy to increase gleaning efforts by one-third by the year 2000.
- This month, the Department of Justice followed through on its commitment to expand its Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) program. DOJ gave out grants to 26 DEFY summer camp sites that are now serving 900 children. DEFY promotes positive life choices for children between the ages of 9 and 12. After the summer program, the children will have mentors from the local U.S. Attorney's office, police department, or university.
- In May, the Department of Justice and the Corporation for National Service held the first meeting of a new public/private Mentoring Alliance that will promote the mentoring goal of the Summit. Members include Big Brothers/Big Sisters, One to One, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Save the Children, and federal agencies. Plans include a teleconference in September on effective practices, a national 800 number to link mentors with opportunities, and development of best practices materials. In addition, DOJ

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expects to follow through shortly on its commitment to more than double the number of sites for its Juvenile Mentoring Program (JUMP).

- In June, the Attorney General kicked off the Department of Justice's new Youth Network in Baltimore, to provide a forum for young people and community organizations to exchange ideas on juvenile violence and delinquency prevention.
- The Department of Education now has 380,000 tutors and learning partners reading with children this summer, a significant increase over last summer's 300,000 and is well on its way to its goal of 450,000. The program's goal is to get 1.5 million children reading by the end of the summer. In addition, the Department has added 300 partners to its Partnership for Family Involvement in Education, for a total of 3,000 partner organizations.
- In May, Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater launched his department's new effort, the Garrett A. Morgan Technology & Transportation Futures Program, in Cleveland, Ohio, at the Garrett A. Morgan Middle School. With its industry and labor partners, the Department updated the school's computer lab, established a tutoring and mentoring program, and sponsored transportation career days for the students. To date, DOT has heard from over 200 partners who want to join its effort to reach one million students by the year 2000. The program's goal is to give one million students better math, science, and technology skills and information about careers in technology and transportation, through tutoring, mentoring, and educational curricula.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 08:53:52.00

SUBJECT: Questions for you re: NGA Speech

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

States to Mention

I propose to substitute some different states as examples to make the list of states praised more bipartisan.

On page 3 --

Instead of Florida giving tax credits, list Pennsylvania and Massachusetts (this will also keep Florida from being mentioned twice).

Take out Washington (leave North Carolina) re: public/private partnerships

On page 5 --

Challenge every state to follow Maryland's lead to take the money saved from caseload reduction and use it for welfare reform (take out Indiana and Oregon -- they aren't great examples anyway).

With these changes, we will praise--

Pennsylvania	North Carolina
Wisconsin (twice)	Florida
Michigan	Kentucky
Massachusetts	Maryland

Also, Governor Carper and Thompson will be mentioned name as co-chairs of the Welfare to Work Partnership Advisory Council.

Child Care Question for Bruce and Elena

On page 4 -- do we want to mention the White House Child Care conference here? We had originally thought no, because the conference will focus on child care beyond the welfare realm. However, I think the way it's done here gives it a universal theme -- particularly after the President's call for more universal, seamless systems. So I'd be happy to leave it in. Question: have we announced the date of the conference yet?

Question for Emily

Diana asked me last night if it's excessive on page 2 to say that "Governors were central to this battle for fairness" in restoring legal immigrant and food stamp cuts. It sounds like it is, although we could say it anyway. What do you think?

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

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SUBJECT: Breast Cancer stamp

TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )  
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TO: Elena Kagan ( CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

TEXT:

I see that Congress has passed and sent to the President legislation .  
authorizing a new postage stamp that will support breast cancer research.

We should begin thinking about what (and when) the signing for this bill  
might look like.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 10:53:34.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Car #12 has been circling horseshoe; it is still there.



Talking Points  
on NGA Speech

One year ago, the President signed welfare reform into law because he didn't think governors should have to ask permission to impose tough work requirements and time limits and provide incentives to make work pay better than welfare.

As of July 1st, welfare reform has taken effect in all 50 states. Early indications are that so far, it is working.

There are 3 million fewer people on welfare than the day President Clinton took office, and a remarkable 1.2 million fewer since he signed welfare reform into law. This is the largest decrease in the welfare rolls in history, giving us the lowest percentage of the population on welfare since 1970.

In Monday's speech, the President will take a hard look at how we are doing -- to highlight successes and point out shortcomings of states. He will look at how we are doing in five areas:

- Creating jobs that will move people from welfare to work;
- Investing in child care to give women an opportunity to get and keep jobs;
- Making sure people who want to work have adequate transportation to get to work;
- Are states using savings to move people into the workforce or diverting them to other uses?
- And fifth, are they taking the steps necessary to make sure women and children are getting the child support to which they are entitled?

Examples to cite:

Creating Jobs

36 states are doing what the President has encouraged every state to do -- use welfare checks to subsidize private jobs.

Pennsylvania and Massachusetts are providing employers tax incentives to hire long-term welfare recipients, something we agreed to do on a national level in the bipartisan budget agreement.

Welfare to Work Partnership led by United Airlines CEO Jerry Greenwald launched May 20th at the White House, pledged to obtain commitments from over 1,000 companies within six months to hire people off of welfare.

### Child Care

President made sure \$4 billion more in federal funds for child care was included in last year's bill.

About half the states are increasing their own spending as well.

Wisconsin, for example, is planning to add \$160 million.

### Transportation

Kentucky has launched a coordinated effort across four cabinet agencies to ensure transportation is available.

In Wisconsin, where only 3.5 percent of welfare recipients own cars, the state's "Job Ride" initiative is vanpooling thousands of central city workers to suburban jobs.

### Diverting Welfare Savings for Other Uses

The President will make a strong statement challenging states to use the savings from declining caseloads to put even more people to work and saying that he thinks the talk in some state Capitols about diverting funds to other uses is just plain wrong.

Some states are doing the right thing. Maryland has committed to maintain its spending in welfare reform, pledging to keep its state spending at 100% of historic levels to invest in the things people need to go from welfare to work.

### Child Support Enforcement

The new welfare law included tough new measures to help states track deadbeat parents, such as new hire reporting, license revocation, centralized collection, and paternity establishment.

States need to pass their own laws to put these new measures in place, but not all states have. The President will make a strong statement urging governors to work with their legislatures and get it done.

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

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SUBJECT: America Reads/National Service Mtg

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

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

TEXT:  
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To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message  
cc:  
Subject: America Reads/National Service Mtg

Gene Sperling is holding a meeting on Tuesday July 29 at 12:00pm to discuss strategy for appropriations re: Education and National Service. Any questions please call Melissa at 456-5804. Thanks

Attendees:

Dep. Secy Smith  
Carol Rasco  
Mr. Wofford  
John Gomperts  
Director Raines  
Deputy Director Lew  
Barry White  
Bruce Reed  
Mike Cohen  
Bill Kincaid  
Sylvia Mathews  
John Hilley  
Gene Sperling  
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CREATOR: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 11:54:53.00

SUBJECT: Weekly Items

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

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

EK/LE:

LeAnne Is DoInG tHe WeEkLy BuLlEt oN jUvIe. Here are some other goodies:

Brady Law -- On Thursday, July 24th, the Arkansas Attorney General issued a statement making clear that Arkansas did have the proper authority under state law to continue doing Brady background checks. Thus, Ohio is now the only state that has given to the NRA's pressure/legal argument that they do not have the authority to continue doing Brady background checks. Justice and Treasury officials are still working with the Ohio Attorney General's office to reverse this post-Brady decision policy.

Household Survey -- Preliminary findings from HHS' 1996 Household Survey on drug abuse are in, and the results are mixed. They include:

1. Overall drug use remains flat. There are 13 million current users or 6.1% of the population. Most are marijuana users -- 10.1 million persons or 4.7% of the population.
2. Increases among some youth seems to have stopped. The jump in marijuana use by youth aged 12 - 17 that has occurred since 1992 dropped slightly in 1996. However, marijuana use by youth aged 18 - 25 has increased slightly.
3. Heroin use up. Not only is heroin use increased since last year -- particularly for youth ages 25 and under -- but there are a record number of new heroin users (141,000).
4. Cocaine use showing signs of coming back. Past month users of cocaine are up slightly for the first time since 1992 -- and up 27% since the 1994 low point in cocaine use. Also, HHS estimates that the rate for first-time cocaine users in the 12 - 17 age group is one of the highest ever.

NB: The Household Survey measures drug use in America's households (age groups 12 - 17, 18 - 25, and 25 and up), not the entire population. The survey misses youth below the age of 12, military personnel, homeless persons, and those in prisons and jails. Thus, the survey tends to miss some of the hard-core drug users.

Crack Study -- Justice's National Institute of Justice is set to release an analysis of Drug Use Forecasting (DUF) data from 1987 to 1996 that shows crack use down in 24 cities. The report finds that crack use by

arrestees is down substantially -- and at least by 10% -- in 10 major cities; that, in another 7 cities, crack use is down among juveniles, which suggests that declines in the overall rate are forthcoming; that, in 5 cities, the crack epidemic was as strong as ever; and that no crack epidemic exists in 2 of the cities.

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CREATOR: Karen C. Fahle ( CN=Karen C. Fahle/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 11:56:14.00

SUBJECT: Erskine letter

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi Elena. I sent you a letter from Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard last Tuesday as Erskine wanted a response prepared for him. The subject of the letter deals with the Family Violence Option. Is a letter in the works? Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 12:02:53.00

SUBJECT: Household survey findings

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

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

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

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

TEXT:  
EK/BR:

With respect to the Household Survey findings, I don't think we should include them in the weekly if you think they will leak -- what do you think? I don't want to screw the one person at ONDCP who's willing to be helpful to DPC.

I'll forward to both of you the copy of the memo to McCaffrey on this that I got my hands on -- so you have some more info.

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUL-1997 12:10:37.00

SUBJECT: Tobacco Mtg

TO: Jerold R. Mande ( CN=Jerold R. Mande/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [ OSTP ] )  
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TO: Elena Kagan ( CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TEXT:

The meeting with Ben LeBow and the Liggett Group will be Tuesday, August 5, from 2:30-4:00 p.m. in BR's office. I'm waiting on their list of attendees. Secretary Shalala also attend.

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

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SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:.

Please come to Bruce's Office ASAP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

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TEXT:

Excellent work on the speech, as usual. I have a few suggestions and thoughts on how to shorten it:

1. At the end of the 1st full graph on p. 2 ("Fixing our broken welfare system.."), I think we should make more of the fact that welfare reform is working better than most expected. I would change the last 3 sentences into a new graph (in bold) that says, "A year ago, I signed welfare reform into law to make tough work requirements, time limits, and parental responsibility the law of the land. There was a lot of debate at the time over whether this bold experiment would work. We still have more to do. But today, the old debate is over: welfare reform works." That should be a good soundbite and applause line.
2. In the next graph, you should add a sentence about state caseload reduction. Cynthia can give you the specifics. It would say something like, "X states have cut their rolls by over 40% in the last 4 years; Wisconsin (and any others) has cut its caseload in half."
3. On p.3, I would drop the 5 questions, which take a lot of time, and just say, "We need to take a look at what states are doing in 4 areas that are critical to moving people off welfare: jobs, child care, transportation, and child support."
4. On p. 4, I would move the other area (savings) to 5th (after the child support graphs). I would drop the sentence "we all know that some things are not going so well" since we don't have any specific examples of states diverting \$. This works better as a general caution than as an assessment.
5. On p. 5, instead of "We still have a ways to go before we can declare victory", I would say, "We still have a ways to make the permanent underclass a thing of the past."

Thanks -- let me know if you need anything.