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SUBJECT:

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

pls call Paul Glastris re SOTU 65716

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CREATOR: Todd_A._Summers@oa.eop.gov (Todd_A._Summers@oa.eop.gov [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:23-DEC-1998 16:18:08.00

SUBJECT: Release of FY2000 AIDS numbers

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
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CREATOR: Karin Kullman (CN=Karin Kullman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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SUBJECT:

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

TEXT:

i am here in the office whenever you have time. thx -- karin kullman x62823

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CREATOR: Amy Weiss (CN=Amy Weiss/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-DEC-1998 11:14:40.00

SUBJECT: pls call amy 62580 re: radio address. thanks.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:27-DEC-1998 17:11:20.00

SUBJECT: 1pgr for Tuesday's event

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CC: Mark D. Neschis (CN=Mark D. Neschis/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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CC: Aviva Steinberg (CN=Aviva Steinberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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CC: Paul D. Glastris (CN=Paul D. Glastris/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
EK/LE:

Here's a draft 1-pager for the Tuesday event. Let me know what you think. I'll also send it to DOJ for comment...it may not be sufficiently wordy for them...

Paul, et.al.: fyi...please don't distribute or use until final...jc3

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Reducing Violence in the Lives of Children December 29, 1998

Announcement: President Clinton will launch a new Children Exposed to Violence Initiative (or CEVI) designed to improve the justice system's response to children who are victims and witnesses to violence. CEVI will include four components: (1) improving law enforcement response; (2) reforming state and federal laws on child abuse and neglect; (3) increasing public awareness; and (4) strengthening local prevention and intervention. To get this new effort underway, the President will also announce the availability of \$10 million in "Safe Start" grants from the Justice Department. These new funds will help up to 15 cities reduce the impact of family, school and community violence on young children in their communities.

The Need for Action

- **Too many child victims.** Not only do adolescents (12- to 17-year olds) represent approximately 25 percent of all violent crime victims nationally, but millions more are exposed to violence in other ways as well. In fact, of the nation's 22.3 million adolescents, almost 9 million have witnessed serious violence -- with nearly 2 million suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder.
- **Child victims more at risk.** Equally troubling is the fact that children who are abused, neglected and otherwise victimized or exposed to violence are more likely to become criminals themselves. They are more than 50% as likely to be arrested while a juvenile -- and nearly 40% as likely to be arrested when they become adults. They are also at significant risk for substance abuse, mental illness and suicide.

What CEVI Will Do

- **Improve Law Enforcement Response.** CEVI's first goal will be to improve the justice system's overall response to child victims and witnesses. This means providing law enforcement agents, prosecutors, victim and witness coordinators, and court personnel with the critical information and training they need to prevent against the "secondary victimization" of child victims and witnesses. To meet this need, CEVI will produce and distribute specialized training videos, best practice manuals, and other in-the-field user guides -- such as *Forming a Multidisciplinary Team to Investigate Child Abuse*, which will be released by the Justice Department today. CEVI will also work to help state and local law enforcement utilize Child Death Review Teams to investigate suspicious child fatalities; expand victims assistance programs; help create "Court Schools" that acclimate children to the courtroom setting; and other similar programs.
- **Reform Laws Dealing with Child Victims and Witnesses.** As part of CEVI, the Justice Department will develop federal and model state legislation that increases penalties for violent crimes affecting children, demands accountability from those who kill children through abuse or neglect, and generally improves the court system's ability to address the unique needs of child victims and witnesses.

- **Increase Public Awareness.** CEVI will sponsor a National Summit on Children Exposed to Violence and hold follow-up forums to help implement recommendations from the Summit. The Summit will be co-hosted by the Department of Health and Human Services, major child advocacy organizations, the American Bar Association, and many others. Its goal will be to bring together experts in law enforcement, mental health, child development, and other related fields -- and to jointly develop a blueprint for national, state and local action that will address the issue of child victimization.
- **Strengthen Prevention and Intervention.** One of CEVI's most important goals will be to help develop and promote local initiatives that: (1) prevent violence against children by promoting parent education; (2) intervene and provide services to children exposed to violence; and (3) support children within the justice system. A good example of such an initiative is the New Haven Child Development/Community Policing (CD-CP) program. A partnership between the New Haven Police Department and the Yale University Child Study Center, the New Haven CD-CP cross-trains law enforcement and mental health professionals and coordinates their response to children in violent situations. Over the past few years, the Administration has provided seed funds to help bolster the work of the New Haven CD-CP and to help replicate its success in other cities (e.g., Charlotte, NC; Nashville, TN; Baltimore, MD; and Chelsea, MA). Today, the President will announce the availability of \$10 million in "Safe Start" grants to help up to 15 more cities implement proven initiatives like the New Haven CD-CP.

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CREATOR: Michael Waldman (CN=Michael Waldman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

pls call waldman 62272

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-DEC-1998 11:32:18.00

SUBJECT:

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

Please call 65584- Bruce is holding

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CREATOR: Jay E. Gould (CN=Jay E. Gould/OU=OPD/O=EOP [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-DEC-1998 17:29:33.00

SUBJECT: GAO Report

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:

Melinda just spoke to SSA and Ken's comments ARE going to be included in the final report. Therefore, HHS's comments ARE in conflict with SSAs. The issue is whether to pull HHS's comments from the report. Mary Bourdette is the political person dealing with the issue at HHS. We could pull the HHSs comments and explain that it was inconsistent and could not be reconciled with SSA in such short notice.

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CREATOR: Mark D. Neschis (CN=Mark D. Neschis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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SUBJECT: Today Show

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The Today Show turned down our Child Violence exclusive. You are free to give it to the L.A. Times.

thanks

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TEXT:

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CREATOR: Michael Waldman (CN=Michael Waldman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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SUBJECT: if you're there, take a look at this

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Draft 12/28/98

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON

1999 STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

POLICY OUTLINE

January 19, 1999

* = most significant proposals

Themes

This is the last State of the Union of the 20th Century, delivered at a pinnacle of American power and prosperity. A decade ago, we looked around us, and saw a nation in decline. We asked: "America -- what went wrong?" Today, we see what went right. After years of determined effort, we now have the longest peacetime economic expansion in history, surging wages, a balanced budget, welfare rolls shrinking, crime plummeting, our leadership bringing peace around the world. We have forged a new consensus for how government can best serve the people -- a government that is modern, empowering, flexible, a 21st Century government to meet 21st Century challenges.

Yes, this is a golden moment for America. But America faces big challenges as we make ready for the 21st Century. Dramatic scientific, economic and social changes raise new threats even as they pose new possibilities. The question before us is: Will we make the most of this time of strength? We look back with admiration and gratitude on the achievement of our parents. Will the generations of the new millennium, when they measure our generation, say we did everything we could to strengthen our nation in a new world?

We must act to address these challenges, to strengthen our oldest values in new times, to build the America of the 21st Century. We must act with faith and confidence, shunning partisanship, rising above rancor, and recognizing that once again America with its genius for progress can lead the world.

1. The challenge and opportunity of an aging America

In the 20th Century, we built a guarantee of security and dignity for our parents. Now, with the number of elderly Americans expected to double, living longer than ever before, we must make certain that our nation is ready for the "senior boom."

* Social Security
Medicare

* Long term care
tax credit

Senior housing
Intergenerational centers (bringing seniors & children together)

2. 21st Century schools

In the 20th Century, we built a system of public schools that lifted millions of families into the middle class. Now, we must transform all our public schools to give all Americans a better-quality education to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

100K teachers -- must build on success

* Social promotion: ESEA reform -- funds only if:

- No social promotion
- School report cards
- No unqualified teachers
- Intervention to save failing schools

* After school

School modernization
Computers in classrooms/digital library
Charter schools
Native Americans

3. Strengthening families for the 21st Century

In the 20th Century, the American family underwent tremendous stress as it adapted to new ways, but survived and was transformed. Now, we must strengthen the American family for the challenges of the 21st Century.

Health of our children

Tobacco

* legislation to allow a lawsuit/proceeds to Medicare
comprehensive tobacco legislation

Alcohol -- .08, [requesting Surgeon General's Report on alcohol]

Health care

* Patients, Bill of Rights

Kennedy-Jeffords
Medicare prescription drugs
Medicare buy-in

Medical privacy [by law, if Congress doesn't act by August, President will]

Genetic discrimination legislation

Work & home

* Child care
[At-home moms] tax credit
FMLA expansion

Welfare reform

Welfare-to-work reauthorization
Salute success of WTW Partnership, launched 3 yrs ago in SOTU

4. Building a 21st Century economy

In 20th Century, we built an economy that widened opportunity, at home & abroad (Now, in 21st Century, we must give the global economy a human face

Investing in people (making sure that the fruits of prosperity are widespread

- Lifetime learning
 - universal training
 - adult literacy
 - challenge to businesses to train American workers first

- Equal pay
- Minimum wage

- Urban initiative
 - American Private Investment Corporation
 - EZs/ECs
 - Urban job creation initiative (HUD)

- Farm safety net

21st Century consumer protection & competition

- Financial consumer protections
- Electricity deregulation

International economy (goal: foster global growth & put a human face on int'l econ

- * Trade (new approach, common ground
 - Fast track:
 - New WTO Round, Africa, FTAA
 - and labor standards, transparency
 - Child labor convention
- Manufacturing & exports initiative
 - [steel][?]
- Long-term stability of int'l financial system

5. 21st Century Environment

From the early days of the 20th Century, Americans have rallied to an ethic of conservation. Since, we created and then rolled back massive industrial pollution and saved the last great wilderness areas of our country. Now, in the 21st Century, environmental stewardship requires a vision not only of protecting grand parks and preserves. It also requires enhancing our day-to-day quality of life.

- * Livable communities -- initiative to restore and expand city parks, preserve green spaces in suburbs, and to preserve farmland

Climate change

- increased R&D
- tax incentives for energy efficient cars, homes, appliances
- reward early action by companies

Clean Water Act reauthorization
Full funding for Clean Water Action Plan

6. Security for the 21st Century

At home □) crime & drugs

In the 20th Century, we saw criminals nearly take over our cities, but then rolled them back. Now, to keep crime going down, we must break the cycle of crime.

Crime bill II

- COPS II
- guns -

Brady II

one gun a month (stops gun-runners)

Gun-show loophole

Gun sentences

- Drugs & crime initiative (stay clean or stay in jail)
- prevention [after school programs]

School discipline

Values-based crime prevention

Around the world

In 20th Century, America led the forces of freedom, and stood strong for our own security in two world wars and a long twilight struggle against communism □(now, in the 21st Century, we must stand vigilant against new threats while finding new avenues to peace.

Peace

Balkans

Northern Ireland

Middle East

New threats of 21st Century

Iraq

North Korea

Terrorism/Critical Infrastructure

CTBT (seek passage this year)

* 21st Century Military

Readiness (pay increase, procurement, emergency funding, readiness study).

21st Century alliances

NATO Summit

Engagement in Asia -- Japan, South Korea, China

Democracy -- Latin America, Cuba, Africa

7. 21st Century Community

In 20th Century, we overcame many boundaries of race and class to build the most diverse and democratic society the world has ever known. In the 21st Century, we must find ways to reaffirm and reawaken the American values we all share.

At home

One America/race initiative

ENDA

Hate crimes

Strengthening democracy -- campaign reform, free TV, increasing
voting

AmeriCorps -- 100,000th member
Funding to reach 100,000 per year

America and the world

Immigration -- English as second language & civic education [from
adult literacy initiative]

Millennium

Millennium Project
Y2K

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Julie A. Fernandes (CN=Julie A. Fernandes/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 17:58:00.00

SUBJECT: tps q&a

TO: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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CC: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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CC: Leslie Bernstein (CN=Leslie Bernstein/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:

Attached are draft q&a for the WH, State, and DOJ press offices. Doris is scheduled to make the TPS announcement tomorrow morning at 11:30am. The agencies would like to have these to their press offices by first thing tomorrow.

Also, we have just received the draft press release from INS. I am faxing it over for your review. We have yet to receive the INS fact sheet, though they keep assuring us that it is on the way.

julie

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Questions & Answers
Central American Immigration Relief
December 30, 1998

Q: What is Temporary Protected Status (TPS)?

A: The Attorney General has authority to designate a country for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for 6 to 18 months if (1) there is an ongoing armed conflict within the state that would pose a serious threat to the personal safety of nationals of that state if they were returned; (2) the state has suffered an environmental disaster resulting in a substantial, temporary disruption of living conditions and is therefore unable to handle adequately the return of its nationals; or (3) other extraordinary conditions in a state prevent nationals of that state from returning in safety. Persons who apply for and receive TPS are not subject to removal and are eligible for permission to work in the United States during the time period designated by the Attorney General.

After consultation with the Department of State, the Attorney General has decided to designate Honduras and Nicaragua for TPS for a period of eighteen months. At the end of this period, the designation can be renewed.

Q: What is the difference between TPS and the stays of removal currently in place?

A: The Attorney General can stay deportations for a short period of time as an exercise of her prosecutorial discretion. However, Congress has given the AG specific authority to grant TPS under specified circumstances for a period of six to eighteen months. The grant of TPS permits affected aliens to remain in the U.S. and receive work authorization during the designated time period.

Conditions in Honduras and Nicaragua fit squarely within the TPS authorization.

Q: Has TPS been used before as a result of an environmental disaster?

A: Yes, only once. In 1997, TPS was granted to nationals of Montserrat after most of the population was forced to evacuate the island as a result of volcanic activity.

Q: Why are nationals from El Salvador and Guatemala not receiving TPS?

A: The Attorney General, after consultation with the Department of State -- and after consideration of additional information from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the Department of Defense, press accounts and non-governmental organizations -- has concluded that the effect of Hurricane Mitch in

these two countries does not warrant a TPS designation. More than 90 percent of the deaths and displacement caused by Mitch occurred in Honduras and Nicaragua. Many people continue to be displaced in Honduras and Nicaragua, while the vast majority of the displaced in El Salvador and Guatemala have returned to their homes. While the economic and infrastructure damage in El Salvador and Guatemala has been serious, it is not severe enough to warrant the AG's exercise of her TPS authority.

This decision in no way diminishes the United States' commitment to help the people of El Salvador and Guatemala rebuild their nations. The fact that these two countries will be able to receive returnees more quickly than the other two is an important indication that, in some areas within these countries, the emergency assistance phase is giving way to the rebuilding phase. We must continue to stand by our long-term commitment to Central America, including our large-scale support for assistance and rebuilding in the region.

Q: Why has the Attorney General decided to continue the stays of removal for Salvadorans and Guatemalans?

A: Though the conditions in El Salvador and Guatemala are not severe enough to warrant a TPS designation, the Attorney General -- on the recommendation of the State Department -- has decided to continue the stays of removal for another 60 days in order to: (1) preserve the *status quo* in these countries while the U.S. continues its reconstruction efforts; (2) help these countries achieve a greater level of stability before receiving a significant number of their nationals; and (3) support an orderly phase out of the stay already in place.

This stay will only apply to those who arrived in the U.S. before December 30, 1998 and will not apply to criminals.

Q: Is the Administration considering any other type of relief for Salvadorans and Guatemalans?

In the President's signing statement to the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act (NACARA), enacted in late 1997, he noted that the Administration would seek to overcome disparities created by the legislation through the implementation process. NACARA authorized virtually automatic permanent status for Nicaraguans and Cubans living in the United States, while providing Salvadorans and Guatemalans with only an opportunity to be considered under the more lenient (pre-1996 Act) rules for suspension of deportation (a form of immigration relief leading to permanent status).

The INS has recently proposed regulations implementing NACARA and will be receiving comments through the end of January. Consistent with regulatory requirements, no

decisions can or will be made on the final form of the regulations until the comment period has ended. However, the Administration remains committed to exploring all possibilities to resolve the disparity created by the legislation.

Q: How many Hondurans and Nicaraguans will benefit from TPS?

A: While precise numbers are hard to determine, we estimate that there are approximately 90,000 Hondurans and 60,000 Nicaraguans in the United States who will be eligible for TPS. However, most of these Nicaraguans (those in the U.S. before December 31, 1995) are eligible to become permanent residents under NACARA, and thus will not likely apply for TPS.

Q: How many Salvadorans and Guatemalans will benefit from the stay of removal?

A: The stay affects the return of those persons who have final orders of removal. While it is difficult to project how many people might have been removed during the next 60 days in the absence of a stay, the INS estimates that they return several hundred people to both El Salvador and Guatemala each month.

Q: Is there any concern that TPS will attract a larger flow of illegal immigrants to the United States from Honduras and Nicaragua?

A: This TPS decision only applies to people who are in the United States as of December 30, 1998. Our embassies in Central America will be communicating to the people of Central America that those who enter the U.S. after December 30, 1998 -- either legally or illegally -- will not be given TPS protection. Moreover, we must recognize that improving conditions throughout the region is the best way to avoid large migrant flows in the long-term.

Q: Why is registration for TPS for Nicaragua and Honduras limited to six months when in the past it has been possible to register throughout the designation period?

A: In administering the TPS statute, the Attorney General must be alert to the risk of fraudulent applications. A limited registration period will help assure that applicants for TPS were in the U.S. as of the date of designation. At the same time, we believe that six months is an ample period of time for eligible persons to apply.

Q: What does the Administration intend to do with migrants from Honduras and Nicaragua who arrive in the U.S. after the TPS designation date?

A: Only those Hondurans and Nicaraguans in the United States as of December 30, 1998

are eligible for TPS. Any national who arrives in the U.S. after today will be subject to normal immigration procedures.

Q: What happens to Hondurans and Nicaraguans currently in detention?

A: In general, those in detention who are eligible for TPS will be released. However, many aliens -- including those who have been convicted of a felony or two or more misdemeanors committed in the U.S. -- are not eligible for TPS and, therefore, will not be released from detention.

Q: Will nationals of Honduras and Nicaragua protected by TPS be permitted to travel to their home countries during the TPS period?

A: This will be determined by the INS on a case-by-case basis.

Q: Is the Administration considering TPS for the Dominican Republic or Haiti?

A: No. While both countries did suffer damage from Hurricane Georges, the Attorney General -- after consultation with the Department of State and other agencies -- has concluded that the effects of Georges do not warrant the exercise of her authority to make a TPS designation for these countries.

DRAFT
10/29/98
5:45pm

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 18:55:42.00

SUBJECT: SOTU

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

TEXT:

Wanted to share two other thoughts:

As part of the family agenda, it is worth highlighting FMLA expansion (lowering the threshold to businesses with 25 employees). There is live interest in the women's community on this and we supported it last year but it didn't get amplified. Would seem like a new initiative.

What's your thinking on whether to include a section on choice? (family planning increase to lower teen pregnancy or ending violence against women's health clinics, a goal we all share.)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Stacie Spector (CN=Stacie Spector/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 10:57:52.00

SUBJECT: Please join Ed Evnt mtg Rm 173.

TO: JON (Pager) #ORSZAG (JON (Pager) #ORSZAG [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: JONATHON (Pager) #KAPLAN (JONATHON (Pager) #KAPLAN [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: JON (Pager) #SCHNUR (JON (Pager) #SCHNUR [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: MICHAEL (Pager) #COHEN (MICHAEL (Pager) #COHEN [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: CHERI (Pager) #CARTER (CHERI (Pager) #CARTER [UNKNOWN])

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TO: ANDREW (Pager) #MAYOCK (ANDREW (Pager) #MAYOCK [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 16:39:40.00

SUBJECT: Family Agenda

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I wanted to weigh in on having an explicit family agenda articulated in the SOTU. I think it's important for two reasons: 1) We need a piece which will appeal to women's groups (I haven't been made aware of another section which will do that); 2) The women's community won't be very happy if we embrace a privatization component to social security reform. Let's front load those policies supported by the President which do appeal to them.

Let me know if I can be of help in organizing a preview meeting with key groups. We should also think about a preview meeting with the Democratic Congresswoman. I'll raise the latter with Larry and Janet.

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CREATOR: Beverly J. Barnes (CN=Beverly J. Barnes/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 10:12:26.00

SUBJECT: LA Times Clip on Child Violence Initiative

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

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

TO: Stacie Spector (CN=Stacie Spector/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: Heather M. Riley (CN=Heather M. Riley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jose Cerda III (CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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TO: Kevin S. Moran (CN=Kevin S. Moran/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Ann F. Lewis (CN=Ann F. Lewis/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: 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

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

CC: Susanna B. McGuire (CN=Susanna B. McGuire/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Just FYI: Although the child violence initiative story did run in the LA Times this morning, it did not make it into the clips because the LA Times wire did not carry the story and we do not receive the hard copy of the newspaper until after our clips distribution deadline. The story has been cut for inclusion in tomorrow's clip packet. It will be marked with today's date. Thanks. bb

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 10:31:42.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Mary mcGrory from the Washington post is in Upper Press & wants to meet w/
you to discuss the event

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 15:24:17.00

SUBJECT: Food Safety

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Mary L. Smith (CN=Mary L. Smith/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

This is a draft page on the budget that both USDA (Olsen) and FDA (Schultz) have looked at. As I note, we are still clarifying the FDA budget numbers. ===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====

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The new funds are to be shared by the Department of Agriculture (USDA), which would receive \$32 million, and the Department of Health and Human Services would receive about \$40 million for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Improving Domestic and International Food Safety Inspections

The President proposes to greatly expand inspections of domestic and imported food products. He would ensure that the FDA inspect every high risk food manufacturer under its jurisdiction in the United States at least once each year (FDA is still checking). (Other food manufacturers would be inspected twice as often as they are now. **FDA checking to see if they can still do with \$30 million**) Imported food would also be subject to increased scrutiny. FDA would double the number of inspections conducted of foreign food production systems from 100 to 200. The FDA has jurisdiction over all food products except meat, poultry, and egg products, which are under USDA's jurisdiction. For USDA, which conducts daily inspections of meat and poultry products, funds would be provided for continuing phase-in of HACCP, the Agriculture Department's science-based, prevention-oriented meat and poultry inspection system, which has already helped to reduce significantly dangerous pathogens levels. HACCP, currently in effect in the nation's largest plants, will be phased in at smaller plants over the next 13 months.

The President's plan also envisions even greater coordination among federal and state agencies handling food safety issues. For the first time, state and federal inspection results will be shared by electronic connection, reducing overlapping efforts and enhancing the ability of authorities to focus on public health improvements. USDA will strengthen its 26 federal-state partnerships to facilitate the interstate shipment of state-inspected meat and poultry products.

Public Health Research and Surveillance

The funding increase would also enable better surveillance of foodborne illness. CDC would expand its foodborne illness monitoring system, called "FoodNet," and its computerized database to identify unique illness "fingerprints," called "PulseNet." This expanded surveillance network is the heart of our nation's foodborne disease early warning system and was helpful in identifying the recent *Listeria monocytogenes* outbreak.

Finally, USDA and FDA's food safety research efforts would also benefit from the President's budget proposal. Expanded research would focus on:

- creating new detection tests for dangerous contaminants such as Salmonella in eggs, Cyclospora in fresh produce, and test methods for E. Coli 0157:H7 in foods in which it cannot now be tested,
- helping farmers better control potentially dangerous bacteria and fungi in fruits and vegetables,
- combating antibiotic resistance in food-producing animals,

The President's Joint Institute of Food Safety Research will continue developing a strategic plan for conducting and coordinating all federal food safety research efforts and work closely with the private sector and academia in the process.

The President's proposal builds on a strong record of food safety accomplishments, ensuring that Americans eat the safest possible food. **Last year, the President proposed a \$101 million increase in food safety funding, more than \$80 million of which was ultimately approved by Congress in the final budget. The Administration has put in place improved safety standards for meat, poultry, and seafood product, and has begun the process of developing enhanced standards for fruit and vegetable juices. [Add other accomps.]** With these funds the Administration has put in place improved safety standards for meat, poultry, and seafood product, and has begun the process of developing enhanced standards for fruit and vegetable juices. [Add other accomps.]

Insert Budget Table

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CREATOR: Paul D. Glastris (CN=Paul D. Glastris/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 11:42:56.00

SUBJECT: Social promotion speech

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

TEXT:

I understand that we will include in this speech a principal from Chicago and a parent. FYI, in looking for a student to feature in the SOTU, I've talked to the Chicago schools people and to the principal of Jenner elementary, whom I talked to in the fall in writing a speech for the POTUS' visit to that school. She may have found the kids I'm looking for (held behind, placed in summer school, jumped a grade level in reading).

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Victoria A. Wachino (CN=Victoria A. Wachino/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-DEC-1998 18:02:08.00

SUBJECT: Comments on draft tobacco memo

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

CC: Joshua Gotbaum (CN=Joshua Gotbaum/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TEXT:

Josh and Jack asked me to forward you one comment on the tobacco memo:
They'd recommend stating that the budget does not include funds for
farmers or increases for tobacco-related public health programs.

Jack may also convey additional comments to you separately. Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mary L. Smith (CN=Mary L. Smith/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 15:17:40.00

SUBJECT: Food Safety Leak

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:

FDA tells me that Rochelle Sharp from the Wall Street Journal called him today because she had heard that we might leak the food safety numbers.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jeffrey A. Shesol (CN=Jeffrey A. Shesol/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 12:09:46.00

SUBJECT: long-term care remarks -- draft 12/30 12:00pm -- comments to Jeff Shesol (

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

TO: Eli G. Attie (CN=Eli G. Attie/O=OVP @ OVP [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Tracy Pakulniewicz (CN=Tracy Pakulniewicz/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TO: Gene B. Sperling (CN=Gene B. Sperling/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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Draft 12/30/98 12:00pm
Jeff Shesol

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS ON LONG-TERM CARE
THE WHITE HOUSE
January 4, 1999**

Acknowledgments: the First Lady; the VP (via satellite from California); Secs. Rubin and Shalala; Janice LaChance, OPM; person TBD

Another new year is upon us -- a time for celebration, and, perhaps, a time to feel a little bit older. If we do, we are not alone. America may be young in spirit; our nation may have all the energy and intensity and ambition of youth; but our people are aging. On the verge of the new century, we are undergoing a profound, seismic demographic shift. Today I want to talk about the ways we are going to meet the challenges of this new America.

Simply put: The baby boom will soon become the senior boom. And, like the baby boom did in decades past, the senior boom will change the face of America. During the next 30 years, 76 million baby boomers will join -- and greatly expand -- the ranks of the retired. The number of elderly Americans will double by 2030. By the middle of the next century, the average American will live to 82, six years longer than today.

Longer lives will also be stronger, healthier lives, thanks to medical science. Already, older Americans are redefining retirement. They are proving that, rather than an ending, it can be a new beginning: a time to learn new ideas, start a new business, travel to new and distant lands.

Still, aging is inevitable; and so are the infirmities of age. Nearly half the people over 85 -- one of the fastest-growing segments of the American population -- need help with everyday tasks. Eating. Dressing. Going to the doctor. We cannot expect all or even most older Americans to fend for themselves. We cannot expect it and we would never wish it. Nor would we, in every case, send an aging relative to a nursing home. Millions require the kind of care only a nursing home can provide, but millions more choose to remain at home, close to family and friends.

Indeed, the elderly and disabled are staying at home in record numbers, cared for by those who care the very most. Today, more than 22 million households are caring for elderly relatives and even neighbors. It is, more and more, a common choice, but it is rarely an easy one. Since long-term care at home is rarely covered by private insurance or Medicare, out-of-pocket expenses can be high. So, too, are the professional costs. Caregivers who hold jobs outside the home -- and that is a vast majority -- may have to take unpaid leave or work fewer hours to fulfill all their responsibilities. Caregiving is, in countless ways, vital, meaningful work; but it can also be stressful work.

The Vice President just told you what we've been doing to ease the burdens on families: by improving nursing homes, strengthening Medicare, and making Medicaid more flexible. But America, in the 21st Century, will be a nation of caregivers; so there is more work to be done.

Today, I am announcing a bold initiative to give care to the caregivers -- to help Americans provide for aging and ailing loved ones. The size of the senior boom demands it. The length of our lives makes it more important than ever. And so does the sacrifice of American families -- 22 million households putting the well-being of relatives or neighbors above their own.

To improve long-term care in America, to give it the priority and support these families deserve, there are four things we must do. First, I am proposing a long-term care tax credit -- up to \$1,000 for people with long-term care needs or for the families that shelter them. It is far better to devote this money to help keep the elderly and disabled at home than to spend the same amount to have them live away from home. Our parents worked and saved and sacrificed to care for us in our youth. Adult children are working and saving and sacrificing to care for their parents in old age. It is the cycle of life -- a vital and sacred compact among generations -- and one we should recognize and reward as a nation. This targeted tax cut, paid for in our balanced budget, would help offset the direct costs of long-term care -- home health visits, adult day care -- as well as the indirect costs, like the unpaid leave some caregivers take from work. The care they provide is invaluable; but we can show we value it very much indeed.

Second, we should create a Family Caregiver Support Program -- a new national network to support Americans who care for the chronically ill or disabled. In decades past, families could do little for ailing relatives but give them shelter and love. Today, due to advances in science, caregivers tend to everything from dialysis to depression, and prepare everything from intravenous meals to the paperwork that is, it seems, an inescapable part of modern medicine. This initiative enables states to create "one-stop shops" -- providing critical information, caregiver counseling, and respite and adult day care services to families that need them. They want to provide the best possible care; we want to do everything in our power to help them.

That is why, third, we must educate Medicare beneficiaries about long-term care options. This is an efficient way to answer people's essential questions: What are my choices? What should I look for in a private long-term care insurance policy? By launching a national educational campaign, we can help ensure that people in need get the answers -- and the quality care -- they deserve.

Fourth, I am proposing that we offer private long-term care insurance to federal employees. The federal government can, in this way, use its power as the nation's largest employer to set a national example -- promoting high-quality and affordable care to hundreds of thousands of workers.

There is no single solution to the challenges of caregiving. But together, these initiatives

represent a powerful force for positive change. To fulfill our fundamental obligation to America's elderly and disabled, we, too, must act together -- as members of both parties, of two branches of government, putting progress above partisanship for the sake of our people. That means giving care to the caregivers by taking these important steps. It also means strengthening Medicare, and, as I have said many times in the past year, it means saving Social Security for the 21st Century -- for Social Security, too, is a sacred trust between generations. We now have a remarkable opportunity to strengthen it for the future; we must make the most of it.

The senior boom is one of the central challenges of the coming century. If we face these challenges together and make them our top priorities, if we make the efforts I have described today, then we can prove what no generation in history has had the opportunity to prove -- that the infirmities of age need not be the indignities of age. Thank you.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 15:07:41.00

SUBJECT: I called Mimi Hall/USA T twice since 1:00, left detailed messages, no call

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: 4697 (4697 @ WHCA [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 14:45:48.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

OMB just dropped off tobacco tables upstairs; also Mary Beth Donahue wants to talk ASAP 690-7431

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 15:57:07.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI- Lockhart is having a weekend shows/press strategy roll-out in his office at 4:30 today

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mary L. Smith (CN=Mary L. Smith/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-DEC-1998 18:59:01.00

SUBJECT: new talking points signed off by OMB

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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TEXT:

Here are the talking points that have signed off by OMB. I have a new chart that has total food safety funding.===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====
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Improving Domestic and International Food Safety Inspections

The President proposes to greatly expand inspections of domestic and imported food products. The President's food safety budget would ensure that the FDA inspect, at least once every year, every domestic high risk food manufacturer (manufacturers that **produce ready-to-eat foods that support bacterial growth such as raw and pre-cooked seafood products**). **Currently, each of the 6200 domestic high risk food manufacturers are inspected every 3-4 years.**

Imported food would also be subject to increased scrutiny. FDA would more than double the number of inspections conducted of foreign food processors from 100 to more than 250. The FDA technical experts also will examine the food growing, processing, and transportation systems in additional foreign countries to determine if they meet high standards for safe production. The FDA has jurisdiction over all food products except meat, poultry, and egg products, which are under USDA's jurisdiction. For USDA, which conducts daily inspections of meat and poultry products, funds would be provided for continuing phase-in of Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP), the Agriculture Department's science-based, prevention-oriented meat and poultry inspection system, which has already helped to reduce significantly dangerous pathogens levels. HACCP is currently in effect in the nation's approximately 300 largest plants which account for 75 percent of the volume of meat and poultry production in the United States. HACCP will be phased in at the over 2,700 smaller plants (those employing 10 to 499 employees) starting in January 1999, with the result that a total of 90 percent of meat and poultry production will be covered.

The President's plan also envisions even greater coordination among federal and state agencies handling food safety issues. For the first time, state and federal inspection results will be shared by electronic connection, reducing overlapping efforts and enhancing the ability of authorities to focus on public health improvements. Developing a nationally integrated food safety system at the federal, state, and local levels will allow greater uniformity and the use of common standards among the states and Federal government in ensuring food safety. USDA will strengthen its 26 federal-state partnerships to facilitate the interstate shipment of state-inspected meat and poultry products. Current law prohibits the mostly small plants that are

subject to state inspections from shipping interstate. USDA is working with the states and all constituent groups on a legislative proposal that would permit plants subject to state inspections to ship interstate on the condition that they implement HACCP and are subject to enhanced federal oversight.

Public Health Research and Surveillance

The funding increase would also enable better surveillance of foodborne illness. CDC would expand its foodborne illness monitoring system, called "FoodNet," and its computerized database to identify unique illness "DNA fingerprints," called "PulseNet." The new funds will allow PulseNet to expand its network of laboratories in state health departments for subtyping *E.coli* (currently 29 labs) and *Salmonella* (currently 15 labs) to 40 labs for each, and will permit FoodNet to expand the number of foodborne pathogens that it monitors. The expanded surveillance network is the heart of our nation's foodborne disease early warning system and was already helpful in identifying the recent *Listeria monocytogenes* outbreak.

Finally, USDA and FDA's food safety research efforts would also benefit from the President's budget proposal. Expanded research would focus on:

- creating new detection tests for dangerous contaminants such as *Salmonella* in eggs, *Cyclospora* in fresh produce, and test methods for *E. Coli* 0157:H7 in foods in which it cannot now be tested. Such tests would have been useful, for example, when the cyclospora outbreak occurred in 1996 and 1997 from tainted raspberries. In that case, scientists had no test to find the contaminant in the berries.
- helping farmers better control potentially dangerous bacteria and fungi in fruits and vegetables.
- combating antibiotic resistance in pathogens that colonize food-producing animals.

The President's Joint Institute of Food Safety Research will continue developing a strategic plan for conducting and coordinating all federal food safety research efforts and will work closely with the private sector and academia in the process.

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Description of Agency Initiative Allocations and Functions

FDA (\$30 million):

\$3.6M - Antibiotic Resistance Activities.

\$5M - Surveillance. Connect FDA labs to the CDC Pulse Net system and to state laboratories, and to do additional tracebacks for the source of contamination when disease outbreaks occur.

\$16.9M - Inspections.

\$11.9 - Domestic Inspections. High risk inspections accomplished at least once every year per plant, including the necessary followup when problems are found; would allow HACCP training; \$3M of this funding would go to states.

\$5M for Imported Food Inspections. Increased inspections of imports and for evaluation of other countries' food production systems.

\$1M - Education. Targeted at high risk populations, such as the elderly, very young, and immune compromised.

\$3.5M - Research and Risk Assessment. Would allow development of additional test methods to detect pathogens and to assess preventive control techniques. Would allow new information to become available about how much of a contaminant must be in a food to make people sick (such as Listeria) and how certain contaminants (such as Salmonella) can be controlled.

USDA (\$32 million):

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

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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Tom wanted to know if he should call the food safety groups this afternoon. Let me know, Mary

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Here is a new chart showing budget numbers from FY93 to present. Also please note that the FY99 increase has changed from \$82.8 million to \$95 million because USDA inspector salaries and other base operations were added in. This makes an 11.8 percent increase for FY99 and a 11.7 percent increase for FY2000. ===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====
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FY 2000 Food Safety Initiative

President Clinton will recommend a \$72 million expansion of his National Food Safety Initiative in his fiscal 2000 budget proposal. If enacted, the budget would result in a third year of significant growth in government efforts to prevent potentially deadly foodborne illness through a comprehensive, science-based inspection, surveillance, research and education initiative. The new funds are to be shared by the Department of Agriculture (USDA), which would receive \$32 million, and the Department of Health and Human Services which would receive a total of \$40 million, \$30 million for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and \$10 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Improving Domestic and International Food Safety Inspections

The President proposes to greatly expand inspections of domestic and imported food products. The President's food safety budget would ensure that the FDA inspect, at least once every year, every domestic high risk food manufacturer (manufacturers that **produce ready-to-eat foods that support bacterial growth such as raw and pre-cooked seafood products**). **Currently, each of the 6200 domestic high risk food manufacturers are inspected every 3-4 years.**

Imported food would also be subject to increased scrutiny. FDA would more than double the number of inspections conducted of foreign food processors from 100 to more than 250. The FDA technical experts also will examine the food growing, processing, and transportation systems in additional foreign countries to determine if they meet high standards for safe production. The FDA has jurisdiction over all food products except meat, poultry, and egg products, which are under USDA's jurisdiction. For USDA, which conducts daily inspections of meat and poultry products, funds would be provided for continuing phase-in of Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP), the Agriculture Department's science-based, prevention-oriented meat and poultry inspection system, which has already helped to reduce significantly dangerous pathogens levels. HACCP is currently in effect in the nation's approximately 300 largest plants which account for 75 percent of the volume of meat and poultry production in the United States. HACCP will be phased in at the over 2,700 smaller plants (those employing 10 to 499 employees) starting in January 1999, with the result that a total of 90 percent of meat and poultry production will be covered.

The President's plan also envisions even greater coordination among federal and state agencies handling food safety issues. For the first time, state and federal inspection results will be shared by electronic connection, reducing overlapping efforts and enhancing the ability of authorities to focus on public health improvements. Developing a nationally integrated food safety system at the federal, state, and local levels will allow greater uniformity and the use of common standards among the states and Federal government in ensuring food safety. USDA will strengthen its 26 federal-state partnerships to facilitate the interstate shipment of state-inspected meat and poultry products. Current law prohibits the mostly small plants that are

subject to state inspections from shipping interstate. USDA is working with the states and all constituent groups on a legislative proposal that would permit plants subject to state inspections to ship interstate on the condition that they implement HACCP and are subject to enhanced federal oversight.

Public Health Research and Surveillance

The funding increase would also enable better surveillance of foodborne illness. CDC would expand its foodborne illness monitoring system, called "FoodNet," and its computerized database to identify unique illness "DNA fingerprints," called "PulseNet." The new funds will allow PulseNet to expand its network of laboratories in state health departments for subtyping E.coli (currently 29 labs) and Salmonella (currently 15 labs) to 40 labs for each, and will permit FoodNet to expand the number of foodborne pathogens that it monitors. The expanded surveillance network is the heart of our nation's foodborne disease early warning system and was already helpful in identifying the recent *Listeria monocytogenes* outbreak.

Finally, USDA and FDA's food safety research efforts would also benefit from the President's budget proposal. Expanded research would focus on:

- creating new detection tests for dangerous contaminants such as Salmonella in eggs, Cyclospora in fresh produce, and test methods for E. Coli 0157:H7 in foods in which it cannot now be tested. Such tests would have been useful, for example, when the cyclospora outbreak occurred in 1996 and 1997 from tainted raspberries. In that case, scientists had no test to find the contaminant in the berries.
- helping farmers better control potentially dangerous bacteria and fungi in fruits and vegetables.
- combating antibiotic resistance in pathogens that colonize food-producing animals.

The President's Joint Institute of Food Safety Research will continue developing a strategic plan for conducting and coordinating all federal food safety research efforts and will work closely with the private sector and academia in the process.

The President's proposal builds on a strong record of food safety accomplishments, ensuring that Americans eat the safest possible food. **Last year, the President proposed a \$101 million increase in food safety funding, more than \$80 million of which was ultimately approved by Congress in the final budget. The Administration has put in place improved safety standards for meat, poultry, and seafood product, and has begun the process of developing enhanced standards for fruit and vegetable juices.**

Description of Agency Initiative Allocations and Functions

FDA (\$30 million):

\$3.6M - Antibiotic Resistance Activities.

\$5M - Surveillance. Connect FDA labs to the CDC Pulse Net system and to state laboratories, and to do additional tracebacks for the source of contamination when disease outbreaks occur.

\$16.9M - Inspections.

\$11.9 - Domestic Inspections. High risk inspections accomplished at least once every year per plant, including the necessary followup when problems are found; would allow HACCP training; \$3M of this funding would go to states.

\$5M for Imported Food Inspections. Increased inspections of imports and for evaluation of other countries' food production systems.

\$1M - Education. Targeted at high risk populations, such as the elderly, very young, and immune compromised.

\$3.5M - Research and Risk Assessment. Would allow development of additional test methods to detect pathogens and to assess preventive control techniques. Would allow new information to become available about how much of a contaminant must be in a food to make people sick (such as Listeria) and how certain contaminants (such as Salmonella) can be controlled.

USDA (\$32 million):

\$0.5M - Surveillance. Would improve emergency outbreak response coordination.

\$2.4M - Inspections. Would enhance the Federal-State inspection partnerships.

\$0.9M - Education. Would improve food safety education to producers, retailers and consumers; and would improve food service institution food safety education.

\$22.6M - Research. To develop better techniques to assess exposure to health risks in food, develop improved detection methods, increase understanding of antimicrobial and antibiotic drug resistance, and develop methods to reduce health risks in food handling and distribution.

\$5.6M - Risk Assessment. Would develop better techniques to assess exposure to health risks in food.

CDC (\$10 million):

\$10M - Surveillance. Would **expand the scope of FoodNet (monitoring of foodborne illness) and the capacity of PulseNet (DNA fingerprinting) to better capture pathogen DNA fingerprints of both *E. coli* O157:H7 and *Salmonella enteritidis* and include more state health departments in the network.**

TOTAL FOOD SAFETY FUNDING (In millions)				
	1999 Appr.	Incr. Over FY98	2000 Request	Increase over FY99
USDA	718	65*	783***	65***
HHS (CDC, FDA)	177.8	30	218	40
Totals	895.8	95	1001	105
Percentage Increase		11.8**		11.7%

*Note this number has increased from the \$52.8 million for the Food Safety Initiative to \$65 million to include other base food safety activities.

**Percentage also updated.

***Includes a \$33 million increase for salaries for inspectors and other related activities in addition to the \$32 million increase for the President's Food Safety Initiative.

PRESIDENT'S FOOD SAFETY INITIATIVE (In millions)					
	Incr. Over FY97	1999 Appr.*	Incr. Over FY98	2000 Request*	Increase over FY99
USDA	8.8	119.1	52.8	151	32
HHS (CDC, FDA)	34	177.8	30	218	40
Totals	42.8	296.9	82.8	369	72
Percentage Increase			39%		24%

*Includes only the 6 components of the May 1997 Food Safety Initiative:

1. Expansion of the Federal food safety surveillance system.

2. Better coordination among Federal, State, and local health authorities.
3. Implementation of improved inspection strategies.
4. Improved risk assessment capabilities.
5. Additional research.
6. More food safety education for consumers and retail food service workers.

Clinton Administration Accomplishments In Improving Food Safety

The President's announcement builds on a strong record of food safety initiatives, ensuring that Americans eat the safest possible food. The Administration has put into place improved safety standards for meat, poultry, and seafood products, and has begun the process of developing enhanced standards for fruit and vegetable juices. The Administration also has expanded research, education, and surveillance activities throughout the food safety system.

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Agric	495		510	15	533	23	567	34	570	3	630	60	653	23	718	65
HHS			104*	--	109*	5	111*	2	117*	6	114	(-3)	147	33	178	30
Total			614		642	28	678	36	687	9	744	57	800	56	896	95
%						4.6%		5.6%		1.3%		8.3%		7.5%		11.8

*Estimated numbers