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SUBJECT: Briefings of Academics on Welfare Reform Efforts

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As part of the Working Group's on-going communication strategy, we are planning to schedule welfare reform briefings with key academic opinion-leaders in the next few weeks. I have attached a list of 130 academics pulled from the Working Group's mailing list for your review. Please look this list over and identify your priority targets and add any additional parties for this round of briefings as required.

We are facing some scheduling constraints with the holidays ahead, so please try and review this list and send your recommendations to me by Friday, December 10, 1993.

If you or your staff have any questions, please call me at 401-6958. My fax number for responses is 202-205-9688. Thank you for your help.

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RE: Welfare Reform Briefings of Academic Opinion Leaders

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After consulting with several Working Group members and staff, the following first draft list of candidates for welfare reform briefings has emerged. I am still awaiting responses from several offices, so this list should continue to grow.

The tentative date for the first large group briefing of academic opinion-leaders is Wednesday, January 12, 1994, from 3-5 p.m.. The information regarding the meeting room, format, agenda, and briefing materials is forthcoming.

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