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14-Oct-1993 07:24pm

TO: (See Below)
FROM: Jonathan P. Gill
Office of Media Affairs
SUBJECT: NAFTA Notes 1993-10-14

The White House

NAFTA NOTES

Thursday, October 14, 1993

Reps. Baesler, Pryce Back NAFTA After Meeting with President

* After a meeting with the President at the White House with a group of their Congressional colleagues, Representatives Scotty Baesler (D-KY), and Deborah Pryce (R-OH) came out in support of NAFTA. "Americans have always exhibited a willingness to face competition anywhere it is found around the globe," Rep. Baesler said. "A retreat from NAFTA is to retreat from the American experience."

* "I am pretty committed now," Rep. Pryce told reporters after the meeting. "There is now a comfort level for me to do the right thing" on NAFTA, Pryce said.

* The President will meet again today with another group of lawmakers to continue his personal efforts to build support for Congressional approval of NAFTA.

VP, Cabinet Discuss NAFTA with VA, MD Business & Community Leaders

* Continuing the successful state leadership days, the Vice President, OMB Director Leon Panetta, EPA Administrator Carol Browner, and NAFTA Coordinator William Daley, met yesterday with over 100 business, environmental and community leaders from Virginia and Georgia to discuss job creation and other benefits of NAFTA in their states. Georgia and Alabama leaders arrive today to continue the state-by-state dialogue.

Energy Secretary O'Leary Announces Report on Oil Industry Benefits Under NAFTA

* In a speech in Oklahoma City yesterday, Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary announced a Commerce Department report which found that the Oil and Gas Equipment sector will benefit greatly from the approval of NAFTA. Tariffs on over 80 percent of such equipment will be eliminated within 5 years, with the rest phased-out within 10 years. The Mexican market for oil and gas machinery was \$1.5 billion in 1992, and is expected to grow by 15 percent annually through 1994. NAFTA will also open up procurement by Mexican state-owned energy companies such as PEMEX and CFE, which have a combined budget of over \$8 billion. The Petroleum Manufacturers and Suppliers Association estimates that exports of its members products will triple under NAFTA, creating up to 3,000 new jobs.

NAFTA Fact

* An Atlanta-based Environmental Technology company, Law Environmental, announced Tuesday that it had won a contract to design and build a wastewater treatment plant in central Mexico. The company recently entered into a joint venture with a Mexican company to service the growing environmental cleanup and technology market in Mexico -- a \$1.1 billion market in 1992.

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There is a meeting on NAFTA tomorrow morning.

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22-Oct-1993 05:55pm

TO: (See Below)

FROM: Jonathan P. Gill
Office of Media Affairs

SUBJECT: NAFTA Notes 1993-10-22

The White House

NAFTA NOTES

Friday, October 22, 1993

Japanese Trade Official Blasts NAFTA,
Says It Would Make It Harder for Japan to Compete with U.S.

* A senior official in the Japanese Trade Ministry blasted NAFTA, saying that it would make it harder for the Japanese auto industry and other producers to compete with the U.S., the Associated Press reported. Yasuo Tanabe told the world congress of the International Chamber of Commerce in Mexico City Wednesday night that NAFTA had elements of "sneaky protectionism", making it more difficult for Japan's automakers to compete in North America.

Senator Moseley-Braun Endorses NAFTA
as Good for U.S. Workers, Jobs

* Senator Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL) yesterday endorsed NAFTA, saying the "history of opening up trade is a history of increasing economic growth. When trade barriers are removed, trade increases. When trade increases, jobs are created. It's just that simple." The world has changed, Braun said, with economies becoming more intertwined than ever before. "NAFTA is about meeting that change and facing the future," she said. Her announcement came the day after her Senate colleague Paul Simon endorsed NAFTA.

* Speaking directly to organized labor she stated: "I would not support NAFTA if I thought it was responsible for the job losses Americans have been experiencing or if it would rob our economy of new jobs. It is because, after long and careful study, I am convinced that it will help American workers, instead

of hurt them, that I am supporting NAFTA." Moseley-Braun said that defeating NAFTA would only maintain that status quo, "which is not in anyone's interest, including American workers", and would not change the fact that jobs have left the U.S. "If anything," the Senator stated, "NAFTA will encourage U.S. companies that have factories in Asia to move back to North America."

Rep. Kennedy Calls for Strong Leadership In Support of NAFTA

* Saying yesterday that "NAFTA is going to create a lot of good, high wage jobs" in Massachusetts," Rep. Joe Kennedy (D-MA) called for "strong leadership" to approve NAFTA. "When President Kennedy took the then-unpopular step of lowering trade barriers in the early 1960's," he said, "this nation experienced one of the longest runs of economic prosperity any nation had experienced in the history of the world. ...In sum," Kennedy concluded, "NAFTA means more American jobs and more jobs in Massachusetts."

Consider NAFTA a Border Control Tool - Immigration: Expansion of job opportunities in Mexico is the only long-term answer.

* "By supporting NAFTA, California will help provide the only real, sustainable way to substantially halt illegal immigration."

- Attorney General Janet Reno in today's Los Angeles Times

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22-Oct-1993 06:20pm

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FROM: Jonathan P. Gill
Office of Media Affairs

SUBJECT: NAFTA Notes 1993-10-21

The White House

NAFTA NOTES

Thursday, October 21, 1993

Senator Simon Says NAFTA Will Strengthen U.S. Economy

* Echoing President Clinton's argument at NAFTA at Jobs and Products Day that no country can create jobs without expanding trade, Senator Paul Simon (D-IL) endorsed NAFTA saying "I have come to believe that NAFTA will strengthen the nation's economy." Simon noted his vote against fast-track two years ago, but said he decided upon further reflection to endorse NAFTA. Asserting that the facts supporting NAFTA were stronger than the politics of NAFTA, Simon stated that "those of us in the Senate who believe NAFTA will be good for the United States need to provide leadership so that our colleagues in the House who are wavering know that they are not alone. Political prudence for Senators requires silence. Political leadership requires a stand."

* Simon said that in the short-term NAFTA "will create jobs in the United States and raise the standard of living of most people in both nations slightly." He disagreed with claims that NAFTA would cause U.S. plants to move. "The myth that NAFTA will result in a huge transfer of plants to Mexico is exactly that: a myth," Simon asserted. "There are economic advantages for that transfer now that will not be there after NAFTA is approved." Simon concluded that the "world's economy is moving on. We can hunker down and let it pass over us as we see our standard of living decline, or we can welcome the challenge of tomorrow and the opportunity to work with other nations as we rebuild our own. NAFTA offers us an opportunity to follow the wiser course."

* After his speech at NAFTA Jobs and Products Day, President Clinton praised Simon's stand, telling Illinois reporters

"everybody knows that nobody pulls Paul Simon's chain -- he didn't do this for me or anybody else, he did it because he sat down and thought about it and decided it was the right thing to do. I think that everybody in America who knows Paul Simon thinks that he would only do this if he thought it was the right thing to do and in the interests of the people of Illinois."

Rep. Edwards Endorses; Sees Tide Turning in Favor of NAFTA

* Speaking to reporters after meeting with the President on Tuesday, Rep. Chet Edwards (D-TX) endorsed NAFTA, saying that the debate was "a case of the politics of facts versus the politics of fear." Edwards noted that a recent study by the University of Texas found that Texas would gain six jobs for every job lost under NAFTA. "That's good news for Texans," Edwards said. "The fear that millions of American workers would be hurt by NAFTA," Edwards stated, "has been pushed by politicians more interested in their own future elections than in the future of our country."

* "There is still a tough battle ahead in Congress," Edwards concluded, "but I believe the tide is turning in favor of NAFTA."

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25-Oct-1993 12:56pm

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FROM: Jonathan P. Gill
Office of Media Affairs

SUBJECT: NAFTA Notes 1993-10-25

The White House

NAFTA NOTES

Monday, October 25, 1993

President Clinton Continues to Press NAFTA in Public Remarks

* President Clinton continued to press the importance of NAFTA in creating jobs in nearly all his public remarks last week. "The most important fight we're going to have between now and the end of the year on the change front is the fight to ratify [NAFTA]," the President told the Executive Leadership Council Thursday night. "...And so I ask you as Americans to help us in this next month convince the United States Congress that the people who are pleading with them to vote against this treaty have ...legitimate fears, legitimate hurt, legitimate worries. But they are imposing on NAFTA the accumulated resentment for the last 15 years, and it doesn't deserve to have it. If you look at the facts, it will make those problems better, not worse."

* Clinton also talked to reporters about NAFTA after meeting with Republican members of Congress on NAFTA. Telling them that he had "a hard working week", Clinton said, "I have made several congressional meetings and, of course, we had the great products fair with Mr. Iacocca. ...I've made, also, a large number of personal phone calls to Democrats this week, and I think we're making some good progress."

* Finally, the President again discussed NAFTA as part of his radio address on Saturday. Clinton told Americans that uncertainty is making it harder to make the changes that are needed. "I see evidence of that uncertainty, that insecurity, as I struggle to expand trade opportunities for our people through passing [NAFTA]," he said, "as I struggle to convince people that we should open our markets to others and force other markets open so that we can sell more of our high-tech equipment around the world".

"The KO Clinton Needs: NAFTA"
- David Nyhan, The Boston Globe, October 24, 1993

* "Take my advice," Columnist David Nyhan wrote in The Boston Globe yesterday. "Be for NAFTA ...beware any spitball artist who comes to you with that wheezy argument that opens with 'the devil is in the details, right.' Wrong, wrong, wrong." Nyhan discussed Rep. Kennedy's and former Speaker O'Neill's endorsement of NAFTA, writing that when Kennedy endorsed, "union spokesmen went ballistic ...Expanded trade to Mexico and Canada will create thousands of jobs here, for a huge net employment gain. Kennedy is right [to have backed NAFTA]."

* "You can find the sophisticated economic argument for NAFTA elsewhere," Nyhan concluded. "I'm giving you the political argument. Clinton needs to win the NAFTA vote because it is about the future. The opponents cling to the past. No question, NAFTA will cost us some jobs. But the evidence is compelling, if not overwhelming, that it will create more jobs than it costs in the short run. It must pass, or the rest of the world passes us by.

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