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September 27, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
THE SECRETARY OF LABOR
THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY
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THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
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THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF
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FROM: THE VICE PRESIDENT
CAROL RASCO

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S PREVENTION COUNCIL AND
THE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE BOARD

As you know, when the President signed into law the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 on September 13, 1994, he designated us as Chair and Vice Chair of the Ounce of Prevention Council. In these roles, our mandate is to oversee and coordinate the Administration's crime prevention programs and to integrate the work of the Prevention Council with the work of the Community Enterprise Board (which includes the entire membership of the Prevention Council). A copy of the President's memorandum is attached.

We are honored to accept this responsibility. And, we are anxious for the Council to begin its task of coordinating, integrating, and streamlining the various crime prevention programs throughout the Executive branch as well as to further the development of additional effective approaches to crime prevention.

Before the Council can actually begin work, however, we need certain information from each of you. First, we request that each member of the Council designate a deputy or other senior official from your agency/department to represent your agency/department on a staff-level Prevention Council working group. Second, we request that each member of the Board identify all existing crime prevention programs within your agency's/department's jurisdiction -- including (1) summer and after-school educational and recreational programs; (2) mentoring and tutoring programs; (3) programs designed to assist and promote employability and job placement; and (4) programs designed to prevent or treat substance abuse, child abuse, and teenage pregnancy.

Please provide this information to Kumiki Gibson (Office of the Vice President - OEOB #268) no later than October 15, 1994. Soon after we receive this information, we will convene the working group and, then, a meeting of the Prevention Council itself to discuss how we will proceed further. Please feel free to call Kumiki (202/456-7022) if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Thank you for all of your cooperation on this matter; we very much appreciate it.

Attachment