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June 27, 1995

JOG WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS ATHLETES

Date: Thursday, June 29, 1995

Time: 7:15 a.m.

Location: Washington, D.C.

From: Janet Abrams

I. PURPOSE

To show support for the upcoming Special Olympics World Games, taking place July 1-9 in New Haven, Connecticut.

II. BACKGROUND

The 1995 Special Olympics World Games will be the largest sporting event in the world this year and the largest Special Olympics ever, with 7100 athletes with mental retardation from more than 140 countries scheduled to compete.

You are the Honorary Chairman of the Special Olympics and will speak at the Opening Ceremonies on Saturday night, July 1, at the Yale Bowl. The Ceremonies will be a star-studded extravaganza taped by NBC for broadcast on July 5. You will welcome the international community and declare the Games open.

Your jog Thursday morning is an opportunity to spend time with athletes who will be representing the United States in competition next week. Pictures of the run should appear in media stories leading up to the Games.

You will be jogging with 4 Special Olympics athletes and 1 coach.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

Athletes:

- **David McQuarry, age 27, from Arkansas.** David has been a Special Olympics athlete for 7 years. In New Haven, he will be competing in the 800m and 1500m races and the running long jump event. Previously, he has competed in softball and swimming, as well as in track & field. David works part-time for the Batesville Parks and Recreation Department.

- **David Congdon, age 27, from Connecticut, host state of the Games.** David will compete in the Marathon. He is employed by ARA Catering at Combustion Engineering in Winsor, CT.
- **Troy Rutter, age 25, from Pennsylvania.** Troy will run the Marathon; his personal best time for the race is 3:10:15. Troy has also competed in Special Olympics swimming, bowling, soccer, and basketball. He works for the Parkland School District in Orefield, PA.
- **Daniel Bailey, age 18, from Washington, D.C.** This will be Daniel's first World Games, and he will compete in the 400m and 1500m races and the running long jump event. He attends Anacostia Senior High School, where he is a member of the track team.
- **Elisa Altman, age 22, originally from Fullerton, CA.** Elisa is a Special Olympics coach in the Washington, D.C. area.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Press pool

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

You will meet the Special Olympics athletes and coach in the Diplomatic Reception Room and proceed to the jog site. You and the group will jog and then return to the White House.

VI. REMARKS

None

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TO: Carol Rasco
FROM: Ian Van Praagh *I.V.P.*
DATE: June 28, 1995
RE: Meeting on Choice

Per your request a meeting on Choice has been scheduled for Thursday at 12:15 pm. The meeting will do the following:

1. Run through the list of issues that are likely to come up and their timing.
2. Highlight a few issues which can be used for communications purposes to define differences with the Republicans
3. Run through how we can work with women's groups and other advocacy organizations on this issue.

Participants invited to the Thursday Meeting at 12:15 are the following:

Jeremy Ben-Ami
Jennifer Klein
Director Alice Rivlin
George Stephanopolous
Pat Griffin
Nancy Ann Min
Chuck Kieffer
Susan Brophy
Betsy Myers
Martha Foley