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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 31, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL OF ADVISORS ON
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

FROM:

D. ALLAN BROMLEY

Alan

SUBJECT:

BUDGET CROSSCUTS FOR FEBRUARY 6 MEETING

Copies of the five crosscuts prepared by the Federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering and Technology (FCCSET) are enclosed for your review prior to the February 6 meeting of the Council. As I indicated to you earlier, your evaluation and critique of these reports will be exceptionally valuable to us, particularly in preparing our presentations for Congressional hearings in February.

As you know, I have asked each of the PCAST members to read one crosscut document carefully before this meeting, and to bring 1 - 2 pages of comments on the assigned crosscut to the meeting. The suggested assignment for each PCAST member is indicated on the attached page. I will be interested in hearing your thoughts concerning both the content and the process outlined in the proposals, as well as your advice relative to the development of next year's budget proposals.

You will hear very brief presentations on each of the five crosscuts at the meeting on February 6, and we will be discussing your evaluations of each one. After our discussions, I will ask the Council to prepare a short (2-3 page) critique of each crosscut for several possible uses within the Executive Office of the President.

Attachments

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL OF ADVISORS
ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Assignments for Critiques of FCCSET Crosscuts

High Performance Computing and Communications

Solomon Buchsbaum

Ralph Gomory

David Packard

Biotechnology

Daniel Nathans

Norman Borlaug

Mathematics and Science Education

Peter Likins

Harold Shapiro

Materials Science and Processing

Mary Good

John McTague

Thomas Murrin

Global Change

Thomas Lovejoy

Charles Drake

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1992

Dear Richard:

Many thanks for sending me such a complete and interesting conference report with your letter of May 30. I have been traveling much of the time since then hence the delay in responding.

I have turned over this material to my Associate Director for Life Sciences, Dr. D.A. Henderson and to the CIRUP group in FCCSET for their consideration, and I really appreciate your taking the time to send this on to me.

I hope that you are having a pleasant summer and look forward to seeing you soon.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology

Professor Richard Wilson
Department of Physics
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 15, 1992

Dear John:

It was indeed a pleasure meeting you at Queen's in the midst of what turned out to be a real blizzard. I was delighted to get the copy of the **Canadian Standard for Risk Analysis** and have made it available to the members of the committee that I have formed under our Federal Coordinating Council for Science, Engineering, and Technology that is currently looking at risk assessment across all the agencies of the US Government. I also must thank you for the copy of **Manging Risk in the Public Interest** by Niels Lind, and others. It is indeed consistent with the views that my colleagues and I in the Bush Administration hold with respect to global climate change.

I hope that our paths cross in the not too distant future but, in the meantime, warmest best wishes both personally and for the success of your unique institute.

Sincerely yours,



D. Allan Bromley
The Assistant to the President
for
Science and Technology
and
Director
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March 13, 1992

D. Allan Bromley
Science Advisor To The President
The White House
Washington DC

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Dear Allan:

It was a pleasure meeting you at Queen's last month. I found your talk on global warming very stimulating. I promised to send a copy of the Canadian Standard for Risk Analysis (enclosed). It provides for common risk terminology for health, environment, power, chemicals, etc. It may assist you with your need to find a common basis for risk management. Niels Lind, one of our members, was the chair of the Standards Committee.

I also enclose a copy of Managing Risk in the Public Interest by Niels Lind and others. It proposes an approach to risk management which is consistent with the U.S. policy on global warming which you discussed in your talk.

If Niels or I can be of further service, please let us know.

Yours truly,

John Shortreed
Director
Institute for Risk Research

JS/cm

cc: Dr. N. Lind

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

December 3, 1991

TO:

Katherine L. Super
Deputy Assistant to the President for
Appointments and Scheduling

FROM:

D. Allan Bromley
Assistant to the President for
Science and Technology

Adm

REQUEST:

Internal Meeting

PURPOSE:

Dr. Bromley plans to review with the President policy options regarding the science and technology Presidential Initiatives which have been prepared by the Federal Coordinating Council on Science, Engineering and Technology (FCCSET) for FY 1993.

Dr. Bromley will also solicit the President's views on science and technology topics under consideration for FY 1994, as well as a proposal for long-term stability in interagency research and development programs.

BACKGROUND:

Five Presidential Initiatives have been developed for FY 1993:

- 1) Advanced Materials and Processing
- 2) Biotechnology Research
- 3) High Performance Computing & Communications
- 4) Mathematics and Science Education
- 5) Global Change Research Program

**PREVIOUS
PARTICIPATION:**

This meeting is a follow-up to informal conversations between the President and Dr. Bromley on these topics.

DATE AND TIME:

December 12-20, 1991 Time Open

DURATION: 45 minutes

LOCATION:

President's Office

PARTICIPANTS:

The President
Dr. Bromley

REMARKS REQUIRED:

No prepared remarks are required.