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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 1, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES W. CICCONI

FROM: D. ALLAN BROMLEY *Allan*
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

The American Physical Society, the major organization in this field in the U.S., each spring brings some 4 to 5 thousand physicists from all over the U.S. and much of the world to Washington for its annual meeting.

The officers have asked me to pass on their request that the President consider speaking at the keynote banquet of this meeting scheduled for Tuesday evening, April 17, 1990.

If this can be fitted into the President's schedule this represents a good audience and one of the most policy-oriented and potentially sensitive among the sciences.

I must note, however, that the President's Seminar on Scientific and Economic Research Related to Global Change is now scheduled for April 18-19 and we will be requesting Presidential participation from perhaps 11-12:30 a.m. on April 18 and from 5-5:30p.m. on April 19.

In the event that the President finds that he cannot participate in the keynote banquet, I am committed to filling in for him -- but I know that the physicists would vastly prefer to hear from the President.

It also should be noted that I have earlier recommended that the President address the annual meeting of the National Academy of Sciences during the week of April 23; this I believe represents a better and logistically simpler arena for a Presidential speech on science should he decide to accept only one.

The American Physical Society

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20 November 1990

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Dear Allan:

I was delighted when you told me you had accepted Eugen Merzbacher's invitation to speak at the banquet of The American Physical Society on Tuesday, 23 April 1991 at the Ramada Renaissance TechWorld Hotel in Washington, DC. I found your letter accepting Jim Krumhansl's invitation to you to speak at the Washington meeting banquet on 17 April 1990, but could find no record in the APS files that you had accepted the invitation to speak at the 1991 Washington meeting banquet.

It would be very nice if President Bush could speak to the physicists on that occasion, but I'm aware of the difficulties and uncertainties involved in the President's obligations and schedule. You will be announced as the after-dinner speaker at the banquet. The title you chose last year was "Physics, Science and the National Interest." If that title is satisfactory, it can be used again in 1991.

Thank you for inviting me to the banquet to honor the 1990 winners of the Presidents Medals for Science and Technology and to the reception prior to the award ceremony. I enjoyed both events very much. I saw people at the banquet and the reception whom I hadn't seen in twenty years and we had a ball reminiscing about the old times.

Thank you also for your very complimentary letter for the occasion of the dinner APS organized in honor of my retirement. I'll still be involved with the APS for at least another year, but will cut back on the time I spend on APS business to spend more time enjoying life. It was great chatting with you again and I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, 23 April 1991 if not before.

Sincerely,



W.W. Havens, Jr.

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cc: Eugen Merzbacher
Nicolaas Bloembergen
Ernest Henley

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 18, 1991

Dear Bill:

It was good to receive your letter of November 20, and I apologize for the much belated response.

I am writing to confirm that I have noted the APS banquet scheduled for April 23 on my calendar, and look forward with great pleasure to participating in the event. The title from last year can indeed be used again.

With warmest best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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American Physical Society

"Physics, Science, and the National Interest"

April 23-Tuesday

Washington, D.C.

W.W. Havens

The letter indicates that you have already agreed
with Eugen Merzbacher to speak at this banquet.

Marian,
This was already
accepted by OAG
in person, so it
requires only a
confirmation
letter or call.

YES

NO

DATE RECEIVED: 11/27/90

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