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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

Thursday, March 23, 1989

8:00 am (15 min)	<u>Intelligence Briefing</u> (Scowcroft/Sununu)	Oval Office
8:15 am (30 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Scowcroft/Sununu)	Oval Office
8:45 am (30 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office
9:15 am (2 hrs 5 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:20 am (10 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Fitzwater)	Oval Office
11:30 am (20 min)	<u>Media Interview</u> (Fitzwater)	Oval Office (TAB A)
11:55 am (5 min)	<u>Photo with "Wish with Wings" Children</u> (Demarest)	Oval Office (TAB B)
12:00 noon (25 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
12:25 pm	<u>The President Departs for the Mayflower Hotel to Address the National Association of Manufacturers Annual Meeting Luncheon</u> (Studdert)	South Lawn (TAB C)
2:00 pm	<u>The President Arrives White House</u>	South Lawn
2:00 pm (1 hr 45 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
3:45 pm (60 min)	<u>Meeting with Budget Team</u> (Porter)	Oval Office (TAB D)
4:45 pm (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office

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7:28 Potter arr Oval to Cabinet Rm 7:30 Potter to Oval
 7:58 Bates, Scowcroft + [redacted] to Oval 7:59 add Sumner 8:22 [redacted] out
 8:23 V.P. in 8:46 Bates + Scowcroft out 9:22 V.P. + Sumner out
 9:31 Sumner into Oval out @ 9:35 10:00 David Bates + ^{Erlene} Tarrant into Oval.
 10:08 Bates + Erlene Tarrant dpt oval 10:23 add Ray Shaddick 10:28 Shaddick out
 10:41 add Sumner + Amb. Rosen 10:44 Rosen + Sumner out
 11:19 Fitzwater, Gates + Porter into Oval 11:21 add Sumner + Scowcroft
 11:32 add Frank Murray + Jerry O'Leary ~~to~~ to Oval; Porter + Gates out
 11:40 Scowcroft out 11:56 Sumner out 11:59 all out
 12:00 Potter + Jerry O'Leary to Horseshoe Pit 12:01 add Fitzwater + Murray
 12:04 all to oval 12:04 add VP + Mary Mosler. Out @ 12:06
 2:20 Potter to Cabana 2:28 Potter to Motorcade w/ atwater; add W. Robinson + Ellen Warner
 2:32 add Vic Bold; Depart S. grounds 2:44 arr Ft. McNair → OTR jog
 3:07 Board Motorcade + depart Ft. McNair 3:20 arr S. Grounds
 3:24 Arr Cabana 3:35 dpt Cabana 3:36 arr Oval
 3:37 add Sumner + ~~amb.~~ C. Hills 3:55 Hills out
 3:56 add Brady, Darman, McClure, Cheney, ~~McClure~~ Bates, Porter, Boskin Fitzwater
 5:15 all depart except Sumner + McClure 5:28 McClure out

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THURSDAY
MARCH 23, 1989

PRIVATE DINNER

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH

MARLIN FITZWATER AND
FINANCEE: CAROL POWERS

The Peking Gourment Inn
Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, VA
671-8088

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

E. S. T.
PRESIDENT BUSH

MARCH 23rd

, 1989

TIME			NAME	ACTION
PLACED		DISC		
~~OUT~~	9:55	~~AM~~	10:00 FORMER CONG. GENE TAYLOR [REDACTED]	TALKED OK
~~INC~~		~~PM~~	(b)(6)	
~~OUT~~	10:23	~~AM~~	10:29 SENATOR HOWARD METZENBAUM POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA PAY PHONE, NO NUMBER	TALKED OK 10:26 ar
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	10:54	~~AM~~	11:13 AMB. MICHAEL SOTIRHOS OFFICE: KINGSTON, JAMAICA 809 929-4850	TALKED OK 11:12 am
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	2:13	~~AM~~	2:18 MR. PETER TEELEY OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. 745-4747	TALKED OK
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	3:16	~~AM~~	SECRETARY JAMES BAKER OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 420	TOLD PATTY PRESOCK RETURNED CALL 3:35P MAKING SPEECH KAREN JACKSON TALKED OK TO PATTY PRESOCK.
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	5:19	~~AM~~	CONG. JOHN T. MYERS SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF 415 781-7800	ENROUTE TO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. TOLD PATTY PRESOCK.
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~		~~AM~~		LW HOTEL 5:26 PM.
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	5:45	~~AM~~	6:05 SECRETARY JAMES BAKER OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 420	TALKED OK
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	6:18	~~AM~~	6:19 MRS. GEORGE BUSH RESIDENCE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 551	TALKED OK
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		
~~OUT~~	6:36	~~AM~~	6:37 MRS. GEORGE BUSH RESIDENCE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 551	TALKED OK
~~INC~~		~~PM~~		

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

E. S. T.
PRESIDENT BUSH

MARCH 23rd

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TIME			NAME	ACTION
PLACED		DISC		
OUT	6:37 AM	6:38	MR. DENNIS FREEMYER OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN..EXT 780	TALKED OK
INC	PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
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SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

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LOCATION Washington, D.C.

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TIME	MOVEMENTS
0727	South Grounds
0729	Oval Office
0730	Cabinet Room
0731	Oval Office
1202	South Grounds
1205	Oval Office
1227	South Grounds
1228	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade
1232	Arrive Mayflower Hotel
1341	Depart Mayflower Hotel via Motorcade
1345	Arrive South Grounds
1346	Oval Office
1421	Cabana
1432	South Grounds
1434	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
1445	Arrive Fort McNair (LOW KEY)
1509	Depart Fort McNair via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
1522	Arrive South Grounds (LOW KEY)
1523	Cabana
1536	Oval Office
1841	Diplomatic Reception Room
1843	South Grounds (LOW KEY)
1845	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
1908	Arrive Peking Duck Restaurant (LOW KEY)

PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

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DATE 23 March 1989

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Thursday, ~~February~~ ^{March} 23

6:00 Breakfast for the President and Mrs. Bush
6:05 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
6:09 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
7:28 The President to the Oval Office
9:32 Mrs. Bush departs South Grounds en route private appt.
4:38 Mrs. Bush arrives South Grounds, to the Second Floor
4:45 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
4:53 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
6:24 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
6:27 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
6:40 Mrs. Bush to the Diplomatic Reception Room
6:43 The President to the Diplomatic Reception Room
6:45 President and Mrs. Bush depart South Grounds, out locally
for private dinner
9:04 President and Mrs. Bush arrive South Grounds, to the Ground
Floor
9:07 The President to the Second Floor
9:09 The President to the Ground Floor
9:10 President and Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
9:15 President and Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
9:40 Retired



News Summary

OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1989 -- 6 a.m. EDT EDITION

TODAY'S HEADLINES

TRIP NEWS

Bush Pledges Drug War Success -- President Bush flew deep into Pennsylvania Dutch country yesterday to reinforce his tough anti-drug message and urge students across the country to dry up the demand for illegal drugs.

(Harrisburg Patriot, Lancaster Intelligencer Journal
New York Times, Philadelphia Inquirer, Washington Post,
Washington Times, AP)

NATIONAL NEWS

Angry GOP Hands Whip To Gingrich -- Rep. Gingrich, the conservative firebrand who launched the ethics probe of Speaker Wright, was elected yesterday to the No. 2 position in the House Republican leadership.

(Washington Post, Washington Times, Copley)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

PLO Aides Rebuff U.S. On Intifada -- In their first substantive discussion with the Bush administration, PLO officials today rejected an appeal to help curtail violence by Palestinians living in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and ruled out any cooperation with Israeli-sponsored elections there.

(Washington Post, AP)

NETWORK NEWS (Wednesday evening)

TRIP -- President Bush took his anti-drug message to Lancaster, Pa., to impress "how vulnerable every American city and town is to the menace."

DRUGS/INDICTMENTS -- A federal grand jury indicted five of the biggest drug bosses in Colombia and an associate of Bahamian Prime Minister Pindling.

POLLUTION -- A government report concludes that well over one-third of Americans are living in areas with serious air pollution.

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TRIP NEWS

BUSH LAUDS ANTI-DRUG EFFORTS, SAYS EVERY COMMUNITY 'VULNERABLE'

LANCASTER -- President Bush flew here from Washington, the nation's murder capital, to tell high school students that rising drug use in this pristine, pastoral area of Amish farms shows "how vulnerable every American city and town is to the menace."

But, he told his audience, "The good news is, you're fighting back" with homegrown efforts to stop young people from using drugs before they ever begin.

From here, he shuttled to Wilmington, Del., to proclaim that drugs are not an issue with "shades of gray. It involves good guys and bad guys, white hats and black hats, good and evil."

Preceded on stage at Lancaster's Conestoga Valley High School by a young man who told how drugs had wrecked his life, the President railed against casual drug use and reiterated his pledge to destroy foreign drug crops and the labs that process their harvest.

Addressing 3,000 students and parents packed into the school gym, Bush told the crowd:

"Together, let's you and me send a message on drug abuse to the so-called casual user. Face up to the fact that your so-called recreational drug use contributes to the drug culture, to the crime, the death and degradation associated with drug trade."

(Rita Beamish, AP)

'Drugs Are Poison' To All, Bush Warns 3,000 At CZ

LANCASTER -- President Bush flew to Lancaster County Wednesday where he delivered a stern anti-drug speech that included a message to the nation's entertainment industry, urging them not to glorify, trivialize or condone drug use.

The President spent 2½ hours in the Conestoga Valley school district, addressing about 3,000 students, faculty and parents packed into the high school gym, meeting privately with a few students who have had problems with drugs and, after a short limousine trip, meeting with leaders of the area's Amish and Mennonite community.

In his speech to the high school crowd, Bush said, "We must get the message across that drugs aren't a form of entertainment or a harmless means of escape -- drugs are a poison, to users and to our communities."

"For too long our popular culture glorified drug use. I think that's changing now -- and that's a real change for the better."

(Gil Delaney, Lancaster Intelligencer Journal, A1)

Bush Stresses Family Ties, Faith As Solutions For Drug Influences

LANCASTER -- President Bush says religious faith and family togetherness are the best antidotes to the drug threat in America.

During visits in Pennsylvania with Amish and Mennonite leaders and young people, Bush wove much of his philosophy about proper lifestyles into discussions surrounding drug abuse....

Bush, who traveled to southeastern Pennsylvania as part of his anti-drug campaign, called the religious and tradition-minded Amish and Mennonite of the area "a shining example of what family and faith can do."

(Merrill Hartson, AP)

Bush Pledges Drug War Success

LANCASTER -- President Bush flew deep into Pennsylvania Dutch country yesterday to reinforce his tough anti-drug message and urge students across the country to dry up the demand for illegal drugs.

"When drugs come here to the Conestoga Valley, that's proof the drug epidemic is a national problem.... The rising problem here simply shows how vulnerable every American city and town is to the menace of drug abuse," Bush told 3,000 people at Conestoga Valley High School....

In commending several district school programs aimed at stopping drug problems before they begin, Bush promised to do his part by providing more money for national drug education efforts.

(Phil Galewitz & Joe Koscinski, Harrisburg Patriot, A1)

Bush Takes Fight Against Drugs To Pennsylvania Dutch Country

WILMINGTON -- Just before President Bush appeared in a packed high school gymnasium in Lancaster, Pa., today, Thomas Hipple stood up and recounted the grim downward spiral of his life.

The 23-year-old, once an honor student who worked part time at a fast-food restaurant, recalled how he plunged from marijuana to cocaine and other hard drugs to the desperation that led him to put a .30-caliber rifle to his head and pull the trigger.

"I was desperate," said the dark-haired young man, who was left blind in the suicide attempt.

Bush's trip to the Conestoga Valley High School, in the heart of the rolling Pennsylvania Dutch countryside, was intended to underscore not only his commitment "to ending this scourge of drugs" but also the fact that drugs afflict middle-class rural youths, like Thomas Hipple, as well as those in urban ghettos.

(Bernard Weinraub, New York Times, B9)

Bush Bewilders Amish With His Lecture On Drugs

LANCASTER -- President Bush looked to the 19th century horse-carriage Amish lifestyle yesterday for a 21st century solution to the nation's drug crisis, but local officials disputed his view of drug use in Lancaster....

Political and religious leaders here seemed more worried that Bush's visit will give Lancaster a black eye than about drug problems, which they consider under control.

Rep. Walker, Republican congressman from Lancaster, took his concerns directly to the White House "to make sure the President knows there is no drug problem among the Amish and Mennonites."

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A3)

Bush Spreads The Word On Drugs In Visit To Area

WILMINGTON -- During a day of anti-drug crusading, President Bush told a roomful of youngsters yesterday that he had never been offered illegal drugs and it was pretty easy for a president to lead a drug-free life in the White House.

When one youth asked him if he had ever been offered drugs, the 64-year-old President said, "No, I haven't."

Bush's informal give-and-take with about a dozen young people followed a karate demonstration at the Walnut Street YMCA here which has a physical awareness program aimed at encouraging youths to avoid drugs.

(Ellen Warren, Philadelphia Inquirer, A1)

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Bush Says He Doesn't Face Pressure To Use Drugs

WILMINGTON -- President Bush said Wednesday he didn't think it possible for "some guy to come into the White House and start offering it up."

And if a drug-dealer tried to get him to use drugs, Bush said, "I hope I'd say, 'Hey, get lost!'"

The President was responding to a question raised by a boy who was among about a dozen young people who gave Bush a karate demonstration here as part of a physical awareness program aimed at encouraging youths to avoid drugs.

"Have you ever been offered drugs?" a young boy asked the President, who was seated in the bleachers with the karate kids.

"No. See, you know, I'll tell you something. They had drugs around when I was a little guy, but I hate to tell you how old I am," said Bush, 64. "It wasn't as much. There wasn't the pressure on kids in schools. It's just kind of come in more lately, you know." (AP)

Bush Vows Action On Assault Weapons; President Indicates Shift In Attitude

WILMINGTON -- President Bush, vowing to "turn the tide and bring the drug epidemic to an end," said today that "the time has come to do something" about assault rifles that have figured in drug-related violence across the country.

Flanked by uniformed local and state police officers here, Bush promised to take unspecified action on "these automated weapons that are threatening the lives of these people behind me. And I'm going to see that it takes place."

His declaration appeared to make a significant shift from only four weeks ago, when he said he would not support legislation to ban the import of semi-automatic weapons....

A White House official said Bush...was particularly influenced by a recent private meeting he held with DEA agents in New York City, at which the agents strongly appealed to him to restrict guns generally and semi-automatic weapons in particular....

"I do believe -- and I expect many in the room like me are sportsmen -- I do believe in the legitimate right of sportsmen and others who own guns," Bush said. "But I also believe in supporting our police officers who lay their lives on the line. And I am convinced that the vast majority of sportsmen want to find a way to support our law enforcement officers and I want to be with them in finding a solution to this problem, the President said."

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A1)

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NATIONAL NEWS

GINGRICH ELECTED HOUSE GOP WHIP Increased Partisan Polarization Foreseen

House Republicans yesterday narrowly elected Rep. Gingrich of Georgia to their No. 2 leadership position, effectively voting to turn their party toward a more activist and confrontational style of leadership in the House.

Gingrich defeated Rep. Madigan, a quiet and skillful legislator who was backed by Minority Leader Michel, 87 to 85 in a secret ballot election for House minority whip. Gingrich's election was a victory for a younger and more activist generation of House Republicans who have chafed under what they consider the Democrat-accommodating old-guard leadership of Michel, Madigan and others....

Gingrich...faces a reservoir of Democratic ill will that will make his leadership job more difficult, partly because he championed the nine-month ethics probe of Speaker Wright.

"Newt probably unites the Democratic Party more than any other single Republican," Majority Whip Coelho said.

Meanwhile, conservative Republicans rejoiced at the outcome of the House election. "I think it's a great day for my generation," said RNC Chairman Atwater. "We will have a great campaign team, a great political team.... He's going to be a national spokesman for the party."

(Don Phillips & Tom Kenworthy, Washington Post, A1)

Gingrich Wins House Leadership Race

Rep. Gingrich narrowly defeated Rep. Madigan Wednesday for the second ranking spot in the House Republican hierarchy, a victory signaling heightened confrontation with Democrats who rule the House.

Gingrich...said his winning the minority whip's job means the GOP will move in a direction that is "more activist, more outreach, more aggressive -- closer to the UCLA full court press...."

"It is true there will be a little higher degree of confrontation," said Rep. Weber, one of Gingrich's top allies....

Pledging a "team effort," Gingrich moved immediately to downplay differences with Minority Leader Michel and to temper the widespread contention he is a "bomb thrower" who would hamper President Bush's ability to deal with Democrats who have an 86-vote majority in the House.

"If this had been a test of Bob Michel's leadership, I would not have gotten 40 votes," Gingrich said as he shared a press conference lecturn with Michel. "The most beloved figure in the Republican Party in the House, without question, is Robert Michel."

Shortly before ending the press conference to take a phone call from the President...Gingrich pledged "my loyalty in working for his agenda as developed in alliance with House Republicans."

But he pointedly noted that he is whip for House Republicans, not the White House.

(Robert Estill, Copley)

Angry GOP Hands Whip To Gingrich

Rep. Gingrich, the conservative firebrand who launched the ethics probe of Speaker Wright, was elected yesterday to the No. 2 position in the House Republican leadership.

House Democrats, bracing for a more partisan relationship between the parties, immediately challenged the congressman to modify his combative style as GOP whip.

Gingrich...promised to be a team player within the GOP leadership but said he will demand that the House Democratic leadership treat Republicans fairly.

"Why would you assume that bipartisanship has to be on the terms of giving in to the Democrats?" said Gingrich. "I will be fair with anyone who will be fair with me. When the Democrats try to run over us...I'm going to stand in the way." (Jennifer Spevacek, Washington Times, A1)

Gingrich Election May Complicate Bush Program

The surprising selection of Rep. Gingrich as the second-ranking Republican leader in the House injected a new element into the legislative equation that could complicate the outlook for President Bush's program....

Stephen Hess [of the Brookings Institution] observed, "This is the year Bush needs a kinder, gentler Congress to get anything through and confrontation is not in his interest. And Gingrich is a magnet for confrontation."

In addition, Gingrich's victory over Rep. Madigan seemed to represent a rebuke to...Minority Leader Michel....

In an explicit reference to Michel, Rep. Weber, Gingrich's campaign manager, said after the vote, "We don't want leadership that'll fade into the woodwork." ...

"It's hardball time now," said Kevin Phillips, a Republican strategist. "What it represents is the sense that it's time to rock some boats."

(Finlay Lewis, Copley)

'SLOW START' BY BUSH NOT NECESSARILY A BAD THING

A good explanation of why it would have been unreasonable to expect the opening weeks of the new Bush administration to have been more dramatic and dynamic was offered this week by a senior White House official.

Speaking on condition that he not be quoted by name, the official drew a contrast between the start of this administration and that of the Reagan presidency in which he served. "It's a little like the difference between a wartime army and a peacetime army," he said.

"If you enlisted on Dec. 8, 1941, you'd be in the action and getting medals, no matter what...and maybe getting killed. But if you went in four years later, you'd serve your time, and you'd get in trouble if you tried to do things and win medals, through no fault of your own."

President Bush, the official said, meets the test set by the great British prime minister of the 19th century, Benjamin Disraeli, who said, "A politician has to know himself and know his time."

Obviously, the times in which George Bush has come to the presidency are far different from those in which Ronald Reagan took office. They are more tranquil at home and abroad and less conducive to the sweeping policy changes that Reagan pushed through in 1981

(Carl Leubsdorf, Dallas Morning News)

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POLL SHOWS MANY AMERICANS FAVOR MORE RESTRICTIONS ON ASSAULT WEAPONS

BOSTON -- Public opinion has not only rallied behind the Bush administration's temporary ban on imports of certain assault weapons but a plurality of voters favor more stringent restriction on the deadly weapons, according to a Boston Globe-WBZ national poll conducted this week....

Only 10% of those surveyed said they thought the Bush administration's temporary ban on the importation of assault weapons went too far. Approximately one-third, 34%, said the action was about right, but 44% said it did not go far enough.

Fears about drug-related crime and terrorism may be fueling public support for a crackdown on guns. A clear majority, 53%, thought there would be more drug-related crime in America in two years. Only 17% thought there would be less crime, and 26% said the amount of crime would be about the same.

(Chris Black, Boston Globe)

CONGRESSMAN MOVES TO PUT FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN CHARGE OF D.C. POLICE

A congressman added to the widespread pressure to end a wave of drug trafficking and violence in the nation's capital by calling for the federal government to take over public safety in the District of Columbia.

Rep. Parris says he will introduce legislation that would authorize President Bush to appoint a National Capital Public Safety Director responsible for managing the district's police and fire departments, emergency ambulance service, and corrections system for a five-year period.

"The situation in our nation's capital is clearly out of control," Parris said Wednesday in a statement. "The drug dealers are perpetuating their bloody carnage with impunity, since they know there is little that will be done to them."

(Richard Keil, AP)

HILL, ADMINISTRATION BUDGET NEGOTIATORS HALT TALKS UNTIL APRIL

Congressional and Bush administration budget negotiators suspended their slow-moving talks on a fiscal 1990 spending plan on Wednesday until after lawmakers return from their Easter recess next month.

Participants in the negotiations planned to send a letter to President Bush and congressional leaders Thursday, telling them the bargaining is making progress and would continue.

Democrats, however, warned that unless an agreement is reached with the White House in early April, they would write their own budget and attempt to move it through Congress.

"I think we're either going to have an agreement by the middle of April, or know we can't have an agreement," Sen. Sasser, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, told a reporter....

House Budget Chairman Panetta was even more demanding, saying that for his panel to meet its deadlines, he believed the talks would have to produce a package within the first week of April.

(Alan Fram, AP)

**ECONOMY TO SLOW SOON, FED OFFICIALS MAINTAIN
Comments Suggest Central Bank Will Refrain
From Driving Interest Rates Higher**

The Fed's two top officials indicated yesterday that they believe the economy will slow down soon in response to the interest rate increases of the past year.

Their remarks provided the strongest hint to date that the Fed will refrain from driving interest rates higher in the immediate future.

Fed Chairman Greenspan told a House subcommittee that the U.S. economy has yet to feel the full impact of the higher interest rates engineered by the central bank....

The Fed's vice chairman, Manuel Johnson, likewise observed that many months usually lapse between an interest rate move by the Fed and the subsequent impact on economic growth.

Johnson also told reporters prior to a speech in New York that "there are signs the economy is moderating." ...

The comments suggest that the Fed is determined, for now at least, to resist calls from Wall Street for still higher rates to combat what recent reports have suggested is an acceleration of inflation.

(Paul Blustein, Washington Post, E1)

HOUSE EXPECTED TO VOTE TODAY ON RAISING MINIMUM WAGE

The House is expected to vote today on legislation to raise the minimum wage, after a debate in which Democrats praised President Bush for supporting a raise but said the amount he has suggested is too low.

"It is the first positive sign of cooperation on this issue that we have seen in eight years between the White House and the Congress," said Rep. Murphy, who managed the floor debate yesterday for the Democrats. "Democrats and Republicans have made an honest effort to work out our differences."

(AP, Washington Post, A7)

House Debates New Minimum Wage

Mindful of a presidential veto threat against any minimum wage bill that does not include a subminimum "training" wage, the House began debate Wednesday on a compromise that President Bush may find more acceptable....

[A bipartisan compromise measure] set the wage level at \$4.55 -- speeding up its timing and setting a 60-day "training" wage at 85% of the minimum wage; the provision for lower wages would expire Jan. 1, 1993....

Speaker Wright told reporters before the session that he expected the compromise plan to win approval.

Reacting to Bush's threat of a veto for any measure without the lower "training" wage, Wright said: "I don't want to speculate on that. I think the President ought to have a more open mind than that."

(Eliot Brenner, UPI)

'ENTERPRISE ZONE' TAX BREAKS URGED

Seeking 'Teeth' In Plan, Kemp Delays Picking Sites For Revitalization

HUD Secretary Kemp told a House subcommittee yesterday that he will delay implementing the Reagan administration's "enterprise zone" plan enacted last year until Congress puts "some teeth" into the measure in the form of tax breaks....

By acting to "slow down" the enterprise zone award process, Kemp has effectively placed 270 applications, submitted jointly by state and local governments, on ice. Under the provisions of existing enterprise zone legislation, Kemp has the authority to designate 100 such zones -- one-third of them in rural areas.

"I'm not playing hardball," Kemp said. "I just don't want to go through another eight years of getting these (GAO) studies of some zone someplace to show that nobody started a business because there was no incentive. We've got to put some incentives, some teeth, some carrots out there."

(Gwen Ifill, Washington Post, A16)

THE HUG THAT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF

Barbara Bush Visits AIDS Infants

Ashley stole the show. With her red and white ruffled party dress, inch-long pigtails and precious waddle, she played a solid game of catch with First Lady Barbara Bush yesterday in front of a very attentive press corps. She mugged for the cameras like a pro.

Ashley is only 20 months old and the subject of enormous attention because she has tested positive for the HIV virus, which causes AIDS.

Barbara Bush spent nearly an hour yesterday morning in Ashley's home, otherwise known as Grandma's House, one of the nation's first residences created to care for AIDS-infected infants....

Mrs. Bush cradled an infant, kissed a toddler and hugged an adult AIDS victim to demonstrate a message: "You can hug and pick up AIDS babies and people who have the HIV virus" without hurting yourself, she said. "There is a need for compassion."

(Lois Romano, Washington Post, D1)

ALLEN: BUSH WILL HAVE TO ASK ME TO RESIGN

U.S. Civil Rights Commission Chairman William Barclay Allen said Wednesday that President Bush will have to come to him directly if he want him to resign.

The White House said Bush has no intention of asking Allen to quit but made clear that a replacement was being readied.

"It would make no sense for me to do it (resign voluntarily)," Allen said in the wake of reports that Bush planned to replace him with Arthur Fletcher, a moderate Republican and one of Bush's early black political supporters.

Allen said he has been trying to meet with Bush since the election, but has received no response from the President or anyone else at the White House. His term does not expire until 1990. (Diane Duston, AP)

50-STATE AIR POLLUTION STUDY FINDS LEVEL WORSE THAN EXPECTED

The first national inventory of toxic air pollution has found that the level of dangerous substances discharged by industrial plants into the atmosphere is far greater than previously estimated.

The study, released yesterday by a House subcommittee and based on data from a new "right-to-know" law on toxic substances, found that 2.4 billion pounds of hazardous pollutants, including tons of toxic chemicals that cause cancer and damage the nervous system, were emitted in 1987.

It is impossible to assess the public health effect of the emissions without knowing their concentration and length of human exposure to them. But Rep. Waxman, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on health and the environment, said that "such high levels of toxic releases are sure to be accompanied by comparably high levels of human suffering."

"The magnitude of the problem exceeds our worst fears," Waxman said.... (Michael Weisskopf, Washington Post, A1)

NORTH JOKED 'ABOUT GOING TO JAIL,' FAWN HALL SAYS

Fawn Hall...told yesterday how North joked "about going to jail" in the summer of 1985 as he was preparing responses to congressional inquiries about his secret work for the rebels in Nicaragua.

"There were jokes made about that," she testified at North's criminal trial in federal court here. "He is one to jest often." ...

With the jurors seeming to hang on every word, Hall gave a vivid replay of her work with North on the NSC staff, especially in late November 1986 when Attorney General Meese was instructed by President Reagan to dig out the facts about the administration's secret arms sales to Iran....

Hall recalled how she altered five "problem documents" for North on the afternoon of Nov. 21, 1986, then shredded the originals that North had just borrowed from an NSC document center on the same floor..

(George Lardner, Washington Post, A6)

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Was Ethics Law Unevenly Applied? Baker's Bank Stock Has Been Sold But Questions Remain," appears in The Washington Post, A25.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

PLO AIDES REBUFF U.S ON INTIFADA Request To Calm Uprising Rejected; Further Talks Sought

TUNIS -- In their first substantive discussion with the Bush administration, PLO officials today rejected an appeal to help curtail violence by Palestinians living in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and ruled out any cooperation with Israeli-sponsored elections there.

Emerging from more than four hours of talks with a PLO delegation at a Tunisian government guest house...Robert Pelletreau, the U.S. ambassador to Tunisia, called on the PLO to take "practical steps to reduce tensions and improve the political environment" for "direct negotiations between Palestinians and Israelis."

But the PLO's delegation chief, Yasser Abd-Rabbo, blamed Israel for the violence in the region and said the 15-month-old Palestinian uprising would continue "until Israel evacuates our homeland."

(Patrick Tyler, Washington Post, A1)

U.S. Meets With PLO, Urges 'Practical Steps' Toward Peace

TUNIS -- U.S. diplomats told the PLO in a 4½-hour meeting Wednesday to take "practical steps" to ease tension in the Israeli-occupied territories, the head of the U.S. delegation said....

U.S. Ambassador Pelletreau, who headed the three-man American team, said after the meeting that there was a "new dynamic" in the Middle East "of which this dialogue is a part."

Pelletreau said U.S. concerns about terrorism were discussed as well as "practical steps that can be taken in the occupied territories to reduce tensions."

He did not detail those steps, nor did the leader of the three-man PLO side, Yasser Abd-Rabbo, indicate what the U.S. side has asked of the Palestinians.

Abd-Rabbo said progress was made, but he emphasized that the PLO believes the only road to peace is an international conference involving the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and all parties to the conflict, including the PLO.

(Jeffrey Ulbrich, AP)

U.S. Hopes Meeting With PLO Will Launch Peace Process

State Department officials hope the U.S. meeting Wednesday with the PLO will be a springboard to peace talks in the Middle East, but it will take some time to determine if real progress was made.

The response given by the head of the PLO delegation, Yasser Abd-Rabbo, to a plea by U.S. Ambassador Pelletreau for some "practical steps" to ease tensions on the West Bank and Gaza was "indefinite," said an official after receiving a report from Tunisia.

"Basically, now is the time for considering each other's views for future discussion," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

In the four-hour meeting, Pelletreau, under instruction from Secretary Baker, asked the PLO not to stand in the way of Palestinians in the occupied territories who might want to talk to Israel.

The U.S. side also called for "confidence-building" measures and "the need to get inhabitants on the ground involved" in a peace process, the official said.

(Barry Schweid, AP)

U.S. WARNS OF POSSIBLE EASTER HIJACK, BRITISH PAPER SAYS

LONDON -- The FAA has warned of a possible airliner hijack in Europe over Easter, the Daily Express reported Thursday.

The newspaper said a confidential FAA memo named three Lebanese Palestinians who may be travelling on forged passports.

"Three Lebanese Palestinians may try to hijack a U.S. airliner in Europe," a section of the March 17 memo quoted by the British newspaper said.

The three might be using passports from Bahrain, Pakistan, and North Yemen, which could be genuine, forged or altered. It said the information was "credible, although not confirmed."

The Express said U.S. military personnel and diplomats and their families had been told of the threat and advised to alter routine plans to return home from Europe for Easter.

The FAA declined comment and Britain's Department of Transport said: "We don't discuss security matters. We would automatically have anything like this assessed and take any necessary action." (Reuter)

103 BOMB COURIER TIED TO PALESTINIANS

Western intelligence officials believe a man working for a Palestinian terrorist group was the passenger whose suitcase blew up Pan Am Flight 103 in December, but Bush administration officials yesterday denied that the bomber's identity was known.

Terrorists of the PFLP-GC recruited the victim, who brought the bomb onto Flight 103 in a suitcase he thought contained heroin, according to officials involved with the crash investigation. They requested anonymity.

The officials said the passenger, who died with the other 258 persons on board, has been identified by investigators, but they would not reveal his name because of the ongoing international investigation.

However, a senior administration official, who declined to be named, said that although investigators have recovered fragments of the suitcase that contained the bomb, they still were "a long way" from determining who carried it on board. (Bill Gertz, Washington Times, A1)

OFFICIALS SEEKING TERRORIST, NEWSPAPER SAYS HE PLANNED FLIGHT 103 BOMBING

FRANKFURT -- Officials said Wednesday they were seeking a 39-year-old Arab linked to terrorist attacks in Italy and France, and a newspaper reported the man planned the bombing of Pan Am 103.

The Hamburg-based Bild newspaper said Samir Khadar "directed the Lockerbie attack on Dec. 21" from West Germany. It said Khadar traveled to West Germany in December "to prepare for Lockerbie," and that he was in Bonn, the West German capital.

A federal official denied Khadar was being sought in connection with Flight 103 but said authorities are looking for him in connection with other terrorist attacks. (George Boehmer, AP)

LEGISLATOR SAYS PAN AM TRYING TO BLAME BRITAIN

LONDON -- A legislator on Wednesday accused Pan Am of trying to blame the British government for the Flight 103 disaster, but officials for the airline said it was not blaming anybody....

"Pan Am's behavior in London is an utter disgrace," [Conservative Party member David] Wilshire said in an interview. "Simply by being silent they have tried to make the British government the fall guy for what happened.... It was Pan Am that let the bomb on board." ...

Asked to comment on Wilshire's charges, a spokesman for Pan Am in London, who declined to be identified, said: "Pan Am has not been blaming anybody."
(Maureen Johnson, AP)

LAWYERS FOR LOCKERBIE CRASH FAMILIES PREPARING TO SUE PAN AM

LONDON -- Lawyers for the families of Britons killed when [Pan Am 103 was blown out of the sky] said Wednesday they were preparing to sue the airline in the U.S.

They said they would claim for each of the 300 clients at least the \$100,000 already offered as compensation by Pan Am and might sue for punitive damages.
(Reuter)

JAPAN CALLS ON U.S. TO HONOR FSX JET PACT

TOKYO -- Japan has called on the U.S. to honor the agreement it signed last fall for codevelopment of a fighter jet, even as Japanese officials privately struggled to find a formula that would save the controversial pact.

Foreign Ministry officials were trying to find a way to satisfy U.S. demands for modifications of the pact without appearing to make such sweeping concessions that the deal would lose political support here....

The government announced today that it would dispatch the second-highest official in the Defense Agency to Washington in hopes of resolving the issue by the end of the week. Officials said Seiki Nishihiro is authorized to provide assurances to assuage U.S. concerns about the existing agreement. But Nishihiro is likely to insist that there is no time to negotiate substantial changes.
(Fred Hiatt, Washington Post, E1)

Critics Cool To Bush Decision On Japan Plane Deal

Critics of a U.S. agreement to provide technology to Japan to build the new FSX fighter reacted coolly Wednesday to President Bush's announcement he will go ahead with the plan with modifications....

Opponents in the House and Senate indicated they would probably press ahead with their efforts to kill the deal....

Sen. Dixon, who last month introduced a resolution calling for a two-month review of the agreement, said: "I am disappointed the President has not called for a complete rejection of the FSX deal."

Dixon said that although he had not seen the revised proposal for the technology transfer he was "leaning towards" introducing a resolution to disapprove of the agreement and planned to meet other senators to plan a course of action.

In the House, an aide to another FSX critic, Democrat Mel Levine, said the reported plan to seek new Japanese assurances was inadequate.

The aide said Levine planned to circulate a letter among his House colleagues seeking support for his position and would probably introduce a resolution of disapproval after Congress returns from its Easter recess on April 3.
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(Reuter)

Congressional Opponents Ready To Fight Deal With Japan

Republican and Democratic members of Congress are criticizing the FSX fighter plane deal with Japan despite President Bush's support for the joint venture.

"The FSX agreement is a bad deal for America and for American workers," Sen. D'Amato, who has emerged as a leading critic of the pending U.S.-Japan agreement, said Wednesday....

"We're giving them \$7 billion worth of F-16 technology, in return for about \$420 million in development work," D'Amato said....

In the House, Rep. Hunter introduced legislation to impose sanctions on Mitsubishi, Toshiba and other companies reportedly involved in assisting the Libyan government with construction of a plant to produce poison gas and munitions.

"Any country that sells out the security of the West certainly can't be trusted with high-technology defense information," Hunter said.

(Barton Reppert, AP)

BUSH CONGRATULATES NEWLY ELECTED SALVADORAN LEADER

President Bush personally congratulated Alfredo Cristiani Wednesday on his election as El Salvador's president and received Cristiani's assurance that he was committed to human rights, the White House said.

In a written statement, spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Bush told Cristiani by telephone the U.S. would "continue to work closely with El Salvador" to help the Salvadorans create a durable democracy....

Bush also welcomed Cristiani's publicly stated commitment to continue a dialogue with the FMLN guerrillas and invited the Salvadoran leader to visit Washington soon, Fitzwater said....

Fitzwater, who said Cristiani had affirmed recent public statements that he and his administration would respect human rights, restated U.S. pledges to monitor the situation.

"Our policy in El Salvador, forged through bipartisan consensus and with bipartisan support is clear: we are committed to continued democratic progress and the defense of human rights. There must be no turning back to the dark and terrible past," he said. (Gene Gibbons, Reuter)

NEW SALVADORAN PRESIDENT VOWS TO BE LEADER OF ALL PEOPLE

SAN SALVADOR -- El Salvador's new president, trying to allay fears his election will further polarize a nation bitterly divided by war, said Wednesday he would try to be a leader for all Salvadorans.

"We will try to be a government for five million Salvadorans," Alfredo Cristiani...said after the official results were announced.

"From this moment we take off our Arena jackets to wrap ourselves in the blue and white (of the national flag)." (Alister Doyle, Reuter)

DUARTE SAYS DEMOCRACY HAS TO BE GIVEN A CHANCE IN EL SALVADOR

Salvadoran President Duarte said Wednesday that despite the victory of the right-wing Arena Party in presidential elections, democracy has to be given a chance.

"In the end democracy will win," Duarte said on arriving at Walter Reed Army Medical Center [for cancer treatment]....

When asked if the Arena victory would lead to more violence in El Salvador, Duarte said: "We have to give democracy a chance." (Reuter)

AILING DUARTE TRAVELS TO U.S. FOR CANCER TREATMENT

Salvadoran President Duarte arrived Wednesday for treatment of terminal liver and stomach cancer, and one of his aides said the leader's health had deteriorated badly....

In El Salvador, an aide who asked not to be identified told UPI, "Duarte's condition is very grave. He is seriously ill." ...

President Bush...[in a statement] paid tribute to Duarte as "a great patriot and champion of democracy." (UPI)

HONDURAS, SHIFTING TO U.S. STAND, WON'T EVICT CONTRAS FROM BASES

TEGUCIGALPA -- Five weeks after signing a regional accord that calls for dismantling contra bases in Honduras, the Honduran government appears to have accepted the American request that the guerrillas be allowed to remain for the foreseeable future.

Although many Honduran politicians have expressed concern that the contras might break up and become a security threat to Honduras itself, Honduran military officials have stressed that they will play no direct part in disarming the rebels. And diplomats say that Honduras, under new American pressure to let the rebels remain, has shifted from supporting the ouster of the rebels to advocating more aid for them.

(Mark Uhlig, New York Times, A1)

DELVALLE MEETS WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

Eric Arturo Delvalle, the Panamanian president-in-hiding, said Wednesday he will return to Panama and then step down after the national elections and live in the U.S. as a businessman.

Delvalle met at the State Department with Secretary Baker. He slipped out of Panama this week to meet with Baker to "discuss the various options." ...

Baker said, "There cannot be and will not be any movement toward normalization of relations between the United States and Panama as long as Gen. Noriega remains in power."

State Department spokesman Charles Redman said the meeting with Delvalle was to review the situation in Panama. The main elements of U.S. policy toward Panama were reiterated. (Jim Anderson, UPI)

REPUTED COLOMBIAN DRUG LORDS INDICTED IN FLORIDA

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. -- Four reputed Colombian cocaine kingpins and a close associate of Bahamas Prime Minister Lynden Pindling were indicted Wednesday on charges of taking part in an operation that smuggled more than \$1 billion in cocaine into the U.S.

A federal indictment accused the alleged leaders of Colombia's Medellin cocaine cartel of bribing Nicaraguan officials to allow the shipment of cocaine through an air base and of gaining Cuban permission to fly drug planes through the island's air space.

NBC News said Pindling and Panama's Gen. Noriega were named in the first draft of the indictment but their names were removed after a review by the State and Justice departments. (Gray Thomas, Reuter)

105 NATIONS BACK TOXIC-WASTE TREATY Pact Limiting Industrial Dumps In 3rd World Gets U.S. Support

BASEL, Switzerland -- A total of 105 nations concluded a treaty controlling toxic waste exports today in the first international attempt to limit dumping of dangerous industrial residue in developing countries.

The accord, reached here after 18 months of negotiations, represented a compromise between major industrial nations that sought to maintain flexibility for safe waste exports and Third World governments that wanted an outright ban on cross-border transfers putting their populations at risk....

The U.S. endorsed the accord, but withheld signature of the treaty pending a review in Washington. Andrew Sens, director of the State Department's Office of Environmental Protection, said the delay did not signal overall disagreement, but rather a need to go over the accord in more detail.

William Reilly, administrator of the EPA, sent a statement that President Bush intends in any case to push for new U.S. laws banning hazardous-waste exports "except where we have an agreement with the receiving country that provides for the safe handling and management of those wastes."

(Edward Cody, Washington Post, A1)

NAVY URGED TO FOCUS ON LONG-TERM SOVIET SUB THREAT

The Navy should go back to the drawing board for ways to combat the quieter Soviet submarines of the future, a House Armed Services Committee advisory panel has recommended.

Opening the annual debate on where the nation should go next in undersea warfare, the 10-member panel said the U.S. is still deploying the best submarines in the world but that "the Navy establishment is burdened with internal vested and sometimes conflicting interests that encumber innovation and execution on the scale required" to preserve the edge.

"What is needed is not simply more money and harder work," the panel said in the unclassified version of its 11-page report to the committee, made public this week. "What is needed is an entirely new and aggressive architecture for coping with this immensely serious development" of steadily improving Soviet submarines.

(George Wilson, Washington Post, A12)

SOVIET SCIENTISTS REJECT ELECTION SLATE Move Opens Ways To Sakharov Candidacy

MOSCOW -- Soviet scientists have successfully revolted against a slate of candidates nominated by the prestigious Academy of Sciences, opening the way for the election of Nobel Peace Prize winner Andrei Sakharov to the new Soviet parliament.

The official news agency Tass announced today that only eight of the academy's 22 candidates had won election to the revamped legislature. This leaves 12 vacancies in the 20 seats reserved for scientists in the Congress of the Peoples' Deputies.

Sakharov...called the outcome of yesterday's vote "a victory for those seeking greater democracy in the Soviet Union." A new round of nominations and voting will now be held next month.

(Michael Dobbs, Washington Post, A29)

Communists Vow To Quit Party If Yeltsin Is Cheated

MOSCOW -- More than 8,000 supporters of political maverick Boris Yeltsin, the former Communist Party boss of Moscow, rallied Wednesday against a privileged bureaucracy, vowing to return their party cards if there is any cheating in Sunday's legislative election.

"Yeltsin, Yeltsin" and "Down with Ligachev" they shouted, assembling on Sovietskaya Square opposite the Moscow City Council headquarters for the second rally for Yeltsin in four days. (Washington Times, A1)

U.S. CANCELS TALKS WITH ROMANIA

State Dept. Warns Against Further Crackdown On Dissidents

The State Department has called off a planned high-level meeting with the Romanian government on human rights grounds and issued an unusually blunt warning that a further crackdown against prominent critics would have "direct consequences" for future U.S.-Romanian relations.

The warning, which was issued by the U.S. Embassy in Bucharest Tuesday and by the State Department yesterday, expressed concern about repressive measures against six former top Romanian officials....

(Don Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A35)

U.S., INDONESIA SIGN TRADE ACCORD

The U.S. and Indonesia signed an agreement Wednesday intended to ease a trade dispute over protection of American copyrights on books, sound recordings, films, computer software and other creative works.

The agreement calls for Indonesia to provide to Americans the same protection for intellectual property rights that Indonesia provides to its own citizens. (UPI)

THAI GETS U.S. VISA BY MISTAKE

The State Department acknowledged Wednesday that it had given an entry visa to a Thai military officer who had been barred from the U.S. for his role in an attempted coup against the Thai government.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman said "administrative error" was responsible for granting a visa on March 6 to Col. Manoon Roobkajorn as part of a Thai government delegation that came to the U.S. (UPI)

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY

(Wednesday Evening, March 22)

LANCASTER TRIP

ABC's Sam Donaldson: President Bush took his anti-drug message on the road today to Lancaster, Pa. The President told high school students there that he wants to impress on them, in his words, "how vulnerable every American city and town is to the menace. (ABC-5)

NBC's Jim Miklaszewski: The peaceful Amish country of central Pennsylvania is far from the fast lane. But big-city drug problems have arrived here in Lancaster County. And now, so has President Bush with his anti-drug campaign.

(President Bush: "And in the past couple of years drug abuse has escalated here. The rising problem here simply shows how vulnerable every American city and town is to the menace of drug abuse. And the good news is you're fighting back.")

(Lancaster Mayor Arthur Morris: "There are too many communities in America today that hide the problem, and that's unfortunate. We're not going to run away from the problem. We're going to speak to it.")

Drug problems are not nearly as widespread here as in major U.S. cities. But state lawmen report the county has become a cocaine distribution center for the region. And no one appears immune to the threat. Amish and Mennonite leaders told the President even their children have been offered drugs. This trip stressed drug education and community involvement in the war against drugs. In Wilmington, De., Bush got a firsthand look at how organized activities help inner-city kids kick the drug problem.

(TV COVERAGE: President Bush watches a boy in a karate program kick a board in half.)

Later, Bush engaged in a little give and take on drugs.

(President Bush: "Have you ever been offered 'em?"

Student: "Yea."

President Bush: "Did you tell the guy to bug off?"

Student: Nods.)

The President offered now new ideas, and his trip was pretty much window dressing, as the Administration admits that the tough answers to the drug problems continue to elude them.

Brokaw: During the day, a young boy asked the President how he dealt with drugs. And Mr. Bush replied that if anyone offering drugs came into the White House they'd have a tough time with the Secret Service. (NBC-2)

CBS's Bob Schieffer: President Bush returned to his war on drugs theme today during a trip to rural Pennsylvania. He said drugs aren't just a big-city problem. And at a stop in neighboring Delaware, where he talked to a police group, Mr. Bush hinted there may be more action soon on the limiting of sales of semi-automatic weapons.

(President Bush: "The time has come to do something about these automated weapons that are threatening the lives of these people behind me. And I'm going to see that it takes place. (CBS-7)

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AIDS CARE HOME/FIRST LADY

Schieffer: Back in Washington, First Lady Barbara Bush visited a home today that cares for children infected with the AIDS virus. Mrs. Bush made a point of holding and hugging the children to show compassion and to show that it's a safe thing to do.
(TV COVERAGE: First Lady reads to a little girl sitting in her lap.)
(CBS-8)

COCAINE/FEDERAL INDICTMENTS

Brokaw: Can the war against cocaine be won with federal indictments? Probably not. But when the evidence is so overwhelming, when the smuggling is so massive, American authorities have no choice. Today a federal grand jury in Jacksonville, Fl. indicted five of the biggest drug bosses in Colombia and an associate of the Bahamian prime minister. The Colombians are believed to be responsible for 80% of the cocaine coming into this country.

NBC's Brian Ross reports that while the federal grand jury indicted an alleged key middleman for cocaine payoffs in the Bahamas, the indictment does not name the Bahamian officials who got the payoffs. Federal law authorities say that one of the unnamed officials is the Bahamian prime minister, whose name was dropped from the first draft of the indictment after a Justice and State Department review in Washington. Officials say the names of Gen. Noriega of Panama and an American fugitive also were dropped from the first draft of the drug indictment. Authorities in Jacksonville would not talk about the Washington changes in the indictment. In Congress today, the co-chairman of the House task force on narcotics, citing today's indictment, moved to cut off aid to the Bahamas. Law enforcement officials say with some names kept out of the indictment by the Justice Department and the State Department, and with top cocaine bosses safe in Colombia, this indictment is not nearly as important as it could have been in the war against drugs. (NBC-Lead, CBS-6)

INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION

Schieffer: A government report out today concludes that well over one-third of the American people are living in areas of serious air pollution. And for the first time U.S. officials gave an accounting of just how much toxic material is being released into the air.

CBS's Susan Spencer reports that despite the clean air acts, despite attempts to regulate, American industry is spewing forth 2.4 billion pounds of hazardous chemicals each year. Information provided to the EPA by industry itself shows eight states with releases of over 100 million pounds of air toxics annually. The EPA wants to change the law to regulate by industrial process, not by specific chemical.
(CBS-Lead)

NBC's Robert Hager reports that a new U.S. law requires chemical plants and other manufacturers to report for the first time just which chemicals they vent into the air and how much. Today, the first figures in revealed an astounding total of 2 billion, 400 million pounds of toxic chemicals poured into the air from industrial plants each year.

Hager continues: Of more than 300 chemicals known to cause cancer or birth defects or serious health problems, emissions of only seven of these chemicals are regulated by the EPA. The EPA says it will regulate more chemical emissions in the future. (NBC-6)

DROUGHT

Donaldson reports that New York's Mayor Koch declared a drought emergency today, telling residents to get ready for shorter showers and dirtier streets in order to survive the worst drought since the 1960s. It's not only New York that's in trouble, it's much of the Northeast. California and the Pacific Northwest also face severe drought problems this spring. In the nation's midsection, most of the states that were dry last summer got plenty of snow this winter, but not all of it. Kansas is the nation's number one producer of winter wheat. This winter, Kansas farmers are hurting.

ABC's Charles Thomas reports that with less than two inches of moisture since last fall, farmers already have lost 25% of their winter wheat crop, and most of what is growing is rated poor. The winter wheat trouble here comes at the worst possible time. With world wheat reserves at a 15-year low, the usual bumper crop from Kansas had been counted on to help replenish dwindling supplies. Some Kansas farmers are plowing this year's crop under to save the soil for next year. (ABC-10)

MINIMUM WAGE

CBS's Deborah Potter reports that the real dispute between the Administration and Congress is over the Administration's plan for a so-called training wage for six months to let employers pay less to newly hired workers. (Sen. Kennedy: "What'll happen is you'll replace heads of households, in many instances the sole supporters for families, with newer entrants.") The White House is talking tough, with the President threatening a veto. (President Bush: "This is not a time to have raises bigger than that which we've thought out here. And it is important that we hold the line.") But there could be room for compromise. The latest Democratic proposal now includes a training wage for 60 days. And sponsors hope they can work out a deal that will finally lead to an increase in the minimum. (CBS-3)

HOUSE WHIP

Donaldson reports that the House of Representatives, already a highly partisan place, may soon ring to an even higher level of party confrontation, thanks to today's election of Rep. Gingrich to be the new minority whip. Gingrich narrowly defeated Rep. Madigan by two votes.

ABC's Sheilah Kast reports GOP members voted for Gingrich even though, until today, he called himself an outside player, more confrontational and less conciliatory than House Republican leader Michel.

Kast continues:

(Rep. Michel: "What that says to me is that they want us to be more activated and more visible and more aggressive.")

After 40 years in the minority, even moderate Republicans are frustrated by the way Wright and the Democrats run the House. For his part, Speaker Wright sent the new whip an autographed copy of the book Wright wrote which is the source of some of the ethics charges against him. Democrats say Gingrich must learn to build bridges, not bomb them. And given his history of confrontation, most expect the House to be a harsher, louder place. (ABC-4)

NBC's Ken Bode reports:

(Rep. Gingrich: "This country is in real trouble if we have another 10 or 15 years of the sickness that you're now seeing in Jim Wright and all of the corruption and all of the ethics problems in the House.")

Democrats are saying the Republicans have bought themselves trouble: Gingrich is not the sort who will help George Bush get along with Democrats.

(Rep. Gingrich: "What I would say to the Democrats is that when they're fair and they're reasonable, I'm willing to be fair and reasonable. I will not compromise with corruption, and I will not let them run over me and then ask me to be grateful for the tire tracks on my face because they were nice when they did the running over.") (NBC-4, CBS-2)

C-5 TRANSPORT PLANE/FRAUD CHARGES

Schieffer reports that Congress heard a battery of new charges today about Pentagon contract fraud and overcharges, all of it involving the C-5 transport plane, which has been the subject of controversy for years.

CBS's David Martin reports that today a congressional committee added another chapter to the story.

(Rep. John Dingell: "This order involves a clear conflict of interest, the revolving door, apparent fraud --")

The order is for \$68 million worth of crash repair kits, spare parts that could be used to make repairs in the event of a crash which did not totally destroy the plane -- something that has happened only twice. Lockheed, which makes the C-5, charged \$229.94 for a little brass washer. Lockheed acknowledged that the price was high, but said it was because they had to make the washers from scratch. The Air Force Colonel who arranged the deal now works for Lockheed. The Air Force says it has no plans to cancel the contract for the crash repair kits, but it does plan to re-negotiate the price of some of the items in the kits. (CBS-5)

U.S./PLO

Donaldson: American diplomats sat down with representatives of the PLO in Tunisia today, the first substantive meeting since the Bush Administration took office. According to ABC's John McWethy, the United States delivered a strong message to the PLO to find a way to end terrorist raids into Israel. The U.S. also asked the PLO to help lower the violence in the occupied territories, a suggestion not rejected out of hand by the Palestinians. (ABC-9, NBC-8, CBS-13)

WEST EUROPEAN EMBASSIES/RUSHDIE

NBC's John Chancellor comments on Italy, Greece, and Ireland's decision this week to send their ambassadors back to Iran: Today, Khomeini said the ambassadors are returning humiliated, disgraced and regretful, and he added, maybe they had not predicted such shame in the process of achieving their ominous aim. By pulling their ambassadors out in the wake of the Rushdie affair, the three countries with great literary traditions were quite properly protesting the Ayatollah's death sentence against a writer. But the death sentence is still in effect. Humiliation and disgrace may be the right words. People who believe in freedom have been humiliated and disgraced by this kowtowing to a terrorist threat. The Ayatollah again is having the last laugh. (NBC-10)

VAN EXPLOSION SIMULATION/SAN DIEGO

Donaldson reports that police in San Diego blew up a van today. It was a reenactment of a the pipe bombing of of a van driven by Sharon Rogers, the wife of the captain of the Vincennes, two weeks ago. It's part of a local crime-stoppers program. The tape of this reenactment will be played back starting next week on local television stations. The hope is that seeing the tape may jog some witnesses' memories to produce new leads for police. (ABC-8)

CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

Brokaw reports that Chairman William Allen said today he has no plans to resign. The White House says it has no plans to replace him. However, Allen remains the center of a controversy involving the Apache Indian nation. Allen got into trouble last month when he went to an Apache reservation in Arizona to question a 14-year-old Indian girl. She'd been raised by white foster parents, but she'd been returned to the reservation after a bitter custody battle. Allen's actions outraged tribal authorities. Allen's actions on the reservation have also outraged his fellow commission members. They've called for his resignation. (NBC-5)

NORTH TRIAL

Donaldson reports that Oliver North's former White House secretary, Fawn Hall, who once told Congress that sometimes you have to go above the written law, came to court today to testify at her former boss's trial.

ABC's Tim O'Brien reports that Hall tried to defend her former boss's patriotic motives, but on the witness stand provided damaging testimony that could help convict Oliver North of falsifying documents and lying to Congress. Hall confessed to altering half a dozen memos, concealing from Congress North's work on behalf of contras.

(ABC-6, NBC-3, CBS-4)

IMMIGRANTS

Schieffer says that one of the thorniest problems facing the Bush Administration is the steady stream of undocumented immigrants from Central America. Many of them enter the United States through Mexico. U.S. officials want the Mexican government to stem the flow.

(CBS-14)

Thursday, March 23, 1989 -- B-6

THAILAND COUP LEADER/VISA

Brokaw: Col. Roopkhachorn was the man who led a coup in Thailand in 1985, and that coup led to the death of two NBC newsmen. The United States said the colonel would never be allowed in this country. But, about two weeks ago, he was granted a visa and made a brief visit to the United States. Today the State Department said granting that visa was an error, and it has now been cancelled. (NBC-11)

TERRORIST THREATS

Donaldson reports that here's an example of the kind of dilemma faced by safety officials as they try to tell real threats of terrorism from crank calls. Last week the FAA issued a warning to airlines saying it's received a threat of a hijacking against a U.S. airliner somewhere in Europe. No time frame was given, and officials stress that the warning is only a precaution. Last year the FAA issued 27 such security bulletins to airlines. (ABC-7)

CARE HOMES

Donaldson reports that Rep. Pepper thinks the federal government should get involved in what he calls a nationwide scandal of epic proportions. He is pushing for minimum standards in federal controls for board and care facilities, similar to federal regulations that already exist for nursing homes. (ABC-13)

ROZELLE

Brokaw: Pete Rozelle, the man who presided over the extraordinary rise of professional football -- the man who invented the Super Bowl, after all -- is stepping down now as commissioner of professional football after 30 years on the job. Rozelle told the football owners he made the decision in October but told no one else. Rozelle will stay on the job until a successor is named. (NBC-12, ABC-3, CBS-9)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Dear George -

Just a note to say how pleased I
am about your change of heart concerning
assault weapons.

Just from the medical point of view,
these guns have turned emergency rooms in
urban hospitals in to literal war zones.
These injuries from these guns used to
be only seen on the battlefield - scary
devastating injuries - & of course they
are happening to police officers & innocent
bystanders, & the medical costs are astronomical.

Thanks for changing your position here.

Regards -

Bush

QUESTIONS FOR WASHINGTON TIMES PRE-BRIEF

March 23, 1989

- 1) Is sending the National Guard into Washington, D.C. a real option?
- 2) There is a murder in Washington every 16 hours, and recent Virginia murders indicate the spillover is significant, but your Administration says it will take some weeks to make any formal decisions on the automatic weapons. Why so long?
- 3) Will you fire William Barclay Allen from the Civil Rights Commission and insert your own chairman?
- 4) What if the Japanese won't accept your "clarifications" on the FSX?
- 5) Is it true that the FAA has warned of a possible hijacking in Europe and that U.S. military and diplomatic personnel have been advised of this but not the American people?
- 6) If the PLO has rejected a request to curtail violence in the occupied territories, how is it that we can proceed with the dialogue?
- 7) What is your new Contra policy?
- 8) Were you aware that the State and Justice Departments overturned a recent draft of an indictment against your friend Lynden Pindling regarding his connection with Colombian drug kingpins?

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indicted Pindling who thought should be indicted.

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Bush Library Photocopy
George Bush Handwriting

March 23
12:20 p.m.

Sir:

Fred McClure called and asked me to pass along
the following message to you.

RE:

The minimum wage proposal in the House:

198 - FOR

218 - AGAINST

44 Democrats with us

16 Republicans against us.

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171 against

24 Democrats

22 Republicans

We have veto strength

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: March 23, 1989

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: Governor John Sununu *CS*

My friend, former Congressman Gene Taylor called.

He was formally the Ranking Minority Member of the Post Office Committee.

He wants to bring Tony Frank ("he is one of us") in to see me. Tony Frank is head of the Post Office.

He also suggested bringing in the National Association of Postmasters. He has requested a 5 to 10 minute visit.

He asked that if I could not have such a meeting, that a meeting be set up with Dick Darman.

Because of my special friendship with Taylor, I would like to meet him, but we should check out what his agenda should be.

Check before I meet with the Postmaster General.

All yours.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: March 23, 1989

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: Governor John Sununu *WS*

SUBJECT: Phone Call from Senator Howard Metzenbaum

Metzenbaum in Pompano Beach, Florida, opened with pleasantries re: his meeting with Barbara.

He was calling regarding assault weapons.

His committee will mark-up the bill as soon as he comes back.

He is not trying to "confront", preferring instead, to work out language acceptable to the White House.

He told Bill Bennett and Boyden Gray he would like to move forward and to consult.

He wants to talk as to avoid a battle.

cc: William Bennett
C. Boyden Gray
Fred McClure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 23, 1989

Dear Lillian:

Thanks for the great note and for the good memories it stirred. I think of the days at USUN and the many people who were so special.

Jane, Aileen (retired in Florida) and Pete are all fine. Unfortunately, Tom died this past December after less than perfect health for the last couple of years. We will miss him.

Best wishes to all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush", written in a cursive style.

Lillian R. Liccardi
United States Mission
to the United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

3-23-89

Dear Victor -

Mission Accomplished

We lined off the
picture and note to

see Charlie Patten today.

Love to Joan

Love to your great Mom.

Warmest Regards,

As TB

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

The Honorable Victor Ashe
Mayor
400 Main Avenue
Knoxville, Tennessee 37901



THE PRESIDENT

March 23, 1989

Dear Mr. Samaranch,

The pleasure was all mine to have you visit, and I'm grateful, not only for your open invitation to visit the International Olympic Committee headquarters, but also for the handsome plaque and personalized jacket.

International sports competition continues to create lasting friendships that span the globe and pave the way for increased diplomacy between people of participating nations. Thank you for your important efforts to that end.

Sincerely,

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable Juan Antonio Samaranch
President
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THE PRESIDENT

March 23, 1989

Dear Jeb,

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Love, *Devotedly*

Rod
Dad

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Dear Bert -

I was delighted to read
your Mar 19th letter - I do
feel pretty good about things;
but, like you, I worry about
inflation. We don't need

stagflation.

Glad all your party
are fun -

Love to all.

A handwritten signature, likely "G", is written in the center of the page.

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Mr. George H. Walker, III
Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Inc.
500 North Broadway
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

PERSONAL

GEORGE H. WALKER III

Sunday, Jan 19

Dear Sam & George,

Thanks much for your note
George about "the real life" and
the implicit request to family,
and friends to help by staying
in touch. It would be fun
(and a real privilege) to drop
you both notes providing you
sign on to the understanding
that notes coming from this
source will not be answered
(unless we happen to strike
an incredible chord!).

We are getting so many
good vibes from DC! No
one we talked to has any
significant Negatives. People in
the financial arena are

GEORGE H. WALKER III

reports on your choice for
Defense. You've heard
enough but we are really
excited with what we see.

Family news. No puppies
from any Walker dogs

but Carter has been
take in Colgate, Chip
is finishing his Sophomore
year at Wharton (Penn)
and doing great! Wendy,
Isabelle & May Elizabeth are
all really happy in their
marriages & all is well!

Jeff Buxel is coming
over to interview at Treasury,
which we are excited about!
You sure don't want
more than 3, perhaps 1 page worth
suffice. Keep up ever

Concerned about (1) interest rates
and (2) inflation but I believe
that these two threats are on
the way to solution as a
result of the inevitable slowing
and what appears to be
responsible action of the Feds.
Individuals will come back
into the market as (1) memories
of Oct '87 gradually dim, (2)
interest rates start down
(3) upward momentum of
market continues.

Very positive comments from
Tony Coelho who spoke to
Securities industry groups about
how G. B. is just the
man we need for this time.
It sounded as if he was
giving your Nomination speech
Also so many glowing

your Super work -
The whole family is
glowing with pride -
Carol Seeks Love Too
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Dear George,

FYI. I love this guy!

Respectfully

Love,

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Dad

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The President's Golf Professional

By Gary Larrabee

Ken Raynor is much more than President George Bush's golf pro. As head professional at Cape Arundel Golf Club in Kennebunkport, Maine, Mr. Bush's summer home for 63 of his 64 years, Raynor is fortunate to have developed a special relationship with the nation's new chief executive.

"I'm proud to say that Mr. Bush has made me feel like an inherited son," Raynor, a 36-year-old native of South Salem, N.Y., revealed. "We have a very warm relationship. He's made me feel like part of the family."

"When the family comes up for vacation every August, Mr. Bush often plays with his sons, George Jr. and Jeb, and they ask me to be the fourth. I value this relationship very much."

Like many golfers, when they are not chasing the little white pellet, the Bushes and their pro get away from it all by chasing fish either on the Kennebunk River or off the coast of the Bush summer home on Walker's Point.

"I guess you could say we became friends because we share two mutually strong interests," Raynor told *Golf World* recently while he worked on the construction of his new home a short drive from the club.

"Golf, of course, and fishing."

After working 16 years at the links-type layout located two hours' drive up the coast from Boston—he begins his 11th as head pro this spring—Raynor often has become the recipient of Mr. Bush's first phone call once the former vice-president arrives at his Maine retreat.

"It's not unusual for Mr. Bush to call me at 7 o'clock in the morning, or I'll call him at the same time," Raynor explains. "If we're not setting up a golf game for later in the day, one of us is giving the other the fishing report on the Kennebunk. We're both avid fishermen first thing in the morning, you could say. We both own boats. We'll either go out together or meet out on the water, then I might see him at

the course for a quick 18 after lunch.

"Golf is my business and fishing my recreation."

For Mr. Bush, golf has always been a part of the family scene. His grandfather, George Herbert Walker, was a former president of the United States Golf Association and donated the Walker Cup, the trophy given in the biennial competition between British and American amateur teams.

"His time is so filled up when he comes to Maine," Raynor pointed out, "but he almost always finds time to play nine or 18 holes on those days he calls relaxation or recreation days."

"A typical day here might be for him to rise at 6, get briefed by aides, be on the boat fishing by 7, return to the house and do business, play two or three sets of tennis, jog, have some lunch, then get over to the club for a quick 18."

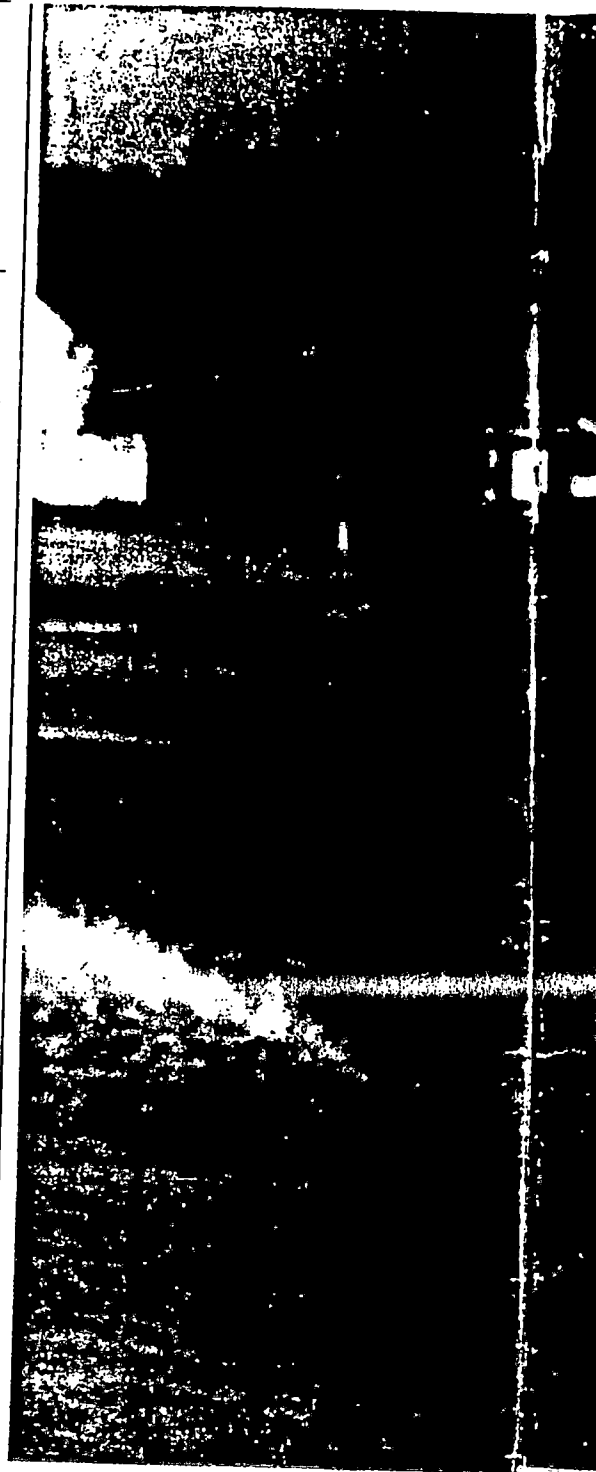
And Raynor literally means a quick 18 holes. "I think the record for an 18-hole round played by a foursome is 2 hours and 10 minutes," Raynor said. "We've done it in 2 hours, 20 minutes. Mr. Bush calls it cart polo. We're not overly rushing, either. That's his golfing pace. His living pace, too, I think."

The new President of the United States never gets enough golf, according to Raynor. That was especially the case last summer and fall, when he campaigned for the presidency.

"I think he played here about 10 times last year," Raynor said. "You have to remember, too, that Mr. Bush has many other sporting interests."

Horseshoes and tennis take up substantially more of his "athletic" time than golf. Which makes his golfing proficiency all the more amazing.

"His best here has been a 76," Raynor remembered, "and he normally is good for an 86 or 87. You can very much see the athlete in his swing. It's well coordinated. The pace of the swing is one of his best attributes. He has a good grip, as well. His feet are a



little wide at setup, and he doesn't transfer his weight the way he should, but he usually makes awfully good contact."

When asked which way Mr. Bush's tee ball tends to go, Raynor invoked his "Presidential Professional Privilege" to good use and was free with his witty and oft-critical assessment.

"How's his tee shot go? What day of



Arundel home pro Raynor has found himself in the middle of a bipartisan game between then Vice President Bush and Sen. Muskie.

the week is it?" Raynor responded rhetorically. "He'll fade it one day, draw it the next. But in truth, his driving and long irons are the best parts of his game because he's strong and makes excellent contact. He's out-driven me.

"His short game tends to get very handsy," Raynor said. "Which is why he has difficulty putting. He's too wristy with his pitch/lob shots. He tightens on the way down. He needs to learn to grip the club, not hold it."

The President's putting woes run in

the family, Raynor noted. "It's something we all have a good sense of humor about, including Mr. Bush, but you never know what he'll do on the greens," Raynor said. "He might hit a three-foot putt four inches or 10 feet."

Which explains why the President "begs for a gimme", as Raynor says. "In all fairness, though, Mr. Bush has

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PRESIDENT'S PRO Continued

no time to devote to the game. Because of his incredible schedule, he can't be one to practice or take lessons. He merely wants to get out on the course and put the ball in the hole."

Raynor admires the President's golfing temperament. "He keeps quite an even disposition out there, what with all the ups and downs his typical round has," Raynor said. "He has a strong competitive sense, and he idolizes some of the great players. He likes to put himself in a dramatic situation: 'Here we are on the 18th at Pebble Beach,' he'll say. 'Let me show you how it's done.' Then he'll either hit a beautiful shot or put it in the water.

"He puts up with an awful lot just to play his round, too," Raynor went on. "I guess that's the performer in him. He'll shake hands with most anybody who passes by. He passes out golf balls and tees with 'Vice President' on them (they say 'President' now); he lets groups play through, he holds kids, signs scorecards, poses for photographs [Cape Arundel is semiprivate; it



Raynor (right) was called to Washington for a game at Burning Tree with Bush and Sigel.

is open to the public]. It's amazing how often he opens his heart to strange people.

"He extends such warmth because he feels so much a part of the Kennebunkport community."

Raynor has had some special golfing moments with Mr. Bush, such as the round he played with him and Ivan Lendl shortly after Lendl won the U.S. Open tennis title. Lendl and Bush are tennis partners, also.

"Mr. Bush called me one Tuesday

night and told me I had to be in Washington by Friday for a match with him and (former U.S. Amateur champ) Jay Sigel at Burning Tree (favorite course for many of the Washington politicians, including new vice president Dan Quayle)," Raynor said. "My wife and I went down, stayed at the vice-presidential residence, rode in his motorcade, had dinner with him after the match in Washington. I'll never forget it. But that's the way he is. He makes my wife and me feel a part of his family."

He has not found the time yet, and it will be harder finding golf time as President, but Bush yearns to play two of American golf's meccas—Pine Valley and Augusta National. The invitations have been standing. Sigel has all kinds of ins at Pine Valley; Bush buddy and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, who is a carryover from the Reagan Administration, is a member at Augusta. It's more a matter of timing.

Raynor, meanwhile, is anxious for the 1989 season to begin in Cape Arundel.

"It's always been a little exciting, having Mr. Bush a member. He's a famous and very important American," Raynor said. "Now he's President. That's a powerful thought."

"But our relationship won't change. I'm supposed to maintain Cape Arundel Golf Club so he can enjoy it as he always has and extend to him the courtesies I extend to every member. I'm here to promote the game."

And if Raynor gets another call to round out a foursome as the President's partner at Burning Tree or anywhere else, he'll be ready.

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Dear Diane

How come Brent
gets to come see you, and
I don't! Unfair.

Good luck on the
new one. Sincerely - *Ag* B

Diane

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THE PRESIDENT

March 23, 1989

Dear Pres,

Events surrounding the April 30 celebration are complicated, but scheduling is trying to make the best possible use of the trip. I've sent them your thoughts, for which I am grateful, as always.

Devotedly,

So glad you
were with Anne
at Easter - she
sounded great
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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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ACTION to
Joe Hagin

From the desk of
George Bush

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Joe Hagin

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March 16, 1989

The Honorable George H. W. Bush
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20005

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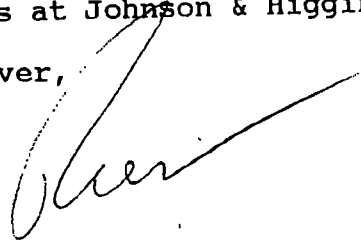
Dear George:

RE: FLEET WEEK - NEW YORK

You are reported to be attending the Bicentennial Celebration in New York on Sunday, April 30th, during Fleet Week. My former partner, Gil Dunham is President & Chairman of Fleet Week 1989. He wrote you March 8th inviting you to appear at the Enlisted Crew Party on the Intrepid. The Party will be for the enlisted Navy, Marine Corp., and Coast Guard Personnel visiting New York at the time. If you do attend the ceremony at Federal Hall on Sunday, April 30th and make an appearance at the Bicentennial Dinner that evening at the Park Avenue Armory, it would mean a lot to the Naval Recruiting efforts if you could visit the Crew Party on the Intrepid.

Perhaps you could have somebody get in touch with Gil Dunham about this at 212/574-8560. He is one of my good friends and former partners at Johnson & Higgins.

Yours ever,



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Thanks.

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WASHINGTON

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Thank
you*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: 3/27

NOTE FOR: JOE HAGIN

The President has reviewed the attached, and it is forwarded to you for your:

information
action

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The President would like to be sure that someone eventually contacts Gil Dunham.

Thanks.

Tony
Do we have
this original?
[Signature]

Thank you.

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
(x-2702)

cc:

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 23, 1989

Personal

Dear Walt:

Yesterday I read your Bernstein story. I shouldn't have done that because it was so well done that it made me stop and think all over again about the deal you and I talked about.

After a lot of real hard thought here's what I think.

The time factor has me very worried. I know that I do not have the time that I thought I would have. It's crazy. I go to work at 7:10 a.m. and when I get back to the residence at night I am close to dead tired. Obviously, there are some breaks in the day's schedule, but I just don't see, having been in the job awhile now, how I can give the project the time you would need.

Second, I have had a little glimpse into a few difficult situations, mainly in foreign affairs, and I am troubled about the amount of things I'd have to hold back.

In good conscience I cannot ask you to leave your writing to embark on this project, given the constraints that this first two months has shown me. I am convinced now that I would not be able to keep up my end of the bargain.

There are no other plans on my part for any other such venture. Maybe there is a way to do something less "total" than that which we discussed.

Walt, you should devote your lifetime to more than just this one project. I re-read your January 9th letter, and now I've read about Bernstein, and I am saying: "trying to figure out

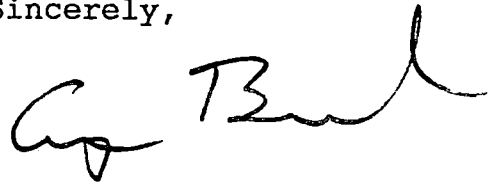
George Bush, President, is not enough for this guy!"

Maybe as I get nearer the end of four years a formula like the Reagan-Morris would work; but I can't see you in as passive a role as the one assigned to the able Mr. Morris.

Walt, I feel comfortable now as President. I think I've got a good chance to be a very good President. We have good people addressing very tough problems, problems that obviously can't be solved immediately. Somehow I'd like you to understand this and write about it with the arms-length Harrington approach, yet hopefully with a sensitivity that others might not bring to bear on the project.

What's next? Maybe a chat about this subject again. Maybe await the return of the Texas Rangers' boss so we could couple a chat with some active "shoes."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush", written in a cursive style.

Mr. Walt Harrington
The Washington Post
1150 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20071



*Future
Files*
(self-typed)

GEORGE BUSH

1-8-89

TO: BOYDEN GRAY

CC: BRENT SCOWCROFT & GEORGE W. BUSH (INFO CC: JOHN SUNUNU)

SUBJ: WALT HARRINGTON AND HIS DESIRE TO DO A BIOGRAPHY

I had a long talk Saturday with Walt Harrington who now writes for the Washington Post Magazine. Walt did a somewhat controversial piece early in the campaign. It proved to be perhaps the best journalistic effort of the season.

Walt wants to 'have access', he wants to write, not the 'memoirs' which he feels should be left to me after my Presidency; but rather he has a concept that is short of biographical.

I told Walt that I cannot decide this matter by myself.

That I would like for him to sit down with you three over a lunch to discuss this.

ACTION REQUESTED:

When George W. is up here for the inaugural could you three please meet with Walt to discuss this. I need the benefit of your judgement with Brent thinking hard about crisis and legitimate National Security inhibitions. With Boyden thinking of legality and precedent. With George thinking of politics and family. By this letter I suggest that George W. take the lead in trying to set up this meeting during the week of January 16th.

Sorry but THANKS!

George Bush

3-23-89 Pool Report on president's jog at Fort McNair, SW DC

First, the hard news. Bush with Lee Atwater (red shorts) Knight-Ridder's Ellen Warren (colored Gortex pants, 105 pounds) Globe's Walter Robinson (shorts) spokesman Bob ~~Warren~~ (sweat pants) and others ran about two miles. Time: 20:22, according to Warren's Iron Man watch. Also along: Vic Gold, Tim McBride.

Handwritten: Atwater
Bush wore a Houston Astros cap, gray sweat pants and green sweat shirt. Warren said he talked sports stuff. "It was all athletes talk," she said. The group ran around the fort's parade grounds bordering the Potomac. On the first press pass Atwater led with Warren beside Bush. All were panting. Warren said "five and a half minutes Mr. President." Bush said "speed demon."

On the second pass, Robinson was beside Bush, who picked up another runner, Joseph Bagnierise Jr., 18, the son of the base commander, Col. Joseph Bagnierise. He said Bush talked about college. The younger Bagnierise is an LSU student.

At the end, Robinson was first - by 30 yards.

Bush, smiling but breathing heavily, thanked his runners and shook the hands of Bagnierise.

The reporters rode in the limo which stopped at red lights.

Bush and his gang ran mostly on the grass. They were guarded by sharp shooters and followed by the war wagons.

Run started at 2:50

Bush ~~at~~ back at White House exited limo carrying a brown towel, which Warren said he let her use first.

Bedard
The Washington Times
3:45

3-23-89

Pool Report from National Assn. of Manufacturers Lunch

As Bush left he stopped to say hi to a gathering of about six students gathered near his car from Sidwell Friends School. They were guests of Leslie Stahl and are working on a project about broadcast news. Bruce Zanca said Bush said "What are you guys working on?" Looking to the newswoman, he said, "You are in good hands" He then told the students that he used to jog at the school's track. (He was scheduled to go jogging a later today)

Motorcade was uneventful.

Bush was ushered into the Mayflower Hotel's Grand Ballroom where he was introduced by Assn. Chairman Dick Heckert. He sat between Heckert and Assn. President Sandy Trowbridge.

The president waved off the wine but took one tablespoon of salad dressing, eating the tomato slice first. Salmon followed. He sat under a banner reading Congress of American Industry-Industrial Strength Solutions for America's Needs.

About 45 minutes later Heckert again introduced Bush. He signaled thanx to the Marine Corps band perched in a balcony and began the speech which you all heard.

As the speech began, there was a pounding noise at the front of the ballroom, like a tom tom drum. Bush asked "Is somebody's heart beating." That brought laughter from the crowd.

At one point he referred to his campaign theme of "A thousand points of light," and noted one unknown ~~spc~~ who said "what he is talking about is a thousand pints of Lite." *C.S.F.C*

The 600-700 there gave him a standing ovation and off he went to the Oval Office.

Paul Bedard
The Washington Times
2:05 pm

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Don Rhodes Walks Millie While George and Barbara Bush Are
Traveling

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS

Associated Press Writers

WASHINGTON (AP) — When George and Barbara Bush are traveling, the job of walking the first dog belongs to longtime family retainer Don Rhodes, a shy, aw-shucks Texan who is known around the White House as "Millie's best friend."

Rhodes doesn't see much these days of his pal Millie, the Bushes' 2-year-old English springer spaniel, because she is busy nursing her first litter of six puppies. They were born last weekend with Mrs. Bush serving as midwife.

When the Bushes are home, the first lady feeds Millie herself and walks her around the White House South Lawn three or four times a day, Rhodes says. The president occasionally takes the first pooch along for an evening stroll around the South Lawn after dinner.

But when they're away, Rhodes finds Millie in the second-floor family quarters of the White House, pats her head, tosses an old tennis ball for her to retrieve — her favorite game — and takes her outside for some exercise.

Rhodes, 51, is a lifelong bachelor who lives in a small apartment on Capitol Hill. He's never owned a dog, yet he and Millie share that special sort of chemistry that produces strong bonds of affection and loyalty between man and dog.

"She always stops and wags her tail when she sees me coming," says Rhodes, his voice as soft and gentle as the wind whispering through the piney woods of East Texas.

"She's a very friendly dog," he said. "She's nice to everybody, although she's sort of bashful with strangers. She likes to please people, so to speak."

"She's not a rambunctious dog. Some people's dogs start running and barking and jumping on you. She's just the opposite. She very seldom barks, unless she's shut away in a room. She's a little lady."

Millie's real name is Mildred Kerr Bush, named after a Houston friend of Mrs. Bush. The dog was given to Mrs. Bush in February 1987 by William S. Farish, a wealthy Kentucky horse breeder and Republican supporter, shortly after the death of her beloved cocker spaniel, C. Fred Bush.

Millie's first litter, five females and one male, was sired by Tug Farish III, a year-old springer spaniel from the Farish farm at Versailles, Ky., where Millie was born. The puppies, like their parents, are white with liver-colored spots.

Rhodes has been Bush's loyal personal assistant for the past quarter-century. They met in 1964, when Rhodes was a student at Texas A&M University and Bush, campaigning unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate, gave a campus speech that Rhodes liked.

Bush hired the young campaign volunteer from Houston as a file clerk after Bush was elected to the House in 1966, and Rhodes has been on the Bush payroll ever since.

Nowadays, from a small office in the East Wing of the White House, Rhodes handles the president's personal mail, pays his incidental bills and runs errands for the Bushes.

"I'm just a waterboy," he says with a smile.

The Bushes, however, consider him a close friend. Last year, they invited Rhodes to join the family for Thanksgiving dinner at their Kennebunkport, Maine, vacation home.

Rhodes steadfastly refused to allow a photographer to take his picture posing with Millie, or even alone.

"I'm bashful, too," he said.

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