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01. Schedule	Schedule of the President [redaction] (1 pp.)	04/04/89	(b)(3) [50 USC 403g, Sec 6]	
02a. Log	White House Telephone Log [D.S.T.] [redaction of personal information] (1 pp.)	04/04/89	(b)(6)	
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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

Tuesday, April 4, 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 (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
9:30 am (45 min)	<u>Meeting with Costa Rican President Arias</u> (Scowcroft) <i>2 Waves</i> (Distributed Separately)	Oval Office
10:15 am (45 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:00 am (15 min)	Ceremony to mark <u>40th Anniversary of NATO</u> (<i>open</i>) (Scowcroft)	Rose Garden (TAB A)
11:15 am (45 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
12:00 noon (60 min)	<u>Lunch with Education Secretary Cavazos</u> (Bates)	Oval Office (TAB B)
1:00 pm (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
2:00 pm (20 min)	<u>Address American Business Conference</u> (Demarest) <i>open photo - white pool</i> (TAB C)	450 OEOB
2:20 pm (25 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
2:45 pm (90 min)	<u>NSC Meeting</u> (Scowcroft)	Cabinet Room (Distributed Separately)
4:25 pm (20 min)	<u>Photo Session with Parade Magazine</u> (Demarest)	Oval Office (TAB D)
4:45 pm (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office
7:30 pm (3 hrs)	B <u>Dinner for Egyptian President and Mrs. Mubarak</u> (Scowcroft) (Black Tie)	Residence (TAB E)

UNP 04/03/89
4:00 pm

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7:23 Potes arr oval

1:07 arr in oval

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7:58 Scowcroft Bates
to Oval

8:03 add Sumner 8:18 VP into Oval

8:22 (b)(3)
[50 USC 4001
Sec 6]

8:58 Bates + Scowcroft out 9:19 VP + Sumner out

9:29 add Sumner + Scowcroft 9:34 add Art Baker

9:37 add Arias et al 10:33 all out except Scowcroft 10:40 Scowcroft out
10:58 add VP 11:00 Potes + VP to Rose Garden (Potes Remarks) 11:06 Conclude remarks/photos

11:09 Potes arr oval

11:11 add L. Firestone 11:19 L. Firestone out 11:20 Sumner, ~~Bates~~, Taiter
+ Atwater to Oval

11:36 add Card 11:39 Gov. Sumner out 12:00 all out 12:00 Bates to Oval

12:03 Bates out 12:06 Potes + Cavazos to Oval for lunch. 1:02 Cavazos + Bates
out

1:04 Potes dpt to Fitzwaters office 1:05 Potes + Fitzwater to 2nd Flr Res.

1:07 arr Res; join Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Neblett, Mrs. Andy Stewart, and Mrs. Arias (Costa Rican
First Lady)

1:11 Potes + Fitz dpt 1:13 arr Oval off. 1:20 Fitzwater out; Kather Super in

1:37 K. Super out 1:40 Sumner into Oval; 1:44 Sumner out

2:00 Dpt Oval 2:04 arr OEOB 2:06 announced into Rm 450 - Remarks 2:22 Concludes remarks
Q + A

2:35 ~~conclude Q+A~~ remarks + dpt 2:38 arr Oval; add Dr. Burt Lee 2:39 add Dr. Neblett

2:45 add Baker 2:47 add Scowcroft 2:49 Dr Lee + Neblett out 2:51 Potes, Baker
+ Scowcroft to
Cabinet Rm

4:20 Dpt Cab Rm to Oval 4:22 add K. Taylor, P. Luthringer + Eddie Adams
plus one

4:42 Potes to Study alone 4:44 add ~~Sumner~~ Scowcroft.

4:50 Scowcroft out 5:00 Sumner in 5:04 add Russ Miller, USSS

5:00 Miller out 5:21 Potes to S. grounds.

THE PRESIDENT & MRS. BUSH

THE VICE PRESIDENT & MRS. QUAYLE

HE THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT
& MRS. MUBARAK

Mr. Ala'A Mubarak

Mr. Gamal Mubarak

HE The Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs
& Mrs. Abdel Meguid

HE (Dr.) Kamal El Ganzoury
Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Planning

HE (Dr.) & Mrs. Boutros Boutros Ghali
Minister of State for Foreign Affairs

HE (Dr.) Atef Ebeid
Minister of Cabinet Affairs & Minister of State
for Administrative Development

HE (Dr.) Maurice Makramallah
Minister of State for International Cooperation

HE (Dr.) Zakaria Azmy
Chief of the Presidential Cabinet

HE (Dr.) Osama El Baz
Chief of Cabinet to the President for Political Affairs
& First Undersecretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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& Mrs. El Reedy

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Ailes Communications

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Commanding General, Information Systems Command, US Army

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Brookings Institution

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Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

D. S. T.
PRESIDENT BUSH

APRIL 4th

, 19⁸⁹

		TIME		NAME	ACTION
INC	OUT	PLACED	DISC		
<u>OUT</u>		7:31 <u>AM</u>	7:36	SECRETARY JAMES BAKER WASHINGTON, D.C. (b)(6)	TALKED OK
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	7:38 <u>PM</u>	7:46 <u>AM</u>	SENATOR ALBERT GORE JOHN HOPKINS HOSPITAL BALT. MD. 301 955-5260.	TALKED OK, 7:39 AM.
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	9:21 <u>PM</u>	9:25 <u>AM</u>	MARVIN BUSH (b)(6)	TALKED OK
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	10:11 <u>PM</u>	11:19 <u>AM</u>	SECRETARY SAMUEL SKINNER (b)(6)	PATTY PRESOCK TOOK CALL, SEC. WILL RETURN CALL AT
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>				10:45 AM. TALKED OK AT 11:17 AM.
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	10:36 <u>PM</u>	10:38 <u>AM</u>	MRS. BARBARA BUSH RESIDENCE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 538	TALKED OK
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	12:27 <u>PM</u>		SENATOR PETE WILSON OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. 224-5414	FRED MCLURE TALKED TO THE SENATOR TWICE & PATTY PRESOCK TALKED TO EX AST. TOLD TIM MCBRIDE
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	1:47 <u>PM</u>	1:48 <u>AM</u>	SUSIE PEAKE WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 515	MCCLURE HAS ACTION/Patty
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>	6:37 <u>PM</u>	6:38 <u>AM</u>	GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT OFFICE: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 653	TALKED OK
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>				
<u>INC</u>	<u>OUT</u>				
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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM
SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

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LOCATION Washington, D.C.

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TIME	MOVEMENTS
0724	Oval Office
0922	Rose Garden
0923	Oval Office
1103	Rose Garden
1126	Oval Office
1211	South Grounds
1213	Oval Office
1309	Residence
1314	South Grounds
1315	Oval Office
1406	Room 450, Old Executive Office Building
1440	Oval Office
1454	Cabinet Room
1622	Oval Office
1729	South Grounds
1811	Oval Office
1818	Press Office
1820	Residence
1925	State Floor
1927	North Portico
1928	Residence
1957	State Floor
2240	Residence

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Tuesday, April 4

6:02 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
6:12 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
7:23 The President and Mrs. Bush to the Oval Office
7:26 Mrs. Bush to the tennis court for tennis with:
Dale Meredith, Sandra O'Connor, Edee Thayer
9:01 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
10:00 Guests to the Rose Garden for the Ceremony commemorating
the 40th anniversary of NATO
10:50 Mrs. Potter Stewart arrives
10:51 Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Potter Stewart to South Grounds
11:00 Mrs. Neblett arrives
11:01 Mrs. Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Neblett out
locally
12:14 Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Stewart, and Mrs. Neblett to the Second
Floor 12:17 All to the South Grounds
12:21 Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Potter-Stewart, and Mrs. Neblett to the
Second Floor
1:00 Mrs. Arias of Costa Rica to the Second Floor
1:05 The President to the Second Floor
1:11 The President to the Oval Office
1:20 Luncheon on the Second Floor for 4 guests
1:53 Mrs. Potter-Stewart down
2:00 Mrs. Bush and the Luncheon Guests to the Diplomatic
Reception Room
2:07 Mrs. Bush to the State Floor
2:12 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
3:59 Mrs. Mubarak to the Second Floor for tea 4:40 down
4:10 Mrs. Mildred Hilson and Doris Gasgill to the Second Floor
Houseguest in the Lincoln Bedroom
5:00 Ms. Hilary Farrish and Scott Davis to the Second Floor
5:50 Down
5:02 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
5:13 Mrs. Bush, Marvin Bush, and Bill ? to the Second Floor
5:20 Marvin Bush to the South Grounds
5:30 The President to the South Grounds
6:06 Mr. Graux to the Second Floor
6:10 The President to the Oval Office
6:20 The President to the Second Floor
7:05 Guests begin to arrive for Mubarak Dinner
7:20 The President and Mrs. Bush to the State Floor
to greet President and Mrs. Mubarak
7:28 The President and Mrs. Bush and President
and Mrs. Mubarak to the Second Floor
7:32 The Official Party to the Second Floor 7:48 down
7:55 The President, Mrs. Bush, and the Principals to the East
Room for the Receiving Line

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8:03 Guests to the State Dinong Room
8:20 Dinner served to 97 guests
9:40 Toasts
10:00 Guests to the Parlors for coffee and After dinner drinks
10:10 Guests to the East Room for entertainment (Maureen McGovern)
10:36 Entertainment concludes, the President and Mrs. Bush to the North Portico to bid farewell to President and Mrs. Mubarak
10:39 President and Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
11:00 Mrs. Bush to the South Grounds
11:08 Mrs. Bush to the Second Floor
11:15 Retired

Houseguest

Mrs. Hilson - Lincoln Bedroom
Doris Gasgil - Queens Room



News Summary

OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 1989 -- 6 a.m. EDT EDITION

TODAY'S HEADLINES

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bush Meets With Mubarak, Says 'New Atmosphere' Needed For Peace -- President Bush, opening a week of intensive talks on the Middle East, met with Egyptian President Mubarak on Monday and said "a new atmosphere" must be created between Israel and Arab nations as the first step toward peace. (Boston Globe, Washington Post, Washington Times, AP, Reuter)

Pressured By Families, U.S. Acts To Tighten Air Security -- Under pressure from the families of those killed in the Pan Am Flight 103 bombing, the Bush administration on Monday introduced new measures to guard against airplane sabotage and otherwise tighten airport security around the world. (Los Angeles Times, Washington Post, Washington Times, UPI)

Gorbachev In Talks With Castro Hails Cuba's World Role -- Soviet leader Gorbachev Monday hailed Cuba's role in helping to bring peace to Namibia and a Moscow spokesman suggested the U.S. should recognize Havana's "growing authority" in world affairs. (Boston Globe, Washington Post, Reuter)

NETWORK NEWS (Monday evening)

PRESIDENT/MIDEAST -- President Bush called for Israelis and Arabs to create a new atmosphere for peace.

AIR TRAVEL/TERRORISM -- The federal government tightened airline and airport security.

PRESIDENT/FLIGHT 103 -- Relatives of the victims of Flight 103 met with President Bush.

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NATIONAL NEWS.....A-12

NETWORK NEWS.....B-1

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

MUBARAK, BUSH DIFFER ON PEACE TALKS Leaders Share Some Goals, Diverge On International Conference

President Bush and Egyptian President Mubarak agreed yesterday that they share many objectives in the search for peace in the Middle East but remain in disagreement on the need and eventual timing for an international conference.

The two leaders also apparently disagreed on the role the PLO could play now in helping to calm the violence in the Israeli-occupied territories....

A senior administration official also said Mubarak "very emphatically made clear that his government was not, repeat not, involved in the production of CW (chemical warfare) weapons" despite recent U.S. news media reports that Egypt had sought to obtain such a factory from a Swiss company.

Speaking to reporters after the meeting at the White House, Bush said the U.S. shared with Egypt "a sense of urgency to move toward a comprehensive settlement through direct negotiations" between Israel and its Arab neighbors and the Palestinians.

(David Ottaway, Washington Post, A6)

Bush Meets With Mubarak, Says 'New Atmosphere' Needed For Peace

President Bush, opening a week of intensive talks on the Middle East, met with Egyptian President Mubarak on Monday and said "a new atmosphere" must be created between Israel and Arab nations as the first step toward peace.

After more than an hour of discussion, Bush urged an end to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza, endorsed the "achievement of Palestinian political rights and said a "properly structured" international peace conference could play a useful role.

The tone of Bush's remarks suggested the U.S. may attempt to exert pressure for compromise on Israeli Prime Minister Shamir, who arrives in the U.S. Wednesday and confers with Bush on Thursday....

Mubarak, standing alongside Bush at the departure ceremony in the Rose Garden, said, "We found ourselves in agreement on most issues at stake."

In Nicosia, Cyprus, PLO Chairman Arafat's chief adviser welcomed Bush's call for a Middle East peace conference and Israel's withdrawal from its occupied territories as an "important and serious development."

Bassam Abu Sharif told AP the PLO feels "this will give a real push for peace efforts in the Middle East."

But in Jerusalem, Shamir indicated that during his U.S. visit he will state his opposition to Bush's call for an end to Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and his endorsement of an international peace conference.

(AP)

Bush Calls On Israel To Leave West Bank And Gaza Strip

President Bush called yesterday for an end to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and for the achievement of Palestinian political rights -- an apparent signal to Prime Minister Shamir that the U.S. wants moderation of Israeli policies....

Administration officials said Bush's remarks constituted an unusually explicit presidential call for an end to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip....

The officials declined to say, however, whether Bush was implying that Israel must withdraw from all territories conquered in 1967. The U.S. has consistently called on Israel to trade land for peace, but has left open the possibility of Israel retaining some territory for security reasons.

"Saying the status quo is untenable, what does that mean? It means the occupation.... A just solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict? That involves the occupation. It's a sharper delineation, sharper language, a simpler, more direct form of saying what this is about," said an administration aide.

(James Dorsey, Washington Times, A1)

Bush Backs End To Israeli Occupation Of Arab Lands

President Bush held talks with Egyptian President Mubarak Monday and said afterward the two countries wanted an end to Israeli occupation of lands seized in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

The statement, which put new emphasis on the U.S. desire for an Israeli withdrawal, seemed designed to press Israel to make concessions as its prime minister, Yitzhak Shamir, prepared to visit Washington for talks with Bush on Thursday....

In his closing remarks, Mubarak sounded upbeat about prospects for peace: "We believe that the (Middle East) stands at a historic crossroads.... The situation is right for an active effort -- more than ever before."

He said the renewed U.S. dialogue with the PLO and evidence that Israeli public opinion was swinging toward accommodation were positive signs.

(Christopher Hanson, Reuter)

Bush Gives Qualified Backing For Mideast Peace Conference

President Bush said Monday that Israel should withdraw from the occupied territories and gave qualified support to an international conference on the Middle East....

With Mubarak at his side outside the White House, Bush said, "A properly structured international conference could play a useful role at an appropriate time." Bush also reiterated U.S. calls for a return of the Israeli-occupied territories and for "Palestinian political rights." ...

"It's important for both sides [Arab and Israeli] to get a feel for our attitude, and I think Bush got that out," a State Department official said.

The official cautioned against interpreting Monday's developments as a U.S. shift away from Israel. He predicted that Shamir would get as warm a welcome as Mubarak did, and that Shamir would not be pressed on the proposal for an international conference.

(Adam Pertman, Boston Globe)

SHAMIR DEPARTS FOR U.S.
HOPING TO IMPRESS BUSH ADMINISTRATION

TEL AVIV -- Prime Minister Shamir has departed for a key visit to the U.S. with what appears to be a program of carefully devised steps to show Israel is moving to break the Middle East deadlock.

At an airport news conference before leaving early Tuesday, the hardline Shamir refused to disclose specific proposals he would present in his first talks with the Bush administration.

"We are looking for the proper solutions to the problems we are facing. I hope the Americans will be interested in the proposals we are bringing with us which are aimed to bring us closer to peace," he said.

(Howard Goller, Reuter)

Israelis Predict Clashes With Bush

JERUSALEM -- Prime Minister Shamir was scheduled to leave Tuesday for his first talks in Washington with the Bush administration, taking plans for restarting the peace process that few analysts here believe will satisfy his hosts.

Israeli newspapers were filled Monday with gloomy predictions that Shamir would clash privately with President Bush and Secretary Baker over the best way to get talks between Israel and the Arabs under way.

"Although they do not admit it, the entourage is knowingly on its way to an unavoidable confrontation which will likely arise in the initial stages," a trio of diplomatic correspondents wrote in Yediot Aharonot, Israel's largest daily newspaper.

(Mary Curtius, Boston Globe)

LIBYA MAY BE PLANNING NEW ATTACK ON U.S. TARGET, CBS SAYS

NEW YORK -- Libyan-backed groups are plotting revenge attacks on U.S. targets over the April 15-16 weekend on the third anniversary of the 1986 American bombing of Tripoli, CBS television news has reported.

CBS, citing intelligence sources familiar with Middle East terrorism, reported Monday night that Libyan leader Col. Gaddafi...had asked three international terrorist groups to plan the attacks.

Among those named was Amed Jabril. His Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command is considered by some U.S. government experts to be the leading suspect in the bombing...of Pan Am 103....

The other groups are the Fatah Revolutionary Council, led by Abu Nidal, and Fusako Shigenobu's Japanese Red Army, which led the operation which planted a bomb a year ago outside a Naples, Italy nightclub frequented by U.S. servicemen....

CBS said the sources' warnings were deemed highly credible by Western European intelligence officials.

(Reuter)

U.S. AGENCY ORDERS MEASURES TO IMPROVE AIRLINE SECURITY

Bush Meets Families Of Bombing Victims

The Transportation Department yesterday announced stepped-up measures to fight airline terrorism, as relatives of the victims killed in the Pan Am Flight 103 bombing escalated their effort to draw attention to aviation security lapses and what they called the government's "lack of compassion" following the tragedy.

Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner, who conferred with the relatives at a lengthy White House meeting with President Bush, said he was ordering the purchase of up to 100 state-of-the-art "bomb detectors" to be installed at high-risk airports in Europe and the Middle East. Skinner also said he was changing the FAA's security bulletin procedures to enhance surveillance, and sending a contingent of FAA security inspectors to airports in Europe and the Middle East to assist U.S. carriers operating there....

In their meeting at the White House, the relatives pressed Bush to endorse an independent congressional inquiry into the Dec. 21 bombing....

Bush, who expanded a scheduled 20-minute meeting into more than an hour, pledged to look into an independent probe, according to Bert Ammerman, chairman of a group representing the relatives.

(Laura Parker, Washington Post, A1)

Pressured By Families, U.S. Acts To Tighten Air Security

Under pressure from the families of those killed in the Pan Am Flight 103 bombing, the Bush administration on Monday introduced new measures to guard against airplane sabotage and otherwise tighten airport security around the world....

[Secretary] Skinner described the plan as a "first step" toward making the skies safe from terrorism. But experts within the counterterrorism community and the airline industry characterized the steps as moderate and predicted that they would have little immediate practical effect.

"This is really nothing new," one U.S. counterterrorism official said.

The experts said that slow development of [an] explosive-detection device [cited by Skinner] is likely to prove an enduring brake on anti-terrorism efforts despite Skinner's pledge to accelerate the project.

(Douglas Jehl, Los Angeles Times, A1)

Skinner Meets Families Of Pan Am Victims

After an emotional meeting Monday with relatives of Americans killed in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, Secretary Skinner promised new measures to make the skies safer.

Just hours after the White House meeting, which Skinner called "the most moving experience I've been in," the secretary vowed he "will not rest until skies are safe from the global threat of terrorism."

Skinner said the measures included adding security personnel and 100 state-of-the-art explosive detection devices at "high risk" airports.

(Karen Thomas, UPI)

Furious Kin Of Crash Dead 'Stun' Bush, Win Changes

Angry relatives of Americans killed in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 took their complaints to President Bush yesterday, and within hours the Transportation Department announced major measures to combat sky terrorism.

"The opinion of our group is overwhelmingly outrage at the lack of compassion and incompetence, frankly, the embarrassment that we suffered with our State Department services," said Paul Hudson...whose 16-year-old daughter was among the 270 persons killed....

Victoria Cummock...said Bush was "stunned" when she told him of the treatment she received from the State Department following her husband's death.

"I couldn't believe that this country, which we all love so much, had allowed over 200 Americans to be blown up and then respond with utter silence," she said....

Just hours later, Transportation Secretary Skinner told a news conference that airlines will now have to acknowledge all FAA security bulletins within 24 hours and will be required to comply with them.

(Jeremiah O'Leary & David Field, Washington Times, A1)

GERASIMOV SAYS OUTSIDERS SHOULD LEAVE CENTRAL AMERICA ALONE

Soviet spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov said on a U.S. television program Tuesday that the best solution for Central America would be for outside powers to leave it alone.

Gerasimov did not specify whether the Soviet Union was willing to accept President Bush's proposal that it stop its support of Nicaragua, if the U.S. would also end its involvement in the region.

"If there is not outside interference on one side there is no outside interference on the other side," Gerasimov said on ABC's "Nightline." "For instance, if we are going to leave Central America alone, it will be the best solution."
(Reuter)

SOVIET IN CUBA CRITICIZES EXPORT OF REVOLUTION

Gorbachev's Aide Disputes Tenet Of Castro

HAVANA -- On the first day of summit talks between Mikhail Gorbachev and Fidel Castro, a leading Soviet official took issue with a basic tenet of Cuban foreign policy by emphasizing Moscow's own opposition to the export of revolution.

"We are against export of revolution," said Gennadi Gerasimov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman, adding: "The Cuban revolution, for example, had its own local roots."

While Gorbachev's "new political thinking" has long ruled out foreign military adventures, the statement is especially controversial now in the Cuban context.

On the eve of Gorbachev's visit, Cuban Deputy Foreign Minister Raul Roa had restated Cuba's belief that it has a "right" to support revolutionary movements in the region because the U.S. continues to provide support for counter-revolutionaries, specifically the Nicaraguan contra rebels....

Soviet officials have said that Gorbachev would not reduce his economic support of Havana, but Gerasimov said today that Moscow would seek a "gradual balance of our economic ties," including an increase of Cuban exports to the Soviet Union.

(David Remnick & Julia Preston, Washington Post, A1)

Gorbachev In Talks With Castro Hails Cuba's World Role

HAVANA -- Soviet leader Gorbachev Monday hailed Cuba's role in helping to bring peace to Namibia and a Moscow spokesman suggested the U.S. should recognize Havana's "growing authority" in world affairs.

Gennadi Gerasimov, head of the Soviet Foreign Ministry's Information Directorate, told a news conference Gorbachev expressed appreciation for the Cuban stance to President Castro during the first formal discussions of their two-day Havana summit.

Gerasimov said the U.S. could draw useful lessons from the Gorbachev-Castro "if it recognizes that we can work together to solve problems peacefully and end conflicts in different regions, including Central America.

"For example, there is the very positive role played by Cuba in the solution of the problems in south-western Africa and Namibia," the spokesman added. He said that in the talks Gorbachev had noted "the growth of Cuba's authority." ...

Gerasimov, briefing reporters on the two-hour Gorbachev-Castro meeting, confirmed that the Kremlin leader had received a letter from President Bush which touched on the Central American conflict.

But he gave no details on its contents or any indication of Gorbachev's possible response. (Robert Evans, Reuter)

Gorbachev Puts Stress On Latin 'Democracy' Steps

HAVANA -- Mikhail Gorbachev's first public prediction on Cuban soil was perhaps not what his communist hosts would have preferred to hear from the Soviet leader.

"This continent is on the grand road to democracy," he said after arriving Sunday night, with President Castro standing silently at his side.

Gorbachev and Castro on Monday began private talks that a Soviet official said included a message to Cuban leaders that democratic change and elections were now a permanent feature of Soviet-style politics.

At the start of a three-day visit, Gorbachev appeared intent on emphasizing that theme and on making Cuba a platform from which to project his image and his liberalizing economic and political reforms to the rest of Latin America. (Philip Bennett, Boston Globe)

HAITIAN ARMY UNIT CONFRONTS GOVERNMENT OVER ARREST OF COUP LEADER

A powerful army battalion continued yesterday to rebel against Haiti's military ruler, Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril, threatening devastation unless the battalion's commander is freed from detention for Sunday's failed coup attempt.

Troops of Leopards' battalion, one of three combat units based in the capital, Port-au-Prince, seized control of the airport, a number of key roads and, for a time, the national television and radio stations, according to Haitians and diplomats reached by telephone from Washington. Members of the battalion warned on the national radio station that it would launch attacks if Avril's government did not release the Leopards' commander, Lt. Col. Himler Rebu, by 5 p.m.

"If Rebu is not released, we will reduce the city to ashes," said a soldier in a broadcast monitored by Reuter news agency.

(James Rupert, Washington Post, A18)

SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT MOVES TO OVERTURN RELEASE OF KIDNAPPERS

SAN SALVADOR -- The Salvadoran government moved Monday to have a local court overturn a judge's controversial order freeing two army officers and a right-wing businessman on kidnapping charges.

State prosecutor Francisco Rodolfo Garay said he had filed a petition in a San Salvador court to have the ruling reversed on grounds the judge had misinterpreted the law.

"A constitutional precept is being violated," Garay told reporters.

(Reuter)

U.S. FIRMS SEEK CHANGE IN PANAMA SANCTIONS

PANAMA CITY -- American companies in Panama, upset by what they see as a U.S. policy failure here, are seeking a major change in U.S. economic sanctions to allow them to resume payments to the regime of Gen. Noriega.

The American Chamber of Commerce here, which represents more than 100 U.S. firms, has begun lobbying Washington to exempt private American companies from the sanctions on grounds that it is unfair to apply the same measures to them as to the U.S. military's Southern Command, the Panama Canal Commission and other government entities.

However, according to U.S. sources, the Treasury Department recently warned the firms that it intends to prosecute companies that fail to comply with the sanctions. (William Branigin, Washington Post, A18)

IMF MOVES TOWARD BACKING OF BRADY PLAN

British Minister Dissents, Calls Proposal 'Transfer Of Risk' To Public

Despite a challenge from British Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson, the top policy board of the IMF yesterday moved toward endorsement of a new strategy on Third World debt that focuses on debt reduction rather than exclusive dependence on new lending.

The Interim Committee of the IMF spent much of the day debating how to make the strategy work, but it expected to go along with formal approval of the plan -- based on an initiative by Secretary Brady -- in a communique today....

However, following the lead taken by the Group of Seven major industrial nations in their statement Sunday, the IMF committee is expected to lay out some reservations about the element of Brady's proposal calling for reduced interest payments.

In Lawson's view, that amounts to a "transfer of risk" from the private sector to the public sector. If debtor nations default on their interest payments, governments -- principally through the IMF and World Bank -- would have to make up the difference under the plan.

(Hobart Rowen, Washington Post, C1)

U.S. Declares Victory In Latest Battle On Inflation, Dollar

The U.S. declared victory Monday in its latest battles to contain inflation, rein in the soaring dollar and win support for its radical new Third World debt plan.

But it acknowledged the need to remain vigilant and work hard on all three fronts during the semi-annual meeting of the IMF and World Bank.

Secretary Brady told the meeting that he saw no signs that inflation was about to accelerate dramatically.

And the Japanese central bank governor, Satoshi Sumita, said inflation had lost its bite. "This threat has been quietly de-fanged with the interest rate hikes in some of our countries since last summer," said Sumita.

But the IMF itself was more cautious about the problem of rising prices. Its semi-annual World Economic Outlook, published Monday, said the world economy could continue expanding only if inflation were controlled and global trade imbalances were reduced.

(Anthony Williams, Reuter)

Japan To Participate In Debt Reduction Plan

Japan will make \$4.5 billion available to facilitate developing countries' debt reduction within the framework of the U.S. Brady Plan, Japan's central bank governor, Satoshi Sumita, said Monday.

"I would like to announce that the Export-Import Bank of Japan will make available up to \$4.5 billion over the next few years on a case-by-case basis" for developing countries' debt reduction programs in concert with the IMF, Sumita said.

(Carlos Brezina, UPI)

FSX CONTROVERSY HAS IMPLICATIONS BEYOND NEW FIGHTER JET

The controversy over the new FSX fighter which Japan wants to build has technological, economic and political implications stretching far beyond the plane deal itself, say American experts on Japan....

"What's at stake here is the long-term competitiveness of U.S. high-tech industries," said Clyde Prestowitz, a former Commerce Department official and outspoken advocate of a get-tough policy toward Japan. "The American standard of living in the future is going to depend on the ability of our high-tech industries to compete."

Other Japan experts say the FSX has taught the U.S. an important lesson about the dangers of fragmented policymaking toward Japan and the need for a comprehensive policy that takes into account vital economic interests along with political and military considerations....

Robert Manning, a Washington-based author and Asia expert, said that in U.S. policymaking toward Japan "there's a real lack of coherence, a sense of priorities and direction as to where we want to go. I think everybody wants to have a solid U.S.-Japan relationship. There's broad acknowledgement that that's critical to our future. But nobody seems to have a clear idea of how to do that."

(Barton Reppert, AP)

SOVIET SHIFTS NOT A MODEL, CHINESE SAYS

BEIJING -- Premier Li Peng said today that the Chinese leadership, which has promised political reform, does not intend to copy the extraordinary changes initiated in the Soviet Union by Mikhail Gorbachev.

Li emphasized that conditions in the two major communist countries are different and that to democratize in haste could destabilize China.

"China cannot mechanically copy measures adopted in the Soviet Union," said the premier, who is a Soviet-trained engineer. "Each country should proceed according to its own conditions."

In a two-hour televised news conference...Li asserted that China favored "democracy" and "political reform" but made clear that he was talking about a controlled, measured process.

(Daniel Southerland, Washington Post, A1)

POLISH GOVERNMENT, SOLIDARITY SAY COMMUNIST UNIONS BLOCK DEAL

WARSAW -- The Polish government and the banned Solidarity union, in a rare display of unity, Tuesday accused communist-led trade unions of blocking a government-opposition deal on the country's future.

"The situation is quite dramatic," Solidarity leader Lech Walesa said after a 10-hour meeting with Interior Minister Gen. Czeslaw Kiszczak failed to remove the last obstacles to agreement at talks on economic and political crises.

"Talks are not finished. We are going to continue," said Walesa, looking tired after the meeting, which had been expected to seal a deal to introduce sweeping democratic political reforms.

(Michal Broniatowski, Reuter)

AFGHAN OFFICIAL ASKS U.S. TO MEDIATE WITH REBELS

KABUL -- Foreign Minister Wakil called on the Bush administration Monday to initiate talks between his government and Moslem rebels because "the only hope is negotiated peace."

Saying the decade-long civil war between the Soviet-backed government and the U.S.-supported rebels has become a bloody stalemate, Wakil added:

"Our appeal is that President George Bush take into account the new reality of Afghanistan and our desire for peace.... We ask the Bush administration to open its eyes to the reality that this government will not collapse, that it can defense itself and that the only hope is negotiated peace."

(Colin Nickerson, Boston Globe)

DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS PRESSED AS NAMIBIAN GUERRILLA CASUALTIES MOUNT

OSHAKATI, Namibia -- Namibian black nationalist guerrilla squads continued to push across the border from Angola in seemingly suicidal incursions Monday as diplomats around the world renewed their efforts to salvage the battered peace plan intended to lead to this territory's independence in November.

As the body count of insurgents tracked down by South African-led troops climbed to 160 in three days of clashes, increasing international pressure was being put on the exiled leadership of the South West African People's Organization (SWAPO) to recall the guerrillas to their bases in Angola and bring an end to the carnage.

(William Claiborne, Washington Post, A18)

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Guerrilla Infiltration Cited In Fighting; U.S. Urges International Pressure To Preserve Namibian Agreement

The U.S. yesterday blamed the fighting in northern Namibia on infiltration by black nationalist guerrillas of SWAPO, and called for international pressure to prevent the group from scuttling the U.S.-brokered peace agreement for Namibian independence.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said all available information pointed to "a major infiltration" by SWAPO forces in violation of U.N. Security Council Resolution 435 -- which sets conditions for Namibia's independence from South Africa -- and of the peace accord reached by Angola and South Africa last Dec. 22 under U.S. mediation....

U.S. officials said privately that recent incursions by SWAPO, a Soviet-armed, leftist guerrilla group that has fought South Africa for years, were what one called "a potentially serious setback." But they added that SWAPO might pull back under prompt pressure from the U.S., the Soviet Union, Cuba and black African states such as Angola, which are eager for Namibian independence.

(John Goshko, Washington Post, A20)

U.N. Inquiry Said To Confirm Namibia Infiltration

UNITED NATIONS -- A U.N. inquiry found heavily armed Namibian insurgents entered the territory from Angola after their leaders accepted a cease-fire with South Africa, diplomats said Monday.

A Western member of the Security Council and a high U.N. official both said privately U.N. investigators reported the incursion led to clashes with South African-led forces that left more than 150 dead on both sides.

The Western delegate said the report left little doubt that it had been an incursion on a "massive" scale.

(Michael Littlejohn, Reuter)

N.Z. LEADER TO VISIT U.S. BUT OFFICIAL MEETINGS DOUBTFUL

WELLINGTON -- Prime Minister Lange will visit the U.S. later this month, but because of New Zealand's ban on nuclear ships he is unlikely to find anyone to talk to in the Bush administration.

"I would be surprised if I met any government representative," he told Radio New Zealand Tuesday.

(Reuter)

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NATIONAL NEWS

BUSH'S PITCH GETS ORIOLES ON WINNING TRACK IN OPENER

BALTIMORE -- ...Bringing baseball fans to their feet, just as the Orioles would later with an 11-inning victory, the President sprang enthusiastically from the Orioles third-base dugout to throw out the first pitch of the 1989 season. He was in shirtsleeves, wearing his mitt and headed for the mound. He seemed as charged up as the many new young Orioles players who will be trying to make their fans forget 1988.

Mickey Tettleton, the Orioles catcher, moved up several feet in front of home plate, to the edge of the infield grass, and Bush fired -- or at least tossed -- the ball. It was high and outside, but good enough to earn a standing ovation.

With that, the President shook hands all around, smiling broadly, and retired to a mezzanine seat between third base and the left field foul pole to watch into the fifth inning of the Orioles 5-4 victory over the Boston Red Sox. Bush also discussed his one-throw pitching performance during a photo opportunity with his guest, Egyptian President Mubarak.

(William Gildea, Washington Post, A1)

INTERIOR SECRETARY SAYS SPILL COULD HARM OIL DEVELOPMENT

Interior Secretary Lujan says the oil spill off Alaska could become the petroleum industry's Three Mile Island if steps aren't taken to assure the public that oil developers are capable of protecting the environment.

Lujan's remarks to an oil and gas industry conference Monday suggested the massive spill last month into Prince William Sound off Alaska...could have long lasting effects on the petroleum industry if some public damage control is not undertaken.

"It takes a long, long time to recover from these things," said Lujan, comparing the Exxon Valdez spill to the accident a decade ago at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Pennsylvania....

"If the image of an uncaredful and uncaring industry prevails among the U.S. public, then we can kiss goodbye the domestic oil and gas development in (the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge), offshore and in the public lands," Lujan told a conference of the National Ocean Industries Association.

(Josef Hebert, AP)

BUSH BALANCING ACT: OIL AND ECOLOGY

In one horrific moment when a disastrous oil spill blackened Alaska's Prince William Sound, the plausibility of President Bush's oft-stated belief that he could balance environmental concerns with oil development was dramatically challenged.

Bush, the fisherman, environmentalist and former oil man, reaped much campaign success in portraying himself as sensitive to all of those diverse roots....

Now, environmentalists are saying that Bush's conviction has been disproved by the spill and that Bush's balancing act as a pro-environment, pro-development president has been upset.

(Michael Kranish, Boston Globe)

COURT BOLSTERS DRUG AGENTS' POWER TO CHECK SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR

The Supreme Court yesterday reinforced the government's powers in the war on drugs, ruling 7 to 2 that drug enforcement agents may detain and question any traveler whose unusual behavior -- such as buying tickets in cash or appearing nervous -- arouses a "reasonable suspicion" that drug dealing "may be afoot."

Chief Justice Rehnquist, writing for the court in *U.S. v. Sokolow*, reversed an appeals court ruling that DEA agents in Hawaii did not have the "reasonable suspicion" needed to stop a 25-year-old man later found to be carrying more than two pounds of cocaine.

"We take the contrary view," Rehnquist said, pointing out that the man, Andrew Sokolow, paid \$2,100 in cash for two round-trip tickets from Honolulu to Miami, appeared to be traveling under an assumed name, stayed in Miami -- "a source city for illicit drugs" -- for only 48 hours, appeared nervous and checked none of his baggage....

Justice Marshall, joined by Justice Brennan in dissent, said that by upholding Sokolow's detention, "the court diminishes the rights of all citizens" under the Fourth Amendment's right "to be secure in their own persons."

DEA spokesman Maurice Hill said the agency was "very elated" by the ruling.
(Al Kamen, Washington Post, A12)

ACROSS THE NATION, NEW FRUSTRATIONS Authorities Often Overwhelmed By Rise In Drug-Driven Crime

NEW YORK -- Thirteen months ago, the debris-strewn streets of South Jamaica became a battleground between angry police officers and brazen drug dealers plying their violent trade amid vacant lots and decaying frame houses.

Spurred by the murder of rookie officer Edward Byrne, shot five times in the head while guarding the home of a drug-case witness, police created a Tactical Narcotics Team, or TNT, to invade the run-down Queens community. The 120-member squad racked up more than 3,300 arrests, an average of 13 a day, before pulling out last November.

That effort has given way to a new symbol of law-enforcement frustration. In the basement of the criminal courthouse on Queens Boulevard, dozens of police officers now camp in the hallways....

"I don't think we have the capacity in the criminal justice system to imprison all the street-level drug dealers," said Thomas Reppetto, head of the Citizens Crime Commission here....

From Los Angeles to Dallas to Boston, public outrage about surging drug violence has reached new levels of intensity. While the District of Columbia is saddled with the nation's highest murder rate, dozens of other cities have been rocked by increases in crack-driven crime that differ only in degree....

[According to a Washington Post survey of major cities] drug abuse and violence have multiplied like a computer virus, spreading to communities large and small, and no one has any overarching solution other than to keep arresting and harassing drug dealers and, in some cases, their customers.
(Howard Kurtz, Washington Post, A1)

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SYMBOLIC BUSH ASSASSIN ORDERED TO UNDERGO 3 YEARS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL TREATMENT

LOS ANGELES -- A Los Angeles man who admitted planning a "symbolic" assassination of then-Vice President Bush with a handgun that fired only blanks was sentenced Monday to four months in federal prison and ordered to undergo psychological counseling.

"You are a troubled individual," U.S. District Judge Dickran Tevrizian said as he handed down the maximum possible sentence to 40-year-old paralegal John Junot. (Gale Holland, Copley)

SUPREME COURT BACKS FSLIC ON DAMAGE SUITS

The Supreme Court, in a technical but important procedural victory for the FSLIC, yesterday upheld unanimously the FSLIC's authority to go to federal court to recover damages against former directors of state-chartered thrifts.

The case had been closely watched because a ruling against the FSLIC would have required the dismissal of a large number of similar cases already filed in federal court involving actions to recover hundreds of millions of dollars in losses. (Al Kamen, Washington Post, C2)

NEW DELAY FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS PLANT

Energy Secretary Watkins announced a further delay Monday in setting a restart date for the idled nuclear weapons reactors at the Savannah River Plant, saying no decisions will be made until this summer.

Earlier this year, Energy Department officials said a tentative restart date likely would be announced in April, but Watkins told a House panel the decision on when to reactivate the South Carolina reactors now probably will not be made until July or August. (UPI)

ARMED FORCES CIVILIAN CHIEFS ARE SELECTED

Armitage, Garrett, Rice Are Low-Key

The Bush administration has chosen its three civilian service secretaries -- Assistant Secretary of Defense Richard Armitage for the Army, Undersecretary H. Lawrence Garrett III for the Navy and Donald Rice of the Rand Corp. for the Air Force -- defense officials said yesterday.

The three are versed in the issues facing the services they are slated to run and have a low-key style that would not overshadow Defense Secretary Cheney the way former Navy Secretary Lehman's brashness and independence often eclipsed former Defense Secretary Weinberger.

(George Wilson, Washington Post, A1)

B-1B GROUNDING LIFTED

WICHITA, Kansas -- The Strategic Air Command ordered the nation's B-1B bomber fleet back into the air, nearly a week after a mechanical glitch was discovered in one plane, an Air Force spokesman said.

All 97 planes were returned to active status in an order received by B-1B bases Sunday evening, said Lt. Col. Paul Muehring, chief of public affairs for McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, where 16 of the bombers are based. (AP)

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TRIAL OPENS IN PENTAGON PROCUREMENT
Teledyne Executives Deny Bribery, Fraud

A prosecutor opened the first trial in the Pentagon procurement scandal yesterday by telling a federal jury that three executives of a California defense contractor knew a consultant was paying bribes on behalf of their firm.

Consultant William Parkin told the Teledyne Electronics' vice presidents who are on trial -- George Kaub, Eugene Sullivan and Dale Schnittjer -- that "he was a front for a consortium of five people (who) had contacts in the Navy and could get things done other people couldn't," Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert DeHenzel said in his opening remarks.
(Carlye Murphy, Washington Post, A16)

CASEY CITED REAGAN ON AID, JURY TOLD
U.S. 'Would Find A Way' To Help Contras, Witness in North Case Says

Then-CIA Director Casey told aides in spring 1984 that President Reagan wanted Oliver North to keep military aid flowing to the contras, jurors at North's trial were told yesterday.

Casey announced the decision at a meeting in his office when it appeared that Congress was about to prohibit use of U.S. funds, according to the testimony of Vincent M. Cannistraro, a high-ranking CIA official at the time.

Called to the stand as a defense witness, Cannistraro said Casey told an unnamed "senior official of the freedom fighters" at the session that "he, Bill Casey, speaking on behalf of the President, wanted to assure the freedom fighters the U.S. would find a way to support" them.

(George Lardner, Washington Post, A4)

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(Monday Evening, April 3)

MIDDLE EAST/U.S.

ABC's Barry Serafin: There was a hint from President Bush today of a new Administration position on a peace settlement for the Middle East. It came during a meeting with the president of Egypt, Hosni Mubarak.

ABC's Brit Hume: After an hour meeting with Mubarak, Mr. Bush and his guest exchanged the usual flowery statements. But almost in passing, President Bush said something no U.S. president had ever said.

(President Bush: "Egypt and the United States share the goals of security for Israel, the end of the occupation, and achievement of Palestinian political rights.")

It's the part about ending the Israeli occupation that's new. It is something the Israelis have steadfastly resisted and the U.S. has always treated with great caution. Mubarak was understandably eager to encourage the current U.S. peace efforts.

(President Mubarak: "In short, the situation is right for an active effort more than ever before.")

This meeting produced a classic blend of the substance and ceremony which is the presidency in a TV age. During a photo opportunity, Mubarak, who would later attend the opening day of baseball in Baltimore with his host, said he'd never seen a game except on TV. But --

(President Mubarak: "I know the President Bush was the captain of a team.")

And a short time later, wearing the first baseman's mit he wore as Yale captain, Mr. Bush took the mound in Baltimore.

(TV COVERAGE: President Bush throws out the first pitch.)

Later seated in his box, the President asked how it had gone. The Mubarak visit is this week's easy part, even letting the President show his skill at baseball. When Israeli Prime Minister Shamir arrives Thursday, we'll see how Mr. Bush does at hardball. (ABC-5)

NBC's John Cochran: For George Bush this was not only the start of baseball season, but the real start of his foreign policy season, as Mr. Bush took President Mubarak to his first baseball game.

(TV COVERAGE: President Bush throws out the first pitch.)

Despite the light-hearted mood in public, the Mubarak visit begins a week of serious negotiations with foreign leaders, including Israel's Prime Minister Shamir.... Today Mubarak was upbeat about the chances for peace.

(President Mubarak: "A majority of the Israeli people is shaping up in support of peace.")

In Israel tonight, peace activists urged Prime Minister Shamir to offer new proposals when he goes to Washington. Already, Shamir has said he would permit Arabs to hold local elections in the occupied territories. But Palestinians want more than that before agreeing to stop their uprising.

(President Bush: "Violence can give way to dialogue once both sides understand that the dialogue will offer political gain.")

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Cochran continues: President Bush will make his sales pitch to the Israelis not as an angry moralist fed up with Israeli foot-dragging, but as an old friend concerned that the Palestinians are winning the propaganda game and making the Mideast's only democracy look bad. (NBC-8)

CBS's Bob Schieffer: In this country, President Bush is starting to hold some summits of his own this week on the Middle East. First came today's meeting with President Mubarak. Mr. Bush called for Israelis and Palestinians to create a new atmosphere for peace, and said the right kind of international conference could be useful. The next round comes on Thursday when Mr. Bush meets with Israeli Prime Minister Shamir. (CBS-2)

PLO

Utley reports that the PLO said today that it will not halt the uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories, nor will it support elections there organized and supervised by Israel. In fact, the PLO said it will increase its support for the Arab demonstrators. (NBC-7)

OPENING DAY

Schieffer: President Bush took visiting President Mubarak out to the ballgame today. With Mubarak looking on in Baltimore's Memorial Stadium, the old Yale first baseman tossed out the ceremonial first ball today before the Orioles-Boston Red Sox game. In a sport built on tradition, the presidential pitch to open the season is a practice dating back to William Howard Taft in 1910. (CBS-7)

NEW TERRORIST THREATS

Schieffer: The federal government further tightened airline and airport security today as we were told that new anti-American terrorist attacks could be coming soon.

CBS's Bill McLaughlin reports that the group that is believed to have carried out the bombing of Pan Am 103 is planning new attacks on American targets. Sources closely linked to Mideast terrorism have told us that a terrorist coalition is plotting revenge attacks about 10 days from now, over the weekend of April 15 and 16 -- the third anniversary of the U.S. bombing of Tripoli and the headquarters of Libyan leader Qadafi. The sources say that Libyan secret service has asked three terrorist groups to design an attack. (NBC-3)

AIRLINE SECURITY/DOT

Serafin: Transportation officials announced new security measures today for major U.S. and foreign airports. According to Secretary Skinner, airlines will be required to install new devices to detect plastic explosives. He also says airlines will now be required to comply with recommendations and FAA security bulletins which warn about possible threats. In the past compliance has generally been voluntary. (ABC-3, NBC-4)

CBS's Mark Phillips reports that along with the new measures came reassuring words.

(Secretary Skinner: "We do have the safest aviation system in the world.")

The airlines will be responsible for the new measures, the cost will be passed on to the traveling public. Experts say a major weakness remains in the low-paid employees who operate the system. (CBS-4)

FLIGHT 103/WHITE HOUSE MEETING

Utiley says the new airport safety measures were announced only hours after relatives of those who died on Flight 103 met with President Bush at the White House.

(Brother of Flight 103 passenger: "I think with the President agreeing to meet with us, that gives instant credibility not only to our organization, but to our cause and what we're doing. So we're very appreciative for that, and I think we're going to see some positive steps and we're going to stay and make sure that we get them.") (NBC-5)

CUBA

ABC's Peter Jennings: Here in Havana today, Soviet leader Gorbachev has spent a little time in the Caribbean sunlight and shed a little light on what he and Fidel Castro have been negotiating about. It's safe to say the Soviet leader is not here, just 90 miles from the U.S. mainland, to simply show the flag. As old hat as it seems to some, to look out across the Caribbean here is to realize there doesn't seem to be all that much water between two nations which have been antagonists for so long. But these are interesting times, and that is one of the reasons Mr. Gorbachev is here.

ABC's Jim Laurie reports that the tone of the talks was respectful. Gorbachev briefed Castro on the Soviets' recent elections. Castro expressed his concerns about Latin American debt. Both parties agreed the Bush Administration should reappraise its refusal to normalize relations with Cuba.

(Soviet spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov: "We have the feeling here in Havana and in Moscow that this Administration misrepresents the situation in Central America and the role Cuba is ready to play.") Tomorrow Gorbachev will put forward his ideas on Third World debt and announce what one top Soviet official called an important new initiative on Latin America. (ABC-Lead)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: Gorbachev and Castro, a common bond of communism and self-confidence, but sharply different views on where to go from here. Who's ahead on points after their first full day together? That's hard to say at this hour, but the Soviet side has been defining the issues. And apparently, Gorbachev has been expressing his concerns about a wide range of problems in the troubled Latin American countries. They've now had three head-to-head meetings in 24 hours. Castro and Gorbachev have spent virtually all of their waking hours together.

NBC's Bob Abernathy reports that so far there's been no discussion yet by the two leaders on Soviet eagerness to cut back its subsidy to Cuba's economy. (NBC-Lead)

CBS's Dan Rather: On this island of sun and sea breezes, the world's most visible communists spent most of the day indoors. Fidel Castro and Mikhail Gorbachev, both with reputations for being world-class talkers, talked for more than six hours behind closed doors. And by all accounts, there was plenty to talk about.... Soviet spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov said the talks were held in a friendly atmosphere, adding that Gorbachev told Castro he wants a gradual balance of economic ties between the two nations. Translation: the Cubans have to stop depending on the Soviets for so much and at least try to earn more for themselves.... Castro told Gorbachev that drugs were a very serious problem in Latin America and getting worse. President Bush and his Administration are somewhat encouraged by all of this, but at least, publicly, the State Department still is very hard-line when it comes to Cuba. The main reason diplomats cite for remaining resolute against Cuba is Fidel Castro's record on human rights.
(CBS-Lead)

OIL SPILL

Serafin reports that there was more bad news today for Alaskan fishermen in the wake of that huge oil spill. The herring season, worth \$12 million to local fishermen, has been canceled. The oil slick has now grown to more than 1,000 square miles, an area bigger than the State of Rhode Island.

ABC's Gary Shepard reports that as the spill continued to spread through Prince William Sound, Exxon Corp. issued a public apology today, running full-page ads in The New York Times and other newspapers, saying it is sorry the disaster occurred and promising to meet its obligations to clean it up. Nearly all the oil that remained onboard the Valdez has now been removed, and that job should be completed tomorrow morning. The latest estimate is that cleanup will easily take at least six months, probably a lot longer.
(ABC-4, CBS-6)

Utley says a mystery this evening is where is Captain Joseph Hazelwood? He has been missing since last week, when it's believed he headed home to New York. Today his lawyer contacted police in New York today to arrange Hazelwood's surrender. He faces three misdemeanor charges in Alaska and prosecutors there want him back. Interior Secretary Lujan today said the oil spill could turn out to be like Three Mile Island -- that is, it could limit oil exploration and development just as the nuclear accident hurt that industry. Lujan said, "It takes a long, long time to recover from these things."
(NBC-2)

U.S. EMBASSY IN MOSCOW

Utley reports that the new U.S. embassy in Moscow which the Reagan Administration decided to tear down after bugs planted by the Russians had been discovered may not come down. A team sent by Secretary Baker to inspect the embassy has reported back that the building should be saved in a way that would be quicker and cheaper than building a new one. That is certain to set off quite a controversy in intelligence circles.
(NBC-6)

NORTH TRIAL

Utley says this was not Oliver North's day in the Supreme Court. It ruled that it will not intervene and dismiss charges against North and two other defendants in the Iran-Contra affair who also face trial.

(NBC-3)

NAMIBIA

Jennings: Cuban soldiers have been returning home over the weekend from Angola, where they played a significant role in forcing South Africa to grant Namibia's independence. However, only a couple of days after the U.N. administrator showed up, the U.N.-administered plan is in serious trouble.

ABC's Richard Sergay says that SWPO guerrillas crossed the Angolan border into Namibia today, and the U.N. had no choice but to let South Africa pursue them. Only three days after raising its flag in Namibia, the U.N. is desperately trying to keep the independence process from unraveling any further.

(ABC-2)

HAITI

Schieffer: Heavy gunfire was reported tonight in Haiti's capital of Port au Prince. The Reuter news agency reports fighting has broken out between loyal troops and soldiers of an elite battalion who are demanding the release of their jailed commanding officer. He was arrested for his role in yesterday's failed attempt to overthrow the government of Gen. Avril.

(CBS-5)

-end of News Summary-

THANK YOU TO THE ENTERTAINMENT - MUBARAK DINNER

-- Barbara and I would like to thank Maureen McGovern for her lovely performance. Tonight is very special for us. It's our first big dinner in our new home and we welcome our friends, President and Mrs. Mubarak. Maureen, you have helped make it a memorable evening. I understand that not only do you have a new album coming out, but you'll also be making your solo debut at Carnegie Hall next month. We wish you the best of luck, and thank you again.

LAST SONG FOR MAUREEN MCGOVERN:

"THE MORNING AFTER"

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: DAVID BATES

SUBJECT: AID Administrator Woods' Speech on Family Planning and Abortion

After reading Friday's Cabinet Report item on AID Administrator Woods' upcoming speech on family planning and the "Mexico City policy," you asked that he "signal a change toward non-abortion family planning."

The "Mexico City policy" states that the United States will only contribute funds to family planning programs operating abroad that do not include abortion as a method of family planning. Any program that provides abortion services in the same program that receives U.S. population assistance funds would not be eligible. The policy severs the financial relationship between U.S. funding for family planning abroad and the abortion industry. With the Mexico City policy in place, family planning and population assistance are not entangled with abortion services in any way.

The policy is considered to be a positive step toward clarifying the United States' commitment to assisting developing countries with population, while respecting the spirit of the Hyde amendment that prohibits funding of abortion. The pro-life community and some developing countries whose cultures conflict with acceptance of abortion consider the policy a victory. The concept of severing the financial relationship of family planning with abortion was later applied to domestic family planning programs through HHS regulations last year. Both the domestic and foreign population policies are being challenged in court.

The Mexico City policy is consistent with your policy goal of supporting family planning and opposing abortion. Administrator Woods plans to restate the U.S. commitment to the Mexico City policy stressing our strong support for "pure" family planning.

cc: Governor Sununu
Brent Scowcroft
Roger Porter

Good !!!

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



DATE: 4-2-89

FROM THE PRESIDENT

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To:

John Sununu cc David Bates

Ref: Cabinter Report April 2-8

On the AID speech April 10 th
by administrator Woods, please be
sure he knows that I
support family planning but oppose
abortion.

I think we should signal a change
toward supporting non abortion family
planning.

Please advise.

GB



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THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Mrs. Fillman,

Yes, I knew your father, Milan Nemsak. As you can see from the enclosed duplicate page of my flight log, he rode with me on a cross country flight for two hours on November 28, 1943. He was a wonderful guy.

Thanks so much for your good letter. Barbara joins me in sending our best to you and your mother, with appreciation for your kind words.

Sincerely,

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON D.C.

Laura A. Fillman
413 Weldon Drive
York, Pennsylvania 17404

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York, Pennsylvania 17404

April 20, 1989

Dear President Bush,

I received your note last week,
that you knew my father, Milan
Nemsak, in the Navy. I thought it
would mean a lot to know you
knew my father - and it does.
But it means even more that you
took the time to respond to my
letter, even sending a copy of your
flight log. I've almost gotten my
feet back down on the ground -
that will always be special to me!
And I thank you! Sincerely yours,
Laura A. Fillman



THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Mr. Kleinknecht,

Thank you for your good letter. In February, 1944, I was on the East Coast. Enclosed is a copy of the page from my flight log for that month. It had to be another Bush.

Again, thanks so much for writing, and for your interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "R. Reagan", written in a cursive style.

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Robert C. Kleinknecht
2 West Wind Court
Saddle River, New Jersey 07458

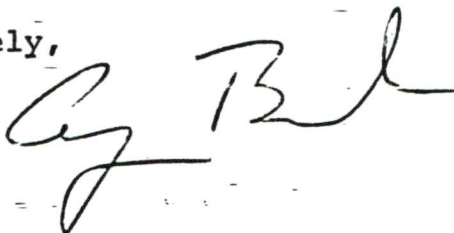
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1989

Dear Bob:

Thanks for your thoughtful letter and kind words. This brings my best wishes along with my special thanks to you and Issa for all you do.

Sincerely,



Mr. Robert M. Low
1101 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Letter returned to the White House by Post Office.
Remailed to address below on 890414

Mr. Robert M. Low
c/o Arthur A. Adler
1805 L Street N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

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THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Richard,

The copy you sent of the 1947 Tournament program brought a wonderful flashback of that very special time in my life. I do still have my own program copy, but am grateful for your thoughtfulness in writing me about it.

Best wishes, with special thanks for your words of support.

Sincerely,

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Richard C. Newberg

110 Sandy Point Road

Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475



THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Mrs. Daily,

Your father's command might have been close but, at the time the USS Finback rescued me, Robert R. Williams was its commander. We are nonetheless thankful to them all for being there! _

Barbara joins me in sending best wishes to you and yours, with appreciation for your kind note.

Sincerely,

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mrs. Barbara Daily
19824 Horseshoe Drive
Topanga, California 90290

bc: w/c of inc.
Barbara Bush
(Mrs. Daily
is a reading
specialist)



4-4-89

Dear Nanette,

Love to those twin
boys and thanks for
your letter. Sincerely,

Cap Bush

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mrs. Nanette Kalivas
95 Eagles Nest Court
Midlothian, Texas 76065

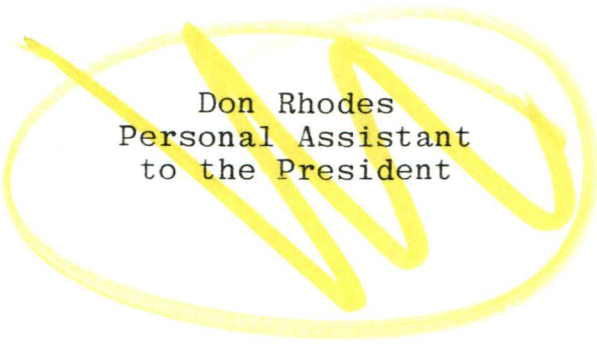
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Dear Mr. Mazzarella:

Mrs. Bush's office forwarded your co^orespondence to me, asking that I review your paper. Having done so, I can report finding no discrepancy in our records of known facts during the period you covered in your essay.

Thanks for your good wishes, and for sending us a copy of your article. Your tribute bears a pride that is shared by the many good men who served aboard the San Jacinto.

Sincerely,



Don Rhodes
Personal Assistant
to the President

Mr. Daniel A. Mazzarella
121 Magnolia Lane
Princeton, New Jersey 08540



THE PRESIDENT

4-4-89

Dear Mr. Hoglund,

Thank you for
the framed photos of
the Silver Fox and me.
We are both grateful.
Please tell Messrs. Heisler

and Coupon that
we like them a lot.

Sincerely —

RJ

Mr. Rudolph C. Hoglund
Art Director, TIME
Time and Life Building
Rockefeller Center
New York, New York 10020

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THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Mickey -

It was the locker
room warm up that did it.
In fact the warm up was
so effective you had to

reach up and out
to make me look good.

Many Thanks for
your part in what for
me was a wonderful
day. Sincerely,

By Bush

WASHINGTON, D.C.

MR. MICKEY LEE TETTLETON
MEMORIAL STADIUM
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21218

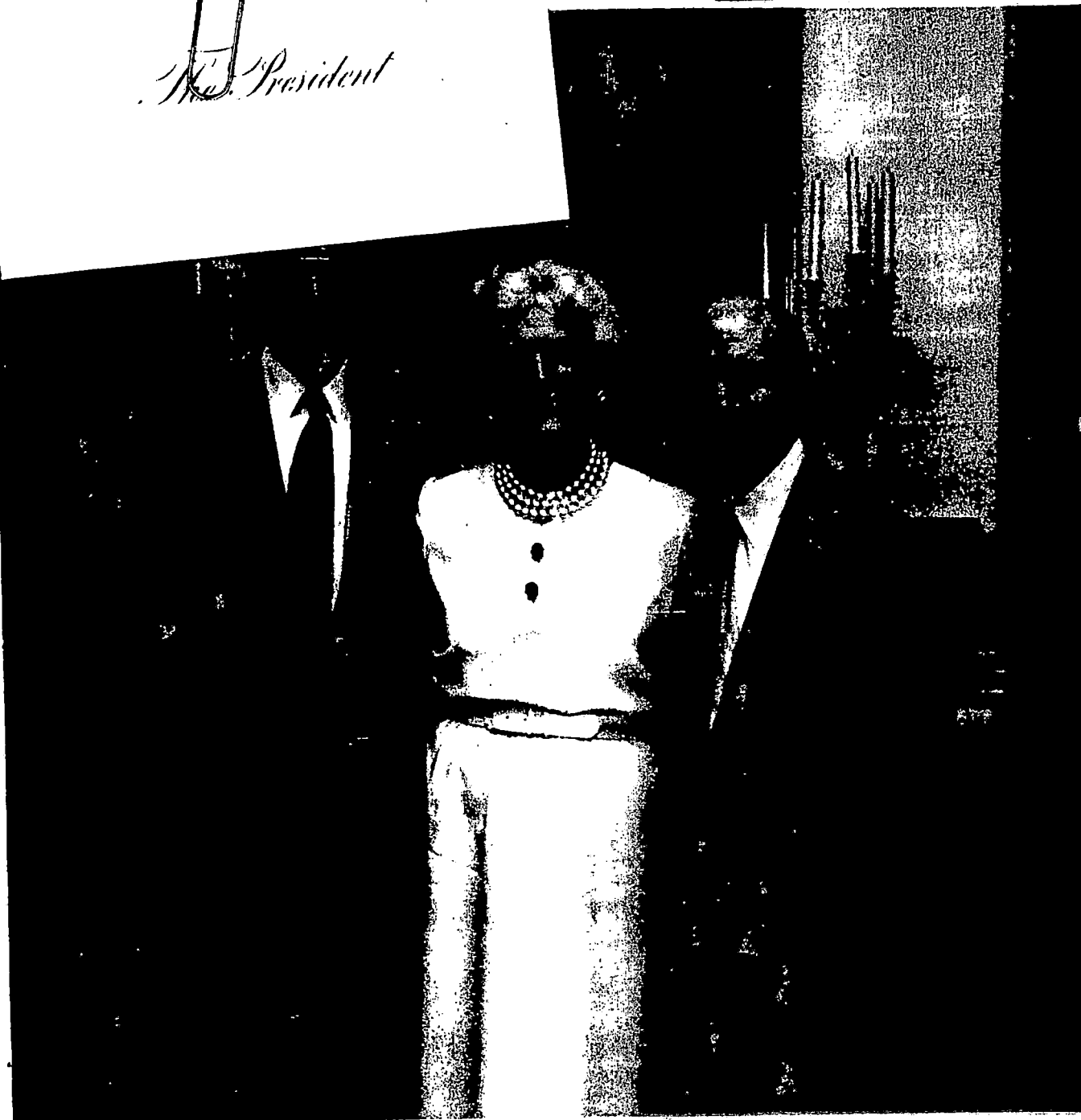
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Mickey — Thanks for the warm-up.
Good Luck in the '89 season. Sincerely,
A.J. Bern

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The President



To Brent - Scowcroft
On a special day in our lives with
friendship - best wishes,
Cyril + Barbara Borz

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

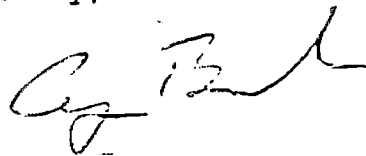
April 4, 1989

Dear Dr. Engel:

Thanks for your thoughtful letter. We had the christening for Ashley on Easter Sunday, and any and everyone who played a part in bringing this beautiful baby girl into our family gets a special thank-you in our prayers.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "George Bush", is written over the typed name "George Bush". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Tibor Engel, M.D., P.C.
4545 East Ninth Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80220

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1989

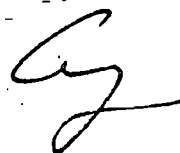
Dear Maury:

Thanks so much for your recent letter and offer to be of assistance with Minority Business Development. This is an important issue for me.

I have asked Bob Mosbacher to have his staff contact you to be sure we get the benefit of your views.

Thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Maurice H. Stans
Suite 315
350 West Colorado Boulevard
Pasadena, California 91106

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: April 4, 1989

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: Secretary Mosbacher

I am committed on this. Minority
Business Development.

Maybe a call to Maury by you or
someone there saying, "President
asked me to call."

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MAURICE H. STANS

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February 3, 1989

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

Dear Mr. President:

I have been pleased to learn from some of your recent statements that you have continued your public interest in re-invigorating and enlarging the government's program for Minority Business Enterprise.

I believe strongly that doing so will, in time, provide a significant enlargement of the American economy, and gains in the standard of living for all, minority and majority.

During the campaign we exchanged letters twice on this subject and I also talked with Charles Greenleaf about it at some length. In view of the fact that we both have positive feelings about the program, and its political as well as economic potential, I am renewing my offer in an earlier letter to put at your service my knowledge and experience in the initiation and development of the OMBE program.

On the political side, Bob Finch reminds me of a fact that I had forgotten, which is that the great work of the Nixon Administration, in this and other programs, paid off handsomely in the 1972 national Election.

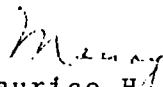
The Congress late in 1988 passed a bill creating a Commission on Minority Business Development but my review of it indicates that it will not provide prompt help toward reaching your objectives. It is narrow in scope and has limitations which suggest that for your purposes another approach is desirable.

I would be pleased to discuss this with you and your White House associates, and offer my suggestions as to best how to proceed. Also, I believe that I have good relations with quite a number of the members of the Senate and the House, and with business

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The Honorable George Bush
February 3, 1989

executives and business institutions, to enable me to draw upon them for assistance in developing a program and carrying it through.

Sincerely,


Maurice H. Stans

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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

Internal Transcript

April 4, 1989

REMARKS OF PRESIDENT ARIAS OF COSTA RICA
DURING QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION WITH THE PRESS

10:35 A.M. EDT

Q Mr. President, can you tell us what you talked about with the President?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: You might not believe it, but mainly about bilateral issues.

Q What do you think of the new initiative between the President and Congress on Contra aid?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: I think that -- well, as the author of the peace plan, I am extremely satisfied and proud that Washington has been able to reach an agreement with Congress so that, from now on, there is going to be a bipartisan policy toward Central America, so that when we come to Washington, we don't have to listen to different views in our region, as it has been the case in the past. Now people here can talk with one single voice and -- well, I think this time, they are, indeed, on good faith trying to support the efforts of the five Central American presidents to reach democracy, freedom, and peace at the negotiating table.

I think that war they have found out, as I have found out a long time ago, is not the solution; that it should be diplomacy and dialogue what will allow us to solve our conflicts in the region, and this is what has happened here in Washington and this is why the Central American presidents are very pleased.

Q Do you agree with aid to the Contras? The humanitarian aid to the Contras?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: Yes. We have always agreed with humanitarian aid to the Contras, everybody -- Ortega, and everybody. I think those people need some support and that humanitarian aid should come not only from this country, but from the rest of the world.

Q Mr. President, doesn't the agreement to keep the Contras alive for another year, in fact, violate the spirit of the agreement reached with the five Central American leaders that would have disbanded the Contras?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: I don't know if you -- if it's clear for you what we agreed, the five Central American presidents in our last meeting in San Salvador with the Tesoro Beach agreement. At that time, we said that the democratization of Nicaragua and the relocation and repatriation of the Contras should be a simultaneous move. Because you cannot persuade the Contras to go back to Nicaragua if you have nothing to offer them. I mean, there's no freedom; there's no democracy; they cannot integrate into political life; and economic conditions are not the best.

So you need a big carrot, and this is why there's no contradiction in this. You know, there was a time when we were talking about a truce, and the dilemma was the Sandinistas wanted the Contras to lay off their arms before they democratize. And the Contras wanted the Sandinistas to democratize before they could lay off their arms. You know, I think this should be simultaneously,

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part and parcel with the repatriation of the Contras, there should be a democratic climate in Nicaragua. Otherwise, it's going to be very difficult for the Contras to go back.

Q Does that necessarily mean elections, Mr. President?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: I'm sorry?

Q Does that necessarily mean elections?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: Well, yes, that is the essence of what we agreed in El Salvador -- holding free elections. And with free elections, we need to have in mind which are the minimum conditions for free elections. You see, we are talking about a country where, five years ago when there were elections in 1984, voters were allowed a few days to register. What we in Costa Rica have done for the last 40 years, now we'll have to -- register the voters. And, well, the mechanics of that new electoral process is going to be very difficult. So that's one of my main worries. And I was sharing these worries with Mr. Bush. I mean, in the whole of Latin America, but mainly Nicaragua where there were no free elections during the 40 years of Somoza, and where there have been no free elections within the 10 years of the Sandinistas, I am really worried as a Costa Rican about the organization of the next elections in February of 1990.

Q Is President Bush more skeptical than you are of the good intentions of the Sandinistas?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: I don't know. I didn't ask him.

Q Did you and President Bush discuss Gorbachev's visit in Cuba? What is your analysis of that and what he is saying down there, and what is President Bush's?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: No, we didn't talk about that, but I could give you my opinion of that. Well, I came to this country a long time ago. I still recognize some of the faces of many of you. I think this is my fifth visit to Washington. And I was able to ask Congress and you, the press, and public opinions with you, the press, that we in Central America wanted an opportunity for the peace plan. I asked you to give peace a chance and diplomacy an opportunity. This I cannot do with Fidel Castro, I cannot do with Mr. Gorbachev.

But I told Fidel Castro in Quito first, and then in Caracas, that it was time for him to step down from the tierra maestra; that if I have been able to persuade the U.S. Congress not to continue support in the Contras militarily, it was time for him, if he believes and he supports the peace plan, if he's honest in that, to stop supporting the guerrillas in Salvador. I am as expectant, as you all are, for this afternoon's speech of Mr. Gorbachev to see what is going to happen, but I do hope that there will be some changes in the attitude of the Cubanos, of the Cubans, toward the Central American conflicts.

Q What's your message to Mr. Gorbachev, sir?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: To be consequent with what he wrote in his book, "Perestroika." If he supports sincerely the Central American peace plan, he has to be consequent with that and persuade Fidel Castro not to keep the support on the guerrillas in El Salvador. War has taught us in Central America that violence is not the solution. I think we have learned that we must change bullets by ballots, and we can only do this with the support of the Cubans and the Soviet Union.

Q Do you trust the Sandinistas?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: There are no reasons why I should not believe in their commitments. I think we all went to the last meeting in San Salvador on good faith, and I prefer to give people

the benefit of the doubt.

(Some questions now asked and answered in Spanish.)

Q Did President Bush ask you to do anything specific in regards to the bipartisan package or to take a message to the other presidents at all?

PRESIDENT ARIAS: No, no.

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10:50 A.M. EDT

POOL REPORT

ARIAS-BUSH MEETING

April 4

President Arias apparently has caught the no-answer virus; he told a questioner he would talk to reporters at the stake-out position, not in the Oval Office. He had been asked if he accepted the bipartisan accord on Central America. Bush approved of the Arias choice, saying it was "much better for the civility of the process" under the "new ground rules," which he said preserved the "dignity" of all concerned. He asked, rhetorically, if that was "the way you do it in Costa Rica."

Bush and Arias were seated in the usual armchairs, with Baker, Sununu and Ambassador Hinton seated on the couch to Arias' right. Also sighted : General Scowcroft, Fitzwater.

The first wave was admitted to the Oval Office at 9:38 a.m. after your pool witnessed Arias write in what appeared to be a guest book -- of ledger size -- placed on the table in the Cabinet Room. Baker, who had been waiting there for Arias, pantomimed a zipped lip when asked through the window what was happening.

As the pool was ushered out of the Oval Office, Bush was heard to begin the meeting by saying to Arias, "I'm delighted you're here..."

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POOL REPORT

BUSH MEETS AMERICAN BUSINESS CONFERENCE

ROOM 450

APRIL 4

The president, as you heard, explained his high and outside opening pitch in Baltimore yesterday was actually a curve which never had the chance to break.

He blamed Oriole catcher Mickey Tettleton, who "stepped in front of the plate" and caught the pitch "before it could break. That's my side, and I'm gonna stick to it."

You had Bush's advance text, to which he added praise for Commerce Secretary Mosbacher, a former ABC vice chairman, and for Michael Boskin, his CEA chairman.

The president took several questions, for which the Press Office will provide a transcript. He predicted he will use his veto actively, especially on the minimum/ training wage issue, asserting that's necessary to send Congress a message on that and other issues. He acknowledged the "philosophic" value of a tax on consumerism -- such as a value added tax -- as opposed to savings, if that were the only choice. But he stressed anew his opposition to all taxes. He acknowledged his questioner had "a very valid point" on taxing consumerism, rather than savings, even though he opposes any new taxation.

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THE PRESIDENT

April 4, 1989

Dear Mickey -

It was the locker
room warm up that did it.
In fact the warm up was
so effective you had to

reach up and out
to make me look good.

Many Thanks for
your part in what for
me was a wonderful
day. Sincerely,

By Bush

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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