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04. Note	Handwritten notes of telephone call with Chancellor Kohl Re: Europe (7 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	
05. Report	Malta (2 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	TS
06. Report	Spot Report Re: Qadhafi (1 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
07a. Schedule	Meeting with Specialists on the Balitic States (1 pp.)	11/27/89	(b)(1)	S
07b. List	Participants of meeting (1 pp.)	n.d.	(b)(1)	S
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07f. Memo	From Robert M. Gates to President Bush Re: Gorbachev's Foreign Policy: A Somewhat Different Slant (4 pp.)	11/28/89	(b)(1)	C
08. Note	Handwritten notes of Presidential Phone call with JAB [James A. Baker, III] Re: China (1 pp.)	11/28/89	(b)(1)	S
09. Note	Situation Room Note Re: El Salvador (1 pp.)	11/29/89	(b)(1)	S
10. Note	From Lud Ashley to President Bush Re: American Banker (1 pp.)	11/28/89	C	
11. Note	Handwritten notes of Presidential Phone call with Prime Minister Shamir (1 pp.)	11/28/[89]	(b)(1)	
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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

Tuesday, November 28, 1989

7:55 Duke Peck - VP driver

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 (45 min)	<u>Administrative Time</u>	Oval Office
10:00 am (60 min)	<u>Trip Briefing</u> (Scowcroft) (Distributed Separately)	~~Cabinet Rm~~ ~~Oval Office~~
~~10:30 am~~ (30 min)	~~<u>Personal Staff Time</u>~~	Oval Office
11:00 am (60 min)	<u>Budget Review</u> (Darman) (TAB A)	Oval Office
12:00 - 12:30 - Baker + Scowcroft ~~12:30 pm~~ (75 min)	<u>Lunch</u>	Oval Office
1:30 pm (60 min)	<u>Trip Briefing</u> (Scowcroft) (Distributed Separately)	~~Cabinet Rm~~ ~~Oval Office~~
2:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
2:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> - Boyden Gray A.G. (Sununu)	Oval Office
3:00 pm (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
3:15 pm (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> - ~~Bennett~~ (Sununu)	Oval Office
3:45 pm (10 min)	<u>Photos with U. S. Ambassadors</u> (Scowcroft) (TAB B)	Oval Office

UNP 11/27/89
5:00 pm



4:00 pm (45 min)	<u>Haircut</u>	West Basement
4:45 pm (30 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office
5:15 pm (60 min)	<u>Trip Briefing</u> (Scowcroft) (Distributed Separately)	Oval Office
6:30 pm (45 min)	B <u>Reception for Members of the Alibi Club</u> (Firestone)	Residence
7:45 pm (10 min)	<u>Drop by Briefing for Members of the Presidential Mission to Poland</u> (Scowcroft/Rogich)	Blair House

(TAB C)

7: — Potus on Oval 7:30 add Fitzwater 7:36 Fitzwater out
 8:02 add Dale Peck + Mrs. Peck (departing V.P. driver) 8:03 Peck out - add DCI, Bates, Scowcroft
 (LORETTA) (b)(3) + Sumner
 8:26 add V.P. - DCI + (b)(3) out 8:40 Bates + Scowcroft out
 8:59 Potus V.P. Sumner out Oval to Res. 9:01 am 2nd flr Res. w/VP + Sumner
 (to Pres. office to see demo of new TV)
 9:14 dpt 2nd flr Res to Oval. 9:15 am Oval w/VP + Sumner 9:18 VP + Sumner
 10:03 add Scowcroft 10:14 add Sumner 10:15 Potus, Sumner + Scowcroft to
 Cabinet Room
 11:07 Potus to Oval add Brady, VP, Boskin, Porter, + Darman 11:14 add Sumner
 11:30 (approx) add Baker + Scowcroft 12:02 Porter Boskin, Darman out; add Bates + Fitzwater
 (12:05 add Press - 12:18 all press out.) 12:18 Fitzwater out; Baker, Bates, Scowcroft, VP,
 + Sumner remain w/Potus
 12:26 Sumner out 1:09 Baker + VP out 1:11 Bates + Scowcroft out
 1:32 add Bates + Scowcroft 1:39 add Baker + V.P. to Oval 1:41 Potus all to Cabinet Rm
 1:44 Potus to Oval w/ Scowcroft 1:52 Potus + Scowcroft to Cabinet Rm
 (Murray Dickman)
 2:48 Potus to Oval; add Gray, A.G. +1, and Sumner 3:19 add Card 3:20 Card out
 3:26 Sumner out 3:30 A.G., Gray + Dickman out; add R. Haas.
 3:32 add Scowcroft 3:38 add Sumner 3:45 Haas + Scowcroft out
 3:47 add Scowcroft 3:51 Sumner out 3:52 add McNamara et al
 3:57 McNamara et al out 3:57 add Amb. Green et al 4:00 Scowcroft out
 (Scowcroft remains)
 4:04 Amb. Green et al out 4:05 add Amb. Quainton et al 4:12 Quainton et al out

UNF 11/27/89
5:00 pm

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4:17 Polin dgt Oval to Barberhop 4:18 Barberhop
4:51 an oval 4:52 add Alumnum 5:02 Alumnum out
5:03 Alumnum into Oval 5:02 Alumnum out

5:22 add Alumnum, Acoustograph + Bote 5:23 add DC1 to tel

5:32 (approx) add Bote, Zedlich, + Acety 6:20 allent except DC1 to tel

6:22 DC1 out 6:26 all out 6:27 Polin dgt Oval 6:29 an Med Unit

6:30 dgt Med Unit 6:31 an 2nd 7th Rec. 6:35 (approx) add Reception guests

7:40 all guests departed 7:42 Polin dgt 2nd 7th Rec. to motorcade

7:45 dgt in 7:47 on Blair House 7:49 Remark to museum

7:55 Conclude remarks 7:56 Arguing 7:59 dgt Blair House

8:00 an 10th

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

NOVEMBER 28th

, 19⁸⁹

PRESIDENT BUSH

	TIME		DISC	NAME	ACTION
	PLACED				
OUT	7:38	AM	7:38	MRS. GRACE HOLDEN	
~~INC~~	~~XX~~	~~PM~~		(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT	7:54	AM	8:01	MR. WILLIAM FARRISH	
~~INC~~	~~XX~~	~~PM~~		(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT	9:46	~~XX~~		AMB. JAMES LILLEY	EXP. 1 HR. TOLD
~~INC~~	~~XX~~	~~PM~~	1:17 P.	MYRTLE BEACH, S.C.	PATTY PRESOCK. LW
OUT		AM		803 449-7102	TO RETURN CALL FROM
INC		PM			12:45 PM. TO 1:00 PM.
OUT		AM			RETURNED CALL 10:35 A.
					TLKD-TO PATTY PRESOCK
INC		PM			
~~OUT~~	9:54	~~XX~~	10:00	SECRETARY JAMES BAKER	
INC		PM		OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C.	TLKD-OK 9:55 AM.
OUT		AM		WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 420	
INC		PM			
OUT		~~XX~~		MR. JOHN D. MACOMBER	
~~XX~~	12:45	PM	1:01	WASHINGTON, D.C.	TLKD-OK
~~INC~~		AM		835-5514	
INC		PM			

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SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

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	TIME		NAME	ACTION
	PLACED	DISC		
~~OUT~~	9:53 AM	10:13	Conference Call: President Oscar Arias (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 10:05 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	AM		Mr. Andres Mc Guire White House Situation Room White House Signal 2-2262	
INC	PM			
OUT	AM		Mr. David Pacelli Office, Washington, D.C. 395-3860	
INC	PM			
~~OUT~~	AM		Conference Call: Prime Minister Eddie Fenech Adami (b)(6)	WCB 1:19 PM Tlkd-ok 1:45 PM
INC	1:17 PM	1:52		
OUT	AM		Mr. Robert L. Hutchings White House Situation Room White House Signal 2-2262	
INC	PM			
~~OUT~~	AM		Conference Call: Prime Minister Yitzhak Sharmir (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 3:29 PM
INC	3:28 PM	3:32		
OUT	AM		Mr. C. David Welch White House Situation Room White House Signal 2-2262	
INC	PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			

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PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Washington, D.C.

DATE 28 November 1989

TIME	MOVEMENTS
0723	South Grounds
0724	Oval Office
0725	South Grounds
0728	Oval Office
0900	South Grounds
0901	Residence
0915	Oval Office
1039	Cabinet Room
1111	Oval Office
1430	Cabinet Room
1624	Barbershop
1652	Oval Office
1831	Residence
1945	South Grounds
1946	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade
1947	Arrive Blair House
1959	Depart Blair House via Motorcade
2000	Arrive North Grounds
2002	Residence



News Summary

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1989 -- 6 a.m. EST EDITION

TODAY'S HEADLINES

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Troops In Europe On Malta Agenda -- The Bush Administration acknowledged for the first time Monday that it was prepared to discuss future deployment of American and Soviet troops in Europe when President Bush meets this weekend with Mikhail Gorbachev.

(New York Times, Washington Post)

Bush Is Likely To Seek Defense Increase For '91 Despite Reduction In Tensions -- Despite talk of a "peace dividend," the Bush Administration is likely to propose an increase in defense outlays for fiscal 1991, Administration officials say.

(Wall Street Journal)

NATIONAL NEWS

Wilder Certified By Va. Board As Governor-Elect -- Democrat Douglas Wilder was certified as the winner of the Virginia gubernatorial election Monday by 6,854 votes, but his Republican opponent, Marshall Coleman, said he will ask for a recount in the closest governor's race in Virginia history.

(Washington Post)

NETWORK NEWS (Monday evening)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA -- The Czech reform movement took control of the country with a two-hour general strike.

MALTA -- The White House confirmed that President Bush will discuss reducing troop levels in Europe in his meeting with Gorbachev.

PRESIDENT/SALVADOR -- President Bush made clear his anger at Moscow's refusal to stop the flow of Soviet-made weapons to El Salvador.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

PRESIDENT TO DISCUSS ARMS CONTROL AT SUMMIT In Shift, White House Says Talks On Accelerated Cuts Are Possible

President Bush, shifting his initial strategy for the Malta summit, has decided he will go to the shipboard meeting prepared to talk about reductions in conventional or non-nuclear forces in Europe and cuts in strategic weapons with Soviet President Gorbachev, the White House announced Monday....

Administration officials said it is now expected that Bush and Gorbachev will discuss how the rapid changes in Eastern Europe and the collapse of communist regimes there can lead to an accelerated timetable and possibly deeper cuts in conventional forces. The officials said Bush is bringing a number of different options rather than any specific proposal to the meeting.

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A1)

Troops In Europe On Malta Agenda

BRUSSELS -- The Bush Administration acknowledged for the first time Monday that it was prepared to discuss future deployment of American and Soviet troops in Europe when President Bush meets this weekend with Mikhail Gorbachev.

Until recently Administration officials had played down the idea that any military or arms-control issues would be a main topic at the meeting off Malta, which was originally scheduled to be a general discussion about changes in Eastern Europe, developments in the Soviet Union and other international and regional issues.

Administration officials acknowledged that they now view the Malta summit meeting as a potentially historic opportunity, and they said their changing view has been driven by the accelerating pace of political change in Eastern Europe.

(Michael Gordon, New York Times, A7)

SOVIET ANALYSTS EXPECT GORBACHEV TO POSE SERIOUS SUBJECTS TO BUSH

MOSCOW -- Whatever George Bush may think, Mikhail Gorbachev is not going to Malta just for a simple get-acquainted session, Soviet officials say.

"Gorbachev is not that sort of man," said one well-placed official. "I think Bush knows it."

The Soviets are ready for serious talks on a range of East-West relations, from weapons reductions to economic relations to regional conflicts in the Third World. But they seem most interested in two subjects: arms control and Eastern Europe.

"If the U.S. really wants to help us," Soviet military analyst Vladimir Chernyshev commented on recent U.S. expressions of support for Gorbachev's changes, "they can best do this by speeding up the arms negotiations."

Officials in Moscow say Gorbachev may bring new ideas and some concessions on arms control with him to Malta.

(Paul Quinn-Judge, Boston Globe)

BUSH, GORBACHEV GO TO SUMMIT WITH PERSONAL AS WELL AS NATIONAL AGENDAS

The work that President Bush says will take "years" to complete begins this weekend when he and Mikhail Gorbachev, meeting off Malta, try to reach an understanding on a new order between East and West.

The summit meeting, which had been intended as a casual get-together, has taken on historic dimensions as the tide of democracy has cracked the Kremlin's control of Eastern Europe.

While Bush and his White House advisers continue to insist that there will be no agreements, or even serious negotiations, the White House acknowledged Monday that Bush may propose radically deeper cuts in U.S. and Soviet troop levels in Europe than already envisioned.

The White House did not deny reports that Bush will deliver a surprise offer to slash troop strength in Europe to 100,000 -- a reduction far greater than has been discussed.

The Malta discussions may determine the shape of new military and economic balances between the superpowers, as well the new alliances that could spring up among long-divided nations in the East bloc....

Bush, with his first appearance on the world stage, needs to show that he is not overmatched in presence or vision by Gorbachev. He must demonstrate that beneath his caution is a clear-sighted vision of U.S. goals and of the policies it should maintain during the wore public opinion polls show that Bush's overall favorability ratings remain high, they also show that the public feels he has not been decisive enough in responding to events in Europe and the Soviet Union.

(Stephen Kurkjian, Boston Globe)

BUSH IS LIKELY TO SEEK DEFENSE INCREASE FOR '91 DESPITE REDUCTION IN TENSIONS

Despite talk of a "peace dividend," the Bush Administration is likely to propose an increase in defense outlays for fiscal 1991, Administration officials say.

President Bush isn't expected to give final approval to the defense budget until he returns next week from his summit with Soviet leader Gorbachev near Malta. But budget officials say the final proposal is almost certain to include an increase in defense outlays from about \$285 billion in the current fiscal year, though not enough of an increase to make up for inflation.

(Alan Murray & David Wessel, Wall Street Journal, A4)

BOTH SIDES EXPECTED TO HAVE THEIR ELECTRONIC EARS OPEN DURING SUMMIT

The meeting between President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev this weekend will be a summit not only for diplomats but also for electronic spies.

Both will bring their best eavesdroppers, newest electronic equipment, most sophisticated encoding machines and most accomplished countermeasure experts to the Mediterranean shipboard rendezvous, according to knowledgeable officials and observers.

(Michael Sniffen, AP)

NAVY PLANS TO TEST NUCLEAR MISSILE ON EVE OF MALTA SUMMIT

The U.S. Navy plans a test of the Trident 2 nuclear missile Friday, on the eve of the summit between President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev, according to Pentagon officials. (Fred Kaplan, Boston Globe)

PENTAGON DRAFTS MAJOR CUTS IN FORCES, WEAPONS 250,000 Troops, Hundreds Of Planes, 62 Ships May Be Eliminated

The U.S. armed services have drafted plans to reduce military personnel by more than 250,000 men and women and eliminate three active-duty Army divisions, five Air Force fighter wings and 62 Navy ships by 1994 to meet Defense Secretary Cheney's demands for deep budget cuts, according to Pentagon officials.

The proposed reductions would dramatically change the face of the nation's armed forces and would force major shifts in U.S. military strategy and the global deployment of its personnel, ships and aircraft, Defense Department officials said. It would mean a 16 percent reduction in active Army combat divisions, a 20 percent cut in the Air Force's fighter wings and an 11 percent cutback of naval vessels.

(Molly Moore & George Wilson, Washington Post, A1)

CHENEY REASSURES AIRMEN OVERSEAS

SOESTERBERG AIR BASE -- Defense Secretary Cheney told maintenance troops at this quick-reaction U.S.-Dutch Air Base Monday that he has no intention of making budget cuts that leave them understaffed and overworked.

"If we are going to have a smaller force, I think it will be an effective force. We don't want to have a hollow army," he told Air Force personnel at an aircraft maintenance unit of the 32d Tactical Fighter Group.

Cheney's comment, during a brief stopover on the way to a NATO meeting in Brussels, Belgium, came in response to a question from Capt. Richard Kolenda, a maintenance equipment officer. Echoing a major concern to many U.S. military people in Europe, Capt. Kolenda asked if the budget cuts will mean them having "50 percent of the people but doing 100 percent of the work" as has happened in the past.

(Peter Almond, Washington Times, A4)

CZECHOSLOVAKS HOLD MASS STRIKE

Millions Of Workers Flock Into Streets To Repudiate Communists

PRAGUE -- As factory whistles blew and church bells rang at noon Monday, millions of workers across Czechoslovakia trudged out into frigid streets with flags flying and banners raised to join in a two-hour general strike repudiating the dominance of the Communist Party.

The Civic Forum, the newly formed opposition group that proposed the strike as a referendum on one-party rule and a demand for free elections, tonight called the work stoppage "quite clearly a great success." State television said it was impossible to estimate the number of people who participated in the strike "but there were millions of them all over the republic."

(Blaine Harden, Washington Post, A1)

HUNGARY'S RULING PARTY CONCEDES DEFEAT IN VOTE

BUDAPEST -- The ruling Socialist Party conceded defeat Monday in a national referendum that would postpone Hungary's presidential elections and give the fledgling opposition more time to organize and field a candidate.

According to preliminary results from the national electoral board, 50.1 percent of those participating voted affirmatively for the first question on the ballot: "Shout the presidential elections be held only after the parliamentary elections?" (AP, Washington Post, A31)

BALTICS GIVEN ECONOMIC AUTONOMY

Soviet Legislature Grants 3 Republics Control Of Land, Resources

MOSCOW -- The Soviet legislature voted Monday to grant the three Baltic republics economic autonomy beginning Jan. 1, a move that will give the region full control over its land and resources.

The measure, which was approved by a wide margin, is intended to transform the economic relationship between Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia and the central government in Moscow.

(David Remnick, Washington Post, A27)

KOHL TO POSE GERMAN UNITY PLAN

No Timetable Set For Program Beginning With Free Vote In East

BONN -- West German Chancellor Kohl plans to propose on Tuesday a long-term program to achieve the reunification of Germany, starting with the formation of groups with representatives from both German states to improve cooperation in the economy and other fields, government and political sources said Monday.

Seeking to seize the initiative on the suddenly explosive issue of the future of Germany, Kohl plans to outline his plan before parliament just four days before President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev hold a summit meeting off Malta that is expected to focus on the implications of democratic change that is sweeping East Germany and the rest of Eastern Europe.

(Robert McCartney, Washington Post, A27)

BUSH TO PROTEST TO GORBACHEV ON SOVIET CENTRAL AMERICAN ALLIES

President Bush will protest to Soviet President Gorbachev during their weekend summit against the "outrageous behavior" of Moscow's Central American allies, but also will be prepared to discuss deeper troop cutbacks in Europe, officials say.

The subject of Central America was assured a more prominent place in Bush's talks with Gorbachev on Saturday and Sunday after the discovery of a shipment of surface-to-air missiles reportedly sent by Soviet-backed Nicaragua to leftist guerrillas in El Salvador.

State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler on Monday called the arms shipment a "dangerous escalation of conflict" in El Salvador.

(Terence Hunt, AP)

MEXICO REVEALS BIGGEST-EVER COCAINE BUST, 5 TONS

MEXICO CITY -- Mexican anti-narcotics agents Monday announced their biggest-ever single haul of cocaine, more than five tons, which was apparently destined for the streets of Southern California cities.

The Mexican Attorney General's Office said the cocaine had originated in Colombia, sent by one of the world's most-wanted narcotics dealers, Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, No. 2 in the so-called Medellin cartel.

Rodriguez Gacha and his boss, Medellin cartel leader Pablo Escobar, are currently being sought in the central Colombian jungle by that country's armed forces. (Phil Davison, Copley)

COLOMBIAN JET CRASHES, KILLING 107

Caller Claims Drug Traffickers' Bomb Destroyed Boeing 727

BOGOTA -- A Colombian jetliner crashed on the outskirts of Bogota shortly after takeoff Monday and all 107 people aboard were killed. A caller to a radio station claimed drug traffickers bombed the jet.

(Stan Yarbrow, Washington Post, A1)

U.N. WARNED ON RAISING PLO STATUS

Administration Threatens To Halt Funding If Change Is Made

The U.S. warned Monday that it will stop its funding of the operations of the U.N. headquarters in New York if the General Assembly agrees to any change in the present "non-state observer" status for the PLO.

Administration officials, in an unusually strong warning, said they understood there was an Arab move afoot to change the nameplate of the seat reserved for the PLO observer delegation to the U.N. General Assembly to read "State of Palestine."

"We feel so strongly about this that we will cut off funding" if such a resolution is approved, said State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler.

(David Ottaway, Washington Post, A9)

ABU NIDAL IS REPORTEDLY PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST BY LIBYANS

TUNIS -- Abu Nidal...has been placed under house arrest by Libya in recent days, officials of the PLO here and Arab diplomats in Paris say.

The move against Abu Nidal, who lives in a compound near Tripoli, is believed to be a result of Arab and Palestinian pressure to put an end to his terrorist activities, which were becoming an obstacle to Arab diplomacy.

(Youssef Ibrahim, New York Times, A1)

HEZBOLLAH TERROR REACHES INTO AFRICA, PAPER SAYS

LOS ANGELES -- The Shiite Moslem extremist group Hezbollah has established a network of operatives in West Africa that may be preparing attacks against Western targets, a newspaper reported Monday.

Hezbollah agents are active in the Ivory Coast, Senegal, Gabon, Zaire and possibly other countries, the Los Angeles Times reported, citing unidentified U.S. and French officials.

As Western intelligence agencies have focused on Iran and Lebanon, Hezbollah may have moved to create an alternative arms network in West Africa as early as 1986, the newspaper said.

(AP, Washington Times, A3)

AFGHAN RESISTANCE LEADER SAYS SOVIETS STILL BOMBING

The head of the U.S.-backed Afghan resistance says he wants America to supply high-altitude anti-aircraft weapons for use against Soviet bombers he says are flying against his forces from Soviet territory.

Sibghatullah Mojaddedi, who met with President Bush at the White House Monday, also said he hopes Bush will tell Soviet President Gorbachev at their summit next weekend to drop his support for the "puppet regime and the communist government" in the Afghan capital of Kabul.

"Unfortunately, the free world thinks that the Russians have withdrawn completely from Afghanistan," Mojaddedi told AP in an interview after his meeting with Bush.

"Still, the Russians are bombing our people, the mujahedeen, from their own territory," he said. (Bryan Brumley, AP)

BRITAIN FAULTED ON VIET REPATRIATION

Expulsion From Hong Kong 'Unacceptable,' Administration Says

In a rare public criticism of British policy, the Bush Administration said Monday that Prime Minister Thatcher's decision to begin forcibly repatriating tens of thousands of Vietnamese refugees from camps in Hong Kong was "unacceptable" to the U.S.

"The U.S. position is that involuntary repatriation is unacceptable until conditions improve in Vietnam," said State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler. "We believe the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees should be provided with every opportunity to make voluntary repatriation programs function effectively." (David Ottaway, Washington Post, A17)

EDITOR'S NOTES: "Bush To Press Gorbachev On Central America," by John Goshko, appears in the Washington Post, A1.

"EC Signs Trade Accord With Soviets," by AP, appears in the Washington Times, C10.

NATIONAL NEWS

WILDER CERTIFIED BY VA BOARD AS GOVERNOR-ELECT Election Recount Sought By Coleman

RICHMOND -- Democrat Douglas Wilder was certified as the winner of the Virginia gubernatorial election Monday by 6,854 votes, but his Republican opponent, Marshall Coleman, said he will ask for a recount in the closest governor's race in Virginia history.

Because the margin separating the two men is less than one-half of 1 percent -- .38 percent -- the state will pay for the recount, which Board of Elections secretary Susan Fitz-Hugh said could cost \$300,000 to \$500,000.

(Donald Baker, Washington Post, A1)

DOE MAY NOT BUILD PLUTONIUM PLANT Secretary Watkins Is Called Unlikely To Certify Need 'Anytime Soon'

Energy Secretary Watkins is reconsidering and may drop his agency's long-standing plan to refine more plutonium, a vital ingredient of nuclear weapons, in the late 1990s, according to senior agency officials and congressional sources.

Such a decision would reflect an expected decline in the number of new U.S. nuclear weapons and a desire by Watkins and his colleagues to spend scarce resources on near-term needs such as environmental repairs at existing facilities instead of building a new "bomb" factory, the officials said.

(Jeffrey Smith, Washington Post, A6)

U.S., IN COURT, DOUBTS THEORY OF ACID RAIN Evidence On Pollutants 'Entirely Speculative'

Last summer the Bush Administration launched the most far-reaching acid rain initiative in Congress, placating its fiercest environmental critics.

But in federal court Monday the Administration slipped back into an era of environmental denial, according to opponents, questioning the basic premise linking emissions of acidic pollutants to ecological damage downwind.

Responding to a court suit seeking to link U.S. emissions to environmental damage in Canada, Justice Department lawyers argued that it is "entirely speculative" to claim that specific emission reductions would redress damage to Canadian lakes and forests.

(Michael Weisskopf, Washington Post, A23)

WILSON CALLS FOR EXPORT BAN ON DANGEROUS PESTICIDES

Sen. Wilson unveiled a bill Monday to outlaw U.S. exports of hazardous pesticides that have been banned or taken off the market in the U.S.

The measure also would require the EPA, in coordination with other federal agencies, to convene an international conference for the purpose of seeking a worldwide ban on dangerous pesticides.

"With this legislation, the United States can guide the way toward a safer food supply, not simply for consumers in this country, but for consumers in every country," Wilson said at a news conference.

(Steven Gorman, UPI)

PANEL QUESTIONS FEDERAL RADIATION STUDIES

A special panel, questioning the credibility of government studies on radiation health effects, called on Energy Secretary Watkins Monday to open up secret medical files on which those studies are based.

The panel of health experts, established by Watkins in August, recommended the Energy Department adopt a policy of "maximum possible openness" in regard to the medical records of some 300,000 federal nuclear weapons plant workers. (George Lobsenz, UPI)

FED SIGNALS RATES NOT LOWERED Action May Delay Expected Prime Cut

The Fed sent financial markets a strong signal Monday that it may not have lowered interest rates again, as most analysts last week assumed it had.

Both short- and long-term interest rates jumped at midday after the central bank sold government securities to private dealers, a step that has the effect of removing cash from the banking system and firming interest rates. Short-term rates rose by about a tenth of a percentage point on the news. (John Berry, Washington Post, B1)

GINGRICH SAYS BUSH MUST CHOOSE BETWEEN REFORM AND A 'SECOND EISENHOWER' ERA

Rep. Gingrich said Monday that President Bush has reached a "fundamental crossroads" in his presidency and must decide whether to push a Republican "reform" agenda for the 1990s or be a status quo president who allows the Democratic Party to continue to dominate Congress.

Gingrich...said that after one year the direction of the Bush presidency is still not clear.

"I honestly don't know right now and neither does anybody else whether we are at the prelude to what I hope will be a reform decade or whether we are at the end of the first year of the second Eisenhower administration," the Georgia Republican said during a luncheon with Washington Post editors and reporters. "If in fact...it is the second Eisenhower administration, we are in deep doo-doo, to use a phrase common at the White House." (Tom Kenworthy, Washington Post, A10)

DAY-LATE DISCOVERY GLIDES TO SUNSET LANDING

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE -- By the light of the setting sun, the shuttle Discovery glided to a picture-perfect day-late touchdown Monday, closing out a secret but apparently successful flight to launch a Pentagon satellite. (Bob Brill, UPI)

COURT REFUSES TO FORCE AID TO HOMELESS

The Supreme Court Monday refused to allow New York City to require unwilling developers to help city officials provide housing for the homeless.

The justices, without comment, left intact a ruling that said New York violated the rights of developers by banning conversion or demolition of boarding houses that offer a haven for the poor, elderly and ill.

(AP, Washington Post, A4)

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BRADY TO HAVE HIP SURGERY

Treasury Secretary Brady announced Monday he will undergo surgery to replace an arthritic right hip with an artificial hip Dec. 14 and will convalesce for three to six weeks.

Deputy Secretary John Robson will serve as acting secretary and be in charge of the day-to-day affairs of the department while Brady is recovering. (UPI)

CURRY NEW HEAD OF NHTSA

Republican Jerry Curry, who last year lost a challenge for Virginia's 2nd District congressional seat, has been sworn in as the top administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The 57-year-old Curry, a Virginia Beach, Va., resident, took over the post in a ceremony attended by Transportation Secretary Skinner at the Transportation Department. Curry will report directly to Skinner. (UPI)

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY

(Monday Evening, November 27)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

ABC's Peter Jennings: There is nothing like the first general strike in more than 40 years to advise the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia how out of touch it is with the people. Today, all across this nation, the party heard how much trust the people have in its leadership. The answer: close to none. The general strike, called for by the opposition, was an enormous success. Here in Prague, from Wenceslas Square outward to every corner of the city, Prague was transformed.

ABC's Jerry King reports from Prague that the strike was really a gigantic block party that engulfed the entire city center. It was a referendum on the Communist Party -- and the party lost big. Workers showed up in force: miners, firemen, for a few minutes hospital workers, and even a delegation of the blind under a banner that read, all blind people can see who betrays us. In factories all over the city, patriotism has become an anti-communist weapon, so they sang the national anthem; their fingers signed the victory symbol -- something the communists hate as a symbol borrowed from the West. However, they cheered Communist Party member Walter Komarek, a man many would like to see lead a new government here. New Communist Party leader Karel Urbanek couldn't escape the wrath of Czechs today; even conservative steelworkers today asked him why they should not join the opposition Civic Forum. The Forum's leader, Vaclav Havel, was again seen on state-run television declaring the general strike a success. But now, Havel said, the professionals, the economists, should take over. Thus, he said, today's strike was to be the last officially. People power has fired up this movement, however, and it may be difficult now to turn down the flame.

Jennings reports that in the last 24 hours, three more members of the Politburo here have lost their jobs and been replaced by seven men, some of whom are alleged to be reformers. To millions of Czechs, however, reformers in the Communist Party is a complete contradiction in terms. In cities throughout the nation, demonstrators backed the demands of those in Prague. Today, Czech workers joined the students and intellectuals in force. The largest steel works joined the strike and so did the largest car manufacturer.

ABC's John Laurence reports that even high-paid, generally conservative workers joined the strike. Workers have lost their fears because they see the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia crumbling.

Jennings reports on the student core which galvanized the Czech reform movement. In university and college campus command posts all over the country, students work 24 hours a day to keep the momentum for democracy alive. Virtually every student is somehow involved. Until Czech television suddenly joined the reform movement this weekend, only the students spread the word. Most importantly, the students have tried to keep the pressure on. (ABC-Lead)

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Jennings reports on the role of television in the reform movement. Today, the general director of television was fired because he was too hard line. (ABC-11)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: Good evening from Prague, where tonight the Czech reform movement is more powerful than ever. Today, it took control of this country with a two hour general strike that was a referendum on 40 years of communist rule. Tomorrow, the reformers meet with Czechoslovakia's communist prime minister to demand a new independent cabinet. And on Wednesday, the communist-controlled Parliament will hold an emergency session. After today, there is no doubt about what the people want....

It seemed that the entire nation of Czechoslovakia had all but shut down. Until now, television has been an instrument of control in the hands of the state, but today the people were in control. After the strike, there was another rally in Wenceslas Square in the heart of Prague. Protesters told the communist leaders that it's too late for apologies or promises of good intentions; it's time for elections. These demonstrations have been going on not only in Prague and the other large Czech cities, but in villages as well.

NBC's Arthur Kent reports from a Czech uranium-mining village in which, until recently, the Communist Party was in absolute control. Workers marched alongside students in protest. In many country towns, such rallies are still the most trusted source of news about reform.

Brokaw reports that one of the three Politburo members fired today was the hated interior minister who was responsible for the brutal breakup of demonstrations ten days ago. (NBC-Lead)

CBS's Dan Rather: The future of Eastern Europe may well be determined in the next few days here in Prague, in Rome, and in Malta. Later in the week we'll be covering the first meeting ever between the leader of the Soviet Union and the Pope, and that will be on the eve of the very first post-Cold War summit between President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev. But the fundamental issues of freedom -- these are being fought out here in the streets, in the churches, and in the factories of Czechoslovakia. And today was a crucial victory for the freedom movement....

A liberty bell was put in the place where a statue of Joseph Stalin once looked down. Today's protest was a referendum on the nation's future, and the results were a landslide. By the millions, workers joined the cause and made it the will of the nation. But leaders of the movement stressed that theirs is a non-violent, forgiving revolution aimed not just at overturning the power of the communists, but restoring a sense of decency and civilization to the whole country.

(Michael Horacek, opposition leader: "Even the most backward Stalinists still must have a right to express their ideas -- we mustn't discriminate against anyone.... A single death is really a great threat. Even one, if it happened; you know, some communist being lynched or something at this moment.")

Today's successful strike puts the forces of freedom -- the leaders of the new revolution -- in the driver's seat.

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Rather continues: They are putting heavy pressure on the communist prime minister to make more changes much faster or be out in favor of someone such as the respected economist Walter Komarek. This is now a broad-based, national movement reaching all classes and all parts of the country.

CBS's Tom Fenton reports from Bratislava that the city came to a halt because of the strike. The whole country is on its feet and cheering. Here in Bratislava there was never a strong tradition of activism or reform, but now the people here want to be part of the great national reawakening. Half the city's population took to the streets. The people want nothing more to do with the government or the Communist Party. Bratislava, people say, has joined the free world. The message from the Slovak heartland is that this time there will be no turning back.

CBS's Richard Threlkeld reports from Prague on the impact and importance religion has historically had in Czechoslovakia. The Roman Catholic Church in Czechoslovakia has been a captive of the communists for 41 years. Despite discouragement from the government, 60% of the people here proclaim themselves Catholic. Church leaders have for years been pushing for reforms but have been persecuted. (CBS-Lead)

HUNGARY

Jennings reports that there was a victory for political reform in Hungary. In the first free vote in four decades, opposition parties have won enough votes to force the postponement of presidential elections from January until at least next spring. They say they need the time to organize in order to run against the communists. (CBS-10, ABC-2)

EAST GERMANY

NBC's Mike Boettcher reports from East Berlin that Western journalists were today allowed to tour a heavily-guarded compound for 23 Communist Party leaders and their families. The 23 families had their own private boutique, a well-stocked supermarket, and a heated indoor pool with lifeguard. To quiet resentment and distance himself from the past communist elite, Egon Krenz says he has moved from the compound so he can spend more time among the people. It was announced that the compound will be closed and converted into a medical rehabilitation center. The security chief of former leader Erich Honecker said his boss was a broken man. (NBC-2)

MALTA MEETING/TROOP REDUCTIONS

CBS's Bob Schieffer reports the White House confirmed today that President Bush will discuss reducing troop levels in Europe with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev next weekend during their summit at sea off Malta. Mr. Bush's spokesman also said the United States does not expect any formal arms agreement out of the summit. (CBS-9)

GORBACHEV

Jennings reports that after having encouraged so much change, Mr. Gorbachev has published a vigorous defense of the one-party system.

ABC's John McWethy reports from the State Department that Soviet leader Gorbachev's startling article in Pravda was read on the Soviet evening news. Gorbachev rejected the idea that the Soviet Union is heading toward capitalism, saying that was "dreaming." He also vigorously defended one-party rule, making it clear he believes the Communist Party will be the force that guides the Soviet Union into the next century. Why is the man who is encouraging reforms in Eastern Europe insisting that the Soviet way will be so different?

(Ed Hewitt, Brookings Institute: "Gorbachev's the leader of the party and he's got a party now that is disillusioned, frightened, and he's trying to shore up the ranks and say, look, I haven't lost my way. I know what I want. I want socialism and you do to.")

Analysts say the Gorbachev article tries to reassure conservatives that the sweeping reforms in Eastern Europe will not happen in the same way in the Soviet Union.

(Robert Legvold, Harrington Institute: "He is saying that Eastern Europe is a different process, and he is saying that, from his point of view, he wants to do everything to prevent the process from going as far as it's going in Eastern Europe.")

The man who unleashed reform on Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union is now walking a political tightrope. He is dragging his feet on some aspects of reform in an effort to remain in control of change in his own country. (ABC-3)

Brokaw reports that Moscow today cheered the Czech reformers by sharply criticizing the conservative ways of the old Czech communist leaders. Soviet President Gorbachev is eager to strengthen his reputation as a political reformer as he heads to the weekend summit meetings with President Bush. (NBC-3)

EASTERN EUROPE/RELIGION

Rather interviews the Reverend Billy Graham and holocaust survivor and Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel, each of whom sees the upheavals in Eastern Europe in religious terms.

(Graham: "...I think it's, as Solzhenitsyn has pointed out, that it's a religious upheaval. I think that when they attached atheism to communism that this was the wrong move and it ran against human nature because everyone believes that there is a supernatural being.")

(Rather: "Let's talk about Mr. Gorbachev's meeting with the Pope.... What meaning does it have for you?")

Wiesel: "To me it's an encounter between two men who are leaders of two world religions. Gorbachev, actually being the communist leader, is also the leader of the communist religion. Communism has been a religion.... I have the feeling that what we are witnessing now in the...Eastern European world especially is the abdication of communism. It is the end of the communist ideology." (CBS-11)

EL SALVADOR/CASOLO ARREST

ABC's Diane Sawyer reports that U.S. officials today told ABC's John McWethy that the case against Jennifer Casolo appears to be strong. Salvadoran police say they found weapons buried in Casolo's back yard intended for Salvadoran rebels. American officials indicate they will let Salvadoran justice take its course. (ABC-9)

PRESIDENT/CENTRAL AMERICA

NBC's John Cochran: As fighting continued today in the suburbs of the capital of El Salvador, President Bush made clear his anger at Moscow's refusal to stop the flow of Soviet-made weapons into El Salvador. Last month, Salvadoran forces stopped a truck from Nicaragua loaded with Soviet-bloc weapons. And over the weekend, the Salvadoran army said it found Soviet surface-to-air missiles in the wreckage of a plane carrying weapons from Nicaragua. Saturday night in Washington, two top State Department officials called in a Soviet diplomat for a tongue-lashing. And today, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said President Bush will deliver his own protest to Mikhail Gorbachev at their meeting off Malta.

(Marlin Fitzwater: "He will tell President Gorbachev that the introduction of surface-to-air weapons in the guerrilla war in El Salvador is a dangerous escalation of a conflict contrary to high-level Soviet assurances. This is an example of old thinking.")

The Soviets say Cuba's Fidel Castro may be shipping Soviet-made weapons to Central America without Moscow's approval, but no one in Washington buys that.

(Leon Aron, Soviet affairs analyst: "It is certainly in Gorbachev's power to cut the flow of arms simply by reducing subsidies to Cuba.")

President Bush, who met today with a leader of the Afghanistan rebels, will also urge Gorbachev to stop military aid to the pro-Soviet government in Kabul.

(TV coverage: President in Oval Office with Afghan rebel leader.)

So the Malta shipboard meeting now looks far more substantial than the get-to-know-you session the White House first predicted. Today, the White House said President Bush will present some new ideas on troop reductions in Europe now that Cold War tensions are easing there. White House aides say the President will bluntly ask Gorbachev why, when you're so helpful in Eastern Europe, why do you continue to stick your finger in our eye in Central America?

(NBC-4)

COLOMBIAN VIOLENCE

NBC's Brian Ross reports that there is no solid proof yet that it was a bomb which blew up a Colombian jetliner, but American intelligence authorities say the drug bosses in Colombia have to be considered prime suspects. All 107 people on board were killed. Witnesses on the ground said the plane was on fire in two places when it crashed, and the pilot on another plane said he saw two mid-air explosions. A call to a radio station said the drug cartel was responsible and that the targets were five passengers who were informants for the police against the cartel. Airport officials said dogs trained to smell explosives had checked out the plane before it took off. Just last week, police raided what was believed to be the hideout of cartel boss Pablo Escobar, but Escobar escaped, reportedly in his underwear. The man who today claimed the cartel bombed the flight said the informants supposedly on the plane had led police to his jungle hideout. The cartel seems to have made contact with the Basque terrorists in Spain and with Mideast terrorist groups; American authorities fear that today is a dark new chapter in the war on drugs as the cartel has seemingly joined forces with and adopted the strategies of established terrorist groups.

(CBS-2, NBC-5)

INDIA

NBC's Garrick Utley reports that Indian Prime Minister Gandhi has suffered a major election defeat as his party has lost its majority in Parliament. His only chance to remain in power is through a coalition government, but even that is not certain.

NBC's Keith Miller reports from New Delhi that this will be the first coalition government in the nation's history.

(Lal Krishan Adbani, Indian People's Party: "The voting is against the [ruling] party rather than voting for anyone.")

In a bitter campaign, the opposition made Gandhi the issue and attacked the dynastic rule that has allowed the Gandhi family to govern India for 40 years. Violence was widespread throughout the elections and was an embarrassment to the government. Accusations of election fraud forced a re-poll in hundreds of districts. Gandhi is expected to retain his seat in Parliament and his party remains a powerful force in Indian politics. It will be another day before the official results are released. In the meantime, it is not at all clear who will be leading India into the next decade. (CBS-4, NBC-6)

UNITED NATIONS

CBS's Bob Schieffer reports that the United States threatened today to suspend all financial support of the United Nations if the General Assembly votes this week to recognize Palestine as a country. The State Department said that Palestine is not a country and does not meet the criteria for U.N. membership. (CBS-5)

SUPREME COURT/HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

Schieffer reports the Supreme Court refused today to let public schools drop special education programs for severely handicapped children even when the children are so handicapped they do not seem to get any benefit. (CBS-6)

JUVENILE EXECUTIONS

Schieffer reports that the state of Louisiana plans to execute a man later this week following the Supreme Court's decision last July to allow the executions of juveniles convicted of murder. This convicted murderer killed twice before his 18th birthday and has spent the last decade on death row. (CBS-7)

SHUTTLE DISCOVERY

Sawyer reports that the space shuttle Discovery is on its way down and is expected to touch down within the hour. (CBS-8, NBC-8, ABC-4)

CHOLESTEROL TESTS

Sawyer reports that the government today said that many cholesterol testing booths are often unsanitary, the technicians untrained, and the tests themselves inaccurate. (ABC-6)

LIVER TRANSPLANT

ABC's Chris Bury reports from Chicago on the liver transplant from a live mother to her baby daughter. Such transplants from adults could ease a severe shortage of organs. More than 700 American infants need liver transplants each year; nearly half of them die before suitable baby donors can be found.

(Dr. Mark Siegler, University of Chicago Medical Center: "If this operation works today, it will mean that there is no longer a scarcity of livers and that all kids who could benefit from a liver transplant can, in theory, receive one.") (CBS- 3, NBC-7, ABC-5)

CHILD CARE

ABC's Rebecca Chase reports that corporate America has been aggressively tackling the problem of child care for employees. Every survey shows that child care is the number one problem for employees. A new program provides for trained workers to go to employees' homes when a child is sick or the normal child care arrangement breaks down. In January, the Stride-Rite shoe company will open a day care center for the elderly relatives of employees. The accounting firm Arthur Anderson allows employees to work part time yet stay on track to become partners in the company. Time Magazine allows employees to share jobs, giving them time for their children. Most employees do not enjoy any of these benefits. Companies say they are too expensive, are not equitable because they cannot be used by everyone, or simply that businesses should not be involved in family matters. But increasingly, these views are considered short-sighted; the companies that do not help employees balance work and family will simply lose out to those that do. (ABC-10)

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EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

DEFENSE CUTS

It's The Pentagon's Turn To Justify Defense Spending -- "Defense Secretary Cheney is absolutely right. This is the time for the Pentagon to start thinking about cutting future defense spending.... Where it can be done, he wants the services to show what can be cut. That's not asking too much.... Cheney's...calls for reductions in Pentagon spending wouldn't take effect until 1992. That's a long way off, but he's right to start the process now."
(New York Daily News, 11/22)

At Last, Military Spending Shrinks -- "Swearing in his inaugural address not to raise taxes...Mr. Bush was left with no other functional way to meet federal deficit-reduction imperatives than to nick the defense budget.... It was about time the implausible Strategic Defense Initiative...took a hit...as befits a fantasy weapon.... But the big opportunity is in Europe.... Mr. Bush set the right course during his visit to Europe...when he proposed mutual force cuts to 275,000. (Or more, Mr. Cheney says.) ...The apparent breakdown of the Cold War offers a chance not just to pocket some savings but for budgeting less buffeted by ideological contention at home and more clearly and durably crafted to the dangers that remain, as some, sad to say, are bound to."
(Atlanta Constitution, 11/21)

Wrong Time To Be Cutting SDI -- "The recent announcement that the House and Senate have agreed to slash [funding] for the Strategic Defense Initiative...seems remarkably ill-timed. It came only two days after President Bush announced that he would meet Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev for informal talks in the Mediterranean.... Moscow might well interpret this as a significant reversal of the program's momentum -- a development that can only reduce the president's leverage at the negotiating table.... Congressional critics of the SDI program ought to realize that it's wholly counterproductive to renounce, unilaterally, the development of a system the Soviets take seriously. To do so on the eve of a summit is the height of folly."
(New York Post, 11/17)

Defense -- "There have been new calls for major reductions in U.S. defense spending and in the American security commitment to its overseas allies. They are demands to which the Bush administration cannot fully accede.... No doubt NATO, the Warsaw Pact and European security will be a primary subject at the forthcoming summit at sea. President Bush has served notice that he won't be caught off guard by a bombshell disarmament proposal from Mikhail Gorbachev. While eager to talk with the Soviet president, he is mindful of the U.S. obligation to consult with its allies. Moreover, the argument for defense reductions ignores a key point, which is that defense spending could be reformed without summarily and unilaterally disrupting 40-year alliances.... The calls for reductions in the national commitment to defense are premature and counterproductive as they are being raised now. Events in Eastern Europe, as in the Soviet Union, are encouraging. But they have happened too quickly to be met with anything but care and caution in the West. The administration clearly understands the need for prudence; Congress needs to show that it does also."
(Cincinnati Enquirer, 11/17)

A Liberating Decision On Defense -- "It wasn't quite as earth-shaking as the opening of the Berlin Wall, but the news that the Pentagon is preparing to cut at least \$180 billion from future budgets is almost as significant.... There will be money for all the things that President Bush has said he would like to do but can't afford because of the huge budget deficit. And, equally important, Washington will be able to do something beyond the usual smoke, mirrors and flat-out lies that now pass for deficit reduction."
(Chicago Tribune, 11/21)

OK, We Won; Now Bring Boys Home, Cut Defense Budget -- "If the Soviet threat has ended, so should that portion of our income taxes that has gone to block it. I used to favor big increases in the military budget. But they've done their work. Now let's cut them, drastically.... But one fact that's emerging from the new situation is that defending Europe isn't the only reason for keeping U.S. troops there. Another reason, largely unstated, has simply been the occupation of Germany. The idea of German reunification still gives a lot of people the willies. How anyone can worry about this is beyond me. If communism is dead, Nazism and Prussianism are much, much deader.... We can quit arming for the last war now. Bring our boys home. Cut taxes. Maybe even trim the Indiana National Guard."
(Joseph Sobran, Palm Beach [Fla.] Post, 11/19)

Military Needs Policy By Which To Winnow Weapons -- "To his credit, Cheney accepted the new fiscal situation and did attempt to kill some major weapons systems. But the failure of the Bush administration to produce a national security strategy has made it impossible for Cheney to present a coherent strategy to justify his reductions.... Fortunately, the outlines of the post-containment era are already clear. We know enough about our military needs for the next decade to structure spending so that we gain greater security for less money. The outlines of this new era are contained in the proposals put forth at the START talks and the negotiations on conventional forces in Europe.... Pending the completion of these talks, the United States should defer deployment of such systems as the rail-mobile MX missile, the single-warhead Midgetman ICBM, the B-2 bomber, additional Trident submarines and the Strategic Defense Initiative. It should continue research in these areas, however, as a hedge against a breakdown of the talks.... But nothing will happen unless the administration takes a tough stand. Indeed, early indications point to a scramble by the military services to protect their own bureaucratic interests at the expense of the national interest."

(Lawrence J. Korb, Minneapolis Star Tribune, 11/26)

An Opportunity To Think Of Our Interests At Home -- "While there is no pressing need for U.S. troop withdrawals, Bush ought to think deeply about NATO.... Created to send Stalin the message that a Soviet attempt to seize Germany would mean war with the United States, can NATO survive the demise of that threat? ...We ought not forget that Chancellor Kohl's government is vulnerable, that West Germans want no more American atomic weapons, that they are losing their fear of the Soviets, losing, too, their patience with hundreds of thousands of foreign troops...on German soil. The time may be ripe for us to deal with Gorbachev for accelerated and mutual troop withdrawals from Central Europe. If the Red Army can be negotiated back inside its frontiers, if the nations of East Europe are permitted to become democratic and free, surely, then, the burden of West Europe's defense can be shifted where it has always belonged, onto the shoulders of West Europeans themselves."

(Pat Buchanan, Buffalo News, 11/17)

FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION

PRESIDENT/GORBACHEV MEETING

"It's Time To Help, 'Not To Gloat"

"If Ronald Reagan were still in the White House, he would by now have mounted a whirlwind photo-opportunity to the Berlin Wall. He would have turned next weekend's summit conference with Mikhail Gorbachev in Malta into a celebration of the victory of the simple values for which he stood.... Fortunately, George Bush is President. Bush makes up in judgement what he lacks in charisma. And, at a moment in history pregnant with opportunity and risk, judgement is what is most needed.... Now is not the time to undertake a major revision of Western defense strategy. We do not know that Gorbachev will survive. It would be rash to believe there are no hardliners waiting in the wings.... So it is essential that the Western alliance remains strong. The American presence in Europe is, for now, as necessary as ever."

(Sunday Correspondent, Britain)

"Warm Water Summit To Melt The Cold War"

"The get-together that Bush originally called a 'non-summit summit' is shaping up as the most important superpower meeting since Reagan met Gorbachev for the first time in Geneva in 1985.... All the indications are that Gorbachev and Bush will unveil far-reaching conventional arms proposals next weekend. Bush's claim that he and Gorbachev 'are not meeting to determine the future of Europe' may be true in a political sense, but they seem likely to redraw the military map of the continent."

(Sunday Telegraph, Britain)

"From Yalta, To Malta and Beyond"

"What the world wants to see is a dramatic agreement on conventional forces in Europe, a pledge of radical cuts in the arsenal of nuclear weapons, a program of political reform which might in the end make both NATO and the Warsaw Pact obsolete in their present form. Too much to expect from a meeting which still has no fixed agenda? Perhaps it is."

(Sunday Express, Britain)

"European Spokesman Should Be At Meeting"

"The question can no longer be silenced whether reunification is on the agenda during the Bush-Gorbachev meeting off Malta. But, because of the latest developments in the East, it would only be appropriate if one European spokesman also took part in the meeting. During the talks, the Yalta documents will not be torn apart, but corrections are due. But the third participant in the talks should not be Margaret Thatcher but Francois Mitterrand, since he is the president in office of the European Community."

(Hannoversche Allgemeine Zeitung, West Germany)

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11/28/89

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE:

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO:

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Presidential Phone Calls



DATE: 11-29-89 TIME: 8:40 AM
incoming/outgoing

WITH: Chen Kohl

SUBJECT: long chat on

Europe etc

FOLLOW UP: _____

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

November 27, 1989

MEETING WITH SECRETARIES OF ECONOMIC AGENCIES

DATE: November 28, 1989
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT 

I. PURPOSE

You will meet with the cabinet secretaries with responsibility for economic affairs and international trade in order to hear their views on U.S.-Soviet economic relations.

II. BACKGROUND

Secretary of the Treasury Nick Brady, Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter, U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills, Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Mike Boskin and OMB Director Dick Darman will meet with you to discuss your upcoming meeting with Gorbachev and U.S.-Soviet economic relations.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The participants list is at Tab I.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer

V. SEQUENCE

Meeting

Attachment

Tab A Participants list

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E.O. 12958, SEC 3.4 (B), September 11, 2006

By  NARA, Date 10/27/09

cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

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PARTICIPANTS

The President

James A. Baker, Secretary of State

Nicholas Brady, Secretary of the Treasury

Clayton Yeutter, Secretary of Agriculture

Richard Darman, Director of the Office of Management and Budget

Carla Hills, United States Trade Representative

John H. Sununu, Chief of Staff

Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for National Security
Affairs

Michael Boskin, Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors

Robert Gates, Assistant to the President and Deputy for National
Security Affairs

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28 November 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

BRENT SCOWCROFT *BS*

FROM:

ROBERT GATES *RG*

SUBJECT:

Gorbachev's Foreign Policy: A Somewhat
Different Slant

*read with
interest -
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Your briefings leading up to the Malta Meeting have not focused much on Gorbachev's foreign policy objectives other than some broad references to "old thinking" in a few places (Central America, Cambodia, Iran, etc.) and "new thinking" in others (Europe, arms control, Eastern Europe, etc.). But it is important to consider whether Gorbachev's "new thinking" points to a fundamental change in Soviet foreign policy objectives or represents bold, innovative -- even daring -- new tactics in pursuit of longstanding Soviet objectives.

Gorbachev came to power in 1985 with a bad hand in foreign policy -- the successes of the 1970s had become draining problems, the US and its Allies had begun a massive military modernization in response to the Soviet military buildup, Western economic growth and technological progress were putting the Soviets in the shade, and the West had regained its confidence.

✓ A case can be made that Gorbachev's "new thinking" in foreign policy is essentially a marriage between longstanding Soviet ideological and great power objectives around the world and new tactics designed to get the Soviet Union out of the policy dead-ends inherited from the Brezhnev period, to cut Soviet losses where there was little hope of success, and to use political tactics to achieve objectives that military tactics, threats or force failed to attain over decades. Look at the specifics.

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Eastern Europe: Gorbachev has received tremendous acclaim for his encouragement of the reform process in Eastern Europe and his restraint from intervention to stop or slow that process. Yet, did he really have a choice? In 1980, the Soviets squarely faced the question of regime-threatening popular discontent in Poland and finally decided that the costs of intervening militarily were too high. If the Soviets in 1980 under Brezhnev were unwilling to intercede militarily in Poland, how much less likely would they be to do so in 1989 with a desperate crisis inside the Soviet Union and facing widespread popular discontent in Eastern Europe not just in one country but in four or five? I would contend that Gorbachev's "restraint" in Eastern Europe is simply recognition of reality and that he has chosen to ride the tiger of change in Eastern Europe rather than be destroyed by it, but with an important caveat: the affected countries must remain within the Warsaw Pact, thus preserving the Soviet Union's cordon sanitaire established after World War II. Also, by encouraging a reform process he could not stop, Gorbachev also has significantly reduced the chances, at least for a time, of reform taking on a violent anti-Soviet tone. How much should we credit "new thinking" for a decision to accede to events that Gorbachev could not stop except at the risk of destroying perestroika and the Soviet Union's relationship with the West? New thinking or old realpolitik?

Europe/Arms Control/Arms Reduction: Another area where new thinking is touted is in the area of arms control and unilateral force reductions. The latter are by no means unprecedented. Khrushchev unilaterally cut Soviet armed forces by more than two million men in the late 1950s. Gorbachev is trimming by about 10-15% a Soviet military establishment of five million men after 25 years of steady, high annual growth rates, making it a leaner, perhaps better, force with the loss of military capability confined solely to an inability to launch a surprise attack on the West (probably never in the cards anyway). In return, Gorbachev will get a huge reduction in US forces in Europe, either by negotiation or politically-driven budget cuts, accelerate the decline in the US defense budget, limit US military strategic and conventional modernization, weaken NATO and perhaps bring Labor or Social Democratic governments to power in Britain and Germany. The consequences for European defense budgets also are likely to be significant. Again, in exchange for boldness on his part, long term Soviet objectives with respect to getting the US out of Europe, significantly reducing NATO's cohesion and military capabilities and stopping the modernization of Western forces will be largely accomplished in a period of three or four years -- in distinct contrast to the failure to achieve any of these objectives through the military buildup of the 1970s and 1980s.

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Additionally, Gorbachev's moves on arms control and unilateral reductions have generated a dramatic change in Western public perceptions of the USSR and created the circumstances in which the Soviets will be given greater access to Western technology and economic assistance and there will be significant benefits in terms of Western investment and loans. These have been Soviet foreign policy objectives for at least the last 20 years. New thinking or dramatically smarter tactics?

Regional Disputes: New tactics to achieve longstanding objectives are especially apparent in the Third World.

- ✓ In Afghanistan, Gorbachev withdrew Soviet forces and was prepared for defeat in a deadend, expensive war. However, when he realized that Soviet withdrawal had weakened support for the Mujahedin in the West, undermined Mujahedin unity, and that Najibullah proved stronger than anticipated, Gorbachev immediately approved the largest airlift in Soviet postwar history to keep Najibullah in power. The result is a stalemate in Afghanistan in which the Soviet version of Vietnamization so far has worked and the communist regime's prospects look pretty good for the next year or so.
- In Cambodia, the Soviets helped bring about the withdrawal of the Vietnamese forces while leaving a client government in charge. The Soviets clearly have shown no inclination to use their influence to make Vietnam more cooperative in reaching a comprehensive settlement. At the same time, by ✓ getting Vietnamese troops out, as well as their own withdrawal from Afghanistan, the Soviets made it possible to achieve an even more important longstanding Soviet objective -- a reconciliation with China.
- In Southern Africa, where the Soviets are given credit for helping to get the Cubans out of Angola, as we look again we see the Cubans going but a government in Namibia dominated by the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), an ✓ organization funded, armed and trained by the Soviet Union for the last 25 years; Western nations and Zaire unwilling to provide the kind of assistance to Savimbi that he had ✓ while the Cubans were still there; a cutoff of direct South African assistance to UNITA; the MPLA, with Cuban and Soviet assistance, planning new offensives against Savimbi; and little prospect of further forward movement in the reconciliation talks.
- In Central America, the evidence is most clear of unchanged objectives with respect to Cuba, Nicaragua and Central America. As Condi Rice pointed out in the briefing on Monday, we have no evidence of the same kind of tough talk

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from Gorbachev to Castro or Ortega that we have heard from intelligence sources about his conversations with Honecker in East Germany or the Czechs or others. In short, Gorbachev appears to believe that he can pursue a policy of continued aggressiveness in Central America at little cost to the overall US-USSR relationship.

In sum, while we do want perestroika to succeed and our policies are on the mark, we ought not lose sight of the effective progress Gorbachev is making in achieving longstanding Soviet objectives around the world through new tactics that are most difficult for us to counter. The West has probably never faced an adversary who has a surer grasp of how to take advantage of Western public opinion, media and legislative pressures to accomplish through wiles what hundreds of billions of rubles in military expenditures failed to achieve over decades. And, indeed, to judge from the media, Communism, Soviet power and the cold war are closed chapters in history -- for them, the fat lady has sung in Moscow.

Is "new thinking" in terms of Soviet foreign policy objectives real or a slogan to describe new tactics in pursuit of old expansionist objectives? The picture on the ground is mixed and thus it is too soon to tell for sure. What I describe above is a skeptic's case. It is oversimplified, and even I think it's probably (somewhat) too negative. But, in my opinion, you have every right (and need) to be skeptical of Gorbachev's motives. Your policies thus far appropriately presume that we don't know whether Soviet foreign policy objectives are changing but that we see a lot of old thinking lying around. Even so, we don't want to miss any opportunities Gorbachev offers as long as our security, our interests and our allies are well-protected. Interest in opportunities coupled with skepticism toward actions and motives is a good posture for Malta and beyond. It is forward leaning, yet prudent and realistic.

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CLARK HOPES TO TRAVEL TO SALVADOR TO REPRESENT CASOLO

WASHINGTON, Reuter - Former U.S. attorney general Ramsey Clark said Tuesday he hoped to travel to El Salvador Wednesday to represent an American woman who was detained after police discovered a large stash of arms under her house.

Clark, who served former president Lyndon Johnson, said he had been retained by the mother of Jennifer Casolo, a 28-year old church worker, and Christian Educational Seminars, the group she works for.

The former attorney general said he would travel to El Salvador Wednesday if he received a visa to enter the country. He said he had applied for the visa but had not received a formal reply from the Salvadoran government.

Clark said he was not ready to comment on the case as he had not talked with his client. He said formal charges had not been filed against Casolo, who was being held under special emergency laws.

Casolo was detained in San Salvador Sunday after police, acting on a tip from a guerrilla who was under interrogation, found a large stash of arms and ammunition under Casolo's home, including 21,000 rounds for AK-47 rifles, 103 grenades and explosives.

The American, who had lived in El Salvador for over four years, has been held in isolation since being detained. She had provided specialized tours of El Salvador to visiting groups, arranging meetings for them with government officials and groups from different sectors of society.

Casolo's mother and Christian Education Seminars said they believed she had no knowledge of any hidden arms.

Americas Watch, a human rights group, said it would closely watch the conduct of the U.S. Embassy and the State Department in the Casolo case.

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CALL TO PRIME MINISTER

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION HAS ISSUED
RELEASE ON THE NOVEMBER 27 TELEPHONE CALL FROM
PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRIME MINISTER EDDIE FENECH ADAMI.
THE PRO-GOVERNMENT "IN-NAZZJON TAGHNA" AND THE
INDEPENDENT "THE TIMES" CARRIED THE RELEASE ON
PAGE ONE. PRO-LABOR PARTY "L-ORRIZONT" BURIED THE
STORY AT THE END OF A WIRE-SERVICE STORY ON ANOTHER
SUBJECT.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE RELEASE.
BEGIN TEXT.

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More reason to
shift the Maltese
PM
See last two
sentences!

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STATES TELEPHONED PRIME MINISTER EDWARD FENECH-ADAMI.
PRESIDENT BUSH EXPRESSED HIS PLEASURE AT HIS
FORTHCOMING VISIT TO MALTA LATER THIS WEEK WHERE
THE SOVIET UNION. HE SAID THAT MALTA WAS THE IDEAL
PLACE FOR SUCH A HISTORIC MEETING.

PRESIDENT BUSH ALSO TOLD THE PRIME MINISTER THAT
US OFFICIALS HAD PRAISED THE PREPARATIONS MADE BY
THE MALTESE GOVERNMENT TO HELP ENSURE THE SUCCESS
OF THIS MEETING. PRESIDENT BUSH STRESSED THAT HE
WOULD LIKE THE MALTESE PEOPLE AND THE REST OF THE
WORLD TO KNOW THAT THIS MEETING IN MALTA IS EVIDENCE
OF THE CONFIDENCE IN AND RESPECT FOR THE PRIME
MINISTER AND HIS GOVERNMENT.

PRESIDENT BUSH TOLD THE PRIME MINISTER THAT HE IS
LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING HIM PERSONALLY. ON HIS
PART THE PRIME MINISTER ASSURED PRESIDENT BUSH THAT
HE AND THE MALTESE PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO
WELCOMING HIM IN MALTA.

THE PRIME MINISTER ALSO INFORMED THE PRESIDENT THAT
HE HAD ASSURED THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT
THE US AND SOVIET WARSHIPS WHICH WILL BE IN MALTA
FOR THE TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO PRESIDENTS WOULD
CONFORM WITH THE RESOLUTION ON NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS
APPROVED IN JUNE LAST YEAR BY THE MALTESE PARLIAMENT.
THE US PRESIDENT REPLIED THAT THIS WAS SO.

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THE WHITE HOUSE THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
WASHINGTON

November 28, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: MARLIN FITZWATER *Marlin*
SUBJECT: FOR YOUR MEETING WITH REPORTERS AT NOON

You may be interested in the attached perspectives of the Soviets as they prepare for the summit. Two points are clear: The Soviets are treating this as a serious, businesslike meeting in which this moment in history will be realized and taken advantage of. Secondly, they intend to use the summit to make their points on the world stage.

The attached article in the Boston Globe points out that Soviet officials view this meeting as far more than a relaxing, private conversation. The extensive schedule of formal briefings at the Press Filing Center on Wednesday and Thursday, also attached, shows the Soviets' intention to utilize this massive gathering of press for their own purposes. We now expect some 2000-5000 journalists to be operating full-time in the Press Filing Center.

Attachments

Stories

*Meeting Same Now as When
Meeting Was Proposed.*

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Soviet analysts expect Gorbachev to pose serious subjects to Bush
By Paul Quinn-Judge

Boston Globe

MOSCOW - Whatever George Bush may think, Mikhail S. Gorbachev is not going to Malta just for a simple get-acquainted session, Soviet officials say.

Gorbachev is not that sort of man, said one well-placed official. "I think Bush knows it."

The Soviets are ready for serious talks on a range of East-West relations, from weapons reductions to economic relations to regional conflicts in the Third World. But they seem most interested in two subjects: arms control and Eastern Europe.

If the U.S. really wants to help us, Soviet military analyst Vladimir Chernyshev commented on recent U.S. expressions of support for Gorbachev's changes, they can best do this by speeding up the arms negotiations.

Officials in Moscow say Gorbachev may bring new ideas and some concessions on arms control with him to Malta.

Soviet officials want to get a clearer idea of U.S. thinking on the future of Europe. So far, they are reassured by the cautious U.S. response to the collapsing East bloc, but they are not sure what Washington envisions in the long term.

And despite U.S. protestations, Soviet officials say they believe that the White House is planning for the summit much more seriously than it is letting on.

On Eastern Europe, Moscow's key concern is stability. While the United States' caution is thus far reassuring, Chernyshev stresses, the Soviets would like more explicit reassurances that Washington is not going to try to derive geopolitical advantages from the East-bloc changes.

But the U.S. response has also left some Soviet observers with nagging doubts. One Soviet foreign policy specialist said he will be looking to see how much "political imagination" the Bush administration has with regard to Eastern Europe.

The Soviets are intensely aware that the postwar political order is disintegrating. And now the Soviet leadership - which in the Gorbachev era includes a sizable number of quite daring strategic thinkers - is searching for a new structure of international relations. They are wondering what, if any, ideas the United States has to offer.

Chernyshev and other officials stress that they do not expect formal agreements to emerge from the shipboard meetings. But they seem to feel that the two leaders could come to personal agreements on key issues that would accelerate major arms control talks.

Foremost among these are the negotiations in Geneva to achieve a 50 percent cut in the U.S. and Soviet strategic arsenals - weapons like intercontinental ballistic missiles - and talks in Vienna on the reduction of conventional forces in Europe.

The Soviets believe that the Geneva talks are nearing conclusion, and they are eager to wrap them up. There are hints here that Moscow is already preparing to trim its strategic arsenal.

Sources in the Far East say that a shipyard building nuclear submarines in Komsomolsk-na-Amure, near the Chinese border, is shifting to civilian production. And Chernyshev, expressing what he said was a personal opinion, said he believed reports from Washington that the Soviets were reexamining the future of major weapons systems. The systems reportedly under question include the most modern strategic bombers, and Typhoon-class nuclear submarines, which the U.S. military say are the most modern Soviet ballistic missile submarines.

The main sticking point in Geneva has been the question of Sea Launched Cruise Missiles. So far, Moscow has insisted that these be included in the 50 percent cuts; U.S. negotiators assert that they are virtually undetectable and thus unverifiable, and should be excluded from an agreement.

Again expressing what he called a personal opinion, Chernyshev suggested that these missiles should be left out of the talks - in essence accepting U.S. objections. Chernyshev, like other specialists here, now says that the Strategic Defense Initiative, or "Star Wars," is no longer a major obstacle to a strategic arms limitation treaty.

Once a 50 percent cut is achieved, the Soviets will almost certainly want to push ahead with even deeper reductions. Analysts here are showing increased interest in the idea of "minimal nuclear deterrence" - reducing strategic weapons to the absolute minimum needed to dissuade attack. This could mean reducing warheads from their current level of more than 10,000, Chernyshev says, to around 500.

Strategic arms reductions save money, but the biggest savings come from reducing conventional military forces and equipment. About 50,000 Soviet troops have been pulled out of Eastern Europe this year, according to Chernyshev, and a total of 250,000 men have been demobilized.

On conventional forces, Moscow would like concessions from the United States. They would like to see the allied forces in Europe - British and Canadian forces stationed in West Germany, for example - brought into the negotiations.

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Continued success.

Sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Nov. 28, 1989

Personal

Dear Buck,

Yes, I knew that Carol was to be put down as 'doubtful' on my abortion position; but so is the rest of the garden club, the social register, and, ironically, most of my close friends. If Carol seems concerned please tell her "no problem" !.

People do feel strongly over this very divisive issue; and she will cause me no concern at all, even if she beats on the White House gate- I really mean that. My problem is the longer I think about this very difficult issue the more strongly I feel about the human life side of the question. When I have real doubts, and I do, I look at Marshall. I wish the whole bloody issue would

FROM

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. William H. T. Bush
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PERSONAL

go away. It won't so family members should~~at~~
all do their own thing without fear of embarrassing
me. They should know that because they are
related they'll get 'ink' that otherwise they
wouldn't get; but that is life. As they say
in Malta "gracek erg talket, sodak!"

Your concerned brother,

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with Planned Parenthood or Save the Whales.

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for the record, McNary's name is spelled correctly.

— Virgil Tipton

Pro-Abortion List Has GOP Names

THERE WERE a few Republicans found among the list of supporters published recently by the Ad Hoc Committee for Choice, a newly formed group of cultural and community leaders who support legalized abortion in Missouri.

Chief among them was Carol Walker, wife of G. H. "Bert" Walker of Ladue, cousin of President George Bush.

Also lending their names to the abortion rights movement were Carolyn Henges, wife of Jay Henges, former finance chairman of the Missouri Republican Committee; George and Kitty Hoblitzelle; and Judy and Hugh Scott.

George Hoblitzelle was a state representative from Ladue for 16 years, and Hugh Scott is a former member of the County Council and GOP candidate for the U.S. House.

Carol Walker said Bush was "a fine man," and she was pleased to be in the Bush family. "But this is an issue I feel very strongly about." She attended the Missouri abortion-rights rally in

Jefferson City last Sunday.

Also attending the rally was Carolyn Henges, who said she saw the Republican participation in the abortion rights campaign as "conservatives who are interested in choice. I tend to be more independent, with conservative leanings."

— Fred W. Lindecke

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 German province of Silesia by signs saying "Hel-
 mut, you're our chancellor, too." Ein Volk.
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 suppressed by the superpowers. Three cheers for
 liberation. Now comes the hard part.

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Gorbachev's In Peril; Keep The Heat On

WASHINGTON

Government officials who are charged with estimating the scope of the Soviet threat have told *The New York Times* they think Moscow's spending on arms in 1989 has been less than in 1988. If true, that marks a stunning change.

For his first four years, Mikhail Gorbachev talked reform but placated his power base in the Red Army by increasing arms spending. In his fifth year, except for strategic weaponry, he has begun to back. Our analysts say the amount spent on which had been estimated at 16 percent of output, is down this year to 15 percent.

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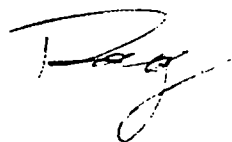
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Dear Molly and Anna Kate:

Barbara and I were deeply saddened by the news of the loss of your father in the airplane accident. We understand your sorrow and are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Joe Nall was an outstanding public servant whose devotion to transportation safety earned him the respect of all those he came to know. Although the days ahead will not be easy, we hope you'll take comfort in the memory of your father's accomplishments and in the loving support of your family and friends.

May God's consolation and blessings be with you always.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "G. Bush", is written below the word "Sincerely,".

Miss Molly Nall
Miss Anna Kate Nall
1107 Chestnut Drive
Smithfield, North Carolina 27577

November 28, 1989

Dear Miss Brady:

Barbara and I are delighted to send our warmest congratulations to you on your 104th birthday.

We hope your special day finds you surrounded by the warmth of good friends, happy memories and the good health shared by you and your sister Marie. The entire Bush family joins in our good wishes for a wonderful year ahead.

With best regards, and many happy returns,

Sincerely,

A
GEORGE BUSH

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First lady expects further treatment

ROCHESTER, Minn. (UPI) — First lady Barbara Bush underwent tests at the Mayo Clinic Tuesday for vision problems related to a thyroid disorder and was "feeling good" but will continue to be closely watched by doctors, her spokeswoman said.

In a joke-cracking mood following the examination, Mrs. Bush told a reporter that she felt fine. "Listen, I could wrestle you to the ground. Nobody feels any better than I do. Truthfully, when I wake up in the morning I can hardly wait to do that which I am going to do today. I'd just like it better if I could just see it once."

Mrs. Bush said she expects to be back at the Mayo Clinic for treatment before long. "I hope in the near future — the nearer in the future, the nearer I am to the end of this dumb ailment," she said.

Later, spokeswoman Anna Perez said Mrs. Bush underwent two hours of tests to check on the progress of her case of Graves' disease, which was diagnosed in May after a dramatic weight loss, and that the first lady expected further checkups in the next 10 days to two weeks.

Mrs. Bush, who received radioactive treatment to shrink the gland, has since been taking medicine to compensate for normal thyroid functions and no change in the medication was prescribed at this time.

"It's not getting any worse," the spokeswoman said, but her eyes have been swollen and "giving her problems. They're not worse; in some respects they have improved. But as long as the symptoms persist, she will be under a doctor's care."

After the first lady's return to Washington, Perez added, "She's fine. She's feeling good."

Mrs. Bush, bothered by double vision and bloodshot eyes, consulted with the doctors at the Mayo Clinic and was told over a working lunch that her future prognosis is "hard to predict because every case is so different," Perez said.

Asked if possible surgery was discussed as a future option, the spokeswoman said, "I don't want to speculate."

After the tests Mrs. Bush went to the Rochester public library where she read a story to about 40 children from six day-care centers. She stayed for about a half-hour, reading "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No-Good, Very Bad Day," which she told the children was one of her favorites.

She sat in a chair with the children sitting on the floor in a semicircle around her. She paused to show the children pictures from the book as she read.

Afterward, one child from each center presented her with a drawing or other item they had made.

Mrs. Bush has campaigned extensively for literacy programs and for parent involvement in helping educate their children. She said some parents do not put in as much time with their children as they should.

"I think that is very important," she said. "We expect our schools to be the parent, the church and to teach our children and they really can't do it without the support of the parents," she said.

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Mrs. Bush's eyes 'haven't gotten worse'

By Marilyn Greene
USA TODAY

First lady Barbara Bush outperformed seven doctors in a vision test Tuesday during a checkup for the thyroid-related eye problems she's suffered for almost a year.

"Everything's coming out better than we'd thought. So

we're pleased," White House doctor Burton Lee said after two hours of tests at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

However, "She still has Graves disease," he said. "Unfortunately this doesn't go away. It's a tough problem."

Press secretary Anna Perez said Mrs. Bush "still has double vision and tearing. The good

news is her eyes haven't gotten worse." Perez said Mrs. Bush told her that "these are some of the best times of her life, and sometimes it is a pain to have to see everything twice."

Mrs. Bush drank a "radioactive cocktail" this spring to destroy the thyroid gland after it began producing excess hormones. Doctors' views:

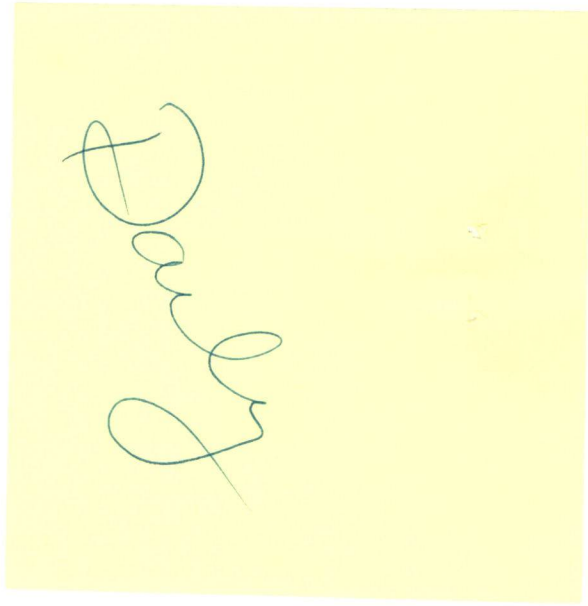
► "If you look carefully at patients with Graves, they all have some degree of (eye) involvement," said Dr. Paul Laddenson of Johns Hopkins University's medical school. "But to have it cause clinical difficulties is a little unusual."

► "If the optic nerves are involved, and the disease is undiagnosed and untreated, people

can lose vision permanently," said Dr. Peter Savino of Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia.

"But with the level of expertise and care she should be getting, that shouldn't happen."

For now, Mrs. Bush will continue taking prednisone. In two weeks, she'll be retested at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington.



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±DRIVING MISS DAISY' WORLD PREMIERE SET FOR DEC. 11 TO BENEFIT
FOOD FOR ALL SEASONS FOUNDATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

BURBANK, Calif., Nov. 28 /PRNewswire/ -- The world premiere of The Zanuck Company's "Driving Miss Daisy" -- starring Morgan Freeman, Jessica Tandy and Dan Aykroyd -- is set for Monday, Dec. 11, 1989, at The National Theatre in Washington, D.C. First Lady Barbara Bush is the Honorary Chairman of the event co-hosted by Warner Bros. to benefit the Food For All Seasons Foundation. The film's stars, the filmmakers and many Washington, D.C. luminaries are expected to attend the premiere and black tie reception to follow at the Willard Hotel.

"Driving Miss Daisy," a Warner Bros. release, is based on Alfred Uhry's Pulitzer Prize-winning play and also stars Patti LuPone and Esther Rolle. The film is produced by Richard D. Zanuck and Lilli Fini Zanuck, and is directed by Bruce Beresford. Uhry adapted his own hit show for the screen.

Since 1974, the foundation's sole mission has been to provide a sustained source of food to thousands of less fortunate Washington area residents. The Foundation puts 100 percent of all funds raised directly toward the purchase of food. Sovran Bank, IBM Corporation and Giant Food Inc. make this unique approach possible through their strong corporate support of the Foundation's administrative and operational needs. Franey & Parr Insurance Ltd. is the major corporate sponsor for this event.

Set against the 25-year-long backdrop of the changing American South, "Driving Miss Daisy" interweaves the touching and humorous stories of its central characters: Miss Daisy Werthan (Ms. Tandy), a highly-independent and eccentric Southern Jewish matron; and Hoke Colburn (Mr. Freeman), her stalwart and very patient chauffeur. Despite the wide gaps that separate them, Daisy and Hoke ultimately become a beguiling "odd couple" -- their friendship testing the limits of their differences and similarities.

Warner Bros. will open "Driving Miss Daisy" in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago and Dec. 13.

INSIDE THE BELTWAY

Feeling the heat

Barbara Bush's press secretary, Anna Perez, has been scorched by reporters following disclosure that the first lady has a thyroid condition called Graves' disease.

Prior to her visit to Mayo Clinic, there was evidence the condition has not responded to a range of treatments and that Mrs. Bush still experiences discomfort despite the best medical care the government can provide. But her press office continued to issue assurances that all is well.

This week Mrs. Perez took things to a new level when she issued a press release that White House reporters are calling downright misleading. The "media advisory" said Mrs. Bush would travel yesterday to Rochester, Minn., "to visit Children's Story Hour at the Rochester Public Library."

That's all it said. What it didn't say was that the visit with the 3-to-5-year-olds was a tactical smoke-screen and that Mrs. Bush really was going to Rochester so that Mayo Clinic doctors could examine her and figure out what to do next about her thyroid condition.

Sunday funnies

Another thing the White House press corps was wondering about briefly was the possibility that live reports from the Malta summit will disrupt Sunday's football games. Not to worry. A check of the schedule shows that, with the six-hour time differential, summit coverage will be over a couple of hours before kickoff. In fact, the TV schedule suggests that the two presidents' main competition will be the Three Stooges.

Just the facts

Mark Shaffer, an attorney with Leibowitz & Shaffer, "isn't about to let a little thing like the suicide of a client get in the way of his advocacy," according to a report in Legal Times. Mr. Shaffer was exploring a possible libel action against The Washington Times on behalf of Craig Spence, but his client checked out of his Boston hotel room the hard way.

Dead clients don't sue, but Mr. Shaffer is still anxious to "put out a fact sheet that would set the record straight" about Mr. Spence.

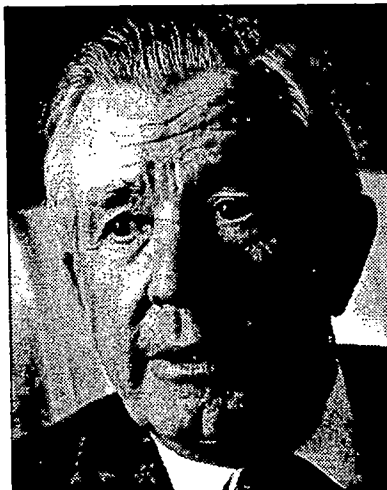
Mr. Shaffer also wants to issue a fact sheet on cocaine dealer

Charles Lewis, another client. "We want to get the word out on Lewis, too, that he's a truthful guy," Mr. Shaffer was quoted as saying.

Point of light

The American Newspaper Publishers Association and the Inter-American Press Association of Miami are coordinating a fund-raising campaign for El Espectador, a Colombian newspaper bombed for its coverage of the drug trade. The brother of the publisher and two newspaper employees have been slain by drug lords trying to discourage coverage.

The newspaper needs \$2.5 million to continue publishing; about \$1.6 million has been contributed or pledged so far from about 50 donors in the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia.



Donald Regan is forsaking life on the Potomac for life on the James.

A continent away

Former White House Chief of Staff Don Regan has apparently decided to settle in a traditional American community far from the slings and arrows of an outraged former first lady. Mr. Regan took a break from his sparring in the media with Nancy Reagan to join his wife, Ann, in the \$400,000 cash purchase of a two-acre lot in the exclusive Kingsmill community in Williamsburg. They plan to build a home there by June and will sell their home in Alexandria. They will keep their other home in Sarasota, Fla.

Who do you love?

Barbara and George Bush

topped Good Housekeeping magazine's annual list of "Most Admired" men and women. The magazine's listings, from 13,000 poll entries from readers:

Leading men — 1. President Bush; 2. Billy Graham; 3. Lech Walesa; 4. Pope John Paul II; 5. Oliver North; 6. Ronald Reagan; 7. Bob Hope; 8. C. Everett Koop; 9. Jimmy Carter; 10. Bill Cosby.

And ladies — 1. Mrs. Bush; 2. Mother Teresa; 3. Margaret Thatcher; 4. Oprah Winfrey; 5. Ann Jillian; 6. Pat Nixon; 7. Katharine Hepburn; 8. Phyllis Schlafly; 9. Nancy Reagan; 10. Diana, Princess of Wales.

Where to turn

Among responses to our recent note on the need for a central clearing house on environmental issues operating from a conservative perspective was a note from Robert E. Gordon Jr. of The National Wilderness Institute. The group "works to promote realistic, worthwhile approaches to our environmental concerns," according to accompanying literature. Readers interested in learning more about NWI may write to Mr. Gordon at 25766 Georgetown Station, Washington D.C. 20007.

Tomfoolery

Members of Congress have been able to catch the proceedings of a rival debating society — the British House of Commons — since coverage began last week on C-Span, the same channel that broadcasts congressional sitcoms.

House Speaker Tom Foley commented that, "British television consultants have been suggesting that they behave like U.S. Congressmen, which will make it a dull place indeed over there if they do."

Then he recalled the visit a month or so ago of Bernard Weatherill, speaker of the House of Commons. "He asked me what number of speaker I was," said Mr. Foley, "and I said I was the 49th. He said he was the 634th. They generally date the speakership from 1377. And I said, 'Well, that's what we call a putdown in the United States, Mr. Speaker.'"

"And he said, 'Well, eight of them were beheaded, two of them on the same day.' " To which Mr. Foley added cryptically: "That's one legislative day."

— John Elvin

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The Top of Today's News

NATION



BERNIE BOSTON / Los Angeles Times

Crowning Touch

It took two passes in a hydraulic lift, but First Lady Barbara Bush finally got close enough to the top of the national Christmas tree to crown it with a white star. The First Lady was joined on the somewhat bumpy journey to the top of the 35-foot tree by her 3½-year-old granddaughter, Marshall, and Joseph Riley, president of the Christmas Pageant of Peace. When the ride downward was briefly halted, Marshall demanded: "Hey, when are we going down? Get me down here." A4

Court Upholds Public Education for Children Who Cannot Learn

The Supreme Court let stand a ruling that all handicapped children are entitled to education paid for by the public schools. Even those who lack any learning ability are included. The ruling came in the case of a brain-damaged child who does not respond to stimulation. A17

Cholesterol Test Dangers Cited

Some "fly-by-night" cholesterol screenings in public places are inaccurate and could be hazardous, officials warned. Public health officers want the federal government to set standards. A4

Owners Needn't Rent to Poor

In what some saw as a setback for the homeless, the Supreme Court ruled that New York City cannot force property owners to maintain one-room units for poor tenants. The law went well

beyond a comparable Los Angeles ordinance, where owners may leave units vacant, although most choose to rent them. The ruling is not expected to affect the L.A. ordinance. A17

Doctors' Data Bank Opening Set

A computerized data bank that tracks malpractice actions and disciplinary proceedings against all doctors and dentists will begin operating in April, federal officials announced. The National Practitioner Data Bank, which will be administered by the U.S. Public Health Service, is intended to help weed out incompetent health professionals. A4

3 Innocent of Plot Against U.S.

A federal court jury in Springfield, Mass., found three people not guilty of charges they tried to overthrow the government by force. In an unusual partial verdict, jurors were unable to agree on the remaining racketeering charges before going home for the day. A22

(Cont.)