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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

Tuesday, November 6, 1990

7:30 am	B <u>GOP President's Club Breakfast (Rogers)</u>	Houston
8:30 am	B <u>Vote - 1990 Election</u>	
9:10 am	<u>The President and Mrs. Bush depart for Washington</u>	
12:50 pm	<u>Arrive White House</u>	South Lawn
1:00 pm (3 hrs)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
4:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Administrative Time</u>	Oval Office
4:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

NOVEMBER 6

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PRESIDENT BUSH

	TIME		DISC	NAME	ACTION
	PLACED				
OUT		AM		MR. MAX MARLIN FITZWATER	
INC	2:35	PM	2:37	(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
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OUT		AM		AMBASSADOR STEVEN RHODES OFC: LOS ANGELES, CA. 213-298-7701	TLKD-OK 3:32 P.M.
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INC		PM			
OUT		AM		MR. MARVIN BUSH	
INC	4:19	PM	4:24	(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
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INC		PM			
OUT		AM		MR. JAMES W.F. ALLEN OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 780	TLKD-OK
INC	4:31	PM	4:32		

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PRESIDENT BUSH

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INC	6:02	PM	6:08	(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
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OUT		AM		SECRETARY NICHOLAS F. BRADY OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C.	
INC	6:18	PM	6:22	WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 422	TLKD-OK
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OUT		AM		MR. CHARLES BARTLETT OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C.	
INC	6:29	PM	6:40	202-234-3681	TLKD-OK 6:32 P.M.
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OUT		AM		MR. MICHAEL C. DANNENHAUER OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C.	
INC	7:44	PM	7:45	WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 620	TLKD-OK

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				(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
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OUT		AM		MAYOR GEORGE VOINOVICH	DA. PRESUS CA.
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OUT		AM		MAYOR GEORGE VOINOVICH	
				(b)(6)	TLKD-OK 10:27 P.M.
INC	10:15	PM	10:29		
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INC		PM			
OUT		AM		MR. GARY FRANKS	
				(b)(6)	TLKD-OK 10:34 P.M.
INC	10:27	PM	10:40		
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OUT		AM		MRS. NANCY ELLIS	
				(b)(6)	TLKD-OK
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PRESIDENT BUSH

NOVEMBER 6, 1990

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OUT	6:46 AM	6:52	General Brent Scowcroft Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 2-2260	Tlkd-ok 6:48 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	6:53 AM	6:57	Ms. Dorothy LeBlond (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 6:53 AM
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OUT	8:37 AM	8:45	Mr. William Bush (b)(6)	WCL 8:37 AM Tlkd-ok 8:43 AM
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PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Houston, Texas
Washington, D.C.

DATE 6 November 1990

TIME	MOVEMENTS
0825	Depart Houstonian Hotel via Motorcade
0829	Arrive Forum at Memorial Woods
0846	Depart Forum at Memorial Woods via Motorcade
0851	Arrive Bayou Club Landing Zone
0854	Depart Bayou Club Landing Zone via Marine One
0912	Arrive Ellington Field
0922	Depart Ellington Field via Air Force One
EST 1231	Arrive Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
1243	Depart Andrews Air Force Base via Marine One
1251	Arrive South Grounds
1255	Residence
1300	South Grounds
1306	Oval Office
1703	South Grounds
1755	Residence
1948	Doctor's Office
2030	Residence
2216	South Grounds
2223	Residence



News Summary

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1990 -- 6 A.M. EST EDITION

TODAY'S HEADLINES

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STUMPING IN TEXAS, BUSH POUNDS 'PUNDITS' -- After attacking the usual suspects -- the tax-and-spend, weak-on-crime liberal Democrats -- President Bush Monday saved the last of his 1990 midterm political criticism for Washington "pundits."

(Washington Post)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

POLL FINDS MORE BACKING FOR MILITARY ACTION IN GULF -- A majority of Americans believe the U.S. should attack Iraq if U.S. hostages are mistreated by President Saddam and nearly as many favor military action if the economic boycott fails, according to a new ABC News poll.

(Washington Post)

BAKER, FAHD SET COMMAND PLAN -- Secretary Baker and King Fahd agreed Monday night on a framework for command and control over American and Saudi military forces here if the confrontation against Iraq turns to war, according to U.S. and Saudi officials. But Baker also indicated he wants to give diplomatic sanctions against Iraq more time to work.

(Washington Post)

NETWORK NEWS (Monday evening)

GULF/POLL -- An ABC poll shows 65% of Americans think President Bush is still doing the right thing in the stand-off.

Secretary Baker and King Fahd agreed that unless it's a question of defending Saudi Arabia, any joint attack would be under U.S. control.

ELECTIONS/POLL -- President Bush's job rating has jumped from 51% to 59%, an ABC poll shows.

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NATIONAL NEWS

'WHERE'S GEORGE? RIGHT HERE IN WACO, TEXAS'

WACO -- President Bush wound up the 1990 political season trying to exact revenge on Ann Richards, the shrill-voiced Texas state treasurer who held him up to public ridicule at the 1988 Democratic Convention.

"Where's George? Right here! Right here in Waco, Texas, supporting...Clayton Williams," Bush told a GOP rally of several hundred people in Richards' hometown in central Texas....

The President devoted the entire day to campaigning in his adopted homestate of Texas for the GOP ticket headed by Williams and Sen. Gramm, who is expected to win re-election by a wide margin. Winding up a six-day, cross-country political trek for fellow Republicans, Bush made campaign stops in Tyler, Waco and Houston. "You know the story about Claytie," Bush, speaking at a flag-waving rally at Tyler Junior College, said of the flamboyant millionaire rancher and oilman. "He's a Texas original. A straight-shooter who will do what needs to be done."...

Bush, speaking in Waco, said, "I'm sorry I'm a little late. Claytie and I both set off the metal detectors with our silver feet." The crowd roared. (Thomas Ferraro, UPI)

STUMPING IN TEXAS, BUSH POUNDS 'PUNDITS'

TYLER, Tex. -- After attacking the usual suspects -- the tax-and-spend, weak-on-crime liberal Democrats -- President Bush Monday saved the last of his 1990 midterm political criticism for Washington "pundits."

Launching a three-stop Texas tour for the GOP ticket, Bush took on "all these great inside-the-Beltway experts telling us everything that's wrong with the United States."

The President urged his audience to "go to the polls and say what's right about it." He cited the Texas candidacies of Republicans Clayton Williams for governor and Phil Gramm for Senate as two things right about America.

Launching into an extemporaneous end to his stump speech here, Bush mocked "the cynics, these Washington pundits that we get on these tiring shows all the time. I don't know if you're like I am, maybe you've enjoyed these things, but I can only take so much self-flagellation."

To wild cheering, Bush shouted, "Don't tell me what's wrong about this country, show us what's right. Get out and do your civic duty."...

Bush steered clear of mentioning Democratic gubernatorial candidate Ann Richards by name, even when he was campaigning in her home territory in Waco. But he joked there that he was late because he and Williams "set off the metal detectors with our silver feet." And he grinned widely when Gramm attacked her and said, "Ann Richards does not speak for Texas when she attacks our Texas President."...

An ABC News poll conducted over the weekend found that Bush's job approval rating has rebounded in recent days as the President has focused on the crisis in the Middle East in speeches around the country. The survey of 1,015 adults found that 59 percent approved of the job Bush was doing as President, up from 51 percent in an ABC poll completed early last week.

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(Ann Devroy, Washington Post, A6)

BUSH MAKES FINAL STUMP FOR GOP CANDIDATES IN TEXAS

HOUSTON -- ...On Monday, President Bush continued his barrage against Saddam Hussein, demanding the Iraqi leader withdraw from Kuwait before the U.S. brings its troops home from Saudi Arabia.

"To the cynics outside who say we have no business there, I say that unchecked and uncontrolled aggression could be world war tomorrow," he said during a campaign stop in Tyler.

"And therefore, we will check this aggression."

At the final campaign gala in Houston, the presence of two protesters shouting "No war for oil" gave Bush an entry into one of his favorite themes -- that the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia is not to secure oil, but to oppose "naked aggression."

"And we will succeed," he said, after the protesters were hustled out of the room. "I will continue to spell out the fact that what we are standing up for is to throw Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait, to restore the leaders, and then to say naked aggression will not succeed."...

As Bush and his wife Barbara campaigned across Texas, the Massachusetts-born and Connecticut-raised President boasted of their longtime ties to the state.

"I am a Texan and I am proud of it and I know Texas quality when I see it," Bush told his Tyler audience. He noted he had voted in Texas in "every election since 1948." (Houston Post)

FOES FOR GOVERNOR TAKE LAST SHOTS AS RACE CLOSES

HOUSTON -- Clayton Williams wrapped himself in President Bush's coattails and rolled through Texas Monday while Ann Richards tried to stir Democrats by painting Williams as a rich man who can't understand the concerns of ordinary Texans.

The grueling campaign for governor came to a welcome end with both candidates taking one last shot at each other.

Williams closed out his bid with Bush and other Republican candidates at a rally Monday evening at Houston's Westin Galleria Hotel.

Bush, whose help has been shunned by Republican candidates in other states, spent the day with Williams and Sen. Gramm. They made stops in Tyler and Waco before arriving here.

The Republican entourage was greeted by overflow crowds in both Waco and Tyler, where hundreds lined the motorcade routes.

At all of his appearances, Bush ticked off a list of reasons to vote against "the liberal Democrats," accusing them of everything from being weak on crime to forcing tax increases on working Americans.

But he never uttered a word about his own reversal on taxes that many Republicans say paved the way for a budget agreement that raises tax rates....

And in Waco and Houston, Bush called attention to Democratic charges that the GOP is the party of the rich by playful references to Richards' now-famous wisecrack that Bush "was born with a silver foot in his mouth."

Bush joked that he and multimillionaire Williams were late to the events because "our silver feet got caught" in the metal detectors. (Cindy Rugeley and Susan Warren, Houston Chronicle)

STATE RACE INTENSE TO THE END

HOUSTON -- Stumping Texas on behalf of Republicans, President Bush on Monday said Clayton Williams would be a governor he could work with, but Democrat Ann Richards said her GOP opponent has talked and misbehaved his way out of a four-year stint as governor.

Following a full day of barnstorming the state with Williams and Sen. Gramm, Bush led Texas Republicans through a campaign-ending pep rally Monday night in Houston, where he told a Westin Galleria group of about 2,000 not to let "liberal" doomsayers discourage them from turning out and voting for Republican candidates.

The President and Mr. Bush vote here Tuesday and breakfast with Williams before flying back to Washington. Richards returned Monday night to Austin, with Williams due there later Tuesday....

In her final swing across the state, Richards told supporters the long campaign -- which began well in advance of last spring's party primaries -- gave Texans a long look at the GOP candidate, and added she does not believe they like what they saw.

"I think his inappropriate remarks about a number of things, and I think his behavior, his demeanor and manner...was inappropriate and not the kind of thing we want in a governor of Texas," she said....

"I believe the voters of Texas want a conservative change they trust and not the pie-in-the-sky, liberal rhetoric stirred up by Ann Richards, Mike Dukakis and Walter Mondale," Williams said, likening his foe to the Democratic presidential contenders of 1984 and 1988. (Michael Cinelli and Ken Herman, Houston Post, A1)

BUSH SETS '92 STYLE ON STUMP FOR '90

WACO -- President Bush and Vice President Quayle campaigned for nine GOP candidates in four states Monday, laying the groundwork for their re-election campaign two years from now.

Mr. Bush and Mr. Quayle, accompanied by their wives, carried to 11th-hour political rallies what is sure to be the 1992 strategy: Rail against "liberal Democrats," replay Harry Truman's campaign against Congress and recapture the "no new taxes" theme, this time focusing only on income taxes.

Thomas Mann, director of government studies at the Brookings Institution, said the 1992 presidential race "begins right after this election." He predicted that Mr. Bush will revive his anti-Democrat and anti-Congress themes to shore up his GOP base.

A senior Administration official said the White House will look at Tuesday's results to determine the effect of Mr. Bush's changing strategies in the final days of the campaign.

(Paul Bedard, Washington Times, A1)

DEMOCRATS RAP ALLEGED BUSH ABUSE OF FUNDS ON CAMPAIGN TRAIL

National Democratic Party Chairman Brown challenged President Bush Monday to justify what he called Bush's improper use of taxpayer funds to support partisan political activity.

Brown said Bush had used Air Force One for political travel more than four times as often as President Carter....

"Nobody begrudges the President the right to travel in the most secure fashion possible. But this unprecedented rate of travel is an abuse of process," Brown said in a statement. "Why should taxpayers have to help fund a Republican political caravan?"...

Sen. Pryor...has asked the GAO to evaluate all costs associated with political trips by Bush outside the Washington area this year, as well as those by Vice President Quayle and Cabinet-level officials. (Reuter)

AMERICANS VENT FRUSTRATIONS IN ELECTION THAT COULD WEAKEN BUSH

Americans edgy with economic worry and war jitters elect a new Congress and state leaders Tuesday in voting likely to weaken President Bush's hand as he nears some fateful decisions.

So pessimistic was the national mood that not even a chance to "throw the rascals out" seemed to stir an apathetic electorate preoccupied by two questions: Are we sinking into a recession? Will we go to war in the Persian Gulf?

Those concerns underlay a Gallup Poll finding that Americans are gloomier about the future than at any time in nearly a decade and, partly on that basis, some analysts predicted only one voter in three would cast a ballot.

While low turnouts often favor Republicans, that was not the outlook for Tuesday's mid-term election. Polls suggested discontent was cutting harder against President Bush and his party than the Democrats in most places.... "Likely voters favored the Democratic nominee over the Republican in their congressional district in tomorrow's election by 52-41 percent," an ABC News survey on election eve said. (David Nagy, Reuter)

VOLATILE CAMPAIGN ENDS TODAY

Democrats Expect Gains In Congress, Eye 1992 Themes

The 1990 midterm election Tuesday will bring to an end a volatile campaign in which Democrats grabbed control of the issue agenda but seem likely to reap only modest gains in the voting booth.

"The Democratic Party has gone a long way this year toward reestablishing itself as the party of the working class and tying the 'party of the rich' label back around Republicans's necks," said Republican pollster Richard Wirthlin.

"The Republicans have been in retreat and disarray," agreed Norman Ornstein, a political scientist at the American Enterprise Institute. "It's not merely the political ineptitude of President Bush on the tax issue these past few weeks. It's larger than that. They're victims of their own success," Ornstein said. "The demise of communism has hurt them. So has the fact that judges they appointed have changed the dynamics of the abortion debate. So has the fact that, after you've been in power so long, it's hard to keep running against Washington."

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(Paul Taylor, Washington Post, A1)

REPUBLICANS TRY TO SAVE NUMBERS IN TODAY'S VOTING

Democrats and Republicans struggled to mobilize a cranky and restive electorate Monday as the latest polls labeled more than a dozen pivotal state and federal races too close to call.

Political analysts said voter turnout holds the key for several of these tight races. Without an overarching national theme supplied by either party, the outcome of many races likely will hinge on local issues.

In terms of turnout, it appears Democrats have an edge. Pollsters and Democratic party officials report renewed momentum, due in large part to the effective portrayal of Republicans as the "party of the rich." "The Democrats have stolen a lot of thunder from the Republicans on the tax issue," said Brad Coker, of Mason-Dixon Opinion Research. "That hurt with swing-type voters."

Republicans appear demoralized by President Bush's flip-flop on taxes and the public disagreements between the White House and Republican Party officials such as Ed Rollins.

(Major Garrett, Washington Times, A1)

HOPEFULS IN GOP ON ROPES, SAYS POLL

A leading Republican pollster predicts a bleak day for Republicans at the polls Tuesday but says it will be less of a debacle than it would have been 10 days ago.

Richard Wirthlin, who was President Reagan's pollster, said President Bush's pre-election emphasis on the Persian Gulf has combined with the fading memories of the budget spectacle to boost the sagging fortunes of Republicans despite Mr. Bush's own 20-point drop in popularity. Mr. Wirthlin predicted Monday in a session with reporters that Republicans will lose one Senate seat compared with two they would have lost in late October, 12 to 13 House seats compared with 17 they would have lost and two or three governorships compared with four they might have lost. "I fully thought 10 days ago there would be an absolute blowout," he said. "Now I think Republicans will take hits, but it won't be as bad."

(Ann McFeatters, Washington Times, A3)

JUSTICE DEPT. INVESTIGATES GOP MAILING TO VOTERS

The Justice Department said Monday it was investigating the North Carolina Republican Party for possible violations of civil rights laws after finding that a "ballot security" program there had sent out over 100,000 postcards that "falsely mislead" voters.

State Republican officials have acknowledged that the mailings went to voters in predominantly Democratic precincts in 29 counties. Amy Casner, a spokeswoman for the Justice Department's civil rights division, said department officials were "gathering information" to determine if the mailings were racially motivated and could file a lawsuit against the party if they find they were targeted at black voters. Casner said the mailings made "false and misleading" statements to recipients that were "almost intimidating." The cards warned voters that if they had moved to another residence within the past 30 days, they were not eligible to vote, an assertion Casner said was untrue. The cards also said: "It is a federal crime, punishable by up to five years in jail, to knowingly give false information about your name...or place of residence to an election official."

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(Michael Isikoff, Washington Post, A6)

Election Hotline

The Justice Department Monday established a hotline in an attempt to mitigate any intimidating affects of a post-card-mailing campaign by the North Carolina Republican Party in which voters in minority precincts were informed that it is a federal crime to give election officials false information.

In a statement issued Monday, Attorney General Thornburgh said the Justice Department had also secured a pledge from the North Carolina GOP not to challenge the eligibility of voters at polling places based on erroneous information included on the cards.... Earlier in the day, a federal judge in New Jersey ruled there was no evidence that the RNC was involved in the post-card mailings.

(Stephanie Saul, Newsday)

BUSH SIGNS TAX-RAISING BUDGET PLAN

HOUSTON -- President Bush, coming home to vote as he wraps up his pre-election politicking, signed a \$492 billion tax-raising budget bill that was a campaign albatross for many fellow Republicans.

The President signed the budget package Monday night at his Houston home. The late hour guaranteed that the news would not make prime-time news broadcasts and also would miss the deadlines for many newspapers that voters would be reading on Election Day Tuesday.

In a statement, Bush called the hard-fought budget compromise "the centerpiece of the largest deficit-reduction package in history and an important measure for ensuring America's long-term economic growth."

He said that in the agreement, "No one got everything he or she wanted, but the end product is a compromise that merits enactment."

(Rita Beamish, AP)

DESPITE BUDGET PROCESS, MISTAKE TRIGGERS CUTS
Goof To Trim State Department, Aid Funds

The new budget process was supposed to defuse the threat of automatic spending cuts by taking economic fluctuations into account. But it did not take into account bleary-eyed congressional staffers.

As a result of a clerical error committed in the final hours of the 10-month budget battle, the reprieve from automatic spending cuts that was supposed to last for the next three years will last barely three days -- at least for the State Department and other parts of the government's international affairs apparatus.

A goof in drafting the \$15.4 billion bill that funds the State Department and foreign aid operations will push their projected spending over the newly imposed limits and thus force the government to make across-the-board cuts in all international spending accounts in order to save \$395 million.

(Steven Mufson and John Yang, Washington Post, A4)

BUSH SAYS TOP AIDE'S JOB SECURE

Rumors are still flying that combative Chief of Staff Sununu is about to be fired, but all the public signals point to the contrary.

Sununu -- the man who engineered Bush's 1988 New Hampshire primary win -- was at Bush's side throughout a coast-to-coast political tour that winds up Tuesday in Houston.

And he was the Administration's pre-election spokesman Sunday, appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press." Staffers on the way out usually don't get such high-profile assignments.

Bush expressed "full confidence" in his right-hand man as recently as last Thursday....

Still, reports persist that Sununu will get the ax because Bush's popularity dropped in the wake of the budget battle, when Sununu was criticized as heavy-handed with Congress.

Bush told reporters they can be "damn sure" no staffer will be fired because of his standing in the polls, which since has begun to rise.

(Richard Benedetto, USA Today, 2A)

HOME PRICES' SLUMP WORST IN EIGHT YEARS

Home prices in the third quarter turned in their worst performance since the 1982 recession, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

The median price of existing homes sold in the third quarter rose a slim 1.8 percent, to \$96,600, from 1989's third quarter. The gain lagged the 1990 inflation pace, running currently at 6.6 percent.

Behind the sluggish report: Consumer hesitance to buy high-priced homes, or any homes at all. Overall, sales fell 2.5 percent from a year earlier.

(Nancy Miller, USA Today, B1)

NEW RULES REQUIRE INDUSTRY, CITIES TO CUT 'POISON RUNOFF'

The EPA, opening a new line of attack on water pollution, imposed sweeping new requirements on cities and industry to develop programs for reducing contaminated runoff from streets, landfills, factories, and construction sites.

In the first government effort to address "poison runoff," the EPA issued regulations Monday under which some 100,000 industrial plants, 173 cities and 47 heavily populated countries will have to take steps to minimize pollutants that might be picked up by rainwater.

Under the program, cities and industry will have to obtain discharge permits from the EPA or state government for storm water sewers that collect runoff water from street drains and ultimately dump it into rivers and lakes.

(George Lobsenz, UPI)

SUBJECT OF SPY PROBE FIRED FROM FOREIGN SERVICE

Felix Bloch...was fired from the State Department Monday by Secretary Baker for allegedly making "deliberate false statements or misrepresentations to the FBI."

Baker acted under a national security law that does not require him to detail the charges against the employee, and he did not do so in the brief statement issued by department spokesman Richard Boucher.

(John Goshko, Washington Post, A10)

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

POLL FINDS MORE BACKING FOR MILITARY ACTION IN GULF

A majority of Americans believe the U.S. should attack Iraq if U.S. hostages are mistreated by President Saddam and nearly as many favor military action if the economic boycott fails, according to a new ABC News poll.

In important ways, the survey found Americans increasingly willing to give President Bush a cautious green light to turn up the heat on Saddam, even if the result is war.

More than half of those interviewed -- 51 percent -- said U.S. forces should attack Iraq if the economic boycott fails, up from 46 percent in a Washington Post-ABC News survey conducted last month.

If war does break out, 61 percent say the U.S. should bomb Iraq even if U.S. hostages might be killed, up from 51 percent just a month ago. Of those questioned, 56 percent said the U.S. should attack Iraq if American hostages are mistreated, and 41 percent supported an attack even if hostages' lives might be lost.

The survey also found that about seven out of 10 Americans continue to believe that the U.S. is headed toward a war with Iraq, unchanged from last month's survey but up significantly from polls conducted immediately after Bush dispatched troops to the Persian Gulf eight weeks ago. (Washington Post, A16)

BAKER, FAHD SET COMMAND PLAN
Pact Helps Planning In Event Of War

JIDDAH -- Secretary Baker and King Fahd agreed Monday night on a framework for command and control over American and Saudi military forces here if the confrontation against Iraq turns to war, according to U.S. and Saudi officials. But Baker also indicated he wants to give diplomatic sanctions against Iraq more time to work.

The command agreement appeared to remove one persistent obstacle to preparation for a possible military strike against President Saddam, and the announcement that both sides are now satisfied with the arrangement seemed to be yet another effort to increase the pressure on him.

Baker said earlier Monday that a "new phase" had begun in the Persian Gulf crisis in which the global community is prepared to "resort to force" if a peaceful solution is not found.

But senior U.S. officials emphasized Monday that Baker, while turning up the pressure on Saddam, would also like more time before using the military option, to give political and diplomatic efforts a better chance to resolve the crisis....

A high-ranking American official said Baker and Fahd had given their blessing to an arrangement that would give Saudi Arabia preeminence in decisions about defending the kingdom, while giving American commanders full control over U.S. forces for any operations beyond Saudi borders.

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A1)

MARINES ORDER FIRST USE OF RESERVES FOR GULF COMBAT ROLES

U.S. military reserves for the first time are being called to active duty for combat roles in the Persian Gulf crisis, a Pentagon source says.

The decision to call a few Marines, while not significantly increasing U.S. combat capability in the gulf, marks an important departure for the Pentagon. It opens the way to possible use of signals a growing U.S. and political commitment to evicting Iraq from Kuwait. The Marine callup is relatively small. Those being called for combat roles are among 800 Marine Corps Reserve members being ordered to active duty for combat and combat service duty, said the Pentagon source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The source would not say how many of the 800 would be used for combat roles. They are being told to report for active duty "in a few days," the source said. (Robert Burns, AP)

BUSH SIGNS BILL FORGIVING EGYPT'S MILITARY DEBT

HOUSTON -- President Bush Monday signed into law a bill forgiving \$6.7 billion of Egypt's military debt to the U.S., calling the measure key to the multinational effort to reverse Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"I am especially pleased that the Congress has recognized the critical importance of the issue of Egypt's military debt, and included provisions that will allow me to address this issue in a manner consistent with the national security interests of the United States," Bush said in a printed statement issued here....

Bush said the measure's recognition of Egypt's "unique contribution in galvanizing international support against Iraqi aggression is in accord with the finest traditions of bipartisan support." But the President said he was concerned by another provision of the foreign aid spending bill that slashed aid to El Salvador....

"I remain concerned that the structure and wording of (the measure) would complicate our efforts to achieve a satisfactory settlement in El Salvador between the democratically elected government and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front," Bush said. (Reuter)

RICH NATIONS GIVE BILLIONS OF THOSE HIT BY GULF CRISIS

ROME -- Twenty-four of the world's richest nations said Monday they would give \$13 billion in emergency aid to the countries suffering most from the Persian Gulf crisis to harden their resolve on trade sanctions against Iraq.

Most of the money will go to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, the states on the front line of the crisis and hardest hit by the U.N. sanctions imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The pledge was made by the Gulf Crisis Financial Coordination Group, which includes the U.S., the EC, Japan and three gulf oil-producing states as well as Kuwait's government-in-exile.

Several members of the group, set up by President Bush in September, had already made individual pledges of aid, but it has now put a figure on their total commitment, spokesmen told reporters. "We are very satisfied with these commitments, which are very sizable," U.S. Treasury Undersecretary David Mulford said.

(Reuter, Washington Times, A9)

IRAQ SEEN USING HOSTAGES TO SOFTEN U.S. OPINION
Experts Say Mail, Offers Of Visits Are Ploys

Iraq has embarked on a campaign to soften U.S. public opinion on the Persian Gulf crisis by allowing letters and telephone calls from American hostages to reach their families, and inviting hostages' wives to visit their loved ones at Christmas.

Iraqi experts and State Department officials said Monday that President Saddam has made a calculated effort to "tug at the people's heartstrings, as one official put it, by allowing and promoting access to the hostages....

"He is trying to accentuate and mobilize and personalize the situation of the hostages as he becomes more worried about the potential of a (military) conflict," said Jerrold Post, professor of psychiatry, political psychology and international affairs at George Washington University. "To the extent he can make them more flesh and blood human beings, it starts raising pressure against military action."
(Dana Priest, Washington Post, A1)

GERMAN FLIES TO IRAQ FOR RESCUE EFFORT

BONN -- Willy Brandt, former chancellor of West Germany, flew to Baghdad Monday with \$4 million worth of baby food and medicine on a hostage rescue mission that has embarrassed the German government and drawn objections from European officials worried about the growing number of special envoys visiting Baghdad these days....

President Saddam appears to be inviting such trips by foreign dignitaries as well as private groups, both to win leverage in the battle of nerves in the Persian Gulf crisis and to split the international coalition arrayed against Iraq. Iraqi officials in Baghdad have recently expressed satisfaction over the trips by unofficial delegations, telling correspondents that the visits prove the anti-war camp in the West is growing....

Britain and Italy over the weekend raised objections to his trip, with some British officials arguing that it violated the EC agreement (that countries should not negotiate individually for the release of their hostages in Iraq).

(Marc Fisher, Washington Post, A1)

SHAMIR'S HARD-LINE POLICIES MAY ALIENATE ISRAEL'S FRIENDS

JERUSALEM -- Prime Minister Shamir's hard-line policies are prompting fears in Israel that his right-wing government is going to far in alienating both the U.S. and the U.N.

Critics say Israeli public support for Mr. Shamir's leadership could crumble swiftly if the country finds itself isolated by disputes over peace and Palestinians.

"He is steadfast in his stubbornness against the world," the leftist daily Al-Hamishmar said in an editorial, one of six newspapers to join the opposition Labor Party in criticizing the Likud party leader this week.

(Howard Goller, Washington Times, A9)

MEIR KAHANE SHOT DEAD AT MEETING IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK -- Meir Kahane, American founder of the militant Jewish Defense League who touched off a furious debate in Israel by calling for the expulsion of Arabs, was shot dead by a "smiling" assassin at a New York meeting Monday, hospital officials said.

The officials said Kahane, 58, was pronounced dead at Bellevue hospital after being shot in the chest and head by a man described by witnesses as "a smiling assassin."

They said his assailant was shot by police as he tried to escape in a taxicab and was arrested. First reports from the scene described the killer as possibly being an Arab but police did not immediately issue the man's name or nationality. (Reuter)

UNITED STATES STANDS ALONE ON WARMING ISSUE
Europeans Declare Unity On Stabilizing Gases

Preparing for a major international climate conference now meeting in Geneva, the World Meteorological Organization circulated a draft declaration reflecting the commitment of European governments to stabilize the production of gases believed to cause global warming.

The U.S. responded with a series of caveats and weakening amendments as long as the declaration itself.

While virtually every Western industrialized nation has committed itself to specific timetables for stabilizing or reducing the gases that cause the greenhouse effect, the Bush Administration remains skeptical that global warming is scientifically valid and refuses to take any direct action that threatens the way the U.S. generates energy and runs its economy.

Emphasizing the wait-and-see policy, White House Science Adviser Allan Bromley noted the Administration has budgeted \$500 million budget for research into climate change and said more conclusive evidence is necessary before the nation restricts use of critical fossil fuels -- oil, coal and gas -- that produce carbon dioxide when burned....

Anticipating how isolated the U.S. will be in Geneva, EPA Administrator Reilly, sources said, warned John Knauss, director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Administration's representative at the conference: "Roll up your sleeves and give blood, John. We're just going to get beaten up."

(Michael Weisskopf and William Booth, Washington Post, A5)

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY

(Monday evening, November 5)

IRAQ

ABC's PETER JENNINGS: On this eve of the mid-term elections, what are voters really thinking about the matters of national policy? How will voters decide Tuesday on the issues of taxes and abortion, and do they really think that individual politicians should be sent packing simply because they are part of the Washington establishment? How much of a factor is the potential for war in the Persian Gulf? Do the voters stand behind George Bush? Our election eve poll shows that 65% of Americans think the President is still doing the right thing in this stand-off with Saddam Hussein.

Approve Bush policies

Approve.....65%

Disapprove.....33%

And we also find that 51% are in favor of attacking Iraq if the economic sanctions do not force Saddam Hussein to pull out of Kuwait.

Should U.S. Attack?

Attack.....51%

Not Attack.....48%

In the event of war, 61% believe that the U.S. should bomb Iraqi military targets even if Americans being held hostage are killed.

Bomb Iraqi even if hostages in danger?

Yes.....61%

No.....33%

ABC's JOHN MCWETHY reports from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on the meeting between Secretary Baker and the Emir.

(EMIR: "As far as I am concerned, I would like my country to be liberated today, and before tomorrow.")

The Kuwaitis were hoping Baker would come with a date when the U.S. planned to attack Iraq; sources say no such time frame was discussed, but the Kuwaitis lobbied hard, introducing Baker to young men they claimed had been tortured by Iraqi soldiers. They showed the Secretary their wounds. Baker did give the Kuwaitis room to hope that the Bush administration was getting much more serious about the military option.

(BAKER: "This crisis is entering a new phase, and while we're still seeking a peaceful political and diplomatic solution. We have to, I think, put ourselves in a position where we would be able to exercise any options which might be available.")

With the Kuwaitis and later with the Saudis, Baker sought continued financial support for the U.S., and it appears he will get it. The Secretary met late into the night with Saudi King Fahd. Baker is trying to keep the fragile coalition against Iraq together under the leadership of President Bush. In the Gulf, Baker is urging patience; in Europe and Moscow, he will urge a much tougher posture, arguing that the only way to prevent a war may well be to convince Saddam that the whole world is willing to fight one.

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JENNINGS reports Secretary Baker and King Fahd late Monday reached agreement on the central question of who's in charge of military operations. Unless it's a question of defending Saudi Arabia, in which case the Saudis themselves would be in charge, any joint attack against Iraqi forces would be under U.S. control after consultation between King Fahd and President Bush.

ABC's JIM HICKEY reports on the Kuwaiti air force in Saudi Arabia. They are eager for a fight with Iraq. About 100 Americans are working with the Kuwaiti air force.

JENNINGS reports ABC News has learned the Marine Corps will begin calling up 600-800 reservists Tuesday for full combat duty.

ABC's DAVID ENSOR reports Army reservists may be called up, too. (BILL HOLLAND, Army reservist: "We're red-blooded Americans. We'll respond. We've been training for about 20 years now as a round-out brigade.")

Since the draft was eliminated, half the Army's combat forces have been in the National Guard. Critics say sending weekend warriors to fight in the Middle East is a mistake, however.

(LAWRENCE KORB, former assistant secretary of defense: "There's no way, particularly for a ground combat unit where you don't have a transferrable skill in civilian life -- it's not like a pilot, for example, or a mechanic -- that you can be as ready two days a month as somebody who trains every day.")

Pentagon officials say when the Army combat reservists are called up, they will first be sent to Ft. Irwin, California, for several weeks more of desert warfare training. Officials say it became practical to send combat reserves when Congress recently increased to 360 days the time the President may hold them on active duty. Putting reserves on the front line sends another message of U.S. determination to Iraq. It also brings home to more Americans the dangers of war.

(ABC-Lead)

NBC's TOM BROKAW: Is Secretary Baker preparing Arab leaders for a war with Iraq, or is this another maneuver in the psychological warfare between Washington and Baghdad? There are new developments adding to the speculation Monday night. The Pentagon now has the authority to call up National Guard and reserve units for year-long duty in the Gulf, but no decision yet. Saddam Hussein's government allowed American hostages to call home over the weekend; many complained of bad food and cold. And the carrier USS Midway moved into the Gulf, putting its planes within striking distance of Iraq.

NBC's JOHN DANCY reports from Saudi Arabia on Secretary's Baker's trip. Baker met Monday night with King Fahd and the Saudi foreign minister. Senior State Department officials say Baker is here to discuss details of a military operation. A senior State Department official has told NBC News the U.S. will never put American troops under anyone but an American commander. Over the weekend, while visiting troops in the desert, Baker got an earful of the soldiers' complaints from the water quality to the simple fact that they're here and not home. One GI told Baker, let's do something or go. By Baker's account, the crisis has entered a new phase. On this trip, he's looking for a blank check to wage war.

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BROKAW reports there will be a joint command structure for the defense of Saudi Arabia, but if U.S. troops go into Kuwait they will be under command of Americans only.

NBC's ARTHUR KENT reports on troop morale in the Saudi desert.

(SOLDIER: "We don't really want to be here. That's the honest truth.")

(SOLDIER, visibly upset: "The commandant says there will be morale, so I guess we are having a good time, as you can see. Look at these faces; I'm having a great time.")

Many officers want to set up liberty calls to Gulf ports for the troops, but right now most U.S. troops will just have to tough it out and wait.

(NBC-Lead)

CBS's DAN RATHER: On the eve of the elections, word has been passed that combat U.S. reserve units are likely to be called up for service around the Persian Gulf. Suggestions that this is in any way connected with the elections is denied by Republicans from President Bush on down. Many Democratic leaders suspect that it is; few will allow themselves to be quoted as saying so.

CBS's DAVID MARTIN reports from the Pentagon on reserve units.

CBS's BILL PLANTE reports on Secretary Baker's trip to the Middle East. Asked if it will be necessary to use force, King Fahd said he was unable to predict the future.

(KING FAHD: "This is something we don't know. We don't know much about things like that.")

Baker still talks about the desirability of a peaceful settlement, but at the same time he doesn't do much to discourage the talk around the Gulf that war is now all but inevitable. It's all part of the campaign of psychological pressure against Saddam Hussein, which will come to a climax when President Bush visits U.S. troops at Thanksgiving.

CBS's PETER VAN SANT reports Kuwait's Crown Prince Al-Sabah says economic sanctions against Saddam Hussein are failing, leaving war as the only option.

(CROWN PRINCE AL-SABAH: "One has to accept the only way, the only way...is the war.")

The crown prince pushed aside any compromise that would give Saddam a part of Kuwait.

(CROWN PRINCE AL-SABAH: "We are not ready to make any sort of bargain or deal with Saddam Hussein. As long as he has his troops in my country, the answer is no.")

VAN SANT: "And you are not willing to give up any of your land to this man?"

AL-SABAH: "Also, the answer is no.")

Kuwaitis in exile are using high-technology to wage a media campaign against the Iraqi occupation of their country. The exiled government transmits a 30-minute broadcast into the country each day. While Kuwaitis want war, such war will be fought by outsiders who will do most off the dying.

RATHER reports the State Department said Monday at least 21 families have received telephone calls from relatives being held inside Iraq. A spokesman said the hostages complained of poor food and inadequate heat.

(CBS-Lead)

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AIRFARES

JENNINGS reports for the second time since Iraq invaded Kuwait, international airfares will be going up again. The international agency which supervises airfares wants to increase them by four to eight percent to make up for higher fuel prices. (ABC-6)

ELECTIONS

JENNINGS: We begin with a snapshot from the latest ABC News poll about how politicians may fare as a result of Tuesday. Congressional Republicans: not so well; the President: better. When we asked voters their choice for Congress, 51% said they plan to vote for Democrats, 41% Republicans. In September, it was just about equal. With the budget battle now over, the President, trying to focus the nation's attention on the Persian Gulf, may do a little better overall. His job approval rating has moved back up a little from a low of 51% a week ago to 59% now.

President's job rating	<u>Oct. 28</u>	<u>Now</u>
Approve	51%	59%
Disapprove	43%	38%

And on this last day before America goes to the polls, President Bush was out doing what he's supposed to do, trying to win support for Republican candidates.

ABC's BRIT HUME: There he was again Monday, striving to lift Republican fortunes Tuesday and to stem the losses the president's party historically suffers in off-year elections.

(PRESIDENT: "I'm here, in Smith County, working for a man that I believe in and I've known for a long time that will be a great governor of this state: Clayton Williams.")

Williams once had a big lead against Democrat Ann Richards in Mr. Bush's home state of Texas. But he has stumbled badly, much as the Republican Party as a whole. Only weeks ago, with the President riding a crest of popularity, the GOP hoped to reverse the traditional pattern of off-year election losses. Then came the budget mess and a sharp drop in Mr. Bush's popularity. In the past week, he has been in California three times, campaigning frantically to help his party hold the governorship there. He has been to Florida and Texas for the same reasons. With some congressional candidates having asked him to stay away, Mr. Bush's aides find themselves having to argue that he's really not a liability.

(CHIEF OF STAFF SUNUNU: "I think that the President's going out, willing to help candidates is certainly a plus, but you have to look at it in terms of the history of off-year elections, and off-year elections are very tough on the party who has the presidency. We hope to make it less tough than usual.")

The President's message has veered from blaming the Democrats on the budget to attacking Saddam Hussein to an appeal simply to get out and vote.

(PRESIDENT: "Don't tell me what's wrong with this country, show us what's right about it. Get out and do your civic duty --")

There's little history of president's having much influence in off-year elections. Not long ago, that seemed like bad news for the GOP; now, though, that seems to be what some candidates are counting on.

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ABC's JIM WOOTEN reports on Illinois politics. Republican Jim Edgar says he'd continue an income-tax surcharge for education while Democrat Neil Hartigan says he wouldn't; most polls suggest voters have trouble believing Hartigan.

(THOMAS HARDY, Chicago Tribune: "Voters don't trust Neil Hartigan and his promise that he can cut the budget by two percent and eliminate their tax any more than they would President Bush in a promise that he made, the read-my-lips.")

In Illinois, the Bush flip-flop on taxes seems to be hurting of all candidates the Democrat who's promising no new taxes. Very curious politics. A Democratic congressman from suburban Chicago voted against the budget package with all those new taxes, but listen to him now.

(REP. SANGMEISTER: "It boils down to one simple word: that word is fairness, and I think we got it in this last budget package.") His opponent, Manny Hoffman, couldn't use Sangmeister's flip-flop on taxes because of his own President's flip-flop.

ABC's COKIE ROBERTS says there will not be a big throw-the-bums out movement Tuesday, but there will be a lot of close races. This will frighten congressmen even more when they return to Washington and the log-jam will be even tighter.

ABC's HAL BRUNO agrees that there probably will not be a big anti-incumbent movement. In most parts of the country, there is little voter interest in the elections. (ABC-2)

BROKAW: Election eve and President Bush was running as hard as any candidate Monday, campaigning for Republicans in Texas, trying to turn a national mood of dissatisfaction against Democrats.

(PRESIDENT: "I've listened to some of the campaign rhetoric coming out of the other side and it's sad, it is pessimistic, it is down-beat, it's tired and it's liberal. And we are the party with a vision for the future, the party of new ideas, and if America wants to change I think we need a Republican Congress and I wish we could get it now, tomorrow, and then watch what we can do.")

NBC's LISA MYERS reports on the strength of incumbents. In 1990, 86% of House incumbents and 50% of senators are either unopposed or face an opponent so underfinanced he doesn't have a prayer.

(FRED WERTHEIMER, Common Cause: "If you look at the great bulk of our elected officials, they've got a lock. These aren't real elections. The odds are overwhelming. The system is unfair, it's a rigged system.... Two House incumbents had more cash on hand for the last five weeks of the election than all 331 challengers in the House put together.")

Even the strongest challengers are having problems. Lynn Martin, with help from the President, managed to raise \$3 million less than Sen. Simon.

(TV coverage: President campaigning for Martin.)

(CHARLES BLACK, RNC: "If the throw-the-rascals-out attitude dominates, we still only get a 10% change in the House and a 20% change in the Senate; that's not a whole lot of difference.")

The story of the 1990 elections is likely to be that exceptional public anger ran into an invisible wall of political money. Once again, incumbents will have taken very good care of themselves.

NBC's KATHERINE COURIC reports on the Weld-Silber race.

(SILBER: "His experience is that of a lawyer and a bureaucrat. I cannot think of two less useful qualifications -- ")

If Silber pulls off a victory, he is bound to become a national figure in the Democratic Party; some see that as a threat, not a promise.

(NBC-2)

CBS's BRUCE MORTON reports on some of the close races around the country. A lot of governor's races look very close. George Bush campaigned in Texas for Clayton Williams while Richards supporters say she's catching up and could win.

(TV coverage: President with Williams.)

(FIRST LADY, in TV ad: "I can't vote for Bob Martinez, but I wish I could.")

Overall, the Republicans seem to have recovered a little from the initial furor over the budget deal and the President's flip-flop on taxes.

(RICHARD WIRTHLIN, Republican pollster: "The concern about the budget, concern about the economy is much less than it was just a week ago.")

(ROBERT SQUIER, Democratic consultant: "You have an election in which people are having to deal with individual problems in individual states against the backdrop certainly of warning clouds in terms of the economy.")

The President has tried to talk about the Gulf crisis this past week and not talk about taxes and the economy and read-my-lips and all that. The other thing is just the passing of time; it's hard to be furious for two weeks, and the big budget outrage was a couple of weeks ago.

CBS's MIKE WALLACE reports on the latest CBS News/New York Times poll released Monday night. Are you satisfied with this year's ballot choices? A clear majority says no.

Choices in your state.

Satisfied.....41%

Not satisfied.....54%

In your congressional district, is it time to give a new person a chance? By far, voters say yes. In early Oct., 47% said their congressman deserves re-election.

Your district	<u>Now</u>	<u>Oct. 8-10</u>
Deserves re-election	39%	47%
New faces	52%	41%

How much can you trust Washington? Seventy percent of Americans say only some of the time.

Trust government?

Always.....3%

Most of time.....22%

Sometimes.....70%

Never.....2%

Asked if Congress makes the right decision most of the time, a bare majority -- 51% -- said yes.

Congressional decisions

Right.....51%

Wrong.....27%

In Nevada, voters can actually vote for "None of the above."

CBS's EDIE MAGNUS reports on the gap in fundraising between male and female candidates across the nation. About six percent of the significant elected offices are currently held by women. Even if women win all the close races Tuesday, that percentage would go up to only seven percent. (CBS-2)

DRUG CONVICTION

CBS's RITA BRAVER reports the Supreme Court Monday heard arguments on whether Michigan's mandatory life imprisonment for possession of over 650 grams of cocaine is constitutional or cruel and unusual punishment.

(RONALD HERMELIN, convicted drug dealer: "I was 42 years old when I was arrested and never been in any trouble. This is the first time I've ever been arrested and they're giving me a life sentence with no chance of parole.")

The sentence is the same for premeditated first degree murder. If the Supreme Court sides with Michigan, other states are expected to enact similar laws, and thousands of drug offenders could spend the rest of their lives behind prison bars. (CBS-3)

FELIX BLOCH

JENNINGS reports the State Department has fired Felix Bloch. It is the first time a diplomat has ever been fired for national security reasons. (ABC-3, CBS-4)

SOVIET UNION

NBC's BOB ABERNETHY reports from Moscow an increasing number Soviets are denouncing Lenin and are dismissing communism as a failed experiment. (NBC-6)

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WASHINGTON

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Presidential Phone Calls



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 6, 1990

Dear Taylor:

Just got your note from Managua this very day upon returning from Texas, where I saw a wide spectrum of pals, including Marjorie Arsht, Steelie, and some other survivors.

Glad to get the word on your new Austin house, but somehow I can't see you in retirement.

I'll keep in mind your offer for '92 -- a good one, because the Hispanic voice will be louder and even more important then.

Bar sends her love. In spite of a handful of problems around here, the world continues to treat us well.

Warmest best wishes.

Sincerely,



Mr. J. Taylor Blanton
American Embassy Managua
APO Miami 34021



FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Ms. Barbara Patton
10154 Memorial Drive
Houston, Texas 77024



THE PRESIDENT

November 6, 1990

Dear Barbara,

I read your letter and appreciate it very much. This is not an easy decision for me, but the input from friends and supporters helps. So many thanks.

I hope all is well with you. Barbara sends warmest best wishes, too.

Sincerely,

Love

great seeing you,

[Signature]

bcc: Don Rhodes
Jim Cicconi

Change to "George" out.

Jan Burmeister

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Richard K. LeBlond, II

(b)(6)



THE PRESIDENT

November 6, 1990

Dear Dicker,

What you need is a putter that reminds you of a beer. Try this one on for size. If it doesn't work, give it to someone else.

Complicated times around here, but all's well.

(b)(6)

Love to Sally,

A handwritten signature, likely of George H.W. Bush, written in ink.

Bush Presidential Library Photocopy

Jan Burmeister

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FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Frank E. House, III
Post Office Box 201
Chatham, MA 02633



THE PRESIDENT

11-6-90

Dear Frank,
I read the word
from Chatham - thanks
for sharing. I hope all's
well with you & your gang -
Love to all - Amy

bcc: Bridget Montagne
(family file)

Jan Burmeister

The Honorable Bill Goodling
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C 20515



THE PRESIDENT

11-6-90
E-day

Dear Bill -

Thanks for your
words of counsel on
the Cult. (Nov. 1)

It's tough out
there - lots of people
suffering -

I do appreciate
your advice -

A stylized handwritten signature, likely of the President, consisting of a large, sweeping 'E' shape.

bcc: SUNUNU
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Montagne (daily) ✓

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

BILL GOODLING
19TH DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA

November 1, 1990

Dear Mr. President,

Again, I say please do not move in the Persian Gulf without the blessing of the majority in the House and the Senate (not just consultation with the leadership).

Otherwise, after thousands of American young men are killed and maimed, the public loses its enthusiasm, and support for the action dwindles, you (rather than the Congress) will shoulder the abuse from the American people.

Sincerely,

Bill

BILL GOODLING
Member of Congress

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

WASHINGTON WAYS

Barbara Bush, Going Along to the Gulf

By Donnie Radcliffe
Washington Post Staff Writer

Barbara Bush, who has vowed that "if he goes, I go," is expected to accompany **President Bush** to the Persian Gulf to spend Thanksgiving with U.S. troops.

The White House confirmed last week that the president would make the long-rumored trip, which will first take him to Europe for talks with German Chancellor **Helmut Kohl** in Ludwigshafen, Czechoslovakian President **Vaclav Havel** in Prague and Soviet President **Mikhail Gorbachev** and other leaders in Paris at the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. From there, the Bushes will fly to the Middle East, where Bush has more talks in Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Mrs. Bush has made no secret of her desire to go along. Nor has she kept particularly quiet about Iraq's president—whom she frequently describes in interviews as "that dreadful **Saddam Hussein**"—for holding Western hostages since invading Kuwait three months ago.

She recently told Knight-Ridder correspondent Ellen Warren she would be "sick with worry" if one of her children were in the armed forces and sent to the Persian Gulf, though she added that she would "also feel very proud."

And in a message aimed at Saddam, she said: "Let your 'guests' go and then let's talk about this."

Asked last week on a campaign trip in Nebraska whether President Bush would consider "a face-to-face" meeting with Saddam, she said she thought he would consider "anything to get the Kuwaitis back in their country and get our men out."

The president, informed later of his wife's comments, said he would take such a step only after Saddam yields to the demand that Iraq leave Kuwait.

violinist, and at a book party Sunday, his daughter **Joan Benny** shared a story—whether apocryphal or not—that her father used to tell. In it, the comedian arrived at the White House one day and a guard demanded to know the contents of a long black bag Benny was carrying.

"A shotgun," Benny told him.

"Oh, that's a relief," the guard replied. "I thought it might be a violin."

In the book "Sunday Nights at Seven," which is a melding of her father's heretofore unpublished autobiography and Joan Benny's reminiscences, Jack Benny writes that his violin was no stage prop or gimmick, that he was deadly serious about playing it well.

When he and **Harry Truman** met at a National Press Club dinner in 1945, he realized they had a lot in common: "the same midwestern background, the same moral values, the same small-town childhood and a similar sense of humor. We talked the same language." And they both were amateur musicians.

Once, at a small dinner party in San Francisco, Truman, aware of Benny's concert appearances for charities such as Greek War Relief, the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital and the City of Hope Hospital, asked if the comedian really played the violin well enough to appear as a guest performer. He was "no **Isaac Stern**," Benny said he told him, but explained that he practiced regularly and that his concert appearances were always sold out, though he didn't know if it was because people came to hear him play classical music or to make a fool of himself.

That impressed Truman, who asked Benny to mention the new Truman Library on his show. Benny offered to do more than that by appearing as guest violinist at a fund-raising concert with the Kansas City Symphony. A few weeks later, Truman called to say the symphony needed the money more than the library and would

Benny, Stern said, had "little talent but much desire," a "good ear," didn't know the notes well though played "in their general vicinity," did not study the instrument in a "serious way," had no suppleness or strength in the fingers, which moved "too slowly, too inaccurate."

"Aside from all the above," Stern added, "he was fine."

Giving \$10,000 to a cause should eliminate any doubt about the intensity of that commitment. So it is with the Friends of the First Ladies, a group of nearly 50 women who are rallying around the restoration and reinstallation of the First Ladies' gowns at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History.

Last week in New York City, their \$10,000 contributions entitled about 30 of them to see—and be seen with—such headliners as **Ivana Trump**, **Georgette Mosbacher**, **Arnold Scaasi** and **Judith Leiber** as they toured Seventh Avenue, visited museums and attended lectures and dinners. For an additional \$1,000 gift, the generous ones were christened "underwriters" and permitted to attend a performance of Mussorgsky's "Boris Godunov" at the Metropolitan Opera.

With an overall goal of \$2 million, the Friends' next fund-raiser will be a \$250 per person gala dinner dance Nov. 18, when Hermes opens its first Washington area boutique at Fairfax Square in Tysons Corner. On hand will be Hermes Chairman **Jean-Louis Dumas-Hermes** and Hermes USA President **Chrys Fisher**.

Prime mover and money-shaker in all of this is **Dorene Whitney**, a volunteer fund-raiser from La Jolla, Calif., who, after taking on the task, promptly lined up every First Lady from **Jacqueline Onassis** to **Barbara Bush** to serve on the Friends' honorary committee. She also arranged for

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Thousand Oaks, California)

For Immediate Release

November 3, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT WILSON FOR GOVERNOR RECEPTION

California Lutheran University
Thousand Oaks, California

10:40 A.M. PST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. Please be seated. Thank you very, very much. Pete -- let me give you my impartial view of the situation. (Laughter.) It is absolutely essential to California and it is absolutely essential, I'd say, for the entire country that this, the biggest state in the Union, have Pete Wilson as the next governor, following our outstanding Governor George Deukmejian. (Applause.)

And I'm delighted to be in Elton's congressional district. We need him back there, and plenty more like him. And the same for Bob Lagomarsino for the next district. (Applause.) And this year in California, we have a class-act, skilled, seasoned ticket of excellence. With us today, Marion Bergeson, the next lieutenant governor -- (applause) -- Joan Milke Flores, as secretary of state -- (applause) -- Tom Hayes, state treasurer. We need him there to watch these guys. (Applause.) And, of course, Dan Lundgren, my old friend and former Congressman who will be a great attorney general. (Applause.) And Wes Banister, the insurance commissioner. We've got a great ticket. Now you've got to vote for Pete and the rest of them. (Applause.)

And after they've served their term, how about sending Eric Peterson off to be governor of the state? (Applause.) The guy's tough.

I take great pride as President in the way the Marine Band, the President's own, plays Hail To The Chief. But if they ever get tired, what about the Thousand Oaks High School Band? They were marvelous. (Applause.) You guys were good, real good.

I am delighted to be back with you. What a reception I had at the airport, Point Mugu -- red carpet, 21-gun salute, signs saying, "Welcome back," "We love you." And when I went down the stairs I told someone I was surprised by the big greeting. He said, "Not as surprised as I was. We were expecting Barbara." (Applause.)

Gayle, she sends her love to you. She's your friend, as you know. And we Bushes, our entire family, just wish you and Pete all the best on this very important coming Tuesday. (Applause.)

about it. And the same approach would be brought to bear following up on Duke's magnificent record right here in Sacramento. He deserves your support, so I came out here to say, let's elect Pete Wilson the next governor of this state. (Applause.)

You know, in recent months we've seen some uncertainty and concern about the slower economic growth across our country. And that's why a budget agreement of sorts was crucial.

And that's why I had to compromise as found -- as Harry Truman said, that the buck does stop on the President's desk. And every once in a while you have to make a tough decision to compromise. And despite tough negotiations, we finally reached a budget agreement with the Democrats that control both Houses of Congress. And when it came to our approach, though, let me point out three big differences. The Democrats -- and Elton and Bob know this well, and Pete as well -- wanted to raise taxes including income tax rates on every working man and woman in this country. And I wanted to reduce the deficit by spending cuts. (Applause.)

We did get a \$492-billion deficit reduction over five years -- \$350 billion of it in spending cuts. Incentives to make us less dependent on foreign oil. So there were some good things there. But the main thing, Congress now is on a pay-as-you-go plan. There are real enforcement provisions. And finally, although the defense budget was reduced, thanks to Pete Wilson and others like him that know the importance of our national security, we held the line against reckless cuts to ensure that this nation's armed forces remain strong. We are in a dangerous world. And we better not let down our guard. And thank God for Pete and congressmen like these two. (Applause.)

That's just part of what we've accomplished as a party of change. For example, when it comes to the environment -- Pete mentioned it -- but he and I believe that to keep our environment green, we don't have to be "Big Green." And, in fact, Pete wrote the first Coastal Protection Act; and a driving force for our environmental initiatives; supported our expanded land acquisition for national parks and wildlife refuges and forest and public lands. And all of this explains why I asked Pete to lead our crusade for clean air. And today, as a result -- thanks to the innovation and cooperation of the industry, of government, our EPA, under Bill Reilly, who's with me here today, and the environmentalists across the country -- we have broken a 13-year legislative logjam. And finally, I have a Clean Air bill that I will be proud to sign when I go back to Washington, D.C. (Applause.)

I wish I could give you a better report on the Congress. If we had more Republicans in the Congress like these two, I could give you a better one. (Applause.) But let me just say this: There's still work to be done on our agenda.

Ask Pete. The grandson of a police officer who gave his life in the line of duty. He knows, I know, George Deukmejian knows, America is fed up with crime. And we want people who have a little more sensitivity to the police officers, and a little less for the criminals themselves. (Applause.)

And I think especially of the fine young police officers like San Bernardino's own Rob Shutlis, who was brutally killed last February. We will be tough on crime. And give me more Republicans in Washington, more people like Pete Wilson in Sacramento, and we'll get the job done for the American people and for the American families. (Applause)

It is simply not fair -- I wish you all could see these little kids here -- but it is simply not fair that their parents have to worry in some areas of this country when the kids go to school, have to worry about the kids' safety. It is time -- not to be brutal about it -- but it is time to have more thoughtful people who want to be tough on crime to take back our streets. And that's another reason I'm for Pete Wilson. (Applause.)

There's a lot of wonderful young people here from this great school, and I'm grateful to President Miller -- (applause) -- I am grateful to the President and Eric and the students that are here today. But let me -- I saw some signs out here and I understand them. And the signs -- so let me first put the caveat down. I want to shift gears. I want to ask you now to lay aside the partisan politics because this is -- it's not often I have a chance to talk to this many people in the state, in the state of California -- back in Washington all the time.

But we're at a partisan political event, but I'm asking you to shift gears now because everyone I know is vitally interested in what Pete talked about -- that's the situation in the Gulf. And just a few words about our mission there, having said that I am very grateful to the Republican leaders, to the Democratic leaders, liberals, conservatives, whoever, for the support they are giving our policy in the Persian Gulf. It isn't partisan; it is American. And I am very grateful for that support. (Applause.)

So you have it -- and particularly the young people -- so you have it in your sights, we have no quarrel with the Iraqi people, none at all. We bear no hostility to the people of Iraq. Nor do any of the other 25 countries represented on land and sea in the Gulf in the most fantastic coalition put together since World War II, or ever including that. We have a magnificent U.N.-based coalition standing up to the aggressor of Iraq. (Applause.) So our problem is not with the young people there, or the man on the street there. Our problem is with Saddam Hussein and his determination to be the neighborhood bully. And there's a fundamental moral point here: a neighbor cannot take over another neighbor, bully it, brutalize it, rape, pillage and plunder in Kuwait, and get away with it. If we permit that to happen -- (applause.) If we permit that to happen, we'll pay the price another day.

And I will not let that aggression stand. (Applause.)

Yesterday at Point Mugu I climbed off the plane and had chance to at least shake hands with some of the wives of our young people over there. And, look they're your brothers, our neighbors, sons, daughters, friends. These aren't strangers. These are the finest trained American troops in the history of this country. Every single one of them is a volunteer. And they are beautifully motivated. And yet, their families are split asunder.

And so I will say this: I don't want a shot fired in anger, but there will be not compromise on the stated objectives of the United Nations Security Council. None at all. (Applause.) The United States will lead, and we will stand, and we will prevail against the evil of that dictator. (Applause.)

Pete mentioned the fact that in a few weeks that the kids over there will be sitting down to Thanksgiving dinner. And Barbara and I are really looking forward to visiting those young people halfway around the world. Each member of the Joint Chiefs has told me -- and to you parents, listen carefully because you know this, but listen anyway -- each member of the Joint Chiefs has told me, that as far as they know, in the history of the United States, there have never been finer, more motivated, better trained soldiers than the men and women over there now. That is a fine tribute to your sons and daughters. (Applause.)

And so that's the situation as I see it today in the Gulf. I will do my level-best to keep this coalition strong, together, standing always for principle. But you young guys remember, it is only the United States -- it is only the United States that can lead the entire world for this moral purpose. We're the only ones. Countries look to us -- and that's the beautiful thing about the heritage groups represented here today. Every single one of them recognizes that this is the country that stands for freedom; stands against aggression. And as long as I'm President, I'll do my level-best to portray that message to every country in the world. (Applause.)

And now, let me shift back to the business at hand. Salute all of you. Thank the students on this great campus. (Applause.) And encourage you to do this: Do not take democracy for granted. Go out there and vote in this important national election. The elections in California will affect every state in the entire country. So go out and elect Pete Wilson and this distinguished team. Elect him governor of this state. And do your part to move California ahead.

Thank you all, and God bless you. (Applause.)

END

10:55 A.M. PST

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Sioux City, Iowa)

For Immediate Release

November 2, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO IOWA WELCOME RECEPTION

Sioux City Convention Center
Sioux City, Iowa

6:16 P.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. Somehow it seems like I just left. But thank you. I am delighted to be back in the Hawkeye State, and in Sioux City. (Applause.) This all-American city whose citizens had planned this marvelous emergency response; a city that was ready for the worst kind of a challenge; a city that opened its hearts to the survivors of a tragedy; a city that inspired the world. Thank you for all you've done. (Applause.)

And I'm delighted to be standing here with a United States Senator who does support me, and I say, support you, the people of Iowa, for our common objectives. An old friend -- and I'm talking about Chuck Grassley who is making such an outstanding record in the United States Senate. (Applause.)

Let me say a word about his former spokeswoman who is now so outspoken on behalf of her husband. What a fantastic campaigner. She is fantastic. Barbara sends her love. I'm talking about Bev Tauke. (Applause.) She's marvelous.

I see some other party leaders, all of whom have been introduced, and I want to thank them. I want to single out the Congressman from the 5th District, an early and longtime supporter and friend -- Congressman Jim Lightfoot, over here. (Applause.) And, of course, your very own, from the 6th District, Fred Grandy. What a job he's doing for his country. (Applause.)

And let me also salute Joy Corning and your next lieutenant governor and the rest of the Iowa ticket. (Applause.)

That brings me to the main course -- two great Iowans, a great present Congressman, a great future senator -- Tom Tauke; and a great Governor Terry Branstad. Oh, how we need them both reelected -- and elected. (Applause.)

You know, as I looked across the national scene, I can't think of any governor who faced a stronger challenge than Terry did in his first two terms. But he prevailed because he believed in the ethic that Tom was talking about. He believed in controlling spending and promoting enterprise. And as the Omaha World Herald put it, Brandstad gave the state of Iowa sensible leadership through the

closely to reform American education. Just as he's worked for better schools right here in Iowa. And in short, he has been good for Iowa. He's won your support the old-fashioned way; he earned it. And he was also instrumental in formulating these national educational goals for the entire country. And I need him now reelected to be sure those goals are met for the entire nation. (Applause.)

And now a word about another old friend, a man I've known for many years. We're here on behalf of him. He's also earned the right to represent Iowa. He's has a tireless family -- he's a tireless fighter for the family, for the taxpayer, and for the farmer. And the working people of the 2nd District and all of Iowa. And I'm, of course, talking about your next United States senator, Tom Tauke. (Applause.)

You may not know the whole story of why he decided to run for the Senate. Let me tell you about it. It turns out he was walking right through a field one day, almost lost between towering stalks of corn when he heard a voice -- (laughter) -- and the voice said, "If you run, you will win." (Laughter.) So Field of Dreams aside, I share your dream that he be elected to the United States Senate on Tuesday. We need him bad. (Applause.)

We need him. We need him. And it is not my habit to speak against anyone's opponent. I haven't done that and I'm not going to start now. I'm here to be for Tom Tauke. But I want to just say that I would like to have somebody in the United States Senate that supports me and my objectives a little bit more and not less than Ted Kennedy. (Laughter.) So you figure it out. (Applause.) What he told you about support -- what he told you about his opponent's support for the President is true. It's written in the Congressional Quarterly. I urge you to look it up.

You know, ours is a party with a vision. We are the party with new ideas. A vision, a change, a sweep of new thinking that can only come with more Republicans. And we're also a party that's committed to a growing economy -- that job-creating engine that every family in American counts on.

And I know in recent months nationally -- delighted the Iowa economy is doing well -- but nationally, we've seen some uncertainty and concern about slower economic growth. And that's why I was -- as President, I had to make a tough decision on this deficit deal. After difficult negotiations we finally reached that agreement with the party that controls Congress, both Houses -- controlled by the liberal elements of the Democratic Party. And the Democrats wanted to raise taxes including income taxes on working Americans. And they called it -- and Tom stood up and knocked this down -- they called it "soak the rich." But here's the fact -- their proposed surtax on the rich to raise -- I think it would have raised \$4 billion, was in the very same bill. They were yelling about that. And the liberal Democrats in that same legislation rammed through taxes on the working man and woman of \$40 billion. Four billion dollars to soak the rich and \$40 billion to hit the working man and woman of Iowa. We need Tom Tauke -- not more of these liberal spenders in Washington, D.C. (Applause.)

And I agree with Tom. I agree if we had more like him

I'd also like to ask you to compare the records on our crime legislation -- legislation to try to curtail crime at the federal level. Shortly after I took office I stood before the United States Capitol and called on the Congress to pass tough new laws to help America take back the streets. And instead, in the final hours of this Congress, Democratic liberals completely gutted our package to fight against violent crime.

Now, let me just tell you what Tom Tauke and I want. We want habeas corpus reform because convicted criminals should not be able to endlessly delay justice. (Applause.) We want to reform the exclusionary rule so this judge-made law won't let the guilty go free. (Applause.) And because we believe in backing up our law enforcement officials we want something else -- we want a federal death penalty for drug kingpins, for terrorists, and those who wipe out a federal law enforcement officials. Republicans are the ones who have more sympathy for the victims and a little bit less for the criminals. (Applause.) That's the kind of vote we need in the Senate. (Applause.)

I really believe -- I believe we're beginning to win this war against drugs. Our national strategy is beginning to work. And there's some heartening information about this -- heartening evidence and statistical evidence. So I don't want to be here with a message of gloom and doom. I believe the nation is waking up to the idea that we can no longer tolerate the drug culture. But I would say this: We need people like Tom Tauke in the Senate so justice can be done. I happen to believe that a strong offense against the narcotic traffickers is what we need, not this coddling by the law that the Democrats have put up with. (Applause.)

And there are many, many other reforms. We've also, frankly, achieved a lot. I don't want to be just on the negative side -- we've achieved a lot recently. Remarkable, considering that we're a minority in the House and a minority in the United States Senate. We fought for a responsible Clean Air bill. And we asked Congress to cut acid rain; to cut smog by harnessing new technology with the power of the marketplace. We fought for this and we won it. And one of the ways we can clean the skies of America is, as you know in this state so well, with alternative fuels, so we can cut our dependence on foreign and give our business to the American farmer. (Applause.)

Another good thing that Tom and his fellow Iowans in the Senate and House Republicans have fought for was a responsible child care law. One that rejects that old liberal Democrat idea of warehousing children. One that would put choice in the hands of American families. Republicans want to empower parents, not the government, to choose those who will take care of their children. (Applause.) And we won that battle, thanks to Tom and others. (Applause.)

So I guess what it boils down to is our vision. A vision based on good, old-fashioned family values. In education, in child care, in protecting the environment, Republicans are the ones that are determined to bring hope and opportunity to millions taken for granted by the Democrats. And if ever you despair about our political process, think that it's not

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Thank you, and God bless the United States.

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6:30 P.M. CST

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Tyler, Texas)

For Immediate Release

November 5, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO TEXAS GOP PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME

Tyler Junior College
Tyler, Texas

11:30 A.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very, very much for that warm welcome back to Tyler and to Smith County. I am just delighted to be here. And, of course, let me, at the very outset -- I planned to say something special about Phil Gramm. But I want to ask everybody to look at the Gramm sign there, it says it all -- Common sense, uncommon courage. What a great Senator we have up there. (Applause.)

In case anybody is asking, "Where's George?" -- I'm here in Smith County, working for a man that I believe in, that I've known for a long time, that will be a great governor of this state -- Clayton Williams. (Applause.)

I want to pay my respects to Bob Mosbacher, who's doing an outstanding job for his country -- our country -- as Secretary of Commerce. I want to thank President Ray Hawkins for permitting us to have this fantastic rally in this marvelous institution, the Tyler Junior College. (Applause.) And I will salute a handful of Belles right here in the front -- you can't see them, but there's a bunch of marvelous people from this area that got me started in politics, 1964. We took it on the chin then. We fought back -- and I don't believe I'd be President without that grassroots support of these people and others like them across this state. So thank you. And also thanks to the Apache Belles. (Applause.)

You know, when Claytie first contacted us about coming back to Tyler, he called our son, George, Jr., living over in Dallas. And he said that he wanted to appear with a popular but aging Texan who's risen to the top in his field. George said, "Nolan Ryan is busy. Do you want to ask my dad?" So here we are. (Laughter.)

And let me just say to her friends here, inasmuch as I've been the one elected to speak for the family, Barbara Bush is delighted to be with you, and I am very proud of the job she's doing as First Lady of this country. (Applause.) The trouble is about Barbara, she worked with our dog to write a best-selling book, and now you give the dog Alpo and she wants to see the wine list. (Laughter.)

commissioner. We have a good, quality, across-the-board team. Please go out and elect every single one of them. (Applause.)

You know the story about Claytie. He's a Texas original. Fort Stockton, born and bred. Straight-shooter who will do what needs to be done. He believes that we can help shape the Texas of tomorrow by building on the old-fashioned values that we all have grown up with. He believes in hard work, in common sense, in strength of character. And so does Texas -- the entire state. (Applause.)

And just another word about Phil Gramm. I watch this Senate and I say to myself, as I fight back the liberal program, if we had more senators like Phil Gramm we wouldn't be talking about budget deficits; we wouldn't be talking about having to contain government spending. We could get the job done. (Applause.) And Phil Gramm, believe me, is a leader -- the leader, I would say, for just plain common sense in the United States Senate. I want to see him win and I want to see him win by the biggest margin we've ever elected a senator with. So please do your best tomorrow. (Applause.)

I've listened to some of the campaign rhetoric coming out of the other side, and it's sad. It is pessimistic. It is downbeat. It is tired. And it's liberal. And we are the party with a vision for the future, the party of new ideas. And if America wants to change, I think we need a Republican Congress. And I wish we could get it now -- tomorrow -- and then watch what we can do. (Applause.)

Phil -- I mentioned Phil standing out there for spending constraint. He supports a balanced budget amendment, and so do I. And, you know, the Democrat agenda up there, the Democrat agenda in the Senate and in the House stifles growth. The Democrats wanted to raise taxes, including income taxes on the working families. I heard some campaign rhetoric yesterday down here about that. Well, let me tell you, they can call it "soak the rich" all day long, but what it really soaks is working Americans. They talked about a proposed surtax on the rich to raise a few billion dollars, but in the very same bill that passed by overwhelming Democratic votes -- in the same bill they socked it to the working American to the tune of \$40 billion. So don't listen to that tired, liberal, divide -- class warfare rhetoric about soaking the rich. Hold on to your wallets; they're after you -- every single one of you. (Applause.)

You see, Phil has this unusual, kind of a nutty idea. He thinks that Americans are not taxed too little, but that Congress spends too much. And he's absolutely right about that. (Applause.) Maybe it's a little old-fashioned for some of the hot-shot liberals out there, but this is exactly the way he feels -- and it's exactly the way he votes. And I tell you this: If Congress can't restrain spending, give me what 43 governors have; give me that line-item veto and let the President have a shot at trying to keep the taxes down and the spending down. (Applause.)

I'm glad to hear Claytie say that he's against a state income tax. I think most Texans strongly oppose that concept. I know I do. And again, if we had Claytie here in the governor's office I'd have somebody there that I can work with to build a better

handcuffs belong on the criminals. And that's what we're trying to do in our anticrime legislation. (Applause.) Shortly after I took office, I stood out there before the Capitol and called on the Congress to pass tough, new laws to help America take back the streets. And it had strong support from Phil and had strong support from Ralph Hall, the Congressman here; had strong support from the Republicans in the House and the Senate. But in the final hours of the Congress, the Democratic liberals gutted our package to fight back against violent crime. And for my part, I believe we ought to have a little sympathy for the criminals and a little more sympathy for the victims of crime. (Applause.)

And now, as I've been doing for the last few days, I want to ask you to shift gears with me, because I think that the subject of the Middle East that Claytie alluded to in his very generous opening remarks is on the minds of everybody. And I'd like to shift to a strictly nonpartisan mode and speak to those who perhaps have kids, young men and women serving in Saudi Arabia. We are at a partisan political event, but I don't get the opportunity to crisscross the country as much as I have recently, and the chance to talk directly to as many people. And so let me just say that the former Senator Arthur Vandenberg -- some of you students might remember the Vandenberg adage which said politics ends at the water's edge. And this is a noble principle. It's one that we've gotten away from in the Vietnam era, post-Vietnam era. But when we have a couple hundred thousand kids halfway across the world, the country comes together.

And let me just tell you that I am very grateful to the Democratic leaders and the Republican leaders in both the House and the Senate; the Democratic members and the Republican leaders in both the House and the Senate for the strong support that they have given the President and the administration as we try to cope with this unprecedented aggression.

Let me be clear: We have no argument with the people of Iraq. We bear no hostility to the Iraqi people at all. Nor do any of the over 25 countries represented on land and sea in the Gulf area. We put together a fantastic historic coalition of nations, large and small, Arab and others -- all from across the entire spectrum. They're together and they're holding strong. But our problem is not then with the people of Iraq; our problem is with Saddam Hussein alone.

And I want to see a peaceful resolution to this crisis. (Applause.) Indeed, we've worked very closely, as you know, with the United Nations, rejuvenated United Nations, putting 10 resolutions into effect. Resolutions that have the support of China and the Soviet Union as well as Western Europe. Passing resolutions and speaking with one voice against Iraq's aggression. And I will give these sanctions -- unprecedented economic sanctions -- I will give these sanctions time to work. And I hope and pray that there never will be a shot fired in anger. (Applause.)

Let me be very, very clear: There will be no compromise on the stated objectives of the United Nations Security Council resolutions. No compromise at all. (Applause.) Because the brutality against innocent civilians is unacceptable in terms of

and women in uniform than we do today. Every one a volunteer, fully trained, highly motivated, the best young kids in the world. (Applause.) And they're now halfway across the globe and they're standing ready there in the sand and the heat of the desert sun. And we have a lot to be thankful for in this country, and Barbara and I are looking forward very much to being with them on Thanksgiving Day and bringing with them your thanks for their service to the greatest, freest country on the face of the Earth. (Applause.)

You know, a lot of them have filled out absentee ballots, and they're sending them in. And that brings me back now to a slightly more partisan mode. There's a lesson, though, in that -- a lesson that -- in the love of liberty and the precious freedom that gives America it's meaning. So tomorrow I urge all Texans, all Texans, regardless of how you're going to vote, to get out there and vote and do not take democracy for granted.

You know, tomorrow's vote is critical. And so my message to you all is this: You have a chance to make a difference. The cynics, these Washington pundits that we see on these tiring shows all the time. I don't know if you're like am -- maybe you enjoy those things, but I can take only so much self-flagellation. (Laughter.) And I see all these great inside-the-Beltway experts telling us everything that's wrong with the United States. And tomorrow, you can go to the polls and say what's right about it. Because we've got a great candidate for governor, and we've got a great United States Senator, and we have quality men and women willing to serve. (Applause.) Don't tell me what's wrong with this country. Show us what's right about it. Get out and do your civic duty.

And thank you and God bless you all. (Applause.)

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11:55 A.M. CST

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Houston, Texas)

For Immediate Release

November 3, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT ALBUQUERQUE WELCOME

Albuquerque International Airport
Albuquerque, New Mexico

4:05 P.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Frank, thank you very much. Thank you all very, very much. I am just delighted to be here. Thank you, thank you, thank you. (Applause.) Frank, I love this enthusiasm. I think it bodes well for the election of Frank Bond as the next governor of New Mexico. Get out and get the job done. (Applause.)

Frank, to you and Mary Thompson, your running mate, Barbara and I send our warm, best wishes for a strong and successful finish to this race you've both run so well. And I'm delighted to see one of the great leaders in the United States Senate here, Pete Domenici. What a man he's been for his country. (Applause.)

And, of course, if we had more congressmen in Washington like Steve Schiff, we wouldn't be worrying about red ink and too much spending; we'd be doing much, much better. (Applause.) And, of course, another great Congressman who is not here with us today, but Joe Skeen is also the same stripe as Frank. Wonderful people. Steve, Frank Bond. (Applause.) And let me just throw in another name well-known in Washington because he served there, but he's served this state with such distinction -- my dear friend, Garrey Carruthers. What a job he's done. (Applause.)

And I am very sorry that I had to miss the visit just a few days ago, but look at this magnificent turnout. And besides, our daughter-in-law, Colomba, was up in Santa Fe trying to do a little make-up work. I'm glad she was here to show the flag for the family. Our dog, Millie, sends her love. And Barbara Bush, the Silver Fox, sends her love, too. (Applause.)

You know, in a sense, this is kind of like coming home because I spent 12 years over in West Texas, right near Eunice and Hobbs and not too far from Roswell. And I feel I know this state. I'm delighted to be back. And I want to just say that we are enthusiastic about this trend to send a good man, Frank Bond, to follow a good man, Garrey Carruthers. (Applause.)

In a sense, next Tuesday marks a turning point for New Mexico. You face a choice whether to turn the clock back and return to those days of the '70s -- we used to call them the "malaise days" -- or to make this election the first step towards a future as bright

our neighboring country, Mexico. I've worked hard with President Salinas, and I think I can say to you, relations are on the way. They've never been better, and I think they're still moving up. And I'd like to have a governor in this state with whom I could work to continue that great cooperation between the United States and Mexico. (Applause.)

You know, here at home a growing economy is the job number one for our party. And the economy is the job-creating engine that every family in the country counts on. With the help of state leaders like Frank Bond, I'm going to do my level-best to see that the national economy keeps on growing. You know, in recent months we've seen some uncertainty. Some areas have had some real slowdown. And that's why, in my judgment, a budget agreement was critical and why I was willing to work with Pete Domenici and others to go the extra mile to get it. And despite tough negotiations, we finally got a budget agreement with the Democrats, that controlled both Houses of the United States Congress.

And we had our differences -- big differences. But I want to say that we ended up with some things I'll tell you about that are good. And it never would have happened -- never would have happened without Pete Domenici's courageous leadership in the United States Senate. (Applause.)

The Democrats have started up their old line again. They wanted to raise taxes, including the income tax rates on every working family in America. Their proposal -- they talked about "soak the rich." They had a surtax that would have raised \$4 billion from soaking the rich, and at the same time they were sneaking through a provision to raise \$40 billion on the working men and women of this country. And we stopped it with Steve Schiff and Joe Skeen and Pete Domenici. (Applause.)

You see, I sent up a budget that would have reduced the deficit with spending cuts, because I believe, as you do, that you're not taxed too little, the government spends too much. (Applause.) We did get some pretty good events out of that. We had \$492 billion in deficit reduction -- \$350 billion of it was in spending cuts. Incentives -- we built in some incentives to encourage oil and gas drilling that will make America less dependent on foreign oil. And I think that's a good thing and very timely. (Applause.)

And the best thing about it is Congress was put on a pay-as-you-go plan. Real enforcement provisions in this budget agreement. And lastly, although defense was reduced -- and I believe it should have been some -- we held the line against the reckless cut. And we ensured that America's defenses and armed forces remain second to none anywhere in the world. (Applause.)

But, you know, getting a budget agreement behind us is just part of what we've accomplished. Let's start with the environment, our sacred trust. Frank Bond's grown up here, in the shadows of the mountains, amid the grandeur and beauty of the New Mexico desert. So you New Mexicans want someone committed to preserving New Mexico's rich, natural heritage in all its singular splendor. And I know a fourth-generation New Mexican you can count on. He's right here, and his name is Frank Bond. (Applause.)

finally got a Clean Air bill that I will sign when I go back to Washington, D.C. (Applause.)

There's still work to be done on the Republican agenda. Education, for example. Frank Bond knows America can't have a first-class economy with second-rate schools. And we're determined that every child in America has a fair shot at a quality education. That's why I proposed and, earlier this morning I signed, a substantial increase for Head Start, to serve 690,000 kids across this country. (Applause.) And that's why we sent to the Congress the Educational Excellence Act -- our action plan for fundamental education reform, to reward achievement and encourage accountability -- and to give parents more say in their children's education.

I would rather have the parents have more choice about the schools than have some committee in Washington assign how this education ought to work at the state level. (Applause.) Frank Bond and I agree on something fundamental -- when it comes to the schooling of our kids, the bureaucracy does not know best, the parents do. (Applause.)

And we want to support the good, excellent teachers. Thank God for those teachers that sacrifice to educate the young people in this country every single day. (Applause.)

You know, today we're here on a very partisan point of view -- proudly. And that's what Americans should do. We ought to participate. We ought to work to elect those candidates we believe in. Now, as I've been doing for a couple of days, I want to put partisan politics aside. And I know that everyone in this country is vitally interested in the situation in the Persian Gulf. So let me just say a few words about our mission there.

You know, former Senator Vandenberg was right when he said politics ends at the water's edge. And I am very grateful to the leaders in the Congress, both Democrat and Republican, and to the members of the Congress -- all of them -- and to the American people for the steadfast support they are giving the policy of the United States of America in the Persian Gulf. (Applause.)

You know, I want to be very clear about this. The United States bears no hostility to the people of Iraq, nor do any of the over 25 countries represented on land and sea in the Gulf area. We have no argument with the people of Iraq. Our problem is with Saddam Hussein and his determination to take over and bully a neighbor. And we are not going to permit that to stand. (Applause.) And let me say this -- I want a peaceful resolution to this crisis. Indeed, we have worked closely with the United Nations in putting sanctions into effect. The United Nations has never been more united, nor more fulfilling its peacekeeping mission than it is today as it unanimously condemns the aggression of Saddam Hussein, the invading dictator of Iraq. (Applause.)

So we are giving the sanctions time to work. And I hope there will never, ever be a shot fired in anger. But once again, let me be very, very clear: There will be no compromise on the stated objectives of the United Nations Security Council resolutions. The brutality against innocent civilians will not be tolerated. And it

friends over here ought to understand that. (Applause.)

New Mexicans seem to understand this. Right now, brave young men and women are serving over there, halfway around the world. And they are the finest forces ever to serve. They're standing ready there in the sand and the heat of the desert sun. In a few weeks they're going to sit down for a special Thanksgiving, miles from home and family. And Barbara and I have a lot to be thankful for -- and we will be with those troops on Thanksgiving Day, and I will give them the thanks of everybody here today and of all the American people. (Applause.)

Yes, these are challenging times for our country. They really are challenging times for a country, but I can think of no more exciting time to be President of the United States today -- than today. It is a tremendous challenge. Our country is united. And we will prevail. (Applause.)

And now, back to the partisan business at hand. Next Tuesday think about the liberties we enjoy in this great country. Think about what a privilege it is to walk into a polling booth and vote. Think of the changes in Eastern Europe and the crying out for democracy that has been fulfilled. Think of the changes south of our border in this hemisphere. And do not take democracy for granted; go out and vote. Vote for Frank Bond, for his running mate, for Pete Domenici. Do your duty and we will have better government in the state of New Mexico for the next decade. (Applause.)

Thank you and God bless you. And God bless America.
Thank you. (Applause.)

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4:20 P.M. CST

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Sioux City, Iowa)

For Immediate Release

November 2, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO IOWA WELCOME RECEPTION

Sioux City Convention Center
Sioux City, Iowa

6:16 P.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. Somehow it seems like I just left. But thank you. I am delighted to be back in the Hawkeye State, and in Sioux City. (Applause.) This all-American city whose citizens had planned this marvelous emergency response; a city that was ready for the worst kind of a challenge; a city that opened its hearts to the survivors of a tragedy; a city that inspired the world. Thank you for all you've done. (Applause.)

And I'm delighted to be standing here with a United States Senator who does support me, and I say, support you, the people of Iowa, for our common objectives. An old friend -- and I'm talking about Chuck Grassley who is making such an outstanding record in the United States Senate. (Applause.)

Let me say a word about his former spokeswoman who is now so outspoken on behalf of her husband. What a fantastic campaigner. She is fantastic. Barbara sends her love. I'm talking about Bev Tauke. (Applause.) She's marvelous.

I see some other party leaders, all of whom have been introduced, and I want to thank them. I want to single out the Congressman from the 5th District, an early and longtime supporter and friend -- Congressman Jim Lightfoot, over here. (Applause.) And, of course, your very own, from the 6th District, Fred Grandy. What a job he's doing for his country. (Applause.)

And let me also salute Joy Corning and your next lieutenant governor and the rest of the Iowa ticket. (Applause.)

That brings me to the main course -- two great Iowans, a great present Congressman, a great future senator -- Tom Tauke; and a great Governor Terry Branstad. Oh, how we need them both reelected -- and elected. (Applause.)

You know, as I looked across the national scene, I can't think of any governor who faced a stronger challenge than Terry did in his first two terms. But he prevailed because he believed in the ethic that Tom was talking about. He believed in controlling spending and promoting enterprise. And as the Omaha World Herald put it, Brandstad gave the state of Iowa sensible leadership.

closely to reform American education. Just as he's worked for better schools right here in Iowa. And in short, he has been good for Iowa. He's won your support the old-fashioned way; he earned it. And he was also instrumental in formulating these national educational goals for the entire country. And I need him now reelected to be sure those goals are met for the entire nation. (Applause.)

And now a word about another old friend, a man I've known for many years. We're here on behalf of him. He's also earned the right to represent Iowa. He's has a tireless family -- he's a tireless fighter for the family, for the taxpayer, and for the farmer. And the working people of the 2nd District and all of Iowa. And I'm, of course, talking about your next United States senator, Tom Tauke. (Applause.)

You may not know the whole story of why he decided to run for the Senate. Let me tell you about it. It turns out he was walking right through a field one day, almost lost between towering stalks of corn when he heard a voice -- (laughter) -- and the voice said, "If you run, you will win." (Laughter.) So Field of Dreams aside, I share your dream that he be elected to the United States Senate on Tuesday. We need him bad. (Applause.)

We need him. We need him. And it is not my habit to speak against anyone's opponent. I haven't done that and I'm not going to start now. I'm here to be for Tom Tauke. But I want to just say that I would like to have somebody in the United States Senate that supports me and my objectives a little bit more and not less than Ted Kennedy. (Laughter.) So you figure it out. (Applause.) What he told you about support -- what he told you about his opponent's support for the President is true. It's written in the Congressional Quarterly. I urge you to look it up.

You know, ours is a party with a vision. We are the party with new ideas. A vision, a change, a sweep of new thinking that can only come with more Republicans. And we're also a party that's committed to a growing economy -- that job-creating engine that every family in American counts on.

And I know in recent months nationally -- delighted the Iowa economy is doing well -- but nationally, we've seen some uncertainty and concern about slower economic growth. And that's why I was -- as President, I had to make a tough decision on this deficit deal. After difficult negotiations we finally reached that agreement with the party that controls Congress, both Houses -- controlled by the liberal elements of the Democratic Party. And the Democrats wanted to raise taxes including income taxes on working Americans. And they called it -- and Tom stood up and knocked this down -- they called it "soak the rich." But here's the fact -- their proposed surtax on the rich to raise -- I think it would have raised \$4 billion, was in the very same bill. They were yelling about that. And the liberal Democrats in that same legislation rammed through taxes on the working man and woman of \$40 billion. Four billion dollars to soak the rich and \$40 billion to hit the working man and woman of Iowa. We need Tom Tauke -- not more of these liberal spenders in Washington, D.C. (Applause.)

And I agree with Tom. I agree if we had more like him

I'd also like to ask you to compare the records on our crime legislation -- legislation to try to curtail crime at the federal level. Shortly after I took office I stood before the United States Capitol and called on the Congress to pass tough new laws to help America take back the streets. And instead, in the final hours of this Congress, Democratic liberals completely gutted our package to fight against violent crime.

Now, let me just tell you what Tom Tauke and I want. We want habeas corpus reform because convicted criminals should not be able to endlessly delay justice. (Applause.) We want to reform the exclusionary rule so this judge-made law won't let the guilty go free. (Applause.) And because we believe in backing up our law enforcement officials we want something else -- we want a federal death penalty for drug kingpins, for terrorists, and those who wipe out a federal law enforcement officials. Republicans are the ones who have more sympathy for the victims and a little bit less for the criminals. (Applause.) That's the kind of vote we need in the Senate. (Applause.)

I really believe -- I believe we're beginning to win this war against drugs. Our national strategy is beginning to work. And there's some heartening information about this -- heartening evidence and statistical evidence. So I don't want to be here with a message of gloom and doom. I believe the nation is waking up to the idea that we can no longer tolerate the drug culture. But I would say this: We need people like Tom Tauke in the Senate so justice can be done. I happen to believe that a strong offense against the narcotic traffickers is what we need, not this coddling by the law that the Democrats have put up with. (Applause.)

And there are many, many other reforms. We've also, frankly, achieved a lot. I don't want to be just on the negative side -- we've achieved a lot recently. Remarkable, considering that we're a minority in the House and a minority in the United States Senate. We fought for a responsible Clean Air bill. And we asked Congress to cut acid rain; to cut smog by harnessing new technology with the power of the marketplace. We fought for this and we won it. And one of the ways we can clean the skies of America is, as you know in this state so well, with alternative fuels, so we can cut our dependence on foreign and give our business to the American farmer. (Applause.)

Another good thing that Tom and his fellow Iowans in the Senate and House Republicans have fought for was a responsible child care law. One that rejects that old liberal Democrat idea of warehousing children. One that would put choice in the hands of American families. Republicans want to empower parents, not the government, to choose those who will take care of their children. (Applause.) And we won that battle, thanks to Tom and others. (Applause.)

So I guess what it boils down to is our vision. A vision based on good, old-fashioned family values. In education, in child care, in protecting the environment, Republicans are the ones that are determined to bring hope and opportunity to millions taken for granted by the Democrats. And if ever you despair about our political process, think that it's not

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Thank you, and God bless the United States.

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6:30 P.M. CST

12:45 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

PRESIDENT'S TRIP (Houston/Rita Beamish, AP) -- President Bush cast his vote in his home state of Texas after signing a \$492 billion tax-raising budget bill that was a campaign albatross for many fellow Republicans. Bush and his wife, Barbara, waited in line behind other voters for about 10 minutes this morning at a polling place in a nursing home near the hotel they use as a legal residence. He waved aside reporters' questions, saying only "good to be home" as he left the polling place to return to Washington.

(Houston/Thomas Ferraro, UPI) -- President Bush and his wife Barbara cast their ballots at a Houston retirement community center, ending the president's six-day campaign swing on behalf of Republican candidates he says he needs in the Democratic Congress....

Chief of Staff Sununu reiterated to reporters that the election will not be a referendum on the Bush presidency, but insisted that despite Bush's recent drop in the polls, the president helped GOP candidates in recent days by helping energize the campaign.

(Houston/Irwin Arief, Reuter) -- President Bush cast his ballot here in midterm elections that are expected to trim the strength of his Republican party in both Congress and the nation's statehouses....

Chief of Staff Sununu, speaking with reporters outside Bush's polling place, predicted Republican wins in governors' races in Ohio and California but said governorships in Texas, Florida and Illinois were too close to call. Repeating a theme he has turned to several times in recent days, Sununu said the midterm election had little to do with the president's popularity. "In almost every close race you look at, the issues are local," Sununu said.

GULF/SAUDIS (AP) -- Saudi Arabia's foreign minister warned Iraq the U.N. has not restricted the use of military force. Prince Saud al-Faisal also said at a news conference in Jiddah as he saw Secretary Baker off to Egypt that King Fahd and Baker had devised a joint command in the event of war.

(UPI) -- Saudi Arabia's royal family sent mixed signals about a possible military strike against Iraq following a meeting with Secretary Baker. The royal family has indicated in past statements that it was not eager to have the kingdom used as a launching pad to oust Saddam Hussein, but Prince Saud al-faisal had a more ambiguous message today. "We reiterate what we have always said is that we are against the aggression that has happened in Kuwait. We are one with the international community in standing against this aggression and with the United Nations resolutions to see this aggression is ended. Within that reference, we would like a peaceful settlement, but that option is in the hands of the Iraqis."

GULF/SOVIETS (London/AP) -- Mikhail Gorbachev's special envoy to the Mideast told Western diplomats his country is not ruling out the use of force against Iraq, the BBC reported. Yevgeny Primakov also said there was no sign of the Soviet Union breaking with the international consensus, the BBC reported.

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GULF/JAPAN (Tokyo/Reuter) -- Japan's ruling party abandoned a controversial plan to send troops to the Gulf and called on opposition parties to start talks on a fresh plan to help with international efforts in the region. Prime Minister Kaifu and Ichiro Ozawa, Secretary General of the Liberal Democratic Party, agreed to refrain from forcing the troops bill through the lower house of parliament, LDP officials said.

GULF/HOSTAGES (Baghdad/AP) -- Iraq said it would release a "large" number of Japanese nationals in response to the intervention of former Prime Minister Nakasone. In Tokyo, the Foreign Ministry said Iraq was freeing 69 Japanese hostages. The Kyodo News Service quoted Nakasone as saying he had urged Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait. Saddam "demonstrated serious encouragement to end the crisis peacefully," Nakasone was quoted as saying.

(Reuter) -- Saddam ordered the release of 106 hostages -- including 77 Japanese -- the official news agency INA said. It said Saddam's order also listed 20 Italians, 5 Swedes, 2 Germans and 2 Portuguese.

GULF/KING HUSSEIN (Geneva/UPI) -- War in the Gulf would cause devastating environmental damage lasting as long as 100 years, King Hussein warned. Addressing the U.N. world climate conference, the king said, "A war in the gulf would not only result in devastating human death and injury, tremendous economic loss and prolonged political confrontation between Orient and Occident but also lead to an environmental catastrophe."

PAKISTAN/SHARIF (Islamabad/Reuter) -- Nawaz Sharif was formally elected as Pakistan's new prime minister by the National Assembly, but only after ousted premier Bhutto led a brief walkout by the opposition.

BUSINESS PRODUCTIVITY (UPI) -- Non-farm business productivity increased 1.6% in the third quarter, the Labor Department reported. A gauge of inflation tied to the data advanced 3 percent in the third quarter.

ELECTION 90/GUAM (Agana/AP) -- Gov. Joseph Ada won re-election, becoming the first gubernatorial incumbent to win consecutive terms in Guam. With 61 of the 76 precincts reporting, the Ada-Blas team had 16,088 votes to 11,891 for Democratic challenger Madeleine Bordallo and her running mate, Jose "Ping" Duenas.

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4:00 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

GULF/HOSTAGES (Reuter) -- Americans held as human shields will be able to send messages to their families in the U.S. starting Nov. 16, the American Red Cross said. Red Cross officials said that soon after Nov. 16 the families of hostages will be able to send messages to the captives and still later will be allowed to send packages containing medicine, food, clothing, toiletries and books.

GULF CRISIS/MARINES (Reuter) -- The Marine Corps has called more than 500 reserve combat troops to active duty for possible service in the Gulf, the Pentagon said. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams told reporters the Marine Corp was activating 824 reservists from 14 states.

GULF/CHINA/U.S. (Reuter) -- China and the U.S. stressed the need for a peaceful settlement of the crisis, but Secretary Baker said other means should not be ruled out. Baker left for Turkey after 90 minutes of talks with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen in Cairo. Afterward, Qian told reporters both sides "stressed the need for a peaceful settlement." He quoted Baker as saying that "other means should not be ruled out."

GULF/KUWAIT (Dhahran, Saudi Arabia/Reuter) -- Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations said Tuesday peaceful solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis had failed and Kuwaiti students abroad were being trained to take part in the battle against Iraq. "We have exhausted all peaceful options...maybe 99 percent of them," Ambassador Abu al-Hassan told a news conference.... Hassan said Kuwaiti students in the U.S., Britain, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states were undergoing military training.

SOVIET REPUBLICS (Moscow/Reuter) -- An adviser to Soviet leader Gorbachev said the Kremlin would not try to force individual republics to sign a treaty setting out new relations with Moscow. "We do not need a union with somebody chained to it because that would lead to a constant attempt to break those chains and the union would not be able to exist," Grigory Revenko told a news conference. But he said Gorbachev's program for switching the country to a market economic system would not work unless all the republics signed the new union treaty. "The majority of people are inclined toward the union as a single sovereign state. That is cause for some optimism," said Revenko.

(Reuter) -- Kremlin-watchers in the U.S, within and outside the Bush administration, are coming to the conclusion that the disintegration of the Soviet Union is inevitable. "There is political fragmentation going on in the Soviet Union now, whose bounds we simply don't know. Some of it is unrealistic. Some of it is very threatening and ominous," Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs Raymond Seitz said.

Kim Holmes, an analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation, said, "It is very likely that in two years' time the Soviet Union will cease to exist as a state."

GAS PRICES (New York/AP) -- U.S. gasoline pump prices fell slightly during the past week, according to a survey released today. The AAA survey found the retail price for a gallon of self-serve regular unleaded had dropped by 0.3 cent, to \$1.377. Despite the decline, the average price is still 30.2 cents higher than the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

ELECTION/NORTH CAROLINA (Raleigh, N.C./AP) -- Justice Department lawyers monitored voting in North Carolina because of postcards the Republican Party sent regarding eligibility to vote, but officials reported no problem at the polls. "We do not have anyone who has gone to the polling place with the card and been denied the right to vote," said Everette Ward, executive director of the North Carolina Democratic Party.

PHILIPPINES/KIDNAPPING (Reuter) -- The State Department said Tuesday it could not confirm reports that an American had been kidnapped in a remote part of the Philippines. Earlier, Philippine military officials said communist rebels had abducted an American.

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POOL REPORT

Houston to Washington

November 6, 1990

Being president has its perks, but cutting in line at the polling place isn't one of them. Bush arrived at The Forum at Memorial Woods, a "full service retirement home," at 8:35. Near the Houstonian, the 17-story red brick structure is home to Precinct 274. Today marked the first time Bush has used this polling place.

Barbara Bush, wearing a magenta checked suit with her pearls and gold earrings, and the President, wearing a grey suit, light blue short and ~~at~~ striped Navy blue tie, stepped up to the table with the "A-E" sign. They picked up their ballots and got into a line behind about six people. While they waited, they ~~chatted~~ up voters and precinct workers. Asked if he had any predictions, Bush declined to comment, presumably because of the ban on politicking while voting. ~~#Gawlk~~ "Good way to go to jail," Bush said. Turning slightly toward the reporters, Barbara Bush noted, "They're trying to get you arrested."

Bush made some comments about the process--"Put it one of these slots?" he asked a worker--and was polite to fellow voters in line. "Nice to see you," he said to them. First Mrs. Bush, then Mr. Bush, put their ballots in a large square grey steel can which read, "Ballot Can." When she finished, Mrs. Bush gave a thumbs up sign. An Indian man in a turban shook hands and said, "Mr. PRESIDENT, WE'RE PROUD OF YOU."

While Bush was waiting, White House Chief of Staff John Sununu engaged reporters in some friendly banter. Sotto voce, Sununu instructed the president how to vote: "Straight republican ticket."

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AS he was leaving, Bush said, "I don't want them to get me for loitering, so I'll go on." Some people clapped as he left.

Compared to his surly performance on Sunday on Meet the Press, Sununu seemed serene this morning, although he repeated his weekend predictions of today's results. On specific states, Sununu described the Florida governor's race as "close...honestly, that's a close call." He said the Republicans would "win Ohio," a reference to the governor's race there, and would be "okay" in Minnesota, where Rudy Boschwitz is seeking re-election. He declined a prediction in the North Carolina Senate race. He also flatly predicted that "Wilson will win" in California.

Moments later, outside the polling place, Sununu expanded on his election day mood. He explained that the midterm election was not a referendum on George Bush. "He's not on the ballot, so the coattail question is not appropriate. What there is, is the motivation factor, the energizing of the campaigns, the focus, the visibility. Those are all pluses. "

"You can't make a winning campaign out of a campaign that couldn't win anyway. And you can't cause a campaign that's on a landslide to lose. But what you can do is help in these marginal races by energizing the campaign to get out the vote."

Maureen Dowd/NYTimes

Michael Duffy/TIME

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 6, 1990

Dear Peggy:

I just got back from Texas, and there on my desk was your warm, supportive letter.

Some Republicans will never learn that the press thrives on "man bites dog" stories. Any Republican can get good mileage by attacking the President, but it helps no one.

In any event, I was very, very pleased to get your letter with those words of encouragement.

Bar sends love, too.

Sincerely,

Love

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