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03. Memo	From James A. Baker, III to President Bush (1 pp.)	11/21/91	(b)(1)	✓
04. Summary	Heads of State Correspondence Summary (2 pp.)	11/21/91	(b)(1)	C
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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

Thursday, November 21, 1991

8:00 am (15 min)	<u>Intelligence Briefing</u> (Scowcroft/Sununu)	Oval Office
8:15 am (30 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Scowcroft/Sununu)	Oval Office
8:45 am (30 min)	<u>Meeting with Governor Sununu</u>	Oval Office
9:15 am (30 min)	<u>Domestic Briefing</u> (Sununu)	Oval Office
9:45 am (5 min)	<u>Photo with Duck Stamp Winning Artist</u> (Holiday) (TAB A)	Oval Office <i>Wires</i>
10:00 am (45 min)	B <u>Video Taping Session</u> (Rogich) (TAB B)	459 OEOB
10:45 am (45 min)	<u>Administrative Time</u>	Oval Office
11:30 am (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
12:00 pm (60 min)	<u>Lunch with the Vice President</u>	Oval Office
1:00 pm (15 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:15 pm (15 min)	<u>Signing Ceremony for Civil Rights Legislation (S. 1745)</u> (McClure) (TAB C)	Rose Garden <i>Open</i>
1:30 pm (60 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Sununu)	Oval Office
2:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
3:00 pm (5 min)	<u>Phone Call to Kick Off Event WISCONSIN 2000</u> (Demarest) (Distributed Separately)	Oval Office

UNP 11/20/91
5:00 pm



3:05 pm
(55 min)

Personal Staff Time

Oval Office

4:00 pm
(30 min)

Administrative Time

Oval Office

4:30 pm
(45 min)

Haircut

West Basement

6:20 pm

The President and Mrs. Bush
depart for RNC Chairman's
Advisory Board Dinner at the
Four Seasons Hotel
(Kaufman)

South Lawn

(TAB D)

7:20 pm

Arrive White House

South Lawn

7:07 POTUS In
7:19 Sununu In
7:31 Sununu Out
8:00 Scowcroft, Gates, (b)(3) In
8:02 Gray, Sununu, McClure, Porter In
8:04 VPOTUS In
8:09 VPOTUS, Gray, McClure, Porter Out
8:15 Gates Out
8:17 Sununu Out
8:19 Sununu In
8:29 (b)(3) Out
8:34 VPOTUS In
8:43 Scowcroft Out
8:44 VPOTUS Out
8:45 VPOTUS In
8:50 Fitzwater In
8:59 Sununu Out
9:14 Fitzwater Out, VPOTUS Out
9:15 Sununu, Symms In
9:25 Sununu, Sen. Symms Out
9:27 Corman, Porter, In
9:29 Sununu In
9:33 VPOTUS In
9:45 Card In
9:51 Corman, VPOTUS, Porter
Card, Sununu, Out
9:54 Duck Stamp In
9:57 Duck Stamp Out
9:59 POTUS departs Oval
10:03 POTUS arrives 459. Joined by
Mrs. Bush

10:17 Mrs. Bush Departs
10:36 POTUS Departs 459 OEOB
10:40 POTUS In
11:26 Demarest In
11:31 Demarest Out
11:34 Scowcroft In
12:03 Demarest, Fitzwater In
12:04 Scowcroft Out
12:05 Fitzwater Out
12:08 Fitzwater In Gray In
12:09 Sununu In
12:10 Demarest Out
12:12 VPOTUS In
12:15 Fitzwater Out
12:16 Sununu, Gray Out
12:25 Fitzwater In
12:28 Fitzwater Out
1:07 VPOTUS Out
1:15 VPOTUS In
1:19 POTUS, VPOTUS Out to Rose Garden
1:29 POTUS, McClure In
1:30 McClure Out / 1:30 Phil Brady In
1:31 Art Fletcher, Connie Derman In
1:32 Sen. Dole, Sen. Hatch In
1:33 Sununu In / 1:35 Brady Out
1:37 Sen. Dole ~~Out~~
Sen. Hatch Out ~~Out~~
1:40 Sununu In
1:50 Art Fletcher, Connie Derman Out
1:51 Boskin In

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Newman

2:05 Sununu Out
2:06 Card In
2:35 Card, Boskin Out
3:11 POTUS Out to South Grounds for a walk
w/ the Dogs.
3:20 POTUS In
3:35 Gray, Card In
3:30 Fitzwater In
3:36 Fitzwater Out
3:42 Card, Gray Out

4:20 Firestone In
4:29 Firestone Out
4:31 POTUS Out to Haircut
4:57 POTUS In
5:05 Card In
5:15 Fitzwater In
5:54 Card, Fitzwater Out
6:05 ? POTUS to Res.
See Tab "D" for Evening Event

PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Washington, D.C.

DATE 21 November 1991

TIME	MOVEMENTS
0707	Oval Office
1001	Room 450, Old Executive Office Building
1039	Oval Office
1511	South Grounds
1520	Oval Office
1630	Barbershop
1657	Oval Office
1745	South Grounds
1747	Residence
1814	South Grounds
1815	Depart South Grounds via Motorcade
1819	Arrive Four Seasons Hotel
1916	Depart Four Seasons Hotel via Motorcade
1920	Arrive North Grounds
1921	Residence

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

PRESIDENT BUSH

NOVEMBER 21

, 1991

	TIME		NAME	ACTION
	PLACED	DISC		
OUT	10:56 AM	11:01	MR. PHILLIP D. BRADY OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-456-2705	TLKD-OK 10:59 A.M.
~~INC~~	~~PM~~			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	11:20 AM	11:40	MR. DAVID F. DEMAREST, JR. OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 696	TLKD-OK 11:39 A.M.
~~INC~~	~~PM~~			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~PM~~		MR. DAVID F. DEMAREST, JR. OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 696	MRS. PATRICIA A. PRESOCK CA. 12:01 P.M. POTUS SAW DAVE
~~INC~~	~~PM~~			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~PM~~		MR. C. BOYDEN GRAY OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 765	TLKD-OK 12:03
~~INC~~	~~PM~~			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~PM~~		MR. FREDERICK C. McCLURE WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 930	TLKD-OK 12:28 P.M.
~~INC~~	~~PM~~			
OUT	AM			
INC	PM			
OUT	~~PM~~		CONGRESSMAN DANIEL ROSTENKOWSKI OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-225-3628	TLKD WITH MRS. PATRICIA A. PRESOCK 1:48 P.M.
INC	PM			

POTUS RETD CALL
11/22 7:45 a.m. - l.w.

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	TIME		DISC	NAME	ACTION
	PLACED				
OUT		~~AM~~		MR. FREDERICK D. McCLURE OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 609	TLKD-OK 2:36 P.M.
~~INC~~	2:36	PM	2:42		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		SENATOR TED STEVENS OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-224-4269	TLKD-OK 2:57 P.M.
~~INC~~	2:42	PM	3:01		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		MR. RONALD C. KAUFMAN OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-456-2135	TLKD-OK 5:01 P.M.
~~INC~~	5:00	PM	5:03		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		CONGRESSMAN G.V. MONTGOMERY OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. 202-225-5031	NOT AVAILABLE. TALKED FRIDAY 7:25 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
INC	6:42	PM			
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		MR. MAX MARLIN FITZWATER OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 700	TLKD-OK 7:36 P.M.
~~INC~~	7:35	PM	7:42		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
~~OUT~~		~~AM~~		MR. JOHN E. BUSH	
INC	7:43	PM	8:01	(b)(6)	TLKD-OK 7:44 P.M.

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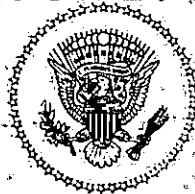
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	PLACED				
OUT		~~AM~~		MAJOR KIMBERLY A. SINISCALCHI OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 797	TLKD-OK 8:02 P.M.
~~INC~~	8:02	PM	8:02		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		MR. MARVIN BUSH (b)(6)	TLKD-OK 8:12 P.M.
~~INC~~	8:11	PM	8:15		
OUT		AM			
INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		MR. GEORGE W. BUSH (b)(6)	TLKD-OK 8:57 P.M.
~~INC~~	8:21	PM	9:02		
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INC		PM			
OUT		~~AM~~		WHITE HOUSE MEDICAL UNIT OFC: WASHINGTON, D.C. WHITE HOUSE ADMIN. EXT. 797	TLKD-OK WITH MAJOR KIMBERLY A. SINISCALCHI 8:35 P.M.
~~INC~~	8:35	PM	8:35		
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WASHINGTON

SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

[illegible]

Presidential Phone Calls



DATE: 11-21-91

TIME: 7¹⁰ AM
incoming/outgoing

WITH: Rep. Montgomery

SUBJECT: _____

thank for calling in

Does gall tract sent for N.B. Hosp.

Wrap up session by Tuesday

probably send HHS bill
back clear - Natchez wants
to

FOLLOW UP: _____

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On Duty, R 3 call 20.5

give for tests up that the One.

the likes personally with ~~the~~ One.

the One is being trying

wait if he comes to the One

Breakfast not yet, the

was in response to call from

Senior One -

2) also give the that looking

3) about Kelly Super

11/21/91
11:45 a.m.

INCOMING PHONE CALL FROM NICK BRADY

TALKED - 11:45 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

Patty Presock

Presidential Phone Calls



DATE: 11-21-91

TIME: 11:55
incoming/outgoing

WITH: Morris Abramson - in Turkey
USIS

SUBJECT:

1) Prepared Statement on Civ.
Rts. Bill

2) I request respect &
quotas as other side of
discrimination

Im vs. Race Preference → 11

Don't want Rt. Wing of Party
to fight you the

FOLLOW UP:

Statement should

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11/21/91
12:15 p.m.

INCOMING PHONE CALL FROM CARDINAL LAW

RE: His fax to us re Haitian problem.

Will be releasing his letter to the President to the press today.

He said he would wait 2 hours -- in the event the Governor would like to call to discuss this.

He knows we won't agree w/ his points raised in his letter, but even the "best of friends disagree sometime."

Patty Presock

passed this on to: John Sununu (for further action if necessary)
and Phil Brady

Wednesday
November 21

✓ Reminder - Call Senator Ted Stevens
~~Fred McClure would like to talk to you first.~~

2. ✓ Connie Newman - wants to talk to you personally re:
Ambassadorship to South Africa
Andy Card will brief you.

*Done
in pm
130 11-21*

Patty Presock

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Presidential Phone Calls



DATE:

11-21

TIME:

2 40/

incoming/outgoing

WITH:

Sen Stevens

SUBJECT:

Hill invites Terry
Walter to Prep B'st
his wife

I agree to see Walter

FOLLOW UP:

P/R2 advise Kathy Saper

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9:10 a.m.

Mr. President

Secretary Baker would like to talk
to you SECURE when you are free.
If you can call before the Domestic Update
mtg. thatwould be great.

Patty Presock

Rose FYI

From: Jane Leonard

Document Originally
Attached to
Following Page

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Got him
31 NOV 20 P6:07 on schedule*

NOVEMBER 21, 1991

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: GOVERNOR TOMMY THOMPSON (R), GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN.

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 1991

LOCATION: VIA TELEPHONE TO BRADFORD HIGH SCHOOL, KENOSHA, WISCONSIN.

TIME: 3:00 P.M. EST.

RECOMMENDED BY: DAVID DEMAREST
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
FOR COMMUNICATIONS

LEIGH ANN METZGER
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
FOR PUBLIC LIAISON

JANE BARNETT LEONARD
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF PUBLIC LIAISON

PURPOSE: For you to congratulate the participants in the WISCONSIN 2000 kickoff for their dedication to AMERICA 2000.

To applaud Governor Tommy Thompson (R) for his efforts to make education reform a reality in Wisconsin.

To encourage Wisconsin communities to keep you informed of the progress they make towards achieving educational excellence.

BACKGROUND: On November 21, 1991, Wisconsin will become the 24th state to declare itself a State 2000. On that date, approximately 500 leaders, students and citizens will gather at Bedford High School to kickoff WISCONSIN 2000. By talking with Governor Tommy Thompson (R), you will have the opportunity to thank all of the participants for accepting the challenge to help communities reach the National Education Goals by the year 2000. Your conversation will be heard by all those present at the ceremony.

TOPICS OF
DISCUSSION:

1. Tommy (Thompson), I wanted to call with congratulations to you and all those assembled at Bradford High School today. WISCONSIN 2000 is a terrific contribution to the momentum of education reform.
2. Lamar Alexander tells me that there is great enthusiasm all across Wisconsin to take up our AMERICA 2000 challenge. He should know, he's been on the road all across the country as AMERICA 2000 Communities begin their work.
3. How's the day going?
4. Today Wisconsin is showing the country how education reform can happen at the local level, school by school, community by community.
5. Your AMERICA 2000 effort offers a way for the whole community to pull together to help all students learn. I'm impressed with what you are doing and urge everyone in Wisconsin to join this great crusade for our kids.
6. Tommy, would you do me one more favor? Give Lamar a homework assignment. Tell him that his boss wants regular reports on how all of your WISCONSIN 2000 communities are doing. We want to be right there with you as we all work toward reaching our six National Education Goals by the year 2000.
7. Good luck and godspeed.

PARTICIPANTS:

Secretary Alexander
Governor Tommy Thompson (R)
Herbert Grover, State Superintendent
of Public Instruction
Approximately 500 invited Wisconsin
leaders, students and citizens.

CONTACT PERSON AND
TELEPHONE NUMBER:

Governor Tommy Thompson (R).
(414) 653-7417

DATE OF SUBMISSION:

Wednesday, November 20, 1991.

MEDIA COVERAGE:

Still photographers.

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*Dr. Grover
School Board*

Today Wisconsin is showing the country how education reform can happen at the local level, school by school, community by community.

Your AMERICA 2000 effort offers a way for the whole community to pull together to help all students learn. I'm impressed with what you are doing and urge everyone in Wisconsin to join this great crusade for our kids.

Tommy, would you do me one more favor? Give Lamar a homework assignment. Tell him that his boss wants regular reports on how all of your WISCONSIN 2000 communities are doing. We want to be right there with you as we all work toward reaching our six National Education Goals by the year 2000.

Good luck and godspeed.

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NATIONAL NEWS

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NETWORK NEWS (Wednesday evening)

ECONOMY -- The economy is sick and the President doesn't know how to make it better soon.

SOVIET AID -- The White House has announced a plan to help the Soviets get through the winter.

PATRICK BUCHANAN -- The commentator blasted President Bush's policy on foreign aid.

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TEHRAN -- Joseph Cicippio will probably be released next week and all other captives held by Iran's Shiite fundamentalist allies in Lebanon will be freed by the end of the year, authoritative Iranian officials said Wednesday.

In Lebanon, Abbas Musawi, head of Hezbollah, said that the fate of the Western hostages is no longer linked to that of Arabs held by Israel -- a declaration that appeared to remove the last political obstacle to the long-running hostage drama....

Cicippio "stood a better chance" than others of getting released next week, the pro-Iranian Revolutionary Justice Organization said, without elaborating, in a statement from Lebanon quoted by Iran's state news agency....

Giandomenico Picco, the special Middle East envoy of Secretary General Perez de Cuellar, is expected to return to the region next week to supervise the final release of the hostages, Iranian officials said....

The Tehran Times newspaper published an editorial Wednesday titled "Consigning the Hostage Saga to History" that sharply criticized the methods used by Iran's Shiite allies in Lebanon.

"Whatever justification Lebanese groups may have had for their retaliatory action or even if those taken captive were using their position in the country as a front for clandestine operations, hostage-taking itself has to be condemned on humanitarian grounds, as the Islamic republic has consistently done," the editorial said.

(William Drozdiak, Washington Post, A44)

HOSTAGE DECISION WORRIES ISRAEL

JERUSALEM -- The decision by Iranian-backed Shiite groups in Lebanon to drop the link between the remaining Western hostages and other captives in the Middle East has raised serious concerns here that Israel will lose its best chance of rescuing missing airman Ron Arad....

"It gives us less room to maneuver," said an Israeli official who asked not to be named. "It's a cause for concern."

(Jackson Diehl, Washington Post, A43)

MIDEAST DIPLOMACY GETTING BACK INTO GEAR

After a two-week hiatus, Middle East peace diplomacy is shifting back into high gear with an expected announcement in the next few days of a second round of Arab-Israeli negotiations.

Diplomats expect the three sets of direct talks to resume in or near Washington in the first week of December.

U.S. officials are keeping quiet, though one senior official said Wednesday the announcement would come "very soon."

(Alan Elsner, Reuter)

SHAMIR TELLS SUPPORTERS HE FEARS U.S. WILL FAVOR ARABS

BOSTON -- Prime Minister Shamir said Wednesday he harbors "fears" about whether the U.S. will act objectively during the peace talks between Israel and its Arab neighbors. "It is one of the most important questions we are asking ourselves and our American friends," Shamir told journalists during a breakfast meeting. "According to the accepted rules, they have to be honest brokers and only honest brokers. They have to be objective mediators without any attempt or any effort to impose their specific views on the process and on the results of the negotiations." (Jonathan Kaufman & Adam Pertman, Boston Globe)

POLL FINDS DISAGREEMENT WITH SHAMIR

A significant number of American Jewish community leaders strongly disagree with Israel's unwillingness to seek a Middle East peace settlement that would be based on giving up Israeli-occupied territory, according to a survey made public Wednesday. The survey covers the views of 205 of the more than 300 officers and board members of the Council of Jewish Federations.... A large majority endorsed a freeze on settlements in exchange for U.S. loan guarantees. (John Goshko, Washington Post, A45)

REPORT: JIBRIL'S GROUP IMPLICATED IN PAN AM BOMBING

JERUSALEM -- Israeli television said Wednesday night that U.S. investigators of the 1988 Pan Am bombing have found evidence implicating a Syrian-backed Palestinian group but have declined to make their findings public.... Israeli television said U.S. investigators have discovered "incriminating evidence" that the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestinian-General Command, led by Ahmed Jibril, also was linked to the attack. "This information was transferred several days ago by a U.S. Administration representative to a representative of the Israeli government," the report said. (AP)

FLIGHT 103 RELATIVES PUSH FOR SANCTIONS

About 150 relatives of the victims of Pan Am Flight 103 urged federal officials Wednesday to impose stiff economic sanctions on Libya and to continue to press for "the full story" behind the 1988 midair bombing. At one point during the closed-door meeting at the State Department, several relatives said a widow in the group scolded remarks last week by President Bush that seemed to exonerate Syria from involvement in the terrorist conspiracy. The complaint drew a heated response from Deputy Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger who, the relatives said, declared that he didn't appreciate people calling the President or himself "liars."... "Some families were offended" by Bush's statement, said Paul Hudson, president of the Families of Pan Am 103/Lockerbie. "Some of the families feel that Iran and Syria were involved, no matter what the government says." According to Hudson, Eagleburger added that what Bush meant was simply to say there is no hard evidence at this point tying Syria to the attack.

(George Lardner, Washington Post, A36)

U.S. DEFENDS POLICY TOWARD SYRIA

The Bush Administration said Wednesday it had no immediate plans to remove Syria from its list of terrorist states and insisted that absolving Damascus of the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jet was not politically motivated. "There is no imminent decision in this respect," Assistant Secretary Edward Djerejian said of the possibility of removing Syria from the list of states sponsoring terrorism. (Carol Giacomo, Reuter)

IRAN, U.S. ARE SETTLING A COMPENSATION ISSUE

The U.S. and Iran are nearing final agreement on compensation of about \$275 million to Tehran for undelivered Iranian-owned, American-made military equipment dating from before Iran's 1979 revolution, State Department officials said. The agreement is expected to be signed within the next two weeks at the Hague, barring any unexpected new demand from the Iranian side.

(Elaine Sciolino, New York Times, A1)

BUSH APPROVES \$1.5 BILLION MORE SOVIET FOOD AID

President Bush approved \$1.5 billion in additional food aid to the Soviet Union Wednesday, as several influential senators called for a broader U.S. program geared to the destruction of Soviet nuclear weapons. Most of the new U.S. aid will be in the form of credit guarantees for the purchase of grain used in feeding livestock and poultry. The White House said the new assistance, which will be released in four installments between now and next April, brings total U.S. food assistance allocated to the Soviet Union this year to \$4 billion. In addition to the credits, \$165 million in food will be provided to hard-hit regions this winter, including Armenia and the Urals region of the Russian republic.... On Capitol Hill, Sens. Boren and Lugar unveiled a bipartisan effort to provide funds from the U.S. defense budget to assist the Soviet Union especially in dismantling and destroying its nuclear arsenals.... Senate sources said discussions are underway with Brent Scowcroft and others in the Administration about the need for a broader plan of emergency assistance. Scowcroft was described by these sources as hesitant about an initiative that could subject President Bush to renewed political criticism that he is giving greater priority to overseas problems.

(Dan Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A34)

U.S. Offers Soviets \$1.25 Billion In Food Credits

...U.S. farm and commodity organizations generally praised the aid plan, but some said it fell short. "Farmers would have preferred a larger package, but the size of the aid package was undoubtedly influenced by concerns over creditworthiness," Dan Kleckner, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, said in a statement.... Sen. Leahy criticized Bush's plan as "deceptive, short-sighted and expensive" because he said the Soviet Union will not be able to repay the loans. "American taxpayers are already spending billions of dollars to cover the losses of failed savings and loans," Leahy said. "They should not have to spend billions more to cover the losses on commercial loans that the Soviets cannot repay." (Vicki Allen, Reuter)

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SOVIET REPUBLICS, G-7 CAN'T AGREE; LOAN TALKS CONTINUE

MOSCOW -- Soviet republics failed Wednesday to reach agreement with the G-7 on terms attached to a vital Western aid package and said they would enter an unscheduled fourth day of negotiations.

(Reuter, Washington Times, A8)

YELTSIN ASKS RUSSIANS FOR SUPPORT IN HARD TIMES

MOSCOW -- President Yeltsin, in an emotional and personal televised appeal from his office Wednesday night, asked the Russian people to support him and his program of economic reform during what he said would be difficult months ahead....

"If it fails, we will all go," Yeltsin said, staring into the camera at the close of the informal television interview. "This is our last chance and we need to use it boldly."

(Fred Hiatt, Washington Post, A35)

SOVIET ARMY SAYS IT WILL DEFEND ITSELF

MOSCOW -- The Soviet army is prepared to defend its equipment and installations -- by force, if necessary -- against attacks from independence-minded republics, a military spokesman said in an interview Wednesday.

Lt. Gen. Valery Manilov, chief of information for the Soviet Defense Ministry, said his ministry and the Interior Ministry jointly have warned the republics not to try to seize Soviet military property. Such attempts "cannot be tolerated any longer," the ministries said.

(Fred Hiatt, Washington Post, A33)

CROATIAN LEADERS LASH OUT AT EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

ZAGREB -- Leaders of the Croatian government lashed out bitterly at the E.C. Wednesday for failing to control the civil war engulfing Yugoslavia and said they hope the U.N. or the U.S. will take over the effort.

"Europe wasn't up to the situation, either as a civilization or through its mechanisms," the Croatian vice premier, Mato Granic, said at a briefing two days after the fall of Vukovar....

Branko Salaj, Croatia's minister for information, said in an interview that U.S. Ambassador Warren Zimmerman reaffirmed that the U.S. would not recognize territorial changes forced on Croatia by the national army. After meeting with Zimmerman and U.N. envoy Cyrus Vance, he said there seemed to be little chance of U.S. intervention, but "prospects are relatively bright that the U.N. might come."

(Charles Radin, Boston Globe)

ALBANIAN LEADER URGES U.S. INVESTMENT, TOURISM

Prime Minister Buqi declared Wednesday that his long-isolated country is eager for American investment and tourism....

Buqi is here not only to drum up business but also to urge direct U.S. involvement in ending the civil war in Yugoslavia. In a meeting with Washington Post editors, Buqi said he believes a direct U.S. role is necessary because the E.C. nations are divided about what to do.

(A.D. Horne, Washington Post, A36)

BUSH DEFENDS POLICY ON RETURN OF HAITIANS

President Bush Wednesday said he saw no reason to change his policy of sending Haitian boat people back to their chaos-ridden country, despite mounting congressional criticism of the decision.

Bush said those who could substantiate their claims for political asylum were being admitted to the U.S. But, he said, accepting more refugees would encourage thousands of others to make the dangerous journey....

Coast Guard officials said that as of Wednesday afternoon, 2,819 Haitians had been intercepted at sea. Of that, nearly 1,800 remained on Coast Guard ships. (Al Kamen, Washington Post, A40)

Bush Defends Policy On Haiti

President Bush Wednesday defended the U.S. policy of returning Haitian refugees to their poverty-stricken country as a lifesaving procedure, but members of Congress blasted it as racist and unfair.

(Carleton Bryant, Washington Times)

BUSH OFFICIALS CONFRONTED OVER HAITIAN REFUGEE POLICY

As the fate of more than 2,000 Haitian refugees remains unresolved, lawmakers and refugee advocates confronted Bush Administration officials at an impassioned hearing Wednesday....

"We have suspended aid, stopped oil shipments and frozen assets, but you say when it comes to people in a life-threatening situation, we can't suspend the law, we can't make an exception?" Rep. Kopetski said, challenging a row of State Department, Coast Guard and immigration officials. (Pamela Constable, Boston Globe)

BUSH RESCHEDULES TRIP TO FAR EAST

President Bush's on-again, off-again trip to Asia and Australia is back on.

The trip is now scheduled to begin Dec. 30. Bush is to spend Dec. 31-Jan. 3 in Australia, Jan. 3-5 in Singapore, Jan. 5-7 in South Korea and Jan. 7-10 in Japan. (Washington Post, A4)

Japan Hails Rescheduling Of Bush's Trip

TOKYO -- Prime Minister Miyazawa Tuesday hailed the rescheduling of President Bush's trip to Japan, adding he hopes to ensure closer relations between the two countries over the next 50 years....

"Fortunately, we have a common sense of values," Miyazawa said. "Looking back on the last 50 years, I would like to ensure that we are able to deepen our friendship in the next 50 years."...

In Canberra, Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke also welcomed word of Bush's rescheduled tour and his stop in Australia....

"President Bush's visit to Australia and to the Asia-Pacific region will provide an important opportunity for the President to reaffirm and redefine the U.S. role in our region, in the wake of the dramatic global events in which he has played such a momentous part," Hawke said in a statement. (UPI)

U.S. TROOP CUT HALTED OVER N. KOREA ARMS

SEOUL -- U.S. and North Korean officials, acting on evidence that North Korea is close to developing a nuclear bomb, are expected to announce here Thursday that they are postponing a planned reduction in U.S. troops in South Korea, according to a senior U.S. official.

The decision, to be announced by Secretary Cheney and South Korean Defense Minister Lee Jong Koo, marks a significant escalation in the U.S.-led campaign to force North Korea to open its nuclear facilities to international inspections and abandon its nuclear ambitions.

"Obviously the postponement would be based on our extreme concern about the North Korean nuclear program and the threat that poses to the region," the official said. "At a time when North Korea appears to be making progress in weapons development, we think it would send the wrong signal for us to continue with our planned reductions." (John Lancaster, Washington Post, A33)

SEOUL VETOES FORCE IN NUCLEAR DISPUTE

SEOUL -- South Korean military leaders told the U.S. Wednesday they oppose the use of force against North Korea if it refuses to permit international nuclear inspections.

But the South Koreans agreed to consider various options, including a sea blockade, economic sanctions, additional satellite intelligence gathering and provocative "spy flights" by reconnaissance aircraft, according to the state-run Yonhap news agency. (Michael Breen, Washington Times, A9)

NORTH KOREA AGREES IN PRINCIPLE ON BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS

SEOUL -- Communist North Korea agreed in principle Wednesday to a call to rid the Korean peninsula of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, government sources said....

Sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, cautioned that it was premature to expect North Korea to bow to world pressure and open its nuclear facilities to international inspection. But one said tentative agreement could lead to future negotiations.

(Paul Shin, AP)

CARLA HILLS: TOO CUTTING FOR KOREANS

SEOUL -- Korean cartoonists label her "Calnal" -- a play on her first name and a word meaning "sharp blade." It is not a term of endearment. Ambassador Carla Hills is much disliked in South Korea, and by the time she left here last week after a four-day visit, she was the target of even more sharp language.

Hill told the Koreans quite a few things they didn't want to hear. She made clear that the U.S. thinks the time is drawing close for Seoul to drop its longstanding prohibition on rice imports....

"I could find you 75 people in the White House who don't know who Carla Hills is. But in Seoul, she's famous," said Torie Clarke, Hill's spokeswoman, adding philosophically: "Someone's got to be the bad cop." (Paul Blustein, Washington Post, B11)

BAKER TRIP FAILS TO CHANGE U.S. MINDS

Secretary Baker's mission to China did little to change minds on Capitol Hill, congressional sources say. As Baker began the second of three days of secret briefings for congressmen Wednesday, the balance remained intact between those lawmakers who would keep Washington closely engaged with Beijing and those who would grant trade benefits only in exchange for reform. A senior official said Baker is telling lawmakers "what he got and what he didn't get" in Beijing and making the case he secured enough progress that additional action by Congress is unnecessary.

(Gus Constantine & Warren Strobel, Washington Times, A8)

CHINESE FREED AFTER 4-DAY DETENTION

BEIJING -- A prominent Chinese dissident was released Wednesday after she was abducted by police and held for four days in a distant rest home to prevent her from meeting with a U.S. human rights official traveling with Secretary Baker. Dai Qing said she was abducted following an abortive attempt by her state-run newspaper to trick her into taking a spurious out-of-town reporting assignment.

(Lena Sun, Washington Post, A46)

'STEALTH' FIGHTER PRODUCTION REJECTED

The Air Force has finally won its battle to prevent reopening of the production line on Lockheed's F-117A fighter. The F-117A went down to defeat in the House and Senate Appropriations committees, which rejected an earlier agreement between the Armed Services committees to buy 12 more of the radar-evading jets, with first-year funding of \$560 million.

("Short Takes," Washington Post, A21)

**SENATORS ASK BUSH TO LOOK INTO
PROPOSED SALE OF AIRCRAFT BUSINESS**

Thirty Democratic senators have asked President Bush to look into the proposed sale of up to 40 percent of McDonnell Douglas Corp.'s commercial aircraft business to a Taiwanese company. In a letter drafted by Sen. Bingaman, the senators expressed "grave doubts" that the sale was in the nation's best interest.... Sen. Exon said Bush should block the deal. "I don't like it at all," Exon said. "I am concerned about the potential loss of American jobs, as well as questions of technology transfer.

(Bob Adams & Robert Koenig, St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

**U.S.-MEXICO LEADERS SAY FREE TRADE AGREEMENT
COULD HELP ECONOMIC RECOVERY**

SAN DIEGO -- The North American Free Trade Agreement might well be one of the few forces that will create jobs for the millions of Americans being put out of work by the current recession, says Rodman Rockefeller, co-chairman of the Mexico-U.S. Business Committee.... "The U.S. economy is in a cyclical downturn. It needs a shot in the arm. In looking at where that is going to come from, most economists...are saying that the N.A.F.T.A. might be the shot in the arm," he said.

(Diane Lindquist, Copley)

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BUSH SAYS DEMOCRATS BETTER AT 'CARPING' THAN PASSING BILLS

President Bush, facing a torrent of criticism from Democrats over his domestic policies, is accusing Congress of "crying and carping" about him while neglecting bills he considers vital to economic recovery.

"Our opponents seem to pile on and busy themselves with what I really do believe are cheap shots," Bush said Wednesday night at a \$1,000-a-plate fund-raiser for his reelection campaign that raised \$1.2 million. (Laurence McQuillan, Reuter)

Bush Complains Of Political Criticism From Democrats Over Economy

President Bush, acknowledging the sting of partisan criticism, said Wednesday the Democratic-led Congress must share responsibility with him for the lackluster performance of the nation's economy. In what amounted to an electronic press conference with news anchors at six television stations owned by NBC, Bush complained he was "under fire every day" from the six major Democratic presidential candidates and Democrats in Congress who are calling for "a lot of old tired ideas that have been tried and failed."

(Benjamin Shore, Copley)

Bush Fires New Attack At Democrats

President Bush, boosting his campaign treasury by another \$1.2 million in a night's work, fired a fresh round of criticism at Democrats, saying their main goal is to "go out and knock the hell out of the President every single day."...

The \$5 million-plus bankroll that Bush and Quayle enjoy at this early stage is more than all of the Democratic hopefuls have combined. The major Democratic candidates together had raised just \$2.1 million through Sept. 30, according to reports filed with the FEC.... "The Republicans are sort of like the bully who flexes his muscle. It doesn't mean he's really the toughest guy in town," said Peggy Connolly, spokeswoman for Paul Tsongas. "Money is an important factor, but I think the sentiment of voters is such that money isn't going to buy anyone." (Karen Ball, AP)

BUSH TAKE AIM AT TOUGHEST FOE -- 'SLUGGISH ECONOMY'

President Bush moved Wednesday to retake the political offensive on "an unacceptably sluggish economy" that is sapping his popularity and argued he could spark a depression by sounding too pessimistic. "So I'm trying to say, 'Look, we're in tough times. They're going to get better,'" Bush said in one of six interviews with NBC stations.... He defended John Sununu against new reports of discord but conceded that the Bush family privately call him "Nunu."

"I do. My boys do, and do it with affection and have since 1988 when he had a large part in my being elected," Bush said.

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A4)

CLINTON HITS BOTH GOP, DEMOCRATS ON ECONOMY

Criticizing Republican presidents and the Democratic Congress for the state of America's economy, Gov. Clinton said Wednesday the nation must move "in a radically different direction" to meet global competition of the 1990s.

In a speech at Georgetown University, Clinton outlined a series of short-term steps to end the recession, but said much more needs to be done to rescue the economy from a downward spiral....

Clinton said Republicans "stacked the odds" in favor of the rich during the 1980s and forgot the middle class "who elected them in the first place."

(Dan Balz, Washington Post, A4)

DEMOCRATS SAY BUSH ADMINISTRATION IGNORING RURAL RECESSION

Senate Democrats accused the Bush Administration Wednesday of sabotaging programs that could help break the recession's hold on rural America....

"Things are not healthy and strong," said Sen. Conrad. "We're going in the wrong direction and virtually nothing is being done about it."...

According to Sen. Leahy, many of the programs passed by Congress to create jobs in rural America are on hold and awaiting money from U.S.D.A.

"Unfortunately, while we were waiting for the Administration to join us in an effort to invest in rural America's future, the economy of rural America has gotten much worse very quickly," Leahy said.... "There is a jobs crisis in rural America right now," Leahy said. "The Administration should cut through the bureaucratic red tape that slows the delivery of federal assistance to communities and businesses."

(Jennifer Dixon, AP)

BUSINESS ECONOMISTS SEE NO NEW RECESSION

Despite gloomy economic reports, top business economists believe a new recession will be avoided although the recovery will be subdued, according to a report released Thursday. "Despite recent disappointing economic news, most forecasters still feel that a recovery is underway," the National Association of Business Economists said in a summary of its early November report. But the consensus view of the 45 economists is that the GNP will grow just 2.0 percent at an annual rate in the current quarter, slower than the 2.8 percent advance projected in a similar poll in August.

(John McClain, AP)

WORRIED AMERICANS LIKE TAX CUT PLAN

...An AP poll taken between Friday and Tuesday found that two in three Americans say the economy is getting worse, but they think the government can help. Of three proposals for changes to help the nation's economy, the most popular is a cut in federal taxes paid by middle-income Americans, which 79 percent of those polled said they want. A cut in capital gains taxes paid by investors has 41 percent support, with 40 percent opposed and 19 percent unsure. Cuts in interest rates appeal to 76 percent, with 17 percent opposed and 7 percent uncertain.

(Combined reports, Washington Times, C1)

WINGING ONE ON ECONOMICS

As President Bush was flying to New York last week, John Sununu decided to wing it himself, inserting a few words into the text of the President's speech about wanting lower interest rates on credit card purchases, bypassing the usual process for approving presidential policy statements....

The improvisational nature of Bush's remarks on credit card interest rates underscored the apparent lack of direction in the Administration's response to the stagnant economy and the lack of a broad, guiding policy on the issue.

"This is a disaster," said an Administration official. "It sends a clear signal to the financial world that we do not know what we are doing here. Now, you can fight over policy prescriptions and you can still win because you are in charge. But you can't look like you don't know what the...you are doing."

"Bush has very few convictions," said William Niskanen, a free-market economist who had advised President Reagan and is now at the Cato Institute. "The problem with Bush is that he approaches every issue as though there were no rules. If his positions are not consistent, that doesn't bother him much because he doesn't have any strong views."

(News Analysis, John Yang & Ann Devroy, Washington Post, A1)

BANKING REFORM BILL GOES TO HOUSE, SENATE TODAY
Several Key Republicans Urge Delay

The Bush Administration will try again today to get a banking reform package through Congress, but the measure faces an uncertain welcome in both the House and Senate by members of the President's own party.

The White House still hopes that before it adjourns, Congress can pass legislation that will not only rescue the FDIC with a \$70 billion loan from the taxpayers but also bolster the nation's ailing banks by permitting interstate banking and improving bank regulation....

Sen. Dole is urging the upper house to give up on rewriting banking laws this year and asking it to settle for replenishing the FDIC.

(Jerry Knight, Washington Post, A20)

BANKING COMMITTEE APPROVES \$80 BILLION FOR S&L BAILOUT

The House Banking Committee voted 27-25 Wednesday to provide the S&L bailout program with as much as another \$80 billion.

But the bill contains what Republicans said was a provision sure to draw a presidential veto.

It provides \$20 billion in bailout funding immediately but would provide an additional \$60 billion only if President Bush and congressional leaders agree on spending cuts in other programs to offset the bailout money.

The Administration fears that would derail the S&L rescue and destroy last year's budget accord.

(Dave Skidmore, AP)

HOUSE VOTES TO FIX DISPARITIES IN UNEMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION

"This is a terrible way to write trade legislation and it's a ridiculous way to write unemployment legislation," Rep. Archer said of Wednesday's vote fixing the nasty glitch in the legislation extending benefits for the jobless.

But fix it up they did. Using foreign trade legislation as a vehicle, the House voted 407-21 Wednesday to go along with the Senate in beefing up a package of extended unemployment benefits to satisfy 23 states that claimed they were shortchanged.

("Short Takes," Washington Post, A21)

D.O.T. INCREASES PRESSURE, SAYS**106,000 JOBS COULD BE LOST WITHOUT ROAD BILL**

About 106,000 jobs around the country could be lost by year's end if Congress doesn't act quickly to restore the flow of federal highway and transit money to the states, the Bush Administration projects....

The America Association of Highway and Transportation Officials projects a loss of 409,000 jobs throughout the economy if highway spending is not quickly restored....

Tom Larson, head of the Federal Highway Administration, said his agency estimates worst-case job losses in the 600,000 range if spending authority is not restored soon. (Lawrence Knutson, AP)

NOV. HOUSING CONSTRUCTION JUMPED 7.3 PCT. IN U.S.

Housing construction nationwide, spurred by a sharp increase in apartment building, surged 7.3 percent last month, leaving economists and other analysts cautiously optimistic about the prospects for this important sector of the economy next year.

"It's an encouraging report, but all of us would like to see sustained improvement" before drawing any firm conclusions, said Mark Obrinsky, senior economist at the Federal National Mortgage Association. (Albert Crenshaw, Washington Post, B11)4

BUSH SETS ROSE GARDEN CEREMONY TO SIGN RIGHTS BILL

President Bush, who last year became only the third U.S. president in history to veto a civil rights bill, arranged a Rose Garden ceremony for Thursday to sign one....

"What is sad is that the President put the nation through two years of unnecessary travail," said Ralph Neas of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. "This is something he could have done two years ago. It is sad he used the quota issue for political reasons." (Thomas Ferraro, UPI)

**BUSH, IN SIGNING RIGHTS BILL,
TO ORDER REVIEW OF FEDERAL HIRING**

President Bush plans to sign a landmark civil rights bill Thursday and at the same time call on federal agencies to review their employment policies to eliminate any trace of quota hiring, a senior Administration official said Wednesday night.

The official said the President's plan was designed to underscore his longstanding dislike of quotas in hiring and promotion....

A purported draft of Bush's statement for the signing ceremony, which circulated in the civil rights community Wednesday night, said the federal Uniform Guidelines on Employment Selection Procedures "among other problems permit and even encourage conduct that is illegal."...

The White House declined to say whether terminating the guidelines were actually part of the statement planned by Bush.

(Rita Beamish, AP)

U.S. Moves To End Hiring Preferences

The White House late Wednesday circulated to federal agencies and departments a sweeping directive that would eliminate all policies that give preferences to women or minorities in hiring or promotion.

Designed to implement the White House interpretation of the Civil Rights Act that the President is to sign Thursday, the directive also would "terminate" the government's 13-year-old Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures....

"The White House is declaring open war on civil rights," said Ralph Neas. (Ann Devroy & Sharon LaFraniere, Washington Post, A1)

**BUSH GETS CONFLICTING ADVICE ON
WHETHER TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN NOW**

With an internal White House debate spilling out in public, President Bush is being urged by some aides to jump at once into the political season, while others are arguing that he should hold off until early next year....

Bush said again Wednesday he will wait until his State of the Union address in January before pushing for new programs....

Secretary Baker is unlikely to trade his diplomatic portfolio for a delegate list unless Bush's campaign is in such disarray that Bush absolutely needs him to win reelection.

"Baker is the ultimate yes-no person," said a White House aide, describing Baker's position in any Bush reelection campaign. "You go to him to get a yes or no, and whatever he says is final."...

"Timing is the most important thing in politics," said a longtime Bush political operative. "He hasn't told anybody who will be on the team. He's thinking this through at his own pace."

(Timothy McNulty, Chicago Tribune)

Bush Ready To Name Campaign Committee Officials

President Bush, tired of being "under fire every day" from Democratic presidential candidates, has stepped up his counterattack and said he will soon name his reelection team....

In a series of television interviews, followed by an address to a Bush-Quayle fund-raiser, the President Wednesday accused the Democratic-controlled Congress of short-circuiting his domestic agenda by blocking key legislation....

The questions to the President focused heavily on the ailing economy. But he rejected its linkage to his reelection chances.

"I think you'll be seeing my coming out with some top people for the campaign quite soon: who to run it, who to support the person running it," he said. "And then the campaign organization will be fleshed out very quickly after that." (Helen Thomas, UPI)

NEW HAMPSHIRE G.O.P. SPLIT ON IMPACT OF BUCHANAN RUN

CONCORD -- If conservative columnist Patrick Buchanan decides to challenge President Bush in the 1992 primary, here's what could make him a genuine threat:

Economic gloom, conservative discontent, the personality of John Sununu and the state's tradition of Republican factional politics, which would do old Kremlinologists proud....

To talk to some New Hampshire Republicans, things are so bad for Bush here that Buchanan would start out with a guaranteed 20 percent of the vote and therefore have a chance to do to Bush what then-Sen. McCarthy did to Lyndon Johnson in 1968....

"I think Mickey Mouse could get 25 to 30 percent of the vote against Bush because of the state of the economy," said Paul Young, a Republican activist who heads the Conservative Political Victory Fund. "Eugene McCarthy's not outside the realm of possibility."...

Gov. Gregg says that Bush is "viewed in a positive light" despite the economic troubles and will be "very strong in New Hampshire." But he bemoans the Bush campaign's lack of organization and says that Bush should have nailed down conservative support much earlier. "Nobody should have the flexibility to sign up with Pat Buchanan," Gregg said. "They should all have been signed with George Bush by now."

(E.J. Dionne, Washington Post, A14)

BUCHANAN SAYS CANDIDACY WOULD BE MORE THAN SYMBOLIC PROTEST

Patrick Buchanan said Wednesday that "White House mites" were trying to link him to David Duke in an effort to keep him from mounting a conservative challenge to President Bush.

Buchanan said that if he does run in GOP primaries next year, it will be more than a symbolic protest from the right....

"The President's problems with conservatives are not the making of Pat Buchanan, they are of his own making," Buchanan said. "Pat Buchanan cannot divide the Republican party, only George Bush can do that." (John King, AP)

BUCHANAN RIPS FOREIGN AID BILL

Patrick Buchanan set the stage for his Republican presidential bid Wednesday by attacking "White House lobbyists and Hill colluders" for trying to pass a \$25 billion foreign aid package without debate -- or a record vote.

In an unusual Capitol Hill news conference, Buchanan said: "The effort planned for later today to ram through the House by voice vote the two-year, \$25 billion foreign aid bill is an affront to the democratic process and a political outrage."

The White House continued to greet Buchanan's expected challenge with public skepticism and shrugged off his charge that the White House has ignored conservatives.

"I think Pat underestimates the value of a performance record," John Sununu said in an interview.

(Paul Bedard, Washington Times, A4)

SENATE CONFIRMS BARR AS ATTORNEY GENERAL

Without a murmur of dissent and only perfunctory debate, the Senate Wednesday confirmed by voice vote the nomination of William Barr as new attorney general....

A smattering of senators praised Barr for about 20 minutes, then confirmed him. (Washington Post, A14)

DEMOCRATS SAY REPUBLICANS STAND IN WAY OF ANTI-CRIME BILL PASSAGE

Comprehensive anti-crime legislation that includes gun control won't pass Congress this year unless Senate Republicans lift procedural roadblocks, Democrats said Wednesday.

With time fast running out before Congress adjourns for the year, Democrats challenged President Bush to pressure members of his own party to drop their objections to further action.

"Where is the President, Mr. Law and Order?" said Rep. Schumer. "All of a sudden, when people in his own party want to hold up a crime bill, he is strangely silent."...

Schumer and Sen. Biden both called on Bush to urge Republican senators to allow appointment of Senate conferees so that final negotiations can take place. (James Rowley, AP)

ANTI-CRIME MEASURE HAS AN 'EVEN SHOT'

Chances for action this year on anti-crime legislation improved Wednesday when GOP senators dropped most of their objections to negotiations aimed at settling differences between House and Senate bills. The talks could begin Thursday, with Democrats commanding a substantial majority.

"I'm an optimist," said Sen. Biden. "I think there's an even shot." (Capital Line, USA Today, 4A)

FAILURE OF ABORTION OVERRIDE SHOWS BUSH STILL HAS THE TOUCH

Despite a perception that the White House has lost its legislative footing lately, President Bush has displayed his political clout again by defeating one of the strongest veto-override efforts of his presidency.... "The President won, but he lost it in another sense," Rep. Porter said.

"When you have 30 percent of the population agreeing with you and two-thirds of them are men, you've got to look at that."

(Major Garrett, Washington Times, A3)

WELD DEFIES BUSH ON ABORTION COUNSELING BAN

BOSTON -- Gov. Weld defied President Bush Wednesday over a ban on abortion counseling at federally funded family planning clinics, promising the state will make up for the loss of any funds cut off under the ban....

"The states have to take up the slack," Weld said at an impromptu news conference. "We're going to look for and find \$3.1 million in state funds to make up for the federal funding that's going to be lost. (Abortion) is a perfectly legal procedure. You can't shut down family planning clinics." (Ken Cafarelli, UPI)

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Issue Tormenting Bush," regarding abortion and the Republican platform, appears in The New York Times, A22.

1990 CLEAN AIR ACT IS WORKING

Air quality got much better in the 1980s, but a serious air pollution problem remains, the EPA said. EPA chief William Reilly said there was "significant progress."

("Nationline," USA Today, 3A)

BUSH NAMES OMB DEPUTY DIRECTOR

President Bush Wednesday announced he is elevating Robert Edward Grady to be deputy director of OMB, succeeding William Diefenderfer.

Bush also announced Henry Edward Hudson to be director of the U.S. Marshals Service. (UPI)

**HOUSE PANEL TO PROBE QUAYLE OVER
AIDE'S POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The House Energy and Commerce subcommittee launched an investigation Wednesday into whether Vice President Quayle acted legally in waiving conflict-of-interest laws for a top aide whose Indiana chemical plant could benefit from changes in clear-air regulations proposed by Quayle's office.

Rep. Waxman wrote to Quayle and the aide, Allan Hubbard, asking them to appear at a Dec. 10 hearing because Hubbard "may have a conflict of interest" in his private and public duties.

(Michael Kranish, Boston Globe)

BARBARA BUSH, SILVER BELLE

Barbara Bush was at Fashion Centre at Pentagon City Wednesday to help the Salvation Army celebrate the 100th anniversary of its kettle campaign. She was one of 100 bell-ringers joining the Salvation Army band in entertaining early holiday shoppers. The campaign's honorary chairwoman, she put some money in the kettle and then bid the troops farewell.

("Personalities," Washington Post, D3)

Mrs. Bush Stirs Red Kettle Drive As Support Rises

Two years ago, Barbara Bush dropped \$10 into a Salvation Army kettle at Mazza Gallerie in the District and urged other shopping centers to support the charity's fund-raising efforts.

That one gesture renewed support for the Salvation Army and made red kettles fashionable again....

"There was a real turnaround when Mrs. Bush came out to make a donation two years ago," a worker in the Salvation Army's Washington office said. (Elisa Williams, Washington Times, C1)

NO QUICK FIXES FOR BUSH HOME

President Bush and Barbara Bush probably won't restore their \$4 million home in Kennebunkport to its former glory, at least not anytime soon....

Mrs. Bush is reported sad, but she's not admitting it. Asked about her loss, she said: "Don't talk like that. It's not as if a person died." (Jessica Lee, USA Today, 4A)

NETWORK NEWS

(Wednesday evening, November 20)

ECONOMY/HOUSING

NBC's Tom Brokaw: The economy is sick, and the President doesn't know how to make it better soon. That was the message out of the White House today, as American consumers continued to hunker down, trying to get through this troubling time. NBC's John Cochran is at the White House tonight, where the troubled economy and the political implications for '92 dominate the agenda.

Cochran: Well-placed sources tell NBC News that the President is privately getting discouraging news about any short-term pickup for the economy, and some of his advisers worry that he will risk his credibility if he sounds overly optimistic. The Christmas shopping season will be a big test. It traditionally does not begin until after Thanksgiving. But already, the White House is bracing for bad news. Some advisers want Bush to be realistic about chances for a quick recovery. But in interviews with NBC-owned stations today, Bush said it is dangerous for him to sound pessimistic.

(President Bush, responding to question from Warner Sanders of NBC affiliate WMAQ in Chicago: "So when I point out that interest rates are low, historically low, or whereas inflation is low, acceptably low, these are good things preparing us for recovery. I don't want to emphasize just the bad things, to talk us into a depression.")

Maybe not, but other Republicans are worried, and they're urging Bush to counter Democratic tax-cut proposals with a Republican plan for tax credits for parents. Today, Bush was urged to keep Congress in town past the Thanksgiving recess.

(Rep. Weber, at congressional news conference: "We think the President should dramatically move to take control of the situation, and call this Congress back into special session, specifically to enact proposals that stimulate this weak economy.") But Bush wants just the opposite. He wants Congress to go home so he can attack it for ignoring his old proposals.

(President Bush, to NBC affiliate: "So I have to get out and make clear, here's a growth package that would have helped this economy, if Congress had moved. Then in the State of the Union, here's some new ideas in a package.")

But a Democrat with eyes on the White House says Bush has no new ideas.

(Gov. Clinton: "If he doesn't have a plan to turn the economy around by 1992, we're gonna lay George Bush off, put America back to work, and our problems will go away.")

A sign of the times -- bad times: Today, another Asian powerhouse said it will buy into a key American company, McDonnell Douglas. A Taiwanese firm will buy a 40 percent stake in its commercial aircraft business. That news came as President Bush announced he has rescheduled his postponed trip to Asia and Australia for the end of December. The President will portray that trip as good for trade, good for American jobs. You'll be hearing a lot of that kind of talk out of this White House.

(NBC-Lead)

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CBS's Dan Rather: President Bush denied again today that he's being complacent about the economy. Bush said he is being cautious. That came as the government reported that housing starts were up more than 7 percent in October, the sharpest jump in eight months. And the news was widely publicized as being good. Money correspondent Ray Brady looked deeper.

Brady reports on the housing jump. The government's figures seemed like a ray of hope. But as some analysts took a closer look, the housing figures seemed as flimsy as a house of cards.

(Lawrence Horan, housing industry analyst: "Today's housing figures are basically saying we're neither growing nor contracting. And that makes no one happy.")

The key figure is single-family homes, which are up by just 3.9 percent. A gloomy signal, because it's people buying those homes that traditionally lead the economy out of recession, and normally in the 12 months after a recession hits its low, housing starts rise 64 percent. But 9 months after this recession's low, housing is up only 39 percent.

(Warren Lasko, Mortgage Bankers Association: "We have a long way to go before we can say housing is back standing on its feet, and before it really helps lead the rest of the economy out of the recession.... People don't buy houses if they're not sure of their jobs, if they're not sure of how they're going to pay for them. And builders don't build houses if people aren't buying them.") If that's true, housing could be headed for more hard times. IBM reportedly is planning 20,000 more job cutbacks. The company says it won't comment on what is a speculative story. (CBS-3)

Jennings: The housing industry is showing some signs of life. Construction of new homes and apartments rose more than 7 percent in October. It is the largest gain since last spring; it is a welcome positive note at a time when other economic statistics have been downright gloomy.

ABC's Stephen Aug reports on the increase. Housing construction soared 9.3 percent in the Northeast last month, the second-busiest part of the country. Only the South did better. The figures surprised those who watch the homebuilding industry.

(David Seiders, National Association of Home Builders: "Consumer confidence indexes have been really low, and that matters to housing demand. Our own surveys of builders have not been showing a reading that the market's really reviving, so we've got a number of indicators that suggest the market should not have recovered.") Two factors may have sent housing construction up. One is interest rates: mortgages are below 9 percent on average, the lowest in 14 years. The other is that a tax break for builders of low-income housing expires at the end of the year. But even if last month's building activity holds up for the rest of the year, 1991 would still go down as the worst year for the housing industry since World War II. (ABC-3)

Brokaw: There was some encouraging economic news today. Construction of new homes and apartments were up last month almost 7.5 percent -- that's the biggest jump in a year. Low interest rates, of course, were a major factor.

NBC's Mike Jensen reports low interest rates are driving a boom in refinancing mortgages. More than half the mortgage loans being written today are trade-ins. This makes for happy lenders and borrowers. But today's low rates are not so good for the commercial banks and S&Ls that hold onto mortgages, and some of them are discouraging refinancing. Most bankers say mortgage rates will probably go lower, but not much more. However, there are so many consumers who don't have the money in their pockets that the lower interest rates simply are not making a big difference for them. When hiring begins, then we'll see a big surge in home buying. (NBC-2)

DOW JONES

Jennings: After three days of wild ups and downs, the roller coaster stopped. The Dow Jones lost just one-and-a-half points to close at 2930. The trading was heavy. (ABC-7, NBC-10)

SOVIET AID

ABC's Peter Jennings: The Bush Administration is coming to the aid of the economy -- the Soviet economy. The White House has announced an immediate plan to help the Soviets get through the winter: \$165 million in emergency food aid, another \$1.25 billion in loan guarantees so the Soviets can buy food.

ABC's Brit Hume: The Administration said the loans would be used to buy American grain for the hard winter just ahead. The main goal is to keep Soviet livestock from starving.

(Secretary Madigan, at news conference: "I think it is the difference between them continuing to be able to maintain those herds or having to slaughter them.")

Madigan said that with Moscow nearly bankrupt, the Administration had insisted that each of the Soviet republics also sign for this money. Other industrial nations are expected to extend similar aid. Still, even emergency food assistance is politically controversial with the U.S. economy stalled.

(Sen. Leahy, on Senate floor: "Americans are generous. but we cannot expect American taxpayers to send billions of dollars in development assistance to the Soviet Union when our bridges are crumbling, our schools are underfunded, our unemployment benefits are running out.")

The Administration, sensitive to such criticism, could not emphasize enough today that the loan guarantees and other food aid are not just to benefit the Soviets.

(Spokesman Fitzwater: "In the United States, these guarantees will help our farm economy at a time when the general economy is very slow.")

(Secretary Madigan: "This is not a foreign program that we're talking about here. This is a domestic program that has as its intent moving U.S. grain out of the U.S. market for the benefit of American farmers.")

It is testament to the changed political atmosphere here that an Administration once criticized for being too slow to assist the changing Soviet Union now finds itself on the defensive for trying to avert famine there. Once again, a faltering U.S. economy is proving to be the squeaky wheel of political issues -- it gets all the attention. (ABC-Lead)

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Rather: President Bush today approved more than a billion dollars of loan guarantees for the Soviet Union for emergency food aid this winter. Some of the aid would go directly to the Soviet republics, bypassing the crumbling Soviet central government of Mikhail Gorbachev. (CBS-7)

ABC's John Donovan reports on Eduard Shevardnadze's return to the post of foreign minister. Because of the economic and political pressures, Shevardnadze said, there is a very real threat of another coup. Gorbachev told the Supreme Soviet today, "We await catastrophe if we do not create a union government." Shevardnadze agreed with that tonight in a television interview. In the West, Shevardnadze has a reputation for trustworthiness and flexibility, which may help in convincing richer nations to provide more economic aid. Today, Gorbachev was trying to reassure financial officials from the U.S., Europe and Japan that if they delay payments on the Soviet debt, the republics will eventually join the central government in paying it back. Meanwhile, lines are getting longer because people fear there will not be enough food. (ABC-2)

NBC's Bob Abernethy reports on the fast-fading Soviet ruble. The value of your money there often depends upon who you are and what kind of currency you can get. Boris Yeltsin has issued decrees aimed at controlling the problem, but it's not clear whether they'll be carried out. So for the time being, the currency chaos keeps getting worse. A financial newspaper has predicted inflation by January at up to 700 percent a year. (NBC-8)

BUCHANAN/'92

Rather: Patrick Buchanan...blasted President Bush's policy on foreign aid today. He accused Bush of promoting "global socialism." He also said he'll make up his mind early next month about officially challenging Bush for the Republican nomination. For his part, Bush said today he won't debate any challengers in the primaries. (CBS-8)

HAITIAN REFUGEES

Jennings: President Bush has defended his policy of preventing Haitian refugees fleeing their own country from coming to the U.S. He says the policy is fair and that the Haitians are not being kept out because of their race, a charge he is hearing from some people.

ABC's Mark Potter reports that nearly 1,800 Haitian refugees are now being held aboard U.S. ships. The Coast Guard fears running out of space soon, and has ordered more cutters to sail for Haiti. The Bush Administration says allowing them into the U.S. would be dangerous.

(State Dept. spokeswoman Tutwiler: "If the United States sends a message that Haitians can get to the United States by boarding one of these boats, thousands will do so and many will die.") More than safety is at issue. Earlier this week, the U.S. sent more than 500 boat people back to Haiti on the grounds they are economic, not political, refugees. But a federal judge has temporarily halted their return. In Washington the debate intensified over whether the Administration's policy is fair.

Potter's report continues:

(Unidentified man, testifying to Congress: "We should allow them - the Haitians -- in, and give them a safe haven in a non-prison-type facility, such as Homestead Air Force Base or other military facilities.")

(Gene McNary, Immigration Commissioner: "That would bring them to our shores, which creates a magnet and almost an incentive for people to leave and come here. We know that there would be a lot of people.")

(Rep. Rangel: "And I'm saying that if they were European and they were in that boat, we would save them and then adjust the law.") Officials are bracing for more Haitian refugees, with no firm answers yet about how to handle them. (ABC-9, CBS-9)

HOSTAGES

Jennings reports the leader of a group which may be holding some or all of the remaining American hostages in Lebanon says all of them will soon be free. Sheik Abbas Musawi, one of the senior figures in Hezbollah, says they'll be released whether Israel releases hundreds of his Arabs it is holding. We learned a bit more about Thomas Sutherland's time in captivity. He said he was beaten once by his captors, but most of the time was spent alone, in very small underground cells with hardly any light. "I was very depressed," he said, "and I have learned an enormous amount of patience." (ABC-10)

IRAQ/SANCTIONS

Jennings reports Iraq complained to the U.N. again today about the painful effects of the economic sanctions. Members of the Iraqi cabinet told a U.N. representative in Baghdad that Iraq has tried to buy \$1.4 billion worth of medicine, but does not have the cash to pay for it. Basic food supplies are also badly needed; there's said to be only a three-month supply of grain. (ABC-11)

MILITARY SPENDING/HOUSE

Jennings reports the House passed a military spending bill for next year: \$270 billion, down \$13 billion from this year. The Senate is expected to go along. Part of the money would go for what in the corporate world is called employee buyouts. For the first time the Pentagon, trying to make drastic cuts in its manpower, is going to offer thousands of officers and enlisted men and women fairly large amounts of money to retire early. (ABC-4)

COMPUTERS/PENTAGON

Jennings reports the Pentagon was accused today of not paying enough attention to the security of its computer system. Earlier this year, an ABC News investigation revealed that a network of foreign computer hackers broke the code of a number of Defense Department computers, giving them access to information on American weapons. Today the GAO said security is still not adequate. (ABC-5)

CRANSTON REPRIMAND

NBC's Andrea Mitchell reports the Senate Ethics Committee voted to reprimand Sen. Cranston, saying he engaged in "improper and repugnant conduct." The committee found that Cranston repeatedly solicited money from Charles Keating -- almost \$900,000 -- while at the same time intervening with regulators on Keating's behalf. Cranston was hardly contrite, blaming the constant chase for campaign dollars that is an open scandal.

(Sen. Cranston, on Senate floor: "I am far from being the only senator to do what I have done. Who among you can be sure you will not be singled out for a reprimand on access tomorrow?")

Meanwhile, lobbyists lined up to get their licks in on what has become a lost cause: campaign finance reform -- House legislation that would limit campaign spending and provide public financing for congressional campaigns. The legislation is already doomed, facing a veto threat from the President, strong opposition in both parties and no agreement in the Senate. (NBC-4)

ABC's Jim Wooten reports that Sen. Cranston's public accusation that "everybody does it" was not part of the deal made by the Ethics Committee for him, and it angered Sen. Rudman.

(Sen. Rudman, on Senate floor: "What I've heard is a statement that can only be described as arrogant, unrepentant, and a smear on this institution. Blaming it on campaign financing, 'everybody does it,' and you should all be in fear of your lives of the Ethics Committee, is poppycock.") (ABC-6)

Rather: The savings and loan corruption of the 1980s remains, for the most part, a series of unsolved criminal cases. One widely accepted reason for so few convictions, so little actually fixing of responsibility, is that the scandal ranged from upper tiers of the Reagan-Bush Administration through the Democratic-controlled Congress. One senator got some punishment today: retiring Democrat Alan Cranston.

CBS's Bob Schieffer reports that Cranston's attack on the Senate was not well-received. Several senators were so angry they left the floor openly wondering if they'd gone too easy on Cranston.

(CBS-2)

YUGOSLAVIA

Rather reports Serbian forces of the Yugoslav federal army tightened their grip on Vukovar today. With a cease-fire in effect, hundreds of wounded were evacuated from the basement of the local hospital. Hundreds more lay dead in the streets, and practically every building in the city was damaged or destroyed.

(CBS-6)

NORIEGA TRIAL

Rather reports that former Colombian cocaine thug Carlos Lehder testified at Manual Noriega's trial that the Medellin cartel made payoffs to Noriega as well as to Cuban officials.

(CBS-11)

LOVASTATIN

Rather: Encouraging news tonight in the fight against the number one killer of Americans: heart disease. For the first time, researchers have found that a single drug can reverse the artery damage that leads to heart attacks.

CBS's Edie Magnus reports that the anti-cholesterol drug lovastatin, which is used by heart patients to prevent the spread of fatty buildups in the arteries, has been found to actually reverse the damage of heart disease by shrinking fatty deposits already there. But researchers say it is no substitute for other measures to keep cholesterol levels down. (CBS-Lead, ABC-8)

FLU EPIDEMIC

NBC's Jim Cummins reports a type-A Beijing Flu epidemic is sweeping the country. Health officials are afraid this epidemic could be worse than average.

(Dr. Walter Gunn, CDC: "This has a higher association with mortality than some of the other strains do, and that just goes to underline the importance of the high-risk groups being immunized.") That means the elderly, people who work with the elderly and people with heart and lung diseases. (NBC-3)

RUNWAY COLLISIONS

Rather reports collisions and close calls on airplane runways are happening this year at nearly twice last year's rate.

CBS's Scott Pelley reports that today an airline passenger is five times more likely to be involved in a collision on the ground than in the air. The FAA is testing a new radar for tracking the ground, which may be ready by 1993. In the meantime, the runway traffic is outpacing safety improvements. (CBS-5)

EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

HAITIAN REFUGEES

Stop Haitian Interdiction! -- "...This interdiction -- of Haitians and *only* of these black people, no other -- is racist. It is immoral, a deal struck with a Duvalier devil. It shames this great nation. *It must stop....* Search the Judeo-Christian ethic from topmast to keel, and you'll find no moral justification for this interdiction policy. It hangs like an albatross, dead these 10 years and two months, around the Statue of Liberty. It turns her stomach. But not the Bush Administration's.... Because Haitians are black, and poor, and powerless, the U.S. government sends its ships near their island and stuffs them back when they try to flee.... It's only Faustian." (Miami Herald, 11/20)

The Haitian Boat People -- "...It is frequently alleged that the Haitians are economic migrants, not refugees at all. The same self-serving accusation is often leveled against the Vietnamese by Asian countries of first asylum.... Our economy is better able than any other in the region to absorb a refugee influx.... Let us do the decent thing...as the true country of first asylum, and offer temporary protection to the people who have appealed to our humanity." (Bill Frelick, U.S. Committee for Refugees, Christian Science Monitor, 11/20)

U.S. Turning Its Back On Haitians -- "...Washington has used little more than words to oppose the illegal military government so far. Sanctions have been imposed, but they may be hurting the little people.... [Boat people] risked their lives to reach what they believed was a safe place. It turned out to be a cruel hoax." (Earl Caldwell, New York Daily News, 11/20)

CHINA TRIP

A Doomed China Of The Old Men -- "...During Prime Minister Kaifu's trip, China pledged to join the nuclear non-proliferation regime, a giant step forward. But if that was a rice bowl, Secretary Baker got nothing but a few grains of rice. It is hard to believe President Bush's pronouncement that 'when all of it's out, I think people will think some progress is made.' What China offered was done halfheartedly and snarlingly.... Nonetheless, Congress must not overreact. Maintaining dialogue with a nation of this strategic weight is important." (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 11/20)

Mr. Baker's Lesson In Chinese Diplomacy -- "...The promises Baker eventually came away with were won only after an eight-hour delay in his flight out. The Chinese did not even address human rights until warned they might be jeopardizing the future of Sino-U.S. relations.... Foreign policy under President Bush has been veering wildly between the moral high ground and the road of realpolitik. Since Tiananmen Square, Bush has been pursuing one in name and the other in action in relation to China.... So far, he has precious little to show for his efforts." (Washington Times, 11/20)

FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION

HAITIAN REFUGEES

"Different Treatment For Haitians, Cubans"

"Washington's ostracism of the Haitians repels the black community in the United States as well as defenders of human rights. They denounce the different treatment for the refugees in the U.S. -- with the Cuban refugees...receiving a much warmer welcome. They also recall the U.S. denounced Hong Kong authorities when they drove back Vietnamese boat people." (Liberation, France)

"U.S. Hypocrisy"

"...The United States appears to be a guardian protector of the world's human rights. However, if we pay more attention to this, we can see that human rights is only a pragmatic weapon in the hands of the Americans, especially in their handling of the refugee problem.... The double standard adopted by the United States on human rights only makes people suspicious about its real stance on human rights." (Commercial Daily, Hong Kong)

"Why Hong Kong People Are Unhappy"

"Hong Kong people are very unhappy that Washington is accusing Hong Kong of 'violating human rights' and 'inhumane treatment' in the repatriation of Vietnamese boat people, while the U.S. itself is also repatriating boat people." (Tin Tin Daily, Hong Kong)

CHINA TRIP

"Fruitful High-Level Contact"

"From Baker's visit to China, we can see that U.S. leaders are pragmatic in their approach to U.S.-China relations.... International relationships are economic relationships.... In order to improve the relationship, they should maintain constant high-level contacts." (Commercial Daily, Hong Kong)

"Bush's Enemies Cannot Say Much"

"On the whole, from the point of view of President Bush, Baker's visit was successful. The channel for high-level contact has been rebuilt, China has made concessions, and Bush's political enemies cannot say much." (Hong Kong Daily News, Hong Kong)

"Beijing Concessions An Encouraging Start"

"It is far too early to say whether the concessions wrested by Mr. Baker will vindicate Mr. Bush's policy of engagement.... The concessions Baker takes home to Washington may not be able to satisfy Congress or the American public. However, it could encourage Beijing to go further by granting a partial amnesty to dissidents involved in the 1989 democracy movement, possibly early in the new year." (South China Morning Post, Hong Kong)

"Congressional Pressure On Bush"

"...Baker appeared to have snatched concessions during a last-ditch meeting with (China's) foreign minister."

(Morning Herald, Sydney, Australia)

"Baker Left China Empty-Handed"

"James Baker left China almost empty-handed, without giving the slightest smile in public. At least he is bringing back one piece of information: Beijing's regime remains under the hegemony of men who refuse to make the slightest gesture of goodwill vis-a-vis the United States."

(Le Figaro, France)

"Baker Went Away With Virtually Nothing"

"In propaganda terms, the trip bestowed the seal of international respectability on China without its leaders being seen to make any concessions. In contrast, Mr. Baker...went away with virtually nothing."

(Times, Britain)

"Pentagon Aims To Repair Crumbling Bridges In Pacific"

"...The Secretary of State...[returned] virtually empty-handed from China.... Baker's visit to China came perilously close to a humiliation."

(Guardian, Britain)

"Humbling Mr. Baker"

"China's hardline leaders...humbled the world's most formidable emissary at the weekend, obliging Mr. Baker...to end a landmark visit to Beijing with little more than vague promises.... Beijing gave nothing away unconditionally. Even the 'positive proposals' on trade seem designed to preserve China's access to the U.S. market rather than transform its conduct as a trading nation."

(Daily Telegraph, Britain)

"Is This The 'New World Order?'"

"Despite his usual marathon effort, James Baker obtained only the barest minimum of his requirements from his hosts. At a pinch, this is probably enough for him, for Washington intends to pursue its policy of openness come what may.... His hosts conceded nothing of importance on human rights, and offered some empty concessions on defense.... Is this really any surprise?... On the moral plane, then, Baker has done nothing but maintain a farce."

(24 Heures, Switzerland)

"A Nut Too Hard To Crack"

"...Both sides did not even agree on a final communique. In China, the Secretary of State found the leadership too hard a nut to crack."

(Die Tageszeitung, Germany)

"Do Not Ignore China"

"...Even if Baker's first attempt did not prove successful, he will be well-advised to look adamantly for a success in China like in the Middle East."

(Stuttgarter Zeitung, Germany)

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News From the Hill

SENATE FLOOR: Cranston reprimanded, Barr confirmed.

The Senate Ethics Committee yesterday presented its case against Alan Cranston, D-Calif., to the Senate. The panel decided late Tuesday to reprimand Cranston for his "improper and repugnant" conduct in his dealings with former savings and loan operator Charles H. Keating Jr.

But Cranston defended his actions. "How many of you... could rise and declare you've never, ever helped, or agreed to help, a contributor close in time to the solicitation or receipt of a contribution," Cranston asked his colleagues.

The Senate was not asked to act on the committee's decision to issue a reprimand. (See story, p. 3)

Barr Nomination. Senators confirmed, by voice vote, William Barr to be attorney general. Barr replaces Dick Thornburgh, who resigned as attorney general before running unsuccessfully for the Senate against Harris Wofford, D-Pa.

Veterans Bills. Members also passed, by voice vote, two bills aimed at helping veterans.

The first, S 775, would direct the Department of Veterans Affairs to look at extending disability benefits to veterans who may have been exposed to radiation from their service on nuclear submarines and ships or flights aboard military planes over weapons test sites.

S 775 initially contained provisions to provide disabled veterans with the same cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) that Social Security recipients and veterans with pension benefits get. Those provisions were removed and incorporated into a House bill (HR 1046) that was cleared for the president on Oct. 30.

• The Senate approved another veterans bill — HR 2280, after amending it with the text of S 869. The measure would allow thousands of Vietnam veterans to get treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder without having to prove

that the disorder is war related. The legislation would also open up storefront readjustment centers established for Vietnam veterans to World War II and Korean veterans as well.

By a 71-24 vote, the Senate defeated an amendment by Alan K. Simpson, R-Wyo., to make the annual cost-of-living adjustments in disability benefits automatic rather than subject to congressional action every year.

Late Tuesday. By voice vote, the Senate cleared legislation (HR 3394) that would assist Indian tribes in taking over programs currently administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service.

HOUSE FLOOR: Defense, Intelligence bills win House approval.

In one of its busiest days of the year, the House approved conference agreements on the fiscal 1992 defense budget and an authorization measure for U.S. intelligence agencies, as well as several other important pieces of legislation.

Defense. The conference agreement on a defense appropriations bill (HR 2521) that members approved by voice vote provides \$269.9 billion in fiscal 1992.

The B-2 stealth bomber program would receive \$4.36 billion, although no money was provided to add to the 15 bombers already authorized. Of that amount, \$1.8 billion would be used to keep production lines open, while \$1 billion would be held in escrow in case lawmakers decided to approve the production of one bomber later in the year.

The bill would also provide \$4.15 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative anti-missile system.

Intelligence Authorization. The House-Senate agreement on a bill (HR 2038) to authorize fiscal 1992 intelligence activities also won the voice-vote approval of the House.

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House Floor: The third time may be the charm as the House takes up legislation (HR 3768) that would replenish the fund that insures bank deposits and give regulators new tools to close down failing banks.

The House has rejected two earlier versions of the measure, but House leaders were cautiously optimistic yesterday that they had the votes to pass HR 3768. The measure would authorize the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to borrow up to \$30 billion to close down failing banks. Regulators would be allowed to seize banks if they fell below certain capital levels. The bill also would bar the FDIC from covering deposits above \$100,000 when a bank fails.

But the measure does not include a provision that would allow banks to open branches across state lines, which was one of the items that doomed passage of HR 2094 last week.

The Rules Committee last night approved a rule that would not allow amendments.

Foreign Aid. House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Dante B. Fascell, D-Fla., is trying to resurrect a foreign aid authorization bill (HR 2508), and the House may vote on the measure today.

Senate Floor: The Senate schedule for today is uncertain.

Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, D-Maine, has an ambitious list of items he would like the Senate to act on in coming days, including the conference reports on fiscal 1992 defense authorization and defense appropriations bills (HR 2100, HR 2521) and a \$7.6 billion fiscal 1992 supplemental spending bill (H J Res 157) to cover the costs of the Persian Gulf War and domestic disasters.

Members may also resume work on banking legislation (S 543) that would pro-

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vide new money for the government insurance fund that protects bank deposits.

Torture Lawsuits: The Senate Judiciary Committee will mark up a bill (S 313) that would give victims and their families the right to sue in U.S. courts for torture or killings committed outside the United States.

Plaintiffs, who could be citizens of the United States or another country, would first have to exhaust all judicial remedies in the nation in which the act took place. In addition, U.S. courts could not exercise jurisdiction over the defendant unless he or she was in the United States when the suit was filed.

U.S. courts have granted foreigners the right to file suits in this country based on allegations of torture or execution outside the United States. S 313 would codify that right and extend it to U.S. citizens.

The State Department opposes the legislation, saying that subjecting former or current officials of other countries to lawsuits interferes with U.S. foreign policy. But the bill is expected to win committee approval and will probably go to the floor early next year.

The House Judiciary and Foreign Affairs committees approved a similar measure (HR 2092) on Tuesday.

Assault Weapons Repeal: The House District of Columbia Committee will mark up legislation that would repeal a 1990 D.C. law that would make manufacturers of assault weapons liable for injuries from the guns. The gun liability statute was temporarily repealed this year by the D.C. Council under pressure from federal lawmakers. But before a permanent repeal went into effect, D.C. voters on Nov. 5 overwhelmingly endorsed the 1990 gun liability law.

Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., the sponsor of the bill (HR 3712), said the assault weapons law is unconstitutional because it would apply to gun manufacturers outside of the city's jurisdiction.

No amendments are expected, but there is likely to be plenty of discussion over whether Congress should overturn a law backed by a majority of local residents. In an earlier discussion on the bill, committee Chairman Ronald V. Dellums, D-Calif., said it would be better left to the courts to determine if the gun liability law is unconstitutional. Most panel Democrats are likely to agree with him.

Before marking up the bill, the committee will hear from Rev. H. Beecher Hicks Jr., a leading proponent of the gun-liability referendum; Wilhelmina Rolark, chairwoman of the D.C. Council's Committee on the Judiciary; and representatives of gun manufacturers. ■

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Spending levels for the agencies, including the CIA, are classified but are estimated to be about \$30 billion a year.

Unemployment Aid. The House voted 407-21 to clear a bill (HR 1724) that would allow 18 states to qualify for retroactive unemployment benefits.

The \$95 million in benefits were part of a deal with the Bush administration that paved the way for the Senate to clear a \$5.3 billion bill (HR 3575) last week.

Members from states that would not have received retroactive benefits held up Senate consideration of that measure until the provisions were added to HR 1724, which would grant Czechoslovakia and Hungary most-favored-nation trade status.

Soviet Trade. House members, declaring that increased U.S. trade would help the Soviet Union work out its economic problems, voted 350-78 to approve a bill (H J Res 346) that would grant most-favored-nation (MFN) trade status to the former communist country.

If enacted, tariffs on Soviet goods sold in the United States would drop substantially. But the president would still have to annually waive trade restrictions under the 1974 Trade Act's Jackson-Vanik amendment, which denies MFN status to communist countries that do not allow free emigration.

To help the Soviets get through the winter, President Bush yesterday approved \$1.25 billion in grain credits and \$165 million in other assistance for the country. The central government and 12 republics will both receive aid and hold joint responsibility for the debt.

NOAA Authorization. The House passed a two-year authorization (HR 2130) for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

The measure, passed by voice vote, would authorize \$1.67 billion for fiscal 1992 and reflects a compromise between the Merchant Marine and Science committees, which each crafted competing versions.

Just under \$544 million would be authorized for the National Weather Service. Members approved an amendment that would prohibit the Commerce Department from turning off weather service radar systems without first certifying that doing so would not diminish weather tracking services.

HOUSE FLOOR: Health bills passed late Tuesday.

The House, in a late Tuesday session, passed more than a dozen measures, including:

• S 1475, cleared for the president, which would reauthorize through fiscal 1995 advocacy programs for the mentally

ill. About \$19.5 million would be authorized for fiscal 1992.

• HR 3635, which would renew through fiscal 1996 a program that provides block grants to help states address a variety of health concerns, such as rape counseling.

• HR 3807, which would allow the president to transfer numerous armored military vehicles to countries that are members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

• HR 2763, which would establish a national geological mapping program to make more information available on mineral deposits and environmental characteristics of lands.

• HR 2790, which would bar new hard-rock mining in Cave Creek Canyon in southeastern Arizona.

FOREIGN INVESTMENT in sensitive industries to face scrutiny.

Over Republican objections and an administration veto threat, the House Energy and Commerce Committee approved legislation (HR 2624) that would place greater restrictions on foreign investment in U.S. firms important to national security.

The bill would beef up the so-called Exon-Florio amendment to the 1988 Trade Act, which gives the president the authority to block foreign takeovers of U.S. companies if a purchase threatens national security.

The bill would enable the president to nullify an already completed deal. And the measure would broaden the membership of an interagency committee that reviews foreign investment and takeovers. Bill supporters say that adding members would lead to closer scrutiny of such activities.

The legislation was approved on a largely party-line vote of 25-17. Republicans strongly objected to the bill, saying that it would deter foreign investors.

The bill "would damage rather than enhance our competitive position by discouraging foreign investment," said Alex McMillan, R-N.C. Because of the recession, "legislation hostile to foreign investment is especially ill-timed," he added.

UNFAIR TRADE practices targeted by Energy and Commerce.

Expired provisions of a 1988 trade law that required the U.S. trade representative to crack down on unfair trading practices would be reauthorized under a bill (HR 787) approved by the House Energy and Commerce Committee yesterday.

The measure, approved by voice vote, would extend the "Super 301" section of the law through 1995.

Under the bill, the trade representative would be required to identify countries whose policies deter U.S. imports and negotiate removal of trade barriers. If negotiations failed, the administration

could impose sanctions on the recalcitrant nations.

The bill would go further than the 1988 law by requiring that the secretary of Commerce estimate how badly unfair practices hurt U.S. exports.

Telemarketing Fraud. The committee also approved a measure (HR 3203) that would require the Federal Trade Commission to issue rules that bar fraudulent telemarketing practices and "coercive or abusive" calls.

The bill would also make it easier for federal and state agencies to sue unscrupulous companies for telemarketing fraud.

WIPP TESTING gets green light from second House panel.

A controversial bill (HR 2637) that would allow the opening of a nuclear waste facility in New Mexico won approval from a second House panel yesterday.

The House Energy Committee approved the bill on a 29-14 vote, and the Armed Services Committee — the third and only remaining House committee with jurisdiction over the bill — will mark up its version today. But prospects for passage this year remained dim because the three committees' versions differ widely.

The Energy panel approved several amendments, including one from Ron Wyden, D-Ore., that would require the Energy Department to develop a plan for the disposal of all defense-related nuclear waste generated since 1945.

The New Mexico facility, the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), is intended to handle waste that is generally less hazardous and has been generated since 1970. Wyden said that since WIPP was slated to handle only a fraction of all waste from the nation's weapons plants, the Energy Department should have a plan for more dangerous waste that is temporarily buried at the Hanford reactor in Oregon.

Wyden expressed hope that the Energy Department would decide to dispose of some of this waste in New Mexico.

Before WIPP can open, control of the facility's site must be transferred from the Interior Department to the Energy Department, which will oversee the project. The Energy Department took control of the site by administrative order last month, but the land transfer is bitterly opposed by the New Mexico delegation.

SOVIET TRADE bill endorsed by Senate Finance Committee.

The Senate Finance Committee yesterday approved, by voice vote, legislation (S J Res 215) to approve the normalization of trade ties with the Soviet Union.

The bill would provide normal low tariffs on a wide array of imports from the Soviet Union by extending most-favored-nation trading status to the country.

Bill backers say the ability of Soviet exporters to take advantage of low tariffs on its products will help boost the Soviet economy and create new global trade routes.

Bill Bradley, D-N.J., voted against the legislation, saying it would have the effect of propping up the central command of the country at a time when leaders of many Soviet republics are seeking to distance themselves from control by Moscow.

The House yesterday approved a companion Soviet trade bill (H J Res 346).

THRIFT BAILOUT bill forces late-night committee session.

The House Banking Committee worked late last night to complete work on an \$80 billion bill (HR 3435) that would allow the federal government to continue the ongoing cleanup of the savings and loan industry.

If a cash infusion is not approved before Congress adjourns for the year, the Bush administration warns, the bailout could come to a halt, which would drive up its final cost.

But committee approval of the measure, which includes a controversial provision that would require that \$60 billion

of the funds be offset by reductions in spending, was far from certain.

During the course of the daylong markup, Chairman Henry B. Gonzalez, D-Texas, ruled out of order amendments that would have relaxed thrift capital standards, which is the amount of money an institution must maintain to cushion against losses.

BEACH TESTING bill survives challenge, wins House panel's OK.

Proponents of a beach water testing bill (HR 12) beat back an attempt yesterday by House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Chairman Walter B. Jones, D-N.C., to exempt some states from the testing requirements.

The bill, a high priority for New Jersey members, whose state has strict testing rules and has been hurt by beach closings in the past, won voice-vote approval from the Merchant Marine panel yesterday, after the committee rejected Jones' amendment 19-24.

The bill would require the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to set criteria for beach water quality and mandate that states test their coastal waters. States whose waters did not meet the federal standards would have to post

Cranston Reprimanded by Ethics Panel

The Senate Ethics Committee yesterday formally notified the Senate that it had reprimanded California Democrat Alan Cranston for "improper and repugnant" conduct in his ties with former savings and loan operator Charles H. Keating Jr.

But the panel stopped short of asking the Senate to vote on punishment for Cranston.

The Ethics panel's action brings to a close the two-year probe of the so-called Keating Five — five senators accused of improperly intervening with federal bank regulators on Keating's behalf.

The panel had closed the books on the other four senators — Democrats Dennis DeConcini, Ariz., John Glenn, Ohio, and Donald W. Riegle Jr., Mich., and Republican John McCain, Ariz., on Feb. 27. The panel said the four were guilty of poor judgment and that DeConcini and Riegle also acted improperly.

The Ethics panel had been deadlocked over what to do about Cranston, and its unusual decision — to issue its own reprimand but not to call for a vote by the full Senate — was regarded as a compromise.

Senators sat quietly at their desks while Ethics Committee Chairman Howell Heflin, D-Ala., and ranking Republican Warren B. Rudman, N.H., outlined the panel's findings and conclusions and Cranston replied.

Cranston told his colleagues, "I rise with deep remorse in my heart to accept the reprimand of the committee . . . I'm not proud of this moment," he said.

But the 77-year-old Cranston, who has been undergoing prostate cancer treatment and who will not seek re-election next year, defended his actions.

He insisted he had acted honestly and denied the committee's assertion that he had violated "accepted norms" of ethical behavior for senators. And he accused the committee of enunciating a new principle of conduct that could jeopardize all senators: "Here, but for the grace of God, stand you," he said.

Heflin agreed that the committee found that Cranston broke no law or any Senate rule. He said the decision to reprimand Cranston was based rather on "improper conduct that reflects upon the Senate."

Cranston's assertion drew an angry response from Rudman, who described Cranston's words as "arrogant, unrepentant and a smear on this institution." He told Cranston: "Everybody doesn't do it."

—By Richard Sammon

signs along their beaches, although the areas could remain open.

Jones offered an amendment that would have allowed states to petition the EPA for an exemption from testing. States with insignificant water quality problems, such as North Carolina, should not be forced to bear the costs of the comprehensive testing, Jones contended.

But William J. Hughes, D-N.J., said allowing exemptions would make the testing requirements meaningless.

EMERGENCY FLEET would be scrapped under House bill.

The Merchant Marine Committee voted yesterday to scuttle an aging fleet of World War II-era ships that the Navy has preserved for military emergencies.

The panel approved, by voice vote, a bill (HR 3512) that would direct the Transportation secretary to dispose of all the cargo vessels, about 100, by Jan. 1, 1997. Ships could be reassigned to the Ready Reserve Force fleet or used for another purpose subject to congressional approval.

Bill sponsors say the rusting ships are useless, making the \$2 million in annual maintenance costs a waste of taxpayer money. They were not used during the Persian Gulf War, despite the fact that U.S. sealift capabilities were strained.

The measure requires the government to auction off the vessels, which could net as much as \$40 million, according to congressional estimates.

Legislation (HR 3282) that would allow gambling on U.S.-flag cruise ships in international waters also won the voice-vote approval of the panel. Lawmakers say the measure is needed to correct an inequity in U.S. law that allows foreign-flag vessels to offer gambling but not U.S.-flag ships.

ELECTRONIC OVERSIGHT bill would curb surveillance.

The House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations yesterday approved, 17-6, a measure (HR 1218) that seeks to put the clamps on potentially abusive electronic monitoring of employees.

Typically, electronic monitoring occurs in companies that rely heavily on use of telephones to deal with customers, such as credit card and mail-order catalog companies. Department managers at these firms will occasionally tap into phone lines without an employee knowing to monitor sales performance or phone manners.

The bill would require employers to notify workers when they are monitoring the phone lines.

On a voice vote, members approved a substitute amendment by panel Chairman Pat Williams, D-Mont., that would exempt

from the bill transportation industry employers and law enforcement agencies that are conducting investigations.

ELECTION FUNDING bill approved by Ways and Means panel.

The House Ways and Means Committee yesterday approved, by voice vote, a measure that Democratic sponsors say would help presidential candidates get federal matching funds during the upcoming primary season.

The bill (HR 3644) would require the Treasury Department to divert money originally set aside for the presidential conventions and general election campaigns to help fund the presidential primary races.

Primary candidates are entitled to matching money from the Presidential Election Campaign Fund, but the law requires that money in that fund first be set aside for the general election and party conventions. Democrats say their presidential candidates will suffer because of a shortage of funds during the primary season. Currently, there is not enough money in the fund to pay for primary campaign expenses.

GOP opponents said it is inappropriate to change the funding mechanism so close to an election year. They added that the bill would result in a shortfall of matching funds for the general election.

Members agreed, by voice vote, to a Republican amendment that would require the Federal Election Commission to provide Congress with an updated estimate of the balance of the presidential campaign fund soon after presidential candidates submit requests for matching funds.

MONTANA WILDERNESS bill OK'd by Energy panel.

The Senate Energy Committee yesterday approved, 20-0, numerous river protection and wilderness bills, including one (S 1696) that would designate about 1 million acres in Montana as wilderness and create thousands of acres of special land management and environmental study areas in the state.

Max Baucus, D-Mont., said the legislation will help Montana balance development of its natural resources with conservation of its many pristine wilderness areas.

Other legislation approved by the committee included:

- Several bills (S 461, S 549, S 606, S 1552, HR 476) that would designate rivers in New Hampshire, California, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Michigan as part of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System or for study for possible future inclusion in the system.

- HR 3387, which would authorize funds for the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corp., which coordinates

the redevelopment of the historic thoroughfare that connects the White House and Capitol Hill.

OLD FAITHFUL geyser protection bill wins approval.

The House Interior Committee yesterday took steps to preserve the Old Faithful geyser at Yellowstone Park, approving legislation (HR 3359) that would bar geothermal development in areas around the park.

A geothermal well is being used by a religious sect as a water source, and according to an Interior Department report could endanger the geyser and other geothermal sites in the park.

The measure, approved by voice vote, would impose a moratorium on federal geothermal leasing within a 15-mile radius of the park. Under an amendment approved by voice vote, the religious group would still be allowed to use overflow water that is already on the surface.

But the panel rejected, also by voice vote, an amendment that would have required the Justice Department to evaluate whether protection of the area amounted to the takeover by the federal government of private land.

Ron Marlenee, R-Mont., said the bill

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Not As Scheduled

A boycott by every Republican member of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee forced the postponement yesterday of the panel's scheduled markup.

The panel had been slated to consider legislation (S 1942) that would have required the administration's Office of Management and Budget and the Council on Competitiveness to make public their review of federal agencies' proposed regulations.

Ranking Republican William V. Roth Jr., Del., had asked Chairman John Glenn, D-Ohio, to postpone the markup to give members more time to study the measure.

Although Glenn declined to postpone the markup in advance, he delayed action yesterday morning when confronted with the boycott. Glenn has a standing rule that the committee will not conduct business unless at least one Republican is in attendance.

The markup has been rescheduled for Friday.

- The House Energy Committee did not take action yesterday on a bill (HR 3698) that would reauthorize federal substance abuse and mental health programs for fiscal 1992-94 and make 18 the legal age for purchasing cigarettes. Although the measure was on the committee's markup agenda, Chairman John D. Dingell, D-Mich., said further behind-the-scenes work was needed before the bill could be marked up.

had the potential to violate the property rights of land owners — a charge his Montana colleague, bill sponsor Pat Williams, D, denied.

• Another bill (HR 2502) approved by voice vote would establish a Jemez National Recreation Area near Santa Fe, New Mexico, to preserve a number of American Indian archaeological sites and regional wildlife habitats.

COLORADO LAND exchange OK'd by House Agriculture.

The House Agriculture Committee yesterday approved, by voice vote, a bill (HR 1182) that would direct the U.S. Forest Service to trade 132 acres of national forestland for about 1,300 acres of mining claims left abandoned in Colorado.

The exchange would give Eagle and Pitkin counties land to build new county facilities. The counties are home to the Aspen and Vail ski resorts and, as a result, the land is so expensive that the counties are unable to afford new land for public facilities.

The Forest Service is interested in obtaining the abandoned mining claims owned by the counties, which are within national forests. The land that would be given to the counties in exchange is part of a former tree nursery, which is no longer in use.

FIRE SAFETY requirements get nod from House Science panel.

Legislation that would set certain fire safety standards for the federal government was quickly approved by voice vote yesterday by the House Science, Space and Technology Committee's Science Subcommittee.

The panel approved a substitute amendment offered by subcommittee Chairman Rick Boucher, D-Va., that was less stringent than the original bill.

As approved, the measure (HR 3360) would require that all newly built and leased federal office buildings be equipped with automatic sprinklers and smoke alarms.

The bill would require also that federally subsidized housing units have smoke detectors. In some cases, sprinklers would have to be installed, depending on the size of the building.

The measure would not limit any state or local fire safety laws already in place.

LUMBEE TRIBE to gain federal recognition under bill.

The Senate Indian Affairs Committee yesterday approved, 8-5, a measure (S 1036) that would provide for federal recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

If granted recognition, the tribe would be eligible for benefits and legal

protection granted under federal Indian laws. The measure is in response to a decision by the Bush administration that the tribe was ineligible for federal recognition.

The House on Sept. 26 approved a similar bill (HR 1426) after defeating an amendment that would have required the tribe to go through the Interior Department's formal recognition procedures.

COLUMBUS PANEL'S management flaws cited at hearing.

The special commission created by Congress in 1984 to coordinate the celebration of the quincentenary of Christopher Columbus' 1492 voyage has suffered from serious management flaws and numerous allegations of bribery, conflict of interest and multiple contract abuse, officials from the General Accounting Office (GAO) said yesterday.

GAO's director of special investiga-

tions, Richard Steiner, told the House Post Office and Civil Service Subcommittee on Census and Population that managers of the Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Jubilee Commission violated numerous federal contracting laws and misused commission funds, including, in numerous instances, paying personal mortgages from commission accounts.

A number of witnesses yesterday said they were victims of illegal sales practices by former commission Chairman John Goudie, who resigned as commission chairman in December 1990, on the day The New York Times detailed Goudie's numerous financial and legal troubles in Florida.

The panel was unable to get Goudie to appear voluntarily. He was subpoenaed and is expected to testify today.

The hearings are part of a yearlong subcommittee investigation. ■

Committee Meetings Today

Senate Committees

WASTE & ABUSE IN MEDICARE EQUIPMENT PAYMENTS Senate Budget Committee

The full committee (Chairman Sasser, D-Tenn.) will hold a hearing on the problems of waste and abuse in Medicare payments for medical equipment and supplies.

10am SD-608 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

Witness scheduled: Gail Wilensky - administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

EFFECT OF FOREST SERVICE PLAN ON TIMBER SUPPLIES Senate Energy Committee

Public Lands, National Parks and Forests Subcommittee (Chairman Bumpers, D-Ark.) will hold a hearing on the effect of Forest Service plan and timber sales appeals on timber supply.

9:30am SD-366 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR SAFETY Senate Environment Committee

Nuclear Regulation Subcommittee (Chairman Graham, D-Fla.) will hold a hearing on international nuclear safety standards.

9:30am SD-406 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Morris Rosen - director, International Atomic Energy Agency; William Young - assistant secretary of Energy; Carlton Stoiber - director, Nuclear Technology Safeguards, State Department; Harold Denton - director, Office of International Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Harold Lewis - physics professor, University of California at Santa Barbara

★ New listing

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL & POLITICAL RIGHTS Senate Foreign Relations Committee

The full committee (Chairman Pell, D-R.I.) will hold a hearing on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (Ex. 95-2).

10am SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Richard Schifter - Assistant Secretary of State; Louis Sohn - American Bar Association; Ronald Rotunda - College of Law, University of Illinois; Carole Nagengast - chairman, board of directors, Manest International; Harold Andersen - chairman, World Press Freedom Committee; William Lake - member, board of directors, International Human Rights Law Group; Michael Posner - executive director, Lawyers Committee for Human Rights; Bruce Fein - attorney and columnist

AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATIONS Senate Foreign Relations Committee

The full committee (Chairman Pell, D-R.I.) will hold confirmation hearings on pending nominations.

2pm S-116 Capitol Bldg. November 21

Agenda:

John Kelly to be ambassador to Finland
William Ryerson to be ambassador to Albania

THE MEETING WITH SADDAM HUSSEIN Senate Foreign Relations Committee

The full committee (Chairman Pell, D-R.I.) will hold a closed hearing on the cables April Glaspie, former U.S. ambassador to Iraq, sent back to the State Department following her July 1990 meeting with Saddam Hussein.

4pm S-116 Capitol Bldg. closed November 21

Witness scheduled: April Glaspie - former U.S. ambassador to Iraq

■ Revised listing

Senate continued...**FOREIGN RELATIONS NOMINATIONS**
Senate Foreign Relations Committee

The full committee (Acting Chairman Dodd, D-Conn.) will hold confirmation hearings on pending nominations.

6pm S-116 Capitol Bldg. **November 21**

Agenda:

Curtis Kamman to be ambassador to the Republic of Chile

Robert Pastorino to be ambassador to the Dominican Republic

George Jones to be ambassador to Guyana

Note: This hearing was previously scheduled for October 29.

BROADCASTING TO CHINA**Senate Foreign Relations Committee**

European Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Biden, D-Del.) and East Asian and Pacific Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Cranston, D-Calif.) will hold a joint hearing on a proposal to broadcast information to China, drawing from lessons from the many years of U.S. broadcasts to the countries of Eastern Europe.

1:30pm SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses scheduled: Winston Lord - former U.S. ambassador to China; Liu Binyan - Princeton University; Steve Mosher - director, Claremont Institute Asian Studies Center; Gene Mater - vice president, International Media Fund; Ludmilla Alexeeva - author; Leon Aron - Heritage Foundation

AMBASSADOR TO ROMANIA**Senate Foreign Relations Committee**

The full committee (Acting Chairman Biden, D-Del.) will hold confirmation hearing on the nomination of John Davis Jr. to be ambassador to Romania.

3:30pm or immediately following above hearing SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. **November 21**

'OCTOBER SURPRISE' INVESTIGATION**Senate Foreign Relations Committee**

Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Sanford, D-N.C.) will meet to discuss pending business, including the pending investigation into allegations that members of the Reagan/Bush presidential election team negotiated with Iranians to prevent the release of American hostages in 1980.

8am SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses scheduled: Gary Sick - former staffer, National Security Council; Charles Scott - former hostage; Barry Rosen - former hostage; Moorehead Kennedy - former hostage; Steve Emerson - writer

NARCOTICS & FOREIGN POLICY**IMPLICATIONS OF THE BCCI SCANDAL**
Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Terrorism, Narcotics and International Operations Subcommittee (Chairman Kerry, D-Mass.) will continue hearings on the scandal involving the Bank of Credit and Commerce International.

9am SH-216 Hart Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses scheduled: Robert Mazur - special agent, Drug Enforcement Agency; Robert Genzman - U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida; Mark Jackowski - Assistant U.S. Attorney; Gregory Kehoe - first assistant, U.S. attorney for the Middle District of Florida; Robert Mueller - Assistant Attorney General

RESOLVING TRIBAL CLAIMS**Senate Indian Affairs Committee**

The full committee (Chairman Inouye, D-Hawaii) will hold a hearing on legislation (S 1705) to resolve claims of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of South Dakota, the Devils Lake Sioux Tribe of North Dakota, and the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Council of the Assiniboine and Sioux tribes of Montana arising out of a judgment fund distribution.

9:30am SR-485 Russell Bldg. **November 21**

FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP:
LEGISLATION & NOMINATIONS**Senate Judiciary Committee**

The full committee (Chairman Biden, D-Del.) will vote on pending nominations and mark up pending legislation.

10am SD-226 Dirksen Bldg. **November 21**

Agenda:

S 313 - to carry out obligations of the United States under the United Nations Charter and other international agreements pertaining to the protection of human rights by establishing a civil action for recovery of damages from a person who engages in torture or extra judicial killing

S 793 - to authorize appropriations for the Patent and Trademark Office in the Department of Commerce

S 826 - to establish a specialized corps of judges necessary for certain federal proceedings required to be conducted

S 474 - to protect gambling under state law

S 758 - to clarify that states, instrumentalities of states, and officers and employees of states acting in their official capacity, are subject to suit in federal court by any person for infringement of patents and plant variety protections, and that all the remedies can be obtained in such suit that can be obtained in a suit against a private entity

S 759 - to amend certain trademark laws to clarify that states, instrumentalities of states, and officers and employees of states acting in their official capacity, are subject to suit in federal court by any person for infringement of trademarks, and that all the remedies can be obtained in a suit against a private entity

S 1521 - to provide a cause of action for victims of sexual abuse, rape, and murder, against producers and distributors of hard-core pornographic material

S 580 - to amend title 11 of the US Code to exclude from the estate of the debtor certain interests in liquid and gaseous hydrocarbons

S 120 - for the relief of Timothy Bostock

S 800 - for the relief of Carmen Victoria Parini, Felix Juan Parini, and Sergio Manuel Parini

S 1776 - to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the admission of O and P nonimmigrants

S 1941 - to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act for the purpose of reforming procedures for the resettlement of refugees in the United States

S 447 - to recognize the organization known as The Retired Enlisted Association, Incorporated

S 1623 - to implement a royalty payment system and a serial copy management for digital audio recording, to prohibit certain copyright infringement actions

Nominations: Monti Belot to be judge, District Court, District of Kan.; David Faber to be judge, District Court, Southern District of W.Va.; Edith Brown Clement to be judge, District Court, Eastern District of La.; Sam Sparks to be judge, District Court, Western District of Texas; Anne Conway to be judge, District Court, Middle District of Fla.; Joe McDade to be judge, District Court, Northern District of Ill.; John Roll to be judge, District Court, District of Ariz.; David Bramlette to be judge, District Court, Southern District, of Miss.; Ernest Wilson Williams to be U.S. attorney, Middle District of Tenn.; William Ho-Gonzalez to be special counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices

FETAL TISSUE RESEARCH**Senate Labor Committee**

The full committee (Acting Chairman Adams, D-Wash.) will hold a hearing on legislation (S 1902) to require certain review and recommendations concerning applications for assistance to perform research and to permit certain research concerning the transplantation of human fetal tissue for therapeutic purposes.

9:30am SD-430 Dirksen Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses scheduled: Rep. Waxman, D-Calif.; Ann Udall - Parkinson Disease victim and daughter of former congressman Mo Udall; Rev. Guy Walden - who lost two children to Hurler Syndrome; Carol Lurie - Juvenile Diabetes Foundation; Karen Holbrook - assistant dean, University of Washington School of Medicine; Dr. Richard Cohen - researcher; James Bopp - the National Right to Life Committee; James Childress - member of the presidential panel that recommended lifting the ban on fetal tissue research; Dr. Curt Freed - University of Colorado

SMALL BUSINESS AND
EASTERN EUROPE**Senate Small Business Committee**

The full committee (Chairman Bumpers, D-Ark.) will hold a hearing on trade and business opportunities for small American companies in Eastern Europe, the Baltic States and the republics of the former Soviet Union.

9:30am SR-428A Russell Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses scheduled: Frank Vargo - deputy assistant, secretary of Commerce for Europe; Daniel Bond - vice president for Country Risk Analysis, Export-Import Bank; James Berg - executive vice president, OPIC; Jonathan M. Schofield - president, United Technologies International Corporation; William Johnston - senior research fellow, Hudson Institute; Ivars Zusevics - managing county architect, Milwaukee County Public Works; John Costello - president Citizens Network for Foreign Policy; Dr. Peter Von Braun - president, USSR Oil Recovery; Stephan Goetz-Richter - president, TransAtlantic Futures; Richard Jacobs - president and CEO, Newstar, Inc.

House Committees**NUTRITION LABELING****House Agriculture Committee**

Domestic Marketing, Consumer Relations and Nutrition Subcommittee (Chairman Tallon, D-S.C.) will continue hearings on nutrition issues. This hearing will review dietary guidance and the role of nutrition labeling.

9:30am 1302 Longworth Bldg. **November 21**

Witnesses Scheduled: David Kessler - commissioner, Food and Drug Administration; JoAnn Smith - assistant secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Inspection Services

TREE TRUST**House Agriculture Committee**

Forests, Family Farms and Energy Subcommittee (Chairman Volkmer, D-Mo.) will continue hearings on the activities of the National Tree Trust. The Trust, a non-profit foundation, was designated by the administration to carry out the tree planting initiatives authorized under the 1990 farm bill. According to the committee, testimony by a Tree Trust executive at an Oct. 24 hearing was inaccurate.

■ Revised listing

House continued...

9:30am 1300 Longworth Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Trammel Crow - chairman of the board, National Tree Trust.

★ **FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP:
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PROGRAM**
House Armed Services Committee

The full committee (Chairman Aspin, D-Wis.) will mark up legislation (HR 2637) that would permit the opening of a nuclear waste dump in New Mexico.

2pm 2118 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

CREDIT CRUNCH**House Budget Committee**

Urgent Fiscal Issues Task Force (Chairman Guarini, D-N.J.) will hold a hearing on the credit shortage to see if it is affecting the economic recovery.

10am 210 Cannon Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: L. William Seidman - former chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Donald Trump - president, The Trump Organization

PANEL: David Walker - Association of Private Pension and Welfare Plans; Robert Dugger - chief economist, American Bankers Association; Steven Wechsler - president, National Realty Committee; Robert Baker - chairman and CEO, National Realty and Development Corp.

PANEL: George Vallone - West Bank Construction Corp.; James Rose - president, Interstate Coal; Frank Rivera - housing counselor - Puertorriquenos Asociados for Community Organization

■ **ASSAULT WEAPONS LIABILITY**

House D.C. Committee

The full committee (Chairman Dellums, D-Calif.) will hold a hearing on and mark up legislation (HR 3712) to repeal the D.C. Assault Weapons Manufacturing Strict Liability Act.

10am 1310A Longworth Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled:

PANEL: H. Beecher Hicks, Jr. - chairman, Committee for Strict Liability; Wilhelmina J. Rolark - chairperson, Judiciary Committee, D.C. City Council; John Payton - corporation counsel, District of Columbia; Dennis A. Henigan - general counsel, Handgun Control, Inc.

PANEL: Richard Neely - chief justice, West Virginia Supreme Court; Victor Schwartz - Law Firm of Crowell & Moring

PANEL: Jason I. Newman - professor, Georgetown Law Center; Johnny Barnes - former senior counsel, Committee on the District of Columbia

PANEL: Stephen P. Halbrook - attorney; Paul Jannuzzo - legal counsel, Glock, Inc.; Steve Sanetti - Sporting Arms & Ammunition Manufacturers Institute; Michael Saporito - chairman, American Shooting Sports Coalition, Inc.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY**House Education and Labor Committee**

The full committee (Chairman Ford, D-Mich.) will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 3160) to revise the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

9:30am 2175 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Gerard Scannell - assistant secretary of Health and Human Services for Occupational Safety and Health; Donald Miller -

director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Atlanta, Ga.

■ **SECURITIES FRAUD**

House Energy and Commerce Committee

Telecommunications and Finance Subcommittee (Chairman Markey, D-Mass.) will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 3185) to establish a statute of limitations for lawsuits by victims of securities fraud. The bill would reverse a recent Supreme Court decision that effectively requires those who discover such fraud to sue within one year of that discovery.

9am 2322 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Richard Breeden - chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; Alfred Bryne - general counsel, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Mark Griffin - Deputy Secretary of State, Nevada; Arthur Miller - Harvard Law School; Frank Riley - Bank of Mississippi; Ramona Jacobs - investor; Philip Lacovara - Morgan Stanley Group Inc.; Vincent O'Reilly - Coopers & Lybrand

■ **ADVERTISING & LABELING
FTC RESPONSIBILITIES**

House Energy and Commerce Committee

Transportation and Hazardous Materials Subcommittee (Chairman Swift, D-Wash.) will hold an oversight hearing on the Federal Trade Commission's shared responsibilities concerning advertising and labeling issues with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration.

9:30am 2123 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Reps. Moakley, D-Mass.; Kennedy, D-Mass.; Janet Steiger - chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Mary Azcuenaga, Deborah Owen, Roscoe Starek and Dennis Yao - commissioners, Federal Trade Commission; Charles Burson - attorney general, Tennessee; Richard Wiley - attorney, Wiley, Rein and Fielding; Scott Ballin - American Heart Association; Bruce Silverglade - Center for Science in the Public Interest; John Calfee - School of Management, Boston University; William MacLeod - attorney, Collier, Shannon and Scott

NORTH KOREA'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM**House Foreign Affairs Committee**

Asian and Pacific Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Solarz, D-N.Y.) will hold a hearing on the policy implications for the United States of North Korea's nuclear weapons program.

1:30pm 2172 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Richard Perle - American Enterprise Institute; Gen. John Wickham - Armed Forces Communication and Electronics Association; Han Sung-Joo - Seoul Forum

■ **MOVEMENT OF NORTH
AMERICAN WASTE**

House Government Operations Committee

Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee (Chairman Synar, D-Okla.) will hold a hearing on the movement of waste between the United States, Canada and Mexico, focusing on U.S.-owned plants located in Mexico on its northern border.

9:30am 2203 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Richard Hembra - director, Environmental Protection Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; Bowdoin Train - deputy assistant

administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, EPA

VETERANS HEALTH CARE**House Government Operations Committee**

Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee (Chairman Weiss, D-N.Y.) will hold a hearing on problems with health care for veterans, focusing on high rates of mortality and malpractice at veterans hospitals.

10am 2154 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Edward Derwinski - secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; Dr. Robert Petersdorf - Association of American Medical Colleges; Kenneth Hermann - vice president, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Organizations; Dr. L. Thompson Bowles - vice president, George Washington University Medical Center; Dr. David Sabiston - chairman, Department of Surgery, Duke University School of Medicine

■ **SAN CARLOS WATER RIGHTS**

House Interior Committee

The full committee (Chairman Miller, D-Calif.) will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 748; S 291) to provide for the settlement of water rights claims of the San Carlos Apache Tribe in Arizona.

9:45am B-352 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

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Witnesses Scheduled: William Swan - Office of the Field Solicitor, Phoenix, Ariz.; Steve Magnussen - regional coordinator, Lower Colorado Region; Frank Jones - chief of water resources, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Phoenix Area Office; Raleigh Thompson - San Carlos Apache Tribe; Ronnie Lupe - White Mountain Apache Tribe; Thomas White - Gila River Indian Community; Paul Orme - counsel, Maricopa-Sanfield Irrigation and Drainage District and Central Arizona Irrigation District; William Reffalt - Wilderness Society

RIGHT OF WAY PUBLIC LANDS

House Interior Committee

General Oversight and California Desert Lands Subcommittee (Chairman Lehman, D-Calif.) will hold a hearing on rights of way issues on public lands.

9:30 340 Cannon Bldg. November 21

PARK SERVICE

House Interior Committee

National Parks and Public Lands Subcommittee (Chairman Vento, D-Minn.) will hold a hearing on the recommendations of the National Park Service's 75th anniversary symposium.

10am 1324 Longworth Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: James Ridenour - director, National Park Service

PANEL: Henry Diamond - Beveridge & Diamond; Peter Zimmerman - Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; Brenda Barrett - Pennsylvania Bureau of Historic preservation; Gary Machlis - University of Idaho; Henry Lee - Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

PANEL: Bill Lane Jr. - Menlo Park, Calif.; Clay Peters - environmental consultant; Michael Frome - professor of environmental journalism, Western Washington University; William Wade - Association of National Park Rangers

SUBCOMMITTEE MARKUP: PRIVATE BILLS

House Judiciary Committee

Administrative Law and Governmental Relations Subcommittee (Chairman Frank, D-Mass.) will mark up private bills.

10am 2226 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

BIOTECH PROTECTION ACT

House Judiciary Committee

Intellectual Property and Judicial Administration Subcommittee (Chairman Hughes, D-N.J.) will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 1417) to protect biotechnology patents.

11am 2237 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: Rep. McMillen, D-Md., Harry Manbeck - commissioner, Patent and Trademark Office

PANEL 1: Dennis Allegretti - Allegretti & Witcoff; Lita Nelson - associate director, Technology Licensing Office, MIT; George Ebricht - chairman, Cytogen Corporation

PANEL 2: Donald Chisum - on behalf of American Intellectual Property Association; William Marsh - assistant general counsel, Patents, Air Products and Chemicals Inc.; Robert Weilacher - on behalf of the American Bar Association

WETLANDS

House Merchant Marine Committee

Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment Subcommittee (Chairman Studds, D-Mass.) and Oceanography, Great Lakes and the Outer Continental Shelf Subcommittee (Chairman Hertel, D-Mich.) will hold a joint hearing on pending wetlands legislation.

10am 1334 Longworth Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Reps. DeFazio, D-Ore.; Bennett, D-Fla.; Hayes, D-La.; Ridge, R-Pa.; Pat Rieksinger - wetlands program manager, New York State Department of Environment Conservation; Dave Chambers - executive assistant for coastal activities, Office of the Louisiana Governor; Ann Coan - North Carolina Farm Bureau; Joe Larson - director, Environmental Institute, University of Massachusetts; Michael Joyce - ARCO Alaska, Inc.; Don Barry - World Wildlife Fund

INTERJURISDICTIONAL FISHERIES

House Merchant Marine Committee

Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment Subcommittee (Chairman Studds, D-Mass.) will hold a hearing on the management of interjurisdictional fisheries and legislation (HR 2588) to provide for the conservation and management of weakfish.

2pm 1334 Longworth Bldg. November 21

Witnesses Scheduled: Richard Schaerfer - director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service; John Dunnigan - Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission; Guy Thornburg - Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission; John Bryson - Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; William Hogarth - Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife; Julie Wagner - Delaware Watermen's Association; Andrew Loftus - Sport Fishing Institute; Jerry Schill - North Carolina Fisheries Association

COLUMBUS COMMISSION

House Post Office Committee

Census and Population Subcommittee (Chairman Sawyer, D-Ohio) will hold a hearing to question former chairman of the Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Jubilee Commission John N. Goudie on allegations that he used his position to steer contracts and money to his friends and family. The hearing will also focus on the program to license and market the commission's official logo.

10:30am 311 Cannon Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: John N. Goudie - former chairman, Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Jubilee Commission; others involved in the marketing of the commission's official logo

TRANSPORTATION HEADQUARTERS

House Public Works Committee

Public Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee (Chairman Savage, D-Ill.) will hold a hearing on pending business.

2pm 2253 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Agenda & witnesses scheduled:

Department of Transportation headquarters construction prospectus: Melissa Allen - Transportation Department; David Bibb - General Services Administration; Robert Gresham - National Capital Planning Commission

International Cultural and Trade Center/Federal Triangle Building in the District of Columbia: Richard Austin - administrator, General Services Administration; Harry McPherson - International Cultural and Trade Center

SUPERCONDUCTING SUPER COLLIDER

House Science Committee

Investigations and Oversight Subcommittee (Chairman Wolpe, D-Mich.) will meet to discuss issuance of subpoenas to Energy Department to compel production of documents related to the superconducting super collider.

1:30pm 2318 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Note: This meeting may be canceled, subject to the outcome of discussions between the panel and the Energy Department.

MINORITIES AND FRANCHISING

House Small Business Committee

The full committee (Chairman LaFalce, D-N.Y.) will hold a hearing on minorities and franchising. The hearing will focus on advantages minorities receive and obstacles encountered when involved in the franchise business.

9:15am 2359 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Witnesses scheduled: members of several franchise systems of minority franchisee associations; representatives of the International Franchise Association, Minority Business Enterprise Legal Defense and Education Fund, and the Latin American Management Association

ETHICS MATTERS

House Ethics Conduct

(Chairman Stokes, D-Ohio) will meet to discuss pending ethics matters.

10am HT-2M Capitol Bldg. closed November 21

Party Organizations

HOUSE DEMOCRATS

House Democratic Caucus

The full committee (Chairman Hoyer, D-Md.) will hold a closed meeting to discuss legislation on the Resolution Trust Corporation.

10am, House chamber, Capitol Bldg. closed November 21

Contact: 202-226-3210

News Events Scheduled Today

--from Reuters

The *Monitor* has received notice of the following events scheduled to take place in Washington. Associations, non-profit organizations and public interest groups who wish to have events listed in the section should send pertinent information to: The Congressional Monitor, Other Events Editor, 1414 22nd St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037. Notices must include a telephone number. Notices may be transmitted by facsimile to 728-1862, attn: Robert Healy. Only events related to Congress can be listed. Deadline is noon two days before the date of issue (i.e. Monday noon for Wednesday issue). The editors reserve the right to edit or reject any submission. For further information call (202) 887-8866.

HANDICAPPED CONFERENCE

The Association for Persons with Severe Handicaps holds its annual meeting. First of three days.

8am, Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Ave. N.W. November 21

Contact: 206-523-8446, or at the hotel, 202-483-3000 ext. 3530

Highlight

4:15 p.m.: Speech by Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa

HEALTH CARE ISSUES

The Health Task Force and the International Trade Task Force of Women in Government Relations (WGR) will sponsor a discussion about the German health care system and the Canadian health care system.

8am to 10am B340 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Contacts: Molly Frantz at 202-225-4467 and Joanne Price at 202-823-5859

Note: There is a charge for this event of \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. For reservations, send a check, made payable to WGR:

WGR

1325 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20005

AIRLINES CONFERENCE

Aviation consulting firm Simat, Heliessen & Eichner sponsor the second annual Airline Business Conference. The theme of this year's conference is "Global Competitiveness: Issues and Strategies." First of two days.

8:45am, Madison Hotel, 15th and M streets N.W. November 21

Contact: Tulinda Larsen, 212-682-8455, or the hotel, 202-862-1600

Congressional highlights

12:30pm to 2pm: Luncheon address by Rep. James Oberstar, D-Minn.

TELEPHONE EMERGENCY ACCESS FOR SPEECH AND HEARING IMPAIRED

Telecommunications for the Deaf and United States Telephone Association will sponsor a conference on provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act that mandate telephone emergency access for those with speech and hearing disabilities.

9am SD-G50 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

Contact: Alan Mauk at 202-835-3163

★ New listing

EPA CABINET LEVEL NEWS CONFERENCE

Reps. Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., and Frank Horton, R-N.Y., and representatives of environmental groups hold a news conference to urge passage of a bill elevating the Environmental Protection Agency to cabinet status. The congressman will be joined by National Wildlife Federation President Jay Hair, Sierra Club Chairman J. Michael McCloskey and Kathryn Fuller of the World Wildlife Fund.

9:30am, Capitol Bldg. House triangle November 21

Contact: Hank Price, 202-225-3665, or Matt Fletcher, 202-225-5074

RUBBER CONFERENCE

The Rubber Manufacturers Association holds its 76th annual meeting.

9:30am, J.W. Marriott Hotel, 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. November 21

Contact: 202-783-1022, or the hotel, 202-393-2000

Congressional highlights:

10am: NBC News chief economics correspondent Irving R. Levine moderates a panel discussion on "Manufacturers' Issues in Congress," featuring Reps. Robert Walker, R-Pa., and Jim Slattery, D-Kan.

1pm: Luncheon address by Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., on "Reducing the Budget Deficit"

FAMILY LIFE

National Commission on Children Chairman Sen. John D. Rockefeller IV, D-W.Va., will hold a news conference to discuss findings of a survey on attitudes of parents and children toward family life.

10am National Press Club, 524 14th St., N.W. November 21

Contact: Polly Dement at 202-254-3800

MERGERS & MONOPOLIZATION

NEC Educational Foundation will sponsor a panel discussion on "Mergers and Monopolization: An Update on Current Antitrust Policy."

10am American Petroleum Institute, 1220 L Street, N.W. November 21

Contact: 703-532-9048

ECONOMY HEARING

The Republican Research Committee's Task Force on Tax Policy and Job Creation holds an emergency hearing on economic growth. Witnesses include Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp, Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.), Rep. Tom DeLay (R-Texas), Rep. Vin Weber (R-Minn.) and Rep. Mickey Edwards (R-Okla.). The task force is chaired by Rep. Bob McEwen (R-Ohio).

2pm, 2222 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Contact: Kevin Fitzpatrick, 202-225-0871

D.C. STATEHOOD NEWS CONFERENCE

Sens. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and Paul Simon, D-Ill., hold a news conference to discuss the introduction in the Senate of the District of

Columbia statehood bill. The senators will be joined by D.C. Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, D.C. shadow senators Jesse Jackson and Florence Pendleton, D.C. Mayor Sharon Pratt Dixon and D.C. City Council Chairman John Wilson.

2pm, SD-430 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

Contact: Paul Donovan, 202-224-2633, or Donna Brazile, 202-225-8050

THIRD WORLD COMMUNISM CONFERENCE

The Association on Third World Affairs holds a one-day conference titled, "After Communism: Democracy, Authoritarianism, Anarchy -- Or More Communism?" featuring speakers Rep. Edward Feighan (D-Ohio), Indian Ambassador to the United States Abid Hussain and Zambian Ambassador to the United States Paul Lusaka.

2pm, B-352 Rayburn Bldg. November 21

Contact: Lorna Hahn, 202-331-8455

'OCTOBER SURPRISE' NEWS CONFERENCE

Executive Intelligence Review holds a news conference to discuss allegations that the Reagan-Bush campaign delayed the release of American hostages held by Iran, the so-called "October Surprise." EIR said it will explain how the mystery can be solved.

4pm, National Press Club, 14th and F streets NW, West Room November 21

Contact: Dana Scanlon, 202-544-7018

ABUSE & REFORM IN FEDERAL BUREAUCRACY

Public Service Research Foundation will sponsor a conference on the issues of abuse and reform within the federal bureaucracy during the Reagan years.

4:30pm to 5:30pm, Washington Court Hotel, November 21

Contact: 703-438-3986

Participants: Sen. Dole, R-Kan., Donald Devine - former director, Office of Personnel Management; Mike Causey - Washington Post staff writer; Tom Diaz - Washington Times staff writer

Note: Reservations are required, call the number listed above

ECONOMIC INDICATORS AND REPORTS

8:30am: The Labor Department releases the weekly jobless claims report.

3pm: The Agriculture Department releases the weekly export sales commitments report and the weekly upland cotton world market price report.

4:30pm, approx.: The National Oilseed Processors Association releases the weekly soybean crush statistics.

4:30pm, approx.: The Federal Reserve releases the weekly reports on aggregate reserves and the monetary base, factors affecting bank reserves and money supply.

■ Revised listing

Senate Committees Future Listings

Banking, Housing & Urban Affairs

224-7391

FEDERAL RESERVE NOMINATION

Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee (Chairman Riegle, D-Mich.) will hold a confirmation hearing on the nomination of Alan Greenspan to a second four-year term as chairman of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors and to a 14-year term as a board member.

Time TBA SD-538 Dirksen Bldg. date TBA

Note: This hearing was originally scheduled for November 19, but was postponed because Senate floor consideration of banking legislation. It is likely the committee will take up the Greenspan nomination one day following completion of Senate floor action on the banking bill

MINT NOMINATION

Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee (Chairman Riegle, D-Mich.) will hold a confirmation hearing on the nomination of David Ryder to be director of the U.S. Mint.

10am SD-538 Dirksen Bldg. date TBA

Note: This hearing was postponed because Senate floor consideration of banking legislation. It is likely the committee will take up the Ryder nomination following the Greenspan confirmation hearing. (above)

BCCI INVESTIGATION

Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee (Chairman Riegle, D-Mich.) will mark up a draft resolution authorizing the Senate Banking Committee to undertake a comprehensive investigation of the collapse of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International (BCCI), its activities in the U.S. and the failure of existing regulatory safeguards and supervision.

Time TBA SD-538 Dirksen Bldg. date TBA

GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED ENTERPRISES

Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee (Chairman Riegle, D-Mich.) will mark up draft legislation to improve supervision and regulation with respect to the financial safety and soundness of government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs). GSEs are privately owned entities — such as the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and the Federal Home Loan Bank System — that benefit from certain tax exemptions and exemptions from federal security laws.

Time and room TBA date TBA

★ New listing

Environment & Public Works

224-6176

WETLANDS

Environmental Protection Subcommittee (Chairman Baucus, D-Mont.) of Senate Environment and Public Works Committee will hold a hearing on proposed revisions to the procedures for determining wetlands jurisdiction.

10am SD-406 Dirksen Bldg. November 22

HAZARDOUS WASTE EXPORTS

Field Hearing

Environmental Protection Subcommittee (Acting Chairman Reid, D-Nev.) of Senate Environment and Public Works Committee will hold a field hearing on hazardous waste exports from California to Nevada.

9:30am Las Vegas, Nevada December 9

Finance

224-4515

FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP: STATE FUNDING FOR MEDICAID

Senate Finance Committee (Chairman Bentsen, D-Texas) may mark up legislation that would bar enforcement of regulations issued by the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) that are scheduled to go into effect January 1, 1992. The rules would prohibit states and localities from supplementing Medicaid spending with money raised through voluntary donations and taxes paid by hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers.

Time TBA SD-215 Dirksen Bldg. date TBA

Note: No action has been scheduled on this matter. However, it is the subject of negotiations between the White House and the National Governors' Association. If an agreement is reached soon, the committee may take up legislation to implement the agreement. A mark up could come as early as Friday.

TAX CUTS

Senate Finance Committee (Chairman Bentsen, D-Texas) will hold a hearing on legislation (S—) to provide a tax cut for middle-income families with children. Under the bill there would be a 25 percent reduction for a typical four-member family making \$35,000 a year, the tax reduction would be paid for by reducing defense spending about \$73 billion over five years.

10am SD-215 Dirksen Bldg. November 26

Foreign Relations

224-4651

'OCTOBER SURPRISE' INVESTIGATION

Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Sub-

committee (Chairman Sanford, D-N.C.) of Senate Foreign Relations Committee will meet to discuss pending business, including the pending investigation into allegations that members of the Reagan/Bush presidential election team negotiated with Iranians to prevent the release of American hostages in 1980.

8am SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. November 21

9am SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. November 22

FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (Chairman Pell, D-R.I.) will meet to mark up pending legislation.

10am SD-419 Dirksen Bldg. November 22

Agenda: TBA

Governmental Affairs

224-4751

★ FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP: REGULATORY REVIEW

Senate Governmental Affairs Committee (Chairman Glenn, D-Ohio) will vote on pending nominations and mark up pending legislation.

9:30am SD-342 Dirksen Bldg. November 22

Agenda:

S 1942 - to provide for procedures for the review of federal department and agency regulations HR 3322 - to designate Wellston Station facility of the U.S. Postal Service in St. Louis, Mo., as the Gwen B. Giles Post Office Building

Nominations: TBA

Note: This markup was originally scheduled for November 20.

■ ENERGY CONSERVATION TECHNOLOGY

Senate Governmental Affairs Committee (Chairman Glenn, D-Ohio) will hold a hearing on the federal government's role in developing energy conservation technology.

9:30am SD-342 Dirksen Bldg. November 22

MANAGEMENT OF DOD MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Oversight of Government Management Subcommittee (Chairman Levin, D-Mich.) of Senate Governmental Affairs Committee will hold a hearing an oversight hearing on problems with the management of medical supplies at the Department of Defense.

9:30am SD-342 Dirksen Bldg. December 5

Indian Affairs

224-2251

★ FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP: CHEYENNE WATER RIGHTS

Senate Indian Affairs Committee (Chairman Inouye, D-Hawaii) will mark up legislation (S 1607) to provide for the settlement of

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Senate continued...

the water rights claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

9:30am SR-485 Russell Bldg. November 22

RATIFYING TRIBAL COMPACT WITH MONTANA

Senate Indian Affairs Committee (Chairman Inouye, D-Hawaii) will hold a hearing on legislation (S 1602) to ratify a compact between the Assinibone and Sioux Indian Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation and the state of Montana. Follows markup (above) SR-485 Russell Bldg. November 26

INDIAN TRIBAL COURTS

Senate Select Indian Affairs Committee (Chairman Inouye, D-Hawaii) will hold hearings on draft legislation, the Indian Tribal Courts Act of 1991. The measure would aid in the development of an administrative and support structure, which is currently lacking, within the tribal judicial system.

Time and room TBA date TBA

RESTORING MIAMI TRIBE RECOGNITION

Senate Indian Affairs Committee (Chair-

man Inouye, D-Hawaii) will hold a hearing on legislation (S 538) to restore federal recognition to the Miami Tribe of Indians.

Time and Room TBA date TBA

Rules & Administration

224-6352

"OCTOBER SURPRISE" INVESTIGATION POWERS

Senate Rules and Administration Committee (Chairman Ford, D-Ky.) may meet to consider legislation (S Res 198) that would authorize the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to exercise certain investigatory powers in connection with its inquiry into the release of the U.S. hostages in Iran, known as the "October Surprise."

Time and room TBA date TBA

Note: S Res 198 was originally referred to Senate Rules, but was discharged and sent to Senate Foreign Relations on October 17. Senate Foreign Relations approved S Res 198 October 29. Senate Rules may consider the measure again to authorize funding for the investigation.

House continued...

(Chairman Carper, D-Del.) of House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on the relationship between energy and the economy. The hearing will focus on the implications of coal, oil, gas, nuclear, renewable as well as other alternative fuel sources on economic growth and the prognosis for their future use.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Note: This hearing was originally scheduled for November 19.

RESALE OF ASSETS

Policy Research and Insurance Subcommittee (Chairman Erdreich, D-Ala.) of House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee will continue hearings on the banking practice of reselling loans. The hearings will focus on regulatory and other impediments to banks seeking to resell auto and other loans.

10am 2222 Rayburn Bldg. dates TBA

SALOMON BROTHERS & TRADING OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee (Chairman Gonzalez, D-Texas) may hold a hearing on violations of federal laws by the securities firm of Salomon Brothers and the response of the Federal Reserve to those violations.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Note: On August 26, 1991, committee Chairman Gonzalez, D-Texas, asked the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to submit a report to the House Banking Committee detailing actions taken in regard to Salomon Brothers. The report was received on September 23, 1991.

House Committees Future Listings**Aging****AGING IN RURAL MAINE****Field Hearing**

Rural Elderly Task Force (Chairman Snowe, R-Maine) of House Select Aging Committee will hold a field hearing on aging in rural Maine, focusing on the challenge facing communities.

9am Livermore Falls, Maine December 3

Agriculture

225-2171

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT**Field Hearings**

Conservation, Credit and Rural Development Subcommittee (Chairman English, D-Okl.) of the House Agriculture Committee will hold field hearings on agricultural credit issues.

1pm Oklahoma City, Okla. December 2

9:30am Guymon, Okla. December 4

SUBCOMMITTEE MARKUP: TIMBER SALES

Forests, Family Farms and Energy Subcommittee (Chairman Volkmer, D-Mo.) of House Agriculture Committee will mark up pending legislation.

Time TBA 1300 Longworth Bldg. addl dates TBA

★ New listing

Agenda:

HR 2501 - Provide for the full recovery of the federal government's costs of selling timber on national forest lands

HR 3414 - Require the secretary of Agriculture to proceed with a timber sale on National Forest System lands only if an estimate of the revenues to be obtained by the federal government from the sale exceed the costs to be incurred by the federal government

Armed Services

225-4151

SUBCOMMITTEE MARKUP: NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE

Seapower and Strategic and Critical Materials Subcommittee (Chairman Bennett, D-Fla.) of House Armed Services Committee will hold a hearing on and mark up legislation (HR 2846) that would repeal the requirement that the president acquire depleted uranium for the National Defense Stockpile.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Note: This meeting was originally scheduled for September 12.

Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs

225-4247

ENERGY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Economic Stabilization Subcommittee

Education & Labor

225-4527

HELPING DISLOCATED WORKERS**Field Hearing**

Employment Opportunities Subcommittee (Chairman Perkins, D-Ky.) of House Education and Labor Committee will hold a field hearing on the challenges of retraining, financially assisting and relocating dislocated workers.

Time & Site TBA North Adams, Mass. December 6

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PEACE

Labor-Management Relations Subcommittee (Chairman Williams, D-Mont.) of House Education and Labor Committee will hold a hearing on draft legislation to reauthorize the National Institute for Peace.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Note: This hearing has not been rescheduled.

Energy & Commerce

225-2927

FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP: MENTAL HEALTH

House Energy and Commerce Committee

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House continued...

(Chairman Dingell, D-Mich.) will mark up pending legislation.

Time TBA 2123 Rayburn Bldg. date TBA

Agenda:

HR 3698 - to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to services for mental health and substance abuse

Foreign Affairs

225-5021

COMMUNISM IN ASIA

Asian and Pacific Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Solarz, D-N.Y.) of House Foreign Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on the future of communism in Asia.

9:30am 2200 Rayburn Bldg. November 22

Witnesses scheduled: Winston Lord - former U.S. ambassador to China; Donald Zagoria - City University of New York; Roderick MacFarquhar - Harvard University

Government Operations

225-5051

FDIC PAYMENTS TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL

Commerce, Consumer and Monetary Affairs Subcommittee (Chairman Barnard, D-Ga.) of House Government Operations Committee will hold an oversight hearing on the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) payment of fees to outside counsel to meet the FDIC's increased need for legal services as a result of the S & L crisis.

9:30am 2203 Rayburn Bldg. November 22

Witnesses scheduled: Robert Hoffman - inspector general, FDIC; Alfred Byrne - general counsel, FDIC; Gerald Jacobs - general counsel, Resolution Trust Corporation

Note: This hearing was originally scheduled for November 20

RECEIVING FDA DOCUMENTS

Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee (Chairman Weiss, D-N.Y.) of House Government Operations Committee will meet to receive documents from the Food and Drug Administration

Noon 2247 Rayburn Bldg. November 22

Interior & Insular Affairs

225-2761

NATIVE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.

House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (Chairman Miller, D-Calif.) will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 3127) to establish a Native American university.

9am 1324 Longworth Bldg. November 22

SUBCOMMITTEE MARKUP: PUBLIC LANDS

National Parks and Public Lands Sub-

★ New listing

committee (Chairman Vento, D-Minn.) of House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee will mark up pending legislation.

10am 1324 Longworth Bldg. November 26

Agenda:

HR 3519 - to authorize the establishment of the Steamtown National Historic Site

HR 2548 - to establish an Abraham Lincoln Research and Interpretive Center

Judiciary

225-3951

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

Crime and Criminal Justice Subcommittee (Chairman Schumer, D-N.Y.) of House Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on legislation (HR 1241) to impose criminal penalties for avoiding payment of arrearages in child support.

10am 2226 Rayburn Bldg. November 25

Post Office & Civil Service

225-4054

FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP

House Post Office and Civil Service Committee (Chairman Clay, D-Mo.) will meet to consider pending legislation.

9:45am 311 Cannon Bldg. November 27

TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES

Human Resources Subcommittee (Chairman Kanjorski, D-Pa.) of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee will hold a hearing on the utilization of temporary employees in the federal government.

Time and room TBA mid-December date TBA

Rules

225-9486

RULES FOR FLOOR DEBATE

House Rules Committee (Chairman Moakley, D-Mass.) will meet to consider rules for floor debate for pending legislation.

Time TBA H-313 Capitol Bldg. dates TBA

Agenda: The committee may meet on short notice on any measure scheduled for floor action.

Science, Space & Technology

225-6371

★ FULL COMMITTEE MARKUP

House Science, Space and Technology Committee (Chairman Brown, D-Calif.) will mark up pending legislation.

10am 2318 Rayburn Bldg. November 22

Agenda:

HR 3507 - to establish programs under the technology administration of the Department of Com-

merce to promote a skilled work force and U.S. industrial competitiveness

HR 191 - Technology Transfer Improvements Act of 1991

NUCLEAR REACTORS LIFE EXTENSION

Investigations and Oversight Subcommittee (Chairman Wolpe, D-Mich.) of House Science, Space and Technology Committee will hold a hearing on commercial nuclear reactor life extension.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Small Business

225-5821

HAZARD COMMUNICATIONS

Exports, Tax Policy and Special Problems Subcommittee (Chairman Sisisky, D-Va.) of House Small Business Committee will hold a hearing on hazard communications standards.

10am 2359 Rayburn Bldg. November 26

Ways & Means

225-3625

SUBCOMMITTEE MARKUP: TARIFF AND TRADE BILLS

Trade Subcommittee (Chairman Gibbons, D-Fla.) of House Ways and Means Committee will meet to mark up pending legislation.

9:30am 1100 Longworth Bldg. November 22

Agenda:

HR 1559 - Prohibit the importation of semiautomatic assault weapons, large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and certain accessories

Miscellaneous tariff and trade bills

Note

The offices of all members of Congress and all congressional committees and subcommittees may be reached by calling (202) 224-3121.

Joint Committees

Joint Economic

HEALTH-CARE ISSUES

Education and Health Subcommittee (Chairman Scheuer, D-N.Y.) of Joint Economic Committee will continue hearings on health-care issues, focusing on local and national health-care reform proposals.

Time and room TBA add dates TBA

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Conference Committees Future Listings

OLDER AMERICANS ACT

Conferees will meet on legislation (HR 2967) to reauthorize the Older Americans Act.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Senate conferees:

From the Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Kennedy, Metzenbaum, Adams, Hatch, and Cochran

From the Committee on Finance (solely for the Social Security retirement earnings provisions): Bentsen, Moynihan and Packwood

House conferees: TBA

HIGHWAY BILL

Conferees will meet on legislation (HR 2950) to reauthorize federal highway and mass transit programs.

Time & room TBA addl dates TBA

Note: Conference began November 7

Senate conferees:

For matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Environment and Public Works: Moynihan, Burdick, Mitchell, Lautenberg, Reid, Chafee, Symms, Warner, and Durenberger

For matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation: Hollings, Exon, Bryan, Danforth, Gorton

For matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Banking, Housing & Urban Affairs: Riegle, Cranston, Sarbanes, Bond, and D'Amato

For matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Finance: Bentsen, Moynihan, Baucus, Packwood, Dole

For matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Governmental Affairs: Glenn, Levin, and Roth

House conferees:

From the Committee on Public Works and Transportation for consideration of the entire House bill (except title VII), the entire Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Roe, Anderson, Mineta, Oberstar, Nowak, Rahall, Applegate, De Lugo, Savage, Borksi, Kolter, Hammerschmidt, Shuster, Clinger, Petri, Packard, Boehlert and Bentley

From the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of Title VII of the House bill and sections 140E, 141 through 144, 271(b)(12), and 305 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Rostenkowski, Gibbons, Pickle, Rangel, Stark, Archer, Vander Jagt, Crane

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce for considerations of sections 5, 121(a), 123, 124, 134(a) and (b), 143, 184, 209, 322(m), 335, Title V (insofar as it addresses railroads), sections 601(b), 608 through 610, 617, and 620 of the House bill, and sections 103(b)(1), (2) and (9), 106(a), 107, 113, 114, 115 (a)(2) and (d), 116, 117, 122(b), 127, 128, 131, 140G, 140T, 140U, 239, 261, 262, 319 and

336 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Dingell, Swift, Sikorski, Lent, Ritter (Provided that Rep. Dannemeyer is appointed in place of Rep. Ritter for consideration of sections 123 and 124 of the House bill and sections 103(b)(2), 106(a) (insofar as it address 23 U.S.C. 133(a)(10)), 107, 113, 114 and 319 of the Senate amendment

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce for consideration of sections 140I, 140N, part A of Title II (except sections 204, 218, and 226) 264, and 271 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Dingell, Swift, Sharp, Eckart, Tauzin, Slattery, Boucher, Manton, Bruce, Harris, Synar, Lent, Moorhead, Rinaldo, Dannemeyer, Ritter, Fields, Oxley

From the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs for considerations of sections 125, 143, 144 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Miller of Calif., Vento, Kostmayer, Lagomarsino, Marlenee

From the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of section 409 of the House bill, and section 238 and Title IV of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Brooks, Edwards of California, Frank of Massachusetts, Fish, Moorhead

From the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries for consideration of sections 5, 108, 317(b), 320 and 321(a) and (e) of the House bill, and section 106(a) of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Jones of North Carolina, Studds, Hertel, Davis, Young of Alaska

From the Committee on Science, Space and Technology, for consideration of sections 141(a) and (e), 202, 317, 405, 502, 601, 604, through 609, 616 through 618, 651 through 659, and 671 through 673 of the House bill, and sections 103(b)(9) and (10), 106(a) 107, 115, 116, 127(g), 136(b), 203(e), 204, 232(a), 329, and 341 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed conference: Brown, Valentine, Glickman, Walker, Lewis of Florida

MFN FOR CHINA

Conferees will meet on legislation (HR 2212) regarding the extension of most-favored-nation treatment to the products of the People's Republic of China.

Time & room TBA date TBA

House conferees: From Ways and Means Committee: Rostenkowski, Gibbons, Jenkins, Downey, Pease, Archer, Vander Jagt, Crane

Additional conferees from Foreign Affairs Committee for consideration of sections 1 through 3 of the Senate amendment: Fascell, Solarz, Faleomavaega, Broomfield, Leach

Senate conferees: Bentsen, Moynihan, Mitchell, Packwood, Dole

FEDERAL FACILITIES COMPLIANCE

Conferees will meet on HR 2194, Federal Facilities Compliance Act of 1991.

Time & room TBA date TBA

Senate conferees: Burdick, Baucus, Moynihan, Mitchell, Lautenberg, Chafee, Simpson, Durenberger, Warner

House conferees: TBA

PRICE FIXING

Conferees will meet on legislation (S 429) to amend the Sherman Act to strengthen laws against vertical price-fixing

Time & room TBA date TBA

House conferees: Brooks, Edwards of Calif., Synar, Fish, Campbell of Calif.

Senate conferees: TBA

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT

Conferees will meet on legislation (S 347) to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to revitalize the defense industrial base of the United States

Time & room TBA date TBA

House conferees:

From the House Banking Committee: Carper, LaFalce, Oaker, Vento, Kanjorski, Ridge, Paxon, Hancock

From the House Armed Services Committee: Aspin, Mavroules, Sisisky, Dickinson, Bateman

Additional conferees from House Energy Committee: Dingell, Markey, Collins of Ill., Lent, Rinaldo

Additional conferees from House Government Operations Committee: Conyers, English, Wise, Horton, Kyl

Additional conferees from House Judiciary Committee: Brooks, Edwards of Calif., Fish, Moorhead

Additional conferees from House Ways and Means Committee: Rostenkowski, Gibbons, Jenkins, Archer, Crane

Senate conferees: Riegle, Sarbanes, Dixon, Garn, Gramm.

FOLLOW-THROUGH ACT

Conferees will meet on legislation (HR 2312) to make certain technical and conforming amendments to the Follow Through Act and the Head Start Transition Project Act.

Time and Room TBA date TBA

Senate Conferees: Kennedy, Pell, Metzenbaum, Hatch and Kassebaum

House Conferees: TBA

CFTC REAUTHORIZATION

Conferees will meet on legislation (HR 707) to improve the regulation of futures trading and authorize appropriations for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Time and room TBA addl dates TBA

Note: Conference began November 6

Senate conferees: Leahy, Boren, Heflin, Conrad, Lugar, Dole, Cochran

House conferees:

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of the House bill, and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: de la Garza, English, Staggers, Stallings, Nagle, Sarpalius, Johnson, Huckaby, Glickman, Penny, Espy, Long, Stenholm, Tallon, Coleman, Smith of Ore., Gunderson, Combest, Allard, Barrett, Nussle, Boehner, Roberts

From the Committee on Banking, Finance and

Party Organizations Future Listings

HEALTH-CARE ISSUES

Senate Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, D-Maine, in cooperation with several other senators, will hold a series of field hearings on health-care issues.

Time TBA December 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13

Agenda:

December 9: Tampa, Fla., (Co-chair Sen. Graham, D-Fla.)

Rising Costs of Health Care

December 10: Atlanta, Ga., (Co-chairs Sens.

★ New listing

Fowler, D-Ga., and Nunn, D-Ga.)

Relationship Between Health Care and Employment

December 11: Cleveland, Ohio, (Co-chairs Sens. Glenn, D-Ohio, and Metzenbaum, D-Ohio) Urban Crisis in Health Care

December 12: Detroit, Mich. (Co-chairs Sens. Riegle, D-Mich., and Levin, D-Mich.) Impact of Recession on Access to Care for U.S. Workers

December 13: Denver, Colo. (Co-chair Sen. Wirth) Urban and Rural Care

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Conference continued...

Urban Affairs, for consideration of section 263 and title III of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Gonzalez, Annunzio, Neal, Hubbard, LaFalce, Oaker, Wylie, Leach, McCollum, Roukema

Other Events

The *Monitor* has received notice of the following events scheduled to take place in Washington. Associations, non-profit organizations and public interest groups who wish to have events listed in the section should send pertinent information to: The Congressional Monitor, Other Events Editor, 1414 22nd St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037. Notices must include a telephone number. Notices may be transmitted by facsimile to 728-1862, attn: Robert Healy. Only events related to Congress can be listed. Deadline is noon two days before the date of issue (i.e. Monday noon for Wednesday issue). The editors reserve the right to edit or reject any submission. For further information call 202-887-8686.

DOMESTIC BUDGET ISSUES

American Association for Budget and Program Analysis will sponsor a symposium on "Budgeting on the Homefront: Tackling Domestic Challenges."

8am-Four Seasons Hotel, 2800 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. **November 26**

Contact: 703-941-4300

Note: There is a charge for this event of \$135 for members, \$175 for non-members and \$65 for full-time students. For reservations send a check, made payable to AABPA, to:

AABPA
Box 1157
Falls Church, Va. 22041

★ CABLE TELEVISION

Washington Metropolitan Cable Club will sponsor a luncheon meeting to hear an assessment of the legislative and regulatory scene as it affects cable television, including a look at S 12.

Noon to 2pm, Washington Marriott Hotel, 2112 22nd St. N.W. **November 26**

Contact: Cathryn Engel at 703-358-2770

Note: There is a charge for this event of \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. For reservations call the number listed above.

POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS & DEFICITS

National Economists Club will sponsor a luncheon meeting to hear Brookings Institution Senior Fellow Charles Schultze discuss "Do U.S. Political Institutions Produce Excessive Public Spending and Deficits?"

Noon to 1:30pm, Brookings Institution, 1775 Massachusetts Ave. N.W. **November 26**

Contact: 703-532-9048

Note: There is a charge for this event of \$13 for members and \$18 for non-members. For reservations call the number listed above. Deadline for reservations is noon the day before the luncheon is scheduled.

★ *New listing*

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of section 263 and title III of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Dingell, Markey, Scheuer, Synar Eckart, Slattery, Lent, Moorhead, Rinaldo, Ritter

WETLANDS PROTECTION

Environmental Task Force of Women in Government Relations will sponsor a breakfast meeting with Rep. Hayes, D-La., who will discuss wetlands protection legislation.

8am to 9:30am, Le Mistral, 223 Pennsylvania Ave. S.E. **December 3**

Contact: Phyllis Hughes - 202-457-5133 or Colleen Moore at 202-466-0269

Note: There is a charge for this event of \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. For reservations send a check, made payable to WGR, to: Women in Government Relations
1325 Massachusetts Ave. N.W.
Suite 510
Washington, D.C. 20005-4171

KEY U.S. & WORLD ECONOMIC ISSUES IN THE 1990s

National Economists Club in cooperation with the George Washington University will sponsor a luncheon series on "Key Economic Issues Facing the U.S. and World Economies in the 1990s."

Noon, GW University Club, Marvin Center, 800 21st St. N.W. **December 3**

Contact: Jim Kenworthy at 202-863-0426 (media inquiries only; for reservations call number listed below)

Agenda & participants:

December 3: Soviet Economic Reform and External Aid
John Holsen - professorial lecturer, Johns Hopkins University and special economic adviser to the World Bank

Note: There is a charge for these events of \$13 for members and \$15 for non-members. Reservations are required and must be made two working days prior to the event date. For reservations call 703-532-9048

HOUSE RULES, SENATE PROCEDURES, CONFERENCE CMTEs

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a three-day series on advanced legislative procedures. Sections will focus on House rules, Senate procedures and conference committees.

9am to 4pm **December 4, 5 & 6**

Note: There is an \$810 charge for this series (\$295 for each individual day). For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

WORKING WITH CONGRESSIONAL STAFF

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a seminar on strategies for working with congressional staff.

9am to 1pm, Omni Georgetown Hotel De-

cember 10

Note: There is a \$225 charge for this seminar. For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

RESEARCH WORKSHOP ON CONGRESSIONAL DOCUMENTS

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a research workshop on congressional documents.

9am to 1pm, 6th floor conference room, Congressional Quarterly, 1414 22nd St. N.W. **December 11**

Note: There is a \$195 charge for this seminar. For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

LOBBYING TECHNIQUES

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a seminar on lobbying techniques for the 1990s, focusing on strategies, coalition building and grass-roots campaigns.

9am to 4pm, Ramada Renaissance Techworld, **December 11**

Note: There is a \$345 charge for this seminar (includes lunch). For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

STATE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a seminar on developing strategies for state government relations.

9am to 4:40pm, J.W. Marriott Hotel **December 13**

Note: There is a \$345 charge for this seminar (includes lunch). For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

UNDERSTANDING CONGRESS

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a seminar on understanding Congress.

9am to 1pm, Congressional Quarterly, 1414 22nd St. N.W. **December 16**

Note: There is a \$225 charge for this seminar. For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

CONGRESS & LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Congressional Quarterly will sponsor a seminar on Congress and the legislative process.

9am to 4pm, Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza at Metro Center **December 16**

Note: There is a \$295 charge for this seminar (includes lunch). For reservations and further information call Irene Cuffy at 202-887-8620; fax 202-728-1863 (From outside the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area call toll-free 1-800-432-2250, ext. 620)

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Status of Appropriations — Fiscal 1992

FULL COMMITTEE

House: 225-2771; Senate: 224-3471

AGRICULTURE

House: 225-2638; Senate: 224-7240

Bill No: HR 2698
House subcmte markup completed: June 7
House full cmte markup completed: June 20
H Rpt 102-119
Passed House: June 26
Senate subcmte hearings completed: April 26
Senate subcmte markup completed: July 23
Senate full cmte markup completed: July 23
S Rpt 102-116
Passed Senate: July 30
Conference completed: October 3
H Rpt 102-239
Conference report adopted by House: October 8
Conference report adopted by Senate: October 16
Signed by the president: October 28
PL 102-142

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, & THE JUDICIARY

House: 225-3351; Senate: 224-7277

Bill No: HR 2608
House subcmte hearings completed: April 17
House subcmte markup completed: May 30
House full cmte markup completed: June 11
H Rpt 102-106
Passed House: June 13
Senate subcmte markup completed: July 9
Senate full cmte markup completed: July 11
S Rpt 102-106
Passed Senate: July 31
Conference completed: October 1
H Rpt 102-233
Conference report adopted by House: October 3
Conference report adopted by Senate: October 3
Signed by the president: October 28
PL 102-140

DEFENSE

House: 225-2847; Senate: 224-7255

Bill No: HR 2521
House subcmte hearings completed: May 9
House subcmte markup completed: May 22
House full cmte markup completed: June 4
H Rpt 102-95
Passed House: June 7
Senate subcmte markup completed: September 19
Senate full cmte markup completed: September 20
S Rpt 102-154
Passed Senate: September 26
Conference completed: November 15
H Rpt 102-328
Conf rpt adopted by House: November 20

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

House: 225-5338; Senate: 224-7236

Bill No: HR 2699
House subcmte hearings completed: June 5
House subcmte markup completed: June 13
House full cmte markup completed: June 20
H Rpt 102-120
Passed House: June 26
Senate subcmte hearings completed: June 27
Senate subcmte markup completed: July 10
Senate full cmte markup completed: July 11
S Rpt 102-105

Passed Senate: July 18
Conference completed: July 31
H Rpt 102-181
Conference report adopted by House: August 1
Conference report adopted by Senate: August 2
Vetoed by the president: August 17
Bill No: HR 3291
Passed House: September 16
Passed Senate: September 16
Cleared Congress: September 26
Signed by the president: October 1
PL 102-111

ENERGY & WATER DEVELOPMENT

House: 225-3421; Senate: 224-7260

Bill No: HR 2427
House subcmte hearings completed: April 10
House subcmte markup completed: May 15
House full cmte markup completed: May 22
H Rpt 102-75
Passed House: May 29
Senate subcmte hearings completed: May 16
Senate subcmte markup completed: June 11
Senate full cmte markup completed: June 12
S Rpt 102-80
Passed Senate: July 10
Conference completed: July 30
H Rpt 102-177
Conference report adopted by House: July 31
Conference report adopted by Senate: August 2
Signed by the president: August 17
PL 102-104

FOREIGN OPERATIONS

House: 225-2041; Senate: 224-7209

Bill No: HR 2621
House subcmte hearings completed: May 22
House subcmte markup completed: May 29
House full cmte markup completed: June 12
H Rpt 102-108
Passed House: June 19

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House: 225-3081; Senate: 224-7233

Bill No: HR 2686
House subcmte hearings completed: May 9
House subcmte markup completed: June 6
House full cmte markup completed: June 19
H Rpt 102-116
Passed House: June 25
Senate subcmte markup completed: July 24
Senate full cmte markup completed: July 24
S Rpt 102-122
Passed Senate: September 19
Conference completed: October 17
H Rpt 102-256
Conference report adopted by House: October 24
Conference report adopted by Senate: October 30
Cleared Congress: November 1
Signed by the president: November 13
PL 102-154

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House: 225-3508; Senate: 224-7283

Bill No: HR 2707
House subcmte hearings completed: May 21
House subcmte markup completed: June 6
House full cmte markup completed: June 20
H Rpt 102-121
Passed House: June 26
Senate subcmte markup completed: July 11

House Floor*continued...*

- States passed by voice
- HR 2790 Withdraw certain lands located in the Coronado National Forest from the mining and mineral leasing laws of the U.S. passed by voice
- HConRes 226 Commend the participants in the Middle East Peace Conference began consideration

Wednesday, November 20:

- HR 2521 CONF REPORT: Defense appropriations adopted by voice
- HR 2038 CONF REPORT: Intelligence authorization adopted by voice
- HR 2130 Authorize appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for fiscal year 1992 passed by voice
- Under suspension of the rules:
- HConRes 226 Commend the participants in the Middle East Peace Conference passed 426-0
- HJRes 346 Approve the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment with respect to the products of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics passed 350-78
- HR 1724 Provide for the termination of the application of title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 to Czechoslovakia and Hungary passed 407-21 (HR 1724 was amended in the Senate to include provisions relating to extension of unemployment benefits)

Thursday, November 21 &**Balance of the Week:**

Convenes at Noon

Schedule uncertain, possibilities include:

- HR 3768 Require the least-cost resolution of insured depository institutions, to improve supervision and examinations, to provide additional resources to the Bank Insurance Fund begin consideration
- HR 3644 Provide that, in making payments from the Presidential Election Campaign Fund, including the Presidential Matching Payment Account, amounts estimated to be transferred to the fund during the fiscal year before the fiscal year of the Presidential election shall be taken into account begin consideration
- HR 3750 Amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 and related provisions of law to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits and benefits for House of Representatives election campaigns begin consideration
- HR 3435 Provide funding for the resolution of failed savings associations and working capital for the Resolution Trust Corporation, to restructure the Oversight Board and the Resolution Trust Corporation begin consideration
- HR 2929 Designate certain lands in the California desert as wilderness, to establish the Death Valley, Joshua Tree, and Mojave National Parks begin consideration

The House also hopes to finish work on some form of a Banking Bill and a Resolution Trust Corporation reauthorization. In addition the Congress hopes to clear an unemployment bill, a highway bill and a crime bill before the end of the session. As a result late night and weekend session are likely.

Senate Floor Action

Week of November 18**Monday, November 18:****S 543 Comprehensive Deposit Insurance Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 1991**

[Continued from November 14]

BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, pending at recess

RIEGLE, D-Mich., and GARN, R-Utah, amendment no. 1350, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to revise the treatment of foreign deposits, agreed to by voice vote

KOHL, D-Wis., amendment no. 1351, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to foreign deposits, agreed to by yeay-nay vote: 91-0

DIXON, D-Ill., modified amendment no. 1352, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to improve the governance of the Resolution Trust Corporation, pending at recess. (modified)

ADAMS, D-Wash., modified amendment

no. 1353, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to express the sense of the Senate that in reviewing proposed mergers and acquisitions, the appropriate federal regulator consider the impact on the work force displaced by those transactions, agreed to by voice vote. (modified)

MCCAIN, R-Ariz., amendment no. 1355, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to limit the amount of deposit insurance per depositor per institution, rejected by voice vote

GARN, R-Utah (for MURKOWSKI, R-Alaska), amendment no. 1356, to the above BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE substitute amendment, to strike title V of the bill, regarding consumer protection, pending at recess

[Continued November 19]

HJRes 130 Joint resolution to designate January 1 as "National Ellis Island Day." passed by unanimous consent.

Subsequently, S J Res 190, the Senate companion measure, was indefinitely postponed.

H J Res 130 is now cleared for the president.

Senate Floor continued...

HJRes 327 **Joint Resolution designating 1992 as the "Year of the Gulf of Mexico,"** passed by unanimous consent

Subsequently, S J Res 194, the Senate companion measure, was indefinitely postponed.

H J Res 327 is now cleared for the president.

Tuesday, November 19:

S 543 **Comprehensive Deposit Insurance Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 1991**
[Continued from November 18]
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GARN, R-Utah (for MURKOWSKI, R-Alaska), amendment no. 1356, to the above **BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** substitute amendment, to strike title V of the bill, regarding consumer protection, tabled by yea-nay vote: 55-42

COCHRAN, R-Miss., and INOUE, D-Hawaii, amendment no. 1357, to the above **BANKING, HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** substitute amendment, to strike the check cashing and basic banking provisions, agreed to by voice vote

Earlier, the Senate failed to table the amendment by yea-nay vote: 34-62

[Senate may resume consideration of the bill on November 20]

HR 3394 **Tribal Self-Governance Demonstration Project Act** passed by voice vote.

HR 3394 is now cleared for the president.

S 1563 **National Sea Grant College Program Authorization Act of 1991**

MITCHELL, D-Maine, motion that the Senate concur in the House amendment, agreed to by voice vote.

S 1563 is now cleared for the president.

Wednesday, November 20:

S 775 **Provide disabled veterans with an annual automatic cost-of-living adjustment (COLA)** passed by voice
S 869 **Veterans Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Treatment Act of 1991** began consideration

Thursday, November 21:

Schedule uncertain, possibilities include:

HR 2100 **CONF REPORT: Defense authorization** may begin consideration
HR 2521 **CONF REPORT: Defense appropriations** begin consideration
HR 2038 **CONF REPORT: Intelligence authorization** begin consideration
HR 2950 **CONF REPORT: Highway bill** begin consideration (if available)
S 1241 **Crime Bill** begin consideration
H J Res 157 **FY92 supplemental approps** begin consideration
Nomination **William Barr to be Attorney General** begin consideration
Treaty **Conventional Forces in Europe** begin consideration

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Delivering economic plan at Georgetown, he spares no one, hitting both GOP supply-siders and Dem tax-and-spenders. (#2)

WHY RUN THROUGH AIRPORTS?

FL Dems give breathing room between straw ballot/NBC debate by bumping vote to 12/14. (#5)

YOU'VE GOT THE RIGHT WING, BABY

Unh-unh, says Bush. No time to debate Buchanan, Duke. (#6)

REBUKE AND REBUTTAL (#8)

Cranston accepts Senate slap with "little remorse," sticks to "Everyone's Doin' It" defense. Rudman's retort: "Everybody doesn't do it."

Rudman, facing primary foe back home, gives big "hint" on his own intentions. (#13)

IL DEMS SNUB DIXON (#11)

No endorsement in primary. Millionaire joins Dem field.

CT: COURANT Poll shows Johnson-Dodd at 35-32%. (#10)

WA ABORTION: YES BY 4,314

Victory official 12/5.

SPOTLIGHT

THAT WAS THEN ...

THEN: The 11/12 TIMES MIRROR poll, showing Bush trailing the Unnamed Dem 41-43%, starts '92 campaign news cycle.

NOW: CNN/Gallup shows Bush leads 48-36%. (#20)

THEN: Today's signing of the civil rights bill, compromised in the specter of David Duke, would bury the racial hatchet for '92.

NOW: After a night of reports an executive order to gut regulatory framework would accompany the inking (termed a reaction to Buchanan), Fitzwater says no, that was just a draft, no changes after all. (#6)

THEN: A Cuomo candidacy would raise the level of the political discourse.

NOW: "Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario." (#1)

===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"The Vice-President ought to have just called him 'Cuomo,' then nobody would have known his ethnic background."

-- Roger Ailes, N.Y. POST, 11/21. (#1).

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Would an open Senate seat in NH '92 change the structure of the Bush '92 team? (see #13)

*1 CUOMO: ALBANY-WHITE HOUSE WAR OVER NAME-CALLING

"GOV TO DANNY: MY NAME IS CUOMO": Under that headline, N.Y. DAILY NEWS' Arthur Browne reports Cuomo "lashed out" at VP Quayle "for referring to him several times" on ABC's "Brinkley" 11/17 as "Mario" -- "suggesting that Quayle was subtly trying to highlight Cuomo's Italian heritage. Repeatedly calling Quayle 'Danny the cabin boy,' Cuomo also attacked him for predicting" if Cuomo runs, GOPers "will use 'the nightmare of New York' against him": "It's like Danny the cabin boy for the captain of the Titanic blaming a seaman trying to row passengers away from the sinking ship, blaming the seaman for the debacle. ... At first I said, 'So what, what is wrong with him calling me Mario?' Once I heard it, I understood. They are playing games with names. ... They don't call Harkin, Tommy. They don't call Kerrey, Bobby" (11/20). WH press sec. Marlin Fitzwater "openly mocked" Cuomo's implication: "Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario, Mario. ... That's his name. ... He'd better get used to it." Roger Ailes: "The [VP] ought to have just called him 'Cuomo,' then nobody would have known his ethnic background." GOP consultant Roger Stone: "What did he want the [VP] to call him? Jack?" Cuomo: "I blush, I hope all this attention doesn't change me" (N.Y. POST, 11/21). The GOP "gloating seemed calculated to emphasize a common perception of Cuomo as easy to anger" (Santini/Benenson, N.Y. DAILY NEWS). Fitzwater: "My God, the guy's really got a thin skin, hasn't he?" (11/21). Quayle: "If comedians like me, they're going to love Mario Cuomo" (AP, 11/21).

MANEUVERING? His PAC, Friends of Cuomo announced it would postpone a 12/4 \$-raiser that was "expected to collect" \$1M. PAC chair Lucille Falcone cited uncertainty over whether the proceeds would go toward a pres. or Gov. campaign: "People have a right to know what they're contributing to." She added "one factor ... was Mr. Cuomo's desire, if he runs for President, to use his [NY] fund-raising base to maximum advantage." Many contributions to Cuomo's NY PAC "would be disqualified for use in a federal campaign" (Sack, N.Y. TIMES, 11/21). "Negotiations over a multi-year plan to help attack [NY's] persistent budget gaps appeared to have stalled" (Verhovek, N.Y. TIMES). Both Cuomo and Sen. Maj. Leader Ralph Marino (R) "used ominous language in suggesting the talks were dead, although each man insisted that a deal was still possible if only the other would cooperate" (11/21). When NY Dem chair John Marino "says, as he did yesterday, that Cuomo should run -- and Cuomo starts granting [NH] television stations exclusive interviews -- it's the strongest indication yet that Cuomo is in" (John DiStaso, Manchester UNION LEADER). But NH Dem chair Chris Spiro reports "Complete and total silence" from the Cuomo camp (11/21). N.Y. TIMES profiles John Marino -- "Cuomo's Point Man" (11/21). N.Y. POST's Deborah Orin's "Fearless Forecast": Even if he runs, Cuomo "will NOT be the Democratic nominee" (11/21). John Silber, keynoting the MA Dem dinner attended by 4 of the six major candidates: "To Prince Hamlet in Albany, we say, 'End the soliloquy to run or not to run, and join the fray" (BOSTON HERALD, 11/21).

NORTHERN EXPOSURE: Germond & Witcover preview GOP strategy against Cuomo-as-nominee to attack his performance as Gov. But NY GOP vice chair Jacqueline Miner warns Cuomo can turn that against Bush as a national problem: "We Republicans better pay attention, and the fact is we've been dismissing him as easy to

beat." GOP consultant Jay Severin "says holding Cuomo to his performance in Albany is the key to defeating him, but 'too many assume it's a silver bullet.'" On crime, some GOPers point to the case of Arthur Shawcross, who killed 11 women after being paroled in '87. Other NY GOPers "shy away from rekindling the Willie Horton-type attack ... For one thing, that attack was particularly potent politically because it involved a black man raping white woman, and Shawcross is white." Miner: "People are looking for substance this time around. ... We'd better have a better plan" (Balto. EVENING SUN, 11/20). Craig Shirley, who helped produce the '88 Horton ad: "We're hoping Cuomo runs ... We'll hand him his lungs" (N.Y. POST, 11/21). W.S. JOURNAL headline: "Cuomo's Budget Problems in New York Indicate State of the States Will Be Key Issue in '92 Race" (11/21).

NO JOKING MATTER: Cuomo, in a WMAC-radio interview on Kerrey's lesbian joke: "What you have to do is take this one event, whatever its implications are, and put it in the context of their overall careers and lives, and what they are. Then it becomes less significant. ... Who are these people? Bob Kerrey? A former governor, war hero, extraordinary American, charismatic, worked hard, honest, integrity. Bill Clinton? Elected over and over again in [AR], one of the leading governors in America, bright, young, could be president. ... I don't know what happened. I wasn't there. Didn't hear the recording. Don't know the joke. But something happened that neither of them likes because they apologized for it" (WMAC, 11/20).

*2 CLINTON: THE "NEW COVENANT" -- ECONOMY STYLE

In the latest of a series of addresses at Georgetown Univ., Clinton "set out a detailed program ... for middle-class tax cuts and a restructuring of the American economy that is expected to form the core of his campaign" (David Lauter, L.A. TIMES). Clinton "said the country must abandon both 'the [GOP] failed experiment in supply-side economics' and 'the old [Dem] theory that says we can just tax and spend'" (11/21). "He said the key to America's economic survival are policies that put economic power in the hands of ordinary people, a federal government that invests in the future and a president who will challenge labor and management to revamp private industry to make the country more productive. ... Clinton urged workers to become more productive by eliminating outdated rules and procedures and challenged executives to profit personally only of their companies and workers profit as well": "It's wrong to drive a company into the ground and have the boss bail out with a golden parachute to a cushy life" (Dan Balz, W. POST, 11/21). Clinton proposed a tax penalty on companies that pay CEOs "vastly more than their workers." Bush's reaction, when told of that idea: "I don't know what government should do about setting salaries. I don't believe that's the function of government" (L.A. TIMES, 11/21). "Clinton pinned his 'economic revolution' on education, calling for higher standards for schools and a renewed focus on staple subjects such as literacy, math and science" (Amy Bayer, COPLEYS.D. UNION, 11/21). Clinton said high school grads "must be better trained, with exacting national standards for graduates; apprenticeship programs must be created; and children must be assured of early childhood education, proper health care and Head Start funding if they need it" (BOSTON GLOBE, 11/21).

NH: On the rumor that ex-NH Dem chair Joe Grandmaison is "on board with" or "consulting for" Clinton, Manchester UNION LEADER's DiStaso reports, "Not so. At Clinton's request,

Grandmaison has put on paper what he thinks Clinton should be looking at as a campaign plan. The 20-page report was done as a favor. The two have been friends for 20 years. Grandmaison's still taking calls from all the campaigns" (11/21).

EXPLAIN YOURSELF: Following his Georgetown address, a woman asked Clinton to "explain" his response to Kerrey's joke. Clinton: "I believe all of us -- everyone in this room, everybody in this country -- who has lived any length of time, has said something at some point in our lives we wish we hadn't said. Furthermore, I think that we should try ... to learn from things like this" (W. TIMES, 11/21). The woman "also asked Clinton if he would issue an order to prevent discrimination against gays in [AR] government." Clinton: "Nobody's ever asked me to do it or advanced arguments that we had any discrimination in state government" (ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE, 11/21).

*3 KERREY: ALL JOKING ASIDE

In L.A. for a \$1K-plate dinner sponsored by some in the recording industry, Kerrey continued to seek recovery from the lesbian joke he told to Clinton while the C-SPAN mike was on at a NH \$-raising roast. Kerrey's statement 11/20: "I've told jokes like this in the past and didn't give it a second thought, and the fact that it's public today I think merely opens up a problem of [my] sensitivity. It's a time for me to evaluate my own behavior" (AP/W. POST, 11/21). The statement was in contrast to earlier explanations which stressed it was a joke considered by his staff for the event. That explanation was criticized by columnist Chris Matthews who pointed out it was four days before Kerrey apologized. Matthews warns the longer it is "squirreled away" (C-SPAN will not air or release it) the "joke may gain vintage" and concludes, "Stay tuned. The 'profile' stage of Presidential Campaign 1992 is ending; the 'character' stage is just beginning" (HOUSTON CHRONICLE, 11/20). The L.A. \$-raiser was said by his backers to be the biggest Kerrey event in CA so far and to gross \$500K (David Kotok, OMAHA WORLD HERALD, 11/21). Kerrey's joke was also a subject at the DC GOP \$1K-plate \$-raiser for Bush-Quayle last night. Quayle press secretary David Beckwith: "The good news is that the lesbians are upset with Kerrey. The bad news is that they'll be coming our way to support us" (W. POST, 11/21). AP's Walter Mears points out it's hardly the first off-color humor to surface in a campaign -- and that open mikes are a bipartisan hazard. Among his examples: Bush's "kicked a little ass" comment in '84 after Ferraro debate; Reagan's 1984 voice check before a radio address: "I am pleased to tell you today that I have signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes" (11/21).

NH-REAX: "While Kerrey is being crucified for it, reaction here has been muted." Kerrey foes are "gloating noting it was particularly poignant coming from the guy who's supposed to be the 'politically correct' candidate." Concord Law prof. Marcus Hurn, a GOPer who is NH's "top spokesman for gays and lesbians," isn't "offended by it," is "not even sure that it's demeaning to lesbians," and "says it's trivial and he hopes it goes away because Kerrey is someone 'who has proven strong support for equal rights for gay people'" (Distaso, UNION LEADER, 11/21).

EDITORIAL REAX: WORLD-HERALD editorial: "Kerrey, Too, Deserves Apology." While Kerrey "shouldn't have repeated" the joke, it would be "unjust if this stupid, minor, blown-out-of-proportion incident were to hurt Kerrey's campaign" (11/20). LINCOLN STAR editorial, citing his record on homosexual issues:

"Insensitivity at any time should not be ignored, but this particular blunder needs to be put in perspective, set against Kerrey's public record" (11/20). N.Y. POST: "We're sure that when Sen. Kerrey was fighting in Vietnam -- where he lost a leg -- it never occurred to him that he would one day return to a country where telling a private joke could derail a political campaign. Even in nations where Communist or Nazi parties controlled and censored the media, jokes endured. Whether our home grown joke police will prove more effective remains to be seen" (11/21).

***4 MASSACHUSETTS: HOB-NOBBING IN DA HUB**

Tsongas, Harkin, Clinton, Wilder, Agran, and McCarthy "ridiculed President Bush and sought support of [MA] party activists in Boston last night" at the Dem State Cmte \$-raiser (Wayne Woodlief, BOSTON HERALD). Tsongas, responding to Bush's line that "the recession is over and they should 'go out and buy a house and a car,'" held up a toy house and a toy car: "I did. This is all I could afford." Clinton: "It's hard to be a point of light when you can't pay your electric bill" (11/21). Harkin, on Bush's travels: "George, come home." Agran: "the assassin's bullet that took John Kennedy, Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy from us maimed my entire generation." At the 1,100-person event netting \$150,000 were Dukakis, Sen. Kennedy, and Ethel Kennedy. The paper described McCarthy as "once a Democratic candidate" (Chris Black, BOSTON GLOBE, 11/21). '90 Gov. nominee John Silber delivered the keynote (HERALD, 11/21).

***5 FL STRAW POLL: DATE CHANGED TO ACCOMODATE TV DEBATE**

FL Dems "averted a scheduling disaster" by moving up the day for WH hopefuls to attend next month's FL Dem convention in Orlando (Craig Crawford, ORLANDO SENTINEL). The change allows the candidates "to campaign for a straw ballot of 2,300 [FL] convention delegates and be in [DC] the same weekend for a nationally televised debate. ... Until last week, most of the six [Dem] contenders had agreed to appear" 12/15. But NBC suddenly announced "it would host the campaign's first nationally televised debate" from DC, the same night of the Orlando straw ballot. Convention planners proposed letting the candidates give speeches to the delegates" 12/14. "Most of the candidates have agreed." Harkin "might stay though Sunday morning" anyway. "Many insiders say [his] appeal to the groups that historically attend" FL's Dem conventions -- "labor unions and other liberal activists -- has put him on the inside track to win the straw ballot, thus enticing him to stay in Orlando to claim victory." Harkin press sec. Lorraine Voles "said a final decision has not been made." But Harkin's "straw-ballot strength already has other candidates downplaying their plans." Clinton, who's in Orlando today, "could be the straw ballot's big loser if Harkin wins. The national news media could interpret a Clinton defeat in [FL] to mean that his Southern appeal ... is not so strong." Tsongas "has made few inroads" in FL. Brown is not expected to attend, and Wilder has yet to announce his plans (11/21).

***6 BUSH: CIVIL RIGHTS FALSE ALARM?**

As Bush prepares to sign the compromise civil rights legislation today, the WH "circulated to federal agencies and departments a sweeping directive that would eliminate all policies that give preferences to women or minorities in hiring or promotion" (Devroy/LaFraniere, W. POST). "Civil rights

leaders and some administration officials agreed ... the [WH] statement would ban many affirmative action programs long in effect throughout the government" (11/21). LCCR's Ralph Neas: "The White House is declaring open war on civil rights" (mult., 11/21). N.Y. TIMES subhead: "President Appears to Be Using Executive Act to Make Up for Legislative Loss." One Admin. official: "It's not a quota bill and this is intended to show that" (11/21). NBC's Jim Miklaszewski this a.m.: "Even some of the president's supporters question the timing of today's statement and consider it somewhat inflammatory ... White House officials tell us by the time the ceremony comes off this afternoon, that language could be removed from the statement" (11/21). ABC's Ann Compton: "According to the newspapers which had the document, [the directive] was leaked by civil rights groups outside of the White House and perhaps by having it leaked this morning and the White House now sending that directive to agencies for review, it might not be released at all" (11/21). LCCR's Wm Taylor: "If ... Bush goes through with this proposed action, it's an astonishing act of sabotage ... he will be taking away with one hand what he gives with the other in signing the bill and I think it will exacerbate racial tensions in the country. ... he is reacting to the right and playing the race card again" (CBS, 11/21).

BUT: After the above a.m. TV and paper reports, Fitzwater "said [the] statement ... was being completely changed ... after some administration officials raised objections." Fitzwater: "By the end of the process last night, the whole thing was being rewritten. Clearly we don't want any language that indicates we're not supportive of all the provisions of the law, that we're not supportive of the civil rights objectives" (AP, 11/21).

24 AND 0: Balto. SUN header: "Democrats see Bush winning veto skirmish, losing war." Despite the "setback" of failing to override the "gag rule" veto, Dems "appeared optimistic about their chances of turning the issue around -- and against Mr. Bush." Rep. Ed Feighan (D-OH): "People do care if [Bush] is completely out of step on things. We're just going to make them aware of how out of step he is" (11/21). WASH. TIMES header: "Failure of abortion override shows Bush still has the touch" (11/21). Header over N.Y. TIMES' Robin Toner piece: "Issue Tormenting Bush; Looming Battle Over Republican's Stand on Abortion to Test the 'Big Tent' Theory." Bush strategist Charles Black "acknowledged ... [Bush's] position on the counseling ban might not be the most favorable political ground. But, he argued": "It's critically important that the President be consistent on this issue" (11/21). N.Y. TIMES' Tom Wicker: "With a cruel record like his, George Bush doesn't need another Court decision to make abortion a major issue against him in 1992" (11/21).

COMPETITIVE SPIRIT: The House Subcmte on Health/Enviro. "launched an investigation [11/20] into whether" Quayle "acted legally in waiving conflict-of-interest laws for a top aide whose Indiana chemical plant could benefit from changes in clean-air regulations proposed by Quayle's office" (Kranish, BOSTON GLOBE). Council on Competitiveness exec. dir. Allan Hubbard and Quayle were asked to appear at a 12/10 hearing on the matter; neither will attend, citing executive privilege, but will "cooperate in answering written questions" (11/21).

WHERE THE BODIES ARE (DOONES)BURIED: Garry Trudeau, to a lecture audience in Seattle, noted inmate Brett Kimberlin will have a public trial early next year: "There's nothing you're

reading in 'Doonesbury' now that you won't be hearing about next spring" (AP, 11/21).

THE RAPIST REPAST? N.Y. POST reports Mike Tyson and Don King will be lunching with Bush today to launch Tyson's "turkey tour" of food for the poor. Some GOPers "are buzzing that the Prez shouldn't be hanging out with the duo, what with PBS' and Sports Illustrated's King exposes and Iron Mike's rape indictment. But other [GOPers] report there is a hot campaign going on to recruit prominent blacks for the GOP" (11/21).

AHA! W. POST's Yang & Devroy report it was WH CoS John Sununu, "bypassing the usual process for approving presidential policy statements," who inserted the language which led to Senate action on credit card rates (11/21).

*7 BUCHANAN: BUSH WON'T DEBATE HIM OR DUKE

BUKE-N-DUKE: Pres. Bush said he would not debate any GOP primary opponents "but he will agree to a couple of debates" with the Dem nominee (Santini, N.Y. DAILY NEWS, 11/21). Bush: "I've got some responsibilities to run the country. ... I don't want to run against other Republicans" (mult., 11/21).

BUCHANAN: In an "unusual" Hill press conference, Buchanan "set the stage" for his campaign "by attacking [WH] lobbyists and Hill colluders' for trying to pass a \$25 billion foreign aid package without debate -- or a recorded vote." He said he plans to make a formal announcement about his plans "within the next two weeks" as he used "most" of the event to "criticize" Bush, especially on foreign aid. He said Bush "has abandoned terrain the conservatives occupied for years. Pat Buchanan cannot divide the Republican Party; only George Bush can do that. ... The president's problems with conservatives are not the making of Pat Buchanan. They are of his own making" (Bedard, W. TIMES, 11/21). WH spokesperson Marlin Fitzwater: "We've had strong support from the conservative wing of the party and we think that any examination of the president's programs the last three years would find it acceptable to the mainstream conservative cause" (Benedetto, USA TODAY, 11/21). Buchanan added that "White House mites" were trying to link him to Duke and he would not "tag team" with Duke, as Duke has suggested. Buchanan: "I will run only if I think I have a long shot of breaking through the line of scrimmage in [NH] and going the distance" (mult., 11/21). CBS' Dan Rather: "[Buchanan] blasted President Bush's policy on foreign aid today. Buchanan accused Mr. Bush of promoting 'global socialism' ... For his part, President Bush said today, he won't debate any challengers in the primaries" (11/20).

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Manchester UNION LEADER's DiStaso reports, though no firm date is set, Buchanan's first campaign trip to NH "is all but planned," with stops in Berlin and Littleton, the south and coast (11/21). WASH. POST's E.J. Dionne lists what could make Buchanan "a genuine threat" in NH: The UNION LEADER's backing of him, no current Bush organization, "economic gloom, conservative discontent," Sununu's personality "and the state's tradition of [GOP] factional politics, which would do old Kremlinologists proud" (11/21). L.A. TIMES' Robert Shogan writes, in '88, the NH economy was "a model of GOP prosperity, its primary set George Bush on a course for the White House. Now [NH's] is among the worse in the country, and [Dems] say its 1992 primary will begin the unmaking of the Bush presidency." In '88, the NH jobless rate was 2.4%; in 9/91 it was 6.9%, higher than '82. NH Gov. Judd Gregg (R): "We're somewhere between a recession and a depression, so I call it a depression" (11/21).

Duke's "campaign manager" Howie Farrell "says that even if his man enters the ... race, there's virtually no chance he'll campaign" in NH. Farrell said Duke may visit NH, but: "It would not be as feasible to enter the [NH] primary as it would be to enter, say, Georgia" or other Southern states (11/21).

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*8 CRANSTON: ACCEPTS REBUKE WITH ATTACK ON COLLEAGUES, CMTE
 Sen. Alan Cranston (D) was "harshly reprimanded" by the Senate Ethics Cmte for "'improper and repugnant' behavior in his relationship" with financier Charles Keating (Sara Fritz, L.A. TIMES). "Showing little remorse, Cranston declared that most senators do exactly what he did": "How many of you, after really thinking about it, could rise and declare you've never, ever helped -- or agreed to help -- a contributor close in time to a solicitation or receipt of a contribution? I don't believe any of you could say never." He then "stunned his colleagues by saying that he" -- with the help of atty Alan Dershowitz -- "had investigated the conduct of other senators and had found many examples of similar behavior on their part." Cranston declined to name names (11/21). "After his angry finger-pointing, Cranston characteristically struck out for high ground with a call" for campaign finance reform. He also "appealed for sympathy, twice noting that he is suffering from cancer." But sympathy "was mixed with seething anger for his assault on the findings he had promised to accept." And there were GOP "murmurings that the decision to let [him] off without a vote by the full Senate should be reconsidered" (Rudy Abramson, L.A. TIMES, 11/21). Cranston's address "provoked an outburst" from Ethics Cmte Vice chair Warren Rudman (R-NH), who "denounced Cranston's statement as 'arrogant, unrepentant and a smear on this institution,'" and asserted, "everybody doesn't do it" (N.Y. TIMES, 11/21). Cmte member Trent Lott (R-MS): "He reconfirmed for me that he should have been reprimanded by the full Senate." Fellow CA Sen. John Seymour (R) "condemned the Senate's action as 'a slap in the wrist'" (Barabak, COPLEYS.D. UNION, 11/21). Common Cause, which "brought the initial charges against the Keating Five," said the Cmte had "upheld basic standards of ethics for U.S. Senators," but "should have voted on the Cranston case" (Dewar, W. POST, 11/21). ROLL CALL header: "I've been singled out" (11/21). While most headlines described Cranston as "defiant," N.Y. TIMES subhead paints a different picture: "He Expresses 'Deep Remorse' Over the [S&L] Scandal.'" Cranston was "the 30th member in the history of the Senate to face expulsion and the 10th to face a formal censure" (COPLEY, 11/21).

TV: PBS' Robin MacNeil: "The ethics report said Cranston's improper conduct deserves the fullest, strongest and most severe sanction the [cmte] can impose" ("M/L," 11/20). CBS' Bob Schieffer: "Cranston apologized today, but then surprised Senators by claiming he had only done what they all do: helped a constituent get access. ... Several Senators were so angry, they left the floor, openly wondering if they'd gone too easy on Alan Cranston" (11/20). ABC's Jim Wooten: "Cranston's public accusation that everybody does it, was not part of the deal, and it angered Sen. Rudman. ... At a time when voters have an already dim view of their Senators and Representatives, this was not a particularly helpful moment" (11/20). NBC's Andrea Mitchell: "It took two years for the Senate to finally reprimand one of its own, for doing what [Cranston] claims all Senators do" (11/20).

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SENATE WATCH =====

*9 COLORADO: CONSIDINE MAILER SEEKS FRIENDS' ADVICE

State Sen. Terry Considine (R) "mailed a personalized form letter to several thousand of his closest friends, asking for their advice on whether he should run" against Sen. Tim Wirth (D). ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS' Peter Blake asserts, "That can mean only one thing: He's already decided to do it." Considine, in the letter: "Wirth does not share our values. His defeat is our priority." Considine also "assured the doubtful" he will be fully recovered from a spinal injury caused in a horse accident by early next year. He is expected to announce "shortly after Thanksgiving," when his brace is removed. "Considine will immediately become the front-runner" for the GOP nomination over ex-U.S. amb. to Bahrain Sam Zakhem and state Rep. Ken Chlouber, and over "near-candidates" ex-state Sens. John Donley and Jim Brandon (11/20). In a profile of Zakhem, the "master politician," AP's Carl Hilliard writes, "Zakhem is not a man to be counted out early" (ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, 11/17). ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS editorial header: "On Senate's credit cap vote, Wirth ran with the goats" (11/20).

*10 CONNECTICUT: JOHNSON ENCOURAGED IN DODD CHALLENGE

A HARTFORD COURANT/Connecticut poll, conducted 11/12-17 by UConn's Institute for Social Inquiry, surveyed 500 residents; margin of error +/- 5%. GOPers tested: Sen. Chris Dodd (D), Rep. Nancy Johnson (R-06), state Rep. Chris Burnham (R), ex-'90 LG hopeful/ex-House Min. Leader. Robert Jaekle and ex-state Sen. Thomas Scott (COURANT, 11/19).

	FAV	/	UNFAV	DODD JOB RATING	NOW	10/91
Dodd	51%	/	18%	Exc./Good	47%	43%
Johnson	42	/	6	Fair/Poor	41	43
Burnham	4	/	3			
Jaekle	8	/	3			
Scott	21	/	11			

HYPOTHETICAL GENERAL MATCH-UPS

Dodd	35%	Dodd	49%	Dodd	44%	Dodd	45%
Johnson	32	Burnham	12	Jaekle	11	Scott	16

The new results "may explain why" Johnson, "who had ruled out a challenge, ... is taking a fresh look at the race." Poll dir. Don Ferree said Johnson's showing "suggests there's a substantial body of opinion that is willing to consider an alternative to Dodd, and Nancy Johnson might conceivably be such an alternative" (Michele Jacklin, COURANT, 11/19). N.Y. TIMES profiles Dodd under subhead: "Consummate Insider Is Suddenly Seen as Vulnerable." One GOP pollster on the effects Gov. Lowell Weicker's (I) income tax: "Any time you hang the governor in effigy in front of the State Capitol, you have a full-blown revolt going on. Incumbents had better look out." Dodd, who "just months ago was presumed to have lifetime tenure": "I would not have voted for that [tax] package" (Lindsey Gruson, 11/21).

*11 ILLINOIS: YOU WIN SOME, YOU LOSE SOME

IL Dems "decided not to endorse a candidate" in the Senate race, the same day "the only GOP candidate dropped out of the

race, handing setbacks" to Sen. Alan Dixon (D) and the GOP alike 11/19 (Lynn Sweet, CHICAGO SUN-TIMES). Cook Co. Recorder of Deeds Carol Mosley Braun (D) formally launched her bid to unseat Dixon: "A Democrat who supports the Republican president 72 percent of the time is not Democrat." IL Dem chair Gary LaPaille said the Dems would not make an endorsement due to "divergent viewpoints." The move is a "plus" for Braun because "Dixon had been expecting the party's formal support" (11/20). But Dixon "portrayed Braun as too liberal to win a general election": "To suggest that I'm not a Democrat is pretty offensive." Also, millionaire atty Albert Hofeld (D), who has "promised entry," is "likely to be a well-financed competitor to Braun for support" from the left (Hardy, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 11/20). Hofeld "said he is collecting signatures on petitions" (Sweet, SUN-TIMES, 11/19). Businessman Gary MacDougal (R) "withdrew from the race a day before he was officially to announce, leaving his party scouting the state for someone" to challenge Dixon (11/20). Though there is no evidence that she is interested, the GOP "was set to have lunch" with Treas. Miriam Santos (D), "Chicago's highest ranking Hispanic woman," to "quiz her about switching parties to run." They are also "expected to lean" on Du Page Co. State's Atty. Jim Ryan (R) and LG Robert Kustra (R). GOP "disarray" will "make it easier for Dixon to tap" GOP \$-sources (Hardy, TRIBUNE, 11/20).

WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME: AG Roland Burris (D) was at Midway Airport "just as [Braun] was announcing she would run against [Dixon]. Realizing what was going on, Burris tried to disappear into an alcove so no one would see him and ask ... which Dem he supports." But a CHICAGO TRIBUNE reporter spotted Burris, and "after a delicate verbal game of hide-and-seek, the state's highest ranking black official said he would support Dixon, not Braun," who is black ("Inc.," 11/20).

***12 MARYLAND: KEYES AGAIN TRIES TO UNLOCK SENATE DOOR**

Conservative activist Alan Keyes said he is running again for the Senate because Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D) "has lost touch with [MD] and is part of a spendthrift Congress fueling the recession": "The people of [MD] will discover she is not an alternative. ... Come home, Barbara Mikulski. Come back to the people that you have betrayed" (Dennis O'Brien, Balto. SUN). Keyes, who said "the Clarence Thomas confirmation hearings clinched his decision to run," favors "elimination of the capital gains tax, opposes abortion and advocates 'increasing tax cuts for working people'" (11/21). Should Keyes win the GOP primary, "it would offer voters a chance to choose between one of the most liberal [Dems] in the Senate and a black conservative" (W. TIMES, 11/21). Rep. Helen Bentley (R-02) said she is "undecided whether to run for the Senate," but most analysts "expect her to seek re-election." GOPers "planning to enter": State Atty. Joseph Cassilly, Consultant Stuart Hopkins, Gene Zarwell, James Berry, Ross Pierpont (Richard Tapscott, W. POST, 11/21).

***13 NEW HAMPSHIRE: TWO SWITCH TO RUN AS DEMS; IS RUDMAN DONE?**

Two GOPers "who say they are fed up with President Bush and his party" will challenge Sen. Warren Rudman (R) and Rep. Bill Zeliff (R-01) as Dems (Don Tibbets, Manchester UNION LEADER). Rudman challenger/physician Terry Bennett is "98 per cent convinced I'm going to do this," while Zeliff challenger/businessman William Verge is "convinced I will do it." Dem chair Chris Spirou "welcomed" the "defectors as part of 'operation change for the best.'" Bennett said "he had believed [GOPers]

who promised a kinder, gentler America," but "I am standing here as a point of light, only I don't see any other light around me." Verge: "I'm asking the people to step forward with me to try and undo the economic disaster that's been created by the [GOPer] team of Sununu, [Gov. Judd] Gregg, Rudman, and Zeliff." Bennett added NH "is the worst place" in the US: "John Sununu swung the vote here in [NH] to Bush. We ought to have friends in [DC], but instead we have enemies" (11/20). ROLL CALL's Craig Winneker reports Rudman "strongly suggested he may be retiring." Rudman, asked by reporters whether he'd seek a 3rd term: "I'm going to miss you all very much when I'm gone. That's not an announcement. That's just a hint" (11/21).

***14 NEW YORK: MRAZEK MAKES IT OFFICIAL**

Rep. Bob Mrazek (D-03) "declared his candidacy" in the race for Sen. Alfonse D'Amato (R) (Don Broderick, N.Y. POST). Mrazek, "who represents the North Shore of Long Island, said it was time for a change of direction in Washington and charged that other [Dem] candidates lacked a comprehensive policy": "I'm committed to running a campaign based on good ideas. I don't think they have a plan." Dems: ex-Rep. Geraldine Ferraro, AG Robert Abrams, NYC Comptroller Elizabeth Holtzman (11/21). N.Y. TIMES ran a picture and caption only (11/21).

***15 SOUTH CAROLINA: IT'S BOUND TO BE A GOOD SHOW**

Charleston POST-COURIER editorial states ex-Rep. Tommy Hartnett (R) is the SC GOP's "best available candidate" to take on Sen. Fritz Hollings (D). The Hollings-Hartnett contest "not only could be close, it almost certainly will be bloody. No question" Hollings "goes into the race the clear favorite. ... At the least, 25 years in the Senate have solidified his political roots." But, Hartnett "could give Sen. Hollings a run for his money." And even though there's a primary, "we'd say both men are safe in the presumption that they'll be their party's nominee. ... It's a mixed blessing for voters when two respected, home-grown politicians who really aren't that far apart philosophically are pitted against each other for one of the top prizes in the state. A large number of voters know and have supported both during their careers. As a result, some doubtless will find themselves in a difficult spot when called on to chose up sides. Those who find themselves in that dilemma can take some solace in that fact that regardless of the outcome, Hollings vs. Hartnett assures Charleston of a native son in the U.S. Senate" (11/20).

*16 MASSACHUSETTS: PRIVATE SECTOR MAY CALL WELD BACK IN '94

Gov. William Weld (R), "shrugging off political forecasts that put him on a fast track toward a 1996 White House run, said he may return to private life when his term expires" in '94 (Robert Connolly, BOSTON HERALD). Weld: "I don't care that much for the glitz, the bright lights." One GOP source said Weld's '96 plan "may hinge on whether" HUD Sec. Jack Kemp runs. Weld, an '88 Kemp supporter, "is an unabashed fan" of Kemp's. Weld also said "he had virtually no interest in challenging" Sen. Edward Kennedy (D) in '94: "Governor is better than Senator. More satisfaction, more ability to influence the real world where things happen -- people laugh and cry, and live and die" (11/18). While Weld later "was trying to downplay the story, his closest political advisers were privately noting it is distinctly possible Weld might not seek re-election in 1994 if he felt there was no way he could be a player in the" '96 presidential race. "But even the hint of political retirement sent Weld's chief fund-raiser, Peter Berlandi, off the wall and raised the specter of premature lame-duckitis. Hence, Weld told reporters that he is most likely to seek re-election." HERALD's Connolly notes a picture sent to Weld by VP Quayle, where Quayle is standing behind a podium with the VP seal. The inscription: "To Bill Weld. The podium fits. Wear it." Adds Connolly, "Could there be a Quayle-Weld '96 ticket in the offing?" (11/20). Weld and MA GOPers moved the \$1000-a-plate MA GOP fund-raiser featuring Quayle from the non-union Westin Hotel to the Copley Plaza. Secret Service liked the Westin's layout, but MA GOP's Alan Safran "said he didn't care what the Quayle advance people wanted": "Having it at a union hotel is just the right thing to do" (HERALD, 11/17).

KENNEDY QUEUE: BOSTON GLOBE's Robert Jordan, noting Rep. Joe Kennedy (D-08) "had every intention" of running for Gov. in '90 before his marital woes, cites supporters who "believe that he still wants to run for higher office in two years." But both he and Sen. Kennedy would be hurt if both were on the '94 ballot. "Given this possibility, it is unlikely that if Sen. Kennedy runs for reelection in 1994, Rep. Kennedy will seek higher office that year. In effect, if Sen. Kennedy runs for office in 1994, the younger Kennedy's future political plans may be delayed indefinitely." Rep. Kennedy "still favors running for governor because the office better reflects his preference for executive office." But "his chances of capturing [the Senate] seat would be better than his uncle's chances of retaining it" (11/17). Keynoting last night's MA Dem dinner, Silber "offered a stirring defense" of Sen. Kennedy "and indicated he will not challenge him in 1994." Rep. Kennedy, "defying speculation he might distance himself from his uncle, instead embraced him enthusiastically and emotionally" (Wayne Woodlief, HERALD, 11/21).

*17 UTAH: HANSON JOINS GOV RACE FRAY

"Kicking off what promises to be a lively campaign," Salt Lake atty/ex-Judge Stewart Hanson (D) 11/20 made it official he's running for governor (Paul Rolly, S.L. TRIBUNE). Saying GOP "dominance of [UT] during the 1980s has hurt the state" and promising to "restore partisan balance": "Remember our great [Dem] governors, Cal Rampton and Scott Matheson. They listened and worked with Democrats, Republicans and independents alike and

were willing to make tough decisions" Hanson said his "key" issues will be education, health care, the environment and econ. development. Others: GOPers -- S.L. Co. Commis. Mike Stewart, businessman Mike Leavitt, author-lecturer Richard Eyre and UT Industrial Commis. Dixie Minson. Dems -- Byron Marchant. Expected: developer Kem Gardner (D) (11/20).

FREE AIR: GOPER Eyre "wants his [GOP] and [Dem] opponents to skip 30 second, 'slick TV spots,' that he believes show little or nothing and spend a half-hour talking about what they'll do if elected" (Bob Bernick, DESERET NEWS). Eyre's "so sure about his approach that he's offering to buy" the time for his opponents: "Why spend the money on a 30-second TV spot that says nothing when you can spend half the amount and get the time to really say something?" What's the catch? The time "must be" on either the local FOX station or the independent Ch. 14. Eyre himself has already purchased two half-hour blocks on Sat. mornings on the FOX station, using the time to talk to his "citizen action/quasi-campaign organization, 'Citizens For Utah'" (11/19).

THE WEB: Sen. Orrin Hatch (R), "who last year defended" BCCI in the Senate, "held several meetings with a BCCI shareholder who is accused of operating as an important front-man for the bank" (Peter Truell, W.S. JOURNAL). There's "no evidence of any impropriety in the meetings," and Hatch "says he was unaware of the businessman's connections to BCCI. But the relationship ... discloses a new piece in the mosaic of relationships that the bank cultivated in power capitals around the world" (11/21).

*18 VIRGINIA: GOP ASSEMBLY ALLEGES COVERUP IN ROBB INQUIRY

A VA General Assembly cmte "declined to seek authority to subpoena witnesses in an investigation of whether state police dropped a 1988 drug probe" when Sen. Chuck Robb's (D) name surfaced. GOPers on the House Militia and Police Cmte accused Dems of "sweeping the matter under the rug, sparking a round of sniping." Cmte staff reported that the cmte could issue subpoenas "only if authorized by a resolution of the full Assembly," which is Dem-controlled (AP/RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH, 11/19). Concurrent to this latest incident, which will apparently not come up again until the Assembly reconvenes next session, there remains a federal inquiry into the illegal taping of a telephone conversation of Gov. Doug Wilder (D), and possible implication of Robb staff and associates.

'93 GOV: TIMES-DISPATCH editorial: While Sen. John Warner (R) "would obliterate either of the likely [Dem] candidates," AG Mary Sue Terry or LG Donald Beyer and "finish out his political career with juleps and jubilation for the GOP," it's "astonishing that some elitists are so quick to say, 'Gov. Warner, yes, yes,' without having a clue as to what his state agenda might be. No doubt he would be a formidable candidate, and certainly it is possible that the senator might develop an appealing program to accompany his impressive personal credentials. ... But even in this early stage of speculation, it should matter what a candidate might have to offer other than a resume" (11/16). More than 500 people attended a \$1000/plate \$-raiser for Terry 11/20, the first of her expected campaign. Terry "said she had not given much thought" to a Warner candidacy: "I operate on matters under my control" (AP, 11/21).

*19 WASHINGTON: ANOTHER GOPER ENTERS RACE

State Sen. Jack Metcalf (R-10) announced for governor 11/18,

"calling himself 'a maverick and an outsider' who will fight taxes and be an advocate for the middle class" (AP/SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER). He is the fourth GOPer to "enter the race to succeed retiring" Gov. Booth Gardner (D), including: AG Ken Eikenberry, Sen. budget chair Dan McDonald, and Rep. Sid Morrison (R-04). House Speaker Joe King "is the only announced" Dem. Metcalf: "Tough times require a tough governor. ... I'm tough enough to be governor in times like these. I think I'm the only one tough enough." Metcalf "conceded he faces an uphill battle but predicted victory," with "a coalition of hunters and fishermen, conservative [Dems] and backers of term limits." Metcalf said "he needs at least \$1 million for the primary and that much again if he's in the general election" (11/19).

CONNECTICUT REDUX?: Meanwhile, Gardner "uttered the 'T' word" as the "expected shortage" in the state's budget reached \$900 million. House Appropriations chair Rep. Gary Locke (D-37) "predicted that balancing" the budget would be "a tough, agonizing session." Gardner "can expect little support for tax increases from" MacDonald, who said more taxes "hurt people in businesses the worst when they are hurting the most" (Rebecca Boren, SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER, 11/19).

===== POLL UPDATE =====

*20 CNN/GALLUP: VOTER UNCERTAINTY ABOUT QUAYLE AT YEAR'S HIGH
1002 adults, conducted 11/14-17; margin of error +/- 3%.
Subsample: 802 registered voters; +/- 4% (CNN release, 11/20).

'92 GENERAL	NOW	11/3	10/13	9/15	8/91	3/91
(among registered voters)						
Bush	48%	46%	49%	51%	55%	67%
Democrat	36	36	32	29	27	17
Undec.	16	18	19	20	18	16

WITH QUAYLE ON TICKET ...	ALL	GOP	DEM	IND
(among registered voters)				
More likely to vote Bush	9%	14%	6%	8%
Less likely	16	9	21	20
No difference	71	74	71	70

DUMP QUAYLE?	ALL	GOP	DEM	IND	8/91	5/91	11/90	3/90
Keep him	43%	61%	31%	35%	50%	39%	36%	35%
Choose other	46	32	56	54	46	52	55	49
DK	11	7	13	11	4	9	9	16

QUAYLE QUALIFIED								
TO BE PREZ?	NOW	8/91	5/91	11/90	3/90	5/89	10/88	9/88
Yes	37%	40%	38%	33%	31%	34%	46%	34%
No	53	54	53	59	54	52	42	47
DK	10	6	9	8	15	14	12	19

OVER THE YEARS, HAS YOUR CONFIDENCE IN QUAYLE ...	
Increased	22%
Decreased	13
Stayed about same	62

*21 AP/ICR SURVEY RESEARCH GROUP: MORE ECONO WOES
1012 adults, conducted 11/15-19; M/E +/- 3% (AP, 11/20).

ECONOMY IS			WHO BETTER		
GETTING ...	NOW	6/91	HANDLES ECONOMY?	NOW	6/91
Worse	69%	47%	Dems	31%	36%
Better	5	18	GOPers	31%	38
Same	25	33			

SUPPORT FOR ...	FAV / OPP.
Capital Gains cut	41% / 40%.
Cut Interest rates	76% / 17%

ITEM: 79% support a cut in middle-class taxes

WILL ANY OF THE 3	YES / NO
PROPOSALS HELP	64% / 23%

*22 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA" hosted Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY) and Fed. for American Immigration Reform's Dan Stein on Haitian repatriation. "CBS This Morning" hosted Leadership Conference on Civil Rights' William Taylor on Bush's anti-quota directive, Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-WV) on the Nat'l Commission on Children's parenting in the 90s study, and TV Producer Norman Lear on the People for the American Way Awards. NBC's "Today" broadcast from Hawaii (11/21).

LAST NIGHT: CNN, ABC, and PBS' "MacNeil/Lehrer" led with the Soviet food aid decision. CBS led with news of an anti-cholesterol drug. NBC led with the economy. PBS' "M/L" hosted Harvard's Jeffrey Sachs, Sec/Agriculture Edward Madigan, Goldman Sach's Robert Hormats, and Sens. Richard Lugar (R-IN) and Pat Leahy (D-VT) on food aid to the Soviets. CNN's "Crossfire" featured Soviet analyst Hedrick Smith and chess champion Garry Kasparov on Soviet aid. ABC's "Nightline" hosted U.S. Amb to the Soviet Union Robert Strauss and Sen. Leahy on the Soviet aid program (11/20).

LET'S SEND OUT TONIGHT: Sen. Leahy: "The [Sec/Agriculture] said it's just credits, well the fact is, virtually nobody believes it's ever going to be repaid." Sen. Lugar: "The problem [is] partisanship that has reared its ugly head since the [PA] Senate election" ("M/L," PBS, 11/20). ABC's Peter Jennings: "The Bush administration is coming to the aid of the economy -- the Soviet economy." ABC's Brit Hume: "Even emergency food assistance is politically controversial with the U.S. economy stalled. ... The administration, sensitive to such criticism, could not emphasize enough today that the loan guarantees and other food aid are not just to benefit the Soviets." WH spokesperson Marlin Fitzwater: "In the United States, these guarantees will help our farm economy at a time when the general economy is very slow." Hume: "Once again, a faltering US economy is proving to be the squeaky wheel of political issues. It gets all the attention" (11/20). ABC's Ted Koppel: "With major economic problems at home it takes a fairly gutsy politician to argue these days that the United States needs to send foreign aid ... to the Soviets" ("Nightline," ABC, 11/20).

CALLING ON DR. BUSH: NBC's Tom Brokaw: "The economy is sick, and the president doesn't know how to make it better soon. That was the message out of the [WH] today, as American consumers continue to hunker down, trying to get through this troubling time." NBC's John Cochran: "Well-placed sources tell NBC News that the president is privately getting discouraging news about any short term pick up for the economy, and some of his advisers worry that he will risk his credibility if he sounds overly optimistic." Clinton, at Georgetown Univ: "If [Bush] doesn't have a plan to turn the economy around by 1992, we're going to lay George Bush off, put America back to work, and our problems will go away" (11/20). CBS' Dan Rather: "President Bush denied again today that he is being complacent about the economy. Mr. Bush said he was being 'cautious.'" Brady: "The [rise in housing starts] seemed like a ray of hope. If housing is picking up, can the rest of the economy be far behind? Yet, as some analysts took a closer look, the housing figure seemed as flimsy as a house of cards" (11/20).

PRO-CHOICE VICTORY: NBC's Linda Byron: "More than two weeks after the election, pro-choice supporters will finally hold

a victory party ... [but] voters approved the initiative by just over 4,300 votes. One reason for the tight race was an emotionally charged TV campaign waged by pro-life and the Catholic church." YES 120 campaign manager Jeanette Fruen Turk: "They ran a slick and ... sleazy campaign. ... All they had to do was create doubt and confusion to get people to vote no. They were somewhat effective in doing that, but we won." NO 120 Campaign Manager Julia Gonzales: "We have won a victory in letting the nation know that Washington State is not the state that will accept abortion without limits" (11/21).

SMOKE SCREEN: NBC's Johnny Carson: "This should be a good monologue because I got all this material from Democratic candidate Bob Kerrey." On Bush and the recession: "It's ironic ... four years ago he promised a thousand points of light and now people are worried about sitting in the dark." On Kerrey's joke: "Cuomo heard the joke but he hasn't decided yet whether it's funny or not" ("Tonight Show," 11/20). NBC's David Letterman: "Tomorrow is the great American 'Smoke Out' and I understand David Duke is doing his part ... he's going to see if he can go 24 hours without lighting up a cross" ("Late Night," 11/20).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"The Bush administration is coming to the aid of the economy --
the Soviet economy."

-- Peter Jennings, ABC, 11/20.

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NETWORK NEWS

(Wednesday evening, November 20)

ECONOMY/HOUSING

NBC's Tom Brokaw: The economy is sick, and the President doesn't know how to make it better soon. That was the message out of the White House today, as American consumers continued to hunker down, trying to get through this troubling time. NBC's John Cochran is at the White House tonight, where the troubled economy and the political implications for '92 dominate the agenda.

Cochran: Well-placed sources tell NBC News that the President is privately getting discouraging news about any short-term pickup for the economy, and some of his advisers worry that he will risk his credibility if he sounds overly optimistic. The Christmas shopping season will be a big test. It traditionally does not begin until after Thanksgiving. But already, the White House is bracing for bad news. Some advisers want Bush to be realistic about chances for a quick recovery. But in interviews with NBC-owned stations today, Bush said it is dangerous for him to sound pessimistic. (President Bush, responding to question from Warner Sanders of NBC affiliate WMAQ in Chicago: "So when I point out that interest rates are low, historically low, or whereas inflation is low, acceptably low, these are good things preparing us for recovery. I don't want to emphasize just the bad things, to talk us into a depression.")

Maybe not, but other Republicans are worried, and they're urging Bush to counter Democratic tax-cut proposals with a Republican plan for tax credits for parents. Today, Bush was urged to keep Congress in town past the Thanksgiving recess.

(Rep. Weber, at congressional news conference: "We think the President should dramatically move to take control of the situation, and call this Congress back into special session, specifically to enact proposals that stimulate this weak economy.") But Bush wants just the opposite. He wants Congress to go home so he can attack it for ignoring his old proposals.

(President Bush, to NBC affiliate: "So I have to get out and make clear, here's a growth package that would have helped this economy, if Congress had moved. Then in the State of the Union, here's some new ideas in a package.")

But a Democrat with eyes on the White House says Bush has no new ideas.

(Gov. Clinton: "If he doesn't have a plan to turn the economy around by 1992, we're gonna lay George Bush off, put America back to work, and our problems will go away.")

A sign of the times -- bad times: Today, another Asian powerhouse said it will buy into a key American company, McDonnell Douglas. A Taiwanese firm will buy a 40 percent stake in its commercial aircraft business. That news came as President Bush announced he has rescheduled his postponed trip to Asia and Australia for the end of December. The President will portray that trip as good for trade, good for American jobs. You'll be hearing a lot of that kind of talk out of this White House.

(NBC-Lead)

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Bush Ready To Name Campaign Committee Officials

President Bush, tired of being "under fire every day" from Democratic presidential candidates, has stepped up his counterattack and said he will soon name his reelection team....

In a series of television interviews, followed by an address to a Bush-Quayle fund-raiser, the President Wednesday accused the Democratic-controlled Congress of short-circuiting his domestic agenda by blocking key legislation....

The questions to the President focused heavily on the ailing economy. But he rejected its linkage to his reelection chances.

"I think you'll be seeing my coming out with some top people for the campaign quite soon: who to run it, who to support the person running it," he said. "And then the campaign organization will be fleshed out very quickly after that." (Helen Thomas, UPI)

NEW HAMPSHIRE G.O.P. SPLIT ON IMPACT OF BUCHANAN RUN

CONCORD -- If conservative columnist Patrick Buchanan decides to challenge President Bush in the 1992 primary, here's what could make him a genuine threat:

Economic gloom, conservative discontent, the personality of John Sununu and the state's tradition of Republican factional politics, which would do old Kremlinologists proud....

To talk to some New Hampshire Republicans, things are so bad for Bush here that Buchanan would start out with a guaranteed 20 percent of the vote and therefore have a chance to do to Bush what then-Sen. McCarthy did to Lyndon Johnson in 1968....

"I think Mickey Mouse could get 25 to 30 percent of the vote against Bush because of the state of the economy," said Paul Young, a Republican activist who heads the Conservative Political Victory Fund. "Eugene McCarthy's not outside the realm of possibility."....

Gov. Gregg says that Bush is "viewed in a positive light" despite the economic troubles and will be "very strong in New Hampshire." But he bemoans the Bush campaign's lack of organization and says that Bush should have nailed down conservative support much earlier. "Nobody should have the flexibility to sign up with Pat Buchanan," Gregg said. "They should all have been signed with George Bush by now."

(E.J. Dionne, Washington Post, A14)

BUCHANAN SAYS CANDIDACY WOULD BE MORE THAN SYMBOLIC PROTEST

Patrick Buchanan said Wednesday that "White House mites" were trying to link him to David Duke in an effort to keep him from mounting a conservative challenge to President Bush.

Buchanan said that if he does run in GOP primaries next year, it will be more than a symbolic protest from the right....

"The President's problems with conservatives are not the making of Pat Buchanan, they are of his own making," Buchanan said. "Pat Buchanan cannot divide the Republican party, only George Bush can do that."

(John King, AP)

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let's call again get it going

Bush Library Photocopy
George Bush Handwriting

BUSH DEFENDS POLICY ON RETURN OF HAITIANS

President Bush Wednesday said he saw no reason to change his policy of sending Haitian boat people back to their chaos-ridden country, despite mounting congressional criticism of the decision.

Bush said those who could substantiate their claims for political asylum were being admitted to the U.S. But, he said, accepting more refugees would encourage thousands of others to make the dangerous journey....

Coast Guard officials said that as of Wednesday afternoon, 2,819 Haitians had been intercepted at sea. Of that, nearly 1,800 remained on Coast Guard ships. (Al Kamen, Washington Post, A40)

Bush Defends Policy On Haiti

President Bush Wednesday defended the U.S. policy of returning Haitian refugees to their poverty-stricken country as a lifesaving procedure, but members of Congress blasted it as racist and unfair. (Carleton Bryant, Washington Times)

BUSH OFFICIALS CONFRONTED OVER HAITIAN REFUGEE POLICY

As the fate of more than 2,000 Haitian refugees remains unresolved, lawmakers and refugee advocates confronted Bush Administration officials at an impassioned hearing Wednesday....

"We have suspended aid, stopped oil shipments and frozen assets, but you say when it comes to people in a life-threatening situation, we can't suspend the law, we can't make an exception?" Rep. Kopetski said, challenging a row of State Department, Coast Guard and immigration officials. (Pamela Constable, Boston Globe)

BUSH RESCHEDULES TRIP TO FAR EAST

President Bush's on-again, off-again trip to Asia and Australia is back on.

The trip is now scheduled to begin Dec. 30. Bush is to spend Dec. 31-Jan. 3 in Australia, Jan. 3-5 in Singapore, Jan. 5-7 in South Korea and Jan. 7-10 in Japan. (Washington Post, A4)

Japan Hails Rescheduling Of Bush's Trip

TOKYO -- Prime Minister Miyazawa Tuesday hailed the rescheduling of President Bush's trip to Japan, adding he hopes to ensure closer relations between the two countries over the next 50 years....

"Fortunately, we have a common sense of values," Miyazawa said. "Looking back on the last 50 years, I would like to ensure that we are able to deepen our friendship in the next 50 years."...

In Canberra, Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke also welcomed word of Bush's rescheduled tour and his stop in Australia....

"President Bush's visit to Australia and to the Asia-Pacific region will provide an important opportunity for the President to reaffirm and redefine the U.S. role in our region, in the wake of the dramatic global events in which he has played such a momentous part," Hawke said in a statement. (UPI)

SHAMIR TELLS SUPPORTERS HE FEARS U.S. WILL FAVOR ARABS

BOSTON -- Prime Minister Shamir said Wednesday he harbors "fears" about whether the U.S. will act objectively during the peace talks between Israel and its Arab neighbors. "It is one of the most important questions we are asking ourselves and our American friends," Shamir told journalists during a breakfast meeting. "According to the accepted rules, they have to be honest brokers and only honest brokers. They have to be objective mediators without any attempt or any effort to impose their specific views on the process and on the results of the negotiations." (Jonathan Kaufman & Adam Pertman, Boston Globe)

POLL FINDS DISAGREEMENT WITH SHAMIR

A significant number of American Jewish community leaders strongly disagree with Israel's unwillingness to seek a Middle East peace settlement that would be based on giving up Israeli-occupied territory, according to a survey made public Wednesday. The survey covers the views of 205 of the more than 300 officers and board members of the Council of Jewish Federations.... A large majority endorsed a freeze on settlements in exchange for U.S. loan guarantees. (John Goshko, Washington Post, A45)

REPORT: JIBRIL'S GROUP IMPLICATED IN PAN AM BOMBING

JERUSALEM -- Israeli television said Wednesday night that U.S. investigators of the 1988 Pan Am bombing have found evidence implicating a Syrian-backed Palestinian group but have declined to make their findings public.... Israeli television said U.S. investigators have discovered "incriminating evidence" that the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestinian-General Command, led by Ahmed Jibril, also was linked to the attack. "This information was transferred several days ago by a U.S. Administration representative to a representative of the Israeli government," the report said. (AP)

FLIGHT 103 RELATIVES PUSH FOR SANCTIONS

About 150 relatives of the victims of Pan Am Flight 103 urged federal officials Wednesday to impose stiff economic sanctions on Libya and to continue to press for "the full story" behind the 1988 midair bombing. At one point during the closed-door meeting at the State Department, several relatives said a widow in the group scolded remarks last week by President Bush that seemed to exonerate Syria from involvement in the terrorist conspiracy. The complaint drew a heated response from Deputy Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger who, the relatives said, declared that he didn't appreciate people calling the President or himself "liars."... "Some families were offended" by Bush's statement, said Paul Hudson, president of the Families of Pan Am 103/Lockerbie. "Some of the families feel that Iran and Syria were involved, no matter what the government says." According to Hudson, Eagleburger added that what Bush meant was simply to say there is no hard evidence at this point tying Syria to the attack.

(George Lardner, Washington Post, A36)

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

November 21, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

From: James A. Baker, III *JAB*

✓ 1. Somalia: Mogadishu Fighting Update. Fighting continues in Mogadishu, with General "Aideed" using heavy weapons against the forces of his rival, President Ali Mahdi. Aideed's forces appear to control much of the city and are gaining followers. Italian evacuees confirm that Aideed's forces looted their embassy and held them prisoner until the General ordered their release. The fighting is greatly hampering international efforts to address Somalia's humanitarian disaster: severe malnutrition affects 40 percent or more of the children in southern and central Somalia. (C)

✓ 2. USSR: Yeltsin Economic Reforms Update. The shape and extent of the economic reforms proposed by Yeltsin remain unclear, despite implementing decrees issued last weekend. Yeltsin wants to control the money supply, but we do not yet know how successful he will be in balancing Russia's budget, which would ease pressures to print money. We have conflicting reports about what rules will apply to foreign and inter-republic trade, or how foreign currency will be handled; the Russian authorities appear at least as interested in wresting control from the center as in implementing market reform. Yeltsin's decision to control oil exports will likely draw an angry response from other republics, and could paralyze already disrupted energy supplies. Meanwhile, price liberalization remains as a major unresolved issue to bedevil Yeltsin's future steps. (C)

✓ 3. Belgium: Election Outlook. The November 24 parliamentary elections are expected to weaken Prime Minister Martens and his Flemish Christian Democratic Party, perhaps pushing them into second place behind the francophone Socialists. Such an outcome could seriously undermine Martens' personal stature; complicate the formation of a new government; and weaken centrist, pro-defense, pro-NATO forces in a successor coalition government. While an electorally weakened Martens could still end up heading the next government, it is almost certain that Eyskens will not continue as Foreign Minister. (C)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

From: James A. Baker, III *J.A. Baker*

1. UN: Security Council to Hold Formal Balloting for UNSYG. The UNSC will conduct the first formal secret ballot for the next UNSYG at 5 pm tomorrow. If there is no clear winner, a further ballot will be held next Monday. A French proposal that the non-front-runners be removed from the balloting has been deferred. Boutros Ghali (10 votes including 4 Perm Five votes) and Chidzero (11 votes including 2 Perm Five votes) remain the leaders in informal balloting to date. (Ø)
2. Haiti: OAS Negotiations Update. The OAS Haiti Mission headed by Ramirez Ocampo will meet this Friday with Aristide and the Haitian legislators to seek agreement on a new prime minister, a new cabinet, and a timetable for Aristide's return. Aristide has agreed to the meeting, but Haitian legislators (who had initially agreed to negotiate), are now demanding the lifting of the embargo prior to meeting with Aristide. Ocampo and OAS member country ambassadors in Haiti have told the legislators that there can be no movement on the embargo at least until the meeting is held. Ocampo also told them that his mission is prepared to recommend that the embargo be lifted fully or partially if progress is made in the talks, or if Aristide proves unbending and unreasonable. (Ø)
3. Albania: Meeting with Prime Minister Bufi. In a meeting with Under Secretary Kanter yesterday, Prime Minister Bufi outlined an ambitious economic reform program and predicted that elections would be held early next spring. He said the government and the opposition parties are currently negotiating on a date. Bufi expressed appreciation for US food and technical assistance. (Ø)
4. Brazil/Iran: Improving Relations. The Brazilians are working to substitute Iran for Iraq as their major economic partner in the Gulf. Brazilian Foreign Minister Rezek recently completed a trade and investment mission to Iran and Brazilian construction firms have landed a \$700 million hydropower construction contract as well as several other civil engineering projects. In return, Brazil has agreed to import 180,000 bbl/day of Iranian crude oil. Despite rumors, we have no indication that the GOB will permit the relationship to extend -- at this time -- to arms sales or nuclear cooperation. Nevertheless, we are regularly reminding the Brazilians of our concerns in this area. US-Brazil strategic trade talks scheduled for early December will offer another such opportunity. (Ø)

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
AMERICAN THYROID ASSOCIATION**

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MRS. BUSH:

THYROID DISEASE IS A COMMON MEDICAL CONDITION THAT AFFECTS 8 TO 10 MILLION AMERICANS. BUT HALF THE AMERICANS WITH THYROID DISEASE GO UNDIAGNOSED BECAUSE THE SYMPTOMS MIMIC OTHER CONDITIONS.

PRESIDENT:

AND THAT'S THE REAL DANGER. IF LEFT UNDETECTED, THYROID DISEASE CAN AFFECT YOUR OVERALL HEALTH. BUT ONCE DIAGNOSED, THE CONDITION CAN BE TREATED SIMPLY AND EFFECTIVELY. IF YOU HAVE A FAMILY HISTORY OF THYROID DISEASE, OR ANY OF THE COMMON SYMPTOMS ASSOCIATED WITH THYROID DISEASE, PLEASE SEE YOUR DOCTOR.

MRS. BUSH:

A SIMPLE BLOOD TEST WILL TELL YOU IF YOU'RE ONE OF THE MANY PEOPLE WITH A THYROID PROBLEM. AND WE'RE LIVING PROOF THAT A THYROID PROBLEM WON'T SLOW YOU DOWN.

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THE HARVARD ALCOHOL PROJECT

25 SECOND SPOT:

EACH YEAR, THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE DIE IN ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC CRASHES -- EACH ONE A TRAGEDY THAT DOESN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN. / THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, IF YOU HOST A PARTY AND SERVE ALCOHOL, SHOW YOUR FRIENDS THAT YOU CARE: CHOOSE A DESIGNATED DRIVER BEFORE ANY DRINKING BEGINS. / AFTER ALL, THE DESIGNATED DRIVER THE LIFE OF THE PARTY.

10 SECOND SPOT:

WHEN YOU HOST A HOLIDAY PARTY, MAKE SURE YOUR FRIENDS CHOOSE A DESIGNATED DRIVER BEFORE ANY DRINKING BEGINS. THE DESIGNATED DRIVER IS THE LIFE OF THE PARTY.

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THANKSGIVING DAY POINT OF LIGHT

ON THIS THANKSGIVING DAY, I WANT TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR A GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR COMMUNITY -- AND OUR NATION -- AN EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLE OF COURAGE AND LOVE.

IN BLOOMFIELD, EAST HARTFORD, AND WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT, THE CONNECTICUT INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND ADULT DAY CARE PROGRAM SERVES MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE PROFOUNDLY DISABLED. ALL OF THEM EITHER SUFFER FROM VISUAL IMPAIRMENT OR MUST OVERCOME PHYSICAL, MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL LIMITATIONS. BUT THANKS TO THE IMAGINATION AND INNER STRENGTH OF THESE AMERICANS AND THE STAFF THAT SUPPORTS THEM, THESE DISABLED CITIZENS HAVE NOT ALLOWED THEMSELVES TO BE LIMITED AT ALL IN THEIR ABILITY TO REACH OUT AND BRING LIGHT AND WARMTH TO THE LIVES OF OTHERS IN NEED.

FIVE DAYS A WEEK, THREE GROUPS OF DISABLED ADULTS FROM THE PROGRAM DELIVER "MEALS ON WHEELS" TO ELDERLY CITIZENS IN NINE CONNECTICUT TOWNS SERVED BY THE VISITING NURSE AND HOME CARE CORPORATION. THESE HOMEBOUND SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE ADOPTED THEIR VOLUNTEER VISITORS, AND BOTH ENJOY DEVELOPING SPECIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEIR NEWFOUND FRIENDS.

THIS VOLUNTEER PROGRAM OFFERS A LESSON FOR ALL AMERICANS: THESE REMARKABLE AND COURAGEOUS VOLUNTEERS PROVE THERE IS NO BARRIER, NO PREJUDICE, NO DISABILITY THAT THE HUMAN SPIRIT CANNOT OVERCOME. ON THIS THANKSGIVING DAY, BARBARA AND I SALUTE THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE CONNECTICUT INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND ADULT DAY CARE PROGRAM AS THE 627TH DAILY POINT OF LIGHT. YOU GIVE OUR WHOLE NATION EVER MORE REASON TO BE THANKFUL FOR THE BOUNDLESS CAPACITY OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT. MAY GOD BLESS YOU.

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USIA INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

I SPEAK TO YOU TODAY AS SOMEONE WHO HAS A TRUE APPRECIATION FOR THE EFFORTS OF OUR INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS. I RECOGNIZE THE CRUCIAL ROLE THIS PROGRAM PLAYS IN PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING. AND I KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO SHARE AMERICA'S MOST VALUABLE NATIONAL TREASURE -- ITS HOSPITALITY, ITS FRIENDSHIP, ITS SPIRIT OF GIVING.

YOU SEE, WAY BACK IN 1967, BARBARA AND I WERE PROUD PARTICIPANTS IN THIS WONDERFUL PROGRAM, HOSTING THEN FUTURE PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER IN OUR HOUSTON HOME. THE "IRON LADY" HAS SAID OF THAT VISIT, "I SAW AND FELT THE VITALITY AND GENEROSITY OF THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE...FOREVERMORE, I SHALL BE A TRUE FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES." WHO COULD HAVE KNOWN THAT A BOND BEGUN ALMOST A QUARTER CENTURY AGO WOULD ONE DAY HELP WIN THE GULF WAR -- AND CEMENT THE TIES OF INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP.

MARGARET THATCHER IS ONE OF THE MORE THAN 130 INTERNATIONAL VISITORS WHO ARE CURRENT OR FORMER CHIEFS OF STATE -- FORMER JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU, HUNGARIAN PRIME MINISTER JOZSEF ANTALL, FORMER EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT, AND FORMER INDIAN PRIME MINISTER INDIRA GANDHI.

BUT THE PROGRAM OFFERS MORE THAN JUST AN OPPORTUNITY TO HOST TOMORROW'S WORLD LEADERS. \ FOR OUR VISITORS, IT OFFERS A GLIMPSE INTO THE HEART OF AMERICA. FOR OUR GOVERNMENT, IT OFFERS A CHANCE FOR PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE DIPLOMACY WITHOUT POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE. FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS, IT ALLOWS US TO SHARE THE REAL REASON WHY AMERICA IS THE GREATEST NATION ON EARTH.

HERMAN MELVILLE ONCE WROTE, "AMERICA HAS BEEN SETTLED BY PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS. ALL NATIONS MAY CLAIM HER FOR THEIR OWN...WE ARE NOT A NATION SO MUCH AS A WORLD." THANK YOU FOR SERVING AS ENVOYS TO THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW. GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WORLD WAR II

FIFTY YEARS AGO, ON DECEMBER 7TH, THE PEACE OF A SUNDAY MORNING WAS SHATTERED AND AMERICA WAS AT WAR. WORLD WAR II STANDS AS A DIVIDING LINE IN OUR HISTORY. IN SOME WAYS, IT STILL DEFINES WHO WE ARE, AND WHAT WE STAND FOR AS A NATION.

OVER THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, AMERICANS WILL GATHER TO OBSERVE THE VARIOUS ANNIVERSARIES OF THE WAR. I'VE ASKED THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TO HELP COORDINATE THESE EVENTS AND I URGE ALL CIVIC AND VETERANS GROUPS TO JOIN IN THE REMEMBRANCES.

WE WILL HONOR THE MILITARY GIANTS WHO MOBILIZED THE FORCES AND LED THEM ACROSS THE BATTLEFIELDS OF EUROPE AND THE PACIFIC. BUT MOST OF ALL, WE WILL HONOR THE COURAGEOUS CITIZEN-SOLDIERS FROM EVERY RACE, CREED, AND WALK OF LIFE, WHO DEFENDED LIBERTY IN ITS HOUR OF PERIL. AND WE WILL REMEMBER THOSE ON THE HOMEFRONT -- THE WORKERS WHO TURNED AMERICA INTO THE "ARSENAL OF DEMOCRACY." FIFTY YEARS LATER, THE MEMORIAL TO WORLD WAR II VETERANS IS ALL AROUND US: AN AMERICA STRONG AND FREE, HER PROUD EXAMPLE LIGHTING THE WAY TO LIBERTY.

THOSE OF US WHO REMEMBER WORLD WAR II MUST PASS ON WHAT WE LEARNED TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN. NEVER AGAIN WILL AMERICA BE UNPREPARED. NEVER AGAIN WILL WE APPEASE AN AGGRESSOR WHO THREATENS OUR VITAL INTERESTS. NEVER AGAIN WILL WE ISOLATE OURSELVES AND PRETEND THE REST OF THE WORLD'S PROBLEMS DON'T AFFECT US. AMERICA MUST CONTINUE TO LEAD. OUR MOST IMPORTANT STRENGTH IS NOT MILITARY OR ECONOMIC. IT'S MORAL -- AND THE WORLD NEEDS OUR MORAL LEADERSHIP NOW MORE THAN EVER.

THE UNITED STATES WILL ALWAYS BE A FORCE FOR PEACE. BUT THE PEACE WE SEEK IS A REAL PEACE -- NOT MERELY THE ABSENCE OF WAR, BUT THE TRIUMPH OF FREEDOM. DURING THESE FOUR YEARS OF COMMEMORATION, LET US REDEDICATE OURSELVES TO THE PRINCIPLES FOR WHICH OUR VETERANS SO VALIANTLY FOUGHT. LET US EXTEND GRATITUDE TO THOSE WHOSE SUFFERING AND SACRIFICE MADE VICTORY CERTAIN. AND LET US RESOLVE THAT WHEN THE FINAL HISTORY IS WRITTEN, THE SECOND WORLD WAR WILL BECOME KNOWN \ AS THE LAST WORLD WAR.

IT'S TEMPTING TO ECHO CHURCHILL AND SAY WORLD WAR
II WAS AMERICA'S "FINEST HOUR." \ BUT WE KNOW -- JUST
AS WE KNEW IN THE DARKEST DAYS OF THE WAR -- THAT
AMERICA'S BEST DAYS LIE AHEAD OF US. AND MAY GOD
CONTINUE TO BLESS AMERICA -- FREEDOM'S HOME.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

SIGNING CEREMONY FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1991

DATE: November 21, 1991
LOCATION: Rose Garden
TIME: 1:15 p.m. (15 minutes)
FROM: Frederick D. McClure 

I. PURPOSE

To sign S. 1745, the Civil Rights Act of 1991.

II. BACKGROUND

S. 1745, which passed the Senate by a vote of 93 to 5 and the House by a vote of 381 to 38, overturns or modifies several recent Supreme Court decisions dealing with employment laws.

This bill, which is consistent with your principles on civil rights legislation, will allow a victim of employment discrimination to sue for damages, with caps on awards depending on the size of the business. The bill also shifts the burden of proof to the employer in cases of unintentional discrimination, while otherwise leaving current law essentially in tact. Most of the other provisions of the bill are non-controversial.

III. PARTICIPANTS

See Attachment.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open press.

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- You will enter the Rose Garden accompanied by Vice President Quayle and Attorney General Bill Barr;
- You will make brief remarks;
- You will proceed to the signing table where you will sign S. 1745.

Attachment A: Participants List

Attachment B: Remarks to be provided by speechwriting

PARTICIPANTS LIST

The President

The Vice President

William Barr, Attorney General
Lynn Martin, Secretary of Labor
Connie Newman, Director, Office of Personnel Management
Pat Saiki, Administrator, Small Business Administration
Arthur Fletcher, Chairman, Civil Rights Commission

Senator John Chafee (R-RI)
Senator Jack Danforth (R-MO)
Senator Bob Dole (R-KS), Republican Leader
Senator Pete Domenici (R-NM)
Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT)
Senator Mark Hatfield (R-OR)
Senator Jim Jeffords (R-VT)
Senator Nancy Kassebaum (R-KS)
Senator Ted Kennedy (D-MA)
Senator Alan Simpson (R-WY)
Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA)

Congressman Don Edwards (D-CA)
Congressman Bob Michel (R-IL), Republican Leader
Congressman Hamilton Fish (R-NY)
Congressman Gary Franks (R-CT)
Congressman Bill Goodling (R-PA)
Congressman Steve Gunderson (R-PA)
Congressman Duncan Hunter (R-CA)
Congressman Jerry Lewis (R-CA)
Congressman Bill McCollum (R-FL)
Congresswoman Susan Molinari (R-NY)
Congressman Sonny Montgomery (D-MS)
Congressman Billy Tauzin (D-LA)

Department of Justice Staff

Congressional Staff

Representatives from various private sector organizations

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This bill passed both houses of congress with broad support on both sides of the aisle. I congratulate Senators _____ and _____ and congressmen _____ and _____ the four original sponsors of the bill. I especially thank Senators Dole, Danforth, Hatch and Congressmen Michel, Goodling, and Hyde for ensuring that the legislation fulfilled the principles that I outlined earlier.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

**CIVIL RIGHTS BILL SIGNING CEREMONY \ THE ROSE GARDEN
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1991 \ 1:15 P.M.**

**WELCOME TO THE WHITE HOUSE. MEMBERS OF THE
CABINET, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.**

**TODAY, WE CELEBRATE A LAW THAT WILL FIGHT THE EVIL
OF DISCRIMINATION WHILE ALSO BUILDING BRIDGES OF
HARMONY BETWEEN AMERICANS OF ALL RACES, SEXES, CREEDS
AND BACKGROUNDS.**

**FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS, THE ISSUE OF CIVIL RIGHTS
LEGISLATION HAS DIVIDED AMERICANS. WELL, NO MORE.**

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**FROM DAY ONE, I TOLD THE AMERICAN PEOPLE I WANTED A
CIVIL RIGHTS BILL THAT ADVANCES THE CAUSE OF EQUAL
OPPORTUNITY. I WANTED A BILL THAT ADVANCES THE CAUSE
OF RACIAL HARMONY. AND I WANTED A BILL THAT ENCOURAGES
PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER. TODAY I AM SIGNING THAT BILL,
THE "CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1991." //**

**DISCRIMINATION, WHETHER ON THE BASIS OF RACE,
NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, RELIGION OR DISABILITY, IS WORSE
THAN WRONG.**

IT IS AN EVIL THAT STRIKES AT THE VERY HEART OF THE AMERICAN IDEAL. THIS BILL, BUILDING ON CURRENT LAW, WILL HELP ENSURE THAT NO AMERICAN WILL DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANOTHER.

FOR THESE REASONS, THIS IS A VERY GOOD BILL. LET ME REPEAT THAT: THIS IS A VERY GOOD BILL. LAST YEAR -- BACK IN MAY OF 1990 IN THE ROSE GARDEN -- WITH SOME OF YOU PRESENT, I BELIEVE -- I APPEALED FOR A BILL I COULD SIGN.

I SAID THAT DAY THAT I CANNOT AND WILL NOT SIGN A QUOTA BILL. INSTEAD, I SAID THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DESERVED A CIVIL RIGHTS BILL THAT -- NUMBER ONE -- INSISTED THAT EMPLOYERS FOCUS ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITY -- NOT ON DEVELOPING STRATEGIES TO AVOID LITIGATION. NUMBER TWO, THEY DESERVED A BILL THAT WAS BASED UPON FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF FAIRNESS -- THAT ANYONE WHO BELIEVES THEIR RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED IS ENTITLED TO THEIR DAY IN COURT -- AND THAT THE ACCUSED ARE INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY.

AND NUMBER THREE, THEY DESERVED A BILL THAT PROVIDED ADEQUATE DETERRENT AGAINST HARASSMENT BASED UPON RACE, SEX, RELIGION, OR DISABILITY.

I ALSO SAID THAT DAY THAT "THIS ADMINISTRATION IS COMMITTED TO ACTION THAT IS TRULY AFFIRMATIVE, POSITIVE ACTION IN EVERY SENSE, TO STRIKE DOWN ALL BARRIERS TO ADVANCEMENT OF EVERY KIND FOR ALL PEOPLE."

AND IN THAT SAME SPIRIT, I SAY AGAIN TODAY: I SUPPORT AFFIRMATIVE ACTION. NOTHING IN THIS BILL OVERTURNS THE GOVERNMENT'S AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS.

UNLIKE LAST YEAR'S BILL -- A BILL I WAS FORCED TO VETO -- THIS BILL WILL NOT ENCOURAGE QUOTAS OR RACIAL PREFERENCES BECAUSE THIS BILL WILL NOT CREATE LAWSUITS ON THE BASIS OF NUMBERS ALONE. I OPPOSE QUOTAS BECAUSE THEY INCITE TENSIONS BETWEEN THE RACES, BETWEEN THE SEXES, BETWEEN PEOPLE WHO GET TRAPPED IN A NUMBERS GAME.

THIS BILL CONTAINS SEVERAL IMPORTANT INNOVATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, IT CONTAINS STRONG NEW REMEDIES FOR THE VICTIMS OF DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT, ALONG WITH PROVISIONS CAPPING DAMAGES THAT ARE AN IMPORTANT MODEL TO BE FOLLOWED IN TORT REFORM. AND IT ENCOURAGES MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION BETWEEN PARTIES BEFORE THE LAST RESORT OF LITIGATION.

OUR GOAL AND OUR PROMISE IS HARMONY -- A RETURN TO CIVILITY AND BROTHERHOOD -- AS WE BUILD A BETTER AMERICA FOR OURSELVES AND OUR CHILDREN.

WE HAD TO WORK HARD FOR THIS AGREEMENT. THIS BILL PASSED BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS OVERWHELMINGLY WITH BROAD SUPPORT ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE.

A TIP OF THE HAT GOES TO SENATOR KENNEDY AND FORMER CONGRESSMAN HAWKINS, WHO, WAY BACK IN FEBRUARY OF 1990, GOT THE BALL ROLLING -- AND I CONGRATULATE PARTICULARLY SENATORS DOLE, DANFORTH AND HATCH, AND CONGRESSMEN MICHEL, GOODLING AND HYDE FOR ENSURING THAT TODAY'S LEGISLATION FULFILLS THE PRINCIPLES I OUTLINED IN THE ROSE GARDEN LAST YEAR.

NO ONE LIKES TO OPPOSE A BILL CONTAINING THE WORDS "CIVIL RIGHTS" -- ESPECIALLY ME -- AND NO ONE IN CONGRESS LIKES TO VOTE AGAINST ONE EITHER. I OWE A DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO THOSE WHO STOOD WITH US AGAINST COUNTERPRODUCTIVE LEGISLATION LAST YEAR -- AND AGAIN EARLIER THIS YEAR -- AS WELL AS TO THOSE WHO LED THE WAY TOWARD THIS IMPORTANT AGREEMENT WE'VE REACHED TODAY. I'M TALKING ABOUT DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS AND THOSE OUTSIDE CONGRESS WHO PLAYED A CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE.

TO ALL OF YOU, WE SAY THANK YOU.

BUT TO THE CONGRESS I ALSO SAY THIS: THE 1991 CIVIL RIGHTS BILL IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP. IF WE SEEK -- AND I BELIEVE EVERY ONE OF US DOES -- TO BUILD A NEW ERA OF HARMONY AND SHARED PURPOSE, WE MUST MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR ALL AMERICANS TO SCALE THE LADDER OF OPPORTUNITY. IF WE SEEK TO EASE RACIAL TENSIONS IN AMERICA, CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION IS NOT ENOUGH.

THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE IS A VITAL ELEMENT OF THE AMERICAN DREAM, BUT IT IS SIMPLY NOT ENOUGH.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA FREE FROM RACISM AND BIGOTRY.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA WHERE ANYONE WHO WANTS TO WORK HAS A JOB.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA WHERE EVERY CHILD RECEIVES A FIRST-RATE EDUCATION ... A PLACE WHERE OUR CHILDREN HAVE THE SAME CHANCE TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS AS EVERYONE ELSE'S KIDS DO.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA WHERE ALL PEOPLE ENJOY EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW ... WHERE EVERYONE CAN LIVE AND WORK IN A CLIMATE FREE FROM FEAR AND DESPAIR ... WHERE DRUGS AND CRIME HAVE BEEN BANISHED FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND SCHOOLS.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA WHERE EVERYONE HAS A PLACE TO CALL HIS OWN -- A STAKE IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE COMFORT OF A HOME.

I BELIEVE IN AN AMERICA WHERE WE MEASURE SUCCESS NOT IN DOLLARS AND LAWSUITS -- BUT IN OPPORTUNITY, PROSPERITY AND HARMONY. I BELIEVE IN THE IDEALS WE ALL SHARE -- IDEALS THAT MADE AMERICA GREAT: DECENCY, FAIRNESS, FAITH, HARD WORK, GENEROSITY, VIGOR, AND VISION.

THE AMERICAN DREAM RESTS ON THE VISION OF LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. IN OUR WORKPLACES, IN OUR SCHOOLS, OR ON OUR STREETS, THIS DREAM BEGINS WITH EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY. OUR AGENDA FOR THE NEXT AMERICAN CENTURY -- WHETHER IT BE GUARANTEEING EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW, PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION, OR CREATING JOBS -- WILL ENSURE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME THAT AMERICA REMAINS THE BEACON OF OPPORTUNITY IN THE WORLD.

NOW, WITH GREAT PRIDE, I WILL SIGN THIS BILL INTO LAW.

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"Civil Rights Act of 1991."

Signing Statement

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Today, I am pleased to sign S. 1745, the "Civil Rights Act of 1991." This historic legislation strengthens our employment discrimination laws without fostering quotas or creating incentives for frivolous litigation.

Employment discrimination law should seek to prevent improper conduct and foster the speedy resolution of conflicts. This Act, a bipartisan consensus, reflects a balance of the goals of ridding the workplace of discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability, ensuring that employers can hire on the basis of merit and abilities without the fear of unwarranted litigation, and ensuring that aggrieved parties have effective remedies.

Much of the long effort to build the consensus behind this bill focused on only a few provisions. But most of the Act's major provisions have never been the subject of serious disagreement. I have ^{failed} ~~long~~ advocated revision of the statute of limitations for challenges to discriminatory seniority systems; expansion of the statutory prohibition against racial discrimination in connection with employment contracts; and the creation of meaningful monetary remedies for all forms of workplace harassment prohibited by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Similarly, my Administration has long

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concurrent in proposed changes to authorize expert witness fees in Title VII cases; to extend the statute of limitations and authorize the award of interest against the U.S. Government; and to cure technical defects with respect to providing notice of the statute of limitations under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967. I am happy to note that each of these issues is addressed in the Act that today becomes law.

Perhaps the most difficult issue on which to find a consensus was the treatment to be given cases alleging "disparate impact." Disparate impact cases arise from employment practices that tend to screen out employees from an employer's workforce on the basis of race, sex or other impermissible criteria even though the employer did not intend to discriminate. Because employers can insulate themselves from such lawsuits by making sure that their numbers come out "right," it is critically important that employers believe that their employment practices can be defended and hiring by the numbers is not necessary. Indeed, such hiring turns the law on its head by encouraging employers to make decisions using the very criteria that the law prohibits.

Until now, the law of disparate impact has been developed by the Supreme Court in a series of cases stretching from the 1971 Griggs decision to the Watson and Wards Cove decisions in 1988 and 1989. In opinions by Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Byron White, the Court has explained the safeguards against

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quotas and preferential treatment that have been included in the jurisprudence of disparate impact. S. 1745 codifies this theory of discrimination, while including a compromise provision that overrules Wards Cove by shifting to the employer the burden of persuasion on the "business necessity" defense. This change in the burden of proof, combined with the inherent tendencies of this kind of legal analysis, means it is especially important to ensure that all the legislation's other safeguards against unfair application of disparate impact law are carefully observed. These highly technical matters are addressed in detail in the analyses of S. 1745 placed in the legislative record by Senator Dole on behalf of himself and several other Senators and of the Administration. See 137 Cong. Rec. S15472-S15478 (daily ed. October 30, 1991); 137 Cong. Rec. S15953 (daily ed. November 5, 1991). The Executive Branch will refer to this history for guidance in matters related to disparate impact and the other issues addressed in the documents.

Among the other provisions of the bill that generated lengthy debate were the issues of monetary damages for unlawful discrimination under Title VII and the Americans with Disabilities Act through incorporation, punitive damages, and jury trials. S. 1745 adopts a compromise under which "caps" have been placed on the amount that juries may award in such cases. The adoption of these limits is troublesome to some insofar as it creates questions of equal treatment and

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troublesome to others because the caps are viewed as being too high. But employment discrimination cases are unique. They strike at the very ability of a person to be an independent and contributing member of society and revolve around ongoing relationships. For that reason, they cannot be modeled on tort law. Employment discrimination law should promote prevention of unlawful practices, conciliation, and prompt and fair resolution. Unlimited damages undermines these goals. Both parties have incentives to fight on rather than resolve their dispute.

Yet, despite the "caps," introducing remedies of this kind into the law of employment relations may lead to a variety of undesirable collateral effects, including reliance on litigation in circumstances where other forms of dispute resolution would be more appropriate. Fortunately, section 118 of the Act encourages voluntary agreements between employers and employees to rely on alternative mechanisms such as mediation and arbitration. This provision is among the most valuable in the Act because of the important contribution that voluntary private arrangements can make in conserving the scarce resources of the Federal judiciary and in resolving employment disputes promptly and more amicably.

Whether or not S. 1745 produces an undesirable increase in employment-related litigation, however, there can be no doubt that unlawful discrimination will now expose American employers

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to more substantial sanctions than they have faced before. As we have properly armed complaining parties with powerful new legal tools, so must we redouble our efforts to educate employers and employees of the evil of employment discrimination and ensure that government plays a positive role in this effort, not a negative one through indifference or by creating inappropriate incentives.

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Finally, although I am pleased that Congress has applied the substance of this Act to both Houses, I would have preferred that the bill provide the same right to a day in court for congressional employees as other employees enjoy.

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court

Since the Civil Rights Act was enacted in 1964, our Nation has made great progress toward the elimination of employment discrimination. I hope and expect that this legislation will carry that progress further. Even if such discrimination were eliminated, however, we would have much work to do to advance the American dream of equal opportunity for all. Achieving that dream will require bold action and unmatched cooperation to reform our education system, reclaim our inner cities from violence and drugs, stimulate job creation and economic growth and to nurture the American spirit of service to others. My Administration is strongly committed to action in all these areas and I look forward to continuing the effort we celebrate here today.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 11/18/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 1:00 p.m. Tues. 11/19

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CIVIL RIGHTS BILL SIGNING CEREMONY/11-21-91
(11/18 Draft two)

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REMARKS: Please provide any comments directly to Tony Snow no later than 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11/19, with a copy to this office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

Mr. T. in audience

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**BRIEF REMARKS: CIVIL RIGHTS BILL SIGNING CEREMONY
THE ROSE GARDEN
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1991
2:00 P.M.**

Welcome to the White House. [Acknowledgements]

Today, we celebrate a law that will fight the evil of discrimination while also building bridges of harmony between Americans of all races, sexes, creeds and backgrounds.

For the past few years, the issue of civil rights has divided Americans. Well, no more. From day one, I told the American people I wanted to sign a civil rights bill that advances the cause of equal opportunity. I wanted to sign a bill that advances the cause of racial harmony. And I wanted to sign a bill that encourages people to work together. Today I am signing that bill, the Civil Rights Act of 1991. //

Discrimination, whether on the basis of race, national origin, sex, religion or disability, is worse than wrong. It is an evil that strikes at the very heart of the American ideal. This bill, building on current law, will punish severely those who continue to discriminate against their fellow Americans, but it will not punish the innocent.

For these reasons, this is a very good bill. Let me repeat that: this is a very good bill. Unlike last year's bill -- a bill I was forced to veto -- it will not encourage quotas or preferences. I oppose quotas because they incite tensions between the races, the sexes, between people who get trapped in a

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I note that the former Nazi - a bigot ^{his} ^{wrong}
is a Hater on this bill. That's ~~for~~ ^{with me}
He's simply against fair play & equality for minorities -

But I also note that some from the
other side of the political spectrum accuse me of
being a racist when I stand against quotas

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They are wrong too.

Bush Presidential Library Photocopy

numbers game. Instead, I prefer bills that punish discrimination head-on and tell everyone that our society does not accept bigotry.

This bill contains several important innovations. For example, its provisions capping damages are an important model to be followed in tort reform. It encourages mediation and arbitration between parties before the last resort of litigation. Our goal and our promise is harmony -- a return to civility and brotherhood -- as we build a better America for ourselves and our children.

One discouraging note however: we are disappointed that Congress has not applied this statute to themselves in the same way it does to the rest of America. It's a sad and pitiful fact that most Congressional employees have no access at all to the courts should they need judicial remedy. I continue to urge the Congress to apply the same laws to itself that it enacts on the rest of America. //

We had to work hard for this agreement. But the credit goes to the dedicated Republicans in Congress -- especially Senators Dole and Danforth -- for ensuring that I had a bill I could sign. No one likes to veto a civil rights bill -- especially not me -- and no one in Congress likes to vote against one either. I owe a debt of gratitude to those who stood with us against bad legislation last year, and to those who led the way toward this tremendous agreement we've reached today. To all of you, we say thank you.

But to the Congress I also say this: The 1991 Civil Rights bill is only the first step. If we seek -- and every one of us does -- to build a new era of harmony and shared purpose, we must make it possible for all Americans to scale the ladder of opportunity. If we seek to ease racial tensions in America, civil rights legislation is not enough. The elimination of discrimination in the workplace is a vital element of the American Dream, but it is simply not enough.

We cannot expect people to scale that ladder if we don't make jobs available to everyone who wants to work. We need an economic growth initiative from the Congress to create jobs and opportunity all across America. //

Americans cannot enjoy full opportunity until they receive first-rate educations that will prepare them for the competitive international marketplace. So we urge the Congress once again to act on our America 2000 education initiative.

We cannot expect Americans to work hard and prepare for the future if they live in a climate of fear and hopelessness -- our crime bill, bottled up for two years on Capitol Hill, will help us win the battle against drugs and violent crime in our streets.

Our people also deserve the dignity of owning their own homes. That's why we have proposed the HOPE initiative.

We've proposed these initiatives because we measure success not in dollars and lawsuits, but in terms of opportunity, prosperity and harmony.

The American Dream rests on the vision of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In our workplaces, in our schools, or on our streets, this dream begins with equality of opportunity. Our agenda for the future -- whether it be guaranteeing equal protection under the law, promoting excellence in education, or creating jobs -- will ensure for future generations that America remains the beacon of opportunity in the world.

Now, with great pride, I will sign this bill into law.

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

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White House Changing Course on Racial Preferences Proposal
EDS: Combines pvs; new material and editing thruout; no pickup
By WILLIAM M. MELCH
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) President Bush prepared to sign landmark civil rights legislation today as the White House changed course on a presidential order that would have ended preferential hiring and promotions for women and minorities.

A furor arose overnight to the proposed order, and by morning press secretary Marilyn Fitzwater said the statement was being completely changed. Civil rights activists who also saw the proposed directive Wednesday night said it would have turned back affirmative action and civil rights goals by blocking any government programs that give women or minorities preference in hiring or promotion or other policies.

The statement was written for Bush to deliver today when he signed the hand-fought civil rights legislation. The White House insisted Bush did not know of the draft, which was prepared by White House Counsel C. Boyden Gray.

Fitzwater said alarm bells went off in some White House quarters where the language by Bush's legal counsel was reviewed.

By the end of the process last night, the whole thing was being rewritten. Clearly we don't want any language that indicates we're not supportive of all the provisions of the law, that were not supportive of the civil rights objectives," Fitzwater said.

The original draft statement dealt with guidance to federal agencies on now to comply with the new civil rights law, Fitzwater said.

In the course of internal administration review, a lot of people pointed out ... that it's being widely misinterpreted, as an attempt to thwart civil rights goals, he said.

Fitzwater said that instead, Bush's statement today praises the new civil rights law, and "affirms our commitment to carry out the law in all its provisions, and restates his longheld conviction that affirmative action is useful in guaranteeing opportunity in this country."

The sources who saw the earlier draft said it would have Bush rescinding federal guidelines dating to the Nixon administration that established standards for employers and the courts to use in determining whether specific hiring practices, including tests, are legal.

Civil rights leaders on Wednesday night voiced alarm and outrage.

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whether specific hiring practices, including tests, are legal.

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"If the president does this tomorrow, the White House would be declaring war on civil rights," said Ralph Neas, head of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, an umbrella lobbying group. "Once again, the White House would be playing the race card. If they do so, they should be ashamed of themselves."

The proposed directive sparked a vigorous debate within the White House and prompted intense meetings Wednesday night and again this morning.

Bush scheduled an early-afternoon ceremony at the White House to sign the civil rights bill, which passed Congress earlier this month. His agreement to support a compromise version of the bill and to drop his assertion that it would encourage racial hiring quotas ended a two-year battle over the bill.

Supporters had sought the measure in order to negate a series of Supreme Court rulings that made it more difficult for plaintiffs to win job discrimination suits against employers.

The bill also expands the rights of women to sue and collect damages for sexual discrimination or harassment.

An administration source said Bush intended to order a review of all government agency affirmative action programs to ensure they do not encourage quotas in hiring or promotion.

"He wanted to make sure this is genuinely not a quota bill," the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. But the official said Bush in no way intended his action as "an attack on affirmative action."

Civil rights groups had said they obtained copies of a Bush statement indicating he intended to go further, however, in ordering the termination of any hiring preferences or minority set-aside programs.

Negotiations over the civil rights bill represented a battleground between businesses anxious to avoid potential litigation from employees and civil rights advocates working for greater job and hiring protections.

The signing ceremony comes at a time when Bush is trying to walk a political tightrope with many conservatives critical of his policies.

Sexual discrimination laws currently allow plaintiffs to collect only back pay and attorneys' fees. But under the new law, victims will be able to collect awards as high as \$50,000 to \$300,000, depending on the size of the company.

Victims of racial discrimination face no monetary limits.

The Supreme Court in 1989 overturned its 1971 Griggs vs. Duke Power decision that held employers liable for employment practices that had an adverse impact on certain groups even if no discrimination was intended.

But in a case involving the Wards Cove Packing Co., a Seattle-based cannery with operations in Alaska, the justice threw out that precedent and its ground rules for determining the "business necessity" that justifies such criteria as height and weight requirements and academic tests.

The new law sets standards for employers to meet to demonstrate the business necessary for hiring practices that result in unintentional discrimination, or a so-called disparate impact, on certain groups.

It also prohibits the "race-norming," or adjustment of employment-related tests, to boost scores for minorities or other groups.

It establishes a new fair employment office within the Senate as the first step in an administrative process for complaints filed by Senate employees. There are no similar provisions for House employees, who already have a complaint apparatus.

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Signing Statement - S. 1745, "Civil Rights Act of 1991."

Today I am pleased to sign S. 1745, the "Civil Rights Act of 1991." This historic legislation strengthens the barriers and sanctions against employment discrimination without fostering quotas or creating unacceptably strong incentives for needless litigation.

Most of this Act's major provisions have been the subject of a strong bipartisan consensus. Along with most members of the Congress, for example, I have long advocated revision of the statute of limitations for challenges to discriminatory seniority systems; expansion of the statutory prohibition against racial discrimination in connection with employment contracts; and the creation of meaningful monetary remedies for all forms of workplace harassment outlawed under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Similarly, my Administration has long concurred in proposed changes to authorize expert witness fees in Title VII cases; to extend the statute of limitations and authorize the award of interest against the U.S. Government; and to cure technical defects with respect to providing notice of the statute of limitations under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967. I am happy to note that every one of these issues is addressed in the Act that becomes law today.

It is regrettable that enactment of these worthwhile measures has been substantially delayed by controversies over other proposals. S. 1745 resolves the most significant of these controversies, involving the law of "disparate impact," with provisions designed to avoid creating incentives for employers to adopt quotas or unfair preferences. It is extremely important that the statute be properly interpreted -- by Executive branch officials, by the courts, and by America's employers -- so that no incentives to engage in such illegal conduct are created.

As is by now well-known, "disparate impact" cases arise from employment practices that lead to statistical disparities in an employer's workforce even when the employer did not intend to discriminate on the basis of race, sex, or other impermissible criteria. Because employers can insulate themselves from such lawsuits by making sure that their numbers come out "right," such an approach to discrimination inherently has some tendency to turn the law on its head by encouraging employers to make decisions based on the very criteria that the law declares unlawful.

Until now, the law of disparate impact has been developed by the Supreme Court in a series of cases stretching from the Griggs decision in 1971 to the Watson and Wards Cove decisions in 1988 and 1989. In opinions by Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Byron White, the Court has explained the safeguards against quotas and preferential treatment that have been included in the jurisprudence of disparate impact. S. 1745 codifies this theory of discrimination, while including a compromise provision that

overrules Wards Cove by shifting to the employer the burden of persuasion on the "business necessity" defense. This change in the burden of proof, combined with the inherent tendencies of this kind of legal analysis, means it is especially important to ensure that all the legislation's other safeguards against unfair application of disparate impact law are carefully observed. These highly technical matters are addressed in detail in the analyses of S. 1745 placed in the legislative record by Senator Dole on behalf of himself and several other Senators and of the Administration. See 137 Cong. Rec. S15472-S15478 (daily ed. Oct. 30, 1991); 137 Cong. Rec. S15953 (daily ed. Nov. 5, 1991). I direct that these documents be treated as authoritative interpretive guidance by all officials in the Executive branch with respect to the law of disparate impact as well as the other matters covered in the documents.

The codification of disparate impact theory also requires that Executive branch agencies immediately terminate all regulations, rules, and programs of whatever nature that may be inconsistent with the new law or with the principle of discouraging quotas and unfair preferences. So-called "race norming" of the General Aptitude Test Battery, for example, is plainly forbidden by section 106 of the new Act. The Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures, which, among other problems, permit and even encourage conduct that is illegal under Title VII and embody an approach to disparate impact analysis not adopted in S. 1745, are also to be terminated as soon as is legally feasible; the relevant Federal agencies will begin work on new guidelines, established under section 105 and other provisions of the Act, designed to protect fully against the risks of quota hiring and other unfair preferences.

Another important source of the controversy that delayed enactment of this legislation was a proposal to authorize jury trials and punitive damages in cases arising under Title VII. S. 1745 adopts a compromise under which "caps" have been placed on the amount that juries may award in such cases. The adoption of these limits on jury awards sets an important precedent, and I hope to see this model followed as part of an initiative to reform the Nation's tort system.

Despite the "caps," introducing remedies of this kind into the law of employment relations may lead to a variety of undesirable collateral effects, including reliance on litigation in circumstances where other forms of dispute resolution would be more appropriate. Fortunately, section 118 of the Act encourages voluntary agreements between employers and employees to rely on alternative mechanisms such as mediation and arbitration. This provision is among the most valuable in the Act because of the important contribution that voluntary private arrangements can make in the effort to conserve the scarce resources of the Federal judiciary for those matters as to which no alternative forum would be possible or appropriate.

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Whether or not S. 1745 produces an undesirable increase in employment-related litigation, there can be no doubt that unlawful discrimination will now expose American employers to much more substantial sanctions than they have ever faced before. When we arm complaining parties with these powerful new legal weapons, we must simultaneously redouble our efforts to ensure that the Government does not inadvertently induce any employer to violate the laws to which these sanctions are attached. I therefore direct the heads of all Federal departments and agencies to conduct an immediate review of their equal opportunity in employment programs. Any regulation, rule, enforcement practice, or other aspect of these programs that mandates, encourages, or otherwise involves the use of quotas, preferences, set-asides, or other similar devices, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, is to be terminated as soon as is legally feasible.

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Finally, I must note my keen disappointment that the Congress has once again failed to subject itself to the same civil rights laws that it writes for others. Congressional employees, for example, are still not granted access to the same impartial judicial forums enjoyed by other Americans. Instead, employees of the House of Representatives have no access to the courts at all. Under Title III of S. 1745, Senate employees must have their claims of discrimination adjudicated under internal Senate procedures, with no jury trials or punitive damages and only the most limited form of judicial review. Moreover, certain provisions in Title III, involving particularly requirements that courts defer to the findings of fact of a congressional body, as well as some of the measures affecting individuals in the Executive branch and State governments, raise serious constitutional questions. Because of these constitutional issues, it is quite possible that Title III will never fully provide even the very limited legal rights for Senate employees that it purports to create.

Since the Civil Rights Act was enacted in 1964, our Nation has made great progress toward the elimination of employment discrimination. I hope and expect that this legislation will carry that progress further. Even if such discrimination were totally eliminated, however, we would not have done enough to advance the American dream of equal opportunity for all. Achieving that dream will require bold action to reform our educational system, to reclaim our inner cities from violence and drugs, to stimulate job creation and economic growth, and to nurture the American genius for voluntary community service. My Administration is strongly committed to action in all these areas, and I look forward to new accomplishments in the months ahead.

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Today I am pleased to sign into law S. 1745, the "Civil Rights Act of 1991." This historic legislation strengthens the barriers and sanctions against employment discrimination.

Employment discrimination law should seek to prevent improper conduct and foster the speedy resolution of conflicts. This Act promotes the goals of ridding the workplace of discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, and disability; ensuring that employers can hire on the basis of merit and ability without the fear of unwarranted litigation; and ensuring that aggrieved parties have effective remedies. This law will not lead to quotas, which are inconsistent with equal opportunity and merit-based hiring; nor does it create incentives for needless litigation.

Most of this Act's major provisions have been the subject of a bipartisan consensus. Along with most Members of the Congress, for example, I have favored expanding the right to challenge discriminatory seniority systems; expansion of the statutory prohibition against racial discrimination in connection with employment contracts; and the creation of meaningful monetary remedies for all forms of workplace harassment outlawed under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Similarly, my Administration has concurred in proposed changes to authorize expert witness fees in Title VII cases; to extend the statute of limitations and authorize the award of interest against the U.S. Government; and to cure technical defects with respect to providing notice of the statute of limitations under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967. I am happy to note that every one of these issues is addressed in the Act that becomes law today.

It is regrettable that enactment of these worthwhile measures has been substantially delayed by controversies over other proposals. S. 1745 resolves the most significant of these controversies, involving the law of "disparate impact," with provisions designed to avoid creating incentives for employers to adopt quotas or unfair preferences. It is extremely important that the statute be properly interpreted -- by executive branch officials, by the courts, and by America's employers -- so that no incentives to engage in such illegal conduct are created.

Until now, the law of disparate impact has been developed by the Supreme Court in a series of cases stretching from the Griggs decision in 1971 to the Watson and Wards Cove decisions in 1988 and 1989. Opinions by Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Byron White have explained the safeguards against quotas and preferential treatment that have been included in the jurisprudence of disparate impact. S. 1745 codifies this theory of discrimination, while including a compromise provision that overturns Wards Cove by shifting to the employer the burden of persuasion on the "business necessity" defense. This change in the burden of proof means it is especially important to ensure that all the legislation's other safeguards against unfair application of disparate impact law are carefully observed.

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These highly technical matters are addressed in detail in the analyses of S. 1745 introduced by Senator Dole on behalf of himself and several other Senators and of the Administration (137 Cong. Rec. S15472-S15478 (daily ed. Oct. 30, 1991); 137 Cong. Rec. S15953 (daily ed. Nov. 5, 1991)). These documents will be treated as authoritative interpretive guidance by all officials in the executive branch with respect to the law of disparate impact as well as the other matters covered in the documents.

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GEORGE BUSH

THE WHITE HOUSE,
November 21, 1991.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT CIVIL RIGHTS BILL SIGNING CEREMONY

The Rose Garden

1:18 P.M. EST

Welcome to the White House. And may I salute the members of the Cabinet who are here today, members of the Congress -- many members of Congress, distinguished guests.

Today, we celebrate a law that will fight the evil of discrimination while also building bridges of harmony between Americans of all races, sexes, creeds and backgrounds.

For the past few years, the issue of civil rights legislation has divided Americans. No more. From day one, I told the American people that I wanted a civil rights bill that advances the cause of equal opportunity. And I wanted a bill that advances the cause of racial harmony. And I wanted a bill that encourages people to work together. And today I am signing that bill, the Civil Rights Act of 1991.

Discrimination, whether on the basis of race, national origin, sex, religion or disability, is worse than wrong. It's an evil that strikes at the very heart of the American ideal. This bill, building on current law, will help ensure that no American will discriminate against another.

For these reasons, this is a very good bill. Let me repeat: this is a very good bill. Last year -- back in May of 1990 in the Rose Garden, right here, with some of you present, I appealed for a bill I could sign. And I said that day that I cannot and will not sign a quota bill. Instead, I said that the American people deserved a civil rights bill that -- number one, insisted that employers focus on equal opportunity -- not on developing strategies to avoid litigation. Number two, they deserved a bill that was based upon fundamental principles of fairness -- that anyone who believes their rights have been violated is entitled to their day in court -- and that the accused are innocent until proved guilty. And number three, they deserved a bill that provided adequate deterrent against harassment based upon race, sex, religion, or disability.

I also said that day back in 1990 that "this administration is committed to action that is truly affirmative, positive action in every sense, to strike down all barriers to advancement of every kind for all people." And in that same spirit, I say again today: I support affirmative action. Nothing in this bill overturns the government's affirmative action programs.

And unlike last year's bill -- a bill I was forced to veto -- this bill will not encourage quotas or racial preferences because this bill will not create lawsuits on the basis of numbers alone. I oppose quotas because they incite tensions between the races, between the sexes, between people who get trapped in a numbers game.

This bill contains several important innovations. For example, it contains strong new remedies for the victims of

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discrimination and harassment, along with provisions capping damages that are an important model to be followed in tort reform. And it encourages mediation and arbitration between parties before the last resort of litigation. Our goal and our promise is harmony -- a return to civility and brotherhood -- as we build a better America for ourselves and our children.

We had to work hard for this agreement. This bill passed both Houses of Congress overwhelmingly with broad support on both sides of the aisle. A tip of the hat goes to Senator Kennedy and former Congressman Hawkins, who, way back in February of 1990, got the ball rolling -- and I congratulate and thank particularly Senators Dole, Danforth and Hatch, Congressmen Michel, Goodling and Hyde for ensuring that today's legislation fulfills the principles that I outlined in the Rose Garden last year.

No one likes to oppose a bill containing the words "civil rights" -- especially me -- and no one in Congress likes to vote against one, either. I owe a debt of gratitude to those who stood with us against counterproductive legislation last year -- and again earlier this year -- as well as to those who led the way toward the important agreement we've reached today. I'm talking about Democrats, I'm talking about Republicans and those outside the Congress who played a constructive role. And to all of you, I am very, very grateful, because I believe this is in the best interest of the United States.

But to the Congress I also say this: The 1991 Civil Rights bill is only the first step. If we seek -- and I believe that every one of us does -- to build a new era of harmony and shared purpose, we must make it possible for all Americans to scale the ladder of opportunity. If we seek to ease racial tensions in America, civil rights legislation is, by itself, not enough. The elimination of discrimination in the workplace is a vital element of the American Dream, but it is simply not enough.

I believe in an America free from racism, free from bigotry.

I believe in an America where anyone who wants to work has a job.

I believe in an America where every child receives a first-rate education ... a place where our children have the same chance to achieve their goals as everyone else's kids do.

I believe in an America where all people enjoy equal protection under the law ... where everyone can live and work in a climate free from fear and despair ... where drugs and crime have been banished from our neighborhoods and schools.

And I believe in an America where everyone has a place to call his own -- a stake in the community, the comfort of a home.

I believe in an America where we measure success not in dollars and lawsuits -- but in opportunity, prosperity and harmony. I believe in the ideals we all share -- ideals that made America great: decency, fairness, faith, hard work, generosity, vigor, and vision.

The American Dream rests on the vision of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In our workplaces, in our schools, or on our streets, this dream begins with equality and opportunity. Our agenda for the next American Century -- whether it be guaranteeing equal protection under the law, promoting excellence in education, or creating jobs -- will ensure for generations to come that America remains the beacon of opportunity in the world. Now, with great

pride, I will sign this good, sound legislation into law. Thank you very much.

(The bill is signed.) (Applause.)

Q Sir, are you concerned about the feeling of a sense of disarray because of the Counsel's memo?

THE PRESIDENT: The which?

Q Boyden Gray's idea on affirmative action.

THE PRESIDENT: Listen to what I say, and don't get off -- too caught up. It's all worked out and feels good. I think it's very sound legislation.

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