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TRIP NEWS

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NATIONAL NEWS

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NETWORK NEWS (Wednesday evening)

HURRICANE/PRESIDENT'S TRIP -- President Bush was in Louisiana; earlier he released \$10 million to pay for clean-up jobs in Florida.

NO-FLY ZONE -- The U.S. with Britain and France is going to establish what they call a no-fly zone over Iraq.

YUGOSLAVIA/PEACE CONFERENCE -- There was a great deal of tough talk against the Serbians in London.

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TRIP NEWS

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NEW IBERIA, La. -- President Bush, on his second hurricane inspection trip this week, flew to Louisiana Wednesday and viewed the damage wrought by the storm in its swipe at the U.S. mainland.

Surrounded by several hundred people who sought shelter in a domed basketball arena in Lafayette, Bush announced he had freed \$77 million for emergency relief work in the state and another \$10 million for cleanup.

"It shows that I care," Bush said, standing in a light rain on St. Peter's St. outside the home of Dave and Lynn Cavalier, whose house survived with little more damage than some pilings in their front yard.

Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards, a Democrat, stood beside the President and said, "We could not ask for better and more compassionate treatment."

Bush said flooded roads prevented visiting harder-hit parishes nearer the coast. He was greeted at the Cajun Dome, the arena-turned-shelter at the University of Southwestern Louisiana, with cheers of "four more years."

As Bush left, Cavalier said he was a supporter of Bill Clinton but glad to see Bush. "To me, it shows somebody who's concerned, even in a political season," Cavalier said.

(Christopher Connell, AP)

Bush Tells Louisiana Storm Victims: "I Care"

NEW IBERIA, La. -- President Bush visited towns and neighborhoods devastated Wednesday by Hurricane Andrew, telling residents "I care" about them and their losses.

The President denied that his visit, even as the storm pelted the region with rain, was politically motivated. "I think it shows that I care. This is my job."

Rep. Tauzin was asked if Bush's trip would be seen as "political" and replied: "I'm a Democrat and I can say he will be received with great appreciation. The fact that the chief executive broke from his schedule and came down here, almost in the middle of the disaster, to show his concern and support for the people will be greatly appreciated and I hope will not be regarded as anything political."

(Steve Heilbronner, UPI)

Bush Promises Aid, Asks Private Sector's Help

President Bush, dogging Hurricane Andrew first in Florida and Wednesday in Louisiana, promised a \$10 million cleanup program and called on private businesses to help the devastated areas recover.

Bush's rapid response -- in a tough re-election year -- was in sharp contrast to what critics called a slow-footed action by the Bush Administration when Hurricane Hugo struck the Carolinas three years ago.

Bush and his senior aides denied that any politics was involved in his flash decision to take a C-20 to Louisiana. The snap decision, reportedly made by James Baker, was a clear display of the power of incumbency and the ability of a president to take charge in the midst of a natural disaster.

(Paul Bedard, Washington Times, A7)

**STORM POSES TEST FOR A
MUCH-BLAMED RELIEF AGENCY**

Hurricane Andrew poses a daunting test for the agency that coordinates federal disaster relief programs, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which was criticized for its lack of preparation in responding to Hurricane Hugo and the earthquake in northern California three years ago.

Acknowledging that the agency had been overwhelmed by the back-to-back disasters in 1989, officials of the agency Wednesday outlined a broad effort to ship in food, electrical generators, medical teams and hundreds of relief workers to Florida and Louisiana.

In a development that may complicate this effort, White House officials confirmed Wednesday that the agency's deputy director, Jerry Jennings, was being transferred to a different job within the Administration. Neither White House nor emergency management officials would comment on why or exactly when Jennings would switch jobs, or what his new job would be....

President Bush, who faced considerable criticism in 1989 because he did not visit Charleston until a week after Hurricane Hugo, appeared determined to place his own imprimatur on the disaster-relief effort for Hurricane Andrew. At a time when Bush is sagging in the polls in his campaign for re-election, the hurricane provides an ideal opportunity to put forward an image of presidential leadership. (Edmund Andrews, New York Times, B8)

NATIONAL NEWS

BUSH: NO DETAILS ON MY TAX CUT PLAN

President Bush made it official Wednesday: He'll release no details of his proposed tax cuts until he submits a budget in January -- if he's re-elected.

Bush said he did not want to get "all bogged down in a lot of detail.... We already have specific spending cuts recommended up there in the Congress, and so how specific I'll be, I'm not sure."

"We understand why George Bush doesn't want to get bogged down in the details," said Clinton spokesman George Stephanopoulos soon after Bush's remarks. "Anybody irresponsible enough to promise everything to everybody would probably do the same thing."

(Election '92, USA Today, 8A)

GOP REASSESSSES VALUES WAR

Republicans have de-escalated the cultural war they declared last week at the Republican National Convention, with leading conservatives warning President Bush's campaign that attacks on cultural and moral themes could be politically damaging unless they are more carefully honed.

Bush himself softened his tone at a news conference Wednesday, praising Bill Clinton for supporting a resolution in Arkansas against flag burning and declaring: "I don't think one side is more patriotic than the other."

Earlier, at a breakfast meeting with reporters, Charles Black said the campaign would discourage attacks against Hillary Clinton. Black predicted the Bush campaign would focus primarily on economic issues.

Even Republicans who say that culturally conservative themes should be a key part of the campaign argue that in talking about "family values," Bush needs to emphasize actual policy goals, such as making it easier for parents to send their children to private schools if they wish, rather than simply attacking the Democrats.

"We shouldn't go at this thing as if it were the forces of light against the forces of darkness; it's a debate, forgive me, within the family," William Bennett said this week. "Where lines are to be drawn, draw them. Be clear, be unambiguous, but don't be snide.... If there are differences, let's say what they are. But if there are differences not of kind but of degree, let's say that."

(E.J. Dionne, Washington Post, A1)

GOP Tries To Soften Tone Of The Campaign

Having loosed some of the more ferocious dogs of political war to attack Bill Clinton and the Democrats on such intimate matters as God, family and the sort of woman Clinton married, officials of President Bush's campaign are now trying to change the subject - or at least the tone of the discussion.

It seems clear the Republicans will continue what has evolved as a two-step tactic that Democrats criticize as disingenuous, slashing at Clinton through the words of surrogates and, when backlash threatens, disavowing the troublesome remarks.

A White House official said Bush's strategists have become concerned that the subject of family values, inherently personal and emotional, had led a number of convention speakers, including the President, to use language that could repel rather than attract voters.

"I don't think it's a fundamental backing off, but maybe a cooling down," said one White House official.

(Michael Kelly, New York Times, A20)

Observers Say Convention Attacks Didn't Help Bush

The Republican convention, with its assault on Bill Clinton and his wife and its polarizing rhetoric about abortion, sexuality and other "family values," has failed to give President Bush the momentum he was counting on, according to strategists in both parties.

Charles Black made it clear Wednesday that he is concerned that last week's Republican sharp criticism of Hillary Clinton may have backfired, and he said the Bush campaign will no longer attack her. Black also said he expects President and Barbara Bush to refrain from attacking Mrs. Clinton. The reason appears to be that a majority of working women are offended by the Republican attack, and one of Bush's biggest problems is that polls indicate that women are turning in greater numbers than men to the Democratic ticket.

Richard Wirthlin said that Republican attacks on "family values" can succeed if they are tied to concrete issues or policy differences but that the President's campaign has failed to make this essential connection, relying instead on repetition that can alienate voters.

"If you overplay values, you create backlash," Wirthlin said. "In most cases values can be communicated more effectively by symbol, through anecdote, by non-verbal communication, and they have little political worth unless they are rooted in something that is concrete policy or the attributes of an administration."

(John Farrell & Michael Kranish, Boston Globe)

**HILLARY NO RADICAL,
BARBARA SAYS**

LOS ANGELES -- First Lady Barbara Bush on Wednesday disavowed Republican efforts to label Hillary Clinton a "radical feminist," but stopped short of saying GOP criticism of her campaign-trail counterpart had gone too far.

"No, I wouldn't," Mrs. Bush said when asked if she would characterize Mrs. Clinton's views on marriage and children's rights as radical. "I don't think about it. I don't know her." The First Lady made her remarks during a visit to a housing project in the Boyle Heights section of East Los Angeles.

The First Lady refused to chastise Mrs. Clinton's critics, saying "they can do what they want." But she said Mrs. Clinton's pursuit of a law career while rearing a daughter is not "in any way anti-family."

Mrs. Bush also urged the press to be "fair" in its treatment of her three sons. She said Ron Brown intends to spend \$40,000 to investigate any alleged business improprieties by "the most decent young men you'll ever know -- our boys." Brown spokeswoman Ginny Terzano denied that such a probe is planned. "We are not doing any attacks on the President's sons," Terzano said.

(Paul Pringle, Copley)

**QUAYLE: FEELS SORRY FOR HILLARY CLINTON,
SAYS SOME GOP ATTACKS UNFAIR**

Vice President Quayle says he feels sorry for Hillary Clinton and some of the Republican attacks against her may have been unfair, but he still thinks she's fair fodder in the White House race.

"I'm sure some of it is unfair," Quayle said in an interview set to air on Thursday night on ABC's "Prime Time Live." "She's going through probably a fairly difficult time. So I've got a lot of empathy for her," Quayle said.

Still, both Quayle and his wife Marilyn said Mrs. Clinton's views should remain an issue in the presidential race. They both said Mrs. Clinton should be flattered that her views are taken seriously enough to come under fire.

Quayle said he hadn't handled himself well in 1988 and had "made some mistakes" but thought the news media were also to blame for the way he's been ridiculed. The media, Quayle said, "have an investment in keeping the caricature of me out there" so as not to be proven wrong about dismissing him four years ago, Quayle said.

Mrs. Quayle said her husband had been treated unfairly. Just look at the way Al Gore is treated, she said. "He's had mistakes, misstatements in speeches. They're not aired," she said. For example, in Gore's acceptance speech, she said, Gore got a Civil War date wrong and talked about leopards changing their stripes. "Leopards have spots. They don't have stripes," she said. (AP)

CLINTON AIDES SAY POLLS INDICATE THAT
BUSH HAS BOXED HIMSELF INTO A CORNER

NASHVILLE -- As Bill Clinton prepares for a Texas bus tour with Al Gore, his aides express growing confidence that the Republican convention in Houston last week will ultimately make it more difficult for President Bush to win the election.

A Washington Post poll taken last Friday through Tuesday gives Clinton a 10-point lead over Bush, 51% to 41%. That is little changed from a two-night poll taken Thursday and Friday nights that put Clinton ahead at 49% to 40%.

Clinton advisers said their own polling and focus-group results suggest that while Bush made progress in rallying the Republican base during his convention, the heavy emphasis on family values and other conservative themes may have alienated swing voters, particularly those who are younger or live in the suburbs.

(Dan Balz, Washington Post, A10)

IF BUSH CAN'T
WIN HERE...

SAN ANTONIO -- As the votes are being counted Nov. 3, there will be one quick way to measure just how much trouble President Bush is in: Watch Texas.

If Bush can't win Texas -- the state he calls home, the state that has rejected all but one Democratic presidential contender in the past 20 years -- it's hard to see how he can win a second term.

Because of a weak economy, anti-Bush sentiment fanned by Ross Perot, and Clinton's calculated effort to appeal to southern voters, Democrats have their best chance of winning here since Jimmy Carter in 1976. Even Texas Republicans are worried.

"It's up for grabs right now," said GOP pollster Michael Baseline of Houston. "I'm not convinced that Bush will win it."

"It's not so much that Clinton is popular in Texas," said Richard Murray, a University of Houston political scientist. "It's not that people dislike Bush. But they are disappointed in him and angry at him."

(Adam Nagourney, USA Today, 8A)

CIGARETTE INDUSTRY HAS
TIES TO BOTH CAMPAIGNS

The cigarette industry made record contributions to the Republican Party in 1992 and is well-represented in President Bush's campaigns by top aides who lobby for the tobacco industry, according to a report released Wednesday.

Cigarette company soft money contributions to Republicans and Democrats have risen since 1988, the study said. Contributions to the GOP rose to \$1.34 million, up from \$448,000 in 1988. Contributions to the Democrats rose to \$731,000 from \$38,000 in 1988, according to the study, made by Public Citizen and the Advocacy Institute, two Washington-based consumer rights groups.

Additionally, the study named 13 Bush campaign aides who are linked to the tobacco industry. They include Charles Black, whose lobbying firm represents the Tobacco Institute; Craig Fuller, who is a vice president of Philip Morris; and James Lake, whose consulting firm represents Japan Tobacco Inc.

(Gary Lee, Washington Post, A29)

**UNITED WAY NAMES
NEW PRESIDENT**

Peace Corps Director Elaine Chao has been named president of the United Way of America, an agency that has struggled in the last year to retain the public's confidence. The announcement was made Wednesday in Alexandria after a meeting of the agency's board of governors.

Chao, 39, is expected to start work in her new position Nov. 16. She will be paid \$195,000 a year, half the \$390,000 salary paid president William Aramony, who resigned in February amid controversy over his management style, travel arrangements and spending practices. (Wendy Melillo, Washington Post, A16)

**DURABLE GOODS ORDERS
DOWN SHARPLY IN JULY**

Orders for durable goods fell 3.4% in July to a seasonally adjusted \$119 billion, the sharpest drop in seven months, but the decline was almost entirely due to a plunge in orders for commercial aircraft, airplane parts and defense industry products, the Commerce Department announced Wednesday.

The figures were clearly bad news for President Bush. "I think the durable goods report was very, very weak and... it is clear that there is no recovery," said Allen Sinai, chief economist at the Boston Co. in Boston.

But several economists and financial analysts said the numbers confirmed continued growth -- albeit sluggish growth -- for most factories rather than a faltering of the economy.

"It's just a confirmation of what I would call sluggish growth," said David Hale, chief economist for Kemper Financial Cos. in Chicago. "If you look at non-defense capital goods and take away airplanes, the rest of the companies' orders (for durables) are actually holding up okay."

(Daniel Southerland, Washington Post, D9)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

ALLIES DECLARE 'NO-FLY ZONE' IN IRAQ

President Bush Wednesday accused Saddam Hussein of "harsh repression" against Shiites in southern Iraq and said the U.S., France and Britain have ordered the Iraqi military to stop flying planes and helicopters in the region by 10:15 a.m. EDT Thursday.

Allied warplanes will patrol the southern third of Iraq below the 32nd parallel and are prepared to shoot down any Iraqi aircraft that defy the "no-fly zone," officials said.

But the President stopped sort of committing the U.S. or its allies to military action against Iraqi troops, tanks and artillery positions in the south, pointedly describing the purpose of the allied air patrols only as one of "monitoring."

At the U.N. Wednesday, Iraqi ambassador Abdul Amir Anbari denounced the flying ban as a violation of international law but hinted that his country probably will not challenge it with military force. Anbari offered to invite an international committee of "wise men" to southern Iraq to investigate reports of human rights violations there.

In Baghdad, Iraqi minister of Information Youssef Hammadi struck a more assertive tone, telling NBC that Iraq has rebuilt its air defenses, which were heavily damaged in the Gulf War, and would use them if allied aircraft flew into southern Iraq.

(John Lancaster, Washington Post, A1)

'No-Fly' Zone In Iraq Starts Today, Bush Says

President Bush announced Wednesday that allied warplanes will assert control of the skies over southern Iraq, a gesture designed to break Baghdad's repressive control over the Shiite Muslim-dominated region and to signal to Iraqi dissidents that the West continues to seek the fall of Saddam Hussein.

At the same time, Bush said that the U.S. will be watching closely to see if Iraqi ground forces persist in a continuing crackdown against Shiite civilians and anti-government rebels and would be "extraordinarily concerned" if Baghdad does not halt such repression. But officials declined to spell out what steps they would be willing to take to prevent or punish such violations.

Lt. Gen. Martin Brandtner, director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, stressed in a Pentagon briefing that the allies are establishing "a no-fly zone, not a security zone" -- meaning that the allies have no intention of offering the Shiite population blanket protection from government attacks. Instead, senior officials said, the goal remains to increase the pressures that might force Hussein from power while allowing Iraq to remain intact as a nation.

A senior Administration official, elaborating on the President's statement, said, "one of the effects of this is to deny him (Saddam) the attribute of sovereignty. If that sends the signal that as long as Saddam is in charge, Iraq's sovereignty is eroding, so be it."

(Douglas Jehl & John Broder, Los Angeles Times, A1)

Saddam Loses Southern Skies

The U.S. and its allies begin enforcing a "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq Thursday to stop Saddam Hussein's attacks on rebel Shiite Muslims in the area.

"If Saddam is wise, he will respond to the no-fly zone by stopping his repression of the populations in the south," a senior Bush Administration official told reporters at the White House.

In a statement, Bill Clinton said: "Saddam Hussein should not be mistaken about the resolve of all Americans on this issue. He should understand clearly that even in this election year, we are united behind strong efforts to ensure his full compliance with all U.N. resolutions."

(Paul Bedard & Bill Gertz, Washington Times, A1)

U.S. And Allies Say Flight Ban In Iraq Will Start Today

The United States and its allies demanded Wednesday that Iraq cease all aircraft flights over southern Iraq within 24 hours, saying the ban was required to prevent Iraqi armed repression of the region's large and dissident Shiite population.

Wednesday's action may help Bush blunt Democratic assertions that he ended the Gulf War prematurely and has been indecisive since then in dealing with Saddam Hussein.

Bush seemed to take pains to depict it not as an attempt to force a confrontation with Saddam, but as a comparatively peaceful effort to check on Iraq's compliance with U.N. resolution 688.

But as a practical matter, Bush's announcement goes beyond providing air cover to human-rights inspectors in the region, and effectively sets up the U.S. and its allies as military protectors of the Shiites for the duration of Saddam's term in power.

(Michael Wines, New York Times, A1)

**IRAQ SAYS BAN ON FLIGHTS
BREAKS INTERNATIONAL LAW**

U.N. -- Iraq's ambassador Wednesday denounced as a violation of international law the Bush Administration's ban on Iraqi military flights in southern Iraq to protect Shiite Muslims there. He said Iraq instead would welcome a committee to investigate charges of human rights abuses in that region.

Amb. Abdul Amir Anbari hinted that his country probably will not contest militarily the presence of allied aircraft. "We are not saying that we are going to use force against this or that, simply we are saying we have the right to defend ourselves," he told reporters. "We definitely would like to avoid any confrontation. We are not interested in manufacturing any crises," he said.

Anbari transmitted Iraq's offer for a committee of "wise men" to investigate human rights abuses when the ambassadors of Britain, France, Russia and the U.S. met him to formally inform him of the flight ban. Those countries did not immediately react to the offer, but diplomats said it seemed unlikely they would reverse their decision on the flight ban.

(Trevor Rowe, Washington Post, A27)

**KUWAIT WELCOMES 'NO-FLY ZONE;'
SYRIA, JORDAN FEAR PARTITION**

NICOSIA, Cyprus -- Iraq's neighbors were divided Wednesday on plans for a "no-fly zone" to protect Shiite Muslim rebels, marking a major break between the West and its Arab partners during the Persian Gulf War.

As expected, Kuwait favored the U.S.-led plan to ban Iraqi aircraft from southern Iraq, which includes the entire Iraq-Kuwait border. But most Arab governments expressed fear the creation of a protected area for Shiites would lead to Iraq's collapse into mini-states along ethnic and religious lines.

They also worried about another conflict in the region if Iraq defies the order -- bringing further suffering on Iraqis without necessarily toppling Saddam Hussein.

Enforcement of the "no-fly" order has been complicated by the refusal of some Arab nations to allow Western planes on their bases. Egypt and Syria were among those speaking out against the plan. "We shall not accept any step that might threaten Iraq's unity," said Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa of Syria.

"Egypt's stated policy is clear, it is against partitioning Iraq and supports the unity of its people," said Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa. "No one should touch or oppress the Iraqi people."

Egypt and Saudi Arabia are particularly alarmed by the possibility of a Shiite autonomous region that would be allied to Shiite Iran. Saudi Arabia fears an expansion of Iran's influence in the Middle East. Egypt, Algeria and other nations are facing a growing fundamentalist movement. (AP)

**CLINTON BACKS BUSH ON 'NO-FLY ZONE'
BUT CRITICIZES PAST INACTION**

MEMPHIS -- Bill Clinton voiced support Wednesday for the allied-imposed "no-fly zone" over southern Iraq but renewed his criticism that President Bush for months ignored the plight of Iraqi dissidents.

Clinton brushed aside a question suggesting that Bush had political motivations. "I don't want to politicize this at all," Clinton said.

Still, in response to questions, Clinton said Bush should have taken stronger action immediately after the Persian Gulf War. Clinton said the Bush Administration wanted "to have Saddam stay because the government was obviously worried about the breakup of Iraq."

Al Gore said: "President Bush and Vice President Quayle made a conscious decision at that time to allow an exemption to the cease-fire terms. It was an historic mistake." Clinton also said that Norman Schwarzkopf wanted to continue the war for another day or so to destroy several hundred tanks and weaken the Republican Guard forces most loyal to Saddam. (John King, AP)

NAVY'S CHIEF IN GULF DEFINES MISSION
AS 'CESSATION OF BOMBING' BY SADDAM

MANAMA, Bahrain -- The Navy's top officer in the Persian Gulf, Rear Adm. Raynor Taylor, said Wednesday that his mission in the new U.S.-led intervention is to protect its Shiite population from aerial attacks, that is, "to secure the cessation" of Saddam Hussein's "bombing his own people."

Taylor, who heads a 22-ship task force, including the aircraft carrier USS Independence and its 70 warplanes, also said that the Iraqis have "rebuilt a lot" of their air defenses bombed in the 1991 Persian Gulf War. But added: "We can handle it."

Asked how long it could take to determine whether Saddam was complying with U.N. resolution 688, which, by barring Saddam from internal repression, authorizes the operation, Taylor replied: "Really, there's no answer. How long? You say three weeks and then something happens in the fourth week. You say seven weeks, and something happens on the eighth week."

The admiral declined to describe the military threat that U.S., British and French planes are likely to face as they begin enforcing the "no-fly zone" Thursday. "We do know what the threat is and we can handle it," he said.

(Caryle Murphy, Washington Post, A27)

ISRAEL REJECTS PALESTINIAN
IDEA OF PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

Israel's chief negotiator to the Mideast peace talks, Elyakim Rubinstein, rejected Palestinian proposals to elect their own legislature, saying such a body would lead to creation of a Palestinian state.

Instead, Rubinstein urged the Palestinians to accept Israeli plans to hold elections for an administrative council that would oversee day-to-day affairs in the occupied territories.

"What we offer is a sea change from what exists now" for the Palestinians, Rubinstein said at a news conference. "What is not offered," he said, "is a legislative council and legislative powers which are tantamount to those of a sovereign state."

After a two-hour session Wednesday, chief Palestinian negotiator Haidar Abdul Shafi said "there was no forward movement" in Israel's proposals for self-rule. But they were not being rejected, he added.

In another indication of how divided the Israelis and Arabs remain over key issues, Syrian spokeswoman Bushra Kanafani discounted any possibility of a partial withdrawal or interim arrangements in the Golan Heights. Syria demands the return of all of the Golan in exchange for making peace with Israel, but Israel is strongly opposed to giving up the strategic territory.

(Jim Abrams, AP)

**CHANGES, LARGE OR SMALL, FEED
HOPES FOR MIDEAST PEACE TALKS**

In a first-floor conference room of the State Department Tuesday afternoon, the Israeli delegation to the Middle East peace talks presented a sheaf of written proposals for limited self-rule to Palestinian negotiators. Whether this marked a fundamental or a marginal advance depends on which delegation one listens to, and whether Mideast observers pay more attention to their hopes or the sterner voice of experience.

Israeli officials said that in the negotiations Tuesday, Israel for the first time spelled out clearly the powers and functions it would be willing to cede to a freely elected Palestinian administrative council, to run the daily lives of residents in the West Bank and Gaza during a five-year period.

In addition, Israel presented a draft agenda for the current negotiations as well as a paper providing Israeli ideas and proposals for achieving agreement. Israel spelled out an ambitious timetable: agreement on the basic concepts of Palestinian administration in the occupied territories by this December, agreement on the specific powers and responsibilities of a Palestinian administrative council by February, and elections among Palestinians for the administrative council next April or May.

Palestinian delegates said they were happy to receive the Israeli ideas, which they said will be studied carefully and seriously. However, Palestinian spokeswoman Hanan Ashrawi said the Israeli concept differs in fundamental ways from the Palestinian position. (News Analysis, Don Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A6)

**BALKAN WAR CONFERENCE AGREES
ON PROBLEM BUT NOT SOLUTION**

LONDON -- An international conference on ending the war in the Balkans began here Wednesday with the participating countries agreeing with Acting Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger that the fighting is a "cancer in the heart of Europe," but without agreement on how to contain it.

A procession of foreign ministers representing most of Europe and the industrialized world joined Eagleburger in blaming the fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina primarily on Serbian nationalist aggression aimed at creating an autonomous Serb state there with close ties to Belgrade.

Skepticism about whether the conference will be able to make more progress toward a solution than past efforts was intensified by the stepping aside Tuesday of Lord Carrington as the EC's special mediator among the warring Yugoslav factions and by the resignation of State Department official George Kenney, who had managed day-to-day U.S. policy toward the Balkans.

One U.S. official traveling with Eagleburger said an especially hopeful sign came at the end of Wednesday's proceedings when Milan Panic, prime minister of the rump remnant of the shattered Yugoslav federation, proposed stationing observers on Serbia's borders with Bosnia to monitor the points where hostile forces might cross. Both Serbian President Milosevic and Bosnian President Izetbejovic immediately welcomed the proposal, the official said.

(John Goshko & Eugene Robinson, Washington Post, A22)

**EAGLEBURGER WARNS SERBIA
OF WORLD'S SCORN**

LONDON -- Acting Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger warned Serbia Wednesday that it faces "a bleak future" and international "isolation" unless it halts its aggression against Bosnia.

"The civilized world simply cannot afford to allow this cancer in the heart of Europe to flourish, much less spread," Eagleburger said. "We must... demonstrate to the world -- especially to the world's 1 billion Muslims -- that the Western democracies will oppose aggression under all circumstances, not oppose it in one region and appease it in another."

State Department officials said the conference was already very productive and the U.S. was on its way to achieving all the goals it had set.

Bosnian Foreign Minister Haris Silajdzic, while grimly noting that only equal force could counter the force applied to conquering two-thirds of his country by Serbia, welcomed Eagleburger's speech at the conference as "very strong."

Serbian President Milosevic, who is attending the conference, agreed at the end of the day to a request from British Prime Minister Major, current president of the EC and the conference's co-chairman, to allow international monitors to be stationed on the Serbia-Bosnia border.

(Martin Sieff, Washington Times, A8)

**U.S. AIDE WHO QUIT CALLS
YUGOSLAV POLICY INEFFECTIVE**

The State Department official who managed the U.S.'s day-to-day policy toward the Balkans said Wednesday that he resigned in protest over what he called the Bush Administration's "ineffective" and "counterproductive" response to the fighting in the former Yugoslavia.

"What's going on in Bosnia is genocide, and the U.S. had a moral obligation to stop it," the former official, George Kenney, said in a telephone interview. "The Administration is not dealing seriously with the Yugoslav crisis. The things we've tried up to now haven't worked and we need to try some different approaches."

Kenney said that "the risks of a Vietnam quagmire in Yugoslavia are vastly overblown" and that the U.S. and its western allies should arm the poorly equipped Bosnians so they could reclaim territory lost to Serbian attacks. He also recommended air strikes against Serbian positions.

At the conference in London Wednesday, senior State Department officials suggested that Kenney's resignation was a misplaced gesture, and that the conference was on its way toward building a framework to end the crisis. (Eric Schmitt, New York Times, A10)

**U.S. WILL SELL
TO SOMALIS**

MOMBASA, Kenya -- The U.S., preparing an emergency airlift to flood starving Somalia with food, plans to sell some instead of giving it away.

Almost the only economic activity now taking place in Somalia is clan gunmen stealing relief supplies or guarding them from rivals, American aid experts say. Getting local merchants back into business with ample food on their shelves could save more lives than handouts by drawing hoarded stocks out of hiding, lowering prices and starting a revival of the economy, they say.

The idea is to auction some food to Somali merchants, the backbone of the traditional economy, to drive market prices down, make looting unprofitable and unnecessary and generate some local cash to buy seeds to plant food again.

(Richard Walker, Reuter, Washington Times, A9)

**U.S. LOBBIES TOKYO TO
REINSTATE IMPORT PROPOSAL**

The Bush Administration is pressing Japanese officials here and in Tokyo to reinstate a plan to purchase foreign-made computers and hospital equipment as part of Japan's program to stimulate its flagging economy, U.S. and Japanese officials said Wednesday.

The special import plan was inserted into the economic program by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) in an effort to dampen Japan's runaway global trade surplus, which soared to a record \$56.2 billion during the first six months of the year.

But MITI's proposal to boost Japanese purchases of goods made in the U.S. and elsewhere was overruled last week by Japan's Ministry of Finance, a fiscally conservative organ of government concerned with keeping down government spending.

As a result, Administration and Japanese officials said, senior U.S. trade officials sent a formal diplomatic note, known as a demarche, to the Japanese Embassy requesting that the import promotion plan be included in the Japanese economic package. At the same time, similar representations were made in Tokyo by the U.S. Embassy there.

Industry sources said that Amb. Michael Armacost, Deputy Chief of Mission William Breer and Commercial Minister George Mu have pressed the issue both with the government and with officials of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP). U.S. officials expect the decision to be at the political level, probably by the LDP leadership.

(Stuart Auerbach, Washington Post, D9)

NETWORK NEWS

(Wednesday evening, August 26)

HURRICANE ANDREW

ABC's Peter Jennings: Today, Louisiana's turn. And when Hurricane Andrew crossed the Louisiana coast west of New Orleans early this morning, it was only slightly less mean than when it devastated southern Florida. In the south-central part of the state along the Gulf coast, it was only hours before President Bush declared a state of emergency. Much to everyone's relief there has not been a significant loss of life. People certainly got the message from Florida. Four days and several hours since Andrew became a hurricane, it is now a tropical storm and is rapidly getting weaker. But what a morning it was in Louisiana.

ABC's Al Dale reports officials now estimate that there are now at least 180,000 homeless in Florida. (ABC-Lead)

CBS's Dan Rather reports what remains of the big storm is blowing itself out tonight somewhere over the Mississippi. Andrew is officially a hurricane no more. The storm left at least 16 dead in Florida and Louisiana. Nearly 2 million people are without electricity, and damage is \$20 billion and counting.

(NBC-Lead, CBS-Lead)

HURRICANE/PRESIDENT'S TRIP

NBC's Katherine Couric reports President Bush was in Louisiana tonight. Earlier he released \$10 million to pay for clean-up jobs in Florida. (NBC-11)

NO-FLY ZONE

Jennings: A lot of people new it was coming. President Bush made it official today. The U.S. with Britain and France is going to establish what they call a no-fly zone over Southern Iraq. Iraqi military planes are already prohibited from flying north of the 32nd parallel, a measure the U.S. and its allies took to protect the Kurdish population. Now that ban will extend south of the 32nd parallel in order, the allies say, to protect Shiite Muslims.

ABC's Brit Hume: Starting tomorrow, the President said, the U.S. and its Gulf allies will enforce the no-flight ban against Iraqi warplanes and helicopters over the Southern third of Iraq -- the area dominated by the Shiites and their anti-government forces.

(President Bush: "We now know of Saddam's use of helicopters, and beginning this spring, fixed-wing aircraft to bomb and strafe civilians in villages there in the South.")

But the U.S. has known of that for some time. So the President was asked if he isn't really trying to topple Saddam Hussein by, in effect, breaking up his country.

(TV coverage of President Bush speaking.)

The President said he wants Saddam out but not by dividing Iraq.

(President Bush: "These actions are consistent with long-standing U.S. policy toward Iraq. We seek Iraq's compliance, not its partition.")

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Indeed, other U.S. officials said the decision to help the Shiites came only after the Administration was convinced in talks with them and other Iraqi opposition groups that they are not bent on the break-up of the country, which the U.S. thinks would further destabilize the region.

(TV coverage of President speaking.)

The President said he's not worried that people will say he's taking this step for political reasons. Nobody is saying that about the British and the French who are partners in this he said. The President might get some political credit if all of this led to Saddam Hussein's ouster, but nobody here is counting on that.

Jennings: Certainly, most of the work enforcing the no-fly zone is going to be done by Americans. Our Pentagon correspondent Bob Zelnick on how the U.S. plans to do so and why now:

ABC's Bob Zelnick reports Pentagon sources say more than 60 allied warplanes based in Saudi Arabia will patrol the skies over Southern Iraq assisted by reconnaissance aircraft. FA-18s from the carrier Independence in the Persian Gulf will also be involved. Officials say any Iraqi military planes or helicopters violating the ban will be shot down without warning, while civilian aircraft will be escorted from the area. Officials acknowledge that there have been no air attacks on the Shiites since July 23rd. Administration sources say the reason for the no-fly zone now is to put both a command structure and aircraft in place so that if there is a future conflict with Saddam Hussein over U.N. weapons inspections or anything else, the allies can respond quickly. In addition, some say eliminating Saddam's control over the Shiites in Southern Iraq could weaken his regime and encourage a military coup.

(**Nathaniel Kern, foreign policy analyst:** "I don't think we'd be going in out of the goodness of our heart just to protect the Shiites in Southern Iraq if it was not also the goal of trying to bring Saddam down.")

Jennings says today Iraq's government newspaper says the Iraqi people are ready to confront what the paper calls President Bush's imperialist schemes.

ABC's Walter Rodgers reports Iraq's ambassador to the U.N. said: (**ambassador Al-Anbari:** "Our Council of Ministers two days ago issued a statement denouncing such a plan and saying that Iraq would not abide by it.")

And on Baghdad streets today Iraqis were just as defiant. This man said it's colonialism all over again -- the British, French and Americans trying to partition and divide Iraq. This one accused President Bush of trying to strengthen his standing in the polls. And weak as Iraq is militarily, Saddam can still bring pressure on the allies: In the North where the U.N. forces protect Iraqi Kurds, U.N. guards are particularly vulnerable. Today Baghdad warned that if the allies do attack in the new no-fly zone, U.N. guards will be expelled and relief efforts there are likely to collapse, putting the Kurds at risk again. (ABC-2)

Couric: The U.S. and its allies gave Saddam Hussein the word today: Any Iraqi aircraft that fly south of the 32nd parallel will be attacked after 10:15 tomorrow morning eastern time.

NBC's Fred Francis reports the President's big-stick warning included the threat of a wider military action in addition to shooting at Iraq's air force if the attacks on Shiites in the South continue. The President confirmed this new policy was protection of Saddam's enemies.

(President Bush: "We continue to look forward to working with a new leadership in Baghdad -- one that does not brutally suppress its own people and violate the most basic norms of humanity.") But Saddam is not without options. The wily dictator has the ability to suck the U.S. into a wider conflict or an embarrassing standoff: Pentagon officials doubt if he will risk his few remaining modern fighters, but he may send commercial airliners into the zone, daring U.S. airmen to kill civilians. He could order out of Iraq all U.N. employees and inspection teams. He might try to lure U.S. army forces into a fight by staging a massive offensive. One U.S. general said we would look silly if we stood by while Saddam's army kills our new allies, the Shiites. So the concern at the Pentagon tonight is: Where does this end? Will the President commit ground forces if Saddam comes on strong? What is the mission? Is there an end-game this time?

NBC's Dennis Murphy in Baghdad says what they're telling us here is that they will fight back -- they will fire on U.S. planes if they're attacked. But Saddam Hussein has not spoken on the record about this latest crisis. The evening news in Baghdad didn't tell viewers what they were expected to fight for. There was no mention of the allied threat to shoot down planes, just vague allusions to a Western conspiracy. The newscaster said Bush won't be president forever. Before the White House announcement, I asked the Iraqi Minister of Information if Iraq would resist the U.S.-led flyovers.

(Minister of Information Hammadi: "When we are attacked we will defend ourselves.")

(Murphy: "Defend, meaning what?")

(Hammadi: "Any air defense system will be used when the country is attacked.")

(Murphy: "It will be used against invading aircraft?")

(Hammadi: "Of course, this is the mission of the Iraq defense system.")

NBC's John Cochran: The people in the Bush camp who say he has no political motives in threatening Saddam also say the Iraq card could be decisive in a close election. Bush himself reacted to any suggestions that Americans will smell politics since his warning comes as he faces an uphill fight for reelection.

(President Bush: "Well, do you think it looks funny to British people, the French people, the Saudi people? The answer is no. I don't -- I'm not concerned about that in the least.")

Bush provided intelligence briefings to Bill Clinton, who gave his support but also repeated his charge that the President ended the war last year just a little too early.

(Clinton: "General Schwarzkopf -- it's now a matter of record -- urged that fighting go on for another day-and-a-half so that several hundred tanks could be destroyed, the Republican Guard could be weakened, the overthrow of Saddam by internal force would be made more likely.")

Pentagon officials admit they should have continued the war another day or two, but they say it was their mistake, not Bush's. Commanders, including Schwarzkopf, back up Bush's account that he simply followed their advice, which was based on faulty intelligence. Now, 17 months after the war Bush is moving belatedly to protect the Shiites. Bush waited until a new U.N. report provided evidence of Saddam's repression.

(President Bush: "What emerges from eyewitness accounts is further graphic proof of Saddam's brutality.")

A lot of voters may wonder why the Shiites have suddenly become so important.

(TV coverage of President Bush and then-President Gorbachev.)

Voters may also remember that Bush's popularity went up after foreign policy successes such as the early meetings with Mikhail Gorbachev, the capture of Manuel Noriega, and the big one -- the Gulf War.

(Michael Beschloss, presidential historian: "Americans today are much more cynical about a president's motives in acting on foreign policy during a campaign than they used to be.")

The most convincing argument that Bush's motives are pure come from his aides who say: Are you kidding? This thing could blow up in our face if it ends in American casualties or if Saddam comes out of this looking stronger than ever come November. (NBC-2)

CBS's Harry Smith: President Bush flung a new challenge at Saddam Hussein today, officially announcing the plan for U.S. and allied force to seize control of the skies over Southern Iraq. As David Martin reports from the Pentagon, the unspoken goal is to drive Saddam out of power.

CBS's David Martin says to protect the Shiites from further attack, the U.S., Britain and France claimed the airspace over Southern Iraq as their own.

(President Bush: "Twenty-four hours from now coalition aircraft, including those of the United States, will begin flying surveillance missions in Southern Iraq.")

Beginning at 10:15 eastern time tomorrow morning:

(Bob Hall, Pentagon spokesman: "No Iraqi aircraft, either fixed-wing or rotary wing, military or civilian, will be allowed to fly south of the 32nd parallel.")

Combined with the no-fly zone in Northern Iraq, the not-so-hidden agenda is to whittle away at Saddam's authority until he knuckles under or goes away. For their part, the Iraqis remain defiant.

(Iraqi U.N. ambassador Al-Anbari: "No, we had already rejected any threat or establishment of such a zone.")

As a practical matter, the Iraqi air force does not have the ability to defy the no-fly rule. But there is nothing to prevent the Iraqi army from continuing to hit the Shiites on the ground. The U.S. and its allies are betting Saddam will not up the ante by continuing the offensive and forcing them to go after his army as well as his air force. (CBS-2)

ECONOMY

Jennings reports there's no sign that the economy is turning around: Orders for durable goods went down last month by 3.4%. It is the second decline in three months. (ABC-7)

REPUBLICAN PARTY'S FOCUS ON WOMEN

NBC's John Chancellor says what is curious this year is that the Republicans are making so many stands that are making women angry: The President argues for families with fathers and mothers, but only one household in four with young children now includes both Mom and Dad. The Republicans imply that some women work because they find family life oppressive. More than 50 million people do work and millions have to because their families need the money. They're not rebels who find family life oppressive. On abortion the Republicans have taken the hardest possible line against a women's right to chose. How does that go down with the 55 million women of child-bearing age and voting age? The Republicans are taking a huge risk treating women this way. (NBC-7)

YUGOSLAVIA CRISIS/PEACE CONFERENCE

Jennings reports there was a great deal of tough talk against the Serbians in London today at the beginning of a so-called international peace conference on the war in Bosnia-Hercegovina. Lawrence Eagleburger described Serbian forces as a cancer in the heart of Europe. Prime Minister Major described plans to stop the cancer from spreading.

(Major: "No trade, no aide, no international recognition or role. Economic, cultural, political and diplomatic isolation.")

(NBC-5, ABC-4)

REP. MICKEY EDWARDS

Couric reports Mickey Edwards of Oklahoma has lost his bid for an eighth term. He was one of the worst offenders in the House Bank scandal. (NBC-8)

PEACE CORPS DIRECTOR CHAO MOVES TO UNITED WAY

Couric reports Peace Corps director Chao was named as head of the United Way of America. (NBC-9)

CLAIR GEORGE TRIAL

Couric reports the case against Clair George was declared a mistrial. (ABC-3, NBC-3, CBS-3)

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EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

NO-FLY ZONE

'Shiite Shield': Bad Timing, Good Policy: "This [no-fly zone] is a proper and responsible policy. It is also something that should have been done a year ago.... But whatever his private reasons for doing a belated about-face, Bush's new policy is right. Saddam Hussein is in the mass murder business, against both the Shiites in Southern Iraq and the Kurds in Northern Iraq.... By extending the protective umbrella of air support to the Shiites, just as it was previously extended to the Kurds, the U.S. and the UN are taking a vital step toward putting Saddam out of business altogether -- and for good." (New York Daily News, 8/22)

Iraq, Still -- "The U.S., Britain, and France have agreed to impose a 'no-fly' zone in the Southern third of Iraq.... The decision arrives only a year late. At the end of the Gulf War -- and at prompting from President Bush -- Shiite Muslim rebels rose up against Saddam Hussein. The U.S. stood idly and watched them die. Since then -- under the guise of quelling insurgency -- Saddam has been carrying out genocidal bombings against the Shiites.... America is at least partly responsible for the plight of the Shiite men, women, and children -- a plight America, as the world's only remaining superpower, has a duty to end. Right now, the no-fly zone is the way to go." (Richmond Times-Dispatch, 8/24)

CAMPAIGN

What The GOP Didn't Say -- "At last the battle is truly joined. For weeks before the Republicans gathered in Houston, George Bush told anxious supporters that he would come out fighting at the convention. He did. His acceptance speech wasn't a great piece of oratory, but it established what he sees as the issues.... To that extent, Mr. Bush's address was a refreshing change from earlier convention speeches that mostly slashed at Hillary Clinton and suggested the Democrats were the party of perversion, subversion and bounceless checking. What Mr. Bush didn't do in Houston is offer a credible plan for getting America out of the economic mess it's in.... What does seem certain, based on his record as President, is that George Bush hasn't a clue how to get the economy moving. He's still talking about cutting capital gains taxes, as if the big tax breaks for the rich in the '80s hadn't already proved that the trickle-down approach doesn't work."

(Louisville Courier-Journal, 8/23)

The Tactics Of Fear And Smear -- "The mud-slinging that stained last week's Republican national convention threatens to mar the GOP's autumn campaign, judging by the contemptible tone of some weekend attacks on the Democratic ticket.... The Bush campaign will go seriously wrong if it merely foments voters' fears instead of answering their realistic concerns. Voters want candidates to provide hard answers to hard questions -- especially on the nation's faltering economy. The 1992 White House campaign will surely repel fair-minded voters if all the GOP can offer is the politics of fear and smear." (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 8/25)

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God, Family And Campaigns -- "With charges of godlessness and religious intolerance in the air, George Bush and Bill Clinton are well on their way to setting a new low for presidential campaign debate.... The candidates would do well to stick to real policy differences -- of which there are many -- rather than resorting to spurious charges and overkill comebacks." (Boston Herald, 8/25)

Bush Gets Back In The Game -- "Bush did not win the election with his speech. But he did get himself back in the game. He displayed spirit and determination, combined with an appearance of mastery and control that had seemed to elude him for many months.... What was different was the perspective in which he placed his proposals: as the sharp, 'whom do you trust?' alternative to the alleged profligacy of Congress and a Democratic presidential nominee who already has spoken of new spending and a new tax increase. Indeed, the question for voters in November is the one that Bush returned to again and again in his speech: Whom do you trust? Bush has made himself, once again, a plausible answer." (Chicago Tribune, 8/23)

The Values Police Are Coming -- "Republicans know that if President Bush is to be re-elected, he will have to convince the public that his weak performance over the past four years is somebody else's fault. That somebody else, GOP strategists decided, is Congress, a legitimate certainly.... Though Congress-bashing makes sense for Mr. Bush, it doesn't answer the question of what the President would do if Congress would only let him. Nor does it give voters a precise reason for rejecting Gov. Bill Clinton. Mr. Bush has yet to set out plainly how he would revitalize the economy and promote the general welfare." (St. Louis Post-Dispatch, 8/23)

FAMILY LEAVE BILL

Bush Can Back Values Call By Signing Family Leave Bill -- "President Bush has a rare opportunity to take his rallying cry of family values and give it some substance. He could do that by signing the family leave bill approved by the Senate.... Bush, unfortunately, has threatened to veto this bill, as he did a similar bill in 1990. That is hardly consistent with his rhetoric on strengthening American families.... Bush...should not support the bill solely because of political pressure. Rather, he should support it because it is needed. And, if Bush is pro-family, he will support the family leave bill and sign it into law." (Austin American-Statesman, 8/15)

Family Leave Bill -- "If President Bush believes in family values as much as he says he does, he'll reconsider his promised veto of the family leave bill.... Unpaid family leave could ease their [middle- and lower-income families] human and economic burdens by reducing, at least for a time, the need for expensive outside care. Most industrial countries already grant a form of it. But President Bush won't hear of it. In his view, perhaps, the only families worth valuing are those that come with a trust fund large enough to afford a nonworking mother, or a nanny, or both." (Detroit Free Press, 8/25)

Family Leave -- "'Family values' took center stage in Houston last week, as Republicans made the argument that they can represent the interests of American families better than Democrats. As moving as some of the speeches were, the most powerful demonstration of that commitment to family would be if President Bush now were to reconsider his opposition to a family leave bill that has just passed the Senate.... Expecting a veto, the Democrat-controlled Congress hopes to embarrass the President. But Mr. Bush easily can turn the tables on his adversaries by withdrawing his opposition. Even more important, his support would help families in need. The family leave bill makes too much sense for it to become a hostage of election-year politics. It deserves to become law."
(Dallas Morning News, 8/24)

ABORTION

George Bush, The Abortion Chameleon -- "Even as he pushed that extreme language [anti-abortion stance in platform], Bush devised a cynical strategy that would allow him to distance himself from it. Thus, when an NBC interviewer asked what he'd do if a granddaughter wanted an abortion, Bush responded that he'd support her. Would the decision be hers? 'Who else's could it be?' he asked. Good question. It could be, and would be, the state's, if Bush and his party had their way. That's not right, said Barbara Bush just days later.... But Barbara Bush isn't running for president and abortion wasn't left out of the Republican platform [as Mrs. Bush in an interview said it should be]. George Bush is running, and the abortion plank he wanted is what the Republicans adopted. It is extreme, inflexible and at odds with what most Americans believe about abortion. That's the truth voters need to see through Bush's cynical efforts at verbal camouflage."
(Minnesota Star Tribune, 8/20)

MEDICAL REFORM

A Roadblock To Medical Reform -- "Ducking the issue of health-care reform, the Bush Administration has unwisely blocked one state's effort to make medical treatment more accessible and more affordable. By refusing permission for Oregon to implement a more cost-effective Medicaid plan, the White House has stifled states' creativity on the dilemma of paying for health care. To bolster the principle of federalism, which lets states design policies to serve local needs, the White House should rethink its recent roadblock to reform.... By preventing state action while suggesting no federal alternative, Washington is merely perpetuating the status quo. Fixing America's flawed health-care system will require creativity and compromise. The White House should reconsider its misguided Oregon decision."
(Cleveland Plain Dealer, 8/21)

-End of News Summary-

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM RRDATE: 08/26/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ----SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH/QUAYLE RALLY, CINCINNATI, OH - 08/27

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BRADY	☐	☒	PROVOST	☐	☒
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CALIO	☐	☒	SMITH	☐	☒
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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 26, 1992

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: STEVE PROVOST 
SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMARKS FOR CINCINNATI, OHIO

I. SUMMARY

On Thursday, August 27, at 1:40 p.m., you will address approximately 10,000 people in Fountain Square in Cincinnati, Ohio.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (approximately 12 minutes / cards), highlight differences between your economic strategy and Gov. Clinton's, putting special emphasis on his changing positions on the issues.

(Provost/Walters)
August 26, 1992
1:00 p.m.

Presidential Remarks
Campaign Rally
Cincinnati, Ohio
August 27, 1992

Good afternoon everyone -- and thanks for this warm Cincinnati welcome.

I want to mention some of our special guests -- the man with the 50,000 watt voice -- Mike McMurray. Olympians Joe Hudepohl (HEW dah poll) and Tim Austin. And, of course, the guy behind the plate -- Johnny Bench.

Joe and Tim and Johnny know something about competition -- let me tell you -- this year's campaign is about competition -- how America can win the economic competition -- win the peace.

Our nation is anxious today -- we have many questions about our future. Two candidates have stepped forward with two different agendas, two different ideas -- of how to build a stronger, more secure America -- abroad and at home.

Here's what I believe:

I believe that bureaucracy doesn't know best -- people know better.

I believe that the long arm of government is no match for the invisible hand of free enterprise.

I believe that people shouldn't keep government well fed -- government should empower people -- so that they can feed themselves.

Just as you can't build a home without a hammer, you can't build a dream without a job. You need to know which candidate has a plan to fulfill your dreams -- I have the plan that works for America.

My plan starts with the idea that the federal government spends too much of your money -- and the deficit is a dark storm cloud, hovering over our children's future.

I've asked Congress to freeze domestic discretionary spending -- and to get a handle on mandated spending. And to take over 4,000 federal projects and 250 federal programs and send them the way of pet rocks and mood rings.//

Congress has said no to my proposals -- so last week I put forth a new idea.

I want to give you -- the taxpayer -- the power to take up to 10 percent of your tax return -- and use it for one purpose only -- to reduce the federal budget deficit.

When it comes to spending your money -- Congress is like that Doritos commercial. They think they can crunch all they want -- you'll pay more. If they can't watch their weight and protect your money -- I say -- let's take the bag away from them.

How do we create jobs in America? Well, unlike my opponent, I spent half my life in the private sector -- trying to meet a payroll. I happen to believe that's a pretty good qualification to be President. I've learned from real-world experience -- that you can't have employees, without employers.

So with a new Congress we can cut spending, and then we will cut your taxes -- to give families more money to spend, and businesses more incentives to invest and create jobs.

I also want to get rid of all those crazy lawsuits. If you fall off a step ladder today, a lawyer will be there to catch you -- before you hit the ground. My opponent doesn't believe this is a problem. Earlier this year, the head of the Arkansas Trial Lawyers Association wrote a letter of endorsement for Governor Clinton. He said, "I can never remember an occasion when he failed to do the right thing where we trial lawyers are concerned."

I don't want to coddle the trial lawyers, I want to take them on. I believe that -- as a nation -- we must sue each other less -- and care for each other more.//

My opponent proposes a backdoor government takeover of our health care system. I believe we can control costs -- and extend coverage to the poorest of the poor -- without putting your health care under the control of the same people who brought you the House Bank and the House Post Office.//

Here's some other things I'm fighting for. Welfare reform that encourages families to stick together, and fathers to stick around. Job training to lend a helping hand to workers caught in the transition of our economy.// And I want to revolutionize the way we teach our children -- giving many American parents a new freedom -- the freedom to choose where your kids should go to

school. Great public schools, or great private schools like St. Xavier's.//

Where does my opponent stand on the issues? Well, as this campaign gets underway, it's getting harder and harder to tell. He's beginning to turn up in more places than Elvis Presley.

Take the question of whether to stand up to Saddam Hussein - the most important foreign policy decision of the past four years.

Two days after Congress followed my lead, my opponent said this, and I quote directly: "I guess I would have voted with the majority if it was a close vote. But I agree with the arguments the minority made."

In the Oval Office, when you have to make life and death decisions -- you can't have it both ways -- not when people's lives are stake.//

How about the economy? My opponent says that "government takes too little, and gives too much in return." But then he proposes \$220 billion in new spending -- plus the largest tax increase in history -- \$150 billion dollars.

When it comes to the economy, Governor Clinton offers -- "me-too slogans -- and you too taxes."

Look at the issue of a free trade treaty with Mexico and Canada. It's a great way to help American companies compete in the global economy. Companies like Star Bank, right across the street.

My opponent was once for the trade treaty -- now, after meeting with a few union bosses, he steps forward boldly and courageously announces -- "when I have a definitive opinion, I'll say so."

When you're President of the U.S. -- "I'll get back to ya" -
- is not an appropriate answer.//

One more example. A few months ago, Governor Clinton said he wanted to raise fuel efficiency standards for cars to 45 miles per gallon. It sounds like a good idea, but scientists will tell you it is impractical, it will cost lives and most important, it will throw 30,000 Ohioans out of work. Governor Clinton finally figured this out, so on Friday, he sang a different tune. He said -- and I quote -- "I never said that I didn't think there was more than one way to do it, or that we shouldn't be flexible in the way we approach it." Talk about going backwards? The Bengals could use that kind of backpedalling in their secondary.//

Is there a pattern going on here? Will Governor Clinton say anything to anybody? America can't afford doublespeak, doubletalk, doubletime!//

Watching my opponent on the campaign trail, I'm reminded of the story about the farmer and a certain farm animal. The animal was so slippery -- that it kept slipping out of it's pen. One day, the farmer went looking for it, and followed the animals tracks all over creation. When the farmer returned, his wife

asked if he knew where it was. The farmer said, "yes mam, I found him. He's on both sides of the fence."

Governor Clinton is trying to play hokey-pokey with the American people. He puts his left foot in, he puts his left foot out --- but don't kid yourself, it's you -- the American taxpayers -- who are going to be shaken all about!"

Now I know the polls say that I'm behind in this race, but I don't listen to the polls, because I'm going to talk about what's right for America. The special interests may not like it, but I'm going to fight for free trade -- because it means American jobs.// The trial lawyers may make a bundle off our legal system -- but I'm going to make them quake in their tasselled loafers.

The bureaucrats and "government-firsters" may cry out for more spending, and higher taxes -- I'm going to go the other way -- because I'm going to do what is right to get this economy moving again.

In the past four years, we have seen changes around the world we never would have imagined. Now lets roll up our sleeves and get to work -- and realize the opportunities in those changes. Let's send Governor Clinton and his doubletalk back to Arkansas. Give me Mike Devine in the U.S. Senate -- let's Clean House on Capitol Hill.//

We can build a stronger and more secure America -- both abroad and at home.

Thank you very much for listening. God Bless Cincinnati, and God Bless the United States of America.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 26, 1992

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: STEVE PROVOST *SP*
FROM: DAN MCGROARTY *DMch*
SUBJECT: FINDLAY MACHINE AND TOOL REMARKS

Tomorrow, at approximately 5:00 p.m. you will deliver remarks (15 mins./teleprompted) to a crowd of 1,500 employees at Findlay Machine and Tool in Findlay, Ohio.

Your remarks play off of the themes of your acceptance speech and stressing the importance of economic preparedness for global competition. They also highlight the Clinton tax agenda -
- focusing on his "transaction tax" on foreign investment.

Note re. local color: following your acknowledgements, you salute Jim Woodward -- a local barber who inspects all town flags to make sure they're in good shape.

McGroarty/Grossman
August 26, 1992
8:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FINDLAY MACHINE AND TOOL
FINDLAY, OHIO
AUGUST 27, 1992
5:10 P.M.

Thank you [Gov. Voinovich] for those kind words -- and thanks, all of you, for that warm welcome. Mr. Mayor [Kieth Romick]. Home-town Representative Mike Oxley -- [and his colleagues Paul Gillmore and Dave Hobson].

It's great to be here in Findlay -- Flag City, U.S.A. Couldn't count every one of the 319 flags I'm told you've got flying -- but let me assure Jim Woodward, every flag I did see looked great to me. //

I know Findlay takes its patriotism seriously. I heard that a few years back, some rascals came into town with the idea of making a show by burning the flag. Well, they came to the wrong town. Actually, they were lucky -- they got arrested. //

It's a time of great pride for our flag -- and for the freedoms it represents. Now that the Cold War is over, the defining challenge of the 90's is to win the peace -- to win the competition of the new global economy. //

Our goal is simple and straightforward: In the 21st Century, America must be not only a military superpower, but an economic superpower -- an export superpower.

In this election, you'll hear two versions of how to do this: My opponent's answer is to look inward -- to pretend we can protect what we already have. Ours is to look forward -- open new markets, prepare our people to compete, restore the

social fabric, to save and invest -- so that, when it comes to the global competition -- America will win. //

Already, Findlay is rising to the challenge. When I visited here four years ago, this spot where we're standing was a forest. Today, Tall Timbers is a testament to the transforming power of the international economy -- a living, working blueprint for how America can compete, and take the gold medal in the global economic Olympics. // There's a lot at stake for Ohio. Right now 1 in every 7 jobs -- 1 in 7 jobs across this state -- is tied to foreign trade. //

Whether it's toothpaste from Proctor and Gamble -- or the 465 M1A2 tanks built in Lima [LIE-muh] for sale to Saudi Arabia: exports equal paychecks for the people of Ohio.

That's why I want to talk today about a dangerous idea embraced by my opponent -- a new tax he's taken to heart.

No ... I'm not talking about the \$150 billion dollars my opponent wants in new taxes.

No ... I'm not talking about the new payroll tax he wants to carve out of your paychecks to pay for a government take-over of health care.

Or the training tax he wants to chain to our economy ... Or the carbon tax he wants to put on your cars.

I'm talking about a new idea he calls the "transaction tax" -- a tax on foreign companies doing business in the U.S.

Now, maybe you'll say: What's wrong with that -- at least this is one tax Bill Clinton won't make us pay for. //

Well, you should care -- and I'll tell you why. You'll feel the effect up and down these loading docks -- starting with seven companies right here in Tall Timbers. Because these companies may be foreign-owned -- but the jobs are American jobs. Those jobs put a paycheck in your pocket / put the food on your table / put you on track for a better future. //

My opponent's "transaction tax" is really a chain reaction tax -- one that triggers an economic domino effect that ends by costing workers like you your jobs.

Look at FMT: an American-owned company, selling what it makes here in the U.S. But Joe Kirk tells me FMT sells to a number of companies that are American-based but foreign-owned. If my opponent had his way, and your customers get hit by his tax, when they start to cut back -- when they cancel orders -- who gets hurt? You do. //

We need to do better by the American worker. We need a policy that creates jobs -- not a tax machine that spits out pink slips. //

We need what I offer: A coherent plan -- one that sees that in today's world -- foreign policy, domestic policy and economic policy are three sides of a single issue. A strategy that reaches out to the world in a way that makes a difference right here in Findlay -- in your neighborhoods, in your lives. We must build on the fundamentals of lower tax rates, limits on government spending, less red tape and regulation -- and more

trade, more competition, to generate the growth that means more opportunity ... more jobs.

And I think that in the 90's, government can add to this growth program by building opportunity and hope for individuals, empowering families and communities. This afternoon, let me lay out the cornerstones of my plan -- let me tell you what it takes to play hard and win in this international economy:

It begins with an aggressive strategy to open new markets the world over for American goods. I'm fighting for free and fair trade.... So that "Made in America" is understood in any language from Lima, [LIE-muh], Ohio to Lima, [LEE-muh] Peru and beyond. //

Free trade is key to my plan. But we have to understand: if we're going to promote long-term growth in this country, we have to discipline federal spending and drive down the federal deficit. //

Did you know the federal government is using your money -- to find out whether it's true that elephants really never forget? If that bothers you, I'm sure you'll be crazy about the study you're funding on the mating habits of minks.

These are little things -- but they're part of a larger syndrome. I've put forward a specific plan to do away with over 4000 wasteful federal projects -- to freeze discretionary spending -- and get a handle on mandatory federal programs. So far, Congress has resisted my efforts to cut the budget, so I have a new idea. / Why not give you -- the taxpayer -- the

right to earmark up to 10 percent of your tax return, and have it go for one purpose alone: to reduce the budget deficit?

When I hear some editorialists and economists sneer at my idea to let people dedicate 10 percent of their taxes to the deficit -- then I know we're onto something. My idea has roots in a serious tradition that's been used to discipline government in the past. Remember the referendum / the recall / term limits? It's all part of the great American tradition of bringing government closer to the people. //

So I say: let's give the American people the power to make the choice -- to pay down the deficit, instead of giving Congress more money to burn. I think it's a powerful message to the men and women America sends to Washington to represent not only us, but our children and grandchildren. //

Once we have runaway spending under control, we need to cut taxes -- give businesses incentives to grow. //

That takes a clear commitment to tax relief. You know, we Republicans have sometimes been accused of thinking every day is the Fourth of July -- well, that's a lot better than my opponent. Bill Clinton thinks every day is April 15. It's time to take the bullseye off the back of the American taxpayer. //

Tuesday, I was in Western Michigan, talking to a group of small business leaders. I talked to a guy who runs an asphalt paving company. He said, "Mr. President, government regulations are killing us." He made the point that when a regulation doesn't make sense, it's the worker who pays -- with his job.

I have put a freeze on all new federal regulation -- to give businesses like yours a chance to breathe.

And I'm going to push for our plan to reform health care -- one that makes medical care affordable and secure for all -- without a backdoor government take-over. And I'm going to keep working to put an end to the sky's-the-limit lawsuits that strain our economy and sap our patience. It's time we started caring for each other more -- and suing each other less. //

These are some of the reforms we must make to create a climate in which our businesses can grow -- and create jobs. But the jobs of the future also require workers with better skills and with a lifetime commitment to learning and training.

This week, I unveiled a new plan to train kids from tough backgrounds looking for that first job -- as well as older, experienced workers who have lost their jobs, or are caught in industries that are going through transition. The old philosophy was for government to spend a lot of money on training centers - - an expensive entitlement, run by bureaucrats. My new plan is to provide \$3000 vouchers to workers in certain industries -- vouchers they could use to go out and buy training for themselves. //

Improving our schools also requires a willingness to do things differently. It starts with a clear recognition that America can't be a first-class economy with second class schools. I have a program -- America 2000 -- that will bring a revolution in American education. We've got to bring competition to

education -- give parents, not the government, power to choose their children's schools: public, private or religious. //

Today, let me enlist you -- let me tell you what you can do to help me make this reform agenda a reality. / Come November 3rd, you can send me a Congress I can work with.

And if you say: Give me one good reason you'll get Congress to act --I'll give you 150. That's the number of new faces we'll see next year in the Congress. Now -- I'll be candid. I want every last one of them to be Republican. / But whatever party they come from -- even if they were first elected before you were born -- they'll come back with a new appreciation for what you want: a complete set of instructions from the American people that it's time for Congress to change. //

Ask the candidates who are asking you for your vote: Are you for free and fair trade -- are you for the North American Free Trade Agreement? Are you against the kind of foreign business tax that will cost American jobs? And don't send any candidate to the House or Senate unless you're sure they're going to help me move this economy forward. //

If we get the answers -- the commitment to action -- that we're looking for, when that new Congress comes to town -- I'll be ready. Ready to act ... ready to do the will of the American people. Ready to move on my aggressive agenda for economic growth -- an agenda that builds a more secure America, a stronger America -- at home and abroad. //

Thank you once again for this warm welcome -- for all your support -- and may God bless the United States of America.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 8/26/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT EVENT
SUBJECT: ST. LOUIS, MO.- 8/27/92 - 9:00 a.m.

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August 26, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: *DMC* DAN MC GROARTY

FROM: ANDY FERGUSON *af*

SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMARKS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT EVENT

I. SUMMARY

On Thursday, August 27, at 9:00 a.m., you will address approximately 2,000 people at Public Safety Equipment, Inc. in St. Louis, Missouri. The company exports light bars for emergency vehicles worldwide.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (approximately 18 minutes / teleprompter) discuss the importance of NAFTA and explains Gov. Clinton's plan to tax foreign investment in the United States. Your remarks also criticize Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt's proposal for a "transaction tax" within a free trade zone.

(Ferguson/Walters)
August 26, 1992
12:20 p.m.
STLOUIS

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT, INC.
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI
AUGUST 27, 1992
9:00 A.M. (??)

Thank you and good morning.

(Acknowledgments)

((This is great. Look at the equipment you have here -- light bars, beacons -- you've given a whole new meaning to a thousand points of light.))

((I may take some of your sirens back to Washington. They're the only thing that makes more noise than the White House press corps.))

You know, the press specializes in the business of bad news. But today I'd like to open with some good news.

Together we have seen a world transformed these past three and a half years -- a world made new by American strength and resolve. And now that the Cold War is over, the defining challenge of the '90s is to win the economic competition of the new global economy -- to win the peace.

Our goal is simple and profound: We must be a military superpower, an economic superpower and an export superpower.

In this election, you'll hear two versions of how to do this. My opponents' answer is to look inward, and protect what we already have from the challenges of this new world. My approach is to look forward -- to open new markets, prepare our people to compete, to restore our social fabric -- to save and invest, so that we can win.

I wanted to come here today to St. Louis to lay out the sharp difference between Governor Clinton and me on the crucial issue of investment and open trade. My policies encourage both - because my experience in business and foreign affairs has shown me that trade and investment create jobs.

In contrast, my opponent and the Democratic Congress want to tax both trade and investment. But taxes stifle things -- and in this case, their taxes would chase away business and destroy jobs.

I know my opponent has lots of slogans and policy buzzwords that sound appealing when you first hear them -- but America can't afford them.

Take the story of PSE as an example of America's competitive capabilities. There was a time when companies like PSE could be satisfied with a national market -- sell your goods in the fifty states and leave it at that.

That's no longer good enough. So five years ago, you took on the world. I'm told that now 35 percent of what you build is sold outside our borders, in 66 different countries. Today your light bars and sirens help save lives not only on the streets of Detroit and Peoria, but in Israel, Hong Kong and Spain.

PSE's story is a parable for our entire country's economic future -- never settling for less, always pushing ahead, embracing the challenges of foreign competition and reshaping them as opportunities.

Let me offer a personal note -- tell you how I first learned about competing in the world.

I spent a good part of my life out in West Texas, in the oil business. I painted rigs for a while, even lived out of a suitcase as a salesman. And all around me in those days I saw towns and businesses rise up from nothing, for a simple reason: The world wanted what Texas had to offer -- cotton and cattle and crude.

We understood that the more goods we sold outside our borders, the more jobs we could create within them.

Later on, when I started my own business, I learned again: we had to take a global view to compete. I shopped for investors on the west coast, on the east coast, but I couldn't stop there. I traveled the world -- to Europe and the Far East. Every dollar we could bring into this country was a dollar that went to expand our company, create jobs in our community.

Then when I started to get involved in foreign relations, I built on that experience. I've learned how important America is to the world, but also how important the world is to America -- not just for national security in the traditional sense, but for our economic security, for creating jobs, right here at home.

We've held steady to this vision for three years now, and we've made real progress. As we knock down trade barriers, American companies are rushing to meet the demand. Since I took office, exports have increased by one-third. America is the

greatest exporter the world has ever seen -- \$422 billion dollars of exports last year alone.

Let me bring it close to home. In Missouri, exports are up 37 percent over the last three years -- \$4.5 billion worth of goods shipped to 166 countries around the world.

Impressive numbers, but when you dig behind the trade statistics, you find the real benefit of the new world economy -- in a word, it's jobs. Here in Missouri, 100,000 jobs are supported by foreign trade. Across the country, more than 7 million Americans owe their jobs to trade.

Everyone recognizes that the world is moving at a faster pace, but I see something more: it's moving our way. Right now we're building on the export success of the last three years. Two weeks ago we entered a new era of open trade. Along with Mexico and Canada, we initialed the North American Free Trade Agreement, with the goal of knocking down tariffs and creating one of the largest free-trade areas in the world -- an integrated economy worth more than \$6 trillion dollars.

Here in Missouri, you already export \$2 billion worth of goods to Mexico and Canada. That's a lot of paychecks, but our new agreement will create still more jobs, and make us even stronger in the race with our European and Asian competitors.

NAFTA is a solid agreement -- when you've been in as many tough negotiations as I have, you learn to tell the difference. We're going to take this case to the protectionists on Capitol Hill, because they need to hear it. Right now, before our

initials are even dry on the agreement, the Democratic leadership in Congress is calling for us to slap a tariff on any new trade that comes from NAFTA.

Think about that for a minute -- ((that's a minute longer than they've thought about it)). After long, tough negotiations with our two closest trading partners, we've agreed to end tariffs. The congressional Democrats say: Okay, fine. But first you have to put on a new tariff.

In other words, they think the way to eliminate trade barriers is to build a new trade barrier.

That's like telling us they want us to hit a homerun, but please only if we run around the bases backward.

This "transaction tax," as they call it, will make it more expensive for our businesses to compete with the European and Asians -- and it will discourage the creation of new jobs for you and your neighbors. It turns the agreement on its head -- defeats the whole purpose.

What about Governor Clinton? Where does he stand? Well, just last week, when asked about our new trade agreement, he hemmed and hawed, and at last he said: "When I have a definitive opinion, I'll say so."

No matter how much Governor Clinton would like to fudge the issue, the difference couldn't be clearer -- and the difference is based on two very different views of America's future. My opponents see us knocking down trade barriers and they say: Hold everything. They see us open new markets for American goods and

they say: Wait a minute. Maybe we can't compete. The American worker can't cut it. So let's pull down the blinds, lock the doors and hope the world goes away.

Well, let me tell them something you already know. The American worker doesn't have to hide from anybody. Americans can outwork, out-think, out-compete anybody, anywhere, anytime.

That's something everyone in the world seems to understand - everyone but the protectionist Democrats. Over the last decade, we've seen a flood of foreign investment in the United States -- businesses from all over the world setting up shop from Portland, Oregon to Portland, Maine. These investors follow a simple logic: if you want the best science and universities in the world, if you want the best workers in the world, you have to come to the U.S.A.

The result has been jobs: One out of every ten manufacturing workers in the United States works for a company supported by foreign investment. And that's the bottom line: jobs for Americans, a growing economic pie for everyone.

Now, here's one issue where Governor Clinton doesn't waffle. He's surveyed the issue of foreign investment and come out foresquare for -- you guessed it -- a tax increase.

He's proposed to increase taxes on foreign investment in the United States, even though those companies employ a total of 4 and one-half million Americans.

[[Governor Clinton says his new tax will raise \$45 billion. He might want to talk to his own Democrats on Capitol Hill. The

Joint Committee on Taxation says that estimate is about 45 times too high.]]

Governor Clinton says his tax increase will "crack down" on foreign companies, but all it will really do is drive them out. And if they go, they'll take those jobs with them.

Travel around this state. Go to New Madrid (MA-drid), talk to the 1200 employees at Noranda Aluminum -- or to Joplin, talk to the 425 employees of Atlas Powder. Go to any of the 244 foreign-owned companies that employ 60,000 workers right here in Missouri. I don't think you're going to find any of those Missourians railing against the evils of foreign investment.

If Governor Clinton's tax hike had been in effect these past few years, those companies wouldn't be here -- and those jobs wouldn't have been created for Missourians.

And it's not just Missouri. Whether it's the Nissan plant in Tennessee -- or the proposed BMW plant in South Carolina -- Governor Clinton's tax increase would be felt in every region of every state of this country.

Governor Clinton needs to learn something about international relations. If he raises this tax, our foreign competitors are going to say: "What's good for the goose is good for the gander." His tax is like a gilded invitation sent to foreign governments where U.S. companies also do business. And the invitation reads: "Please retaliate."

The result would be not just a reduction in investment here, but a contraction worldwide. There was another occasion when

that happened. It was in 1930. Right before the great depression.

[[No other major industrial nation favors the kind of tax increase Governor Clinton proposes -- not Germany, not Japan. But I can tell you one nation that does tax foreign investment as he would like: India.

Well, here's a promise I am proud to make: As long as I am president, India will not be a model for how to conduct economic policy in the United States of America.]]

Let's review the facts about Governor Clinton's tax: It won't raise revenue. It won't create a single job. It will discourage investment. And it threatens to start a trade war at the very moment when markets the world over are opening up to American products.

We should ask why, given all this, Governor Clinton would ever propose such a tax in the first place. I can tell you why. Today change is accelerating, and change breeds uneasiness, skepticism, even fear. And by disparaging foreign investment, Governor Clinton hopes to exploit the darker fears of this uncertain age -- fear of the future, fear of the unknown, fear of foreigners.

Well, let me tell Governor Clinton something: Play politics all you want, but those are American jobs you're playing politics with. Those are American workers you're putting at risk.

The American people won't buy it. The proudest people on earth have never stooped to fearmongers before, and we're not going to start now.

In talking about America's future in the global economy, I mentioned my own experience, because I want you to understand why I believe what I do about America's ability to compete. I've built a business; I've dealt with foreign nations; I know what it takes to make America secure and strong at home and abroad.

Governor Clinton takes a different view, and it is borne of his life experience -- a life spent in Arkansas government.

So the American people have a clear choice this year. It's a choice between the patrons of the past and the architects of the future. I believe we can shape what lies ahead -- not by turning away from challenges but by doing what you here at PSE have done -- meeting the competition head on, making foreign markets your own.

I have faith in America's future -- because I have faith in the American people. It's the same faith that brought me out to Texas more than 40 years ago -- the same faith that brought me into public life -- the same faith that has led me to fight for open markets -- because I know that no challenge is too great for the American heart.

Thank you and God bless you.

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8:00 A.M. WIRES

Impeached Governor Enters U.S. Senate Race

MESA, Ariz. (AP) _ Former Gov. Evan Mecham is off and running again, this time as an independent candidate for the U.S. Senate.

Mecham told about 400 supporters at a rally on Wednesday that he will run for the Senate seat held by Republican John McCain if he can qualify for the November ballot.

The announcement had been expected since Phoenix lawyer David Eisenstein launched a campaign Aug. 14 to draft the impeached governor as a candidate for the Senate. It will be his second campaign for the Senate. He also served one term in the state Senate and ran six times for governor.

McCain was in Indianapolis on Wednesday and not available for comment, said his spokesman, Scott Celley.

But Wes Gullett, a McCain aide in Phoenix, said collecting the 10,555 petition signatures Mecham will need to qualify for the November ballot is "a huge hurdle."

Democratic senate hopefuls Truman Spangrud and Claire Sargent both said they believed Mecham would help the Democratic nominee by drawing votes from McCain.

Mecham, 68, was elected governor in 1986 and was removed from office less than two years later after he was found guilty in a Senate impeachment trial of misusing a state protocol fund and obstructing a police investigation.

He attempted to regain the office in 1990 but lost in the Republican primary.

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9:00 A.M. WIRES

First-Time Claims for Unemployment Benefits Show Largest Fall on Record

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of Americans filing first-time claims for unemployment benefits posted the largest decrease on record in mid-August and fell below 400,000 for the first time in 22 months, the government said today.

The Labor Department said new applications for jobless benefits totaled 382,000 during the week ended Aug. 15, down from 474,000 a week earlier, when claims from workers involved in a two-week shutdown of General Motors' operations in Michigan were included.

The 92,000 decline was the largest since the Labor Department began tracking claims in 1967.

The Labor Department said the last time jobless claims dropped below 400,000 on a seasonally adjusted basis was during the week of Oct. 6, 1990, when they also stood at 382,000. The following week, they rose to 407,000 and had been above 400,000 ever since.

Many economists had expected claims to fall to about 400,000 in the latest reporting period.

But most caution against reading too much into the week-to-week changes because of their volatility. They prefer a four-week moving average which smooths out the fluctuations and is considered a more reliable indicator of the labor market.

The average was 432,000 during the period ended Aug. 15, down from 436,500 during the previous four weeks and the lowest since 423,250 during the period ended Aug. 1.

During the first three months of this year, claims averaged about 450,000, then fell to around 410,000 during April and May and to 400,000 during the week ended July 18.

The GM shutdown first was reflected the following week, when claims surged by 69,000 to 469,000 as autoworkers outside of Michigan sought benefits. They dropped by 66,000 a week later. But applications in Michigan, which had switched to a mail-in filing system, were not reported until last week.

Forty-two states and territories posted drops in claims in the latest period while 10 recorded increases. Claims were unchanged in Montana.

The biggest declines were in Michigan, down 81,957; California, down 8,610; Missouri, down 4,638; New York, down 3,160, and Mississippi, down 2,824.

Both Michigan and New York attributed their declines to fewer layoffs in the automobile industry. California said there were fewer pink slips in agriculture; Missouri, in transportation. Mississippi reported fewer layoffs in the furniture industry. States suffering the largest increases were South Carolina, up 806; Virginia, up 291; the Virgin Islands, up 273; Kansas, up 206, and Iowa, up 172. The report does not provide reasons for decreases of less than 1,000.

The overall national figures are adjusted for seasonal variations but the state figures are not.

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10:30 A.M. EDT/9:30 A.M. CDT NEWS UPDATE

IRAQ/NO-FLY ZONE (AP) -- Gen. Scowcroft said the U.S. does "not anticipate" that Saddam Hussein will challenge an order to keep his aircraft out of southern Iraq. Appearing on "Good Morning America," he said he was unaware of any unusual activity by Iraqi aircraft as the 10:15 a.m. EDT deadline approached. Scowcroft said Saddam is difficult to predict, but "we don't anticipate that he will challenge" the no-fly order. Anonymous Pentagon sources said they fully expect Saddam's forces to test U.S. and allied resolve with possible "cat and mouse" ploys, perhaps by flying aircraft just over or quite near the border of the no-fly zone.

(Baghdad/AP) -- Iraq denounced the allies' proclamation of a no-fly zone over rebellious Shiites in southern Iraq, but Saddam Hussein's government seemed to ease away from military confrontation. A government spokesman said on state radio that the allied action was "aggressive, illegal and unjust." He said Saddam might order action against allied aircraft, but added that Iraq would deal with the matter "in due time and with the appropriate methods." A senior government official, meanwhile, said Baghdad's response might be to bar further U.N. weapons inspections and end U.N. relief operations in Iraq.

BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA (London/AP) -- Acting Secretary Eagleburger rejected a former aide's suggestion that greater military force be used against Serbian forces, warning that to do so could lead to a Vietnam-like quagmire. "If it (military force) doesn't work, what do you do next? What is your next step?" said Eagleburger, referring to a suggestion by George Kenney, former deputy chief of Yugoslav affairs. Eagleburger said he understood the "agony" Kenney felt as he watched the Yugoslav tragedy unfold day by day. But, Eagleburger said, "It's one thing to describe the problem and it's another thing to deal with it."

(London/Reuter) -- Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali announced he would recommend to the Security Council a plan to expand U.N. military protection for food convoys to Bosnia's beleaguered population. Boutros-Ghali, in a statement read by his spokesman, said progress has been made on details of a plan to protect humanitarian aid convoys by increasing the number of troops in the U.N. Protection Force. U.N. officials, speaking after the announcement, said the new force would have the right of self-defense if attacked but stressed that it did not mean the U.N. was intervening militarily in the conflict.

(Rome/AP) -- Western European Union officials called for a military blockade of Yugoslavia to enforce a U.N. embargo and send a signal to Serbia that the war in Bosnia will not be tolerated. An official for the WEU noted that such a measure would be mostly symbolic. Sir Dudley Smith, chairman of the WEU's defense committee, said a fact-finding mission to the Adriatic raised questions about Greek compliance with U.N. sanctions.

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(Reuter) -- The economy expanded sluggishly in the second quarter, at the same rate estimated a month ago, as soaring imports offset the benefits of more restocking of goods, the Commerce Department said. In the three months from April through June, the country's GDP expanded at a 1.4 percent rate. It is less than half the 2.9 percent growth in the first quarter.

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10:00 A.M. WIRES

Economic Growth Slows in Second Quarter

By DAVE SKIDMORE

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economic growth slowed dramatically in the April-June quarter after reviving temporarily early in the year, the government said today.

The nation's gross domestic product, the broadest measure of economic health, inched forward at a 1.4 percent annual pace, the Commerce Department said, leaving an earlier estimate unrevised.

During the first three months of 1992, growth in the total output of goods and services picked up to a 2.9 percent pace, the best since President Bush's first three months in office.

However, the 5.1 percent surge in consumer spending that powered first-quarter growth petered out in the second quarter, when consumer spending fell 0.2 percent.

"We're in a stall right now in what already was a half-paced recovery," said economist Priscilla Trumbull of the WEFA Group, a Bala Cynwyd, Pa., forecasting firm.

President Bush is hoping for an improvement in the economy before the November election, but analysts said that prospect is remote. They expect growth to continue, but remain so weak that there will be little improvement in the nation's unemployment rate, 7.7 percent in July, just under an eight-year high.

"Our economy is not recovering. It's not in a full-fledged recession. It's in never-never land," said economist Allen Sinai of the Boston Co. Economic Advisers Inc.

In an accompanying report, the department said profits of American corporations rose 2.1 percent to an annual rate of \$234.6 billion, the highest level ever. The rise followed a larger, 10.8 percent, increase in the first quarter, the best in four years.

Profits had fallen for three consecutive years and economists are counting on continued increases this year to give businesses the wherewithal to expand payrolls and purchase productivity-improving capital equipment.

Meanwhile, the Labor Department said first-time claims for unemployment insurance plunged to 382,000 during the week ended Aug. 15, down from 474,000 a week earlier.

It was the largest decrease on record and the first time new claims had fallen below 400,000 in 22 months. Economists were encouraged, but cautioned against reading too much into the drop. They noted that the previous week's number was inflated by claims stemming from a temporary shutdown of General Motors factories.

In advance of today's report on the second-quarter GDP, many economists had been anticipating a modest upward revision to around 1.6 percent. But a looked-for improvement in the nation's trade performance did not show up in the numbers as expected. Also, federal spending declined rather than increased slightly as thought before.

Offsetting the negative revisions were increased production of goods for inventories and greater investment by businesses in new machinery and equipment, which surged 24.4 percent, even better than the 20.7 percent reported before.

However, an inflation measure tied to the GDP was worse than previously reported, 2.6 percent rather than 1.6 percent, correcting an error in calculation.

The various changes translated into a GDP increase at a

seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$17.3 billion with total GDP standing at \$4.89 trillion annual rate, after adjusting for inflation.

The bigger-than-expected inventory buildup in the second quarter could reduce the need for production in the third quarter, detracting from growth. And now Hurricane Andrew looks as if it will depress the figures as well.

"No one knows how much damage has been done, but factory output _ and more importantly tourist industries _ will be badly hurt," said economist Sung Won Sohn of Norwest Corp. in Minneapolis. Damage has been preliminarily estimated at \$15 billion to \$20 billion in Dade County, Fla., alone, making it the most destructive storm in U.S. history.

Sohn said the hurricane could shave between 0.2 or 0.3 percentage points off the third-quarter GDP increase, which he had been expecting to come in between 1.5 percent and 2 percent. Sinai said the impact could be as much as 0.5 percentage points, reducing growth to an annual rate of as low as 1 percent.

Eventually, though, the hurricane could benefit the economy by providing construction and other cleanup jobs.

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Iraqi Official Hints at Non-military Response to Allied Move By
VICTORIA GRAHAM
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq today denounced the allies' proclamation of a "no-fly zone" over rebellious Shiite Muslims in southern Iraq, but Saddam Hussein's government seemed to ease away from military confrontation.

A government spokesman said on state radio that the action announced Wednesday by President Bush was "aggressive, illegal and unjust." He said Saddam might order action against allied aircraft, but added that Iraq would deal with the matter "in due time and with the appropriate methods."

A senior government official, meanwhile, said Baghdad's response might be to bar further U.N. weapon inspections and end U.N. relief operations in Iraq.

Iraq often has made defiant pronouncements about allied threats under the Gulf War cease-fire agreements but then backed down. The United States, Britain and France warned Iraq that they would shoot down Iraqi military aircraft flying south of the 32nd parallel beginning at 10:15 a.m. EDT today.

The no-fly zone was imposed under a U.N. Security Council resolution calling for protection of Iraq's population against Saddam's minority, Sunni Muslim-dominated regime. A similar protected zone was set up last year for Iraqi Kurds in the north.

Shiite Muslims, who make up 55 percent of Iraq's population, rebelled after Saddam's Gulf War defeat but the uprising was crushed. The Shiites continued guerrilla operations from bases in the vast marshes of southern Iraq, however, and the Iraqi military had been escalating its attacks in the region.

The senior Iraqi official told The Associated Press that the new allied action left "no room for compromise."

"We have to reconsider everything related to our strategy concerning United Nations' resolutions," said the official, who agreed to discuss the situation only if not quoted by name. The clear implication was that Baghdad might stop allowing U.N. inspection teams to oversee the destruction of Iraq's chemical, nuclear and biological weapons program as required by the U.N. cease-fire resolution. The Iraqis also could eject U.N. guards and relief workers inside Iraq.

"Practically, we lose nothing if we reconsider these matters," the official said.

Publicly, the government maintained its defiant stance in a statement issued after a meeting of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council in Baghdad that was presided over by Saddam. Speaking on Baghdad Radio, an unidentified government spokesman appealed in Saddam's name for the 17 million Iraqis to resist the "vicious Zionist-imperialist enemy."

The statement raised the possibility of a military response, but the spokesman gave no indication of how Iraqi forces might oppose the allied intervention.

Iraq will not let "the enemy choose the timing and the method appropriate to them to achieve their evil purposes," he said. U.S. officials previously said that none of Iraq's 170 to 200 operational warplanes remain in southern bases and that most of its helicopter gunships also had moved north.

The United States has hundreds of Air Force and Navy warplanes deployed in Saudi Arabia and on carriers in the region. Britain announced that six Tornado warplanes left for Saudi Arabia today. France is also expected to send a fighter squadron.

Iraq also continued its campaign of trying to drive a wedge between the Western powers and their Arab allies by playing on Arab fears that the allied aim is to dismember Iraq.

The government spokesman warned unidentified countries in the region _ a clear reference to Saudi Arabia _ that "they will shoulder full responsibility" for aiding the allied action. Saudi Arabia, Syria and Egypt, all key Arab members of the military coalition that drove the Iraqi army from Kuwait last year, have voiced misgivings about the no-fly zone.

They fear it will destabilize the troubled region further and could precipitate the breakup of Iraq into a Kurdish zone in the north and a Shiite region in the south, with Saddam's minority Sunni regime holding only Baghdad and the central provinces. In Riyadh, the official Saudi Press Agency quoted a government source as reaffirming that the kingdom supports Iraq's unity and territorial integrity.

Bush, apparently seeking to mollify the coalition's Arab members, said Wednesday: "We seek Iraq's compliance, not its partition."

But he declared the ultimate aim is to get rid of Saddam. "Until that day no one should doubt our readiness to respond decisively to Iraq's failure to respect the no-fly zone," Bush said.

He stressed that the allies agreed to act in response to "new evidence of harsh repression" of the Shiites.

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11:00 A.M. WIRES

Divisions Arise As Israelis, Arabs, Get Down To Substance
By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israelis and Arabs took sharply opposing stands on land, elections and settlements as they headed toward the end of a week of talks characterized by unusual cordiality. Assistant Secretary of State Edward P. Djerejian, who is keeping watch on the talks for the United States, called in Haidar Abdul Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator, for a meeting today. Palestinian spokeswoman Hanan Ashrawi said the delegation needed clarification of Israel's policy on Jewish settlements after an ordered slowdown.

"The settlement issue continues to be an unjust obstacle on the ground, an obstacle in negotiations," she said. "Resolution of the settlement issue will certainly contribute to the speeding of negotiations and reaching a concrete agreement."

Israel's chief negotiator on Wednesday ruled out a Palestinian plan for electing a legislative body in the occupied territories as an unacceptable step toward a Palestinian state.

The Palestinians, in turn, linked progress in the talks to resolution of the issue of Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza, while Syria rejected any partial solution to its demand for the return of the Golan Heights.

The current round, the sixth and by far the most relaxed since talks opened in Madrid last September, will recess for the weekend after today's session. The Israelis and their negotiating partners — Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and the Palestinians — are expected to stay in Washington for about a month.

After a two-hour session Wednesday, chief Palestinian negotiator Haidar Abdul Shafi said "there was no forward movement" in Israel's proposals for Palestinian self-rule in the occupied territories. But they were not being rejected, he added.

Israel has put forth a plan to elect an administrative council to oversee the affairs of the 1.7 million Palestinians in the territories, except for security and foreign affairs matters, which will remain in Israeli hands.

Israeli chief negotiator Elyakim Rubinstein, speaking at a news conference, rejected the Palestinians' previous proposal for an elected legislature. "What is not offered," he said, "is a legislative council and legislative powers which are tantamount to those of a sovereign state."

Palestinian spokeswoman Hanan Ashrawi said the initial reaction to the Israeli plan was "one of skepticism and of disappointment." But she added: "there is room to maneuver ... we are not going to jump to conclusions."

She said the Palestinians queried the Israelis about Jewish settlements in the territories. "There was a long list of detailed questions which linked the progress of negotiations on receiving the proper answers to these questions," she said.

The Palestinians have welcomed the decision of new Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to cancel construction of some 6,000 planned Jewish housing units in the West Bank and Gaza. However, they have objected to his plan to allow another 10,000 settlement units already under construction to be completed.

Syrian officials also denied there was any suggestion of compromise over the Golan Heights, which Syria insists Israel must

return before the two countries can end their state of war. "To make peace you have to have complete withdrawal from the territories occupied," said Syrian spokeswoman Bushra Kanafani.

"There still exists a gap, a big gap, between our respective positions."

Rabin, a former Israeli defense minister, said earlier this week that his negotiators are not talking about withdrawal from the strategic territory captured from Syria in the 1967 Israel-Arab War.

Still, the Arabs attributed the markedly improved atmosphere of the latest round of talks to the more flexible policies of Rabin. His Labor Party in June defeated the Likud Party of Yitzhak Shamir, who adamantly refused to trade land for peace and aggressively promoted new settlements in the territories.

Kanafani described Wednesday's session as "an exploration of thoughts and ideas" and said there continued to be a "seriousness we didn't see before" in the first five rounds of the talks. Rubinstein said the atmosphere continues to be "good, businesslike." He said talks with Jordan, were already taking up political, security and bilateral matters "in a very extensive way."

He said Israel had also proposed to the Palestinians the creation of committees to deal with specific issues such as police, labor, taxation and industry.

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U.N. CHIEF TO RECOMMEND MORE U.N. PROTECTION FOR AID CONVOYS

LONDON, Reuter - U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali announced Thursday he would recommend to the Security Council a plan to expand U.N. military protection for food convoys to Bosnia's beleaguered population.

Boutros-Ghali, in a statement read by his spokesman, said progress has been made on details of a plan to protect humanitarian aid convoys by increasing the number of troops in the U.N. Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in Bosnia.

The spokesman, Francois Giuliani, told reporters covering the joint U.N.-European Community conference on Yugoslavia that discussions were continuing with a number of countries on contributions to the expanded force.

The Boutros-Ghali statement said he would submit his recommendation that UNPROFOR's "mandate and strength be enlarged" to support delivery of emergency supplies to all parts of Bosnia-Herzegovina. No details were given.

U.N. officials, speaking after the announcement, said the new force would have the right of self-defense if attacked but stressed that it did not mean the United Nations was intervening militarily in the conflict.

The announcement followed reports by British and EC officials Wednesday, the opening day of the conference, that such an operation was being planned.

The United Nations was asking any state contributing to the force to do so at no cost to the world body.

Canada announced in London Wednesday it would send 1,200 troops to support such an operation. Britain last week said it would contribute up to 1,800 troops and Italy and France are among other nations who have already pledged contributions. A U.N. official said the number of extra troops that would be sent to beef up the approximately 1,500 U.N. forces already operating in Bosnia would be "substantial."

But he said it would not involve a "doubling or tripling" of the present number. Additional armored vehicles would also be provided and the current rules of engagement would remain.

"They are not going out there to go into combat," he said. "They will be authorized to use force in self-defense if necessary."

He said the operation was being planned in close consultation with the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) which is currently delivering aid in convoys to victims of Bosnia's war pitting Serbs against Moslems and Croats.

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12:00 P.M. WIRES

Outline of agreement emerges at Yugoslav conference

By PATRICK MOSER

LONDON (UPI) — Serbian leaders at the Yugoslav peace conference pledged Thursday to close prisoner of war camps, end "ethnic cleansing" and work toward peace, but some delegates said the pledges sounded hollow as shells continued to devastate Sarajevo.

In the latest violence, seven people reportedly were killed Thursday after a mortar attack, allegedly launched by Serb guerrillas, on a bread line in Sarajevo.

Meanwhile, Serbian delegates at the London conference said they were willing to negotiate over the camps as well as territory gained by the Serbs in the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"We have decided to close all the prisoner of war camps even if the other side does not agree to do that," said Radovan Karadzic, the leader of the ethnic Serbian forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"We intend to do this very soon," he said.

He said his forces will concentrate their weapons around major cities so they can be put under United Nations control.

"We are ready to negotiate the return of up to 20 percent of the territory in order to allow the Muslim community to form its own constituent state," he said.

The 1.4 million Serbs form 31 percent of the Bosnian population and currently control about 70 percent of the republic's territory.

Karadzic called for a revision of borders "in the former Yugoslavia if not the Balkans area as a whole."

While Western delegations said they would not recognize borders changed by force, there were indications they could agree to a document that opens the way for recognition of new, negotiated borders within former Yugoslavia.

A British official said the conference had agreed to a set of four principles known as "the rules of civilized behavior."

The guidelines call for an end to ethnic cleansing, respect for borders, the closure of detention camps and respect for minorities and human rights.

But, using some of the harshest language to emerge from the three-day conference so far, Austrian Foreign Minister Alois Mock cast doubts on the Serbian commitment to the principles.

Referring to a pledge by Milan Panic, the Serbian president of the truncated Yugoslav federation, to stick to the guidelines, Mock said that "as long as none of his promises are transferred into reality I cannot give a positive assessment of the conference."

He said Panic's statement was delivered "on a day when there was the heaviest shelling for weeks in Sarajevo."

"I would not be surprised if in the long run military intervention became necessary," he said at a news conference.

Some other western delegates gave similar assessments of the talks, but most stopped short of calling for military intervention and agreed to step up sanctions against Serbia and its ally Montenegro. The conference also discussed ways of easing the plight of the victims of war and preventing the conflict from spreading to other regions, particularly the Kosovo region of Serbia, which has an ethnic Albanian majority.

U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani announced that the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina will be beefed up to give armed protection to

humanitarian convoys. Reading a statement on behalf of U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Ghali, the spokesman said the proposal for an enlarged peacekeeping force will be submitted to the U.N. Security Council.

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2 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

PRESIDENT'S TRIP (St. Louis/Karen Ball, AP) -- President Bush accused Gov. Clinton of trying to exploit "fear of foreigners" by backing a tax on foreign investment and waffling on support for expanded trade with Mexico. "He hemmed and hawed and at last he said, 'When I have a definitive opinion, I'll say so,'" Bush said of Clinton's stand on the Mexican free-trade pact. "I hope nobody's planning to hold their breath." After touring a police-siren factory, Bush said Clinton was invoking protectionist policies, including advocating a tax on foreign investment in the U.S., to tap American fears.

(St. Louis/Laurence McQuillan, Reuter) -- President Bush lashed out at Gov. Clinton as a "fear-monger" whose proposed tax on foreign investors would cost Americans jobs and create a trade war. Bush denounced Clinton's proposal to raise \$45 million with a tax on foreign investments, saying: "It will literally destroy jobs, discourage investment, and it threatens to start an economic war, just as markets the world over are opening up to American products." Bush said: "By attacking the bogeymen of foreign investors, Gov. Clinton hopes to exploit the darker impulses of this uncertain age -- fear of the future, fear of the unknown, fear of foreigners."

CAMPAIGN/CLINTON (San Antonio/AP) -- Gov. Clinton ripped into President Bush's proposed tax cut, accusing him of being concerned only with keeping taxes low on the wealthiest Americans. "You've got to have somebody who cares about all the people," Clinton told several thousand people. "This Administration's sole obsession is keeping taxes low on the wealthiest Americans," he said. "They really believe that's all you have to do to grow the economy." Sen. Gore said: "This was the same ticket over there that said 'Read my lips,' and then they have the audacity to say this election is about you can trust them."

CAMPAIGN/QUAYLE (Reuter) -- Vice President Quayle charged that Gov. Clinton was controlled by trial lawyers who had convinced Clinton to back down from legal reforms in his state. "Bill Clinton is totally in the pocket of the trial lawyers," Quayle told about a dozen reporters in his office. Quayle cited as evidence a letter he said had been written by David Williams, president of the Arkansas Trial Lawyers' Association. It said Clinton had withdrawn some legal reforms from proposed Arkansas legislation at the association's request. Quayle's office provided copies of the letter to the reporters, who were summoned to his office.

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SOMALIA/RELIEF AID (Mombasa, Kenya/Reuter) -- The U.S. will start daily airlifts of food into Somalia at dawn Friday, but the planes will not land if Somali gunmen start shooting, U.S. officials said. Brig. Gen. Frank Libutti told reporters he was sure a shaky cease-fire would hold and that the airlift could go ahead. "I am convinced the situation now is safe for starting the airlift," he said.

RUSSIA/LOANS (AP) -- The Export-Import Bank signed agreements for \$102 million worth of loans to Russia, its first in 18 years. The loans will enable Russian firms to buy U.S. machinery to produce auto parts, computer systems, training systems for nuclear power plants, and equipment to manufacture prefabricated plastic building panels.

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2:00 P.M. WIRES

TRUMAN'S DAUGHTER GIVES BUSH HELL

WASHINGTON, Reuter - George Bush, who is comparing himself to "give 'em hell" Harry Truman in his re-election campaign, caught some hell from Truman's daughter Thursday.

"My father, Harry S. Truman, would not be flattered, but he would surely be flabbergasted to learn that he has become the mascot of the Republican Party and the model for President Bush's campaign for re-election," Margaret Truman, the late president's novelist daughter, wrote in a Washington Post op-ed piece.

"... How hypocritical can they get?"

Bush began likening himself to Truman at last week's Republican National Convention, saying that he would duplicate the feisty, blunt-spoken Democrat's feat of scoring an astounding upset victory over a heavily favored foe.

What Truman did to Republican Thomas Dewey in 1948, Bush says, he will do to front-running Democrat Bill Clinton.

The notion of the aristocratic, conservative, liberal-bashing Republican comparing himself to the homespun, populist, razor-tongued Democratic hero raised some eyebrows, provoked some crooked smiles and evidently infuriated the only child of the man from Missouri.

Noting that Bush has been recycling his Truman analogy and trumpeting his "give 'em hell" battle cry at campaign stops across the land, she wrote: "Personally, I have always found President Bush to be a friendly, pleasant man, invariably courteous to me.

"I never suspected that behind this Ivy League facade there was a political plagiarist."

She said Bush would not dare appropriate her father's image if the old man were around to defend himself, and concluded with a stinging slap derived from one of the most devastating put-down lines of modern American politics.

"To paraphrase (1988 Democratic vice presidential candidate) Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, when in 1988 he rebuked Dan Quayle for comparing himself to John F. Kennedy, I would say to George Bush: 'You are no Harry Truman.'"

Margaret Truman, 68 and the wife of former New York Times executive Clifton Daniel, now lives in New York and is a successful memoirist and author of a string of popular murder mysteries with inside-Washington settings.

Some titles: "Murder in the White House," "Murder on Capitol Hill," "Murder in Georgetown."

Her Trumanesque broadside against Bush is a reminder that it does not pay to rile this family, although her style seems elegant and rapier-like compared to her father's thunderings. Some 40 years ago, when the roles were reversed and Margaret, then a budding concert singer, was panned by Washington Post music critic Paul Hume, then-President Truman leaped to her defense in a letter which said in part:

"Some day I hope to meet you. When that happens you'll need a new nose, a lot of beefsteak for black eyes, and perhaps a supporter below."

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BUSINESS GROUP SEES GAINS FROM REGIONAL FREE TRADE

WASHINGTON, Reuter - Mexico is emerging as a major force for economic growth throughout North America and a proposed free trade zone comprising the United States, Canada and Mexico would spur this growth, a business group said Thursday.

The U. S. Conference Board, a business research group, added that fears of U.S. and Canadian job losses from a North American Free Trade Agreement were overstated.

Mexico, Canada and the United States, after 14 months of negotiations, reached a tentative agreement Aug. 12 to end all barriers to trade between their countries within 15 years.

Details of the NAFTA are now being worked out, and legislatures of the three countries are expected to vote on the agreement early next year.

The business study said fast growth in Mexico would offset continuing U.S. and Canadian sluggishness and will account for about 15 percent of North American demand this year.

Joining the New York-based U.S. group in the study were the Conference Board of Canada and Mexico's Centro de Estudios Economicos del Sector Privado.

Noting fears that U.S. and Canadian firms would move to Mexico to utilize its lower wages -- often 75 percent lower --the study said labor differences were not that large when adjusted for productivity.

Gail Fosler, the U.S. board's chief economist and author of the study, said: "Companies that locate in Mexico solely for labor cost advantages are likely to find such gains fleeting." Fosler said "The most compelling reason to establish a presence in Mexico is to tap the enormous long-term potential of the Mexican market and because Mexico offers a gateway to the rest of South America."

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He makes it official in
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ALL IN THE FAMILIES

GOP's Bennett, Wirthlin,
Black all worry that family
values attack may have gone
too far. Veep even shows
empathy for H. Clinton (see
PrimeTime Live tonight).
But Gingrich just doesn't
get the message. (#3)

Seven post-Houston polls
show that the effort to
lock in the GOP base may
also put a ceiling on swing
voters: All polls put Bush
no lower than 39% and no
higher than 42%. (#26)

Chancellor put it bluntly
to NBC's 7.2M viewers (#6):
By idealizing two-parent
families (75% of homes with
kids don't have both mom
and dad), by implying that
most working women do so to
avoid family life, and by
stressing pro-life, the GOP
is "taking a huge risk
treating women this way."

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

"I am a candidate and hereby request that my name be placed on
the November 1992 California ballot."

-- Ross Perot, in a letter received 8/26
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At the Grand Ole Opry, Clinton offered a "modified version" of one of his favorite country songs: "My wife ran off with Dan Quayle and I'm more grateful to her every day."

*1 CLINTON AND GORE: LONE STAR BUS TOUR ROLLS TODAY

Nine or 10 buses, "more than in any of the other bus trips," will move the Clinton-Gore caravan through TX on the trip meant "to force George Bush to defend his base." In TX, Clinton will mark the 84th anniversary of LBJ's birth with a speech at the LBJ Library, pick up an endorsement from the TX Combined Law Enforcement Assn, speak at Tyler Jr. College, possibly attend a high school football game, and, as "one of America's most prominent fast-food lovers" -- attend a rally in Athens, the "home of the hamburger" (Feeney, DALLAS MORNING NEWS, 8/27). "Forget California, the Midwest and all the states being targeted by political strategists these days. If Bush can't win Texas -- the state he calls home, the state that has rejected all but one Democratic presidential contender in the past 20 years -- it's hard to see how he can win a second term." No Dem has won the presidency without winning TX (Nagourney, USA TODAY, 8/27). Although Dukakis targeted the state in '88 with Sen. Bentsen as his running mate, Bush won it 56-43%. With the latest Mason-Dixon poll showing the race within the margin of error, it is likely the Clinton camp will again fully fund a targeted TX campaign. DNC pol. director Paul Tully: "Bush still is trying to solidify his base and he's underperforming in key states for him. That let's us press our case on the outer edge of the envelope" (N.Y. NEWSDAY, 8/27).

JUST IN TIME FOR THE "HONEYMOON IN VEGAS" PREMIERE: An Elvis impersonator hired by the TX GOP will follow the Clinton-Gore bus through their 2-day TX bus tour. Dubbed the "Don't Be Fooled Tour," the Elvis impersonator's trek will include singing and the distribution of bologna sandwiches (USA TODAY, 8/27).

BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE: In a W.S.JOURNAL op-ed, Rudiger Dornbusch writes Clinton "offers the best prospect of setting America right" and offers a choice between "Clinton now or populism later": "Those who are tempted to give George Bush another four year must ask this question": "Who comes after that? If [Bush] sticks to his usual approach to our nation's problems, his successor is most likely to be a populist Democrat with an agenda of redistribution, regulation, intervention and an anti-market philosophy" (8/27).

STANDING BY THEIR MAN: Arkansans have donated about \$1.40 each to Clinton's campaign -- more than any other state has given to a presidential campaign. A Little Rock event 8/29 -- the largest fundraiser in AR history -- will add another \$1.2 million to the coffers (Walker, ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE, 8/27). Billed as an invitation to join the "Dream Team," the event has gold, silver and bronze tickets available for \$2,500, \$1,000 and \$500 and will feature celebrities Cybill Shepherd, Chevy Chase, Gladys Knight, Herbie Hancock and Theolonious Monk, Jr. (Duffy, Memphis COMMERCIAL APPEAL, 8/27).

DEBATING: N.Y. POST's Orin contends the upcoming debate season "spells trouble" for Clinton. "Like Dukakis," Clinton "followed a play-it-safe strategy of trying to survive, rather than win" Dem primary debates. Primary debates "have several players, so there's room for survivors as well as winner and loser" -- not so in the fall. A Dem strategist: "They're responding to everything, that's the problem -- they're having trouble coming up with their own message" (8/27).

POLLING UPDATE: Polls "have fluctuated so dramatically ...

the term 'scientific poll' may be in jeopardy." Low response rate "has the potential to skew the sample." GOP pollster Linda DiVall: "When taking all the polling data, look at it like an Olympic scoring judge: Throw out the high and the low, and go with the average" (Cannon, KNIGHT-RIDDER, 8/27). In a W. POST op-ed, Richard Harwood speculates about these "wild mathematical gyrations": "What I want to read about in my newspaper, not the daily line from Las Vegas or Polling Central and not facile but unexplained 'bumps in the night' ... [but] where, in the immortal words of Fritz Mondale, is the beef?" (8/27). Bush officials "believe the gap ... is about 10 points" and "dismiss the significance of the flurry of polls ... arguing that it will be another week or two before the contours of the fall contest become clear." Clinton advisers think Bush's "rallying the Republican base ... may have alienated swing voters." DNC political director Paul Tully: "As they got themselves closer to 40 [percent], they got farther away from 50" (W. POST, 8/27).

"POLITICAL ARTISTRY": W.S. JOURNAL' Shribman writes, "Clinton makes skillful use of one of the oldest techniques in politics, the pander. ... These skills have sometimes enabled Mr. Clinton to straddle two sides of critical issues. ... His proposals are so detailed and his knowledge so broad that he can pick and choose his emphasis without ever deviating from the truth." This ability "helped him prevail" in the primaries and "helped catapult him to the lead," but it also "tarnished him" with the nickname "Slick Willie" (8/27).

*2 CLINTON AND GORE: NETWORKING IN NASHVILLE; MEMPHIS MOVES

The Clintons and the Gores spoke to about 800 women celebrating the 72nd anniversary of TN's approval of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote (Waters, Memphis COMMERCIAL APPEAL, 8/27). Hillary and Tipper both spoke, but "the show was stolen" by Al Gore's mother, Pauline, "who lashed out at Bush and other Republicans for questioning the Democrats' commitment to family values." She read aloud a letter Pat Robertson sent out last month trying to rally opponents of an equal rights amendment in Iowa. In it, Robertson said supporters were pushing a "'feminist agenda' led by women who 'kill their children, practice witchcraft, destroy capitalism and become lesbians.'" Pauline Gore said she knew Bush's mother and Robertson's parents "and it's appalling to me that they left the family values they were taught" (King, CHATTANOOGA TIMES, 8/27). Christian Coalition spokesperson Ralph Reed defended the letter, saying Robertson was quoting from Gloria Steinem and Margaret Sanger. Republicans for Choice's Ann Stone, laughing, reading the "witchcraft" line: "I'm sorry. Oh, this is hysterical. It makes them sound totally wacko and off the wall. ... I can't believe President Bush would agree with that paragraph. I know Barbara Bush wouldn't." Bush-Quayle spokesperson Tony Mitchell: "Because someone is supportive of the president does not mean that the campaign is associated with, or stands behind every statement that that person may utter" (Schneider, Norfolk VIRGINIAN-PILOT, 8/27). The campaign "used the occasion to launch a national effort to draw female voters and to continue its battle with the GOP over family values." '72 pres. candidate Shirley Chisholm and ex-VT Gov. Madeleine Kunin announced the formation of the Nat'l Women's Advisory Cmte for Clinton-Gore, dubbed, "One Woman, One Vote." The project is "designed to increase the involvement of women in the campaign." The effort will be led by a 75-member nat'l steering cmte, with separate

cmtes in each state. Kunin, who served on Clinton's VP search cmte, will serve as the national chair. Chisholm, Rep. Patsy Mink (D-HI) and S.F. Bank VP Ada Alvares will serve as co-chairs.

ONWARD HO: Clinton and Gore later spoke to about 6,000 people in Memphis along the river that separates their home states. Tipper and Hillary spoke first, "mocking the [GOP's] strategy of focusing their campaign rhetoric on 'family values.'" Gore and Clinton also took up the theme," with Gore criticizing Bush for vetoing the family leave bill (Waters, Memphis COMMERCIAL APPEAL, 8/27). Clinton: "Ten million Americans in this country have family values but no jobs" (CHATTANOOGA TIMES, 8/27). The group appeared later at the Grand Ole Opry, before "a packed house of more than 5,000 sign-carrying Tennesseans," where they "assailed" Bush's economic policies. After the hourlong appearance on the colorful Grand Ole Opry stage, the candidates and their wives clasped hands" with Albert Gore, Sr., his wife, Pauline, Gov. Ned McWherter and DNC chair Ron Brown to sing "God Bless America." More than 1,000 people stood outside the hall that was filled to capacity (Waters, COMMERCIAL APPEAL, 8/27).

"NASHVILLE NOW": Prior to the Opry, the Clintons and Gores appeared on TNN's "Nashville Now" with host Ralph Emory. Clinton on what he is most often asked about: "People are more concerned about jobs and income. ... And even more troubling to me, is that more than 2/3's of the people in this country ... are working harder for less money than they were making 10 years ago." Gore on the enviro: "Some of the people who pose this false choice between jobs and the environment don't realize that Japan and Germany are both saying to everybody who'll listen that the biggest new market in the history of world business is the market for the new, more efficient products and processes that make it possible to have progress without environmental destruction. That's what the market-place is wanting and we can drag our feet and pretend that we ought to protect the old, inefficient, polluting ways of the past, but if we do that, we'd just better be prepared for the fact that, once again, our competition overseas is going to move out more rapidly." The Clintons then, at the bequest of Emory, called the Hogs: "Whooooooooooo, Pig. Sooie!" In answering their questions, all received enthusiastic applause from the audience ("Nashville Now," TNN, 8/26).

*3 BUSH: CAMPAIGN BACKING OFF FAMILY VALUES POLARIZATION?

The GOP convention "has generated a backlash instead of giving ... Bush the momentum he counted on, according to strategists in both parties" (Farrell/Kranish, BOSTON GLOBE). Bush strategist Charles Black said he is "concerned" criticism of Hillary Clinton may have backfired, and "the Bush campaign would no longer attack her." Black on RNC chair Rich Bond's Hillary-bashing: "You didn't hear him say that again." GOP pollster Richard Wirthlin: "If you overplay values, you get backlash. In most cases, values can be communicated more effectively by symbol, through anecdote ... they have little political worth unless they are rooted in something that is concrete: policy or the attributes of an administration." Bush-Quayle officials called the family values strategy "a calculated risk ... the fiery rhetoric was designed to shoo [conservative] faithful back into the pack" (8/27). This latest GOP action "again illustrat[es] the sensitive and complex nature of the 'family values' issue" (Shogan, L.A. TIMES, 8/27). "Leading conservatives [are] warning ... attacks on cultural and moral themes could be politically damaging unless they are more carefully honed." GOP

strategist Wm Bennett: "We shouldn't go at this thing as if it were the forces of light against the forces of darkness ... Where lines are to be drawn, draw them. Be clear, be unambiguous, but don't be snide." Bennett on Clinton as moderate: "The differences are less pronounced with the DLC wing of the party. That's just factually true." Clinton strategist Samuel Popkin: "The McGovern Democrats have grown up, had families, and have learned to deal with the trade-offs. The Republicans are portraying everything in absolutes." Bush "apparently senses the electorate's drift, and he was the soul of moderation toward Clinton" 8/26, praising the AR anti-flag-burning law: "I don't think one side is more patriotic than the other" (Dionne, W. POST, 8/27). Republicans "are now trying to change the subject -- or at least the tone of the discussion." Anonymous WH official: "I don't think it's a fundamental backing off, but maybe a cooling down." SC Sen. candidate/ex-Rep. Tommy Hartnett (R): "Some of us are getting pretty sick of this family values. It was supposed to take a night at the convention. It's important, but so are other things" (Kelly, N.Y. TIMES, 8/27). In CA for an Asian-American GOP rally, Barbara Bush said she "does not approve of personal political attacks on Hillary Clinton, but believes comment on her may be fair if Democrats enlarge her profile in the campaign": "If she says a vote for Bill is a vote for me, and he says she could be in the Cabinet or something, or it's a partnership for the price of one, than maybe that's different" (Raine, S.F. EXAMINER, 8/27). NEWHOUSE's Benson: "By attacking Hillary ... the Republicans have liberated her to play a more aggressive role" (8/27).

QUAYLES WEIGH IN: Dan & Marilyn Quayle, in a taped interview to be aired on ABC's "PrimeTime Live" tonight, were asked if they "feel any sympathy" for Hillary. Dan: "I do. I'm sure some of it is unfair ... I've got a lot of empathy for her." Marilyn: "You make a choice when you get into politics ... An adult that gets into national politics knows what's going to happen ... I feel sorry for her daughter." Asked if GOPers are "paying her a compliment when they bash her," Marilyn: "Absolutely, because they're talking about what she's done professionally -- and that's wonderful ... She's equal with all the other advisers [and] they've analyzed other people that other people that are advising Mr. Clinton ... They're doing it right now with Jim Baker" (8/27).

MORE NEWT ON WOODY: Charles Black on House Min. Whip Newt Gingrich's Woody Allen-bashing: "We don't approve of those remarks, and that has been conveyed to him." But Gingrich "denied that he had heard from ... the Bush campaign": "I am independently elected. I am not on the campaign staff" (L.A. TIMES, 8/27). Gingrich, campaigning for GOP candidates in NC, "dutifully flew across [NC] snarling at Democrats" (Christensen, Raleigh NEWS & OBSERVER). He again blasted Clinton for the MTV inhale remark, and made no apologies for his Woody Allen comments, noting Quayle's Murphy Brown remark was hit for using a fictitious character, he "was simply using a real example": "I said fine, let's find a non-homosexual example of an alternative lifestyle that is different from what we mean by a family. The most famous example of that was Woody Allen. I didn't think it was a big deal" (8/27).

SURROGATE STUFF: Bush "suggested the personal tone of the campaign was attributable to a handful of 'hot shooters' on both sides -- a term he apparently coined on the spot and uttered with airy dismissal" (Kelly, N.Y. TIMES, 8/27). He also "zinged" NY

Gov. Mario Cuomo (D) "for comparing the GOP to the Nazis -- but sounded glad to have Cuomo's blast as a justification for harsh GOP attacks on Bill Clinton": "Gov. Cuomo equated us with Nazis ... we're in a funny year, when people can say those things" (N.Y. POST, 8/27). DALLAS MORNING NEWS header: "Bush takes issue with Cuomo charge" (8/27).

OP-ED FREE-FOR-ALL: George Will blasts recent GOP criticism of Clinton/Dem values, particularly Hillary-bashing, and Gingrich on Woody Allen and Clinton's MTV "should have inhaled" remark: "Gingrich calls Clinton's remark 'the single most destructive action by a politician in my lifetime.' Gingrich's lifetime began in 1943. Make your own list of the evils Gingrich considers less significant." Will compares the "fury felt by honorable conservatives" today to the McCarthy era. "Serious people flinch from being associated with the intellectual slum that is the Bush campaign, with its riffraff of liars and aspiring ayatollahs" (W. POST, 8/26). PHILA. INQUIRER editorial covers much of the same ground under subhead: "Rather than making a good case for himself, Bush again seeks to demolish an opponent" (8/27). Balto. SUN's Lippman lightly observes the Allen-Farrow relationship thrived during the Carter years, and soured during the Reagan-Bush era (8/27). Columnist Martin Schram chastises GOPers for Houston criticism of Clinton's draft record, comparing the record to that of Bush's "first rate, perhaps unsurpassed" Sec/Defense Dick Cheney, who "never served a day in the military" (NEWSDAY, 8/27).

*4 AMID DEBATES OF BIASED MEDIA, CHANCELLOR RIPS GOP ON WOMEN

Both CNN's "Crossfire" and CNBC's "The Real Story" featured debates on media treatment of the candidates. Media Research Center's Brent Bozell: "How many stories did [ABC] devote to Gennifer Flowers? -- Three." ABC's Donaldson: "We slammed Clinton from hell to high-water. ... We gave him the worst press of any [Dem] nominee" ("Crossfire," 8/26). Media Research Center's Tim Graham said at the Dem convention, Clinton and Gore were "never called 'liberal' once" and neither was the Dem platform; at the GOP convention Buchanan "got a lot more crap from the media" than Reagan. F.A.I.R.'s Jeff Cohen said the GOP platform contains a "McCarthyist charge" against the media, and that the reporting of the Dem convention missed Clinton's "pandering" to big money special interests ("Real Story," 8/26).

NBC's JOHN CHANCELLOR seemed far from deterred in his commentary: "Until yesterday, I thought Jesse Jackson had said the craziest thing this year when he compared Dan Quayle of the [WH] to King Herod of the Bible. Then I saw the [AP] story on Pat Robertson and the [ERA]. Robertson said the ERA, quote 'is about a socialist, anti-family political movement that encourages women to leave their husbands, kill their children, practice witchcraft, destroy capitalism and become lesbians.' Well, Robertson is a prominent Republican, a featured speaker at last week's [GOP] convention and, he ties the ERA to witchcraft and infanticide? [GOP] strategists must be aghast. What is curious this year is that the Republicans are taking so many stands that make women angry. [Bush] argues for families with fathers and mothers, but only one household in four with young children now includes both mom and dad. How do millions of single mothers feel about the president's stand. The Republicans imply that some women work because they find family life oppressive. More than 50 million people do work and millions have to because their families need the money. They're not rebels who find family life

oppressive. On abortion the Republicans have taken the hardest possible line against a woman's right to choose. How does that go down with the 55 million women of child-bearing and voting age? Barry Goldwater says the Republicans will lose the presidency on the abortion issue. Women outnumber men and more are registered to vote than men. The Republicans are taking a huge risk treating women this way" (8/26).

*5 BUSH AND THE ECONOMY: NOT SWEATIN' THE DETAILS

At a WH press conference, Bush refused to "get all bogged down" in details of his proposed "across the board" tax and spending cuts. Bush "said his goal remains to 'make sure people know the fundamental difference'" between him and Clinton. Bush added he believed the "philosophy of what he has promised was more important than 'the details of it.'" But a senior Bush aide acknowledged "some GOP advisers had become uneasy about the lack of specificity. ... One senior official, insisting on anonymity, outlined a detailed plan that he said would allow Bush to call for a 1% across-the-board tax cut without calling for spending reductions beyond those he had already proposed. But the official indicated that no decision has been made to release that plan in a formal manner" (Jehl, L.A. TIMES, 8/27). "History suggests that making sweeping promises without offering details may be smart strategy. But some analysts say that in 1992, using that tactic may seriously misjudge the public's mood" (Cannon, KNIGHT-RIDDER/PHILA. INQUIRER, 8/27).

FOLLOW THE BOUNCING DOLLAR: BOSTON GLOBE's Oliphant: "It is disquieting enough that a bothersome drop in the ... dollar's value turned overnight into a free fall the day after the president's substantively incoherent acceptance speech. What was more disquieting, even outrageous, was Bush's lack of concern and the absence of a serious response. ... There is a spreading consensus among even Republican-oriented financial market participants who have concluded from the latest example of Bush's financial and monetary irresponsibility that there is no way Clinton could be worse and that Bush does not deserve to be taken seriously" (8/26). Calling the financial markets the "most efficient and rational form of referendum yet invented by man," NEWSDAY's Reno: "it is entirely fair to say that the markets found nothing in Bush's performance, or in his program ... on which to justify a bounce in investor confidence" (8/26). NYC financier Felix Rohatyn: "I'm frightened. If the dollar goes into a free-fall, [Fed Chair Alan] Greenspan will have to raise interest rates, because if the dollar goes down, stock and bond prices will go down, too, and we may have another October 1987 [market crash]." W. POST's Rowen, noting a depressed dollar ups the price of imports and will boost exports, the one positive element in the U.S. economy over the past few years, sees this "cynical" WH attitude toward U.S. allies: "Forget it -- this is an election year" (8/27). C.S. MONITOR editorial, noting "stringent" money supply policies from the Fed, states Greenspan "would deserve the blame or credit" as much as Clinton should Bush lose (8/27). USA TODAY's Memmott writes Hurricane Andrew, which could trim up to .5% from gross domestic product this quarter, could be "bad news for ... Bush's re-election" (8/27). Senate GOP Policy Cmte chief economist Joe Cobb sees the dollar drop as a result of "uneasiness" over a possible Clinton presidency (C.S. MONITOR, 8/27).

*6 BUSH: STANDING TALL AFTER THE STORM

"Before storm trackers knew where Hurricane Andrew would hit [LA] ... the White House carved room in President Bush's schedule for a quick damage-assessment trip." Yesterday's trip there and an earlier appearance in FL "are both a measure of Bush's concern for Hurricane victims and of his recognition it would be politically imprudent not to demonstrate compassion." While he signed "disaster proclamations and announced federal aid, Bush also, was demonstrating the power of an incumbent president" (Keen, USA TODAY, 8/27). Bush's "rapid response was in sharp contrast to what critics called a slow-footed action" by the administration when Hurricane Hugo hit the Carolinas. Bush also named Sec/Trans. Andrew Card to head a "task force overseeing the recovery" (Connell, AP/PHILA. INQUIRER, 8/27). Bush, standing in a light rain in LA: "It shows that I care." Gov. Edwin Edwards (D-LA): "We could not ask for better and more compassionate treatment." Bush and the "20-vehicle motorcade" viewed among other damage, "acres of sugar cane leveled by the ferocious winds, and a service station with a metal canopy in shreds" (Bedard, W. TIMES, 8/27). Clinton said he also spoke with Edwards to express "my sympathies to him and my support for him" and other LA residents: "I told him if there were any long-term possibilities to be dealt with with Hurricane Andrew, if I win this election, I will certainly deal with them in an expedited fashion" (ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE, 8/27).

MORE ON THE BALKANS: BOSTON GLOBE's Ryan calls State Dept. Yugoslav affairs specialist George Kenney's resignation "an act of conscience that is rare in American public life. ... Kenney's resignation may free Bush administration policy from the shroud of cowardice and intellectual dishonesty that wraps it at the top." According to Kenney, the admin. is unwilling to apply pressure on the Serbs "because it fears public blame if it did not succeed." Bush policy makers show "feigned confusion about the supposedly awesome complexities of the of the Balkans. They say the region is awash in ancient animosities that cannot be dealt with without risking a US slide onto a Vietnam-like quagmire. That theme distracts attention from their flip-flops on the desirability of military intervention." But Ryan writes, "The process [of Serbian aggression in Bosnia] has been a clear rerun as this generation is likely to see of the tactics Hitler used in the Sudetenland, which suggests what the administration is tacitly endorsing through inaction" (8/27). Russian chess champ Garry Kasparov writes Bush "shows that the usual conventional support for 'U.N. policy' means more to him than saving tens of thousands of lives, more than the achievement of a real world position against aggression" (W.S. JOURNAL, 8/27).

GIVIN' HIM HELL: Margaret Truman, daughter of Harry Truman, in a W. POST op-ed: "Personally, I have always found President Bush to be a friendly, pleasant man, invariably courteous to me. I never suspected that behind this Ivy League facade there was a political plagiarist ... It would not surprise Harry Truman. The Republicans are just lucky that he's no longer around to shoot back. I don't think they would dare try to entice him or kidnap him or steal his best lines if he was still with us" (8/27). ABC's Cokie Roberts, in a N.Y. TIMES op-ed: "Bush's campaign against Congress is risky. ... Bush may find himself wishing he had not said some of the things he's saying today" (8/27).

TOUCHBACK? Bush said he wasn't ready to agree to a package of three debates with Clinton: "I was going to see whether to punt that ball into Jim Baker's end zone" (N.Y. POST, 8/27).

*7 IRAN CONTRA RETRIAL SET 15 DAYS BEFORE ELECTION, BY GEORGE

Yesterday's hung-jury in the perjury trial of CIA's Clair George immediately produced a request for a re-trial by the office of Special Prosecutor Lawrence Walsh, and the judge's decision to set the date on October 19th. The jury foreman said that throughout its deliberations a majority of the jury wanted acquittal on all counts -- and that two jurors consistently voted guilty on all counts (mult., 8/27). N.Y. TIMES editorial supports retrial (8/27). W.S. JOURNAL editorial calls on dismissal of Walsh and, barring that, a pardon for Clair George: "Politics is hardball, but this is political retribution making a mockery of traditional norms of justice" (8/27).

===== THE TOP TEN =====

*8 HOTLINE ELECTORAL SCOREBOARD: LIFE BEHIND THE BOUNCE

The Scoreboard is The HOTLINE's weekly compilation of all known trial heat data from state polling. Polls listed go back only as far as the Dem Convention. The number of electors is listed after each state. The symbol (++) indicates lead beyond the margin of error; (+) indicates a lead within the margin.

NOTE: Only 5 states reflect polling after the GOP convention.

STATE	BUSH	CLINTON	POLLSTER/DATE/MARGIN OF ERROR
AL (9)	43	+46	Mason-Dixon, 8/3-5, +/-3.5%
AK (3)	32	++42	Dittman Research, 7/17-8/3, +/-3%
AZ (8)	37	++50	Behavior Research Cntr, 7/11-15, +/-4%
CA (54)	28	++62	Field Poll, 7/22-25, +/-4.5%
CO (8)	26	++48	News9/Ciruli Assoc, 8-3/5, +/-4.1%
CT (8)	30	++51	Quinnipiac Coll, 8/3-7, +/-4.5%
DE (3)	30	++51	Rep. Carper (D), 7/19-23, +/-4.2%
HI (4)	27	++54	HON. ADVERTISER/SMS, 7/22-23, +/-4%
IL (22)	31	++40	McKeon & Assoc. (D), 7/28-30, +/-4%
KY (8)	35	++57	M.C. Squared Cnslting, 8/8-17, +/-2.5%
MA (12)	31	++59	Opinion Dynamics, 8/15-17, +/-4.4%
MI (18)	27	++42	Public Sector Consult., 8/7-9, +/-5%
MN (10)	31	++60	Mpls STAR-TRIBUNE, 7/19-21, +/-4%
MS (7)	32	+42	MS Prs Assn/SoOpinRsch, 7/29-8/3, +/-5%
MO (11)	23	++50	S.L. POST-DISPATCH, 7/27-30, +/-3.6%
MT (3)	37	++49	PMR, 8/4-6, +/- 3.5%
NE (5)	38	+44	PMR, 7/31-8/2, +/-3.5%
NV (4)	34	++56	Maslin (D), 7/26-27, +/-4.5%
NJ (15)	35	+44	ASBURY PARK PRESS, 8/21-22, +/-3.8%
NM (5)	42	+44	KOAT-TV, 8/22-23, +/-3.4%
NY (33)	27	++55	Zogby Group, 8/17-24, +/-3.4%
NC (14)	44	+48	Mason-Dixon, 8/21-23, +/- 3.5%
ND (3)	35	+39	UND/GRAND FORKS HERALD, 7/26, +/-4%
OH (21)	33	++44	Cleve. PLAIN DEALER, 8/9-12, +/-3%
OK (8)	41	+44	Mason-Dixon, 8/14-16, +/-3.5%
OR (7)	32	++51	Opinion Dynamics, 8/12-14, +/-4.4%
PA (23)	32	++60	HOTLINE sources (D), 8/10-13, +/-3.5
SC (8)	36	+42	SC Prs Assn/So.OpinRsch, 7/25-28, +/-6%
SD (3)	37	+46	SD Dems, 7/30-8/4, +/-5%
TX (32)	+45	44	Mason-Dixon, 8/21-24, +/-3.5%
UT (5)	+43	37	DESERET NEWS, 7/27-28, +/-4%
VA (3)	37	+44	Mason-Dixon, 7/25-27, +/-3.5%
WA (11)	32	++56	Evns-McDngh/WA Dems, 7/20-21, +/-4.9%
WV (5)	31	++51	WV Prs Assn/So.OpinRsch, 8/4-9, +/-5%
WI (11)	31	++57	MIL. JOURNAL/PMR, 8/12-13, +/-3.5%
WY (3)	42	+48	Bennett-Petts (D), 7/26-27, +/-5%

ELECTORAL COLLEGE TOTALS: (270 electors needed to win).

	STATES	ELECTORS	OUTSIDE M/E	STATES	ELECTORS
Clinton	32	365	Clinton	22	287
Bush	2	37	Bush	0	0

*9 CALIFORNIA (54): PEROT ON BALLOT AS "CANDIDATE"

"In a move that could the shape of the state's fierce presidential battle," Perot's name was officially certified on the CA ballot, according to CA Sec/State March Fong Eu (D). She decided to add Perot's name after receiving "a letter yesterday from Perot stating that he is a candidate for president, even though he dropped out of the race July 16." From the letter: "Please be advised that in compliance with the wishes of the volunteers who submitted over 1 million signatures to achieve ballot access, I am a candidate and hereby request that my name be placed on the November 1992 California ballot." '88 Bush CA head Steve Merksamer: "I don't see it as basically hurting Clinton or Bush because most people are not going to want to waste their vote." CA Clinton-Gore spokesman Jay Ziegler: "We really don't see an impact to our campaign in this development. These Perot supporters are voters interested in changing the direction of Washington, and if the Perot campaign isn't a real campaign, they're not going to vote for him." Pollster Mervin Field: "The early signs are that Perot would hurt Clinton more than Bush ... But if Clinton is able to maintain his big margin, it is immaterial. If Perot gets 6 or 7 percent in a close election, it's going to have an impact on who's going to win. Given the fact that it is likely to be a protest vote and that the protest would be against Bush, Perot's presence would hurt Clinton more than Bush" (Yoachum, S.F. CHRONICLE, 8/27). CA Bush-Quayle Dir. Marty Wilson: "We're not particularly surprised. But from our perspective, when people have to make that decision they are not going to throw away their vote on an inactive candidate. Basically people are pretty much focused on the race between" Bush and Clinton (S.F. EXAMINER, 8/27). Ex-CA Perot spokesperson Jack Brodbeck said Perot "can jump back in any time ... If neither of the major parties address the issues, I think you'll see Perot back in the race ... And I don't think there's a chance in hell they want to address the issues" (Cheevers, L.A. TIMES, 8/27). NOTE: Members of the Perot-backing "United We Stand" group, "are trying to put together a forum" in San Jose on 9/12-13, hoping to attract both Clinton and Bush as well as Perot to speak." Bob Hayden, CA chair of United We Stand said neither Bush nor Clinton have agreed to attend adding that the event may be postponed several weeks (Witt, S.J. MERCURY NEWS, 8/27).

*10 NEW YORK (33): CLINTON LEADS ALL DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS

A poll conducted 8/17-24 by the Zogby Group for WROC, WIXT, WTNV and WIBX, surveyed 790 likely voters; margin of error +/- 3.5%.

	ALL	DEM	GOP	IND	MEN	WOM	UP- STATE	NYC SUBRB	NYC	WHT	BLK
Clinton	55%	75%	26%	46%	54%	53%	47%	46%	67%	50%	84%
Bush	27	13	53	23	28	27	30	33	22	31	3

*11 THE OTHER FORTY: OR, TN

OREGON (7): Bush campaign officials reportedly told OR congressional staffers that he "will use" an 8/31 stop in southern OR "an opportunity to showcase an unspecified announcement related to the Endangered Species Act." In an attempt "to highlight his support for timber workers," Bush is expected to visit a Medford timber Medford mill. Although it is "unclear what Bush's ... announcement will entail," Perry Atkinson, an OR delegate to the GOP convention, said it might announce an executive order relating to the ESA. However, GOP

insiders cautioned that "there is almost nothing a president can do unilaterally to change management or increase the number of jobs on federal forests." Sen. Bob Packwood (R-OR) manager Elaine Franklin: "I assume [the trip] is timber related, or otherwise, why would he be going into Medford?" (Manny, Medford MAIL TRIBUNE, 8/25).

TENNESSEE (11): Ex-Sen. Bill Brock (R), "part of the campaign organization" in TN, "isn't buying the conventional wisdom that Al Gore's presence" on the Dem ticket ensures a Clinton win in TN: "I don't believe in locks. People in this country vote on the issues and this race offers them two distinctly candidates ... Tennesseans will vote based on their own interests and what's best for the country, not on the fact that someone local is on one of the tickets." Brock said he and ex-Sen. Maj. Leader Howard Baker (R) are "convinced" Bush will carry TN. Brock: "The biggest issue is a Congress that is out of control, and the fear is that with Clinton it will be even worse." The Dems last won TN in '76. Bush carried the state with 58% in '88 (Bernsen, Memphis COMMERCIAL APPEAL, 8/27).

*12 CANDIDATE SCHEDULES

	8/27	8/28	8/29	8/30	8/31
CLINTON 501/399-3840 D. Seldin	SanAntnio Austin Waco TX	Corsicana Athens Tyler TX	AR	AR	
GORE 501/399-3840 K. McKiernan	SanAntnio Austin Waco TX	Corsicana Athens Tyler TX	AR	San Francisco CA	Las Vegas Los Angeles CA
BUSH 202/336-7099 T. Clarke	StLouisMO C'cinatti FindlayOH	DC	Knebnkppt ME	Knebnkppt ME	TBA
QUAYLE 202/456-7034 D. Beckwith	DC	GrndRpids Detroit MI	Willmsprt PA	DC	TBA

*13 IRAQ: BUSH, ALLIES DECLARE "NO-FLY" ZONE OVER IRAQ

Pres. Bush announced that beginning today at 10:15 (EDT), fighter jets from the U.S., Britain, France and Saudi Arabia would begin enforcing a "no-fly" zone in the area below the 32nd parallel in southern Iraq. The move is similar to a flying restriction above the 36th parallel, established last spring, which includes Kurd positions in northern Iraq. Bush: "We look forward to working with a new leadership in Baghdad, one that does not brutally suppress its own people and violate the most basic norms or humanity. Until that day, no one should doubt our readiness to respond decisively to Iraq's failure to respect the no-fly zone" (BOSTON GLOBE, 8/27). Iraq said officially it would not abide by the order, but Iraq's U.N. ambassador hinted they will not militarily challenge the zones, at least immediately. "Bush and other senior U.S. officials took pains to emphasize that the military operation -- which would at least protect Shiite rebels from Iraqi air strikes -- did not mark a dramatic policy reversal for an administration that made no attempt to aid the Shiites as Iraqi forces crushed their rebellion, which erupted at the end of the gulf war" (Sia, KNIGHT-RIDDER/PHILA. INQUIRER, 8/27). "Bush is pursuing an escalating policy that embraces the Muslim sect he stiff-armed only 17 months ago" (Sloyan, N.Y. NEWSDAY, 8/27). "Bush explicitly and somewhat angrily denied that politics motivated today's order which essentially was a reversal of a hands-off policy adopted at the end of the gulf war. ... Today's action may help Mr. Bush blunt Democratic assertions that he ended the gulf war prematurely and has been indecisive since then in dealing with [Saddam]" (Wines, N.Y. TIMES, 8/27). Sec/Defense Dick Cheney: "Saddam Hussein had made a decision, perhaps because we are in the middle of a political campaign, that he wants to ratchet up the level of activity" (N.Y. NEWSDAY, 8/27). "The move poses significant risks for the Bush [admin.], which could find itself under pressure amid a U.S. election campaign to do more on behalf of the Shiites." The campaign "leaves [Bush] vulnerable to charges that any steps he takes toward a new military confrontation with Iraq are politically inspired. Although Bush said he does not 'think the other side'll try to put a political spin on this,' he did direct" national security adviser Brent Scowcroft to notify Clinton (Lancaster, W. POST, 8/27). The 2-minute phone call was his first such briefing from Scowcroft (Oman, ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE, 8/27). USA TODAY header: "Politics cast a shadow on no-fly zone in Iraq." Pres. writer Stephen Wayne: "Every day Saddam lives is a liability for Bush. It certainly looks like more than a coincidence that this should happen at the beginning of a presidential election when the president's leadership credentials are being questioned" (8/27).

CLINTON RESPONSE: Clinton called the move "an appropriate thing to do": "[Saddam] should understand clearly that even in this election year, we are united behind strong efforts to ensure his full compliance with all U.N. resolutions." But pressed by reporters to say where he differed from Bush, Clinton "said ... Bush might have eased the plight of the Shiites by ordering a 'slight lengthening of the war'" in '91 (Seib/Ricks, W.S. JOURNAL, 8/27). Gore joined Clinton at the press conference and "while also supporting the President's decision, was otherwise critical of Mr. Bush's handling of the gulf situation. He said

the surviving Iraqi forces should not have been permitted to move about in southern Iraq after the fighting ended": "It was an historic mistake" (Ayres, N.Y. TIMES, 8/27).

TV: ABC's Hume: "[Bush] might get some political credit if all of this led to Saddam Hussein's ouster, but nobody here is counting on that" (8/26). NBC's Cochran: "The people in the Bush camp who say he has no political motives in threatening Saddam, also say the Iraq card could be decisive in a close election. ... The most convincing argument that Bush's motives are pure comes from his aides who say, 'Are you kidding! This thing could blow-up in our faces'" (8/26). CBS' David Martin: "The not-so-hidden agenda is to whittle away at Saddam's authority until he knuckles under or goes away" (8/25). CNN's Shaw: "A glimpse of two sides of Bush today, the compassionate leader traveling to Louisiana today to survey the hurricane damage and offer comfort to its victims, the flip side an international statesman delivering an ultimatum to Hussein." ("Inside Politics," 8/26).

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*14 ARIZONA: IN YOUR HEART YOU KNOW HE'S EVAN

As expected, ex-Gov. Evan Mecham (R) announced his intention to run against Sen. John McCain (R). Mecham "shed claim to the GOP and plans to run as an independent -- Ross Perot style." Mecham will have ten days after the 9/8 primary to gain 10,555 signatures. "Many of Mecham's critics dismiss his candidacy," noting that he was forced from office in 88. But ARIZONA REPUBLIC's Willey writes, "Those people are wrong." 1) Mecham won a three-way race in '86, defeating a Dem and independent for governor. 2) He is the "consummate outsider ... Arizonans saw a lot of Mecham in Perot." 3) He can raise money, having already begun financing his Phoenix newspaper. 4) "tenacity." 5) The MLK Day issue. The ballot prop. "will draw King opponents to the polls. These people are more likely" to vote Mecham than for McCain or either Dem, all who support a King holiday. 6) "Mecham knows political adversity. Thrives on it, in fact" (8/27). Dems: activist Claire Sargent, retired Gen. Truman Spangrud.

*15 CONNECTICUT: BURNHAM COMPLETES 15-DAY STATE TREK

State Rep. Chris Burnham (R) ended his 15-day, 15-mile walk across CT, contrasting his "shoe leather and sweat equity" with millionaire businessman Brook Johnson's (R) "checkbook": "I've relied on my two feet. He's relied on his millions" (HARTFORD COURANT, 8/26). The walk, which ended at the NY border in Greenwich, took Burnham "from rural Enfield, through the inner cities of Hartford and Bridgeport" and across 46 communities (Baldor, CONNECTICUT POST, 8/26). Johnson spokesperson Mark Rivers "disputed" Burnham's portrayal of himself as the "cash-poor David going up against a deep-pocketed Goliath": "If anything, Brook Johnson is the 'David' in this campaign because Burnham got the party endorsement" (COURANT, 8/26). Rivers called Burnham's trek "a ploy to get free media because he has no money" (Stamford ADVOCATE, 8/26). Johnson, meanwhile, was set to unveil a 30-page "Blueprint for Economic Renaissance" and is preparing to mail 300,000 campaign leaflets to every GOP household in CT. He has also hired professional phone-bank operators to call every CT Goper (HARTFORD COURANT, 8/26).

*16 IDAHO: DEMS FILE FEC CLAIM AGAINST SYMMS LOAN TO KEMPThorNE

Boise Mayor Dirk Kempthorne (R) borrowed a computerized direct mail system from GOP Sens. Steve Symms and Larry Craig and ex-Sen. Jim McClure (R). The loan has not been recorded on FEC reports, though "federal election laws require candidates to disclose to the public all cash and in-kind donations and loans." The ID Dem Party has filed formal charges over the unreported donation, saying it is in addition to the \$2,000 limit Symms has already contributed. But Kempthorne manager Phil Reberger "says he doubts the [FEC] will rule the loan was illegal": "We assumed we were within bounds." Reberger described the computer system as "a lending library of sorts whose costs are shared by the Republicans who use it." Rep. Richard Stallings (D-02) called it "a rather cozy insider's deal" (Spokane SPOKESMAN-REVIEW, 8/21). In a statement to the IDAHO STATESMAN, Kempthorne "accused" Dems of "drumming up what the campaign called 'baseless and false' allegations to cloud his nationally televised speech" at the GOP convention (AP/Idaho Falls POST REGISTER, 8/20). Twin Falls TIMES-NEWS editorial: "It's time for Dirk Kempthorne's Senate

campaign to stand on its own feet." TIMES NEWS also criticizes Kempthorne aide Al Henderson, who "has continued to collect part of his salary as a member of the staffs of Symms and Sen. Larry Craig while working on the Kempthorne campaign part-time" (8/23).

***17 INDIANA: COATS HITS HOGSETT ON TERM LIMITS**

Sen. Dan Coats (R) began airing a 30-second ad 8/24 hammering Sec/State Joe Hogsett (D) for opposing term limits. Coats is shown sitting on a backyard patio with his wife, Marcia and 6-month-old grandson. TEXT: "Some people spend their entire lives in politics. Not me. I believe people should serve in government, they shouldn't make it a career. That's why I strongly support term limits. Limit the amount of time politicians can spend in office. My opponent? He opposes term limits. He says he has no other life outside of politics. Well, I do -- like my new grandson. And that's just one difference between us." Louisville COURIER-JOURNAL's Dieter confirms the line about Hogsett having "no other life outside of politics" is from a 11/90 interview (8/26). Hogsett "attempted to portray" Coats as "an ardent supporter" of the pending N. American free trade agreement, charging Coats "has failed to stand up for [IN's] interest." Coats "said he will not decide how he would vote on such an agreement until the final form reaches the Senate." In Indianapolis, Hogsett made his argument outside Thomson Consumer Electronics, which recently announced it will transfer 200 jobs from its Bloomington plan to Mexico (Howey/Ketzenberger, FT. WAYNE JOURNAL-GAZETTE, 8/26).

***18 NEW YORK: FERRARO LEAD WIDENS TO THIRTEEN**

A poll, conducted 8/17-24 by the Zogby Group for WROC, WIXT, WTNH and WIBX, surveyed 790 likely voters; margin of error +/- 3.4%. Dem subsample: 344 likely voters, +/- 5.4%. Tested: Ex-Rep. Geraldine Ferraro (D), AG Bob Abrams (D), NYC Controller Liz Holtzman (D), Rev. Al Sharpton (D) and Sen. Al D'Amato (R) (Zogby release, 8/26). Abrams' name will appear on the Liberal Party line in November. Primary 9/15

DEM PRIMARY			GENERAL ELECTION MATCHUPS			
	NOW	3/92	Ferraro	40%	D'Amato	36%
Ferraro	31%	29%	D'Amato	36	Abrams	35
Abrams	18	21				
Holtzman	12	11	D'Amato	38%	Ferraro (D)	34%
Sharpton	10	4	Holtzman	35	D'Amato (R)	30
					Abrams (L)	24

BACKLASH: N.Y. TIMES' Mitchell writes, "The political Year of the Woman took a decidedly unsisterly turn." Several "prominent" NY feminists accused Holtzman "of betraying the hope of the feminist movement that women in politics would behave differently, and with more principle, than men" in the wake of her new attack ads against Ferraro. Ex-Rep. Bella Abzug and Ms. magazine founder Letty Cottin Pogrebin released statements condemning Holtzman's "blistering" ad. Pogrebin: "Women are promising to do it differently and do it better. Liz Holtzman has betrayed that promise." Holtzman spokesperson Andrea Bernstein "dismissed" their comments, noting Abzug and Pogrebin were "known as supporters" of Ferraro (8/27). Gov. Mario Cuomo on Holtzman: "It's very sad to see our own candidate reduced to the kind of extreme negativism that has best characterized Republicans." NYC consultant David Garth: "In the long run,

this kind of thing will help D'Amato. ... If (Ferraro) loses because of these accusations I don't think I'd have any problem going for D'Amato. He may be small beer, but he delivers his six-pack every day" (Middletown TIMES-HERALD RECORD, 8/27). N.Y. POST editorial calls the "mob" charges "recycled" and offers some "warnings" to voters evaluating the issue: "Let's bear in mind the unhappy tendency to say just about anything of Italian-American candidates and the Mafia. ... Let's also remember who's running for the Senate: the candidate is Geraldine Ferraro. Not her husband ... son ... mother ... uncle ... cousin" (8/27).

***19 SOUTH DAKOTA: HAAR FACES DIFFICULTY OVER HEAD START**

Campaigning in Sioux Falls 8/24, teacher Charlene Haar (R) said there had been "some confusion over comments she made" at an earlier news conference about the Head Start program. Haar insisted she supports the program. Excerpts from a transcript of Haar, asked if she thinks government should not be involved in the program: "I think Head Start, uh, in some places, uh, the administration of it seems to be good and I think it is very important that children are prepared for school. Again, I would just as soon see government get out of it, [and] private organizations get in and take over." Haar "did not elaborate on what caused the confusion," but Sen. Tom Daschle (D) spokesperson Kinsella insisted the media did not misinterpret Haar's comments: "She said that the program ought to be abolished. ... I don't know how you can get much clearer than that" (AP, 8/25).

CRIME-TIME: Haar's "didn't get the kind of network [TV] exposure" she sought at the GOP convention. Her "brief speech seconding the nomination" of VP Dan Quayle was shown on C-SPAN at 11pm (ABERDEEN AMERICAN NEWS, 8/23).

CAMPAIGN KICKOFF: Daschle plans to formally kick-off his re-election campaign 9/7. Four to five dozen video taped messages from Daschle will be distributed to house parties honoring the event. "Haar has criticized Daschle for not holding to his statement that he won't start campaigning until Labor Day. Daschle spent the last week touring eastern SD and began airing his first two TV spots (AMERICAN NEWS, 8/23).

*20 HOUSE RACE BRIEFINGS

AZ 01: The loss of the CD's most conservative precincts, has given atty Sam Coppersmith (D) the "hopes" of breaking the GOP's 40-yr grip on the seat. Coppersmith hopes to win over the moderate GOPers that remain. And "should an anti-abortion Republican win the GOP primary, party officials think that Coppersmith, who favors abortion rights, can take the seat" in November. Coppersmith is a former dir. of Central and Northern AZ Planned Parenthood. He faces teacher Dave Sanson in the 9/8 Dem primary (Foster, ARIZONA REPUBLIC, 8/25). Primary 9/8.

AZ 06: Neil Bush was in Phoenix 8/24 to raise funds for the AZ GOP and visit ex-WH aide Doug Wead (R). Bush spoke at a \$75-a-plate Wead fundraiser (ARIZONA REPUBLIC, 8/26). Primary 9/8.

CA 06: Two editorials call for staffers for Assemblyman Bill Filante (R), stricken with a brain tumor, to reveal full details of his condition. Santa Rosa PRESS DEMOCRAT: "Filante must level with people about his health. As uncomfortable as the subject may be, the voters have an absolute right to know about his capacity to represent them -- to devote his time and energy to serving them -- for the next two years. ... Continuing obfuscations would be dishonest -- and ultimately impractical" (8/26). Marin INDEPENDENT JOURNAL: "Is he being treated for cancer? Will he be able to campaign against his Democratic opponent, Lynn Woolsey? Can he serve in Congress if he's elected? ... If Filante is unable or unwilling to answer the questions, the [GOP] should. Now is not the time for party strategy. ... Tell us, we have a right to know" (8/21).

KY 04: '90 Gov. candidate/Dr. Floyd Poore (D) "offered a health-care reform package [8/24] that he hopes will be the centerpiece of his campaign." Rep. Jim Bunning (R-04) "said the plan would cost too much money and too many jobs, but Poore said his plan would cut 25 percent from the nation's annual health-care bill of more than \$800 billion." Poore calls for a "play or pay" system and supports the extension of Medicaid benefits to the unemployed and "any remaining uninsured, such as part-time workers" (Cross, Louisville COURIER-JOURNAL, 8/25).

MA 06: Banner BOSTON HERALD header: "Indictment Sought Against Mavroules." Federal prosecutors "are expected to ask a grand jury today to indict" Rep. Nick Mavroules (D) "on a battery of corruption charges dating back to his tenure as mayor of Peabody." Mavroules' indictment may include charges of "racketeering, bribery and tax evasion" (Armstrong/Murphy, 8/27). "Taking aim" at Mavroules' "proudest political boast -- that he has been a champion for jobs in his district" -- state Rep. Barbara Hildt (D) "released statistics showing that the [CD] has lost 13,400 jobs since he was reelected in 1990, and unemployment is higher than the state average." Hildt released the statistics, corroborated by the MA Employment and Training Dept., one day after Mavroules "challenged his opponents ... to 'start taking my record apart'" (BOSTON GLOBE, 8/26). Beverly City Dem chair Eric Elbot (D) suggested he might throw his support behind Mavroules should the congressman be cleared of wrongdoing (Aucoin, BOSTON GLOBE, 8/26). GOP: Ex-MA GOP exec. dir. Sandy Tennant and ex-state Rep. Peter Torkildsen. Primary 9/15.

MO 06: A KQTV/Channel 2 poll, conducted 8/17-19 by Greene Marketing, surveyed 418 likely voters; estimated margin of error +/-5%. Tested: Rep. Tom Coleman (R-06) and Pat Danner (D)

(Danner release, 8/25).

Danner	31%
Coleman	21
DK/refused	43

OH 06: Rep. Clarence Miller (R-10) withdrew his legal challenge to the nomination of Rep. Bob McEwen (R-06). Miller had lost by 286 votes in the 6/2 primary, but poll workers in McEwen's home county "had difficulty with automatic counting machines and completed the count by reconstructing many ballots that had become soiled or torn in the counter." Miller filed suit last month in OH Supreme Court "contending that the reconstructed ballots were not produced in accordance the election regulations and were handled in a manner that prevented verifying the accuracy of the vote. He asked the court to throw out the ballots and either declare him the winner or order a new election." McEwen faces Ted Stickland (D) in the fall (COLUMBUS DISPATCH, 8/26).

OH 10: Businessman Martin Hoke (R) "blasted" Rep. Mary Rose Oakar (D-20) "for mailing what he said was campaign literature at taxpayers expense." At a news conference in front of Cleveland's Main post office, Hoke said Oakar "spent \$114,724 in taxpayer money for free mailing last year and another \$28,000 so far this year." Hoke, who pledged to use the franking privilege "sparingly," said Oakar voted no in June on a key House Admin. Cmte resolution "that would have banned using the privilege for mass mailings outside" a Rep's CD. A report that Oakar sent out in July, which was addressed to residents of the old 20th, "consisted of seven articles about Oakar's activities: photos of Oakar with other lawmakers, constituents and actor Tom Cruise." The last page had a voter-registration form from OH Sec/State Bob Taft (Funk, Cleveland PLAIN DEALER, 8/26).

===== HOTSPOTS =====

*21 FLORIDA: PRIMARY IS A GO DESPITE ANDREW'S WRATH

The 9/1 primary "will be held as scheduled, despite pleas from Dade [Co.] elections officials and several candidates to postpone it until the county recovers from Hurricane Andrew." Gov. Lawton Chiles (D) said that "while he sympathized with those concerns, he was persuaded by his legal advisers that he lacked the authority to call off a statewide election." The 11/3 ballot contains a "proposed constitutional amendment that would empower him to do just that in an emergency." Dade Co. elections supervisor David Leahy "argued in vain that as many as 200 polling places in South Dade had been either destroyed or so severely damaged that new sites would have to be found." Consultant Phil Hammersmith and others said the decision was "offensive and risky": "The objective in life today is food and water and getting out of the heat." Hammersmith and others "said the results in some races could be so badly skewed by low turnout in South Dade that the state would be vulnerable to lawsuits seeking to invalidate the outcome" (Fiedler, MIAMI HERALD, 8/27). Chiles said "he would ask the National Guard to help set up temporary polling places to replace those damaged by the Hurricane." One of the biggest problems Dade Co. faces, besides getting out the vote, is making sure 4,000 poll workers show up to run the election" (Benedick, ORLANDO SENTINEL, 8/27).

*22 NORTH DAKOTA: BURDICK RELEASED FROM STEALTH HOSPITAL STAY

Sen. Quentin Burdick (D), 84, "was released from the hospital" 8/26 after undergoing tests "apparently related to heart pains he suffered last month." Burdick, "who has maintained that information about his health is private, has no plans to meet with reporters." Burdick spokesperson Jean Dugan: "So far Senator Burdick has not seen a need to have the kind of public meeting the press has been calling for. ... I suggested that he do so and he sees no reason to do so, and it's not his style to do so, especially if they want to talk about his health" (Springer/Cecil, FARGO FORUM, 8/27). Burdick, in a statement: "The doctors just want to do a few tests to see how I'm doing." Burdick was hospitalized for "about 12 days" 7/92 with chest pains but his staff "didn't acknowledge" the hospitalization "for several days" and his family "requested the hospital release no information" (GRAND FORKS HERALD, 8/26). From Burdick's statement: "I'm feeling fine and can't wait to get back to Washington in September" (Burdick release, 8/26).

*23 VIRGINIA: HEY, GET THE RAID

Gov. Doug Wilder, "questioned for about an hour yesterday," has "maintained his silence on a federal investigation into a listening device" found in his CoS J.T. Shropshire's office. Shropshire "initially believed the gear was part of an old electronic door-locking system, but contacted the federal prosecutor after telephone company technicians described the matchbox-sized object as a 'bugging device.'" The discovery of the equipment "came amid speculation about a possible diminished role for Shropshire" (Schapiro, RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH, 8/27). Shropshire found "the device when the tape holding it to the bottom of his desk came loose." The planting of the bug is "potentially a much more serious crime than the interception of a conversation on Wilder's cellular car phone" that has caused four

misdeemeanor convictions. This incident "could be a felony, punishable by up to 5 years in prison" and a \$250K fine. U.S. Atty Richard Cullen, who removed himself from the investigation of the cellular phone incident "to avoid political implications" since he has been "active" in GOP politics in the past: "This is a separate and distinct investigation being run out of Richmond." By notifying federal authorities, Shropshire "bypassed the two [VA] law enforcement agencies charged with security at the Statehouse, the Capitol police and the state police." There were "no immediate clues as to who might have planted the device." Federal officials "conceded that without a witness it could be difficult, if not impossible," to find out who planted the bug (Baker, W. POST, 8/27). Cullen "said there is no evidence linking the mechanism" to Sen. Charles Robb (D), but "several sources said former staffers to Mr. Robb warned people about talking to Mr. Shropshire on his private line" implicating "that the [CoS]'s telephone or office was under surveillance." The device "was designed to transmit sounds and voices" but was not tapped into the phone lines (Clardy, W. TIMES, 8/27).

===== CALIFORNIA CABLE =====

*24 BUDGET: SENATE GETS TOGETHER BEFORE DEADLINE

"Senate leaders are putting finishing touches on a new plan they hope will end [CA's] 58-day, \$10.7 billion fiscal crisis, allowing the Legislature to adopt a budget and adjourn for the year. Although the latest proposal has been negotiated without his input," Gov. Pete Wilson (R) "seemed agreeable to major elements -- particularly its education provisions. However, its fate in the Assembly, where warring Republican/Democrat factions have prevented any progress on the budget for nearly two months remained a big question mark." Under the plan, school funds would be cut by about \$1.4B -- about \$450M more than the Assembly and \$100M less than Wilson wants. Senate pres. David Roberti (D) and GOP leader Ken Maddy said they expect a vote 8/28, scheduled to be the last day of the year for the Leg. CA has been without a budget for FY '93, which began 7/1. The new Maddy-Roberti plan addresses the three major areas over which there is still disagreement -- state aid to local governments, schools and health and welfare cuts (Capps, S.F. EXAMINER, 8/27).

===== POLL UPDATE =====

*25 WASHINGTON POST: CLINTON 51%, BUSH 41%
714 registered voters, surveyed 8/21-25; margin of error +/-
4% (W. POST, 8/27).

8/25
BUSH 51%
CLINTON 41%

The POST's Dan Balz reports the Clinton camp believes that "while Bush made progress in rallying the Republican base during his convention, the heavy emphasis on family values and other conservative themes may have alienated swing voters, particularly those who are younger or live in the suburbs." DNC Political Director Paul Tully: "I think as they got themselves closer to 40 [percent], they got farther away from 50" (8/27).

*26 COMPARISON OF POST-CONVENTION POLLS

(All polls shown included surveys taken on 8/21 after the convention had ended -- or later. For details see HOTLINE database, 8/24-27)

SOURCE	NEWS WEEK	L.A. TIMES	WASH. POST	USA CNN	ABC	CBS NYT	WASH. POST
AUGUST DATES	21	20-21	20-21	22-23	21-23	23-24	21-25
MARGIN/ERROR	4%	3%	4%	4%	4.5%	4%	4%
CLINTON	53%	49%	49%	52%	48%	55%	51%
BUSH	39	41	40	42	42	39	41
CLINTON LEAD	14%	8%	9%	10%	6%	16%	10%

*27 THIS MORNING: ABC's "GMA hosted Nat'l Security adviser Brent Scowcroft on "no-fly" zone. NBC's "Today" hosted FL Gov. Lawton Chiles (D) and Baton Rouge Area Red Cross' Don Eisenberg on hurricane damage, and Iraqi amb. to European Common Market Zaid Haidar. "CBS This Morning" hosted FEMA assoc. dir. Grant Peterson on low interest damage loans, and Dr. Bob Arnot from Somalia on famine (8/27).

A.M. QUOTABLE: NBC's John Dancy: "Clinton talks a lot about bringing the country together, but that's if he's elected. Right now he's finding it convenient to exploit the generation gap for all it's worth" ("Today," NBC, 8/26).

LAST NIGHT: All nets led with Andrew. PBS' "M/L" focused on the "No Fly" zone with ex-Amb. to Saudi Arabia James Akins, Egyptian journalist Mohamad Hakki, George Mason U. prof. Adid Dawisha and Brookings' Thomas McNaugher. CNN's "Crossfire" hosted ABC's Sam Donaldson and Media Research Center's Brent Bozell on the media and politics. "Larry King Live" hosted Red Cross pres. Elizabeth Dole on Hurricane Andrew (8/26).

WISEGUYS: Jay Leno: "Bill Clinton spoke at the American Legion yesterday -- I guess Jane Fonda wasn't available." Comparing Bush to Columbus: "In a way he is like Christopher Columbus ... he doesn't know where he's going, he doesn't know what he's going to do once he gets there, and he's doing it on borrowed money." On presidential debates: "President Bush is upset that all three debates are going take place in the United States -- he feels this is giving the home field advantage to Clinton." ("Tonight," NBC, 8/26). Mark Russell's proposed title for Ross Perot's memoirs: "What I Did on My Summer Vacation" ("Comedy Special," PBS, 8/26).

DAVID LETTERMAN'S TOP TEN WAYS TO ANNOY A FLIGHT ATTENDANT:

10. Make loud propeller noises with your mouth for the duration of the flight.
9. Ask for blanket, run up and down aisle pretending to be a ghost.
8. Giggle uncontrollably each time she says "duty free."
7. Maintain emergency landing position for entire flight.
6. Date her for 12 years, put her in all your movies, then start dating her daughter.
5. Push call button. Ask for pancakes. Repeat.
4. Hypnotize seat mate into not returning seat tray to original full upright and locked position.
3. Ask whether salisbury steak can be used as a floatation device.
2. Fill air sickness bag with coleslaw. Throw at movie screen.
1. Keep calling her, "Mommy."

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"It's time for you to go."

-- ESPN's Tom Mees (borrowing Al Gore's cadence), interpreting A.L. umpire Larry Young's message to ejected Balto. Orioles' manager Johnny Oates, "Baseball Tonight," 8/26.

5 P.M. NEWS UPDATE

CAMPAIGN/QUAYLE (Susan Cornwell/Reuter) -- Vice President Quayle said Republicans will not back away from stressing family values in the campaign, brushing off suggestions it could backfire against him and President Bush. Speaking to reporters in his office, Quayle blamed the media for interpreting the emphasis on family values as an excuse for attacking Hillary Clinton or associating Democrats with support of homosexual rights or other positions supposedly outside the American mainstream. "I think that's you all making that up, that's not me or the President," Quayle said, adding that such attacks were not Bush's intention or his own. "I can tell you this (family values) is going to be a major issue in the campaign."

CAMPAIGN/MRS. CLINTON (Little Rock/AP) -- Hillary Clinton says Republican attacks against her are also "a hit on working mothers" in general. In an interview with the weekly newspaper Arkansas Times, Mrs. Clinton was asked if there was an element of sexism in GOP criticism of her. "I'm sure there is," she replied. "But I can't quite sort it out in my own mind. I view it as a hit on working mothers. I view it as kind of an attack on what's happening in the lives of most Americans today, as we balance families and work responsibilities."

CAMPAIGN/MOSBACHER (Cincinnati/AP) -- Robert Mosbacher has moved to the RNC to raise funds for the party, it was announced. Mosbacher's move was the first major shift since James Baker took over as chief of staff. A news release distributed by the Bush campaign here put a rosy spin on Mosbacher's move. "After reviewing the overwhelming crucial need for funds to ensure our Republican victory in November, President Bush has again turned to his trusted friend, Bob Mosbacher, for assistance," the release said. It also said David Bates, a former White House official, would return to be a special assistant to Baker.

CAMPAIGN/LAKE (Little Rock/Reuter) -- Gov. Clinton's campaign accused James Lake of representing Japanese auto interests that cost U.S. jobs, but Lake heatedly denied trying to take away American jobs. "In a highly unusual arrangement, Lake represents foreign clients while he serves on the President's campaign," said George Stephanopolous. "George Bush's do-nothing economic policy has cost 65,000 jobs in the American auto-parts industry -- and now one of his top campaign staffers is getting paid to make it worse," Stephanopolous said in a statement. But Lake vehemently denied the charges in a Reuter interview.

CAMPAIGN/POLL (AP) -- Despite the prime-time pitch Republicans made at their convention, Americans remain more likely to prefer Democrats when it comes to the economy, education and their own futures, according to an AP poll. The poll, conducted Aug. 21-25, showed a narrowing gap between Democrats and the GOP since an AP poll after the Democratic convention. Overall, 31 percent said they would be better off in the future if Democrats won the White House, compared to 21 percent who said they'd do better with Republicans. The survey also showed Democrats ahead 13 to 19 points ahead when people were asked which party would better handle the economy and improve schools.

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HURRICANE ANDREW/FEDERAL AID (Miami/Reuter) -- A furious emergency services director in Florida blasted Washington for failing to act swiftly to help Dade County recover from Hurricane Andrew. "Where in the hell is the cavalry on this one?" asked Kate Hale, Emergency Operations director in Dade County. "President Bush was down here. I'd like him to follow up on the commitments they made," Hale said in an unusually emotional and desperate plea for help at a news conference. She added that federal officials keep saying they are "getting mobilized," but so far have delivered minimal assistance and failed to implement the federal catastrophic response plan.

(Miami/Reuter) -- Homeless south Florida families living in crowded emergency shelters bitterly complained that Washington was ignoring their plight as they clamored for biscuits, baby bottles and bedding. "The government is taking too long to help," said Grace Thomas, a secretary and the mother of four small daughters. "I need help for my kids. I want George Bush to know that I have nowhere to turn."

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5:00 P.M. WIRES

CLINTON PREDICTS WIN OF BIG PRIZE OF TEXAS

By John Abell

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Reuter - Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton brought his bus campaign tour to Texas Thursday, declaring he would prevail in the November election in the state President Bush calls his home.

Clinton, buoyed by a morning rally where he received support from Texas Gov. Ann Richards and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, also challenged the Republican ticket to campaign in his home state of Arkansas.

"I'd like to have them campaign in Arkansas so they can explain why our people have worked harder for less money in the last 10 years," the Arkansas governor told reporters.

"I want them to come all they want to because our folks have got it figured out and I think the people of Texas have got it figured out and I predict to you by election day we'll be able to prevail here."

Texas, which Bush claims as his home state by virtue of a hotel room he maintains in Dallas, is a large prize in the Nov. 3 election with 32 electoral votes, third behind only California and New York.

The Lone Star State traditionally votes Republican -- it went for Bush in 1988 even though Bentsen was the Democratic vice-presidential nominee -- but many here believe it is nearly a toss-up this year and polls gave Clinton a double-digit lead before last week's Republican convention.

But Richards -- she and Bentsen are the two most popular politicians in Texas -- was elected in an upset 1990 election and is one of Clinton's most solid supporters.

At the rally Richards, always a crowd pleaser, warmed up the thousands who turned out along the San Antonio River in the largely hispanic "La Vallita" section of San Antonio with new barbs directed at Bush.

Richards likened the president's economic plans to a turkey shoot, saying: "We're not going in front of his gun anymore."

The rally began after a humorous setback as a slow-moving passenger barge carrying Clinton, running mate Al Gore and honored guests for the short ride rammed a docked vessel along the narrow, winding San Antonio River, causing Tipper Gore to fall back into the arms of Bentsen.

Al Gore quickly pushed the barge free and it continued on its way, but not before the press corps traveling in front captured the scene with their cameras and Mrs. Gore hugged and kissed her husband and mouthed "Our hero."

The two-day bus tour, the fourth by the Democratic ticket, takes Clinton and Gore to San Antonio, Austin and Waco on Thursday and Corsicana, Athens and Tyler on Friday.

Clinton returns to Little Rock, Ark., Friday and hosts a major fund-raiser in his home state Saturday night.

The event, to benefit the Democratic National Committee, will bring to more than \$3.5 million in contributions from Arkansas, which has a population of fewer than 2.4 million, campaign officials have said.

"Saturday night's event will be the most successful

fund-raising event in Arkansas history," Mark Middleton said, "and on a pro-rata basis, it's the largest amount of money ever sent to a presidential campaign by any state."

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Real Estate Market Improvement Slows

WASHINGTON (AP) _ The pace of improvement in the nation's ailing real estate markets slowed between May and August, a government survey indicated Thursday.

A Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. index, based on a survey of 500 senior examiners and liquidation experts at federal banking agency offices across the country, showed conditions were improving in late July and early August.

But the composite index reading for both commercial and residential markets was 63, down from 72 in the last survey in May, an indication that the pace of improvement had slowed.

A reading of more than 50 indicates an improving market, while a reading of less than 50 shows deterioration.

The index for commercial markets was 53, down from 58 in May, while the index for residential properties was 69, down from 81 in the last survey.

By region, the index numbers were 46 for commercial properties and 61 for residential in the West; 49 for commercial and 68 for residential in the Northeast, 54 for commercial and 73 for residential in the Midwest and 61 for commercial and 75 for residential in the South.

The FDIC tracks real estate markets because loan losses on commercial real estate projects currently are the biggest cause of bank failures. The latest quarterly survey was taken in late July and early August.

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6:00 P.M. WIRES

CLINTON CAMP AND BUSH AIDE CLASH OVER JAPAN JOB

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Reuter - Democrat Bill Clinton's campaign on Thursday accused James Lake, an official of President Bush's re-election campaign, of representing Japanese auto interests that cost U.S. jobs, but Lake heatedly denied trying to take away American jobs.

"In a highly unusual arrangement, Lake represents foreign clients while he serves on the president's campaign," said Clinton communications director George Stephanopolous.

He said Lake gets \$10,000 a month to work for the Japanese Auto Parts Association "trying to figure out how it can take away market share from American firms and jobs from American workers."

"George Bush's do-nothing economic policy has cost 65,000 jobs in the American auto parts industry -- and now one of his top campaign staffers is getting paid to make it worse," said Stephanopoulos in a statement.

"James Lake is a walking conflict of interest," he said.

"How can President Bush seriously claim to represent the best interests of American firms and workers when his campaign is guided by someone who obviously has no such concern?" Stephanopoulos added.

But Lake, deputy campaign manager for the re-election effort of Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle, vehemently denied the charges in a Reuters interview.

He denied doing lobbying for that organization but acknowledged getting paid that much for "media counseling and advice."

"Mr. Stephanopolous' statement there is full of inaccuracies, flat-out lies and misunderstanding," Lake said.

He accused Stephanopoulos of being "engaged in a little partisan, bellicose outrage based on factual incorrectness." Lake said that the Japanese auto parts industry has made a \$500 million investment in the United States and has created some 95,000 jobs in the United States.

"So the claim that we're taking American jobs and exporting them to Japan is just flat wrong," Lake said, "He doesn't know what he is talking about."

The Stephanopoulos statement seemed designed to counter claims from the Bush camp that Clinton risks U.S. car jobs through environmental proposals to raise miles-per-gallon standards for cars, saying the plan could cost some 150,000 to 300,000 jobs in the car industry.

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BUSH BRANDS CLINTON "FEAR-MONGER"

By Laurence McQuillan

CINCINNATI, Reuter - President Bush Thursday branded Bill Clinton a fear-monger willing to alienate foreign investors to get elected, and he appealed to voters: "Please elect me to keep the integrity and honor of the White House."

Campaigning in Missouri and Ohio, Bush lashed out at the front-running Democratic nominee in jarring personal terms that managed to call both Clinton's economic proposals and his integrity into question.

The president ridiculed the Arkansas governor's plan to narrow the federal deficit by raising \$45 million through taxes on foreign investments in the United States. He also scoffed at his rival's reluctance to embrace the North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico and Canada.

"America cannot afford in a president doublespeak, doubletalk, doubletime," Bush said at a rally in Cincinnati, the second of three stops on his one-day campaign trip.

"Please elect me to keep the integrity and honor of the White House."

As Bush stumped for votes in this populous and strategically important state, the White House announced that Bush campaign general chairman Robert Mosbacher had resigned in order to take charge of Republican Party fund-raising.

The shift at the top occurred just four days after former Secretary of State James Baker took overall command of all Bush operations, both campaign and White House, by assuming duties as presidential chief of staff.

Bush's swipe at Clinton in Cincinnati and earlier in St. Louis came as polls suggested the "bounce" in public support he reaped from last week's Republican convention is now fading and Clinton has resumed solid leads of 10 to 15 points.

A Washington Post poll taken between Friday and Tuesday showed him leading 51-41 percent. A New York Times/CBS News Poll published Wednesday made it 51 to 36.

Bush opened his broadsides in St. Louis, where he said his rival's proposal to raise \$45 million with a tax on foreign investments in the United States plays on anti-foreign fears and "will literally destroy jobs, discourage investment." "And it threatens to start an economic war, just as markets the world over are opening up to American products," he said. "By attacking the bogeymen of foreign investors, Gov. Clinton hopes to exploit the darker impulses of this uncertain age -- fear of the future, fear of the unknown, fear of foreigners."

In a speech to several hundred workers at a plant that produces emergency equipment, Bush said Clinton was "the kind of guy who'll say anything, do anything, for political gain, but he should understand what's at stake here."

"And if he doesn't understand it, let me tell him: Those are American jobs he's playing politics with. Those are American workers he's putting at risk."

"The American people ... have never stooped to fear-mongers before and we must not now stoop to fear-mongers."

Bush was scheduled to make a stop in Findlay, Ohio, before returning to Washington. He spends the weekend at his vacation home in Maine before a campaign swing early next week.

Much of his re-election woes stem from the sluggish economy and there was more lackluster news Thursday.

Government figures showed economic growth slowed during the three-month period of April through June. The growth rate stood at only 1.4 percent compared with a 2.9 percent rate for the first three months of the year.

Campaign spokeswoman Torie Clarke sought to play down the new growth numbers, saying: "It's about what folks expected." In St. Louis, Bush also derided Clinton for not taking a stronger position in favor of the free trade pact.

Clinton has backed the agreement -- which was announced earlier this month but still must be approved by Congress -- but only if it does not cost American jobs or lower U.S. environmental and health standards.

"As a candidate you can be on both sides of every issue, but as a president you can't," Bush said in remarks at a warehouse of Public Safety Equipment, Inc., which sells products in 48 countries as well as the United States.

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CONFERENCE DEMANDS RETURN OF BOSNIAN TERRITORY SEIZED BY FORCE

By Patrick Worsnip

LONDON, Reuter - The world's major powers called on the warring factions in Bosnia Thursday to resume immediate, unconditional peace talks and demanded that the combatants return territory seized by force.

A statement agreed upon by more than 30 countries and organizations, including the ex-Yugoslav republics, also said the United Nations might have to set up a new peacekeeping force to maintain any cease-fire that came into effect.

The statement, hotly debated at a two-day Yugoslavia peace conference in London, called for a genuine and lasting end to the conflict throughout Bosnia, and -- in a phrase added to earlier drafts -- "return of territory taken by force."

The phrase was clearly aimed at the Serbs, who have seized up to 70 percent of the republic in five months of ethnic fighting, but could also be construed as referring to the Croats who have carved out areas for themselves.

It appeared to have been included in the statement as a concession to the majority Moslems, who have lost out heavily in the Bosnian civil war.

Earlier, Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic -- only an observer at the conference -- said he was prepared to return up to 20 percent of occupied territory.

The statement urged "all parties immediately and without preconditions to resume negotiations on future constitutional arrangements" in Bosnia.

The three Bosnian factions held talks earlier this year, but could not agree on the constitution, with the Moslems pressing for a single state and the Serbs demanding separate nation-states.

The statement, made available to journalists, said a U.N. peacekeeping force "may be created" by the Security Council to maintain a cease-fire, toning down previous drafts which implied it would be a necessity.

It also called for recognition of Bosnia by all former Yugoslav republics, respect for existing frontiers unless changed by mutual agreement, guarantees for minority rights and the right of return for people expelled from their homes.

It demanded an end to outside interference in Bosnia, the grouping of heavy weaponry under international control, demilitarization of major towns, establishment of refugee centers and provision of relief to all needy areas.

"As and when parties are ready to reach a settlement on the above basis, the international community will join with them in a major reconstruction program," it added.

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Yugoslav peace talks end with many promises, little action

By PATRICK MOSER

LONDON (UPI) — Serbian leaders ended the Yugoslav peace conference Thursday by pledging to end "ethnic cleansing," stop firing heavy artillery and close prisoner of war camps, but many delegates viewed the promises as hollow while the sound of mortar fire continues to reverberate in the streets of Sarajevo.

"They have signed up the standards by which they will be judged," British Prime Minister John Major told a news conference at the end of the two-day conference, which was co-hosted by Major and U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Ghali.

The parties representing the feuding Yugoslav ethnic groups agreed in a series of concluding decisions to an "early lifting of the sieges of towns and cities," pledged to close detention camps that have been likened to the Nazi concentration camps of World War II and vowed to end "ethnic cleansing."

A statement of principles endorsed by the parties rejects "all efforts to acquire territory and change borders by force" and calls for all sides to "contribute constructively to the suppression of violence throughout the area."

The groups also agreed to support U.N. efforts to deliver humanitarian relief to citizens in the war-torn areas, and to allow the posting of observers along the border between Serbia and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Radovan Karadzic, the leader of Bosnia's Serbian militias, said in a letter attached to the conference decisions that his forces would allow U.N. observers to supervise their artillery and would try "not to initiate fire from any of this heavy weaponry."

He also promised that the Serbian forces who seized control of 70 percent of Bosnia-Herzegovina and declared a separate state would undertake negotiations to "withdraw from a substantial portion of the territory now under the control of their forces."

Under what sources said was strong pressure by Germany, the parties agreed to call for "all possible legal action to bring to account those responsible for committing or ordering grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions" during the months of combat in the Balkans.

Many delegates viewed with skepticism the wide-ranging pledges coming from the conference. Using some of the harshest language to emerge from the conference, Austrian Foreign Minister Alois Mock charged that the Serbian promises came at a time "when there was the heaviest shelling for weeks in Sarajevo."

"I would not be surprised if in the long run military intervention became necessary," he said at a news conference.

"We all have a sense of impatience and frustration," said Canadian Foreign Minister Barbara McDougall. "The parties to the conflict still have to demonstrate their determination to follow through with the actions that obviously will speak louder than any words that are spoken here."

In Belgrade, Serbian extremist leader Vojislav Seselj — who is seen as being responsible for several "ethnic cleansing operations" — condemned the Serbian delegates for "giving in" to the West at the conference and threatened to attack any country that supports military intervention.

Most delegations stopped short of calling for military intervention but agreed to step up other forms of pressure against Serbia. U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani announced that the 14,000-strong United Nations Protection Force in Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina will be beefed up to give armed protection to

humanitarian convoys. He said the proposal would be put to the U.N. Security Council.

Several thousand additional blue beret U.N. troops were expected to be deployed.

Major gave Serbia a tough ultimatum, telling it to cooperate in the search for peace or become an international outcast, unable to trade with the rest of the world.

Ethnic Albanians from the Kosovo area of Serbia claimed the conference had failed to adequately address the threat of Serbian aggression in Kosovo which they said risked becoming the next flashpoint in former Yugoslavia.

About 40 high-level delegations participated in the conference, including the United States, the European Community, Russia, China, Japan, U.N. agencies and the Organization of Islamic Conference and the delegations from former Yugoslavia.

After the conference working groups will be established to continue the negotiation process under U.N. auspices in Geneva.

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PEROT TO BE LISTED ON CALIFORNIA BALLOT

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Reuter - Texas billionaire Ross Perot, who withdrew from the presidential race last month, will be listed on the ballot in California after submitting a letter certifying that he is still a candidate, officials said Thursday.

"In compliance with the wishes of the volunteers who submitted one million signatures to achieve ballot access, I am a candidate and hereby request that my name be placed on the November 1992 California," Perot said in a signed statement delivered Wednesday to the California Secretary of State.

Perot's letter fulfilled state requirements to formally confirm his candidacy by a Thursday deadline in order to keep his name on the Nov. 3 ballot as an independent candidate, said Melissa Warren, a spokeswoman for Secretary of State March Fong Eu.

Perot designated retired Vice Adm. James Stockdale, a former prisoner of war in Vietnam, as his vice presidential running mate.

Perot shocked and disappointed his legions of supporters nationwide on July 16 when he announced he was no longer in the running, but he said he wanted to remain on the ballot to give his supporters "leverage."

Perot volunteers in California had collected more than 1.4 million voter signatures -- over 10 times the number required -- to qualify him for the ballot.

But, after Perot dropped out of the race, Eu said state law required that his name be removed from the ballot unless he formally restated his candidacy.

"That's great," said Bob Hayden, state chairman of United We Stand, America, an organization of Perot supporters, after hearing that he had submitted the letter.

It was unclear, however, whether Perot intended to resume active campaigning in California, which casts one-fifth of the electoral votes needed to win the White House.

Perot had topped the polls in California before dropping out, and one recent survey showed that even as a non-candidate he could receive up to 8 percent of the vote.

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PALM BEACH, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 1992

o Thanks, Bill. I'm pleased to have this chance to speak to you about something very important. I know that even though the storm has passed, the situation is still urgent in South Florida.

o As you know, I came down to Florida Monday to make sure the Federal government is doing everything it can to get you through this tragedy.

o Let me tell you the actions we've taken so far. I immediately signed Governor Chiles' request for a disaster declaration making available the full span of Federal disaster assistance programs to residents, businesses, and governments.

o Yesterday, I asked my Transportation Secretary, Andy Card, to lead a Federal Task Force to work with state and local officials and provide any additional Federal assistance.

o Today, I spoke with Secretary Card. He is in Florida today with the head of FEMA, where they met with Governor Chiles and local officials. I also spoke with the Governor.

o On the basis of these reports, I am directing Federal troops immediately to help FEMA in providing additional emergency assistance. In particular, I have directed the Department of Defense to supply comprehensive assistance for the affected areas, including tents, food, water, electrical generators, portable sanitary facilities, and mobile field kitchens. I've

also directed the Department of Defense to supply whatever transportation is necessary, including aircraft and helicopters, to fulfill this mission.

o I know many Floridians are without food. So in addition, beginning tomorrow morning, we'll provide nearly 422,000 pounds of donated food for emergency programs in the hardest-hit areas. / We've got Washington and our regional center in Atlanta operating 24 hours a day to put our disaster relief programs in place. / We've moved in additional staff. Our Catastrophic Disaster Response Group is directing Federal agencies to work with state and local governments. / We've set up a joint State-Federal disaster field office. And we're working now to open Disaster Application Centers so those in need can apply for aid.

o Our disaster programs are making available several kinds of aid to those in need: Temporary Housing Assistance for those who've lost their homes. Grants to individuals and families for emergency needs such as clothing, transportation, or medical expenses. / Small Business loans for damaged or destroyed businesses -- and flood insurance.

o Let me be clear on one thing: There's no room for politics. This is about helping people. Governor Chiles and I are working hand-in-hand. But what we're doing is only a start. No one knows that more than you. / I've seen what's happening. People without blankets / without food or shelter. But I also saw something else. I saw businesses and neighbors / local

police and fire fighters / the Red Cross and all the other wonderful groups.

o The damage caused by this hurricane has created tragedy for millions of Florida and Louisiana residents. My heart goes out to all of you.

I'll stop here and Bill, I've got time for some questions.

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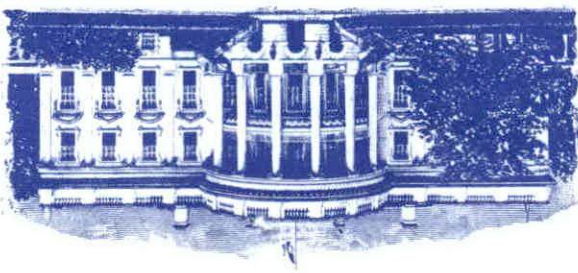
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THE WHITE HOUSE



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CO-CHAIR OF ~~TEAM 100~~ WITH

MAX FISHER.

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KUWAIT WELCOMES 'NO-FLY ZONE;'
SYRIA, JORDAN FEAR PARTITION

NICOSIA, Cyprus -- Iraq's neighbors were divided Wednesday on plans for a "no-fly zone" to protect Shiite Muslim rebels, marking a major break between the West and its Arab partners during the Persian Gulf War.

As expected, Kuwait favored the U.S.-led plan to ban Iraqi aircraft from southern Iraq, which includes the entire Iraq-Kuwait border. But most Arab governments expressed fear the creation of a protected area for Shiites would lead to Iraq's collapse into mini-states along ethnic and religious lines.

They also worried about another conflict in the region if Iraq defies the order -- bringing further suffering on Iraqis without necessarily toppling Saddam Hussein.

Enforcement of the "no-fly" order has been complicated by the refusal of some Arab nations to allow Western planes on their bases. Egypt and Syria were among those speaking out against the plan. "We shall not accept any step that might threaten Iraq's unity," said Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa of Syria.

"Egypt's stated policy is clear, it is against partitioning Iraq and supports the unity of its people," said Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa. "No one should touch or oppress the Iraqi people."

Egypt and Saudi Arabia are particularly alarmed by the possibility of a Shiite autonomous region that would be allied to Shiite Iran. Saudi Arabia fears an expansion of Iran's influence in the Middle East. Egypt, Algeria and other nations are facing a growing fundamentalist movement. (AP)

CLINTON BACKS BUSH ON 'NO-FLY ZONE'
BUT CRITICIZES PAST INACTION

MEMPHIS -- Bill Clinton voiced support Wednesday for the allied-imposed "no-fly zone" over southern Iraq but renewed his criticism that President Bush for months ignored the plight of Iraqi dissidents.

Clinton brushed aside a question suggesting that Bush had political motivations. "I don't want to politicize this at all," Clinton said.

Still, in response to questions, Clinton said Bush should have taken stronger action immediately after the Persian Gulf War. Clinton said the Bush Administration wanted "to have Saddam stay because the government was obviously worried about the breakup of Iraq."

Al Gore said: "President Bush and Vice President Quayle made a conscious decision at that time to allow an exemption to the cease-fire terms. It was an historic mistake." Clinton also said that Norman Schwarzkopf wanted to continue the war for another day or so to destroy several hundred tanks and weaken the Republican Guard forces most loyal to Saddam. (John King, AP)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: 8-27-92

FROM THE PRESIDENT

To: Phil Brady

Here's a wish list from
my friend Gov. Voinovich.
Please have the various
items staffed out
and let me know
what we tell the
Governor.



GEORGE V. VOINOVICH
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OHIO
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COLUMBUS 43266-0601

FEDERAL PRIORITIES -- STATE OF OHIO

The Ohio Army National Guard has submitted an application to the National Guard Bureau for stationing a **Patriot Missile Battalion** at Camp Perry. We are now one of five finalists competing to win this unit. Ohio has a great deal of experience in supporting modern air defense missions as evidenced by the strong record of the 2/174th HAWK Battalion. The State has the resources to crosstrain these units in a mutually supporting role in accordance with developing Air Defense doctrine. Counties surrounding Camp Perry could easily support the personnel requirements of the battalion and historically have provided strong support for the Guard and Reserve. Camp Perry is owned by the Ohio National Guard which allows cost effective utilization of existing federal training facilities. Winning approval for stationing this unit is particularly important to the State in light of devastating force structure reductions that Ohio is programmed to incur -- few states will be impacted as severely -- especially in the immediate area around Camp Perry. Because of the strengths of the proposal and the planned loss of Ohio National Guard force structure, Ohio requests the Administration's support for our proposal.

The Ohio State University has submitted an application to the Department of Education to host the **Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Science, Mathematics and Technology Education**. The University has applied for \$25 million over five years to establish and operate the clearinghouse. The clearinghouse will compile information on all mathematics and science programs, become a permanent repository, and disseminate information and instructional materials to the public. Ohio State is uniquely suited to host the clearinghouse due to its excellence in math, science, computers, and education programs. This education initiative is very important to Ohio, and Administration support is critical.

Previous Admin.

Governor Voinovich wrote to Secretary Sullivan earlier this month to request that interest penalties from failed federal audits of Ohio's child support enforcement program be waived. The failed audits in 1984 and 1989 resulted in penalties in excess of \$16 million, plus an additional estimated \$4 million in interest. This massive loss of federal funding obviously hinders Ohio's ability to undertake necessary improvements in our child support program. While we recognize that the Department of Human Services does not have the authority to waive the audit penalties, it is our understanding that it does have the authority to waive the interest on these penalties. Administration support for our request is crucial so that Ohio's resources can be targeted to the area of greatest need -- promoting the well-being of our children. We respectfully request that the interest paid as a result of the 1984 audit failure and any interest owed due to Ohio's appeal of the 1989 failure be waived.

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August 27, 1992

Chron file
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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
THROUGH: Mary Matalin
FROM: David Tell
SUBJECT: Clinton on General Schwarzkopf and Flag Burning

General Schwarzkopf

At a joint press conference in Memphis yesterday (Wednesday), Governor Clinton was asked about past suggestions he'd made "that Bush wanted to prop up Saddam after the war" -- and also asked "Do you have any evidence of that?" Clinton's responded as follows:

"Well, I think the evidence -- not so much to prop up Saddam, I said that he was willing to have Saddam stay because the government was obviously worried about the breakup of Iraq. That is, General Schwarzkopf, it's now a matter of record, urged that the fighting go on for another day and a half so that several hundred tanks could be destroyed, the Republican Guard could be weakened, the overthrow of Saddam by internal forces would be made more likely. And after that war, we did not move, as you know, until today aggressively to protect the Shi'ites in the south, and we did not move for a long time to help protect the Kurds in the north. And the evidence that we have is, obviously, the actions of the administration that -- or he inaction until forced in the north by the international press coverage of the Kurdish suffering and by our allies, and I think it's plain that they were worried about the territorial disintegration of Iraq. Now today, the President said -- and I was glad to hear him say -- that protecting the Shi'ites was not the same thing as coming out for the division of Iraq and that it was simply consistent with the cease-fire requirements in the UN resolution. I was glad to hear him say that."

Clinton went on to deny partisan intent with these comments, and to urge bipartisan support for Administration action. Asked a follow-up question about whether he would have supported continuation of the war, and to what point, possibly including overthrow of Saddam, Clinton responded as follows:

"No, the point I've always tried to make is that in order to secure the broad-based coalition that supported Desert Storm, the United States and other allies had to commit not to march on Baghdad. I think it is not fair to criticize the administration for not doing that. Because that was a precondition of support of a lot of the Arab states. And the thing that made the whole effort so successful, not just militarily, but politically, was the broad-based support the effort had. But there was nothing in the terms of the agreement which would have

BUSH LIBRARY PHOTOCOPY - GEORGE BUSH HANDWRITING

precluded a slight lengthening of the war to destroy those tanks and to weaken the Republican Guard. That's the only thing I've ever said about it."

That much is basically true. In a pre-Florida primary interview with the Miami Jewish Tribune (published 3/10/92), Clinton was reported to have criticized the Administration for leaving Saddam in power and the Kurds "twisting in the wind," but the account goes on to say "the candidate said he was not issuing an ex-post-facto call for the allies to have marched on Baghdad." In Clinton's quoted words:

"My only question is whether Gen. Schwarzkopf was right, that we could have stayed another day and a half, destroyed a significant portion of the Republican Guard, destroyed 700 tanks, and given the people of Iraq a chance to take their country back?"

The interview account reports Clinton expressing disapproval of rumored U.S.-backed plans for Saddam's assassination: "a very slippery slope," Clinton is quoted saying. He also apparently expressed support for aggressive enforcement with all U.N. resolutions concerning weapons of mass destruction: "We have to do whatever it takes to make sure Iraq complies with the rules."

Clinton offered a very similar answer in response to a very similar Bob Beckel question during the March 1 University of Maryland primary debate. He said he would not have continued on to Baghdad because we "gave seven of our Arab allies our word." He said, however, that he would have taken "General Schwarzkopf's advice and stay -- and avoid the PR value of the 100 hour war, stay another day and a half, destroyed a significant portion of the Republican Guard and 700 tanks and given the Iraqis their own chance to overthrow Saddam Hussein which I think might have happened." Clinton said he didn't think the war was simply about oil, and then went on to say "when it was over, we acted like Saddam Hussein was our last best friend. We couldn't wait to keep him in power. We're not going to be able to explain why we try to assassinate him if we do not. It was shameful what we allowed to happen to the Shi'ites and the Kurds when it was over. But it should have gone on, I think, as Schwarzkopf wanted, for another day and a half but, no, even I have to give this to George Bush. We gave our word we wouldn't march on Baghdad and we shouldn't do it. WE gave our word we wouldn't do it."

Al Gore, incidentally, at the same Wednesday press conference with Clinton, said the following: "Immediately upon the conclusion of hostilities as the war ended, there was a cease-fire agreement which prevented Saddam, or was designed to prevent Saddam, from flying the kinds of missions he has been flying and started immediately flying against the Vice President Quayle made a conscious decision at that time to allow an exemption to the cease-fire terms to allow them to fly those missions. They did so, in my opinion, because of the kinds of concerns that you saw weighed in a different way just prior to the decision announced today. They were concerned about the national integrity of Iraq as a nation state. It was an historic mistake premised on the assumption that somebody within Saddam's ruling group would overthrow him and keep the basic government of the Ba'athist party there in

Shiites in the marshes of the south and the Kurds in the North. Bush--
President Bush and

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power. That was an historic mistake. That's in the past. The action taken today, as the Governor said, is deserving of bipartisan support."

But Gore has gone much further on this subject in the past. He is quoted in the Washington Post last September 24 this way: "I don't think we should have left Saddam's regime in place. I think we made a tragic mistake in days right after the war in deciding that the best way to maintain stability in Iraq was to leave the Ba'athist regime in power there." Similar Gore quotes exist through late July of this year.

And his post-war aggressiveness cannot be squared with what he said on the floor of the Senate at the time: "We are not seeking the surrender of Iraq.... No one in a position of responsibility is talking about the conquest of Iraq.... Any effort to expand our objectives so as to include the military conquest of Iraq would certainly blow apart the core of international consensus upon which all else depends.... *The removal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait is enough to warrant a suspension of combat operations. That is clear* (emphasis added)." Gore even went on to express doubts about the feasibility and worthiness of efforts to remove Saddam from power: "it is hard to see how these individuals might come to power unless we were to install them, and that would require the conquest and occupation of Iraq, which is not in prospect and should not be in prospect" (Congressional Record, 1/30/91).

Flag Burning

In June of 1990, was reported by the Arkansas Gazette (6/23/90) to have asked 200 VFW members not to condemn Beryl Anthony for his vote against the constitutional amendment on flag-burning. Clinton "urged patriots to try to understand why members of Congress voted" the way they did, the paper said. "Don't burn bridges, reach out to these people, ask them what they would vote for, ask them what they're thinking," Clinton said. Further paraphrasing Clinton, the Gazette said he told the group that "Some of the opponents had good reasons to vote against the amendment, for example, the language in it was so broad that it might have outlawed the use of American flags on commercial products." He expressed initial support for an idea by a local Congressional candidate that flags be defined and then protected from desecration with laws like those protecting money and mailboxes.

Details of a Clinton-proposed bill in the 1989 legislative session are still confusing. The bill was modeled after the one passed in Congress that October. It apparently weakened some parts of existing 70-year-old Arkansas law -- reducing the maximum penalty for mutilating the flag from a \$1,000 fine and a year in jail to \$100 and 30 days. The bill applied only to the national flag (previous law applied to the state flag and other national and state insignia) and excluded several other abuses (exploitation for commercial purposes) previously covered. One existing provision of state law was maintained in Clinton's law: images of the flag, not just flags themselves, were covered. This bill passed, and Clinton signed it into law on November 11, 1989 -- in a public ceremony on the steps of the Capitol after a Veterans Day Parade.

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"In 1989, when the flag burning controversy arose, I joined with the American Legion in taking steps to react. I signed legislation outlawing flag burning or defacing the flag, but I also wanted to stop flag burning before it starts. So, together with the American Legion, we established one of the finest flag education programs in the country. Volunteers from the American Legion and other groups launched an all out assault on our grade schools, instilling in our young students the deep patriotism that give you and i a lump in our throat and a stir in our hearts when we see old glory go up the flag pole. I'm proud of my record in support of our veterans."

Clinton, American Legion Speech, 8/25/92

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come to dinner for
us in Sept. & meet
the demands on

your schedule but
of air command you
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make a difference.

Thank you again
for your great kindness
and best regards
Mike Brown

P.S. - The Omelette was
great today & excellent!

Presidential Phone Calls

Aboard Air Force One



DATE: 8-27 TIME: 12 noon
incoming / outgoing

WITH: Attache

SUBJECT: _____

FOLLOW UP: _____



August 26, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Margaret Tutwiler
Assistant to the President for Communications

THROUGH: Robert Teeter *RMT/mcl*

FROM: Torie Clarke
Gary Foster *GF*

SUBJECT: Background information for the President's live telephone interview with WLW AM radio in Cincinnati, Ohio on Thursday, August 27, 1992

PURPOSE OF THE INTERVIEW

An interview with WLW will enhance our media presence by allowing the President to speak directly to a large audience throughout Ohio and neighboring states. Such an interview will provide a good opportunity for the President to re-emphasize the theme he will address during his visit to Cincinnati: he will do what's right to get the economy moving again and create opportunity for all Americans.

BACKGROUND

50,000-watt WLW AM, the voice of the Cincinnati Reds, is one of approximately twenty-five clear channel radio stations in the country. Located in Cincinnati, it reaches listeners in seventeen states during the day and in thirty-eight at night. WLW is the top-rated station in the Cincinnati market; the latest Arbitron ratings give the station a 12.6 share for persons aged 25 - 54. Ratings for the noon broadcast hour indicate an average audience share of 130,000.

Mike McConnell hosts "The Mike McConnell Show" Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and he will conduct the interview with the President tomorrow. He is a self-declared Republican and a supporter of the President. WLW and Mr. McConnell were recommended by the offices of Ohio Bush-Quayle Chairman and Governor Voinovich, Congressman Willis Gradison (R-2), and the state G.O.P.

LOGISTICS

The President will call WLW at 12:00 EST from Air Force One. Mike McConnell and Joni Korn, the executive producer, will be waiting for the call in the studio. The direct line into the studio is (513) 241-2023. A sheet with emergency numbers and contact names is attached. The call will last five minutes and will air live. The station will delay the noon newscast for the President's call. According to the producer, the interview will be replayed again throughout the day.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the interview are:

- o to reinforce to the voters of Ohio that President Bush's economic policies - less government spending, lower taxes, and open markets - offer the best approach for creating jobs and economic opportunity for all Ohioans;
- o to re-emphasize that President Bush is the only candidate with the record, the qualifications, and the agenda to lead our country; and
- o to remind listeners that Bill Clinton wants to raise taxes, increase spending, and is held captive by special interests like labor unions, teachers' unions, and trial lawyers.

POSSIBLE Q&A FOR THE INTERVIEW

FAMILY VALUES

Question: Family values has been a dominant theme in this campaign, but often its definition has been somewhat vague. Could you elaborate?

Answer:

- o The family is the single most important institution in American society. The strength of our nation is based upon the strength of its families.
- o Family values include respect for the family, faith in God, and knowing right from wrong. Imagine the America we could create if all parents taught their children the importance of honesty, hard work, responsibility, and respect for others. We would have less violence, less illegal drug use, and fewer teen pregnancies. Instead, we would have families, friends, and communities that care about each other.

MEDIA

Question: What is your feeling about the media coverage of this campaign? Do you feel there is a bias in their reporting?

Answer:

- o I'll leave it to others to judge the media, but I often feel that there is good news out there and it isn't covered by the national media

DEFICIT

Question: Mr. President, I would like to hear your proposals for cutting the budget deficit. Down in Houston you outlined some of these, but could you be more specific?

Answer:

- o What's important is the fundamental difference between my approach and Governor Clinton's: I want to cut taxes and to reduce federal spending. Clinton has promised to raise taxes and raise spending.
- o What my proposals do include:
 - an across-the-board tax cut so people can keep more of what they make;
 - a veto of any spending bill that exceeds my budget requests;
 - a cap on non-social security entitlement spending;
 - a check-off so taxpayers can dedicate 10 percent of their payments to reduction of the national debt;
 - a line-item veto and balanced budget amendment.

DEFENSE

Question: What can you say about the defense build-down and its effect on jobs? In general, people are in favor of reducing defense spending, but when it comes to their own backyard, it's a different story. What would you say to them?

Answer:

- o As President, I have an obligation to carry out the proper levels of defense spending. We've reduced the amount we spend on defense and it's hurt some people, including some right here in Ohio.
- o We have to help defense firms and workers adjust to defense down-sizing, and we're doing just that by eliminating the recoupment fee and creating new programs to help retrain defense workers. We will do everything possible to ease the defense build-down adjustment.
- o What we will not do is what my opponent is calling for: slash defense by \$60 billion. That might be appealing rhetoric, but it would endanger the safety and security of all Americans and it would throw many, many Americans out of work.

NOTE: The General Electric plant in Evandale is one of the largest employers in Ohio, with a workforce of approximately 14,500. It is also the largest exporter in Ohio. They have laid off workers recently and more lay-offs may follow.

CONTACT SHEET FOR WLW AM RADIO INTERVIEW
Cincinnati, Ohio
August 27, 1992

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"Midday with Mike McConnell"

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BRIEFING PAPER

Issues Office



August 25, 1992

OHIO

Executive Summary

Economy

- o The economic structure of Cincinnati, the Columbus '92 celebration, and Dayton's revitalization through enterprise zones, all point to recovery.
- o Ohio's July unemployment rate was 7.4 percent, down from 7.6 percent in June (national July rate = 7.7 percent)
- o The "Buckeye State's" principal industries are manufacturing, trade, and services. Ohio's principal manufactured goods are transportation equipment, machinery, and primary and fabricated metal products. Chief crops include corn, hay, winter wheat, oats, and soybeans.

Automotive Industry

- o Additional shifts on GM and Chrysler assembly lines have been hired. Car and truck sales are up, and Ohio car makers look to increased sales in 1992-93.
- o GM is facing three potential strikes, including one in Lordstown, Ohio, that could delay the production of the 1993 Saturn. The UAW has served five-day letters, official warnings of a strike, as required in the GM-UAW master contract. The dispute at Lordstown involves unresolved health and safety issues at Local 1714. A strike could begin on Thursday, August 27.

Trade

- o President Bush and Ohio recognize that exports are the engine of economic growth. Since President Bush took office, US exports have surged, accounting for 70 percent of US economic growth and generating an estimated 1.8 million new jobs in export-related industries.
- o Ohio's exports increased 58% between 1987 and 1990 to a total of \$16 billion.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY cont.

- o The Office of the US Trade Representative estimates that in 1991, about 424,400 workers in Ohio owed their jobs to exports of manufactured goods, an increase of 112,700 over 1987.
- o Ohio's key export markets are Canada, France, Japan, the UK, Germany and Mexico.

NAFTA

- o Indicative of the importance President Bush's negotiation of a successful North American Free Trade Agreement holds for Ohio, the state's largest export market is Canada, which in 1991 bought \$7 billion of the state's merchandise exports. Ohio's exports to Canada grew almost 75 percent from 1987 to 1991.
- o Ohio's exports to Mexico, the state's sixth largest export market, increased almost 140 percent from 1987 to 1991. Ohio's merchandise exports to Mexico totalled \$582 million in 1991.
- o In 1991, Ohio's sales to Mexico and Canada accounted for 45 percent of the state's total exports. In 1991, Ohio was the second largest US exporter to Canada and the ninth largest US exporter to Mexico.
- o An estimated 61,300 new jobs have been created by growth in Ohio's manufactured exports to our North American trade partners since 1987.

Competitiveness

- o Ohio has demonstrated a willingness to remain competitive through education and facilities such as the Thomas Edison Program and the Ohio Aerospace Institute, which coordinate the efforts of public and private sectors.

Transportation

- o Ohio will receive \$4.17 billion as a result of President Bush's \$151-billion six-year Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

Defense

- o The 1991 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission has recommended the closure of Rickenbacker Air Guard Base. Part of its resources would be transferred to Wright - Patterson Air Force Base, also in Ohio.
- o Rickenbacker's shutdown will save US taxpayers \$22.7 million annually. Base Closures and realignments nationwide will save US taxpayers \$2.3 billion, 1992-1997.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY cont.

- o As of September 30, 1990, the Department of Defense employed 46,310 personnel in Ohio.
- o 122 DoD personnel stationed in Ohio participated in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, and 9,576 Reservists and Guardsmen were called to duty during the conflict.

Education

- o President Bush has set the nation on a new course to reinvent American education. The President's reforms are based on:
 - instilling accountability;
 - promoting parental choice; and
 - encouraging results-oriented thinking.
- o At an Education Summit held in Columbus on February 19, 1992, Governor Voinovich (R) discussed his Gap Analysis, a state plan to identify what Ohio is doing right and what it needs to do if Ohio is to achieve the six National Education Goals. A second summit will be held in October 1992, to share the Gap Analysis Findings. The completion of the report is expected to give a strong impetus to the Ohio 2000 education efforts.

Health Care

- o The President's comprehensive health care reform plan will:
 - Make health care accessible, by making it affordable;
 - Reform the insurance market so small businesses can cover employees;
 - Reduce health care administrative costs for employers, large and small; and
 - Contain health care costs through malpractice reform and limits on excessive state-mandated benefits.
- o Governor Voinovich (R) has signed legislation providing over \$400 million for the care of the indigent.

Right to Life

- o Governor Voinovich (R) has stated that he would sign a bill passed by the General Assembly, permitting abortion in cases of rape, incest, or to save the mother's life. On August 29, 1991, the Governor signed into law a restriction requiring a 24-hour delay, to allow for discussion with a doctor and provision of state-mandated material depicting fetal development.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY cont.

Welfare Reform

- o The President's welfare reform measures will add accountability to welfare and will reduce dependency. These reforms include:
 - Requirements that welfare recipients enroll in workfare or some form of job training in exchange for receiving benefits;
 - Incentives that encourage families to stay together, and penalties that discourage additional out-of-wedlock births;
 - Incentives to reward work instead of dependency; and
 - Measuring the success of welfare programs not by how many people move onto the welfare rolls, but by how many move onto the job rolls.
- o Ohio has established programs including Learning, Earning And Parenting (LEAP), and Governor Voinovich (R) has expressed his desire to use block grants to control welfare spending. Implementation of LEAP required HHS waivers.

Environment

- o Issues include increased restrictions on coal-fired power plants, Great Lakes cleanup, and the Waste Technologies Industries incinerator.

Government Reform

- o Governor Voinovich (R) is one of 43 governors who have the line-item veto.

Other

- o Lorain, the boyhood home of Terry Anderson -- who was held longer than any other Western hostage in Lebanon -- held a huge parade in honor of the 44-year old journalist, June 22.

Family Values

It's not just talk,
it's real commitment to
families:
that means:

1) Parents choose their children's
education, not bureaucrats.

2) Welfare is reformed so
families are encouraged
to stay together.

3) The landmark child care
act we passed that
reserves parents' choice
of child care.

4) Tax exemptions to
ease the financial
burdens many families face.

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All Yours —

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Holekamp

for a New Congress



August 26, 1992

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Mrs. George Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Bush,

You are the best "first lady" we've ever had. Our country is lucky to have you standing beside our great President, and helping him to be re-elected.

My husband, Mack Holekamp, and I have been strong supporters of George Bush since 1980, and you all have certainly justified the faith we have had in you.

Two years ago, Mack ran for U.S. Congress against Richard Gephardt. He received over 43% of the vote. This month he won the primary in the same race with over 60% of the vote in a six man race. He has received the endorsement of the NRCC. We are optimistic about a victory in November.

Earlier this election year, our campaign joined your satellite television hook up for the annual President's Dinner. We followed up that event with a National Republican Convention rally in which we had over 300 people at our headquarters to view the President's acceptance speech. We plan to do all we can to help with the re-election of the President.

Mack would appreciate it very much if you could make time for an event in the Third District of Missouri during September or October. He will adjust his schedule for your convenience if this is possible.

President Bush's cousin, Bert Walker, has been very supportive of Mack's campaign. I urge you to talk to him or Carol about it.

Thank you for all you do for our country. Helping rid our country and your husband of Richard Gephardt would be a frugal and wise help to our nation.

Mack joins me in sending our best wishes to you and President Bush.

Sincerely,

Mary Holekamp

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Mr. President:

Counsel has decided that there's nothing that you personally can do to help this man. They have referred his letter to the Agency Liaison office to follow up on.

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Boyd -

I was very touched when I read this letter.

Please see if there is any way we can help this man. This is an amazing man!!

Please read this call me - or come by! GB



Ellis M. MELVA JR
1000 Louisiana Blvd SE #15
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87108
(505) 265-4563
20 Jun 92

Mr. President,

I'm a medically Retired Air Force
person. After a little over twelve
years of service, I was in an
accident in 1990 that left me
paralyzed from the neck down.

I have a wife four years old
daughter and a eleven month old
son. A lot of people that have
their health, don't realize the
need for disabled benefits. I

want to extend my appreciation to
you for honoring the contract the
government gave to us Veterans.
Although my injury was very tough
to handle - I couldn't begin to

know what would have happened
to me and my family, if I hadn't
been so well taken care of
By the VA.

I was a healthy, strong military athlete until November 11, 1990. I was instantly paralyzed from the neck down. I was shipped to the US from Japan and placed on military temporary retirement list. I had to apply for Social Security. Before my retirement pay and Social Security pay began, we had no finances (income). We had to file Bankruptcy (Chap 7). My lower legs are numb - my right hand, which was my dominant hand, including my arm is still non functional. I have many other internal problems, but I am able to move on my own now, which is fairly a blessing from God. My fear is I will end up like the typical Disabled person - lost by the war side. Given only enough financial assistance just to exist and become a statistic. One of two categories: either a typical Disabled person or a typical

Low income Black MAN.

I gave twelve good years to my Country AND WAS PROUD to do so - NOW I AM 100% disabled -

100% SERVICE CONNECTED AND Faced With an Election year. I

AM A CONSERVATIVE Republican WHO THINKS President Bush has done AN OUTSTANDING job for my Country AND WILL AND SHOULD CONTINUE to be our next President. I COME

FROM A Small town in Texas

called Prairie Lea Tx. Its 21

Miles FROM San Marcos. AS

Most Blacks FROM my home feel they don't AND Can't make a difference.

I NEVER caught ON to that kind of thinking AND Wanted to some how become a part of the political

process to help bring it more

close to home for so many

OF Blacks who "just don't understand our process."

My hope is to be able to go
back to school to get my
degree. At this point I'm
trying to get me and my
family established and refocused
The devastation of being
paralyzed is only a small portion
of what comes with it. You and
your family lives are turned
upside down and scattered.
We need to get a home and
make something stable in our
lives for our children and
ourselves and then we can begin
to map out a direction and
purpose.

Sir, I know you get a lot of
mail, and you may not ever read
mine, people write about all
types of things to give you a
perspective. I'm an individual
who come from a poor black
family, I joined the military and
traveled the world - I was
struck down with paralysis.

but hope to develop a way
to not become a Black-
Disabled statistic, but instead
stay in the main stream
of American life by being
a productive tax paying citizen.
I believe with you leading my
country I have that possibility
and with that I donate the
enclosed check in support
of your campaign.

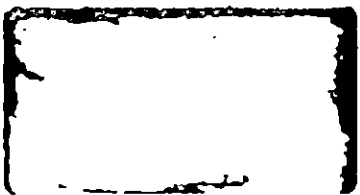
The enclosed donation is not
a terrific amount, but its
all I can afford and its my
statement saying I will be involved
in our political process and
I will support my candidate.
I'm especially proud to send
this letter because I was
a Rightlander and through
hardwork I am able to
function with my left hand.
This letter is a 2nd m. Weston

For me, saying that I am
not a disabled, but physically
challenged. Me and others
like me can live and lead
productive lives.

My first milestone was
walking - especially after physicians
said I'd never walk again.

Thanks for all you've done
for my country and thanks
for listening.

Ellis



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Dear Mr. McVea:

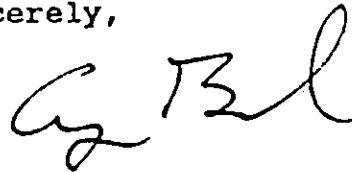
Thank you for your heartfelt letter. I was saddened to learn of the terrible injury that you sustained while in the Air Force. Reading about your determination to overcome the difficulties that you face truly brightened my day. I was touched that you shared your story, as well as your support, with me.

The men and women who serve in our Armed Forces deserve our Nation's full support, and I was pleased to know that the Department of Veterans Affairs has been providing you with the medical care that you need. I was also delighted to learn about your terrific progress in reaching your first two milestones: walking and writing. Your invincible spirit gives me confidence that you will meet the challenges that lie ahead with equal resolve.

Just as you are determined to lead an independent life and to help others, I am committed to helping physically challenged Americans to become full partners in society, which is why I was pleased to sign the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. This landmark legislation has opened the door of opportunity to more than 43 million Americans who have some form of disability. It fights discrimination and provides access to the mainstream of American life, and I am sure that it will help in your effort to "make a difference."

Barbara joins me in sending best wishes to you and your family. We wish you well in all that you undertake, and we will be keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,



Mr. Ellis M. McVea, Jr.
1000 Louisiana Boulevard
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

MATERIALS FORWARDED TO THE PRESIDENT
August 27, 1992

ACTION

1. U.S. Delegation to the Thirty-Sixth Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (September 21-25) -- Secretary James Watkins, Ambassador Richard Kennedy, Ambassador Jane Becker and Ivan Selin.
2. Personnel Selections: William Ramsay, Amb. to The Congo; Andrew Winter, Amb. to the Republic of The Gambia; Richard Kauzlarich, Amb. to Portugal; E. Michael Southwick, Amb. to the Federal and Islamic Republic of the Comoros; Donald McConnell, Amb. to Burkina Faso; Mark Hambley, Amb. to Lebanon; Raymond Burghardt, Jr., Amb. to the Lao People's Democratic Republic; Wesley Egan, Jr.; Amb. to Kuwait; William Dameron III, Amb. to the Republic of Chad; David Merrill, Amb. to Bangladesh.
3. Acceptance of Resignation Letters to: Arthur Davis, Joint Commission on the Environment; and Shirley Temple Black, as Amb. to Czechoslovakia.
4. Phone call to Palm Beach County Telethon for 8:15pm on 08/27 from D. Smith (delivered to the Residence)

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INFORMATION

1. CEA numbers -- July Personal Income and Outlays

REMARKS

1. Public Safety Equipment, St. Louis, MO -- Reading Copy (forwarded on the road by PB).
2. Bush/Quayle Rally, Cincinnati, OH -- Cards (forwarded on the road by PB).
3. Address to Findlay, OH Community -- Reading Copy (forwarded on the road by PB).

SCHEDULE

1. Tripbook for 08/27 to MO and OH (delivered to the residence early in the a.m.)
2. Goldline only for Friday, 08/28.

9:00 A.M. WIRES

Bush Orders Troops to Florida for Hurricane-Relief Duty

By MARCIA DUNN

Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — President Bush sent thousands of troops to Florida today after local officials complained bitterly of problems in getting food, clean water and other essentials to victims of Hurricane Andrew.

"The damage is far more widespread than even we had feared," Bush said Thursday. "Help is on the way and it will be a major effort."

The Pentagon said 2,000 to 5,000 troops from Fort Bragg, N.C., would arrive this morning. The first plane took off at dawn. All 3,000 of Florida's National Guardsmen already were on duty. At Fort Bragg, soldiers from the 18th Airborne Corps packed portable kitchens onto planes. "Some of them were saying this was the first time the cooks got somewhere ahead of the troops," said Maj. Lew Boone, base spokesman.

Earlier Thursday, residents and officials alike were growing impatient in the area south of Miami that was devastated by winds gusting to more than 160 mph Monday.

"We're doing everything we can! Where in the hell is the cavalry on this one?" demanded Kate Hale, director of Dade County's emergency management agency.

Relief officials said there were plenty of donations of food and water but severe problems in distributing them to those in need.

In some cases, relief workers were denied access to some hard-hit areas. Other efforts to deliver items were blocked by downed trees and power lines. Distribution points ran out of food before everyone in line could be served.

"This thing just got overwhelmed," said Gov. Lawton Chiles, who requested federal help. "The right hand has got to know what the left hand is doing."

Transportation Secretary Andrew H. Card Jr., head of a task force overseeing the recovery, defended the federal government against accusations that it was waiting too long to come through with help. "I am here to tell them I care. I am not pussyfooting around," he said. "The food will start getting down here." In an interview on this morning's "Today" show, Card said the president can't order in troops until a governor requests them. As for Hale's criticism, he said: "We are trying to work this problem out. ... There should be no fingerpointing."

Maj. Gen. John Heldstab, who is coordinating the operation, said 20 mobile kitchens, each able to feed 300 people every two hours, were on their way, along with medical supplies, generators, 300,000 packaged meals, cots, bedding and water.

Military specialists in communications, maintenance, engineering and transportation also were sent.

The government estimated it would cost \$20 billion to \$30 billion to clean up and rebuild in Florida and care for residents displaced by the storm, which went on to strike a second, less severe blow at Louisiana on Wednesday.

Andrew destroyed 63,000 homes in Florida, and estimates of those left homeless ranged as high as 250,000.

Private relief continued to flow into the region. The Red Cross said it was housing 45,000 people in 206 shelters in Mississippi,

Louisiana and Texas, and had an additional 22 shelters with 39,000 people in Florida.

A relief plane crashed Thursday en route to deliver aid to the devastated Homestead area, killing two people and injuring a third.

Andrew was directly responsible for at least 13 deaths in South Florida, officials said. It also killed four people in the Bahamas and one person in Louisiana. The Dade County medical examiner's office listed 10 other Florida deaths as indirectly related to the storm.

As of Thursday night, Dade County reported 229 arrests for curfew violations, 101 for looting and 41 for other offenses. About 400,000 homes and businesses remained without electricity, and Florida Power & Light said it could be weeks before power is restored completely.

Tempers flared in food distribution lines Thursday. People squabbled over bags of canned goods in Perrine, and residents in Homestead scuffled for donated ice. Police Chief Curt Ivey said National Guardsmen came over to help and residents tried to wrestle their M/16s away.

In some cases, those who tried to get what they needed faced outrageous markups.

"It's terrible," said Marie Martinez, who paid \$10 for five gallons of water. "We paid it. We're desperate."

Chiles signed an order declaring anyone charging "exorbitant or excessive prices" for post-Andrew necessities faced penalties of up to \$10,000 per violation.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to have three disaster application centers open this week for personal and business loans and temporary housing money.

FEMA Director Wallace Stickney said in Florida the disaster could cost \$20 billion to \$30 billion; he wouldn't say how he arrived at that figure.

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STORM DEMOLISHES HOUSES ON GUAM ISLAND

AGANA, Guam, Reuter - Typhoon Omar smashed across the Pacific island of Guam Friday, injuring at least 30 people, demolishing houses and bringing down power lines.

Winds of 120 to 150 mph hit the self-governing U.S. territory late in the afternoon in one of the worst storms since Typhoon Pamela flattened the island in 1976.

"We have reports of 30 injuries. There are probably more. We expect these injuries to rise substantially," Ada said.

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BUSH, YELTSIN MULL RUSSIAN MEDIATION IN IRAQ - TASS

MOSCOW, Reuter - Presidents George Bush and Boris Yeltsin have discussed the possibility of Russia mediating in the Iraq crisis, Itar-Tass news agency said Friday.

They spoke by telephone Thursday.

"Bush informed the Russian president about events concerning Iraq. On this subject the idea of a possible peace-making role for Russia in the region was discussed," Tass said.

The report gave no further details and it was not immediately clear which side had raised the question, or whether a new diplomatic initiative was being suggested.

A Russian presidential spokesman said no further information had been disclosed. The U.S. embassy could not immediately comment on the conversation.

Russia last Saturday accused the Baghdad government of waging war on its own people and threatening U.N. inspectors. A Foreign Ministry statement clearly backed Western pressure on Iraq without specifically supporting the U.S.-British-French military operation to stop Iraqi air attacks on Shiites in southern Iraq.

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U.S. secretary of state promises firm line

By PAUL BASKEN

LONDON (UPI) — Acting U.S. Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger said the agreements reached at the Yugoslav conference mean no side will keep territory gained by force, and promised the United States will "not accept" anything else.

Eagleburger, backing the post-conference comments of co-host British Prime Minister John Major, said Thursday the current military battlelines eventually will be erased from the Yugoslav map and the old political divisions drawn back in.

"The conference is clear that is not sufficient," Eagleburger said of Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic's offer to negotiate the return to Muslim control of up to 20 percent of the territory his forces have seized in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

"In the end, we won't accept anything other than the return to the status quo ante," he said.

Eagleburger, who earlier in the day defended President George Bush's hesitancy to commit U.S. troops to the Yugoslav conflict, declined to say what specific level of U.S. military force he put behind his threats to the warring factions.

He instead deferred to statements by Major, who said of Karadzic: "I think he's in no doubt about our determination to reach an agreement. "We made it clear to him that we expected him to meet those obligations in the future," Major said on behalf of the Western nations attending the conference.

Eagleburger had told reporters Thursday morning he had "sympathy" for the position of George Kenney, who resigned Tuesday as the State Department's acting chief of Yugoslav affairs because he felt U.S. policy was too timid.

But, Eagleburger said, Bush, before responding to the emotional appeal of Sarajevo war victims, also has to "worry about the lives of American GIs."

"I understand the agony that is going on in Sarajevo, and I understand that since this conference will not have stopped every evil thing that is going on in Sarajevo, people are not going to be thinking this conference has immediately solved their problems," he said. "But I have a couple of points: If Mr. Karadzic does in fact perform on his commitment on (turning over) heavy weapons and mortars, we will see fairly quickly a substantial diminution in the shelling with regard to Sarajevo.

"I think that in not too much time ought to provide some solace to the people of Sarajevo.

"Secondly," Eagleburger said, "It would seem to me that as long as the assistance flights continue to come in, and hopefully as a result of the agreement of this conference are increased, that should be added to their view that this conference has begun to change things fundamentally."

August 27, 1992

(St. Louis, Missouri)

marlin came back and said the theme for the day is economic security, foreign trade, exports, nafta. bush will emphasize differences with clinton on economy, discuss gephardt transition tax endorsed by clinton, which would hit new firms coming into u.s. main exposition be in st. louis, with stump speech version in cincy, and reprise in findley. cincy will also include education choice and cafe standards; findley, the 10 percent checkoff.

marlin was asked if bush and rs were backing off the family values theme. he said, "we'll continue to talk about family values. the real significance is the way the two parties look at policies related to family values." he cited as examples the "crime bill that focuses on victims, welfare reform that helps families stay together, choice in schools, day care options, home ownership housing programs....i still think it's a valid issue and it defines the differences between two parties. people care about it."

asked about gingrich statement, he said, "we've never approved of the gingrich approach. we'll continue to say what we've been saying."

asked if prez expected trouble in iraq today, he said "nobody expects anything to happen on the 24-hour deadline. The evidence indicates saddam is not looking for a showdown aircraft (north of) the 32nd parallel. but you never know. it could change any time."

on logistics, marlin said prez is planning to leave for maine about mid-day friday. the monday trip will be washington, oregon with overnight in san diego. first stop will be near spokane. does bush plan to talk about tom foley? "no."

after california, denver and maybe another colo. stop, return to dc tuesday night.

"Baker and his people are looking at the whole schedule," and expect by end of today to have all of next week blocked out.

marlin says that on way west, bush did a 5-minute interview with kmox, st. louis radio station. answered questions on the tax cuts and checkoff, but no new specifics, said sale of f-15s to taiwan "is still being considered" and said "no decision yet" on ethanol question raised by illinois farmers on sunday.

as for budget cuts, marlin reiterated bush would not be specific until 93 budget but suggested reporters look at the 246 programs recommended for elimination in last budget.

asked about polls, marlin said, "the polls are all over the lot, but things feel good on the ground. the campaign feels good, but I wish the polls were a little better."