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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MAY 23, 1989

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

CHRISS WINSTON *W*

FROM:

MARK LANGE *ML*

SUBJECT:

AMERICAN COMMUNITY GREETING, ROME

Attached are talking points for your greeting of some 600 American and Italian staff members and their families at the Villa Taverna in Rome, on Sunday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m.

You may want to informally recognize three Italian employees, who between them have given 101 years of service to the U.S. mission, and who will be retiring in a few weeks.

Ms. Lea Simcic, Commerical Assistant, retires after 40 years.

Mr. Eugeni Conti, Federal Benefits Unit, retires after 40 years.

And Mr. Otello Marcucci, electrician in General Services, retires after 21 years.

**TALKING POINTS: AMERICAN COMMUNITY GREETING  
VILLA TAVERNA  
SUNDAY, MAY 28, 1988  
2:30 P.M.**

**0 AMBASSADOR RABB... RUTH... FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES:  
IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE AT VILLA TAVERNA.**

0 YOU'VE ENJOYED EIGHT YEARS OF OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP UNDER AMBASSADOR MAX RABB. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MAX AND RUTH FOR THEIR MANY CONTRIBUTIONS. THEY HAVE KEPT AMERICAN-ITALIAN TIES STRONG AND PRODUCTIVE.

0 YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD WITH CONFIDENCE TO THE ARRIVAL OF YOUR NEW AMBASSADOR, MY GOOD FRIEND PETE SECCHIA. THE SENATE SHOULD COMPLETE ACTION ON HIS NOMINATION SHORTLY -- AND HE AND HIS CHARMING WIFE JOAN SHOULD BE HERE BEFORE LONG.

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0 THANKS IN LARGE MEASURE TO YOUR EFFORTS, OUR VISIT HAS GONE VERY WELL. WE'VE HAD GOOD TALKS WITH PRESIDENT COSSIGA AND THE PRIME MINISTER -- A GALA EVENING LAST NIGHT -- AND A MOVING CEREMONY AT NETTUNO THIS MORNING. I KNOW HOW MUCH WORK GOES INTO MAKING THESE EVENTS POSSIBLE -- AND I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE.

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0 I'VE BEEN AN AMBASSADOR ABROAD; I KNOW THAT THE CONTINUITY AND EXPERIENCE OUR NATIONAL EMPLOYEES PROVIDE IS INVALUABLE. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THEM, AND GLAD TO SEE OUR ITALIAN FRIENDS HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

0 TO THE STUDENTS WHO ARE WITH US TODAY, FROM THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS IN ROME, LET ME WISH YOU THE VERY BEST. I HOPE YOU CAN TAKE THE FULLEST ADVANTAGE OF YOUR EXPERIENCE LIVING AND STUDYING IN ROME.

0 WE NOW GO TO BRUSSELS FOR THE NATO SUMMIT -- AND THEN ON TO BONN AND LONDON. BUT WE WILL NOT FORGET OUR FIRST WONDERFUL STOP HERE IN ROME. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH -- AND GOD BLESS YOU.

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