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THE WHITE HOUSE

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(Tokyo, Japan)

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February 24, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
IN QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION  
WITH PRESS POOL

Ambassador's Residence  
Tokyo, Japan

6:30 P.M. (L)

THE PRESIDENT: I've got to get a ruling on whether this is a -- this is not a photo op. This is what we call a press availability, and I'll be glad to take two or three questions -- not many, because we're late.

But let me make a little comment, if I might, Helen. And then I'll be glad to take questions. This has been a very moving day in a lot of ways, and I simply want to thank our Japanese hosts who managed this complicated logistics and put on a marvelous pageant in honor of the late Emperor -- beautifully staged and beautifully carried off, on schedule, working against the elements, but nevertheless, with a dignity and a ceremony that was appropriate. And I have great respect for what they did and the way in which they did it, and I am proud to have represented the United States of America here today.

Now, Helen.

Q Well, on the question of Senator Tower, it looks like he's going down the drain. Are you going to continue to back him, or do you think he ought to pull out?

THE PRESIDENT: I'm going to strongly continue to back Senator Tower and I do not believe he is going down the drain. Nobody has challenged his ability and knowledge to be a good secretary of defense, and I'm hoping that the debate that will follow next week will clear up any questions that the members at large may have. And so I wish the Committee vote had been different, but I have not considered any options. I stand strongly with John Tower. I know of nobody else whose knowledge in defense matters can equal his, his knowledge of how the Hill works can equal his. So he is my choice, my only choice, and I am standing with him.

Q Do you still think Sam Nunn was fair?

Q Why would the end result be...

animosity, it's simply a question of fighting for something I believe in.

Q Is this purely politics in your opinion, and is Sam Nunn responsible for this personally?

THE PRESIDENT: I wouldn't say that.

Q Do you still think he's been fair?

Q Is it party line? I mean, is it partisan? Is it politics?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, is it party line when the vote was -- all Democrats voted one way and all Republicans voted another. I suppose without acrimony it could be said that that was a party line vote. But do I suggest that there's no chance to pick up Democrats next week? No, I don't. I believe that I can do that and I believe that the senators that are for it --

Q You haven't got them yet.

Q Is the honeymoon over, Mr. President?

THE PRESIDENT: No, the honeymoon's still going fine, and I'm not going to get total agreement on every issue. I hope I can get agreement on this question. But I've never expected -- nobody's suggested they were going to do it just my way. But this one's important. It's important to our country. And I want somebody in that Defense Department that has Tower's expertise and who knows the defense mechanism as well as he does, and he's the only one that comes to mind.

Q Mr. President, why would there be such a difference interpretation between --

Q -- senators to break with Sam Nunn?

THE PRESIDENT: I don't know. Go ask the people that voted. I'm halfway around the world.

Q Don't you risk an even more damaging defeat by taking it to the Senate --

THE PRESIDENT: I don't look at it as defeat or victory, I look at doing what's right -- supporting somebody I believe in and looking at the facts. And that's exactly what I'm doing.

Q Do you still think Senator Nunn has been fair?

THE PRESIDENT: I am not going to challenge Senator Nunn's motives at all. I never have, and I've never expressed anything other than my strong support on the merits after reviewing the information for Senator Tower. And that's the way I'm going to

then I've got to go clean up and warm up and go to the next reception, and keep working this diplomacy that I thought you all would be interested in.

Q How much of a problem --

Q Senator Nunn says that Tower --

THE PRESIDENT: Wait just one minute. I'll just be right over there. Can't see, but I'll be there.

Q How much of a problem has the delay in getting Senator Tower or somebody to run the Defense Department created for your review of foreign policy and your conduct of foreign policy?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, the review is going forward. I would like to have the secretary of defense in place. There's no question that the Department needs a new leader. But it isn't interfering with our challenge to the Department to participate in these reviews. In fact, we've ordered a certain number of reviews -- they're going to be started. But I'm not going to mislead you. I want my secretary of defense in place to further these reviews, to enhance the studies that are going forward, and to have our input on these studies, to input the person that I select to be secretary. In the meantime, I'll have to credit Will Taft, who I told the other day, I said, "Will, you are doing a very good job, and it isn't easy." But he is doing -- yes, Lesley, and then please, I must go forward.

Let me get down here so I can hear this.

Q Thank you. Senator Dole said that this vote was a real kick in the teeth to you while you're off representing the United States abroad. Do you see it that way?

THE PRESIDENT: I see it as the Senate expressing themselves. And inasmuch as I want this man confirmed, I can't say it's a pat on the back. But on the other hand, I have no acrimony about it. I'm convinced that when the Senate gets into full debate on this, that reason and logic are going to prevail. And so I can't say I'm happy with what the Committee did because I would like to have seen the same kind of approval given John Tower's nomination that was given to Lou Sullivan. It was widely reported that Dr. Sullivan was in serious trouble -- I've seen that over and over again. And he gets universal approval, one abstention -- very good, and I thank the Senate for that. Now I hope they give this due deliberation in the full Senate and they do what's right. In this instance, I think approving my nominee is right. But I have no acrimony, and I'm not going to be drawn into name-calling or a political accusation here. I'm not going to do that. I've got to work with the Senate on a lot of issues. But I want them to know how strongly I feel. And I feel it's not a personal win or lose, it's what's right, who is best to run the Defense Department. And that's what's at stake.

senators that will want to defend Senator Tower against these allegations which I feel have been -- and I'll use the expression again -- "gunned down." Now, clearly some have looked at the evidence, and I'm sure in their opinion they differ with me on that. But that's what a good, lively debate can do on the floor. And Senator Tower is entitled to that kind of debate on the issue -- not on hearsay. They will not be able -- nobody will be able to sustain an objection based simply on hearsay or on some rumor. So that's why I look forward to a fair, open debate. And let the senators who have made up their minds in opposition to what I'm advocating spell out for their constituents and for the country why they feel as they do. And I expect others will stand up and take a different side. That's what our process is all about. So I don't fear it, I welcome it. I welcome it.

Q If that report is still secret, though, sir, how are people to know who is right about it?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, it's not secret from the senators, and how much they refer to it, I don't know. We'll have to look into that when I get back, Brit. I don't know what the ground rules are on how much people can refer to those reports. But the more open it is, the better I like it. Now, whether what precedents are set, I'd have to think very carefully about that. But we're not worried about this debate.

Q Are you tired?

THE PRESIDENT: I thought I'd be more tired. No, I feel like a spring colt, ready to charge.

Q Ask us.

THE PRESIDENT: No, now come on. (Laughter.)

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6:37 P.M. (L)

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 2/18/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

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TOKYO, JAPAN

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

*Conrad to Cicconi*

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
Ext. 2702

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(Smith)  
February 18, 1989  
4:20 p.m.

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**REMARKS:** Please provide your comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston's office with an info copy to my office by 3:00 Friday, February 17. Thank you.

**RESPONSE:**

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
Ext. 2702

(Smith)  
February 16, 1989  
11:50 a.m.  
embassy

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REMARKS: AMERICAN EMBASSY STAFF  
TOKYO, JAPAN  
FEBRUARY 24, 1989

*as President (Studs.)*

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Well, as a Texan -- and as one who appreciates the importance of U.S.-Japan relations and those who do so much to further that relationship -- I like that kind of reasoning. And unlike some Texas yarns, it's no tall tale, believe me.

From my own diplomatic experience, I am certain of this fact: There is no more dedicated and loyal group of people than

the men and women -- American and foreign -- of our Foreign Service. I also realize what a burden a Presidential visit can be, and want you to know how we appreciate the hard work and superb planning that have gone into our visit.

You know, a Japanese proverb says, "Life without endeavor is like entering a jewel-mine and coming out with empty hands." Your professionalism and commitment enrich the ties which bind the United States and Japan, and further the cause of peace in this important area of the world.

I am delighted that the first foreign visitor to Washington of my Administration was the Prime Minister of Japan, who, incidentally, celebrates his 65th birthday on Sunday.

In a sense, we all have reason to celebrate. For his visit several weeks ago underscored -- again -- the crucial role both nations attach to our relationship. And our meetings were the beginning of maintaining the closest possible consultation between us as we work to resolve our differences, and pursue our common goals.

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We face challenges, but with your help we will meet them.

And in coming months, as we focus, increasingly, on such global issues as poverty and the environment, we will need your energy, your resources, and most of all, your prayers.

In closing, let me say again how much we appreciate your support. Thank you and good luck, and God bless the United States of America.

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**WE GATHER AT A TIME OF SADNESS, BUT ALSO OF HOPE. FOR TOMORROW MORNING WE WILL CALL UPON THEIR IMPERIAL MAJESTIES, THE NEW EMPEROR AND EMPRESS. AND WE ARE PROUD TO PAY OUR RESPECTS AND THOSE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.**

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MEMORANDUM FOR JIM CICCONI

FROM; DENISE SCHWARZ  
OFFICE OF CABINET AFFAIRS *DS*

SUBJECT; PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS; AMERICAN EMBASSY STAFF

We have reviewed the remarks and have no changes.  
I have called this to Chriss Winston's office directly.

Attachment

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 2/16/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 3:00 2/17/89

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: AMERICAN EMBASSY STAFF

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RESPONSE:

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CABINET AFFAIRS STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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REMARKS:

RETURN TO:

David Q. Bates  
Cabinet Secretary  
456-2174  
(1st Floor, West Wing)

Associate Director  
Office of Cabinet Affairs  
456-2800  
(Room 235, OEOB)

(Smith)  
February 16, 1989  
11:50 a.m.  
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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*  
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: American Embassy Staff

We have no suggested policy changes and approve of the draft in its present form.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

cc: Jim Cicconi

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT  
FOR COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: NELSON LUND *NL*  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: American Embassy Staff  
(Tokyo, Japan)

At the request of James W. Cicconi, Counsel's office has reviewed the captioned draft remarks. Counsel's office has no objections.

We appreciate the opportunity to review these remarks.

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Japan  
Draft 1

Suggested Remarks  
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*my*  
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*Your professionalism and commitment*

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