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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 10, 1989

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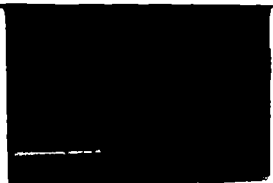
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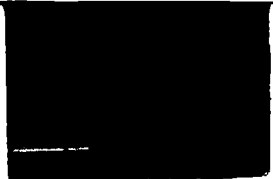
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FROM:

BILL ROPER
JIM PINKERTON

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SUBJECT: Fundraiser for Senator McConnell

A general observation on the introduction: this is Senator McConnell's event, but so much time is devoted to Will Farish that the purpose for the President's speech is lost. We suggest paring down the Farish/pups jokes and/or including more material about Senator McConnell himself.

Page 2, para 6: Let's not mention Dee Huddleston by name; he is politically dead. As the draft reads, the President seems to be picking on him. A euphemism such as "your former Senator" would be more appropriate.

Page 3, para 2: Mitch McConnell served as Jefferson County Judge [which encompasses Louisville]. Following "Mitch is a man of principle and character, with the courage of his convictions" add "but then you in Louisville knew that a long time ago."

The remarks seem short and non-sbustantive. We suggest including at the end of the remarks one or two sentences about the future -- upcoming issues on which the President will seek Senator McConnell's advice and support. Possible issues include campaign-finance reform and the upcoming summits.

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cc: John Gardner

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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LEXINGTON LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY
 (05/05 noon draft)

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Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston, (Rm. 122, x2930) by 2:00 p.m. on Monday, 05/08, with an info copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

** See comments.
 DR Wray 5/6/89*

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

((Grant)) 7:1
1000 May 5, 1989
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(KY-6)
You know, I just couldn't wait to get here. You see, for Will's birthday, I sent him some blueprints to build a horse shoe pit. I was really looking forward to a good game when I got here. But he hasn't dug the pit yet. At the rate Will's going, Congress will have passed the 1993 budget by the time I see that horseshoe pit built. And around here, the only horseshoes I could throw are still attached to the animals.

Senator, your supporters here tonight have all given generously to your campaign. And I know what it is that everyone here wants from me in return. But it's too late -- all six puppies are spoken for.

The biggest secret in town is that Will Farish's Springer Spaniel is actually Millie's boyfriend. Up to now, we've tried to keep his name out of the press -- for fear that Sam Nunn might accuse him of womanizing.

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Here in Kentucky, you may have read that the puppies are sleeping on the Washington Post and the N.Y. Times. That's the first time those papers have been used to prevent leaks.

I'm worried now that all the good press may be going to Millie's head. Today, we set out her bowl of Alpo and she asked to see the wine list.

When I arrived in Kentucky tonight, I saw the strangest thing. Bloodhounds -- everywhere -- searching for some fellow named Dee Huddleston. Haven't they found him yet? Will and I are partial to those Springer Spaniels -- Millie, Tug, and the puppies. But Mitch, I hear, really likes those bloodhounds. In

Who is Huddleston? and how does that fit.

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In fact, as usual, Mitch McConnell had the courage to take an early and strong stand. Mitch is a man of principle and character, with the courage of his convictions. I deeply appreciate and will always remember what Mitch McConnell did.

That's why when he talks to me about Kentucky, I listen. *And that's why the very first ^{Campaign stop} ~~announcement~~ I am doing since my inauguration is for Mitch McConnell.*

In a very short time in the United States Senate, Mitch McConnell has gained the kind of clout Kentucky needs in Washington. He has achieved the stature that caused me to choose him as chairman of a delegation to El Salvador to monitor their elections. I knew I could count on Mitch McConnell for this sensitive foreign policy assignment.

There is a great mutual respect between us. Mitch McConnell understands words like "principle" and "loyalty," and as you know, these words are important to me too.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

1989 MAY -9 AM 11:00

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST *DD*

FROM: MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*

SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR FUNDRAISER FOR SENATOR MCCONNELL

INFORMATION

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II. DISCUSSION

You will be appearing briefly at this event, to be held outdoors under tents at night. This is a very pro-Bush audience, including a number of Democrats who support you and the Senator. The crowd will likely be large and somewhat loud, so Mr. Ailes and Mr. Teeter (consultants to the McConnell campaign) suggested that we keep it short and funny. They also realized that you will have given two commencement addresses earlier that day.

Your remarks will be videotaped for use later in campaign ads by Senator McConnell; Mr. Ailes and Mr. Teeter contributed the sections relevant to the McConnell campaign.

Finally, there is a joke about bloodhounds which may need some explaining. In 1984, Senator McConnell ran against the incumbent, Dee Huddleston, as an underdog. Ailes ran some ads hitting the incumbent's absences from Congress during crucial votes, with bloodhounds searching the state for Huddleston. These ads were very funny and widely credited with winning the race for McConnell. Ailes is sure that the audience will enjoy the joke.

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SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1989
9:30 p.m.

Thank you, Mitch ((McConnell)). What a pleasure it is to see you, Hal ((Rogers, Congressman and former Bush state campaign chairman)); as well as Jim ((Bunning, Congressman)); and Larry ((Hopkins, Congressman)). Great to see you, Bob ((Gable)), our current state party chairman. ((Thad Cochran possibly attending.)) I especially want to thank my hosts and dear friends, Will and Sarah Farish. It's always a delight to see you and your family, and spend a little time in beautiful Kentucky. Spring in the Bluegrass State, racing at Churchill Downs, and voting for Mitch McConnell -- it doesn't get much better.

You know, I just couldn't wait to get here. You see, for Will's birthday, I sent him some blueprints to build a horse shoe pit. I was really looking forward to a good game when I got here. But he hasn't dug the pit yet. At the rate Will's going, Congress will have passed the 1993 budget by the time I see that horseshoe pit built. And around here, the only horseshoes I could throw are still attached to the animals.

Senator, your supporters here tonight have all given generously to your campaign. And I know what it is that everyone here wants from me in return. But it's too late -- all six puppies are spoken for.

The biggest secret in town is that Will Farish's Springer Spaniel is actually Millie's boyfriend. Up to now, we've tried to keep his name out of the press. But I think it's okay now to reveal his name: Tug Farish III. Just what my image needs -- puppies with Roman numerals after their names.

Here in Kentucky, you may have read that the puppies are sleeping on the Washington Post and the N.Y. Times. That's the first time those papers have been used to prevent leaks.

Will and I are partial to those Springer Spaniels -- Millie, Tug, and the puppies. But when I arrived in Kentucky tonight, I saw the strangest thing. Bloodhounds -- everywhere -- searching for your former Senator. Haven't they found him yet?

I'm very happy to be here in Kentucky tonight. This state means a lot to me for many reasons. But it was your Senator, Mitch McConnell, who was the first United States Senator to stand up for me during the 1988 campaign.

In fact, as usual, Mitch McConnell had the courage to take an early and strong stand. Mitch is a man of principle and character, with the courage of his convictions. I deeply appreciate and will always remember what Mitch McConnell did.

That's why when he talks to me about Kentucky, I listen. And that's why the very first campaign stop I am doing since my inauguration is for Mitch McConnell.

In a very short time in the United States Senate, Mitch McConnell has gained the kind of clout Kentucky needs in Washington. He has achieved the stature that caused me to choose him as chairman of a delegation to El Salvador to monitor their elections. I knew I could count on Mitch McConnell for this sensitive foreign policy assignment. I will look to him for his advice and counsel as we chart America's course in the years ahead. I'm relying on Mitch's leadership, not only on foreign policy issues, but on domestic ones as well -- important issues like keeping the economy strong by cutting that capital gains tax rate.

You see, there is a great mutual respect between us. Mitch McConnell understands words like "principle" and "loyalty," and as you know, these words are important to me too.

Take it from me -- I know from experience -- you can count on Mitch McConnell.

I understand that this year's Derby Winner, "Sunday Silence," is a native of Lexington. He beat the odds -- and the favorite, "Easy Goer" -- for a great win. Well, Mitch and I both know from personal experience -- in politics as well as horseracing -- the first rule is: Never bet the favorite.

I know Mitch McConnell is one of the most successful fundraisers in the Senate. Last weekend, when I was watching the Derby, I thought "Triple Buck" was a racehorse -- until I heard that's what his campaign treasurer likes to be called. Seriously, I did see one horse that reminded me of Mitch McConnell's Senate career: "Awe Inspiring." Mitch McConnell has done a great job, I'm grateful to him, and I appreciate your coming out tonight in support of him. Enjoy yourselves this evening, and God bless you.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT FUNDRAISER FOR SENATOR MITCH MCCONNELL

Will Farish Farm
Lexington, Kentucky

9:25 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, all. What a great United States Senator you have, and how impressive this turnout is, which will guarantee his reelection. I couldn't be more pleased to be here. (Applause.) And I'm pleased to see these three distinguished members of the Congress here. You may not remember this ancient history, but Hal Rogers was my Kentucky State Chairman in my quest for the presidency, and what a job that guy did, I'll tell you. (Applause.) And I want to pay my respects to your own Congressman -- your own on the turf right here, those of you from the Lexington area -- Larry Hopkins, who's with us tonight and doing a great job in Washington. (Applause.) And long before he got into politics, I was a Jim Bunning fan, and now I'm even more of a Jim Bunning fan, I'll tell you. (Applause.)

And I want to pay my respects to Bob Gable, our current State Party Chairman. I'm delighted he's here, and the other Party officials. (Applause.) And, of course, I'd be remiss if I didn't in a personal way pay my respects to Will and Sarah Farish and to my old friend, Lee Brown. Give them a job to do and it gets done, and I am just delighted to be here with all three of them. (Applause.)

Spring in the Blue Grass State. Racing at Churchill Downs and voting for Mitch McConnell -- it doesn't get much better than that, wherever you are. (Applause.)

Senator, your supporters have tonight given very generously to your campaign, and I know what it is that everyone here wants from me in return. Too late. All six puppies are spoken for. (Laughter.) But I'll let you in on a secret. The biggest secret in town is that Will Farish's springer spaniel or English spaniel is actually Millie's boyfriend. (Laughter.) Up to now we've tried to keep his name out of the press, though. (Laughter.) I think it's okay now, though, to reveal his name -- Tug Farish III. (Laughter.) Just what my elitist image name -- puppies with Roman numerals after their names. (Laughter.)

But here we are in Kentucky. You may have read that the pups are sleeping, or have been, on The Washington Post and The New York Times. (Laughter and applause.) The first time in history that those papers have been used to prevent leaks. (Laughter and applause.)

Will and I -- you got to -- we'll confess it -- we're partial to those English spaniels -- Millie, Tug, the puppies, and all that. But when I arrived in Kentucky tonight, I saw the strangest thing. Bloodhounds -- everywhere -- searching for your former senator still. They have not found him yet. (Applause.) But they know where this one is. He's in Washington doing the people's business, and I've never seen a guy work harder for the people that sent him up there than Mitch McConnell. He's never forgotten how he got to Washington. (Applause.)

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And I might say -- and this is a matter of at least note to me -- and that is that Mitch McConnell was the first United States Senator to be in my corner to endorse me when I ran for the presidency of the United States -- (applause) -- the very first one. (Applause.) And I say that because he has always stood up for his convictions, a man of principle and character, the courage of those convictions. And I'll never forget -- one of the reasons I am here tonight is I will never forget and will always appreciate the fact that Mitch McConnell stood out early, took a position and stayed with it. He's that kind of guy; he's that kind of Senator. (Applause.)

In a very short time in the U. S. Senate, he's gained the kind of clout that Kentucky needs in Washington. And he's achieved the stature that caused me to choose him as chairman of our delegation to El Salvador to monitor those very important elections. And I knew I could count on Mitch for this sensitive foreign policy assignment. And I'll be looking to him for his advice and counsel as we chart America's course in the years ahead.

And speaking of delegations monitoring elections, let me just make a reference to Panama because the delegations -- we had two delegations down there monitoring these elections. One headed by former President Ford and Carter; one headed by Congressman Murtha of the United States House of Representatives and Senator McCain of Arizona. And both of them came back and said the following: One, the affections of the people of Panama about the United States is intact. Two, the election was clearly fraudulent. There's nobody that's looked at the election down there that has anything to say other than that it was fraudulent and free. They made the point that it would be in the interests of peace and freedom and democracy around the world if the Panamanian people could be granted their wish to have Mr. Endara be the new president of Panama. (Applause.)

And let me just assure you of this. I will act prudently in Central America. I will act as much as we possibly can in concert with the nations of Central and South America. We do not want to return to the days of the imperialistic gringos of the North. But let everybody be clear on one point. I will protect the lives of Americans in Panama, whether they're military or civilian. We will not let Americans' lives be put at risk by a dictator down there. (Applause.)

I mentioned Mitch's interest in foreign policy and his leadership there. But on domestic issues as well -- important issues like keeping the economy strong, he's right out there. You see, there is great mutual respect between us. Mitch understands words like principle and loyalty and, as you know, those words are very, very important to all of us. Certainly, I say they're very important to me. So take it from me -- I know from experience -- you can count on Mitch McConnell. (Applause.)

Let me simply say -- I know you haven't even eaten yet and I've had two graduation speeches and a couple of miles of running over in Houston before going to Mississippi and I'm just really delighted to be here. But let me just say a word about -- (laughter and applause) -- let me just say one other serious word, because yesterday I gave a speech over at Texas A&M in Bryant, Texas about our relationship with -- do I hear a couple of Aggies in the crowd down there? -- a speech about our relationship with the Soviet Union. And there are some young people here tonight and I'd like to address myself to them and say I think you've got a wonderful chance to live in a more peaceful world, to grow up without the fear that some of your parents have had about nuclear holocaust or a world at war.

And yesterday I made this proposal that we offer to the Soviets a chance to be reintegrated back into the family of nations. And that is going to be a driving goal of my presidency. But we're not going to do it from naivete. We're not going to do it based on promises or bold proposals. We're going to do it on the facts. And

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I'm going to keep the United States of America strong, but I am not going to miss an opportunity to discuss global peace and to work for the relief of regional tensions with Mr. Gorbachev. We are going to do that, but we're going to do it in a timely fashion, a prudent fashion, with the interests of the free world foremost all the time. (Applause.)

These are exciting times, and we are the United States of America, and we have always led the Alliance and we're going to continue to lead the Alliance. But I would conclude I am optimistic, not only about the future of the Alliance, but I am optimistic about the changes that are taking place in the Soviet Union. And I'll do my level best working with the three Congressmen that are here, with the Senator that is here, to enhance United States standing and to make clear to everyone in the world that we are committed to world peace, that we're going to stay strong in the pursuit of that peace.

Thank you all very much. Thank you very, very much for your support of this outstanding Senator. I'm delighted to be with you. God bless you and God bless the United States of America. Thank you very, very much. (Applause.)

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