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The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

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WASHINGTON

MAY 16, 1989

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON (cc)

FROM: CURT SMITH *CS*

SUBJECT: MAY 17 GOP HOUSE CONFERENCE REMARKS

I. SUMMARY

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(Smith/Blessey)
May 16, 1989
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GOP

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1989

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O SINCE MY FEBRUARY 9 VISIT TO THIS WONDERFUL CHAMBER, HOUSE REPUBLICANS HAVE HELPED WIN VICTORIES VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR YOUNG ADMINISTRATION.

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O I SAY "VITAL" BECAUSE IN THE FIRST 100 DAYS OF THIS CONGRESS, IF I NEEDED TO WIN A VOTE OR ^{TO}SUSTAIN A VETO, I'VE LOOKED TO YOU -- AND YOU'VE DELIVERED.


O ON THE EASTERN AIRLINES "EMERGENCY BOARD" LEGISLATION AND ON MINIMUM WAGE, THE TWO BILLS WHERE WE NEEDED YOU TO DEMONSTRATE THE STRENGTH TO SUSTAIN MY VETO THREAT -- HERE, YOU DELIVERED THE VOTES.

- 4 -

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O I ALSO NEED YOUR HELP IN GETTING OUR S&L PACKAGE TO THE FLOOR BEFORE MEMORIAL DAY. I KNOW THAT'S AN AMBITIOUS GOAL. BUT CONSIDER: THE SENATE PASSED THIS LEGISLATION ON APRIL 19, AND YET THERE'S STILL NO DATE FOR HOUSE FLOOR ACTION. THE DELAY HAS COST THE TAXPAYERS OVER \$500 MILLION SINCE THE SENATE COMPLETED ACTION.

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O THE BANKING COMMITTEE HAS SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON THIS BILL. ALL THE FIGHTS HAVE BEEN FOUGHT. NOW, IT'S TIME TO QUIT STALLING AND GET THE JOB DONE. I HOPE THAT THE HOUSE WILL RESIST EFFORTS TO UNDO THE BILL'S FINANCING MECHANISM. FOR IF MEMBERS WANT TO SAVE THE PUBLIC MONEY, THE BEST WAY IS TO PASS THIS BILL -- NOW.

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0 HOW ELSE CAN YOU HELP AMERICA? BY PASSING OUR CHILD CARE LEGISLATION WHICH PUTS MONEY IN THE HANDS OF LOW-INCOME PARENTS, LIMITS FEDERAL INTERVENTION, AND INCREASES OPTIONS.

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0 I NEED SUPPORT, TOO, FOR THE \$1.2 BILLION CRIME PACKAGE THAT I OUTLINED MONDAY. IT CALLS FOR MORE PRISON CELLS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. FOR MORE PROSECUTORS. AND FOR TOUGHER LAWS TO PUT CRIMINALS BEHIND BARS.

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O AND, FINALLY, WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RESTORE DEMOCRACY TO PANAMA. IT WON'T BE EASY. IT MAY TAKE TIME. BUT THE MORE UNITED WE ARE AT HOME -- AND WITH OUR ALLIES IN THE REGION -- THE GREATER OUR CHANCE TO BRING DEMOCRACY BACK TO PANAMA.

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O AGAIN, THANK YOU -- AS COLLEAGUES, AND AS FRIENDS. I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP, THE COOPERATION OF BOB MICHEL, NEWT GINGRICH, JERRY AND THE REST OF THE LEADERSHIP. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. TOGETHER, LET US BUILD A BETTER, FAIRER, MORE PROSPEROUS AMERICA.

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Please forward any comments to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 6:00 PM, TODAY, Monday, May 15, 1989, with an info copy to my office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
FOR COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: ROBERT J. PORTMAN *RJP*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: GOP House Conference

Pursuant to James W. Cicconi's staffing request of May 15, 1989, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced Presidential remarks. We have no legal objection to the contents.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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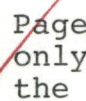
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May 15, 1989

MEMORANDUM TO CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: JIM PINKERTON 
SUBJECT: GOP House Conference

Page 1, para 3. What specific votes have been taken in the House that are purely Republican victories? This bullet begs for more explanation.

 Page 1, para 4. Delete the sentence "... no longer can we rely only on the Senate ..." Why would the President seek to divide the two Houses of Congress?

Page 2, para 1. On minimum wage -- this is more appropriately included as a future fight on which the President needs the House Republicans' support.

Page 3. Given the momentum of the ABC child care bill, the President should mention his own child care legislation as well as the FSX.

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cc: Roger Porter
Bill Roper
John Gardner

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 5/15/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5/15/89 6:00 PM P2: 55

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FROM: CURT SMITH *CS*

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May 16, 1989

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Brent Scowcroft
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WASHINGTON, D.C.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1989

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