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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1989

TEXT OF REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT THE ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON

Omni International Hotel
Miami, Florida

August 16, 1989

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At home we have launched a series of bold proposals designed to make great cities like Miami places where every family can prosper -- proposals to educate our children, clean up our air, and -- in attacking crime and drugs -- do nothing less than take back the streets.

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(Miami, Florida)

For Immediate Release

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1:09 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Iliana. And thank all of you for that warm welcome. What a pleasure it is, an uplifting pleasure to be with the next U.S. Representative from Florida's 18th district. (Applause.) I'll tell you, I heard my friend, Tom, talk about a two-week campaign. I don't believe there is such a thing as a two-week campaign.

But sure enough, that's what we're facing and why I want to thank each and every one of you for making a significant contribution to this campaign. This is exciting and it's grassroots, and you can sense a ground swell for our outstanding candidate. And the people of Dade County are going to turn one great Florida Senator, state Senator into one great United States Congresswoman. (Applause.)

I see my friends, Bill Grant and Craig James and Mike Bilarakis here today. They need company. They need it bad in the United States House of Representatives. And so I want to see her as the 11th member of an outstanding Florida delegation.

You know -- she pointed it out, Iliana did -- this is my first and last stop before going to Maine. And there aren't many things that are important enough to delay a vacation -- I think we'd all agree on that. (Laughter.) But electing Iliana Ros-Lehtinen to Congress is surely one of them. And anyway, it was right on the way -- (laughter) -- as she pointed out. And it is a pleasure -- I mean it -- it really is a pleasure to be here and, indeed, in a sense, it's, for me, like a -- I won't say high school reunion, but like a reunion seeing so many friends and so many people to whom I'm personally indebted for their political support.

And, of course, it's a great pleasure to be with our -- and I say that for a purpose -- our outstanding United States Senator Connie Mack. What a job he is doing for this state and for our

country. (Applause.)

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And I'm pleased to see my friend, the Mayor, Mayor Suarez. I'm delighted that Jeanie Austin, who's brought her lessons as Florida's party chairman to the leadership role at the Republican National Committee -- I'm pleased that she came down with us. She left some big shoes to fill in this state that's on the move politically. But if anybody can do it -- and he is -- it's Van Poole, who I've known for many, many years and he's doing a great job as our state chairman. (Applause.)

I wish that my national cochairman, Bob Martinez, was here. But I understand he's on a development mission to Israel -- and I wish for him a landslide reelection. You think of the redistricting, the importance of that, and it is vital. (Applause.)

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I'm going to get in trouble if I single out all my friends at this dais or out in the audience, but I see Jorge Mas here. And all I would say to you, Jorge, is keep up your battle -- sometimes lonely, always principled, for bringing truth to Cuba. I support what you are doing in terms of TV Marti, and we are not going to let the people down. (Applause.)

And I'd be remiss if I didn't mention my pal here, Alec Courtelis. I know some of you hate to see the guy -- (laughter) -- because every time you do, you're poorer. But the party or some good cause is richer. But nevertheless, I think I'd be remiss if I didn't say that, in my view at least, Alec was a large part in our being boosted to a 40-state victory last November. And, Alec, thank you and thank you Miami, too. (Applause.)

Every time I start this we get in trouble for those we don't have time to single out -- like what's his name? The old Republican Party chairman of Dade County -- Jeb somebody. (Laughter and applause.) I called him and asked what I could do as President to help out during the final two weeks. He said I should fly to Miami at once and babysit his kids until after the election. (Laughter.)

So this is an important election -- the spotlight of the nation is going to be on Dade County. I think you know that already -- you can just feel it, you can sense it coming out of this primary season, as we move now two weeks before the general election. In our first six months, our administration has set out on a new course -- sails filled with the new breeze that I talked about on the day I took office -- and launched upon the success of a great President whose name graces a Miami avenue not far from here -- Ronald Reagan. (Applause.)

We've got plenty of problems around the world, but on the world scene, the United States stands tall and confident. We've recently returned from a successful NATO meeting where we put on the table and innovative, imaginative program for conventional force reduction, which, if we're successful -- and we're negotiating it with the Soviet Union -- will take a giantic step to see that the world is going to be more peaceful for these young guys at this table over here. And that's a lot of what being a President is about.

We've seen how democracy is surging forward around the world, taking roots in outposts like Poland and Hungary. The excitement I felt when I was in Poland and Hungary -- I just wish I could have shared it with everybody in this room.

And at home we've launched a series of bold proposals designed to make great cities like Miami places where every family can prosper -- proposals to educate our kids, help clean up our environment -- air and water -- and in attacking crime and drugs, do nothing less than take back our streets.

If progress is to continue and if we're to make this vision a reality for Miami and all America, then we need to send principled, tough, experienced legislators, like Ileana, to fight the battle in Washington. And we need, I might say parenthetically -- primary season over -- we need to send leaders like Miguel Digrande, Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart to fight the battle in Tallahassee. Do not forget the local level. (Applause.)

Let me click off a couple of examples as to why Washington is so impressed with Ileana. She's an effective teacher with a long-standing commitment to quality education. She's a smart leader, a veteran leader, with seven outstanding years as a Florida legislator. We need experienced leaders like Ileana to win the war on crime and drugs, to maintain a strong foreign policy, and to help our children and our elderly fulfill the fullest potential of their lives.

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We must enforce those three principles. (Applause.)

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Now, we've called upon the states for a long time to back us up with matching programs of their own. And here in Florida, Ileana hasn't just been with us -- she's been leading the charge.

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In the fall, we're going to be unveiling a total -- first time -- a total national drug strategy and this law enforcement package is going to be a part of it. But with crucial votes ahead in the Congress, this is the kind of uncompromising, experienced crime-fighter that we need in Washington right now.

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She knows that crime is not the only threat to America's society. She also knows the world as it really is when it comes to foreign affairs. With Cuba -- Castro's Cuba -- 90 miles away -- she understands the horrors of totalitarianism. And listening to her, she also understands the blessings of freedom.

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Cuba. But that cannot be and it will not be as long as Castro violates the human rights of his own people; as long as he, almost alone in the entire world now, swims against the tide that is bringing sweeping change and democracy and freedom to closed societies all around the world. (Applause.) As President, I will look for signs that Castro wants to move away from subverting his neighbors -- move towards more openness, more freedom for his own people. But until I see demonstrable change, there will be no improvement in relations with Cuba. It simply cannot be. (Applause.)

Speaking of freedom, I want to recognize one special couple here -- not just as Ileana's proud parents, but as defenders of liberty who struggled against communist tyranny -- I saw them smiling back there when their daughter was speaking -- Enrique and Amanda Ros. (Applause.) Why don't -- Amanda, you and Enrique stand up now so we can see you. (Applause.) Some of you -- not all of you -- know the story, so let me repeat it here.

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And we've got two weeks left. So let's go out there and make that dream come true. Thank you. God bless you. God bless the United States of America. (Applause.)

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 8/12/89

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER LUNCH
OMNI INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, MIAMI
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1989

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RESPONSE: _____

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August 11, 1989

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: CHRISS WINSTON^W

SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR THE ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER

I. SUMMARY

Attached are your consideration are remarks for your speech at a luncheon fundraiser for Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, the Republican nominee for the special election in Florida's 18th Congressional District.

II. DISCUSSION

Your audience will consist of about 600 people who have contributed \$1,000 per couple. You will speak after the meal around 1:00 p.m. at the Omni International Hotel in Miami on Wednesday, August 16. You will then depart for Walker's Point.

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen has been a state senator for the last seven years. Her husband is the U.S. Attorney for Miami. She won the Republican nomination for Claude Pepper's old seat with 85% of the vote. Your speech will be the day after the Democratic run-off.

If she wins, Ros-Lehtinen will be the first Cuban-American member of Congress. Your son Jeb is her campaign chairman.

(Simon)
August 11, 1989, 6:20 p.m.
Draft Six (MIAMI)

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1989, 1:00 P.M.

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It is a pleasure to be here, and a pleasure to know so many old friends are working to elect Ileana. It's always good to see Connie Mack, your distinguished Senator, and Jeannie Austin, who's brought the lessons of Florida to her leadership at the RNC. Jeannie left some big shoes to fill, but Van Poole is doing an excellent job as state chairman. And, of course, we wish your able governor, Bob Martinez, a successful economic development mission to Israel.

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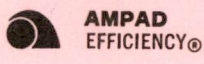
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[[PAUSE]]


AS SUCCESSFUL AMERICAN ENTREPRENEURS, THEY HAVE
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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: CHRISS WINSTON

SUBJECT: INSERTS FOR THE ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER

I. SUMMARY

Attached is the final set of speech cards for tomorrow's remarks at the luncheon fundraiser in Miami. Because Miami is holding run-off elections today to determine nominees for two of the races referred to in your remarks, two of the cards are going to be last-minute "inserts."

II. DISCUSSION

Insert #1 is to be considered if Miami lawyer Gerald Richman is selected (in today's run-off against former Miami city commissioner Rosario Kennedy) as the Democratic nominee to oppose Ileana Ros-Lehtinen. The insert takes note of the story that's been filling the newspapers since Saturday: That Gerald Richman -- while claiming to be a leader in supporting your opponent's presidential bid last year -- contributed \$2,000 to your campaign.

Insert #2 simply "fills in the blank," giving a plug for whichever candidate (Miguel De Grandy or Justo Luis Pozo) is selected as the Republican nominee to compete for one of the legislative vacancies created in Tallahassee when Ms. Ros-Lehtinen stepped up to run for Congress.

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SPEAKING OF FREEDOM, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ONE SPECIAL COUPLE HERE -- NOT JUST AS THE PROUD PARENTS OF ILEANA -- BUT AS DEFENDERS OF LIBERTY WHO STRUGGLED AGAINST COMMUNIST TYRANNY -- ENRIQUE AND AMANDA ROS.
[[PAUSE]]

AS SUCCESSFUL AMERICAN ENTREPRENEURS, THEY HAVE
PROVEN ONCE AGAIN -- LIKE SO MANY HERE TODAY -- THAT IF
YOU'RE WILLING TO WORK HARD, AMERICA IS STILL THE HOME
OF FREEDOM AND OPPORTUNITY LIKE NOWHERE ELSE ON EARTH.
[[PAUSE]]

ILEANA TELLS OF HOW, IN 1939, HER GRANDFATHER TOOK
A SMALL BOAT INTO HAVANA HARBOR TO RESCUE HIS COUSIN
WHO WAS TRAPPED ABOARD THE S.S. SAINT LOUIS, A JEW
FLEEING THE NAZI HOLOCAUST. ILEANA'S GRANDFATHER
WATCHED HELPLESSLY AS THE INFAMOUS "VOYAGE OF THE
DAMNED" WAS TURNED AWAY. THAT'S WHY HER GRANDFATHER
HELPED SMUGGLE JEWISH REFUGEES OUT OF CUBA WHEN
CASTRO'S TYRANNY CRUSHED FREEDOM ON THE ISLAND --
CRUSHED RELIGIOUS FREEDOM -- CRUSHED ALL FREEDOM.

ILEANA'S EXPERIENCES GIVE HER AN INCREASED SENSITIVITY TO THE PROBLEMS OF ALL OPPRESSED MINORITIES, WHEREVER THEY MAY BE. SHE IS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF ISRAEL, OF FREE EMIGRATION FOR SOVIET JEWS, AND OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO ARE BATTLING COMMUNIST OPPRESSION IN THIS HEMISPHERE AND OVERSEAS. THAT'S PRINCIPLE. THAT'S TOUGH LEADERSHIP. THAT'S ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN.

ILEANA'S CONCERN FOR THE HELPLESS EXPLAINS HER FOCUS ON THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY. AS A TEACHER AND A MOTHER -- WITH TWO CHILDREN AGES 2 AND 4 -- SHE KNOWS THE POTENTIAL IN OUR YOUTH AND HAS WITNESSED THE HEARTBREAK OF DRUGS, MISSING CHILDREN, AND LOST OPPORTUNITIES. ILEANA'S ELECTION WILL HELP ENFRANCHISE TWO OF THE MOST UNDER-REPRESENTED GROUPS IN CONGRESS -- AMERICA'S TEACHERS -- AND AMERICA'S WORKING MOTHERS.

CONCERN FOR OTHERS IS WHY ILEANA SUCCESSFULLY SOUGHT PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A PROGRAM FOR INTERMEDIATE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY -- CREATING AN ALTERNATIVE BETWEEN TOTAL CARE NURSING HOMES AND LIVING ALONE WITHOUT ANY HELP. FOR THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA'S 18TH, HER EFFORTS IN TALLAHASSEE COMPLIMENTED CLAUDE PEPPER'S LEADERSHIP IN CONGRESS. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN WILL CARRY ON THE LEGACY OF CLAUDE PEPPER -- STANDING UP FOR OUR ELDERLY IN WASHINGTON.

BUT, STANDING HERE IN FLORIDA -- OUR SPACE PROGRAM'S HOME STATE --AND HOPING TO BOOST THE CANDIDACY OF A TALENTED YOUNG AMERICAN WOMAN, WE OUGHT TO TAKE NOTE OF SOME AUSPICIOUS SIGNS.

AFTER I LEAVE TONIGHT, AT JUST ABOUT SUNSET, A FULL MOON WILL RISE OUT OF THE WAVES TO THE EAST AND SHINE OVER MIAMI. BUT IT'S NO ORDINARY FULL MOON. BECAUSE ANYBODY WATCHING TONIGHT WILL WITNESS THE MAGIC OF A TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE -- AN EVENT NOT SEEN ON THESE SHORES IN NEARLY SEVEN YEARS.

GO OUTSIDE TONIGHT, AND TAKE YOUR CHILDREN, YOUR GRANDCHILDREN. WITH ANY LUCK, AND IF THE WEATHER HOLDS, I'LL BE UP THE COAST IN MAINE, WATCHING WITH FOUR MIAMIANS OF MY OWN -- COLU, GEORGE, NOELLE AND JEBBIE BUSH. AND AS YOU ENJOY THE MAGIC OF A SUMMER NIGHT -- AND AS YOU THINK ABOUT THE MAGIC OF A LUNAR ECLIPSE -- THINK ALSO ABOUT THE MAGIC OF AMERICA, A LAND WHERE DREAMS COME TRUE, A LAND WHERE ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE.



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ILEANA'S DREAM IS YOUR DREAM. IT'S NOT A
REPUBLICAN DREAM OR A DADE COUNTY DREAM -- IT'S THE
AMERICAN DREAM.

WE'VE GOT TWO WEEKS LEFT. LET'S GO OUT THERE AND
MAKE THIS DREAM COME TRUE.

THANK YOU -- GOD BLESS YOU -- AND GOD BLESS
AMERICA.

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To: Ed McNally

Kennedy tries to gain offensive in TV debate

By TOM FIEDLER
Herald Political Editor

Democratic rivals Rosario Kennedy and Gerald Richman intensified their sparring over Richman's controversial campaign theme Saturday night during the final televised debate of the runoff campaign.

In a live confrontation, Kennedy asked Richman why he persisted in using a "cynical" campaign strategy that was tantamount to "not-so-subtle appeals to ethnic politics."

She referred to Richman's repeated assertion that the congressional seat, vacated by the death of Claude Pepper, was not to be set aside for any ethnic or religious group but was "an American seat."

"When are you going to stop this type of divisive campaign?" she demanded in a question leveled direct-

ly at Richman.

He repeated previous arguments that his theme was intended to be a unifying one, encompassing all ethnic and racial groups under the American label. He also insisted that voters have taken it in a positive way and have not seen it as an attempt to drive a wedge between American-born and Hispanic voters.

Richman also blamed Republican National Chairman Lee Atwater for raising the issue in June when Atwater promised to help a Cuban American Republican win the seat. And he said Kennedy joined in the matter by saying she agreed the seat should go to a Cuban American — her.

"You know exactly well that I said that in jest," Kennedy retorted.

Said Richman: "I didn't take it as jest at all."

Throughout the 30-minute debate on WTVJ-Channel 4, Kennedy appeared intent on gaining the offensive. In addition to blasting Richman over his campaign theme, she also noted that he had contributed \$2,000 to the Bush campaign.

And in an impassioned closing statement, she addressed viewers by saying, "I am as proud of my heritage as you are of yours."

She said she spoke English with an accent but that anyone who would use an accent as a bar to public service would have deprived the country of such servants as Henry Kissinger.

Richman remained focused on different issues, discussing his concerns over housing, the environment and Social Security. He made only indirect references to Kennedy



Kennedy



Richman

and often mentioned his background as a lawyer and former Florida Bar president.

In his closing appeal, Richman asked the audience to "consider our qualifications, who will best be your ambassador to Washington to fight for this community and country."

Republican nominee Beana Ros-Lehtinen, who was interviewed later by WINZ political editor Bill Bayer for radio broadcast tonight, said she is eager to run against either Democrat.

"The true issue is taxes," Ros-Lehtinen said. "And what both of them are are tax-and-spend liberals."

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Candidates seek pivotal black votes

Richman, Kennedy attack, counterattack

By LUIS FELDSTEIN SOTO
Herald Staff Writer

Rosario Kennedy and Gerald Richman on Sunday began the two-day countdown to the Democratic runoff with a new round of punches and counter-punches — some seen as below the belt — in a ring many consider decisive in Tuesday's election: black Miami.

"Blacks are the largest bloc of undecided voters," said Richman campaign director Brian Lunde. "They're going to move one way or another, sometime tomorrow."

The candidates and their entourages barnstormed churches throughout Overtown, Brownsville and Liberty City, mining the Sunday morning black assemblies for votes. They crossed paths at the Joseph Caleb Center in Liberty City for an afternoon debate that lived up to the passion of recent days.

Kennedy, stunned by Richman's first-place finish in



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 11, 1989

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: CHRISS WINSTON (W)

SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR THE ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER

I. SUMMARY

Attached are your consideration are remarks for your speech at a luncheon fundraiser for Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, the Republican nominee for the special election in Florida's 18th Congressional District.

II. DISCUSSION

Your audience will consist of about 600 people who have contributed \$1,000 per couple. You will speak after the meal around 1:00 p.m. at the Omni International Hotel in Miami on Wednesday, August 16. You will then depart for Walker's Point.

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen has been a state senator for the last seven years. Her husband is the U.S. Attorney for Miami. She won the Republican nomination for Claude Pepper's old seat with 85% of the vote. Your speech will be the day after the Democratic run-off.

If she wins, Ros-Lehtinen will be the first Cuban-American member of Congress. Your son Jeb is her campaign chairman.

(Simon)

August 11, 1989, 6:20 p.m.
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER LUNCH
OMNI INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, MIAMI
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1989, 1:00 P.M.

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It is a pleasure to be here, and a pleasure to know so many old friends are working to elect Ileana. It's always good to see Connie Mack, your distinguished Senator, and Jeannie Austin, who's brought the lessons of Florida to her leadership at the RNC. Jeannie left some big shoes to fill, but Van Poole is doing an excellent job as state chairman. And, of course, we wish your able governor, Bob Martinez, a successful economic development mission to Israel.

I'm also pleased to see Alec Courtelis, whose efforts -- like those of so many old friends here in this room -- boosted us

to a 40-state victory in November. Thank you Alec -- and thank you Miami. [[PAUSE]]

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At home we have launched a series of bold proposals designed to make great cities like Miami places where every family can prosper -- proposals to educate our children, clean up our air, and -- in attacking crime and drugs -- do nothing less than take back the streets.

Ridman // Kennedy

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Wendy Donath

If progress is to continue -- if we are to make this vision a reality for Miami and all America -- then we need to send tough, experienced legislators -- leaders like Ileana Ros-Lehtinen -- to fight the battle in Washington. And we need to send leaders like ^{Miguel Duha Grandy Hoosta Louis Pozo} [[Miguel De Grandy//Justo Luis Pozo]] and Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart to fight the battle in Tallahassee.

Let me give you some examples of why Washington is so impressed by Ileana. She is an effective teacher with a longstanding commitment to quality education.

She is a smart leader, and a veteran leader, with seven outstanding years as a Florida legislator. We need experienced leaders like Ileana to win the war on crime and drugs, to maintain a strong foreign policy, and to help our children and our elderly fulfill the fullest potential of their lives.

[[PAUSE]]

Florida's 18th -- represented so long by Claude Pepper -- is no place for rookies. [[PAUSE]] Ileana Ros-Lehtinen is the only one with the experience to get the job done.

The number one issue in Miami -- the number one issue across America -- is drugs and the violent crime they spawn.

A strong foreign policy, hopes and plans for our children and our elderly -- all our dreams and best intentions will be for naught if we cannot win the war against the thunder in the streets and the evil that men do.

The answer calls for common sense. Every criminal in this Nation must understand that:

If they commit a crime -- they will be caught.

And if caught -- they will be prosecuted.

And if convicted -- they will do time.

The comprehensive battle plan we sent to Congress seeks to rid our streets of these violent criminals with an attack on four fronts: **New laws to punish them. New agents to arrest them. New prosecutors to convict them. And new prisons to hold them.**

We have long called upon the states to back us up with matching programs of their own. And here in Florida, Ileana hasn't just been with us -- **she's been leading the charge.**

She's led the fight to increase penalties for those caught selling drugs around schools, passed the Drug-Free Workplace Act, and toughened bail standards.

The time for talk is over. Five police officers were killed here in Dade County last year. Ileana wants the federal death penalty for Miami's drug kingpins. And she supports my personal pledge: **Anyone who kills a law enforcement officer -- should pay the ultimate price. [[PAUSE]]**

With crucial votes in Congress ahead this fall, this is the kind of uncompromising, experienced crime-fighter we need in Washington **now**.

I know Marvin Weinstein [[WINE-steen]] wants to see her leadership on crime taken to Congress. Marvin was victimized

twice: Once by the brutal murder of his daughter, and once by a criminal justice system that kept his family out of the courtroom, treating the victims of crime as second-class citizens.

Ileana responded with the Victims Bill of Rights and the new Victims amendment to the Florida constitution. And today, things are different in Dade County. The judge, in a long-delayed murder trial, ruled recently that Ileana's new amendment protected the victim's parents' right to attend. They said: "We finally got justice. After all these years, we finally know what happened." **Ileana has made a difference in South Florida.**

Ileana also knows that crime is not the only threat to America's security. With Castro's Cuba just 90 miles away, you understand the true nature of communist oppression. And I want to recognize one special couple here -- not just as the proud parents of Ileana -- **but as defenders of liberty who struggled against communist tyranny -- Enrique and Amanda Ros.** [[PAUSE]]

As successful American entrepreneurs, they have proven once again -- like so many here today -- **that if you're willing to work hard, America is still the home of freedom and opportunity like nowhere else on Earth.** [[PAUSE]]

Ileana tells of how, in 1939, her grandfather took a small boat into Havana harbor to rescue his cousin who was trapped aboard the S.S. Saint Louis, a Jew fleeing the Nazi Holocaust. Ileana's grandfather watched helplessly as the infamous "Voyage of the Damned" was turned away. That's why her grandfather

helped smuggle Jewish refugees out of Cuba when Castro's tyranny crushed freedom on the island -- crushed religious freedom -- crushed all freedom.

Ileana's experiences give her an increased sensitivity to the problems of all oppressed minorities, wherever they may be. She is a strong supporter of Israel, of free emigration for Soviet Jews, and of the freedom fighters who are battling communist oppression in this hemisphere and overseas. **That's principle. That's tough leadership. That's Ileana Ros-Lehtinen.**

Ileana's concern for the helpless explains her focus on the needs of children and the elderly. As a teacher and a mother -- with two children ages 2 and 4 -- she knows the potential in our youth and has witnessed the heartbreak of drugs, missing children, and lost opportunities. **Ileana's election will help enfranchise two of the most under-represented groups in Congress -- America's teachers -- and America's working mothers.**

Concern for others is why Ileana successfully sought passage of legislation designed to provide a program for intermediate care for the elderly -- creating an alternative between total care nursing homes and living alone without any help. For the people of Florida's 18th, her efforts in Tallahassee complimented Claude Pepper's leadership in Congress. **Ileana Ros-Lehtinen will carry on the legacy of Claude Pepper -- standing up for our elderly in Washington.**

Standing here in Florida -- our space program's home state --and hoping to boost the candidacy of a talented young American woman, we ought to take note of some auspicious signs.

After I leave tonight, at just about sunset, a full moon will rise out of the waves to the east and shine over Miami. But it's no ordinary full moon. Because anybody watching tonight will witness the magic of a total lunar eclipse -- an event not seen on these shores in nearly seven years.

Go outside tonight, and take your children, your grandchildren. With any luck, and if the weather holds, I'll be up the coast in Maine, watching with two Miamians of my own -- Noelle and Jebbie Bush. And as you enjoy the magic of a summer night -- and as you think about the magic of a lunar eclipse -- think also about the magic of America, a land where dreams come true, a land where anything is possible.

Ileana's dream is your dream. It's not a Cuban dream or a Republican dream or a Dade County dream -- it's the American dream.

We've got two weeks left. **Let's go out there and make this dream come true.**

Thank you -- God bless you -- and God bless America.

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Candidates seek pivotal black votes

WISOFF, FROM 18

the Aug. 1 primary, is counting on a strong black turnout to rebound post-Richman in Tuesday's runoff. She took the offense in Sunday's debate, repeating the "political bombshell" she dropped during a televised debate with Richman on Saturday.

Having campaign records as proof, she said Richman and his wife distributed \$1,000 each to George Bush's campaign for president.

"In this double standard," she asked, "I don't think we can represent both parties in Congress. I know I won't."

The charge rankled Richman, who called himself a "leading supporter" of Michael Dukakis and whose law partner, Alan Greer, led Dukakis' campaign in Florida.

Richman said he and his wife, Gwen, attended a \$1,000-a-head Bush reception at the request of "a personal friend" in Washington. Richman is godfather to one of friend's children, he said.

After the debate, Richman said contributions "had nothing to do with supporting Bush. It was acknowledging a friend." Kennedy strategist Phil Hamersmith called that "a noble excuse."

Kennedy took after Richman on other fronts, including his controversial "American seat" campaign slogan and his opposition to setting aside government contracts for minority-owned firms.

"I don't see how any minority contractor can get any work if he (Richman) opposes set-asides," Kennedy said.



Associated Press

HEADS OR HEADS: Democratic runoff candidates Gerald Richman and Rosario Kennedy burst into laughter Sunday as each called

per se," Richman said. "I believe in merit."

The candidates also parted ways when asked whether they could see themselves ever joining the tide of party-switchers to the Republican camp. Kennedy issued a flat "never," though she said it's "been very hard to be a Cuban American and a Democrat" in a town where that combination is rare.

Richman wouldn't lock himself into a pledge, saying he's still working to change the Democratic Party and its self-destructive tendencies. "I can't tell you what's going to happen 20 years from now. I can tell you right now I have a commitment to the Democratic Party."

Issues dear to blacks dominated the debate, with both candidates calling for stronger civil-rights laws, more federally subsidized housing, stronger gun controls and fairer treatment of Haitian refugees.

heads in a coin toss to determine who would speak first. The forum was sponsored by the Democratic Black Caucus of Florida.

The emphasis on black areas reflected both campaigns' conviction that the election could be won or lost there. With the three top draws among black voters -- Jo Ann Pepper, Sonya Wright and Marvin Dunn -- now out of the race, thousands are shopping around for a candidate.

For Kennedy, the challenge is twofold: to turn out enough black voters and win over enough of them and to offset Richman's advantage among Jewish and Anglo voters, particularly in Miami Beach.

To that end, Kennedy is touting endorsements from Dunn, Wright and Pepper and was introduced at churches Sunday by prominent black figures such as former Miami Police Chief Clarence Dickson, state Rep. Jefferson Reaves and former City Manager Howard Gary.

For Richman, the challenge is not to sweep the black vote but to hold Kennedy's share at levels that don't

swamp his lead elsewhere. Lacking big-name endorsements, Richman is touring neighborhoods with black aides Vernon Clark and Jackie Spence and airing radio endorsements from black ministers.

"It's Mondale vs. Hart," said Richman aide George Burger. "It's endorsements versus direct communication into the households."

Other weapons range from the car loudspeaker to the "attack flier." Richman volunteer Lottie Hines was tooling around black precincts in her Ford Taurus on Sunday, a loudspeaker blaring Richman's much-criticized campaign slogan: "This is an American seat. It belongs to all the people."

The Kennedy campaign was countering with 10,000 fliers, set to go out today, reproducing a Miami Herald editorial Sunday that blasted Richman's slogan as "naked, deliberate bigotry." The fliers also contrast Richman's donations to Bush with Kennedy's loyalty to the Democratic Party.

As anti-Kennedy flier, headlined "Dream Killer," began circulating in black neighborhoods courtesy of her black opponent in the 1965 race for Miami City Commission, Bill Perry Sr. Perry said he and several unnamed allies printed 100,000 cartoons depicting Kennedy inside a Rolls-Royce, pouring liquor on a group of black pickets marching for civil rights.

Perrine man held in slaying

An unemployed Perrine man snatched up a .30-30 rifle and shot and killed one woman in his apartment early Sunday, then grabbed a knife and stabbed another as she tried to escape through a window, Metro police said.

But police don't know why.

Police arrested James Bass, 37, of 10010 SW 170th Ter., Apt. 2, which also was the scene of the alleged killing and attempted killing. They charged him with second-degree murder, attempted second-degree murder and false imprisonment. He was taken to the Dade County jail.

Diane McClain, 27, of South Miami Heights, was shot and stabbed repeatedly. She died in Bass' apartment.

A woman police wouldn't name was with her. She survived repeated stabs as she escaped. She was in serious condition late Sunday at a local hospital police wouldn't name.

Police gave this account, based on what the surviving woman and Bass told them:

The women went to Bass' apartment about midnight. Then, about 2:45 a.m., he pulled out the lever-action rifle and fired several times. He hit McClain.

Then he grabbed a knife. He stabbed McClain.

He stabbed the other woman. She broke free. She was crawling through a broken window when police got there. Someone in the neighborhood had called to say shots had been fired.

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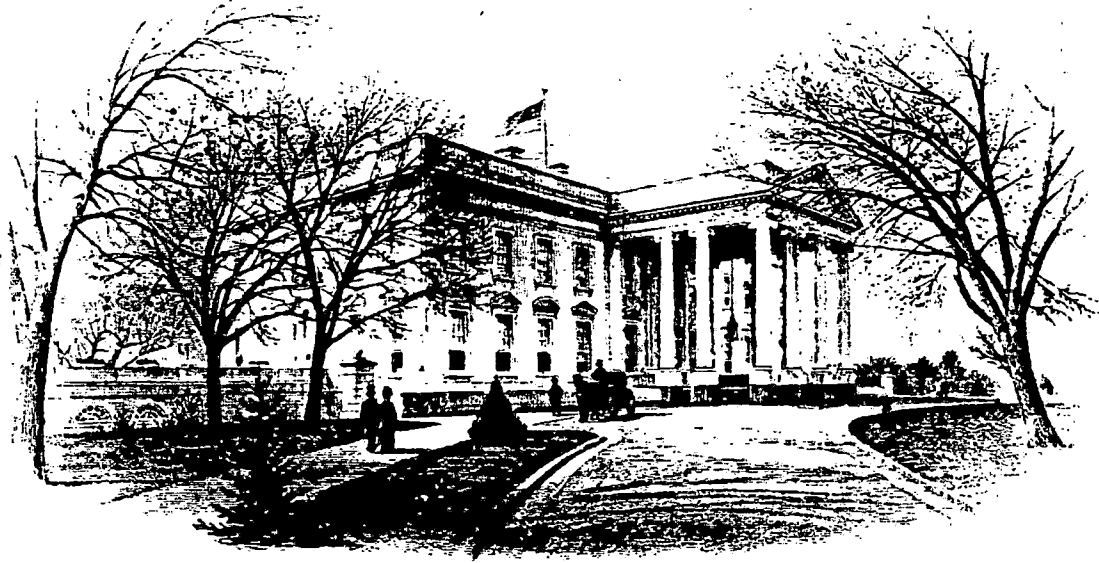
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 08/10/89 **ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY:** 5:00 p.m. Friday 08/11

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN FUNDRAISER LUNCH
MIAMI, FL
(08/10 6:30 p.m. draft five)

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REMARKS: Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 08/11, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

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James W. Cicconi
 Assistant to the President
 and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
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(Simon)
August 10, 1989, 6:30 p.m.
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Jeb told me it's made his work ~~easier~~ now that he has a famous last name. People come up and ask: "Aren't you related to George Bush -- the guy who owns the baseball team?" [[PAUSE]]

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and -- in attacking crime and drugs -- do nothing less than take back the streets.

If progress is to continue -- if we are to make this vision a reality for Miami and all America -- then we need to send tough, experienced legislators -- leaders like Ileana Ros-Lehtinen -- to fight the battle in Washington. And we need to send leaders like [[Miguel De Grandy//Justo Luis Pozo]] and Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart to fight the battle in Tallahassee.

Let me give you some examples of why Washington is so impressed by Ileana. ~~It's pretty well known that she is a state-certified teacher who has a longstanding commitment to quality education. What's not so well known is that she was also a top quality student -- in fact, Ileana received all "A's" in earning both her college and graduate degrees. Never got so much as a "B," or less.~~ ^{effective} ^{WITH} ^{she} ^{across the board} ^{while}

She is a smart leader, and a veteran leader, with seven outstanding years as a Florida legislator. We need experienced leaders like Ileana to win the war on crime and drugs, to maintain a strong foreign policy, and to help our children and our elderly fulfill the fullest potential of their lives.

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~~The Florida 18th~~ ^{18th} -- represented so long and so well by Claude Pepper -- is no place for rookies. [[PAUSE]] Ileana Ros-Lehtinen's ^{is the only one with} got the experience to get the job done.

The number one issue in Miami -- the number one issue across America -- is drugs and the violent crime ^{they} it spawns.

A strong foreign policy, hopes and plans for our children and our elderly -- all our dreams and best intentions will be for naught if we cannot win the war against the thunder in the streets and the evil that men do.

The answer calls for common sense. ^{Every,} ~~Five~~ ^{Alarons} Miami's criminals ^{in this Nation} have ~~simply got to know~~ that:

If they commit a crime -- they will be caught.

And if caught -- they will be prosecuted.

And if convicted -- they will do time.

The comprehensive battle plan we sent to Congress seeks to rid our streets of these violent criminals with an attack on four fronts: New laws to punish them. New agents to arrest them. New prosecutors to convict them. And new prisons to hold them.

We have long called upon the states to back us up with matching programs of their own. And here in Florida, Ileana hasn't just been with us -- she's been leading the charge.

She's led the fight to increase penalties for those caught selling drugs around schools, passed the Drug-Free Workplace Act, and toughened bail standards.

The time for talk is over. Five police officers were killed here in Dade County last year. Ileana wants the federal death penalty for Miami's drug kingpins. And she supports my personal pledge: ~~For~~ ² anyone who kills a law enforcement officer -- no legal ~~penalty is too tough.~~ [[PAUSE]]
Should pay the ultimate price.

This is the kind of uncompromising, experienced crime-fighter we need in Washington now -- this fall -- when the votes in Congress are needed. Miami needs her. And Washington needs her.

I know Marvin Weinstein wants to see her leadership on crime taken to Congress. Marvin was victimized twice: Once by the brutal murder of his daughter, and once by a criminal justice system that kept his family out of the courtroom, treating the victims of crime as second-class citizens.

Ileana responded with the Victims Bill of Rights and the new Victims amendment to the Florida constitution. And today, things are different in Dade County. The judge, in a long-delayed murder trial, ruled recently that Ileana's new amendment protected the victim's parents' right to attend. They said: "We finally got justice. After all these years, we finally know what happened." **Ileana has made a difference in South Florida.**

Ileana also knows that crime is not the only threat to America's security. With ^{CASTRO'S} Cuba just 90 miles away, you understand the true nature of communist oppression. And I want to recognize one special couple here -- not just as the proud parents of Ileana -- **but as defenders of liberty who struggled against communist tyranny -- Enrique and Amanda Ros.** [[PAUSE]]

As successful American entrepreneurs, they have proven once again -- like so many here today -- **that if you're willing to work hard, America is still the home of freedom and opportunity like nowhere else on Earth.** [[PAUSE]]

Ileana tells of how, in 1939, her grandfather took a small boat into Havana harbor to rescue his cousin who was trapped aboard the S.S. St. Louis, a Jew fleeing the Nazi Holocaust. Ileana's grandfather watched helplessly as the infamous "Voyage of the Damned" was turned away. That's why her grandfather helped smuggle Jewish refugees out of Cuba when Castro's tyranny crushed freedom on the island -- crushed religious freedom -- crushed all freedom.

Ileana's experiences give her an increased sensitivity to the problems of all oppressed minorities, wherever they may be. She is a strong supporter of Israel, of free emigration for Soviet Jews, and of the freedom fighters who are battling communist oppression in this hemisphere and overseas. **That's principle. That's leadership. That's Ileana Ros-Lehtinen.**

Ileana's concern for the helpless explains her focus on the needs of children and the elderly. As a teacher and a mother -- with ^{two} ~~new~~ children ages 2 and 4 -- she knows the potential in our youth and has witnessed the heartbreak of drugs, missing children, and lost opportunities. **Ileana's election will help enfranchise two of the most under-represented groups in Congress -- America's teachers -- and America's working mothers.**

Concern for ^{others} ~~the weak~~ is why Ileana successfully sought passage of legislation designed to provide a program for intermediate care for the elderly -- creating an alternative between total care nursing homes and living alone without any help. For the people of Florida's 18th, her efforts in

Tallahassee complimented Claude Pepper's leadership in Congress. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen will carry on the legacy of Claude Pepper -- standing up for our elderly in Washington.

Standing here in Florida -- our space program's home ^{state} ~~town~~ -- and hoping to boost the candidacy of a talented young American woman, we ought to take note of some auspicious signs.

After I leave tonight, at just about sunset, a full moon will rise out of the waves to the east and shine over Miami. But it's no ordinary full moon. Because anybody watching tonight will witness the magic of a total lunar eclipse -- an event not seen on these shores in nearly seven years.

Go outside tonight, and take your children, your grandchildren. With any luck, and if the weather holds, I'll be up the coast in Maine, watching with two Miamians of my own -- Noelle and Jebbie Bush. And as you enjoy the magic of a summer night -- and as you think about the magic of a lunar eclipse -- think also about the magic of America, a land where dreams come true, a land where anything is possible.

Ileana's dream is your dream. It's not a Cuban dream or a Republican dream or a Dade County dream -- it's the American dream.

We've got two weeks left. **Let's go out there and make this dream come true.**

Thank you -- God bless you -- and God bless America.

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Thank you, Ileana Ros-Lehtinen [[ILL-ee-AH-na ROSS LAY-tin-en]] -- **the next U.S. Representative from Florida's 18th district.**

And thank you -- all of you -- for joining us here to help out in this exciting, grassroots, groundswell campaign. **The people of Dade County are going to turn one great Florida senator into one great United States Representative.**

This is our first and last stop before going to Maine. There aren't many things important enough to delay the start of your family's summer vacation. But electing Ileana Ros-Lehtinen to Congress is surely one of them. [[PAUSE]] And anyway, it was right on the way.

It is a pleasure to be here, and a pleasure to know so many old friends are working to elect Ileana. It's always good to see Connie Mack, your distinguished Senator, and Jeannie Austin, who's brought the lessons of Florida to her leadership at the RNC. Jeannie left some big shoes to fill, but Van Poole is doing an excellent job as state chairman. *And, of course, we wish your* ~~And I wish he could be here,~~ *governor Bob Martinez would be successful* but he's ~~on an economic development mission to Israel -- your~~ *governor* ~~and my friend -- Bob Martinez.~~

I'm also pleased to see Alec Courtelis, whose contributions -- like those of so many old friends here in this room -- boosted