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THE WHITE HOUSE

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October 30, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT CEREMONY FOR POLISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The Rose Garden

1:20 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: To Secretary Yeutter and Secretary Mosbacher, Secretary Dole, Secretary Derwinski and Chairman Boskin, Ambassador Kinost, Ambassador Ed Rowny, it's a pleasure to be here. It's a great pleasure to see Lane Kirkland and Bob Georgine, Gale Johnson and Ed Moskal here.

The congressional delegation, I think, has been a little waylaid, but I was told that Mickey Edwards is going to be here and John Dingell, Robert Borski.

But let me just welcome you all to the Rose Garden on this beautiful fall day into an occasion marking the conclusion of Polish American Heritage Month, which links two people bound by admiration and affection. In one sense, we meet this afternoon to salute the values which united the United States and Poland, values like faith in God, respect for the family and hard work, and the belief that free expression will conquer tyranny. But in a larger way, we're here to honor the tide toward democracy that these values make possible. For in Poland, as elsewhere, the tide toward oppression is running out. The tide toward liberty is running in. The voice of freedom is the voice of Poland, and the voice of Poland is the voice of tomorrow.

When I was in Poland -- visited Poland last July, I heard the opportunity and self-government that make all things possible for a nation and a people. The Polish national anthem captured this when it proclaims, "Poland is not lost while Poles still live." And today it stirs the shopkeepers of Buffalo and the factory workers of Poznan. The small girl that I saw on a street corner in Gdansk -- tearful, joyous, an American flag stretched upward from her hand -- and she, too, knew that voice. And so does the aging woman in Chicago, teaching her grandchildren the languages of the two countries that she loves. She's the voice of Poland, resolute and proud.

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Let me say, we are inspired by these historic changes and also add, from the first, our administration has supported them by word and by deed. And that is why on April 17th at Hamtramck, shortly after the signing of the Roundtable Agreement in Poland, we announced a series of initiatives to open U.S. markets and encourage private investment and private sector loans there in Poland. And why, during my visit to Poland in July, we announced an additional package of measures to assist Poland's economic and political revival.

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This must be and will be a bipartisan effort of the United States government. And today, I'm pleased to announce that this mission will be led by the Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter, Secretary of Commerce Mosbacher, Secretary of Labor Elizabeth Dole, and Council of Economic Advisors Michael Boskin. (Applause.)

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Let us keep that flame alive and use it to burn bright the friendship between our peoples so that Polish American Heritage Month symbolizes a better, richer life. A better life for all our children. A richer life for those who believe, as we do, in the liberty which sets men free.

Thank you very much. God bless Poland. And God bless the United States of America. Thank you all very, very much for coming. (Applause.)

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1:28 P.M. EST

**POLISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH / ROSE GARDEN
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1989 / 1:15 P.M.**

SECRETARY YEUTTER, SECRETARY MOSBACHER, SECRETARY DOLE, CHAIRMAN BOSKIN, AMBASSADOR KINOST [KEE NAWST], SECRETARY DERWINSKI, AMBASSADOR ROWNY. IT IS A PLEASURE TO SEE LANE KIRKLAND, BOB GEORGINE, GALE JOHNSON, AND EDWARD MOSKAL. [[CONGRESSMEN MICKEY EDWARDS, JOHN DINGELL, AND ROBERT BORSKI.]] DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

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WELCOME TO THE WHITE HOUSE. AND TO AN OCCASION MARKING THE CONCLUSION OF POLISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH -- WHICH LINKS TWO PEOPLES BOUND BY ADMIRATION AND AFFECTION.

IN ONE SENSE, WE MEET THIS AFTERNOON TO SALUTE THE VALUES WHICH UNITE THE UNITED STATES AND POLAND. VALUES LIKE FAITH IN GOD, RESPECT FOR FAMILY AND HARD WORK, AND THE BELIEF THAT FREE EXPRESSION WILL CONQUER TYRANNY.

BUT IN A LARGER WAY, WE'RE HERE TO HONOR THE TIDE TOWARD DEMOCRACY THESE VALUES MAKE POSSIBLE. FOR IN POLAND, AS ELSEWHERE, THE TIDE TOWARD OPPRESSION IS RUNNING OUT. THE TIDE TOWARD LIBERTY IS RUNNING IN. THE VOICE OF FREEDOM IS THE VOICE OF POLAND. AND THE VOICE OF POLAND IS THE VOICE OF TOMORROW.

WHEN I VISITED POLAND LAST JULY, I HEARD BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN PROCLAIM THE DIGNITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL, AND DEMAND THE OPPORTUNITY AND SELF-GOVERNMENT THAT MAKE ALL THINGS POSSIBLE FOR A NATION, AND A PEOPLE.

THE POLISH NATIONAL ANTHEM CAPTURES THIS WHEN IT PROCLAIMS, "POLAND IS NOT LOST WHILE POLES STILL LIVE." AND TODAY IT STIRS THE SHOP-KEEPERS OF BUFFALO. AND THE FACTORY WORKERS IN POZNAN [POSE NAN].

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VOICE OF POLAND -- RESOLUTE AND PROUD.

IN RECENT MONTHS, THIS VOICE HAS FOUND NEW POWER.
FOR BY FORMING A NEW NON-COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT -- THE
FIRST IN EASTERN EUROPE IN MORE THAN FORTY YEARS --
POLAND HERSELF HAS MOVED TOWARD A NEW BEGINNING.
HISTORIC POLITICAL CHANGES ARE LEADING TO DRAMATIC
ECONOMIC REFORMS -- BUILDING NEW FOUNDATIONS OF HOPE
AND PROSPERITY; OPENING NEW BOUNDARIES OF MARKET AND
MIND.

LET ME SAY: WE ARE INSPIRED BY THESE HISTORIC CHANGES. AND ALSO ADD: FROM THE FIRST, OUR ADMINISTRATION HAS SUPPORTED THEM -- BY WORD AND BY DEED.

THAT IS WHY ON APRIL 17, AT HAMTRAMCK, SHORTLY AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE ROUNDTABLE AGREEMENT IN POLAND, WE ANNOUNCED A SERIES OF INITIATIVES TO OPEN U.S. MARKETS AND ENCOURAGE PRIVATE SECTOR LOANS AND INVESTMENTS THERE.

AND WHY, DURING MY VISIT TO POLAND IN JULY, WE ANNOUNCED AN ADDITIONAL PACKAGE OF MEASURES TO ASSIST POLAND'S ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL REVIVAL.

IN PARIS THIS SUMMER, I PROPOSED, AND OUR ECONOMIC SUMMIT PARTNERS AGREED TO, A PLAN FOR CONCERTED WESTERN ACTION. IN SEPTEMBER, WE ASKED CONGRESS FOR A \$100 MILLION ENTERPRISE FUND FOR POLAND. AND EXTENDED ANOTHER \$108 MILLION IN EMERGENCY FOOD AID FOR POLAND.

A GOOD BEGINNING? YES. BUT POLAND NEEDS -- AND WILL HAVE -- NOT ONLY CONCERTED WESTERN ACTION, BUT ALSO SUSTAINED SUPPORT OF ITS DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION. FOR ITS TURN TOWARD DEMOCRACY IS HISTORIC: A CRUCIAL STEP, WE HOPE, TOWARD A EUROPE THAT IS WHOLE AND FREE. AND UNPRECEDENTED. FOR NEVER BEFORE HAS A COMMUNIST COUNTRY SUCCESSFULLY CHANGED FROM A STATE-CONTROLLED SYSTEM TO POLITICAL PLURALISM, SELF-DETERMINATION, AND A MARKET ECONOMY.

LAST MONTH, MEMBERS OF OUR ADMINISTRATION MET WITH KEY MINISTERS IN THE NEW POLISH GOVERNMENT. THEY DETAILED THEIR BOLD REFORM PLAN. WE ASKED HOW BEST TO SUPPORT THEM. THEY REQUESTED -- AS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THEIR PROGRAM -- \$1 BILLION IN WESTERN ECONOMIC AID TO STABILIZE THE ECONOMY AS THEIR RADICAL REFORMS ARE IMPLEMENTED. OUR RESPONSE TOOK TWO FORMS.

FIRST, I ASKED CONGRESS TO APPROVE \$200 MILLION IN GRANTS -- FULLY 1 OF EVERY 5 DOLLARS IN WESTERN STABILIZATION FUNDS REQUESTED BY THE POLES. AND WE ARE URGING OUR WESTERN ECONOMIC PARTNERS TO MAKE MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS FUND, SINCE THE EFFORT WILL WORK ONLY IF FULLY FUNDED.

AND SECOND, I ANNOUNCED THAT WE WOULD SEND TO WARSAW A PRESIDENTIAL MISSION INCLUDING U.S. OFFICIALS, BUSINESS AND LABOR LEADERS, AND EXPERTS TO HELP ENSURE THAT POLAND'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY BECOMES REALITY. AND ASSESS HOW THE UNITED STATES CAN BEST HELP POLAND HELP ITSELF.

THIS MUST BE -- AND WILL BE -- A BIPARTISAN EFFORT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

TODAY, I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THIS MISSION WILL BE LED BY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE YEUTTER, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE MOSBACHER, SECRETARY OF LABOR DOLE, AND COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS CHAIRMAN BOSKIN. THEY WILL BE JOINED BY AT LEAST FIFTEEN OUTSTANDING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, LABOR LEADERS, ECONOMISTS, AND OTHER EXPERTS FROM THE U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR. SEVERAL OF THEM ARE WITH ME ON THE DAIS TODAY.

OUR TEAM WILL MEET WITH THE KEY MINISTERS OF THE POLISH GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS INVOLVED IN STIMULATING POLAND'S PRIVATE SECTOR. AND RECOMMEND TO ME HOW THE ECONOMIC SUPPORT WE WILL EXTEND CAN BEST BE UTILIZED. IT WILL FOCUS ON ECONOMIC SECTORS WHERE U.S. EXPERTISE AND COOPERATION CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE -- SUCH AS AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, AND FINANCIAL SERVICES.

IT WILL ALSO LOOK AT POLAND'S OVERALL ECONOMIC SITUATION AND AT THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES NEEDED TO MAKE POLAND PROSPER. FOR THIS WE KNOW: POLAND'S STRUGGLE HAS ALWAYS BEEN AMERICA'S STRUGGLE. MAYBE THAT'S WHY IT SEEMS THAT POLISH HEARTS AND AMERICAN HEARTS BEAT AS ONE.

HISTORICALLY -- FOR MORE THAN 200 YEARS -- AND GEOGRAPHICALLY -- FROM WASHINGTON TO WARSAW, AND KRAKOW TO CHICAGO -- AMERICANS HAVE ECHOED THE VOICE OF POLAND. WE DO SO NOW. ECHOING HER LOVE OF FREEDOM AND OPPORTUNITY. AND WARMED BY THE GLOW FROM POLAND'S NEW FLAME OF DEMOCRACY, LINKING THE LANDS OF CHOPIN AND JEFFERSON, LINCOLN AND PADEREWSKI.

LET US KEEP THAT FLAME ALIVE. AND USE IT TO BURN
BRIGHT THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR PEOPLES. SO THAT
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housewares, books, ^{usage, ~~tools~~} lots more. Saturday Nov 4
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Polish-American
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Rose Garden
Remarks*

27 October 1989

FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

TO: Brent Scowcroft

FROM: Robert Gates

For your personal attention.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROBERT M. GATES

SUBJECT: President's Remarks on Polish-American Heritage
Month and on Launching of Mission to Poland

I concur with the attached Presidential remarks, subject to the changes shown in the attached copy of the draft.

Attachment
Tab I Annotated Draft of Presidential Remarks

cc: Jim Cicconi

Adrian:
my comments.
Bob

(Smith/Blessey)
October 26, 1989
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POLAND

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: POLISH-AMERICAN WEEK
ROSE GARDEN
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1989
11:30 A.M.

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Secretary ^{Yeutter} ~~Reis~~, Secretary Mosbacher, Secretary ^{Dole} ~~Yeutter~~,
Chairman Boskin. Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen.
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~~celebration of~~ ^{the conclusion of} Polish-American Heritage Month -- which links two
peoples bound by admiration and affection.

In one sense, we meet this morning to salute the values
which unite the United States and Poland. Values like faith in
God, respect for family and hard work, and the belief that free
expression will conquer tyranny.

But in a larger way, we're here to honor the tide toward
democracy these values make possible. For in Poland, as
elsewhere, the tide toward oppression is running out. The tide
toward liberty is running in. The voice of freedom is the voice
of Poland. And the voice of Poland is the voice of tomorrow.

I heard that voice last week when I visited Costa Rica. And
~~as I did~~ when I visited Poland last July. Heard brave men and
women proclaim the dignity of the individual. And demand the
opportunity and self-government that make all things possible
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A great Polish anthem ^{captures this} ~~was referring to this voice~~ when it proclaimed^s, "Poland is not lost while Poles still live." And today it stirs the shop-keepers of Buffalo. And the factory workers in Poznan. The small girl I saw on a street corner in Gdansk -- tearful, joyous; an American flag stretched upward from her hand -- she, too, knew that voice. And so does the aging woman in Chicago, teaching her grand^{children} the languages of the two countries she loves. She is the voice of Poland -- resolute and proud.

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A good beginning? Yes. But Poland ~~doesn't need quick fixes or one-time gestures~~ Poland needs -- and will have -- ^{not only} ~~sustained~~ ^{but also sustained} and concerted Western action, ~~in~~ support of its democratic transition. For its turn toward democracy is historic: The first step, we hope, toward a Europe that is whole and free. And unprecedented. For never before has a Communist country successfully changed from a State-controlled system to political pluralism, self-determination, and a market economy.

[Accordingly] last month members of our Administration met with key ministers in the new Polish government. They detailed their bold reform plan. We asked how best to support them. They requested -- as an essential part of their program -- \$1 billion in Western economic aid to stabilize the economy as their radical reforms are implemented. Our response took two forms.

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and experts to help ensure that Poland's economic recovery becomes reality. And assess how the United States can best help Poland help itself.

Today, I am pleased to announce that this mission will begin

No ~~November 15.~~ It will be led by ^{Secretary of Commerce Mosbacher,}

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Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Boskin. They will be

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October 28, 1989

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 27, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
FROM: CURT SMITH *CS*
SUBJECT: POLISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

I. SUMMARY

On Monday, October 30, at 1:15 p.m., you will address about 250 Polish-American leaders and representatives from various departments in the Administration. Secretaries Mosbacher, Dole and Yeutter, Chairman Boskin, Polish Ambassador Jan Kinast, Lane Kirkland and Bob Georgine of the AFL-CIO and Gale Johnson of the University of Chicago will flank you on the dais. Other notables expected to attend are Secretary Derwinski, Ambassador Rowny, and some Members of Congress. (Their names will be provided with the speech cards.)

II. DISCUSSION

The attached remarks (8 minutes) applaud the remarkable changes occurring in Poland this year. The remarks also discuss America's commitment to helping Poland become a vibrant democratic country. In particular, you will announce that a mission led by Secretaries Mosbacher, Dole, and Yeutter and Chairman Boskin and including a distinguished team of businessmen and specialists will depart for Poland next month. This team will begin to develop a framework for moving Poland to a market economy.

(Smith/Blessey)
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Today, I am pleased to announce that this mission will begin November [15]. It will be led by Secretary of Agriculture Yeutter, Secretary of Commerce Mosbacher, Secretary of Labor Dale, and accompanied by Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Boskin. They will be joined by at least fifteen outstanding Chief Executive Officers, labor leaders, economists, and other experts from the U.S. private sector. Several of them are with me on the dais today.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Polish-American
Week
Rose Garden
Remarks*

27 October 1989

FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

TO: Brent Scowcroft

FROM: Robert Gates

For your personal attention.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROBERT M. GATES

SUBJECT: President's Remarks on Polish-American Heritage
Month and on Launching of Mission to Poland

I concur with the attached Presidential remarks, subject to the
changes shown in the attached copy of the draft.

Attachment
Tab I Annotated Draft of Presidential Remarks

cc: Jim Cicconi

Adrian:
my comments.
Bob

(Smith/Blessey)
October 26, 1989
Draft #26-76
POLAND

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: POLISH-AMERICAN WEEK
ROSE GARDEN
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1989
11:30 A.M.

(PARTIAL
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Secretary ^{Yeutter} ~~Reis~~, Secretary Mosbacher, Secretary ^{Dole} ~~Yeutter~~,
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Welcome to the White House. And to an occasion ^{marking} ~~the conclusion of~~
~~celebration of~~ Polish-American Heritage Month -- which links two
peoples bound by admiration and affection.

In one sense, we meet this morning to salute the values
which unite the United States and Poland. Values like faith in
God, respect for family and hard work, and the belief that free
expression will conquer tyranny.

But in a larger way, we're here to honor the tide toward
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