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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

December 5, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE DINNER

The J.W. Marriott Hotel
Washington, D.C.

7:04 P.M. EST

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You remember the big presidential dinner they had last spring? I made the best-dressed list, but I would only want you to remember Bob Michel's sport coat at that dinner. (Laughter). He is a shoe-in to make it. And here he is conservatively clad for this one.

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Handwritten initials and date: JH 12-4-89.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Andrew Card

FROM: JOSEPH W. HAGIN

SUBJECT: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

EVENT: Attend National Republican Congressional Committee Reception and Dinner

DATE: December 5, 1989----Tuesday

TIME: ~~7:00 p.m.~~ 6:35 p.m.

DURATION: 40 minutes

LOCATION: J.W. Marriott

ATTIRE: Business Suit

REMARKS REQUIRED: YES (Talking points for reception; brief remarks for dinner)

MEDIA COVERAGE: Reception closed, White House Photographer only-- Dinner open

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: TBD

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Remarks and ropeline at reception; speak and depart prior to service at dinner

CONTACT: Wyatt Stewart _____

TELEPHONE: OFFICE 429-7000 HOME _____

NOTE: PROJECT OFFICER, SEE ATTACHED CHECKLIST

Ed Rogers	Marlin Fitzwater	David Bates
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COMMITTEE DINNER

SUBJECT: THE MARRIOTT HOTEL, WASHINGTON, DC
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RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi
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Ext. 2702

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**NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE DINNER
THE MARRIOTT HOTEL / DECEMBER 5, 1989 / 6:35 PM**

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I'M PROUD TO SAY I SERVED WITH BOB UP ON THE HILL -- SEEN HIM IN ACTION. FEW CAN MATCH THIS MAN'S WISDOM WHEN IT COMES TO THE WAYS OF CONGRESS. AS THE REPUBLICAN LEADER IN THE HOUSE, BOB'S A KEY PLAYER IN MOVING THIS ADMINISTRATION'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FORWARD -- AND HE'S GOING TO BE A KEY ALLY WHEN CONGRESS COMES BACK NEXT MONTH.

HE'S SIMPLY ONE OF THE MOST RESPECTED MEN ON
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AND I WAS UP-FRONT WITH PRESIDENT GORBACHEV ON CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE DESTABILIZING FLOW OF ARMS INTO THAT REGION FROM NATIONS RECEIVING SOVIET SUPPORT. BOTH OF US AGREED THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO SACRIFICE CANDOR IN ORDER TO BUILD A BETTER RELATIONSHIP.

BUT THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT WE MADE REAL PROGRESS AT MALTA -- PROGRESS THAT STRENGTHENS THE PEACE, AND PROVIDES A SOLID BASE FOR FUTURE ADVANCES.

WE AGREED TO ACCELERATE THE TIMETABLES FOR REDUCING ARMS, AND CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE. WE AGREED TO A SUMMIT HERE IN THE U.S. NEXT JUNE. AND WE AGREED TO MOVE FORWARD IN FORGING A CLOSER ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP IN LIGHT OF THE POSITIVE CHANGES TAKING PLACE IN THE SOVIET UNION.

I LOOK AT MALTA AS THE FIRST HOPEFUL STEP INTO A NEW AMERICAN-SOVIET RELATIONSHIP -- THE FIRST STEP INTO THE NEXT DECADE, AND THE NEW WORLD THAT IS TAKING SHAPE EACH PASSING DAY: A NEW WORLD OF FREEDOM. AND MAKE NO MISTAKE: THE PROGRESS SET IN MOTION AT MALTA WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE STEADFAST SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

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YOU KNOW, LESS THAN A MONTH FROM NOW, WE'LL BEGIN A NEW DECADE -- THE LAST IN THIS CENTURY.

I THINK ALL OF US FEEL THE VERY NATURAL INCLINATION TO LOOK AHEAD, TO THINK ABOUT THE CHANGES A NEW CENTURY WILL BRING. BUT TODAY THERE'S MORE THAN THAT NATURAL IMPULSE AT WORK. EACH DAY BRINGS NEW CHANGE -- FROM WARSAW TO BUDAPEST TO PRAGUE AND, YES, BERLIN, EACH DAY BRINGS NEW EVIDENCE THAT THE LOVE OF FREEDOM IS GATHERING FORCE.

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BECAUSE THE VALUES WE SEE TRIUMPHING TODAY ARE THE VALUES THIS PARTY HAS ALWAYS STOOD FOR -- VALUES THAT HAVE KEPT AMERICA FREE, PROSPEROUS AND AT PEACE -- VALUES THAT HELPED CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR THAT NEW WORLD OF FREEDOM THAT IS NOW INFOLDING BEFORE US.

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McGroarty/Dooley
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1:00 pm
[NRCC]

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But there is no question that we made real progress at Malta -- progress that strengthens the peace, and provides a solid base for future advances. We agreed to accelerate the timetables for reducing arms, and conventional forces in Europe. We agreed to a summit here in the U.S. next June. And we agreed to move forward in forging a closer economic relationship in light of the positive changes taking place in the Soviet Union.

I look at Malta as the first hopeful step into a new American-Soviet relationship -- the first step into the next decade, and the new world that is taking shape each passing day: a new world of freedom. And make no mistake: the progress set in motion at Malta would not have been possible without the steadfast support of the American people.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *CW*
FROM: DAN MCGROARTY *DMG*
SUBJECT: NRCC DINNER REMARKS

I. SUMMARY

At the J.W. Marriott on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m., you will be the featured speaker at the "Presidential Tribute to Bob Michel and The Republican Leadership" dinner. There will be about 500 people present. Several members of the Cabinet will be there, including Secretaries Cheney, Kemp, Lujan, Sullivan, and Watkins. Susan Engeleiter and Willian Reilly will also attend.

II. DISCUSSION

The remarks discuss the many changes taking place in the world today, and how these changes reflect the long-held beliefs of the Republican party. Brackets have been left open for any language concerning the Malta meeting.

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3:00 pm
[NRCC]

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List for Nat'l Repub. Cong.
Comm. Dinner

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We would like the President to acknowledge the following the following people in both the Private Reception and the Dinner:

Congressman Guy Vander Jagt
Chairman, NRCC

Congressman Robert H. Michel
Republican Leader of the House

Congressman Newt Gingrich ✓
Republican Whip of the House

Congressman Jerry Lewis
Chairman, House Republican Conference

Congressman Bill McCollum
Vice-President, House Republican Conference

Congressman Vin Weber (Not Attending)
Secretary, House Republican Conference

Congressman Mickey Edwards
Chairman, Committee on Policy

Congressman Duncan Hunter
Chairman, Committee on Research

Joe M. Rodgers
Chairman, The President's Forum
Former Ambassador to France

Drew Lewis (Not attending)
Co-Chairman, The President's Forum
Chairman & CEO Union Pacific Corporation

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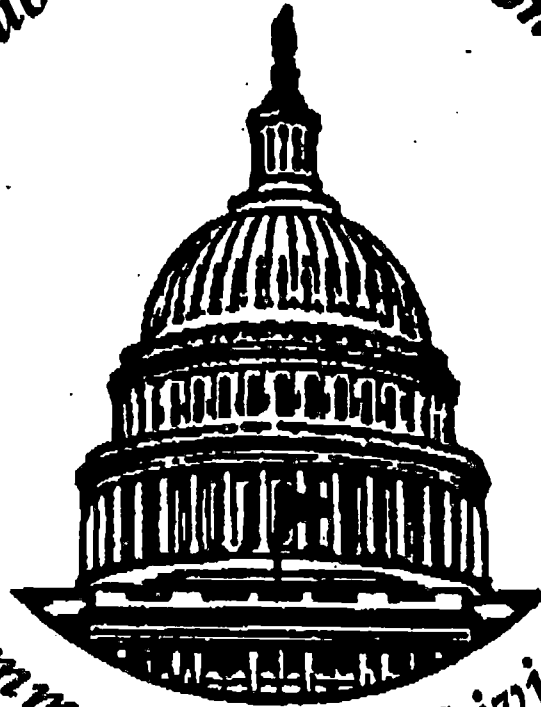
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Plus 5 or 6 members of
the Cabinet will be in
attendance.

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PRESIDENTIAL TRIBUTE TO REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB MICHEL

Washington, D.C. -- President Bush and Congressman Guy Vander Jagt, Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, will host a tribute to Bob Michel, Republican Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, and to the House Republican Leadership.

President Bush, who will be returning from the historic Malta Summit conference with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the day of the event, will be the featured speaker at the "Presidential Tribute to Bob Michel and The Republican Leadership." Other VIPs attending the tribute will be Members of the President's Cabinet and Republican Members of Congress.

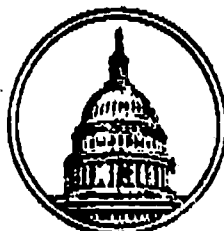
"Bob Michel has been an exemplary Member of Congress and has made a tremendous impact as Republican Leader since elected in 1980. Bob's dedication and outstanding service to the party, as well as his pivotal involvement in the upcoming 1990 congressional elections, deserves to be recognized. This tribute is to honor Bob Michel, while raising funds for the party going into the 1990 elections," said Rep. Guy Vander Jagt.

The Presidential Tribute will be held at the J.W. Marriott in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, December 5, 1989.

A press advisory with more complete details will be issued at a later date. Credentialed media seeking to cover the Presidential Tribute should contact Liz Hamel or Dan Leonard at the NRCC before December 1, at 479-7070.

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**NATIONAL REPUBLICAN
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BIOGRAPHY, EDWARD J. ROLLINS

Edward J. Rollins is currently Co-Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee.

Mr. Rollins served in the Administrations of Presidents Nixon and Ford, and served on the White House Staff of President Ronald Reagan from January 20, 1981 until he resigned as Assistant to the President for Political and Intergovernmental Affairs on October 1, 1985. In 1983 he took a leave of absence from the White House to serve as the National Director of the President's re-election campaign, Reagan-Bush '84. Prior to his appointment to direct the President's re-election effort, Mr. Rollins was Assistant to the President for Political Affairs having joined the White House staff on Inauguration day in 1981.

Prior to joining the Administration in 1981, Mr. Rollins was Republican Chief of Staff for the California State Assembly. From 1972 to 1977 Mr. Rollins was with the U.S. Department of Transportation where he acted as the Department's liaison with Congress and state and local governments.

Mr. Rollins has also served the State of California as principal assistant to the Republican leader and the Speaker of the California Assembly.

From 1969-1972, Mr. Rollins was Assistant Vice Chancellor and Dean of Student Affairs at Washington University in St. Louis, where he also taught Political Science and Public Administration. In 1968, he served as Assistant to the President of California State University, Chico.

In addition, he has managed numerous political campaigns throughout the country and had managerial roles in the Nixon and Reagan campaigns, in 1988 he served as the National Chairman of the Kemp for President campaign.

He is a graduate of the California State University system with degrees in Political Science and Physical Education. He also completed graduate studies in Political Science. As an undergraduate, Mr. Rollins was Student Body President and a varsity letter winner in football and boxing. He was a nationally ranked amateur boxing champion winning Golden Gloves and A.A.U. championships while compiling a record of 164 wins, 2 losses and one draw.

He was born March 19, 1943 in Boston, Massachusetts and now resides in Alexandria, Virginia with his wife, Sherrie.



THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

GUY VANDER JAGT, CHAIRMAN

BIOGRAPHY

CONGRESSMAN GUY VANDER JAGT
CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Congressman Guy Vander Jagt of Michigan's Ninth District was first elected to Congress in 1966 and is serving his seventh consecutive term as the Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee.

Vander Jagt was unanimously elected to the post of Chairman of the NRCC and serves as part of the House Republican Leadership. In his position as NRCC Chairman, Vander Jagt heads all political and campaign activities of Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Under Vander Jagt's leadership the NRCC has grown into what the Gannett news organization describes as "the best ongoing political organization in America."

Congressman Vander Jagt has raised and spent more than \$200 million in direct contributions and support activities for Republican Congressional Campaigns since 1974.

During his tenure as Chairman, Vander Jagt has traveled more than 2 million miles to make appearances on behalf of Republican Congressional Candidates. In the 1986 election alone, he traveled the equivalent of thirteen trips around the world, or one trip to the moon and back. He is also an active legislator, serving as a senior member of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee.

A native of Cadillac, Michigan, Vander Jagt earned a B.A. degree from Hope College, a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Yale University and a Doctor of Laws Degree from the University of Michigan.

He and his wife, Carol, have one daughter, Ginny.

THE HISTORY OF THE NRCC

The Founding of the Congressional Committee

In the Spring of 1866, a group of Republican Congressmen came together to solve a problem. The spirit of cooperation between Republicans and Democrats that had been forged by Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War began to break down shortly after his tragic assassination. War had brought a unity of purpose to the nation and to its political parties. Now no longer bound by the large goal of saving the Union, peace returned politics to its divisionary nature which, in essence, concerned itself with the means to achieve not one but many goals.

Led by Representative Thaddeus Stevens of Pennsylvania, these Republican Congressmen saw immediately that the only way they could accomplish their legislative goals during Reconstruction would be if they had more Republicans in Congress working with them. As one Republican Senator of the day put it: "We must turn our attention to Congress . . . we must have the power of a two-thirds vote."

Then, as today, it was clear that the fortunes of the Republican Party would turn on the success of the campaigns they waged in every Congressional district. At the time, there were twenty-six states sending fifty-two Senators and 192 Representatives to Washington. Thaddeus Stevens wrote to a colleague that "we need a good committee on elections."

That need was translated into action with the formation of the Congressional Committee—at first a loosely knit collection of Congressmen without a strict organizational table but rather bound by a force born of their common interests. Stevens provided the direction needed to shape the Committee into an effective political weapon.

Since the caucus of Senate and House Republicans which formally launched the Congressional Committee was highly secret and no minutes were taken, there is no official record of the exact date in 1866 when the Committee came into being. To illustrate the secrecy surrounding such meetings in those days, an account in the New York Times of July 16, 1866, relates how one Times reporter, eager for news about a particular caucus, hid under a bench in the meeting room. He was discovered shortly after the caucus got under way, however, and promptly ejected from the hall.

The new Congressional Committee wasted no time springing into action. Pamphlets, consisting mainly of reprints of speeches, were printed up and distributed to newspapers and voters in districts of legislators the Committee wanted defeated. The Committee also sent organizers into "target" districts to develop the political machinery of the Party.

In April, 1866, the Congressional Committee issued its first circular appealing for funds to distribute materials which would assist Republicans in their campaigns for re-election. One of the most notable of these materials was the "Majority Report of the Reconstruction Committee" which presented an unequivocal statement of the Republican position that black Americans, newly freed from slavery, should be recognized as first class citizens.

Thaddeus Stevens forcefully and eloquently declared in a speech in September later that year: "The great issue to be met at this election is the question of Negro rights. I shall not deny, but admit, that a fundamental principle of the Republican creed is that every being possessing an immortal soul is equal before the law."

It was upon this great issue that the fledgling Congressional Committee built its hopes of achieving majority control of Congress. They were able to mount a thorough and effective campaign, and it aroused great interest nationwide.

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Their efforts paid off stunningly. Republicans won an overwhelming majority in both houses of Congress.

Such results could not fail to open the eyes of the politically aware members of the Party to the fact that an organization such as the Congressional Committee should continue its efforts. The Party's National Committee had helped Republican candidates in Congressional elections before. But the problem was that the National Committee was only at full strength for Presidential elections and therefore did not play a major role in the Congressional elections—especially those held in off years.

It also made great sense to keep an arm of the Party specifically attuned to the necessities of winning House elections, as Senators at the time were elected, not by popular vote, but by their State Legislatures (as they were until 1914).

Historian Jesse Macy, in his book *Party Organization and Machinery*, sums up the role the Congressional Committee was destined to play:

"In the beginning, the Congressional Committee was an emergency tool, adopted by one of the great parties only. But it was not long before it had so commended itself to Party leaders as to be accepted and made a permanent part of the organization, and it was soon adopted by the Democratic Party likewise."

The Committee Grows In Strength

After the Party's triumph in the 1866 elections, the Congressional Committee became increasingly active, especially under the direction of its third Chairman, Senator Zachariah Chandler of Michigan, one of the founders of the Republican Party, who assumed the leadership of the Committee post in 1870. He and James M. Edmunds, Chandler's handpicked Secretary of the Committee, brought tremendous vitality to the organization, welding it into a major force over the next two Congressional campaigns.

Chandler and Edmunds were surely the first political operatives to organize a national effort that would assure fair treatment for Republican policies and proposals in the media by circulating position papers to newspaper editors and prominent speakers. Weekly press releases were sent out to sympathetic journals along with a recommendation on how these could be presented to the general public to greatest effect. These press releases were hailed at the time for their honesty and frankness in discussing Republican solutions to the great problems of the day. "There is no vain boasting in them," wrote the *New York Times* in August of 1870, "only an honest and intelligent estimate of the value of the work that is still before the Party." But the main function of the Committee was the distribution of political literature directly to individuals and local committees throughout the country.

It was James Edmunds who suggested establishing a system of direction from Washington, D.C., making the Capital city the headquarters for all public discussions in each campaign. That would help to unify Republicans around the nation and spread a coherent message to all American voters. Though the Congressional Committee itself shunned the spotlight, it was beginning to exert a profound influence on the course of American politics.

For example, in 1872, Edmunds proposed undertaking a thorough search of the files of the *New York Tribune* to extract "curious and contradictory" statements in the columns of Horace Greeley—the Democratic nominee for President that year. Chairman Chandler not only agreed to the project, but financed it with \$30,000 of his own money (in 1872 dollars). "The Greeley Record," as it is known, was published in a bound volume and provided campaign ammunition that played no small part in President Grant's defeat of Greeley that year.

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During the Chandler-Edmunds tenure, the Committee launched a monthly publication, "The Republic," the first regularly published organ of any political party until that time, and the forerunner of today's Congressional Update. Written in scholarly style, well documented and laced with statistics, "The Republic" presented the Party's views on current and historical matters. And it was not above discussing internal Party issues with candor or even rebuking factions within the Party for stands taken.

For example, "The Republic" declared in one issue: "Party divisions should be carefully avoided. Whenever they occur or are persisted in they generally result in the defeat of both branches of the division, and the opposition becomes the victors. It is difficult sometimes to decide between rival favorites, but a difference of sentiment should never be allowed to cause disruption in the party organization. The principles of the Republican Party are patriotic and paramount to personal ambition."

The often-heard complaints against the press today are not unlike those recorded in the April, 1873, issue of "The Republic" for coverage of Republican President Ulysses S. Grant. "It became notorious that a great majority of the highly skilled and trained, but not over-scrupulous corps of reporters stationed at the capital, had become prejudiced against the Administration." The article went on to accuse various newspapers by name of having mounted a campaign to overthrow Grant within the Party.

During this same period, as the Committee geared up for its most massive assault on Democratic strongholds, a staff of paid employees was built up to over a hundred persons and the services of volunteers were also used to compile distribution lists ranging from news outlets to foreign language groups to Republican clubs. At one point, Committee publications were translated into 12 languages to reach the many new immigrant communities that were flourishing.

The Congressional Committee Enters the 20th Century

After the Congressional Committee's early successes, which helped consolidate the Republican Party's position as a major factor in American politics, Committee activities quieted down and the Committee itself maintained a lower profile until the election of Representative Joseph Babcock of Wisconsin as Chairman in 1893. Babcock directed the highly successful campaign of 1894 in which the GOP ousted the Democrats from control of the House, gaining 120 seats for a majority of 246 to 104. Two years later, the Republican Party controlled the House, the Senate and the White House, thanks in great part to Babcock's "clever work," as one newspaper put it.

How diversified and sophisticated political campaigns had become by 1900 is evidenced by an article in "American Monthly Review" of November of that year. In discussing the campaign of 1900, in which the GOP re-elected William McKinley as President and picked up 13 more House seats, the magazine stated:

"In considering the campaign particularly, it must not be forgotten that it did not grow up like a gourd in the night, but that it had been in progress steadily during the term of the Administration—not merely in a general way of the Administration making a record by which it should be judged, but literally. The Congressional Committee, with a member from each state, is constantly distributing campaign literature. While this is intended more particularly for Congressional purposes, it serves to keep the voters in touch with the issues; and much of the material prepared during the four years by the Congressional Committee is used again in the Presidential campaign."

The Committee's "Literary Department," and early forerunner of today's Committee Service Department had sent out some 80 million copies of different documents during the 1900 campaign, at a cost of \$164,000. 130 speakers, fluent in

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dominance of the House. As the 80th Congress convened in 1947, the tally was: Republicans 246, Democrats 188, and one Independent.

The Congressional Committee in the Modern Age of Politics

The Congressional Committee in its present form had its beginnings after the 1946 elections. Stung by the loss of 75 House seats in the 1948 election that was overshadowed by the Truman-Dewey contest, the Congressional Committee realized the need for professional help in conducting its campaign and field activities. As the day to day management of the Committee became more time-consuming, a succession of Chairmen began to rely on a well-trained full time staff to assist in many of the Committee's functions, leaving the Chairmen more time for their duties in the House.

The public relations division was greatly expanded. A staff artist was brought on board and a Committee photographer was hired to set up the first photo lab. The Committee also relocated its offices from the downtown business section of Washington, D.C., to Capitol Hill, where it has remained ever since, allowing the Chairman much quicker person to person communication with the new staff.

The Committee's first venture into an expanded campaign operation paid off handsomely. Republican House strength in 1950 was boosted by 28 seats and the groundwork was laid for the highly successful campaign of 1952. The effective and efficient campaign organization helped the GOP pick up 22 seats in the Eisenhower sweep and regain control of the House by eight seats—221-213.

By 1955, the concept of a permanent full time staff was firmly established and the Committee continued adding a number of professionals to its roster. Included in this expansion was a radio-television-film office in the public relations division and an enlarged field staff.

Setbacks in the off year elections of 1954 and 1958 cost the Republican Party its majority in the House, which it has not regained since. By this time, however, the House Democrats had learned well that they could win re-election most easily by voting for each others' "pork barrel" projects to persuade the voters back home they had their best interests at heart. But as the spending programs grew and grew, the Democrats neglected to pay attention to the inflation and deficit-producing spending gaps their votes were creating. They covered them up with tax increase after tax increase. It is no accident that the long period of Democrat dominance in the House coincided with an economy that moved to the brink of disaster, until President Reagan moved to correct it in 1981.

Prior to President Reagan's 1980 election triumph, however, the Congressional Committee began laying the groundwork for the eventual day when the Republican Party reclaims control of the U.S. House of Representatives. Congressman Guy Vander Jagt of Michigan assumed the Chairmanship of the Committee after the 1974 elections and has remained there to this day. Vander Jagt moved quickly to bring all facets of Committee operations up to date. His goal was nothing less than to make the Congressional Committee the most efficient, effective and technologically advanced campaign operation in America today.

Perhaps the most significant development introduced by Vander Jagt was establishing a broad base of Committee supporters, whose financial contributions provide the Committee with a regular source of dependable income. In creating the "GOP Victory Fund," and inviting literally millions of dedicated Republicans to participate, the Congressional Committee for the first time in its history can plan and budget its vital campaign activities long in advance. There is simply no substitute for the kind of campaign planning and implementation that a strong base of financial support can provide.

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Through the use of direct mail, the telephone, and special programs developed for contributors, the Congressional Committee has been able to raise record amounts of money that go directly to the campaigns of literally hundreds of Republican candidates. This has had an unprecedented impact on the outcome of countless races. Prior to Vander Jagt's tenure, financial limitations restricted candidate cash support mostly to incumbent House Republicans. But with the increased funds available, thanks to the dedicated contributors to the GOP Victory Fund and the newly established Ronald Reagan Congressional Victory Fund, the Committee is now able to help many challenger candidates trying to unseat entrenched Democrat incumbents.

Today, the National Republican Congressional Committee can look back with pride on a distinguished history of service to the Party and a successful track record of electing Republicans to the House of Representatives. The Committee can also look upon itself as a model of campaign expertise and efficiency, highly valued by the Republicans it helps and highly respected by its opponents. The Committee can also look ahead with anticipation to the day when, after much hard work and dedication, the dream of a Republican majority in the House will become a reality again. That is the challenge of the Congressional Committee today—the same as it has been for over 100 years.

Out on the Campaign Trail: A View from the Road

There's probably no such thing as a "typical" campaign for Congress. Each has its own issues, its own strengths and weaknesses, and each has its share of high points and low moments leading up to Election Day. But in the end, the voters pass the final judgement on what kind of campaign it was: winning or losing.

If you've never worked on a campaign, whether as a volunteer or member of the campaign staff, you may have an image in your mind of telephones ringing off the hook in a crowded office, busy volunteers stuffing envelopes in one corner, and the candidate rushing around trying to be in three places at once. And there's certainly an element of truth to that image. But a modern Congressional campaign is much more complex than most people realize. Computers, videotapes and scientific polling data all combine with the human element to maximize every advantage for the candidate's chances. The classic "storefront" campaign that's part of American folklore won't stand up to the modern sophisticated methods that both parties use today.

Let's follow the course of an imaginary Republican House candidate, one Bob Nelson, from his state's 3rd Congressional District. We'll see how his campaign gets under way and how the Congressional Committee works with candidate Nelson right up until Election Day.

Republican Bob Nelson began his career as a District Attorney at the county courthouse in a large midwestern state where he developed a reputation as a smart and tough prosecutor. When there was a vacancy in the State Legislature, Bob decided to go for it and, with little opposition, he won easily. For eight years in the Legislature he was an ardent cost-cutter, and popular with the voters he represented. Eventually, Bob Nelson's name was mentioned as a possible challenger to the local Congressman Tom Whipple, a five-term Democrat who consistently voted against President Reagan, even though the voters overwhelmingly supported the President.

When Congressional Committee Field Representatives came to the 3rd District to recruit a candidate against the Democrat incumbent, Bob was one of the first people they spoke to. Bob agreed that Whipple was not representing his district and said he'd thought about running for Congress. But he wondered if he'd be able to raise enough money for the race. And besides, Whipple had won handily in his last election.

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Giving Our Republican Challengers the Skills to Defeat Their Fast Talking Liberal Democratic Opponents

No where is the old adage "practice makes perfect" more true than in running for Congress.

In the past many of our best first time candidates have been at a terrible disadvantage as compared to their seasoned Democratic opponents who have run as many as fifteen campaigns for Congress.

Also, for years the first time Democratic candidates had an enormous advantage because the liberal special interest groups gave their candidates extensive coaching and training.

Consider what one of our candidates must face on the day he decides to seek office.

Do you have the skills necessary to stand before the TV cameras and radio microphones and give three press conferences a week, make a speech every night, stay current on the late breaking issues, oversee the strategic decisions of a half million dollar congressional campaign and raise the hundreds of thousands of dollars needed to win?

Without experience or expert training very few people do. To give our candidates and their staff the skills to take on their experienced opponents the Congressional Committee is launching the most extensive and comprehensive training program in the history of American politics.

Over the next several months the Committee with your support will conduct a series of intensive candidate workshops. At these workshops our candidates will learn how to construct a campaign strategy which will insure their message gets to and persuades the voters. They will practice conducting a press conference or interview before live television cameras. With the help of Republican Members of Congress and other experts they will be coached on how to effectively make a speech. And before the end of the workshops they will have a chance to sit down with the congressional leaders and members of the Administration to discuss the late breaking issues.

Because of these workshops our candidates will at last have the skills and preparation to take on the liberal Democrat incumbents.

The Republican Television and Radio Commercials You Will See are made Possible by Your Contributions to the GOP Victory Fund

Within the four walls of the Committee Headquarters exists a television and radio studio and production facility which will produce more commercials for Republican candidates than anywhere else in the nation.

Over the coming weeks our candidates are depending on us to write, film and produce several hundred television and radio commercials. Right now film crews are traveling coast to coast working with individual candidates and filming what will be the first wave of commercials designed to expose the liberal voting records of their Democratic opponents.

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Each commercial which the Committee produces will from start to finish cost as little as \$500. These are the lowest commercial rates available and save our candidates as much as 75% on each TV spot.

Your past financial support has made it possible for us to obtain the cameras and editing equipment necessary. But it is imperative you make a contribution today so that we can put this equipment to use for our candidates all across the country.

To protect the President's supporters in the House from defeat by the special interest groups, we are operating an extremely effective program which enables GOP Congressmen to make satellite television transmissions directly from Washington to their local TV stations. Because of this innovative satellite program, Republican Congressmen are able to report on their activities in Washington during the local evening news broadcasts.

Exposing the Democrats' Opposition to President Reagan and Their Liberal Big Spending Voting Records

For too long, too many Democrats have gotten away with having a liberal voting record in Washington but talking like a Republican back home.

If we are going to win this election we absolutely must force these liberal Democrats out of the closet and expose their real voting records to the hometown folks. That's why the Committee is launching the Incumbent Accountability program.

When a Democrat casts a liberal vote, opposes the President or makes an impassioned speech on the House floor for another liberal cause, he can now expect to read about it in his local paper or hear about it on the news.

The American people deserve and need to know what their representatives are really doing in Washington, not just what they say they are doing. We have put together a special team to write press releases and publicize every time a Democrat casts a vote to please liberal Democrat House leadership rather than the voters back home.

This Incumbent Accountability Program is having a devastating impact on many entrenched liberal Democrats who once thought there was no way they could be defeated. The voters are finally finding out about their true voting records and they are growing more and more angry. But we cannot continue putting the liberal Democrats under this spotlight without your financial support.

Giving Our Candidates a Road Map to Victory

If you ran for Congress, accurate polling data is the only effective way to tell who your supporters are, assess whether your TV spots are working and measure the Democrats' weaknesses.

Public opinion surveys today provide our candidates with a road map to victory. In years past many of our best candidates couldn't afford to conduct regular surveys of the voters. All too often when they did a poll they found out too late that the thousands of dollars they spent on TV and radio media had little or no impact on the voters.

Today's survey technology enables our candidates to obtain a highly accurate progress report on the effectiveness of their media, organizations and schedule of personal appearances.

With your support this Committee will conduct one of the most comprehensive polling programs on behalf of our candidates. Your contribution today will enable us to survey thousands of voters in congressional districts from coast to coast.

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Going Head to Head with Big Labor's Political Operatives

In years past organizations such as C.O.P.E., the political arm of the AFL-CIO, maintained a staff of seasoned political experts who would constantly travel to the campaigns of liberal Democrats giving them up-to-the-minute advice on how to defeat our candidates.

In many races the advice of these political professionals made the difference between victory and defeat. To offset what these liberal campaign specialists have been doing to our candidates for years the Congressional Committee has conducted a massive reorganization of our field staff.

This year we have divided the nation into five regions. In each of these regions we have assembled a seven member team. One campaign specialist will be assigned to assist incumbents, another will help our challengers and a third will help our candidates running in open seats. Each team will also have a research analyst who will provide our candidates with information on the Democrats' voting record. The final two members of each regional team will be a finance expert and a manager for the entire region.

Closer to election day we will assemble special Strike Force Teams to help our candidates get their voters to the polls and ensure ballot security in the districts.

To further counter the assistance Big Labor and the special interest groups have been providing the Democrats we have set up a new system called the Republican Information Network. The Network enables our candidates to access via a direct computer line the most up-to-date information on the activities in Congress.

Our ability to keep our seven member teams in the field and operate the Republican Information Network all depends on whether or not we receive a contribution from you today.

Direct Financial Support: Our Candidates' Lifeblood

We can provide our candidates with training, expert staff assistance, TV and radio commercials, extensive polls and research identifying their supporters. But to make it all work they must have direct cash contributions.

There is no way for them to put their TV spots on the air, install the telephones, print their literature or organize their volunteers unless they have the necessary cash on hand at the critical moment.

The direct financial support we provide our candidates is truly the lifeblood of our candidates' campaigns.

Without our help our candidates would be overwhelmed by the millions and millions of dollars the Big Labor Unions and liberal special interest groups pump into the campaigns of their Democrat opponents.

This Committee is far and away the single largest source of direct financial support to our Republican congressional candidates.

In the last election we funded 180 Republican candidates with nearly \$50,000 apiece in cash, coordinated expenditures and in-kind contributions. That comes to a total of almost \$9,000,000.00 in direct support.

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Thank you. [Introductory acknowledgements.] This is quite a gathering of GOP all-stars. NRCC chairman, Congressman Guy Vander Jagt, and his co-chairman, Ed Rollins. Let me thank the NRCC faithful -- the many members of the Victory Fund who are here tonight. And finally, let me recognize tonight's man of honor, former chairman of the NRCC -- ^{Republican Leader} Bob Michel.

I'm proud to say I served with Bob up on the Hill. I've seen him in action. Few can match this man's wisdom when it comes to the ways of Congress. As ^{the Republican} ~~minority~~ leader ^{in the House}, Bob's a key player in moving this Administration's legislative agenda forward -- and he's going to be a key ally when ^{Congress comes back} ~~the battle begins~~ again next month.

He's simply one of the most respected men on Capitol Hill. /// And -- as anyone knows who witnessed the fashion statement Bob made at this year's Senate-House Dinner -- he's a shoo-in for the Hill's Best Dressed List. ///

It's my pleasure to be here tonight. As you all know, I got back home just 24 hours ago from Brussels -- and from my meetings with Mikhail Gorbachev. [INSERT ON MALTA MEETINGS.]

[[I'm pleased to share that report with all of you -- especially given the man you're honoring tonight. This is one time I don't have to ask myself: "But will it play in Peoria?" - - I can just ask Bob. /// After all, his politics have been playing in Peoria for 33 years.]]

You know, less than a month from now, we'll begin a new decade -- the last in this century. I think all of us feel the very natural inclination to look ahead, to think about the changes a new century will bring. But today there's more than that natural impulse at work. Each day brings new change -- from Warsaw to Budapest to Prague and, yes, Berlin, each day brings new evidence that the love of freedom is gathering force -- **that the promise of the 90s and the new century beyond is nothing less than a new world of freedom.**

These are exciting times: for every American -- for people all over the world who cherish the freedoms we enjoy -- **and they are exciting times for the Republican Party.**

Because the values we see triumphing today are the values this Party has always stood for -- values that have kept America free, prosperous and at peace -- values that helped create the conditions for that new world of freedom that ~~lies ahead of us.~~ *is now unfolding before*

And I'm convinced that the American people will continue to look to us -- look to leaders like Bob Michel and his fellow Republicans in the House -- to keep this country on course in these times of change.

[[And let me say right now to all the loyal members of the NRCC: the 1990s will bring a new world. We've all seen the grim spectacle: voices struggling to be heard, a minority trampled by unbridled power -- the decades-old fight against oppression. /// **Yes, I'm talking about Republicans in the House of Representatives. // Well, the tide is turning. // Change will come to Capitol Hill. The days of one-party rule are over.]]**

Our message is getting through to mainstream America: **the Republican Party is the party with ideas. With experience. With the answers to the questions we will face in the decade ahead.** And there's no greater goal than the one that inspires everyone here tonight: **to build our support in mainstream America into majority status in the House.**

And when that proud day comes -- a proud day for every Republican from the House leadership right down to the rank and file -- we'll have the NRCC to thank for its tireless efforts.

It's been my pleasure to join you tonight. God bless you -- and God bless the United States of America.

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Deputy Assistant to the President for
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FROM: BRENT O. HATCH 
Associate Counsel to the President

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks -- National Republican
Congressional Committee Dinner

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this matter.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: National Republican
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cc: James W. Cicconi

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DATE: 12/1/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MON., DEC. 4, 10:00 AM

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SUBJECT: THE MARRIOTT HOTEL, WASHINGTON, DC
DECEMBER 5, 1989

8:00 PM

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REMARKS:

Please provide comments/edits directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930 NO LATER THAN 10:00 AM, MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 with a copy to my office.

Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

McGroarty/Dooley
December 1, 1989
300 pm
[NRCC]

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TO: DAVE DEMAREST

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Perhaps some selected points out of the opening statement of his press conference, coupled with the things you wrote that were not used for his arrival at Andrews? (My ideas, not his...)

Thanks much.


Jim Cicconi

cc: Chriss Winston

THE WHITE HOUSE
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December 4, 1989

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *CW*
FROM: DAN MCGROARTY *DMG*
SUBJECT: NRCC DINNER REMARKS

I. SUMMARY

At the J.W. Marriott on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m., you will be the featured speaker at the "Presidential Tribute to Bob Michel and The Republican Leadership" dinner. There will be about 500 people present. Several members of the Cabinet will be there, including Secretaries Cheney, Kemp, Lujan, Sullivan, and Watkins. Susan Engeleiter and Willian Reilly will also attend.

II. DISCUSSION

The remarks discuss the many changes taking place in the world today, and how these changes reflect the long-held beliefs of the Republican party. Brackets have been left open for any language concerning the Malta meeting.

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