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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: HANUKKAH GREETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1989
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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

Berkowitz

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

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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DECEMBER 19, 1989

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *CW*
FROM: MARK LANGE *M.L.*
SUBJECT: HANUKKAH GREETING

Attached are brief remarks for your meeting with a small Jewish group -- from Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform sects.

About forty adults will be there, with twenty kids singing and playing dreidel. Among them will be a number of refugee children from countries like Iran, Ethiopia, and the Soviet Union.

Your remarks note the longstanding Jewish commitment to religious freedom, and reassert U.S. support for refuseniks around the world.

(Lange/Simon/Cawley)
December 19, 1989
3:15 p.m.
[HANUKKAH.DOC]

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FOR HANUKKAH
[ROOM 450]
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1989
[TIME]

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This Menorah, this ancient vessel of light, is an eloquent statement of the Jewish struggle in history's first recorded battle for religious freedom. It shines with courage. With constancy. With conscience. And with strength -- in the centuries-long struggle for religious tolerance.

Hanukkah, I've learned, has always been an observance of optimism. A holiday of hope, and steadfastness. It comes in the darkest time of year, as a hopeful beacon in a long and moonless night.

Just as each new candle adds to the Menorah's light, each year brings new meaning to Hanukkah's observance.

And just as Masada symbolizes resistance against great odds, and strength in adversity, it is faith that provides mankind's most enduring refuge.

Tomorrow, as candles are lit around the world, their light will affirm that faith. And this year, the Feast of Lights may shine more brightly than ever before: In the midst of great and wondrous changes in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, we can see new opportunities for freedom. New reason for hope.

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Thank you for coming to the White House. And allow me to wish you a very Happy Hanukkah.

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REMARKS:

Please forward any comments directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 4:00 PM, Tuesday, December 19, 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

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(Lange/Simon)
December 18, 1989
1:00 p.m.
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[ROOM 450]
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[TIME]

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But even kids who grow up here face challenges because of their faith. But here, those problems have answers.

When a high school near here had an outbreak of hostility toward Jewish students -- and a Temple was defaced -- ministers from the surrounding community came together in support of the Rabbi: Laszlo Bercowits, who's with us today. Kids at the high school, of all faiths, banded together -- planting a dogwood tree at the Temple to symbolize growth and renewal.

And when Rabbi Bercowits went to the school, and powerfully described his experiences in Auschwitz, all eyes were upon him. Some filled with tears. But no heart was untouched.

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*Per
B.K.
12/20*

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Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

December 21, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
FOR THE HANUKKAH GREETING

Room 450
Old Executive Office Building

11:29 A.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much, all of you. I particularly want to single out Rabbi Zaiman. From now on in the White House, we'll be thinking in terms of a thousand and nine points of light over here. (Applause.)

I'm sorry Barbara is not here. She started to walk over here, and then there was this catastrophic ice skating accident in which one of our grandchildren bit the dust and is now getting a stitch in his lip. So life goes on, and she is very sorry not to be here.

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Let me assure you, we'll do all in our power to free your husband, and those like him. And if I ever slip -- if I ever look like I don't remember fully, the man sitting next to you, Jack Kemp, who has been in the forefront of the fight for Soviet Jewry and the fight to release refuseniks, he'll be all over our case. So we'll

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Thank you all and God bless you. (Applause.)

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THIS MENORAH, THIS ANCIENT VESSEL OF LIGHT, IS AN ELOQUENT STATEMENT OF THE JEWISH STRUGGLE IN HISTORY'S FIRST RECORDED BATTLE FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM. IT SHINES WITH COURAGE. WITH CONSTANCY. WITH CONSCIENCE. AND WITH STRENGTH -- IN THE CENTURIES-LONG STRUGGLE FOR RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.

HANUKKAH, I'VE LEARNED, HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN OBSERVANCE OF OPTIMISM.

A HOLIDAY OF HOPE, AND STEADFASTNESS. IT COMES IN THE DARKEST TIME OF YEAR, AS A HOPEFUL BEACON IN A LONG AND MOONLESS NIGHT.

JUST AS EACH NEW CANDLE ADDS TO THE MENORAH'S LIGHT, EACH YEAR BRINGS NEW MEANING TO HANUKKAH'S OBSERVANCE.

AND JUST AS MASADA SYMBOLIZES RESISTANCE AGAINST GREAT ODDS, AND STRENGTH IN ADVERSITY, IT IS FAITH THAT PROVIDES MANKIND'S MOST ENDURING REFUGE.

TOMORROW, AS CANDLES ARE LIT AROUND THE WORLD, THEIR LIGHT WILL AFFIRM THAT FAITH. AND THIS YEAR, THE FEAST OF LIGHTS MAY SHINE MORE BRIGHTLY THAN EVER BEFORE: IN THE MIDST OF GREAT AND WONDROUS CHANGES IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE SOVIET UNION, WE CAN SEE NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR FREEDOM. NEW REASON FOR HOPE.

AS YOU KNOW, I MET RECENTLY WITH CHAIRMAN GORBACHEV. I PRESENTED HIM WITH THE NAMES OF TWENTY REFUSENIKS THAT DESERVE FREEDOM.

THE FIRST ON THAT LIST WAS VLADIMIR RAIZ. HIS WIFE, KARMELLA, IS WITH US TODAY.

LET ME ASSURE YOU, MRS. RAIZ: WE WILL DO ALL IN OUR POWER TO FREE YOUR HUSBAND, AND THOSE LIKE HIM. AND FOR SAKE OF THE CHILDREN WHO ARE WITH US TODAY FROM COUNTRIES THAT STILL DENY FREEDOM OF FAITH, WE WILL STRIVE FOR THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM THEIR PARENTS HAVE NEVER KNOWN.

EVEN KIDS WHO GROW UP HERE IN AMERICA FACE PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF THEIR FAITH. BUT HERE, THOSE PROBLEMS HAVE ANSWERS.

WHEN A LOCAL TEMPLE HERE WAS DESECRATED BY TWO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, MINISTERS AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY CAME TOGETHER IN SUPPORT OF THE CONGREGATION AND THEIR RABBI: LASZLO BERKOWITS, WHO'S WITH US TODAY.

**KIDS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, OF ALL FAITHS, BANDED TOGETHER
-- PLANTING A DOGWOOD TREE AT THE TEMPLE TO SYMBOLIZE
GROWTH, RENEWAL, AND FRIENDSHIP.**

**AND WHEN RABBI BERKOWITZ WENT TO THE SCHOOL, AND
POWERFULLY DESCRIBED HIS EXPERIENCES IN CONCENTRATION
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AFFIRMED AND STRENGTHENED HIS COMMITMENT TO RELIGIOUS
TOLERANCE, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, AND RESPECT FOR
DIVERSITY.**

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"THE LIGHT OF A CANDLE," WROTE BAHYA BEN ASHER, "IS USEFUL WHEN IT PRECEDES YOU. IT IS USELESS WHEN IT TRAILS BEHIND." AND SO MUST WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FORWARD -- TO A DAY WHEN NO NATION INTERFERES WITH THE FAITH OF ANY OF ITS PEOPLE.

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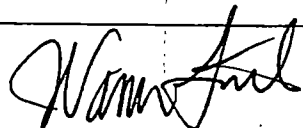
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TO: CHRISS WINSTON

NSC concurs.

B. Scowcroft
Brent Scowcroft

cc: James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

(Lange/Simon/Cawley)
December 19, 1989
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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Hanukkah

We have no suggested changes from a policy standpoint and approve of the draft in its present form.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: AMY L. SCHWARTZ *ALS*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: President's Remarks for Hanukkah

I have reviewed the proposed remarks and have the following comments.

First, the remarks acknowledge the gift of a menorah from the Synagogue Council. Two things need to be done in connection with the gift:

1. If the Menorah is to be displayed, it should be displayed near a Christmas tree to avoid Establishment Clause issues.
2. Following the seasonal display of the Menorah, it should be sent to the Gift Unit for logging and handling, per usual procedures for handling Presidential gifts.

Second, the second sentence of the first (bracketed) paragraph of the remarks was not clear. I suggest it be deleted.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

cc: James W. Cicconi
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John Hilboldt
Director, Gift Unit

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No Comments 12/19/89

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James W. Cicconi
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