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Office of the Press Secretary

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January 18, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT THE BUSH-QUAYLE CAMPAIGN REUNION

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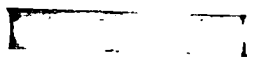
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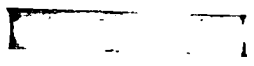
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THERE WAS ONE DAY -- BARBARA AND I WERE TRAVELING IN THE CAR -- WHEN THEY TOLD US TO LOOK OUT THE WINDOW AND WAVE, BECAUSE THE PHOTO DOGS WERE GOING TO PULL UP NEXT TO US FOR A PHOTO OP.

SO WE'RE BOTH SITTING THERE, SMILING AND WAVING. AND THE TRUCK FULL OF PHOTO DOGS PULLS UP NEXT TO US. THEY ALL LOOK OVER, AND SAY IN UNISON, "PARDON ME, SIR. DO YOU HAVE ANY GREY POUAPON?" \\


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BARBARA TELLS A STORY -- ALSO TRUE -- ABOUT STAYING IN A HOTEL, AND NOT HAVING HER BATHROBE WITH HER. IN THE MORNING, ROOM SERVICE KNOCKED ON THE DOOR WITH COFFEE. SHE LOOKED ALL OVER FOR A ROBE, BUT NO LUCK.


SO WHEN THE ROOM SERVICE GUY OPENED THE DOOR, THE FUTURE FIRST LADY WAS STANDING THERE, LOOKING QUITE ELEGANT, WRAPPED IN A BEDSHEET. \\

FIRST LADIES DO HAVE AN EFFECT ON FASHION. START PLANNING THOSE TOGA PARTIES NOW. \\

BUT BARBARA AND I KNOW -- AND KNOW WELL -- WHERE THE REAL HEAVY LIFTING HAPPENED DURING THE CAMPAIGN. OUT IN THE FIELD.

THE PHONE WORK, THE SIGN-MAKING, THE ALL-NIGHTERS, THE CREATIVE CHAOS -- AND THE JUST PLAIN MAKING-DO WITH WHAT YOU'VE GOT.

I HEARD ABOUT THE ORLANDO OFFICE SCRAMBLING TO RENT A FORK-LIFT, TO UNLOAD 60,000 POSTERS -- ONLY TO FIND THAT THE FORKLIFT WOULDN'T FIT THROUGH THE DOOR. SO FOR TWO HOURS, IN SPITE OF BLISTERS, SUNBURNS, AND SORE BICEPS, THE CREW CARRIED AND STACKED EVERY ONE OF THOSE POSTERS -- ALL 60,000 -- BY HAND. IF WE APPLAUD LOUDLY ENOUGH, MAYBE THEY'LL HEAR US DOWN THERE. \\

OF COURSE, FOR ME THE TOUGHEST PART OF THE CAMPAIGN WAS THE DEBATES. SOME TIME HAS PASSED. SO I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO RECOGNIZE MY OPPONENT. HE WAS STRONG. TOUGH. TENACIOUS. A REAL FIGHTER. I GAINED A NEWFOUND RESPECT FOR DAN RATHER. \\


WHAT A TEAM WE HAD.

LEE ATWATER, YOU KNOW, IS THE REPUBLICAN MASTER OF R & B.

HE COULDN'T TEACH ME RHYTHM -- BUT HE DID TEACH THE DEMOCRATS TO SING THE BLUES.

BOB TEETER, HE PROMISED HE'D ALWAYS GIVE US AN ACCURATE VIEW OF THINGS. SO HE TRIED TO BALANCE THE GOOD NEWS AND THE BAD NEWS. YOU KNOW: ONE MONTH OF GOOD NEWS -- AND 18 MONTHS OF BAD NEWS.

IN BIBLICAL TIMES, NOAH HEARD A VOICE THAT TOLD HIM TO GO BUILD AN ARK. THE HERO IN FIELD OF DREAMS HEARD A VOICE THAT TOLD HIM TO BUILD A BASEBALL FIELD.

POOR RICH BOND. HE HEARD A VOICE THAT TOLD HIM TO GO BUILD MOMENTUM IN IOWA.

AND THEN, WHEN WE HEARD WE WERE DOWN BY OVER 20 POINTS, A MAN NAMED JOHN SUNUNU PREDICTED WE'D TAKE NEW HAMPSHIRE BY 10 POINTS. WHAT A KIDDER, RIGHT?

TURNS OUT THE GUY'S PRETTY VERSATILE. HE CAN TAKE ON THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. BRING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. AND YES -- YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BELIEVE THIS -- HE CAN EVEN FIX XEROX MACHINES. \\

OVER THE COURSE OF THE CAMPAIGN, SOME SAY ROGER AILES GAVE ME A PERSONALITY -- THAT HE MADE ME SEEM MORE DECISIVE. WELL... I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THAT. MAYBE I AM, AND MAYBE I'M NOT. \\

BUT ROGER WORKED HARD, AND WAS WELL COMPENSATED. WE PAID HIM IN PINTS OF HAAGEN-DAZS.

WELL, I OUGHT TO LET THE PARTY GET BACK TO THE PARTY... BUT BEFORE I LEAVE THIS MICROPHONE ALONE, I WANT TO THANK EACH ONE OF YOU -- AND I HOPE YOU'LL PASS MY THANKS ALONG TO THOSE WHO COULDN'T BE HERE.

WE SET OUT TO WIN AN ELECTION IN 1988, FOR A REASON: AMERICA'S WORK IS UNFINISHED. BUT HER PROMISE IS UNLIMITED.

WE'VE SEEN WONDROUS CHANGE RECENTLY -- ESPECIALLY IN EASTERN EUROPE AND IN PANAMA -- PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD REJOICING IN THE BLESSINGS OF FREEDOM.

HERE AT HOME, IN THE '88 ELECTION, WE SOUGHT POWER FOR ITS POTENTIAL TO HELP PEOPLE. WE WANTED NEW PROGRESS FOR A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT. FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS THAT SAVAGE OUR STREETS. FOR THE SAKE OF THE FAMILY, FREE INSTITUTIONS, FREE SPEECH, AND FREE MARKETS.

TO MAKE AMERICAN EDUCATION SECOND TO NONE, ONCE AGAIN.
TO ENSURE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL AMERICANS... WE
KNEW WHAT REMAINED TO BE DONE.

SO WE'VE INTRODUCED THE FIRST AMENDMENTS TO THE
CLEAN AIR ACT IN OVER A DECADE. PROPOSED A TOUGH CRIME
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ALL OF YOU HERE TONIGHT, YOUR WORK MADE EVERYTHING
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SO ENJOY YOURSELVES! KEEP YOUR EYES ON NOVEMBER.
GOD BLESS YOU -- AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA.

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1990 JAN 16 PM 7:29

JANUARY 16, 1990

INFORMATION

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *CW*
FROM: MARK LANGE *ML*
SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR BUSH-QUAYLE '88 REUNION

Attached are your remarks (about 12 minutes) for the reunion of the Bush-Quayle '88 campaign. The party will be held at the Washington Hilton on Thursday, January 18th, and you will be speaking at 7:45 p.m.

About 1800 people will attend -- most will have had a few drinks before you speak. So your remarks are largely humorous -- closing with words of thanks, and some thoughts on our agenda.

*If Quayle
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(Lange/Cawley)
January 17, 1989
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All of you here tonight, your work made everything possible -- and your country's better off for it.

So enjoy yourselves! Keep your eyes on November. God bless you -- and God bless the United States of America.

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

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Assistant to the President
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
FROM: MARK LANGE *ML*
SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR BUSH-QUAYLE '88 REUNION

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Ext. 2702

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(Lange/Cawley)
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FROM:

JIM PINKERTON

SUBJECT:

Bush-Quayle Campaign Reunion Draft Speech

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The Atwater joke is simply too strong. We urge omitting it. If a substitute is required, it should not be too hard to make some reference to his music. E.g., "We could not have known in 1988, that the same musical technique Atwater used on Bush-Quayle Campaign Headquarters would be used in 1989 by the U.S. military to flush out General Noriega."

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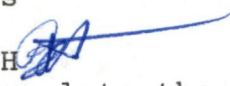
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FROM: BRENT O. HATCH 
Associate Counsel to the President

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Reunion, Washington Hilton

Counsel's office has reviewed the above-referenced Presidential remarks. As a follow-up to our telephone call to your office this afternoon, we have no legal objections.

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cc: James W. Cicconi

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