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Davis/Martin  
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Deputy Assistant to the President for  
Communications

FROM: BRENT O. HATCH *BH*  
Associate Counsel to the President

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks -- Martinez Fundraiser

Counsel's office has reviewed the above-referenced Presidential remarks. We have no legal objections.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this matter.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1/11/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 AM, TUES., JAN. 16  
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MIAMI, FLORIDA  
 SUBJECT: FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 1990  
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**RESPONSE:**

**James W. Cicconi**  
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For Immediate Release

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AT DINNER HONORING  
GOVERNOR BOB MARTINEZ OF FLORIDA

Miami, Florida

7:26 P.M. EST

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Look to Florida. Thanks to your Governor's Project Independence, 31,000 men and women, all welfare recipients, were able to use state training and education to replace welfare with work. And this is the best kind of antipoverty program. One that saves the taxpayer's money, tens of millions of dollars. One that really does work.

Bob and I share, yet, another goal and that's to beat the scourge of drugs. A menace to the very future of America. Bob is the lead Governor on the Substance Abuse and Drug Trafficking for the National Task Force for the National Governors' Association. He set a national precedent by appointing a State Drug Czar. And he has worked to make parolees undergo drug testing with counseling -- to get straight and, then, to stay straight.

And Bob and I, also, share a philosophy about prison sentences; make them at least as tough as the criminals you convict. And Bob has already stiffened the Florida code; added the prison space to enforce it. In Washington, Congress -- to its credit -- acted on part of my anticrime package. More money has been provided for additional prison space, more federal law enforcement officers. But Congress has left too much work undone. And so help Senator Mack, and our Republican Congressmen here tonight -- all of them supporters -- our members of Congress and me, help us all to get action on the rest of my violent crime package: To toughen federal sentences for those using a firearm in the commission of a felony, to reform the rules of evidence, to support the police, to enact the death penalty proposal that I sent them. Join me in calling on Congress to take the shackles off the policemen, the courts and the law. (Applause.)

Bob and I support an oppressed minority. One that's too often been stripped of its rights and I'm talking about the victims of crime. I hope that each of you, one way or another, will try to help out what I call a thousand points of light -- try to learn a little more about these organizations to help the victims of crime.

I say a killer deserves something else -- and I'm talking about justice. And justice is exactly what Bob Martinez is dispensing in this state. So let those who value life so little know one sure thing that when they come to Florida they've reached the end of the line. We need to back up our law enforcement people. (Applause.)

But the challenges of the future also require vision and compassion, especially the challenge of preparing our children for the future. And if I might -- I am in great admiration of Barbara for what she's done over the years in working to help make our country a literate nation. (Applause.)

We have an Educational Excellence Act. And that Educational Excellence Act has been one of my top priorities since I sent this legislation to Congress almost nine months ago. To make our schools work, we must give parents, teachers and children choice and flexibility. And then hold everyone accountable for the results.

And accountability should begin with the United States Congress. It's high time that Congress finished its homework and passed needed education reforms.

When it comes to caring for children, perhaps Washington could learn a thing or two from Bob Martinez who has worked so hard on behalf of children at risk; whose One Church, One Child Program has placed so many foster children in loving homes.

I've spoken here about -- at length, about some of my hopes for this year because they mesh so well, you see. They mesh so well with your Governor's outlook. But Bob's achievements stand -- stand alone from the environment, to crimefighting, to preparing the children of Florida for the future. His would be a remarkable record of achievement for any Governor. But for this Governor, it's all just another day at the office.

The bottom line is this -- and this is what I came down to tell you -- I need Bob Martinez; Florida needs Bob Martinez. So let's hit the campaign trail, the trail to victory in November. Thank you. God bless you and God bless America. (Applause.)

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