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February 8, 1990

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Peony Park
Omaha, Nebraska

8:35 A.M. CST

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *W*
FROM: CURT SMITH *CS*
SUBJECT: REMARKS FOR KAY ORR BREAKFAST

I. SUMMARY

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II. DISCUSSION

The attached remarks (12 minutes, speechcards) applaud Kay Orr's impressive first-term record -- her leadership in job creation, education, and farm policy. In that context, the text focuses on the Administration's initiatives in education, drugs, agriculture, and the environment.

(Smith/Blessey)
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**KAY ORR BREAKFAST / OMAHA, NEBRASKA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1990 / 8:30 A.M.**

**GOVERNOR ORR, MAYOR MORGAN, CONGRESSMAN BEREUTER
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SALLIE FOLSOM, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.**

**I'M DELIGHTED TO JOIN YOU FOR THIS EARLY-MORNING
BREAKFAST.**

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**EVEN THOUGH BEING HERE AT THIS HOUR REMINDS ME OF THE
TIME I TOLD ONE OF MY GRANDKIDS THAT THE EARLY BIRD
GETS THE WORM. HE SAID: "I THINK I'LL SLEEP IN AND
HAVE PANCAKES." //**

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HONOR OF THE SPECIAL WOMAN WHO HAS COME A LONG WAY
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1963. // SHE'S GONE FROM RINGING DOORBELLS TO MAKING
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NEBRASKA. KAY ORR. //**

I'VE KNOWN KAY SINCE 1976. AND I WANTED TO COME
HERE AND PERSONALLY ENDORSE HER. I'M HERE BECAUSE KAY
HAS MADE TOUGH CHOICES AND RIGHT DECISIONS. AND
BECAUSE HER FIRST TERM HAS PRODUCED NOT EMPTY RHETORIC
BUT RESULTS. // DWIGHT EISENHOWER ONCE SAID, "OUR
BEST PROTECTION AGAINST BIGGER GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON
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KAY KEEP MAKING GOVERNMENT BETTER. // LET'S HELP HER
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AS AMERICA'S FIRST REPUBLICAN WOMAN GOVERNOR, IT'S TRUE: KAY HAS BECOME A HOUSEHOLD NAME. AND WHY NOT WITH STATS RIVALING FOOTBALL'S BIG RED? MORE THAN 23,000 NEW JOBS AND \$2.4 BILLION IN NEW INVESTMENT SINCE 1987 -- THOSE ARE KAY ORR VICTORIES.

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THESE TRIUMPHS HAVE HELPED THE WORKING PEOPLE OF NEBRASKA. AND KAY NEEDS A SECOND TERM TO FINISH THE JOB SHE'S SO EFFECTIVELY BEGUN.

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INFLATION AT LESS THAN 5 PERCENT. AND THE LONGEST PEACETIME ECONOMIC BOOM IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES. // YET WHAT I TERMED "THE IDEA CALLED AMERICA" IS LIKE NEBRASKA: IT'S SOMETHING TO BUILD UPON, NOT REST UPON. SO WE HAVE SENT LEGISLATION TO THE CONGRESS TO CONFRONT OUR MOST CRUCIAL ISSUES.

FOR EXAMPLE, PROSPERITY MEANS LITTLE IF OUR KIDS AREN'T FREE FROM DRUGS. SO LAST MONTH I ANNOUNCED THE 1990 NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY -- PHASE II OF THE COMPREHENSIVE DRUG POLICY WE UNVEILED LAST YEAR.

WE'RE ASKING CONGRESS TO SPEND OVER 10 AND A HALF BILLION DOLLARS IN FISCAL YEAR 1991 FOR EDUCATION, TREATMENT, INTERDICTION, AND ENFORCEMENT -- ABOUT A 70 PERCENT INCREASE SINCE I TOOK OFFICE IN 1989. //

WE ALSO WANT MANDATORY TIME FOR FIREARMS OFFENSES. NO DEALS WHEN CRIMINALS USE A GUN. AND AS PHASE II PROPOSES, AN EXPANSION OF THE DEATH PENALTY FOR DRUG KINGPINS. //

WE'VE REQUESTED SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES AND LOCALITIES IN DRUG USE, PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. AND WE'VE ALREADY MADE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS IN ADDING MORE POLICE, MORE PROSECUTORS, AND MORE PRISONS. // KAY ORR SUPPORTS THESE STEPS. HER INITIALS AREN'T K.O. FOR NOTHING. AND THAT'S WHAT SHE'LL HELP DO TO CRIME AND DRUG USE. // I NEED HER AS GOVERNOR TO HELP TAKE BACK THE STREETS. //

THEN, THERE'S ANOTHER PRIORITY OF OUR ADMINISTRATION: THE EDUCATION OF OUR KIDS. // KAY ORR KNOWS, AS I DO, THAT THE FUTURE OF THIS COUNTRY BEGINS WITH EDUCATION. SO SHE SUPPORTS OUR "EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ACT OF 1989," WHICH CAN HELP ACHIEVE, BY THE YEAR 2000, THE EDUCATION GOALS THAT I ANNOUNCED LAST WEDNESDAY -- GOALS DEVELOPED WITH THE NATION'S GOVERNORS.

WE MUST ENSURE THAT EVERY STUDENT IN AMERICA STARTS SCHOOL READY TO LEARN. THAT'S WHY I'VE PROPOSED A RECORD INCREASE IN FUNDS -- AN EXTRA HALF A BILLION DOLLARS -- FOR A PROGRAM WHICH HAS AND CONTINUES TO WORK: HEAD START. // AND WE MUST SEE THAT EACH SCHOOL HAS AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE KIDS CAN LEARN. THAT MEANS MAKING EVERY SCHOOL DRUG-FREE. // OUR GRADUATION RATE MUST BE NO LESS THAN 90 PER CENT. AND WE MUST MAKE DIPLOMAS MEAN SOMETHING.

SO WE WANT U.S. STUDENTS TO BE FIRST IN THE WORLD IN MATH AND SCIENCE ACHIEVEMENT. AND WE MUST GUARANTEE THAT EACH AMERICAN IS A SKILLED, LITERATE WORKER AND CITIZEN. TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE "THE IDEA CALLED AMERICA" MEAN A DECENT EDUCATION FOR ALL. //

"THE IDEA CALLED AMERICA" ALSO MEANS THAT WORKING PARENTS SHOULD HAVE INCREASED CHILD-CARE OPTIONS. OUR LEGISLATION WILL ACHIEVE THAT GOAL. // AND IT MEANS A CLEANER AMERICA.

SO WE'VE SENT UP THE FIRST REWRITE OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT IN OVER 10 YEARS. // WE ALSO WANT A MORE ABUNDANT RURAL AMERICA -- WHERE AMERICANS WORK, INVEST, AND SAVE. IN THE LATE 1980s, FARM INCOME HIT NEAR RECORD LEVELS. NOW, LET'S MAKE GOOD NEWS EVEN BETTER -- AND KEEP NEBRASKA STRONG BY KEEPING AGRICULTURE THRIVING IN THE 1990s. //

FIRST, I HOPE TO NEGOTIATE A NEW TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIET UNION BY THE 1990 SUMMIT.

THIS WILL RELAX TRADE BARRIERS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST --
EXPANDING MARKETS FOR AMERICAN EXPORTS. I FEEL
STRONGLY THAT SELLING OUR GRAIN TO THE SOVIET UNION IS
IN AMERICA'S INTEREST AS WELL AS THEIRS. // NEXT,
WE'RE GOING TO WRITE A NEW FARM BILL THIS YEAR. IT
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AND WE NEED THE INVESTMENT CREATED BY PASSING OUR
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WHAT'S GOOD FOR ALL OF US, NATURALLY, IS THAT I BE
BRIEF. SO LET ME CLOSE WITH A STORY ABOUT A COMMON
LOVE OF MINE AND RURAL AMERICA: FISHING.

IT CONCERNS MARK TWAIN, WHO -- LIKE ALL FISHERMEN -- LOVED TO BRAG ABOUT HIS EXPLOITS.

TWAIN ONCE SPENT THREE WEEKS FISHING IN THE MAINE WOODS, IGNORING THE FACT THAT THE STATE'S FISHING SEASON HAD CLOSED. ON THE WAY HOME, ABOARD THE TRAIN, HE CAME UPON A STRANGER. AND IMMEDIATELY STARTED TELLING HIM ABOUT ALL THE FISH HE'D CAUGHT.

FINALLY, MARK TWAIN ASKED, "BY THE WAY, WHO ARE YOU, SIR?" THE STRANGER REPLIED, "I'M THE STATE GAME WARDEN. AND WHO ARE YOU?" // WITH THAT, AMERICA'S GREATEST WRITER NEARLY SWALLOWED HIS CIGAR. AND AFTER A LONG PAUSE HE ANSWERED, "WELL, TO BE PERFECTLY TRUTHFUL, WARDEN. I'M THE BIGGEST DAMN LIAR IN THE WHOLE UNITED STATES." //

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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 OMAHA, NEBRASKA
 SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 8, 1990 (2/3 10:00 AM draft)
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REMARKS:

PORTER ROSE

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

*Chris -
 3 minor suggestions. Should
 have POTUS comments back shortly.*

*Thanks
 Jim 2/5*

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

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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February 2, 1990

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10:00 A.M.
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KAY

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Then, there's another priority of our Administration: The education of our kids. // And in that context, recall how the great Nebraska author, Willa Cather, once said, "The history of every country begins in the heart of a man or a woman." //

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 2, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

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I concur with the draft remarks with one exception: The Kay Orr remarks miss a chance to mention the Uruguay Round as something we are doing to keep "agriculture thriving in the 1990's". I suggest adding the following sentences at the beginning of the final paragraph on page 5:

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Attachment

cc: James W. Cicconi

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RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi
 Assistant to the President
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 Ext. 2702

(Smith/Blessey)
7:30 P.M.
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Well, this morning we're having ham and eggs. And saluting
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FROM: STEPHEN P. FARRAR *SPF*
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