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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 03/01/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4:00 p.m. Friday 03/02

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RESPONSE:

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 Ext. 2702

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*

FROM: MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*

SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENT AND STATE DINNER TOAST
OFFICIAL VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI
OF ITALY

I. SUMMARY

Attached for your review are proposed remarks for the official visit of Prime Minister Andreotti of Italy, on Tuesday, March 6. You will deliver the remarks from cards.

II. DISCUSSION

At the suggestion of the NSC, your remarks focus especially on European economic integration, the unification of Germany, and Italy's upcoming Chairmanship of the European Community this July.

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Prime Minister Andreotti's public career is rich in achievement, unrivaled in modern Europe. He has served his nation with distinction as statesman and diplomat, and of course, as Prime Minister. But Giulio Andreotti is also a man of letters, known for his humor and integrity. And here in America he's known as a good and close friend, the leader of a strong nation and a strong people. We are proud and honored to have him as our guest today.

45 years ago, the giants of modern history -- Churchill, Truman and de Gaulle -- were embarking on the great task of rebuilding Europe, what would later be known as the Marshall Plan. And another giant worked with them, a man who helped build the strong Atlantic community we have today -- Prime Minister

pronounced? Alcide De Gasperi of Italy.

P.M.
I mentioned that ~~Giulio~~ Andreotti is a renowned author. Well, he wrote a biography of De Gasperi, and it is in the tradition of his subject that Prime Minister Andreotti leads

Italy today. Like his predecessor, Giulio Andreotti is a leader who fights for freedom, peace and democracy in an evolving Europe.

This week's visit by the Prime Minister bears witness to Italy's continued leadership in the swift-moving stream of events in Europe; and to America's steadfast partnership with Italy and Europe through it all.

I look forward to exchanging views with ^{you, sir,} ~~the Prime Minister~~ -- this time, on the dramatic developments in Europe -- East and West. Over the past two decades, we've seen Italy's role in world affairs grow under Giulio Andreotti's leadership, both as Foreign Minister and Prime Minister.

And during that time, the United States and Italy have been the firmest of allies. Our dialogue is constant, substantive and productive. We agree on the foundations of a new Europe. We welcome the prospect of overcoming Europe's artificial division and building a Europe whole and free. We look to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the CSCE, to play a greater role in Europe's future, particularly in guiding the economic and political transformation of the rising democracies in Eastern Europe.

We agree that the EC must play a vital role in the new Europe. A more united Europe, able to take its rightful place in world affairs, is good for the United States of America. As Italy assumes the Presidency of the European Community beginning in July, Prime Minister Andreotti and I will work to improve

economic and political ties between the United States and the Community. In this role, Italy will have the opportunity to lead the EC in the battle against organized crime and narcotics trafficking, a fight in which our two nations remain strong, determined, and united.

Above all, we share a common commitment to NATO and the conviction that the United States must and will remain a European power. We are true partners in the Atlantic Alliance, which serves as the foundation for stability and our common security.

Prime Minister Andreotti and I have much to discuss -- about Germany, the Alliance, East-West relations, U.S.-E.C. ties, and other topics. I am confident that we share the commitment that Chancellor Kohl and I expressed at Camp David nine days ago: that a united Germany should remain a full member of NATO, including participation in its military structure. In all these areas, I look forward to serious and productive talks with Prime Minister Andreotti, a true and valued friend of the United States.

Americans have always held a special place in their hearts for Italy. It was the American novelist Henry James who once wrote: "We go to Italy, to gaze upon certain of the highest achievements of human power," representing "to the imagination the maximum of man's creative force." Together, we can achieve even more -- and today's visit will strengthen the deep bonds between us. We share between us 12 million Americans who proudly call Italy their ancestral home. And because of them, America is

a richer place -- because of their commitment to family and faith, and their zest for life.\\\

Let me, in closing, express my hope that you have a most successful visit, a safe journey, and a delightful time here. Mr. Prime Minister, welcome to Washington.

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Deputy Assistant to the President for
Communications

FROM:

BRENT O. HATCH 
Associate Counsel to the President

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks -- State Dinner Toast, Prime
Minister Andreotti of Italy

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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FROM: JIM PINKERTON

SUBJECT: Andreotti State Dinner Draft Toast

pg. 1, para. 5, line 2 "...the home of such eternal ideals as beauty, love and wisdom, the immortal genius of DaVinci, Michelangelo, and Raphael; the timeless architecture of Piazza San Marco...."

This type of descriptive language is not as successful a tribute to a country like Italy as might be supposed. Aside from being somewhat cliché, such language has a kind of travelogue connotation. Therefore, it suggests that the country being described is not one with which America and Americans are familiar. Imagine, for example, if a toast to Mrs. Thatcher were to speak of "the immortal genius of Shakespeare, Newton, and Mill; the timeless architecture of St. Paul's, and the taverns with signs that say it all: 'Ye Olde....'" It would seem a little out of place because we all know that stuff anyway, and there are more important things to talk about.

As a suggestion, some reference to the words of some great Italian (e.g., Cavour, who unified Italy, or a quote from Andreotti's book on de Gasperi).

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As in the Draft Arrival Statement, we wonder about the use of the Prime Minister's first name. Other occurrences of this are at 2,3,1, and 2,5,3.

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CW- MK's changes in response to M.D.'s edits.
Pronunciations to come. Thanks - MK

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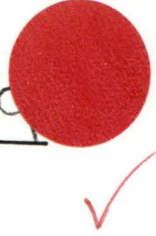
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RESPONSE:

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NSC concurs with the changes indicated.

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cc: James Cicconi

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 2, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast, Prime
Minister Andreotti/Italy

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Page 2, line 8: The word "now" appears twice.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY
PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI OF ITALY
THE WHITE HOUSE
MARCH 6, 1990

((Mr. Prime Minister, Mrs. Andreotti, friends of Italy.))

Barbara and I are pleased to welcome the President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy, Giulio Andreotti and his wife, Livia, to the United States and to our home.

Prime Minister Andreotti's public career is rich in achievement, unrivaled in modern Europe. He has served his nation with distinction as statesman and diplomat, and of course, as Prime Minister. But Giulio is also renowned in Europe as a man of letters, humor and integrity. And he's renowned in America as a good and close friend. We are proud and honored to have him as our guest today.

45 years ago, the giants of modern history -- Churchill, Truman, Adenauer and de Gaulle were embarking on the great task of rebuilding Europe, what would later be known as the Marshall Plan. But they had the help of the dedication and vision of another giant, a man who helped forge the strong Atlantic community we have today -- Prime Minister Alcide De Gasperi of Italy.

I mentioned that Giulio Andreotti is a renowned author. Well, he wrote a book about De Gasperi, and it is in the tradition of his subject that Prime Minister Andreotti leads

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Italy today. Like his predecessor, Giulio is a leader who fights for freedom, peace and democracy in an evolving Europe.

This week's visit by the Prime Minister bears witness to Italy's continued leadership amidst the swift-moving stream of events in Europe; and to America's steadfast partnership with Italy and Europe through it all.

Like Presidents Nixon and Ford did before me, I look forward to exchanging views with the Prime Minister -- this time, on the dramatic developments in Europe -- East and West. Over the past two decades, we've seen Italy's role in world affairs grow under Giulio Andreotti's leadership, both as Foreign Minister and Prime Minister.

And during that time, the United States and Italy have been the firmest of allies. Our dialogue is constant, substantive and productive. We are true partners in the Atlantic Alliance, which serves as the foundation for stability and solidarity among our nations. We both recognize that NATO needs to adapt constructively to new challenges, and that a revitalized Alliance is the key to maintaining a vigorous trans-Atlantic dialogue on important issues like arms control, free trade, and fighting the war on drugs.

Beginning in July -- when Italy presides over the European Community -- our two governments will work even more closely as we ~~deal with the~~ ^{address} new, evolving ~~global situation~~ ^{challenge} in creative and productive ways. Our cooperation will become even more vital as the European Community moves closer toward the single market of

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1992. And Italy will have the opportunity to lead other nations in the battle against organized crime and narcotics trafficking, a fight in which our two nations remain strong, determined and united.

Americans have always held a special place in their hearts for Italy. It was the American novelist Henry James who once wrote: "We go to Italy, to gaze upon certain of the highest achievements of human power," representing "to the imagination the maximum of man's creative force." Together, we can achieve even more -- and today's visit will strengthen the deep bonds between us. We share between us 12 million Americans who look back with pride to Italy as their ancestral home. And because of them, America is a richer place -- because of their commitment to family and faith, for their zest for life.\\\

Let me, in closing, express my hope that you have a most successful visit, a safe journey, and a delightful time here. Mr. Prime Minister, welcome to Washington.

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REMARKS: STATE DINNER IN HONOR OF
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THE WHITE HOUSE
MARCH 6, 1990

((Mr. Prime Minister, Mrs. Andreotti, distinguished guests,
friends of Italy.))

Barbara and I are very pleased to welcome you to the White House tonight to honor the President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy, Giulio Andreotti.

We'd also like to thank Miss Roberta Peters, who is approaching the 40th anniversary of her career debut at the Metropolitan Opera. After performing with the Met for 35 years as a leading soprano, she continues to thrill audiences today as an internationally acclaimed artist, traveling the world as one of America's greatest divas.

((Having such a world-famous opera star here reminds me of the time the great Italian tenor, Enrico Caruso, was asked by a group of American reporters what he thought of Babe Ruth. Caruso, ever polite, replied that he didn't know because unfortunately, he had never heard her sing. \\\))

One American writer called Italy the "land of the immortal gods." Not just the land of mythology, but the home of such eternal ideals as beauty, love and wisdom; the immortal genius of DaVinci, Michelangelo, and Raphael; the timeless architecture of Piazza San Marco in Venice; the classic strains heard in the air

at La Scala in Milan; and the spiritual home of millions on Earth -- St. Peter's in Rome. As American historian Will Durant said, Rome is the mother of us all. \\\

And it is in this great national tradition that Giulio has served with such distinction. Your career of public service is unrivaled in modern European history. It began nearly 45 years ago, when you were elected to the assembly that drafted the Italian constitution. And now your people have now elected you Prime Minister six times.

Giulio, you are one of America's closest friends. You know our country well. We are proud and honored to be with you. And tomorrow, when you address a Joint Session of the United States Congress, I know you will again sense the deep admiration America holds for you and the great nation of Italy.

Last October, Barbara and I were pleased to welcome to the White House the distinguished President of Italy, my friend Francesco Cossiga. We certainly agree on the key role Italy plays in the new emerging Europe. Freedom is finding new life among millions of people the world over, and together our two nations applaud the vibrant human spirit of the men and women seeking peaceful change from Central Europe to Central America.

In my discussions with Prime Minister Andreotti today, and over the past months, we have shared the excitement of these remarkable changes. Giulio, I can think of no time in modern history when wisdom and perspective like yours was needed more.

We discussed the ramifications of a unified Germany, and how to accommodate the needs of nations in Eastern Europe and to open their doors to new opportunities. We agreed that the United States must be closely involved in this exciting process unfolding on the European continent, where our roots run deep.

They say that "all roads lead to Rome," and so Italy was my first stop on my first visit to Europe as President, ^{en route} ~~en route ten months ago~~ to the important NATO summit. ~~Together, we set the tone for critical arms reduction proposals, now even closer to fulfillment. The Prime Minister and I also agree that a vigorous and adaptable NATO is vital to guarantee our collective security in new, challenging times.~~

Now, ten months later

We have much to look forward to: This summer, we will meet again at the Houston Economic Summit. Then, beginning in July, Italy becomes chairman of the European Community -- and our two governments will work together to ^{address the change in} ~~deal with an evolving~~ Europe in creative and productive ways. ~~Further down the road, we approach the single market of 1992 together.~~ But most important of all, there is perhaps ^{the} ~~the~~ toughest issue between our two nations, a meeting which will take place this summer in Italy. Our side has already made bold advances against other nations involved, but we must be allowed to compete on a level playing field.\\ That's right, I'm talking about the 1990 World Cup in Soccer.\\\

Mr. Prime Minister, our discussions today reinforce my deep admiration for you and your nation. The great Roman statesman Cicero, once wrote: "When good men of like character are joined

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in friendship, there we find the noblest and the strongest union." To our noble and strong union, and to you and the citizens of the Republic of Italy, I ask our guests to join me in a salute.

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STATE DINNER / PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI OF ITALY
MARCH 6, 1990 / 7:15 P.M.

(Mr. Prime Minister, Mrs. Andreotti, distinguished
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BARBARA AND I ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU TO
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GIULIO [JEW-LEE-OH] ANDREOTTI.

((AND LATER ON THIS EVENING, WE WILL BE CELEBRATING ITALY'S NATIONAL PASTIME, WITH A PERFORMANCE BY ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST OPERA SINGERS. I AM REMINDED OF A STORY CONCERNING AMERICA'S NATIONAL PASTIME ... IT SEEMS THE GREAT ITALIAN TENOR, ENRICO CARUSO, WAS ASKED BY A GROUP OF AMERICAN REPORTERS WHAT HE THOUGHT OF BABE RUTH. CARUSO, EVER POLITE, REPLIED THAT HE DIDN'T KNOW BECAUSE UNFORTUNATELY, HE HAD NEVER HEARD HER SING. \\ \\))

ONE AMERICAN WRITER CALLED ITALY THE "LAND OF THE IMMORTAL GODS." NOT JUST THE LAND OF MYTHOLOGY, BUT THE HOME OF ETERNAL IDEALS SYMBOLIZED BY THE IMMORTAL GENIUS OF DAVINCI, MICHELANGELO, AND RAPHAEL; THE TIMELESS ARCHITECTURE OF PIAZZA SAN MARCO IN VENICE; THE CLASSIC STRAINS HEARD AT LA SCALA IN MILAN. ITALY IS THE SPIRITUAL HOME OF MILLIONS -- ST. PETER'S IN ROME -- AND THE ANCESTRAL HOME OF 12 MILLION AMERICANS.

MANY ARE HERE TONIGHT, INCLUDING OUR OAS AMBASSADOR LUIGI EINAUDI [I-NOW-DEE], WHO IS ALSO THE GRANDSON OF ITALY'S FIRST PRESIDENT.

MR. PRIME MINISTER, YOU ARE ONE OF AMERICA'S CLOSEST FRIENDS, AND KNOW OUR COUNTRY WELL. WE ARE PROUD AND HONORED TO BE WITH YOU. WE CERTAINLY AGREE ON THE KEY ROLE ITALY PLAYS IN THE NEW EMERGING EUROPE.

IN MY DISCUSSIONS WITH PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI TODAY, AND OVER THE PAST MONTHS, WE HAVE SHARED THE EXCITEMENT OF THE REMARKABLE CHANGES WE ARE SEEING. I CAN THINK OF NO TIME IN MODERN HISTORY WHEN OUR STRONG TRANSATLANTIC PARTNERSHIP WAS MORE CRUCIAL.

THEY SAY THAT ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROME, AND SO ITALY WAS MY FIRST STOP ON MY FIRST VISIT TO EUROPE AS PRESIDENT. TOGETHER, WE SET THE TONE FOR CRITICAL ARMS REDUCTION PROPOSALS NOW EVEN CLOSER TO FULFILLMENT.

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BUT WE ALSO HAVE MUCH TO LOOK FORWARD TO. THIS SUMMER, WE WILL MEET AGAIN AT THE HOUSTON ECONOMIC SUMMIT. THEN, BEGINNING IN JULY, ITALY BECOMES CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY -- AND OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL WORK TO DEVELOP STRONGER ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EC.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AND PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI OF ITALY
IN EXCHANGE OF TOASTS

The State Dining Room

March 6, 1990

8:12 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen, we're going to get this part out of the way early. (Laughter.)

Mr. Prime Minister and Mrs. Andreotti and distinguished guests, friends of Italy, all. Barbara and I are very pleased to welcome you to the White House tonight to honor the President of the Council of Ministers in the Republic of Italy, our friend, Mr. Andreotti. And later on this evening, we will be celebrating Italy's national pastime with a performance by one of the world's greatest opera singers. We'll leave it as a little bit of a surprise. (Laughter.)

But I am reminded of a story concerning America's national pastime. It seems that great Italian tenor, Enrico Caruso, was asked by a group of American reporters what he thought of Babe Ruth. Caruso, ever polite, replied that he didn't know, because unfortunately he had never heard her sing. (Laughter.)

One American writer called Italy "The Land of the Immortal Gods." Not just the land of mythology, but the home of eternal ideas symbolized by the immortal genius of da Vinci and Michelangelo, Raphael. The timeless architecture -- the Piazza San Marco in Venice. The classic strings heard in La Scala, in Milan. And Italy is the spiritual home of millions. St. Peters in Rome and the ancestral home of 12 million Americans.

And many are here tonight, including our OAS Ambassador, Luigi Einaudi who is also the grandson of Italy's first president. And Mr. Prime Minister, you are one of America's closest friends and you know our country well. And we are proud and honored to be with you. We certainly agree on the key role that Italy plays in the new emerging Europe. And in my discussions with Prime Minister Andreotti today and over the past months, we have shared the excitement on the remarkable changes that we are seeing. I can think of no time in modern history when our strong transatlantic partnership was more crucial.

They say that all the roads lead to Rome. And so Italy was appropriately my first stop on my first visit to Europe as President of the United States. And together we set the tone for critical arms reduction proposals; now even closer to fulfillment. We agree -- totally agree -- that a strong NATO is vital to our collective security in the new Europe.

German unification -- with a unified Germany remaining a full member of NATO, support for the rising democracies in Eastern Europe and the continued role of the United States as a force for stability in Europe, are all part of our agenda today. And as we've done so often in the past, we found much agreement. But we also have much to look forward to.

This summer, we will meet again at the Houston Economic Summit. And then, beginning in July, Italy becomes Chairman of the

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European Community. And our two governments will work to develop stronger economic and political ties between the United States and the EC. But most important of all, there is perhaps the toughest issue between our two nations, a meeting which will take place this summer in Italy.

And our side has already made bold advances against other nations involved, but we must be allowed to compete on a level playing field. And that's right, I'm talking about the 1990 World Cup in Soccer. (Laughter.)

And so Mr. Prime Minister and our friend, our discussions today reinforced my deep admiration for you and your nation.

To our noble and strong union, and to you, and the citizens of the Republic of Italy, I ask our guests to join me in a toast. A salute to you and to your great country, sir.

(A TOAST IS OFFERED.)

(APPLAUSE.)

PRIME MINISTER ANDREOTTI: Mr. President, the number of our Cabinets which is a feature of Italy's political life, but does not affect the stability of our democracy, has provided me with other opportunities to come to the White House in the last years, although in different ministerial capacities.

Being back in the United States today after more than a decade as President of the Council of Ministers of the Italian Republic is indeed a source of great satisfaction to me. Many decisive events have taken place in the meantime which our continents have often lived through, side-by-side, in a relationship of alliance and cooperation which has been strong and vital. The world has become increasingly complex and interdependent and certainly not easier to manage today.

I am especially happy to be visiting Washington at this moment when the world, and Europe in particular, are living through such an exciting and crucial time. On the European continent, a decades-long ideological and military confrontation is giving way with astounding speed to new balances and to the promising establishment of democracy in the Eastern European nations. A new Europe is coming into being, in which we trust that a reduction in tensions will make the presence of armaments less disquieting.

We Italians have always believed that Atlantic solidarity would one day bare fruit. My seniority as a politician would enable me to reel off every single stage in this long process, both of resistance and of political cohesion. And we Italians have always held the view that the political and military commitment of the United States and Europe was an indispensable condition for the ultimate success of our common endeavor. Well, Mr. President, Italy is still convinced today, more than ever before, if it were possible, that this solidarity must continue to inspire our action. The continuing military and political presence of the United States in Europe is basic to ensuring stability and balance for the whole world.

As ideological and military confrontations wane, Europe needs a broader framework for cooperation. A form which by strengthening the Helsinki formula develops into a system for comprehensive dialogue with the participation of the United States and Canada. And together with NATO, this is the institutional framework in which we can together tackle issues related to the growth of the budding democracies in the East, the reunification of the two Germanys, and the development of the new relationship with the Soviet Union. In short, and to borrow your own words, Mr. President, the construction of that whole and free Europe which is already taking shape and to which we all look forward with hope.

Italy feels it is part of this Europe, and indeed, an

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essential one. But I would like recall that Italy, by its nature in history, is also part of the Mediterranean world. We shall continue to follow the problems of that area very closely, including long-standing ones such as the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Lebanese crisis, and the problems related to the future development of each people in this important area.

Naturally, Mr. President, what we need today is a new solidarity. By this, I mean a solidarity between the United States and Europe that is newer and subtler than the one tested so successfully at a time when we were threatened from the exterior. This kind of solidarity is today both indispensable and urgent to enable both Europe and the United States to jointly take up other challenges, whether regional or global in scope. I'm referring to the backwardness and indebtedness of developing countries, to environmental protection and to the fight against drugs, which you, Mr. President, very clearly stated to be an absolute priority issue showing your solidarity to the Latin American countries which are most suffering at the hands of drug-traffickers.

Mr. President, all kinds of dictatorships have failed. Even those which believe that by sacrificing freedom they would succeed in solving the economic and social problems of their peoples. To a nation such as the United States that has provided and is providing a generous and sustain contribution to freedom in all continents, we renew the expression of our convinced friendship, genuinely rooted in our hearts and minds and inspired by constructive spirit.

Mr. President, I ask you and all your guests here to make a toast to your health and that of Mrs. Bush. And also, I would like to invite you, if the American Soccer Team is going to win, to come to Rome and assist to the last game. (Laughter.) Thank you, Mr. President.

(A TOAST IS OFFERED.)

THE PRESIDENT: Well done, sir. Thank you. Very nice. Thank you so much.

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8:16 P.M. EST