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March 5, 1990
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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: PANAMA CAMPAIGN CEREMONY, Ft. MYERS
10 a.m. Thursday, March 8, 1990

((Secretary Cheney, General Powell, other acknowledgements))

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The moment of decision came when the ^{for me} ~~men and women of~~ ^{lives of} ~~service men~~ ^{and the lives of American citizens} ~~stated~~ ^{threatened} America's ~~Armed Forces~~ stationed in Panama were attacked. That's when a silent phrase passed the lips of every American: Enough is enough.\\ \\

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *W*
FROM: MARK DAVIS *MD*
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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

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Deputy Assistant to the President for
Communications

FROM:

BRENT O. HATCH 
Associate Counsel to the President

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks -- Panama Campaign Ceremony

Counsel's office has reviewed the above-referenced Presidential remarks. As the Attorney General has suggested to avoid adverse effects on the pending case, derogatory references to Noriega should be deleted. These include:

Paragraph three, last sentence: "...legion of thugs..."

Paragraph four, last sentence: "...government of gangsters."

Paragraph five, second sentence: "...thugs..."

Thank you for the opportunity to review this matter.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 6, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Panama Campaign Ceremony

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cc: James W. Cicconi

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
MARCH 8, 1990

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
FROM: MARK DAVIS *MD*
SUBJECT: PANAMA CAMPAIGN STREAMER REMARKS

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
3/8/90

I. SUMMARY:

On Thursday, March ~~28~~⁸, you will present the Panama Campaign Streamers to representatives of the four service branches that fought in Panama. The ceremony will take place in Ceremonial Hall, Fort Myer, before an audience of 1200. Colonel Powell and Secretary Cheney will both speak prior to your remarks. You are scheduled to speak for 5 to 7 minutes; the remarks will be prepared on speechcards.

II. DISCUSSION:

The attached remarks express gratitude to the services for their bravery in Panama, and include references to stories that you heard during the Feb. 27th meeting with servicemen who were active in Panama.

Col. Powell's remarks are currently drafted to center around the history of the streamers and Sec. Cheney's are based on the symbolism of the streamers and personal anecdotes from his Christmas visit to Panama. Both remarks praise the dedication of our forces, their exemplary teamwork, and ~~as~~ professionalism.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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RESPONSE:

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**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: PANAMA CAMPAIGN CEREMONY, Ft. MYERS
10 a.m. Thursday, March 8, 1990**

((Secretary Cheney, General Powell, other acknowledgements))

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But, in all seriousness, we are here today to add another campaign streamer to the roll call of glory, the roster of great American campaigns\\ . . . Yorktown, Gettysburg, the Semme ^{Two Times, Inchon?} defensive, Luzon, Normandy\\ . . . and now, Panama.\\\

Let us never forget that our Armed Forces ^{have always} fought in Panama for the children of America. ^{For they are part of America's future} In Panama it was no different. After all, the generation that went to battle in Panama came of age as America's cities came under siege. They've heard the cries of the crack babies. They've seen the carnage ^{and chaos} of the urban drug wars, and the agony of the addicted. ^{They watched with all Americans as} And then our young Americans in the Armed Forces saw ^a this same legion of thugs turn ^{ed} on its own people.

~~They also recalled that Americans and Panamanians once labored side by side to carve a canal through the rocks and the mud. Suddenly,~~ the people of Panama needed us to again stand with them, this time to defend ^{their struggle for} a struggling democracy from a government of gangsters.

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~~But it took one more provocation before Americans were ready to act. The moment of decision came when the thugs attacked the men and women of America's Armed Forces stationed in Panama. That's when a silent phrase passed the lips of every American: Enough is enough.\\\~~

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is especially fitting that the fabric of this streamer is woven with the colors of all the services.

Just last week, I had a few of these servicemen and women down to the White House. I heard tales of heroism -- all of them told with reluctance; all of them told plainly, as matters of fact. But there was nothing ordinary about their courage.

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It will adorn an American flag standing just a few feet from the Oval Office, a flag already lined with the crimson color of sacrifice. It is in honor of every American who died in the defense of liberty that we honor our flag. **That is why we are determined that the American flag will be consecrated, not desecrated.** \ \ \ \

Panama was another chapter in a greater epic -- an act of free men and women in the Revolution of '89 -- a revolution that swept the East, and that is now sweeping the West.

Because of Panamanians whose yearning for freedom is so strong, that they will brave beatings to go to the polls; \ \ because of young Americans whose commitment to freedom is so strong, they will brave death to fight for it \ \ -- **it is because of them, that the day of the dictator is over.** \ \ \

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TO: CHRISS WINSTON

The NSC concurs with changes noted.

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AND FIGHTING SKILLS WERE AT WORKSTANCES

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The policy consists of the following elements:

- The initiative will include both lunar and Mars program elements.
- The early program will focus on technology development with a search for new and innovative approaches and technologies.
- The program will include investment in high leverage innovative technologies with potential to make a major impact on cost, schedule, and/or performance.
- The program will take at least several years defining two or more significantly different human space exploration reference architectures, while developing and demonstrating technology broad enough to support all. Selection of a baseline program architecture will occur after that time.
- The program will perform mission, concept, and system analysis studies in parallel with technology development.
- The program will include robotic science missions.
- By spurring research and development in high technology fields, the space program will help promote American economic leadership.
- The program will require the efforts of several agencies. NASA [National Aeronautics and Space Administration] will be the principal implementing agency. The Department of Defense and the Department of Energy will also have major roles in the conduct of technology development and concept definition. The National Space Council will coordinate the development of an implementation strategy for the exploration initiative by the three agencies. To facilitate coordination, the Department of Energy will be added as a formal member of the National Space Council.

Remarks at a Presentation Ceremony for the Panama Campaign Streamer at Fort Myer, Virginia

March 8, 1990

Thank you all very much, Secretary [of Defense] Cheney and General Powell [Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff], and all the members of the Joint Chiefs, service secretaries, men and women of the Armed Forces. We are here today to add another campaign streamer to the rollcall of glory, the roster of great American campaigns: Yorktown, Gettysburg, Normandy, and now, Panama. Let us never forget that our Armed Forces have always fought for the children of America, for they are America's future. Panama was no different. The children of Panama deserve a future of freedom and democracy. And the people of that nation, Panama, needed us to stand with them to defend that struggle for democracy and for the opportunity that Americans have enjoyed for over 200 years.

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Note: The President spoke at 10:25 a.m. in the Ceremonial Hall. In his remarks, he referred to Secretary of Defense Richard B.

Cheney; Gen. Colin L. Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Maxwell R. Thurman, commander in chief of the U.S. Southern Command; and Lt. Gen. Carl Stiner, commanding general of the XVIII Airborne Corps.

Remarks at the National Transportation Policy Meeting March 8, 1990

Well, Sam, thank you very, very much. And Deputy Secretary Elaine Chao and to our able Commandant of the Coast Guard and to Dr. Larson, who did such heroic work on all this, thank you all for being here—Governor, so many Members of Congress here. And as some of you may know, after Sam Skinner, our able Secretary of Transportation, became Secretary, he took time to earn a license as a jet pilot. I've wondered: if I'd named him Secretary of Agriculture would he have been out milking the cows? [Laughter] But nevertheless, here he is.

But his leadership derives from experience. And it's experience and solid analysis that has shaped this transportation policy that we're unveiling today. No sector is more important to the American economy than transportation. It's an \$800-billion-a-year business with \$5 trillion worth of assets. To say that it's important to our quality of life, the flow of commerce, and really to our national security, is a gross understatement. As world trade grows even larger, as we continue our leadership in an increasingly global society, we will become even more dependent on transportation than we are today. And when transportation lags or is congested, when people and goods are stranded in traffic or in airports, we'll suffer. And when people and goods flow through a responsive, well-maintained, and efficient transportation system, our quality of life improves with it.

For over 200 years, since the days of barges and riverboats, America has grown and prospered with our transportation system. Our competitive stake will depend no less on American transportation leadership in the future. And still, too often we

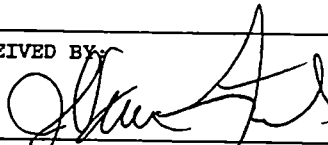
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