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THE WHITE HOUSE

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT IN
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

University of Texas
Austin, Texas

THE PRESIDENT: Governor, thank you. Thank you very, very much. Delighted to be here. A magnificent turnout. Thank you all. Governor Clements -- Bill, thank you very much for that gracious introduction. And to you and Rita, my profound thanks. I do view you as friends, and I'm very lucky for that. To Congressman Jake Pickle and Beryl, congratulations, and congratulations on the graduation of your granddaughter Bergen Norris, out here somewhere. And to Chairman Beecherl and Members of this distinguished Board of Regents and to Chancellor Mark --- Mark and President Cunningham, distinguished platform guests, Reverend Bethune, most distinguished faculty of this great University, thank you all.

I'm pleased to be here, and there is nothing like the great outdoors. (Applause.)

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And I understand I'm also too late for Eeyore's birthday party. But it's great to be back in Longhorn country, just the same. (Applause.)

I gave my first U.T. commencement address in '73, when I had just completed a tour of duty as Ambassador at the United Nations. And I am pleased to be back. And I am grateful, and indeed honored, by this honorary degree in law. Thank you very much for that high honor, to the regents. (Applause.)

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So let me say it loud and clear: the first Texans, in a sense, were wrong. This is not just a first-class university. You are graduates of a world-class university. (Applause.)

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In four commencement addresses this spring, I have examined what makes democracy such a special way of life: how democracies refuse to perish by uniting in a strong defensive alliance; how they are strengthened by the rule of law; how freedom empowers people to solve the toughest problems; and how democracy leads to progress and adventure. Tonight, in this for me my final commencement address of the year, I want to discuss the personal side of democracy: what it offers us and what we can make of it.

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But freedom has a constant companion: challenge. And so I am here tonight to challenge you to make the most of our changing world, to live these remarkable times, to take risks, to do something extraordinary.

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And of course, you don't have to strike out for the South Seas or the wild country of Alaska like Jack London. But you can make your life an adventure. Next month will be 42 years since my own graduation. And like many of you, I, too, was presented with some choices on my graduation day: further study or maybe a law firm or a bank or the stock market and probably for me in New York or in the East. Honorable interesting professions, all. But the truly great decisions we make in life are rarely logical or practical. They spring right from the heart. And so I packed up, Barbara and I packed and I drove my red Studebaker from the eastern states of our upbringing to the oil fields of West Texas. And we chose a future that would be uniquely our own.

And like most Americans, we were free to live where we pleased, do what we wanted. We came of age at a time when the post-war possibilities of America seemed limitless.

But outside of America back then, the world of free choices was shrinking. Winston Churchill's prediction that an Iron Curtain would sever Europe into two hostile camps was soon fact. An Iron Curtain did cut Eastern Europe from the West, and Germany from itself. And when every brick, every guard tower and every strand of barbed wire was in place, two worlds existed. One of free people and free choice, and one of tyranny and subjugation.

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And it's the conviction of Vaclav Havel of Czechoslovakia; the imprisoned playwright who now leads a great nation.

Let me tell you a little incident about President Havel and a few other brave souls from the East. It was this man that I had the honor of inviting up to the White House residence not so many days ago to see the Lincoln Bedroom. And President Havel was in awe because he knew that this room was really President Lincoln's old office. And it was there that Lincoln worked, deliberated, agonized over a terrible war. But President Havel knew that that room is hallowed for one reason above all -- it was there that President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation. It was there in that room that he freed a people. And it was there in that room that I saw President Havel moved to tears by the knowledge that freedom's bell was ringing at long last for his beloved Czechoslovakia.

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And what one finds in music another finds in words. Consider the case of a man named Cestimir Suchy, a Czech journalist who refused to describe the 1968 Soviet invasion of his country as an act of brotherly love. Mr. Suchy was fired for his honesty. But he was allowed to make a living at a new profession -- washing windows. Ask him for his business card today and it still says Suchy, Window Washer. But this is an example of the man's good humor, for now he has a job with a new title. He is the Dean of Journalism at Prague's Charles University.

Throughout the universities of the East it is the mandarins of Marxist dogma who are now out of work.

Let me tell you one last story -- that of Arpad Goncz of Hungary who came to visit me just yesterday in the Oval Office. Like President Havel, President Goncz is also a playwright. I don't know what it is about playwrights becoming presidents of great countries in Eastern Europe. But a former anti-Facist fighter and newspaper editor, he was sentenced to life imprisonment during the 1956 Revolution. But once released, he persevered as a dissident, and today he leads the Hungarian people as their acting President.

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toil and the human toll. The sacrifice of resources that could have been used for gentler ends. And this is what the Cold War has cost Western Europe and America.

But that sacrifice has been rewarded by the most precious gift of all -- the dawn of new freedom and new hope for millions.

Today we see progress on many important fronts. As you know, Secretary Baker has been meeting this week with Soviet leaders to prepare for my summit conference with President Gorbachev beginning May 31. While there is additional work to be done, I think Jim Baker's meetings represent a major step forward. This breakthrough should allow us to reach the important goal that we set in Malta -- completing the major substantive elements of an historic strategic arms reduction treaty.

In addition, we will be able to conclude other arms control measures with the Soviets, including an agreement on dramatic reduction in chemical weapons, as well as technical and commercial agreements. I am confident that the progress that we have made will allow this summit to be another solid step forward in the vital U.S.-Soviet relationship.

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Harry Hunt Ransom, the late University of Texas scholar and leader, said that it has always been up to the great thinkers to take the great risks. Some, in fact, risked and lost their heads, he said, "and the loss was anatomical, not metaphorical." Like a free-thinker in the Middle Ages, a dissident speaking out against 20th century Communism could lose his mind in a workcamp or a psychiatric dungeon, or his life with a bullet.

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And as he stood in the corner of the prison yard, awaiting death, praying for his wife and son -- something remarkable happened. His two executioners called out to him. Surely, he thought, this was the end. But instead one of them said, "Father, we have decided not to kill you."

Three weeks later, he asked permission to celebrate the Divine Liturgy. And while making preparations, he saw his two would-be executioners walk into his cell, and get down on their knees to receive absolution. This much must be said: It is because of men

and women like Father Calciu that faith is winning out over hate. //

And truth is winning out over lies. Consider the case of a man named Cestimir (CESS-tee-MEAR) Suchy (SUE-chey), a Czech journalist who refused to describe the 1968 Soviet invasion of his country as an act of brotherly love. Mister Suchy was fired for his honesty. But he was allowed to make a living at a new profession -- washing windows.

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DATE: 5/17/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

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and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
Ext. 2702

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Through: CHRISS WINSTON *W*
From: MARK DAVIS *MD*
Subject: University of Texas Commencement

I. SUMMARY:

You will give the commencement address for the University of Texas at Austin, Saturday, May 19, at 7 p.m. As you know, the ceremony was originally scheduled by U.T. officials to be inside the Irwin Coliseum. Now you will be in the large open air Memorial Stadium, before an audience of 45,000. Your remarks are about eighteen minutes in length, and will be teleprompted.

II. DISCUSSION:

This speech touches on the personal side of democracy -- how it offers us a wealth of opportunities; how we are challenged to make the most of it.

Although the local press is predicting a lot of hecklers, the open-air effect of the stadium should diminish their effectiveness. We will provide you with a "retort card" in the unlikely event things truly get out of hand.

Davis/Martin
Date: May 11, 1990
Title: Austin
Draft: Five

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RETORT CARD

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 16, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: The University of Texas

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cc: James W. Cicconi

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REMARKS: Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 05/16, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE: *see Comments. Thanks.*
Holly Williamson
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12:44 PM MAY 16 1990

James W. Cicconi
 Assistant to the President
 and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
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Davis/Martin
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ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: The University of Texas
Commencement

Pursuant to Jim Cicconi's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter. We have no legal objection to the presidential remarks.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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This draft explains itself as offering two themes: 1) What democracy offers us; and 2) What we can make of democracy. The draft then goes on to make two major points: a brief tribute (that subsequent inserts will fill out) to the sacrifices of those who have fought in their own countries for freedom, and a challenge to the graduates to do the extraordinary. This is a message very much suited to commencement speeches, but we suggest giving the speech more heft, more substance, and more inspiration.

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A few other comments:

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2,4,1 "Your splendid libraries house the manuscripts of Joyce, Hemingway, and Beckett....."

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7,5,2 "Be a Roman candle...."

The image strikes us as both overexuberant and a little corny.

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Paul Gobel, Radio Liberty's director of research, tells me he could supply the names of several hundred senior academics and even diplomats in the Soviet Union whose careers have been severely interrupted. One example: Nobel prize winner Landau (physics); another, historian Sergei Platanov.

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One case I mentioned yesterday on the phone: The new dean of the journalism school at Charles University in Prague, Dr. Cestimir Suchy, had once been foreign editor of Radio Prague. But he was fired for declining orders to call the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968 an act of brotherly support. The Communists allowed him to earn his living for eight years as a window washer.

A couple of other cases cited recently by Jeri Laber of the Helsinki Watch Committee: 24-year-old Emil Koshlukov, now the head of the Union of Independent Student Societies in Bulgaria, served three years and eight months of a six-year prison sentence for circulating a book comparing communism to fascism; Ivan K., 31-year-old leader of the Bulgarian Muslim minority known as the Pomaks, was forced to go underground as recently as six months ago, hiding from the police in a barn

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 05/15/90

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4:00 p.m. 05/16

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS COMMENCEMENT
(05/11 draft four)

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REMARKS: Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 05/16, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

Please see comments.

5/16/90

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Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

Senators ~~Shirley~~ Bentzen(?),
 Congressman Jake Pickle
 (who has a granddaughter
 graduating ~~from~~ today);

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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: COMMENCEMENT, The University of Texas
 MEMORIAL STADIUM
 Saturday, May 19, 7 p.m.

((Chairman Beecherl, President Cunningham, Mrs. Johnson,
 Reverend Bethune, Dean Livingston, Rita Clements -- and Bill,
 thank you for that gracious introduction.))\\

((Well, there's nothing like the great outdoors.))\\

((I understand I'm too late for Eeyore's birthday party.\\
 But it's great to be back in Longhorn Country, just the same.

((You know, last year I addressed Texas A&M.\\ Two weeks
 ago, I addressed Oklahoma ^{State} University.\\ So, while I am not
 taking sides, President Cunningham says we saved the best for
 last.))\\

I gave my first U.T. commencement address in 1973, when I
 had just completed a tour of duty at the United Nations. I am
 doubly honored to be back, this time with an honorary degree in
 law. ((By the way, your fellow alumnus, Secretary of State James
 Baker, gets quite testy when anyone dares to suggest that there
 is a contradiction in that term, "honorary lawyer.))\\

So many great Americans have given this address, including a
 former Texas public school teacher by the name of Lyndon Johnson,
 and later, Lady Bird Johnson. So I consider it the highest honor
 to once again address the graduates of this great institution.\\

The ideals of U.T. were born with Texas, when the
 revolutionaries of 1836 called for "a university of the first

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class." Texas began dirt poor, but Texans were rich in land and vision. And so what began as a dream on forty acres of pasture is now a mini-metropolis housing some of the best schools in America. Nobel and Pulitzer Prize winners rank among your faculty, National Merit scholars lead your students.

So let me say it loud and clear: The first Texans were wrong. This is not a first-class university.\\ You are graduates of a world-class university.\\\

((And if I ever forget this, Jim Baker will remind me.))\\\

Your splendid libraries house the manuscripts of Joyce, Hemingway and Beckett. You are justly proud of rare books that resound with the rich voices of Chaucer, the Italian Renaissance, and the folios of Shakespeare and Spenser.

But a world-class university must have a revered tradition of its own. And so you do. It was near here that J. Frank Dobie held court with other scholars of the Southwest on his beloved Paisano Ranch. It was here that Walter Prescott Webb scrutinized old legends and O. Henry spun news ones.

Since then, students from around the world have become a true part of the University of Texas community, as U.T. has certainly become more of a part of the world. And within this wide world, you can choose to work and succeed in Paris, France, or Paris, Texas. In short, you face the best of dilemmas -- a wealth of opportunities, opportunities born of democracy.

In four commencement addresses this spring, I have examined what makes democracy such a special way of life: how democracies

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refuse to perish by uniting in a strong defensive alliance; how they are strengthened by the rule of law; how freedom empowers people to solve the toughest problems; and how democracy leads to progress and exploration. Tonight, in my final commencement address of the year, I want to discuss the personal side of democracy: What it offers us, what we can make of it.

✓ To graduate from college in America is to be as free as any man or woman can be. And now, for the first time in half a century, a new generation in Eastern Europe is reveling in freedom, throwing their caps in the air and shouting to the high heavens because, finally, they can live where they want and be what they want. From Austin to Brussels to Budapest, we live in a remarkable moment in world history, an exhilarating time -- the triumph of freedom.

But freedom has a constant companion -- challenge. And so I am here tonight to challenge you to make the most of our changing world, \\ to live these remarkable times, \\ to do something extraordinary. \\

✓ This is what Jack London was getting at when wrote:

"I would rather be a superb meteor,
every atom of me in magnificent glow,
than a sleepy and permanent planet.
The proper function of man is to live, not to exist."

Of course, you don't have to strike out for the South Seas or the wild country of Alaska like Jack London. But you can make your life an adventure. Next month will be forty-two years since my graduation. And like you, I, too, was presented with a neat

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little set of choices on my graduation day: further study, then a law firm, a bank or the stock market, probably in New York. Honorable and interesting professions, all.\\ And I gave each of them serious consideration.\\ I consulted my parents and family.\\ I looked at every angle, logically, sensibly and practically.\\ But the truly great decisions we make in life are rarely logical or practical. They spring right from the heart. And so Barbara and I packed our bags, and drove our red Studebaker to the oil fields of West Texas.\\

A few months later, we were living with our infant son George in a tiny ramshackle shotgun house in the oil town of Odessa. It had a makeshift partition down the middle that split the house into two apartments, leaving us with a small kitchen, a shared bathroom, and an old water-drip window unit that cranked up like a West Texas dust storm.\\ And it still couldn't drown out the noise of the all-night parties next door.\\

And yes, there were times when Barbara and I wondered what we had gotten ourselves into.\\ But we had faith that, come hell or high water, we were choosing a future that would be uniquely our own. Like most Americans, we were free to live where we pleased, do what we wanted. We came of age at time when the possibilities of America seemed limitless.

But outside of America, the world of free choices was shrinking. Winston Churchill's prediction that an Iron Curtain would sever Europe into two hostile camps was soon vindicated -- an Iron Curtain did cut Eastern Europe from the West, and Germany

from itself. And when every brick, every guard tower and every strand of barbed wire was in place, two worlds existed -- one of free people and free choice, and one of tyranny and subjugation.

Eventually, millions of men and women were told what to study, what job to take and where to live. Imagine, all that drive, talent and imagination misused and wasted. Yet many still held fast to what Barbara Jordan calls "conviction values." Even under the pain of death, they resisted.

Harry Huntt Ransom, the late University of Texas scholar and leader, said that it has always been up to the great thinkers to take the great risks. Some, in fact, risked and lost their heads, he said, "and the loss was anatomical, not metaphorical." Like a free-thinker in the Middle Ages, a dissident speaking out against 20th century Communism could lose his mind in a workcamp or a psychiatric dungeon, or his life with a bullet.

This is what Andrei Sakharov risked when he confronted Khrushchev with the truth on above-ground nuclear testing. And that's one reason the Soviet people revere his memory today.

This is what Vaclav Havel risked as an imprisoned playwright. Now he leads a great nation.

And this is what an electrician from Gdansk named Lech Walesa risked when he lead the people of Poland to freedom.

The determination of men and women yearning to be free simply proved tougher than the walls that surrounded them. Because of their courage, the free world is now more vast than anyone dared imagine.

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((Eastern Europe freedom examples to come))

And with this greater world of freedom comes greater opportunity -- in the East and the West. Whether you will make your career in art, business, law or science, this can only be good news.

Just this morning, I toured the Houston office of what will be the site of our next economic summit with Canada, France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan and West Germany. When we meet, it will be more than just a comparison of balance sheets. It will be an act of fellowship between free nations.

In Houston, Prime Minister Mulroney and I will represent two great and sovereign nations living at peace, with completely open borders. Prime Minister Kaifu, my new friend, will represent a nation whose business life is deeply integrated with America's, and whose cultural ties with us are deepening. And then there are the Europeans, who are on the verge of forever casting off the animosities of the past to forge a united Europe -- peoples open to each other, and, I predict, open to the world.

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