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**PEACE CORPS SEND-OFF TO CENTRAL EUROPE / ROSE GARDEN
FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1990 / 9:30 A.M.**

THANK YOU, PAUL COVERDELL, FOR THOSE WORDS AND FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP DURING THIS EXCITING NEW PERIOD IN THE PEACE CORPS' HISTORY. I'M DELIGHTED THAT SECRETARY MOSBACHER AND DEPUTY SECRETARIES EAGLEBURGER AND ROBSON COULD JOIN US TODAY. AND WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HUNGARIAN AND POLISH GOVERNMENTS HERE AS WELL.

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I'M GLAD THAT SO MANY FORMER PEACE CORPS VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS -- [SEN. BOSCHWITZ AND DODD; CONGRESSMEN SILVIO CONTE, JERRY LEWIS, CHRIS SHAYS, JIM LEACH, AND TOM PETRI] -- COULD BE HERE FOR THIS HISTORIC SEND-OFF.

**AND -- MOST OF ALL -- WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SALUTE A DEDICATED, COMMITTED GROUP OF TALENTED AMERICANS WHO ARE HERE TO TAKE LEAVE OF THESE SHORES -- AND BECOME THE FIRST PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE IN EASTERN EUROPE. \ \ **

TODAY, WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU TO THE ROSE GARDEN TO TELL YOU JUST HOW EXCITING AND IMPORTANT WE BELIEVE YOUR NEW MISSION WILL BE.

FROM THE TIME IT WAS FIRST LAUNCHED IN 1961, THE PEACE CORPS HAS BEEN A THRILLING AND AMBITIOUS UNDERTAKING -- LOFTY IN PRINCIPLE, AND YET -- IN ITS DAY-TO-DAY STRUGGLES WITH CHALLENGING CIRCUMSTANCES AROUND THE WORLD -- AS PRACTICAL AND DOWN-TO-EARTH AS GOVERNMENT EVER GETS.

THE UNITED STATES PEACE CORPS BUILT ITS REPUTATION THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY -- STEP-BY-STEP, VILLAGE-BY-VILLAGE, FAMILY-BY-FAMILY -- BRINGING THE WORLD A BIT CLOSER TOGETHER, ONE FRIENDSHIP AT A TIME. FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS IT HAS DRAWN 120,000 IDEALISTIC AMERICANS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE -- AND SENT THEM TO THE FAR CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

AND FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS, THE MEN AND WOMEN OF AMERICA'S PEACE CORPS HAVE BUILT BRIDGES OF UNDERSTANDING AND GOODWILL BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE PEOPLE OF SCORES OF OTHER NATIONS.

TODAY, WE LAUNCH A NEW PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE EFFORT, THROUGH WHICH THE CITIZENS OF AMERICA, POLAND, AND HUNGARY CAN WORK TOGETHER IN THE EXHILARATING PROCESS OF BUILDING NEW, DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES.

PAUL SAYS THAT: "IN MANY WAYS, IT IS AS IF THE PEACE CORPS HAS BEEN IN TRAINING FOR THIS HISTORICAL MOMENT ... IT SHOWS THAT OUR MISSION, OUR DESIRE FOR PEACE, KNOWS NO POLITICAL OR GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES."

BARBARA AND I HAVE TRAVELED ALL OVER THE WORLD, AND THE EXPERIENCE HAS TAUGHT US ONE IMPORTANT LESSON. HISTORY IS MADE -- NOT BY NATIONS -- BUT BY THEIR PEOPLE.

THAT IS WHY YOUR EFFORTS ARE SO IMPORTANT. WITH YOUR ARRIVAL IN POLAND AND HUNGARY, THE PEACE CORPS WILL SERVE IN 70 NATIONS -- INCLUDING HALF OF ALL DEVELOPING NATIONS. OUR VOLUNTEERS DO BATTLE AGAINST THE AGE-OLD ENEMIES OF HUMANKIND: FAMINE, ILLITERACY, POVERTY, AND DISEASE.

I THINK BACK TO 1985, WHEN WE VISITED THE FAMINE-STRIKEN REGIONS OF AFRICA, AND SAW FIRST-HAND THE HEARTBREAKING CONDITIONS IN THOSE LANDS.

AND I REMEMBER VISITING ONE PEACE CORPS PROJECT, AND WITNESSING THE QUIET HEROISM OF YOUNG AMERICANS WHOSE EFFORTS WERE PROVIDING RELIEF -- AND WHOSE LIVES WERE MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

TOMORROW YOU WILL SET SAIL FOR A DIFFERENT REGION, AND YOU WILL ENCOUNTER A DIFFERENT KIND OF HUNGER, A DIFFERENT KIND OF CRAVING, FROM THAT WHICH WE WITNESSED IN AFRICA.

BUT THE HUNGER IS POWERFUL AND THE NEED IS REAL FOR THE NOURISHMENT OF FREE IDEAS, AND THE SUSTENANCE OF FREE ENTERPRISE.

VACLAV HAVEL, CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S BELOVED PLAYWRIGHT-TURNED-PRESIDENT, SPOKE OF THIS NEED WHEN HE ADDRESSED A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS LAST SPRING.

HE SAID: "WE MUST ALL LEARN MANY THINGS FROM YOU, FROM HOW TO EDUCATE OUR OFFSPRING, HOW TO ELECT OUR REPRESENTATIVES, ALL THE WAY TO HOW TO ORGANIZE OUR ECONOMIC LIFE SO THAT IT WILL LEAD TO PROSPERITY AND NOT TO POVERTY."

THE KEY YOU CARRY WITH YOU WILL BE THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, WHAT PAUL CALLS "THE LANGUAGE OF COMMERCE AND UNDERSTANDING."

JUST AS NATIONAL LITERACY HAS LONG BEEN THE KEY TO POWER, SO TODAY ENGLISH LITERACY HAS BECOME THE KEY TO PROGRESS.

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YOUR INVESTMENT IS AMERICA'S INVESTMENT IN THE CONSOLIDATION OF DEMOCRACY AND INDEPENDENCE IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE. PEACE CORPS PROGRAMS IN POLAND AND HUNGARY, AND SOON IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AS WELL, ARE ANOTHER TANGIBLE ELEMENT OF AMERICA'S SUSTAINED COMMITMENT TO CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE'S DEMOCRATIC TRANSFORMATION TOWARD A EUROPE WHOLE AND FREE.

THE 121 POINTS OF LIGHT GATHERED TODAY IN THE ROSE GARDEN REPRESENT 121 REASONS WHY THIS NEW PEACE CORPS INITIATIVE IS BOUND TO SUCCEED.

PIONEERS LIKE MARGARET MARY MCGILL, AN ADRIAN DOMINICAN SISTER WHO HAS ALSO PIONEERED THE USE OF BILINGUAL CLASSROOMS. RECENT GRADUATES LIKE KATHERINE DUDERSTADT, WHO TAUGHT MATH AND READING TO SECOND-GRADERS IN MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC HOUSING. LIFE-LONG PUBLIC SERVANTS LIKE WASHINGTON'S OWN FELIX LAPINSKI, A VETERAN EDUCATOR WHO HAS TUTORED IN ENGLISH ACROSS THREE CONTINENTS.

AND VOLUNTEERS LIKE BELLE ROTHBERG, WHO HAS TAUGHT ENGLISH TO SPANISH-SPEAKING WORKING PEOPLE. BORN TO POLISH IMMIGRANTS BEFORE THE FIRST GREAT WAR, TEACHING HAS KEPT BELLE AS YOUNG AS HER IDEAS -- SHE RECENTLY EVEN TAUGHT A COURSE ON THE AMERICAN DREAM. BELLE SAYS: "[I REMEMBER MY MOTHER'S] YEARNING FOR THE VISTULA [VIS-CHEW-LA], AND I HAVE LONGED TO WALK IN HER FOOTSTEPS. I LOVE TO TEACH AND WANT TO CONTINUE TO TEACH AS LONG AS I CAN."

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GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES.**

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 12, 1990

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

CHRISS WINSTON *CW*

FROM:

EDWARD E. McNALLY *EMW*

SUBJECT:

SEND-OFF CEREMONY FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS
BEGINNING SERVICE IN CENTRAL EUROPE

I. SUMMARY

Attached are draft remarks for Friday's Rose Garden ceremony to "send off" the first Peace Corps volunteers bound for Central Europe.

II. DISCUSSION

On Friday morning, June 15, 1990 you are scheduled to arrive in the Rose Garden to greet the 121 new Peace Corps volunteers who will be leaving for Poland and Hungary in the coming days. Your remarks (7 minutes, on cards) offer a salute to nearly three decades of Peace Corps accomplishments, and emphasize your support for Paul Coverdell and today's volunteers as they work to meet the new challenges presented by the Peace Corps mission in Europe.

McNally/Simon
June 12, 1990
Draft Two (E:CORPS)

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PEACE CORPS SEND-OFF TO CENTRAL EUROPE
THE ROSE GARDEN
FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1990, 10:30 A.M.

Thank you, thank you all. I'm delighted to see my friend Paul Coverdell, whose outstanding background in business and in environmental efforts has been so important to meeting many of the emerging new challenges of today's Peace Corps. And I'm also pleased to see so many Peace Corps veterans and distinguished Members of Congress here for this historic send-off.

And -- most of all -- we're honored to have this opportunity to salute a dedicated, committed group of talented Americans who are here to take leave of these shores -- and become the first Peace Corps volunteers to serve in Eastern Europe. \\\

Today, we are very pleased to welcome you to the Rose Garden to tell you just how exciting and important we believe your new mission will be.

From the time it was first launched in 1961, the Peace Corps has been a thrilling and ambitious undertaking -- lofty in principle, and yet -- in its day-to-day struggles with challenging circumstances around the world -- as practical and down-to-earth as government ever gets.

The United States Peace Corps built its reputation the old-fashioned way -- step-by-step, village-by-village, family-by-family -- bringing the world a bit closer together, one friendship at a time. For nearly 30 years it has drawn 120,000 idealistic Americans from all walks of life -- and sent them to

the far corners of the Earth. And for nearly 30 years, the men and women of America's Peace Corps have built bridges of understanding and goodwill between the people of the United States and the people of scores of other nations.

Today, we launch a new people-to-people effort, through which the citizens of America, Poland, and Hungary can work together in the exhilarating process of building new, democratic societies. Paul says that: "In many ways, it is as if the Peace Corps has been in training for this historical moment ... It shows that our mission, our desire for peace, knows no political or geographic boundaries."

Barbara and I have traveled all over the world, and the experience has taught us one important lesson. History is made -- not by nations -- but by their people.

That is why your efforts are so important. With your arrival in Poland and Hungary, the Peace Corps will serve in 70 nations -- including half of all developing nations. Our volunteers do battle against the age-old enemies of humankind: **Famine, illiteracy, poverty, and disease.**

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Tomorrow you will set sail for a different region, and you will encounter a different kind of hunger, a different kind of craving, from that which we witnessed in Africa. But the hunger is powerful and the need is real for the nourishment of free ideas, and the sustenance of free enterprise.

Vaclav Havel, Czechoslovakia's beloved playwright-turned-president, spoke of this need when he addressed a joint session of Congress last spring. He said: "We must all learn many things from you, from how to educate our offspring, how to elect our representatives, all the way to how to organize our economic life so that it will lead to prosperity and not to poverty."

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Your investment is America's investment in the consolidation of democracy and independence in central and Eastern Europe. Peace Corps programs in Poland and Hungary, and soon in Czechoslovakia as well, are another tangible element of America's sustained commitment to central and eastern Europe's democratic transformation toward a Europe whole and free.

The 121 Points of Light gathered today in the Rose Garden represent 121 reasons why this new Peace Corps initiative is bound to succeed. Pioneers like Margaret Mary McGill, an Adrian Dominican Sister who has also pioneered the use of bilingual classrooms. Recent graduates like Katherine Duderstadt, who taught math and reading to second-graders in Massachusetts public housing. Life-long public servants like Washington's own Felix Lapinski, a veteran educator who has tutored in English across three continents.

And volunteers like Belle Rothberg, who has taught English to Spanish-speaking working people. Born to Polish immigrants before the first great war, teaching has kept Belle as young as her ideas -- she recently even taught a course on the American Dream. Belle says: "[I remember my mother's] yearning for the Vistula [VIS-chew-la], and I have longed to walk in her footsteps. I love to teach and want to continue to teach as long as I can."

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To Belle -- and to you all -- we wish you Godspeed in your journey -- wisdom and strength in the challenges ahead. Congratulations. Thank you. And God bless the United States.

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RESPONSE:

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

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RESPONSE:

The NSC Staff concurs with the changes indicated.

Brent Scowcroft

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
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RESPONSE:

June 12, 1990

The NSC Staff concurs with the changes indicated.

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RESPONSE:

See Comments. Thanks.

Holly Williamson

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Too strong for people going into Poland + Hungary... Soften a bit.

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We are verifying now & will call to let you know ASAP.
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RESPONSE:

No Comment

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FROM: JIM PINKERTON

SUBJECT: Peace Corps Send-off

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RESPONSE:

*Please see suggestions.
6/8/90*

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FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Peace Corps Send-off to Eastern Europe

I have reviewed and concur with the Presidential remarks for Peace Corps Send-off to Eastern Europe.

If you have any questions or we can help in any other way, please let me know.

Attachment

c: James W. Cicconi

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Schedule of Events

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- 9:50 *Guests depart White House through Northwest Gate and proceed to Liberty Bell entrance of the Main Treasury Building, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW*
- Trainees proceed to North Lawn of White House for press availability*
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Welcome by the Honorable John Robson, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury

Remarks by:

*Chief Justice (Retired) Warren Burger
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(RPCV Dominican Republic)*

The Honorable Jim Leach, United States House of Representatives

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