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MEMORANDUM

TO: MK

FROM: CAROLYN

RE: CHANGES IN KOLSTAD SPEECH
((as of 9:00 a.m. today))

1. p.2/para.1:
"...the first Republican to serve Liberty County in over forty years."

Our illustrious candidate was the first Republican in 48 years; maybe we should say "nearly fifty years"?
2. p.2/para.2:
"Over 21 million jobs created."

Kitty Furlong from CEA tells me that the number has increased; the figure now stands at over 22 million.
3. p.3/para.1 & p.4/para.2"
"34 years of interrupted Democratic control of the Congress"

Jaylene called both the Senate and House Historians' Office: it's actually 35 years.
4. p.3/para.3:
"Excellence in Education Act..."

The correct title of the education act is:
"The Educational Excellence Act"

A few more things to factcheck this morning; will do another memo when I'm finis.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 17, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Kolstad For Senate
Fundraising Breakfast

The draft remarks are well written and clearly describe the majesty of Montana. From a policy standpoint we have noted several suggestions on the attached draft.

We recommend changing the last sentence on page two to read, "...to ensure that America remains economically strong and becomes fiscally sound." The sentence in the draft implies America is not economically strong. This is not true and is not something we want to say given that Republicans have held the White House for the past ten years. We also recommend striking the word "Instead" from the first sentence on page three.

Please note edits at the bottom of page three. The correct title of the President's education legislation is the "Educational Excellence Act of 1989".

Other comments are noted on pages four, five and six.

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

cc: James W. Cicconi

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 07/16/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2:00 p.m. 07/17SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: KOLSTAD FOR SENATE FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST
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Mary
Kate

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Tom -

Sully
I made some notes re
checking facts.
I can check
if you
like.

This is the staffed
version, although I'm
about to work on parts of
it as a result of research,
staffing comments, etc.

Question: page 5 - foreign aid
Rob Portman thinks final request
was \$3.4B, not just \$1B

Do you know which to put in?

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asked
for
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Thanks - Mary Kate

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Allen Kolstad and I agree, and most Americans will, too: we must have budget process reforms, spending cuts, the line-item veto, and most of all, a balanced budget amendment. \\ We like what works. And our budget process is not working.

It was one of the most famous Democrat Presidents, Franklin Roosevelt, who said 50 years ago, "The future lies with those wise political leaders who realize that the great public is interested more in government than in politics." The Republican Party is ready to govern. And Allen Kolstad is ready to be your next Senator. \\

The choice is up to you. Make it the right one. Make it Republican.

Thank you, and God bless you all.

KOLSTAD FOR SENATE FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST
BILLINGS, MONTANA
JULY 20, 1990
8:05 A.M.

GOOD MORNING. THANKS FOR THAT WONDERFUL
INTRODUCTION, ALLEN. IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO SEE GOVERNOR
STEPHENS; AND YOUR OUTSTANDING SENATOR, CONRAD BURNS.
BARBARA CAMPBELL (STATE CHAIRWOMAN), RNC COMMITTEE
MEMBERS -- JACK GALT AND IONE (I-O-NEE) BROWNSON. MY
FRIEND, CHUCK HERINGER. YOUR 1ST DISTRICT
CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE, BRAD JOHNSON. AND THE NEXT
SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF MONTANA, ALLEN KOLSTAD. \\\

IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK IN MONTANA, NEAR SOME OF THE
BEST FISHING STREAMS AND FORESTS IN THE COUNTRY. I
REMEMBER COMING TO GLACIER NATIONAL PARK LAST YEAR WITH
MY GRANDSON, AND BEING TOLD THAT MONTANA HAS 896
CATCHABLE FISH PER SQUARE MILE. ((HERE'S MY QUESTION:
WHY DON'T THEY COUNT THE UNCATCHABLE FISH? I THOUGHT,
THERE WERE QUITE A FEW OF THOSE.)) BUT THERE'S NOTHING
BETTER FOR THE SOUL THAN SEEING THE GRANDEUR OF SNOW-
CAPPED MOUNTAINS IN THE DISTANCE OR A MONTANA SUNSET
STREAKED ACROSS FADING SKIES. MONTANA IS A STATE OF
BIG SKIES, AND AMERICA IS A COUNTRY OF BIG DREAMS. BUT
TO HELP MAKE THOSE DREAMS COME TRUE -- FOR AMERICA AND
MONTANA -- I NEED ALLEN KOLSTAD WORKING WITH ME IN THE
U.S. SENATE.\\\

ALLEN KOLSTAD ((AND HIS WIFE OF 39 YEARS, IVA, RIGHT HERE NEXT TO ME)) KNOW MONTANA AS FEW OTHERS DO -- FIVE GENERATIONS OF KOLSTADS HAVE CALLED MONTANA HOME. ALLEN IS A FARMER AND RANCHER WHO HAS GIVEN OVER TWENTY YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS GREAT STATE. HE WAS ELECTED TO THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE IN 1968, THE FIRST REPUBLICAN TO SERVE LIBERTY COUNTY IN ALMOST FIFTY YEARS. THEN, IN 1988, STAN STEPHENS AND ALLEN KOLSTAD STUNNED THE DEMOCRATS BY GIVING THEM THEIR FIRST LOSS IN A GOVERNOR'S RACE IN TWENTY YEARS. AND, JUST LIKE CONRAD BURNS DID IN THE LAST SENATE ELECTION, ALLEN KOLSTAD'S ABOUT TO HAND THE OPPOSITION ANOTHER STUNNER. WE NEED ALLEN KOLSTAD IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE, AND WE NEED HIM THERE NOW. \ \

WITH MORE PEOPLE LIKE ALLEN IN THE SENATE -- MORE REPUBLICANS -- WE CAN BUILD A BETTER AMERICA. DESPITE ITS MINORITY STATUS ON CAPITOL HILL, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS FOUGHT HARD FOR WHAT'S RIGHT. THEY'RE FIGHTING TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE LONGEST PEACETIME ECONOMIC EXPANSION IN HISTORY, THE LOWEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE NATION IN 16 YEARS, AND THE 22 MILLION JOBS CREATED IN THE LAST 7 1/2 YEARS. HAVING SAID THAT, I'M STILL CONCERNED, VERY CONCERNED, ABOUT PROBLEMS THAT REMAIN -- THIS OUTRAGEOUS DEFICIT FOR EXAMPLE OVER 160 BILLION DOLLARS. \ \ THAT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE AND I AM DETERMINED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

WE REPUBLICANS HAVE A GOOD RECORD, AT HOME AND ABROAD, ONE WE CAN STAND BY WITH PRIDE. IT WAS OUR POLICY OF PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH THAT HELPED BRING FREEDOM TO THE LIVES OF MILLIONS FROM PANAMA TO POLAND. AND WITH A REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN CONGRESS WORKING WITH ME, WE COULD DO MUCH MORE TO ENSURE THAT AMERICA REMAINS ECONOMICALLY STRONG AND BECOMES FISCALLY SOUND. \ \

INSTEAD, WITH THE DEMOCRATS NOW IN CONTROL OF CONGRESS, WE'RE FACING GOVERNMENT BY GRIDLOCK IN WASHINGTON -- WITH SPENDING SKYROCKETING OUT OF CONTROL, GOOD LEGISLATION THROWN ASIDE FOR PORK BARREL PROGRAMS, AND A BUDGET DEFICIT LOOMING OVER OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN. AND WHILE THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS USING EVERYTHING WE'VE GOT TO BUILD A STRONG, COMPETITIVE AMERICA, ~~X~~ THE DEMOCRATIC STRANGLEHOLD ON CONGRESS HAS FINALLY TAKEN ITS TOLL.\ \

UNFORTUNATELY, IT'S THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO ARE PAYING THE PRICE. LET ME GIVE YOU A FEW EXAMPLES. IN APRIL OF 1989, OUR ADMINISTRATION SENT TO CONGRESS THE EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ACT. OUR PROPOSALS WOULD ADVANCE EDUCATION REFORM, REWARD ACHIEVEMENT AND ENCOURAGE EDUCATIONAL CHOICE -- YET AS THE BILL MOVED THROUGH CONGRESS, SOME OF ITS MOST SENSIBLE AND COST-EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS WERE SCRAPPED FOR TIRED, OLD, EXPENSIVE DEMOCRAT SUBSTITUTES. ALMOST ONE BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF UNNECESSARY, UNRELATED AND COSTLY CHANGES WERE HEAPED ON TOP OF OUR ORIGINAL \$400 MILLION EDUCATION BILL -- TOTALLING \$1.4 BILLION DOLLARS -- MORE THAN TRIPLE OUR ORIGINAL REQUEST. IN FACT, THEY EVEN CHANGED THE NAME OF THE BILL.

I KNOW ALLEN KOLSTAD WOULD HAVE SAID NO TO THOSE UNNECESSARY CHANGES. LISTEN, MONTANA'S GRADUATION RATE IS 87% AND THAT'S TERRIFIC. BUT ALLEN AND I WANT TO MAKE IT EVEN HIGHER. MONTANA RANKS THIRD AMONG THE 28 STATES WHICH ADMINISTER THE A.C.T. TEST. YOU'VE DONE IT BY REWARDING EXCELLENCE, PUTTING CHOICE IN THE HANDS OF PARENTS AND STUDENTS, AND BUILDING IN ACCOUNTABILITY. THAT'S EXACTLY THE THRUST OF OUR FEDERAL POLICY ON EDUCATION. CHOICE. ACCOUNTABILITY. FLEXIBILITY. EXCELLENCE. NATIONAL GOALS TO CHALLENGE OUR STUDENTS, OUR TEACHERS, AND OUR SCHOOLS TO SUCCEED.

THAT'S JUST PART OF THE REPUBLICAN AGENDA. TWENTY-NINE OUT OF THE LAST 35 YEARS OF DEMOCRAT CONTROL IS LONG ENOUGH. \\ WE MUST HAVE MORE REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS.\\

BUT THERE'S MORE. WHEN WE PROPOSED NEW CHILD CARE LEGISLATION, BASED ON OUR BELIEF THAT THERE IS NOTHING MORE PRECIOUS THAN AMERICA'S CHILDREN, WE ASKED FOR \$9 BILLION DOLLARS IN FUNDING, SPREAD OVER FIVE YEARS. WE PROPOSED A BILL THAT PUT CHOICE IN THE HANDS OF ALL FAMILIES, WHETHER LOW- OR MIDDLE-INCOME, BY HELPING THEM GET THE KIND OF CHILD CARE THEY WANTED -- AT HOME, AT CHURCH, OR FROM A LOCAL CHILD-CARE PROVIDER. THE SENATE PASSED A CHILD CARE BILL AT DOUBLE THE MONEY -- \$18 BILLION -- AND THE HOUSE OUTDID THE SENATE BY TRIPLING OUR REQUEST -- TO \$29 BILLION. IN SHORT, WE STARTED AT \$9 BILLION AND THE LAST WORD FROM CONGRESS WAS \$29 BILLION. AND IF CONGRESS HAS ITS WAY, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL INTRUDE UPON ONE MORE AREA OF YOUR LIVES -- USING THAT MONEY TO PILE MORE RED TAPE ON CHILD-CARE PROVIDERS -- INCLUDING FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. DEMOCRATS BELIEVE GOVERNMENT KNOWS BETTER THAN PARENTS. \\ I KNOW WHAT THAT TELLS ME, IT TELLS ME WE MUST HAVE MORE REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS.\\

AND JUST THIS YEAR, IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH, I REQUESTED \$800 MILLION IN DIRE EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF PANAMA AND NICARAGUA TO HELP THESE FLEDGLING DEMOCRACIES REBUILD THEIR SHATTERED ECONOMIES. I CHALLENGED THE CONGRESS TO ACT IN 30 DAYS. ONE HUNDRED EIGHT DAYS LATER, THE CONGRESS ACTED. (BUT WHO AM I TO COMPLAIN? IT'S BEEN OVER 20 YEARS SINCE CONGRESS PRODUCED A BALANCED BUDGET.)

HERE'S WHAT CAUSED THE DELAY: SOME SO-CALLED "DIRE EMERGENCY" ADDITIONS TO THE BILL BY CONGRESS -- ALMOST THREE-AND-A-HALF BILLION DOLLARS' MORE IN SPENDING THAN I REQUESTED. EVERYONE ON CAPITOL HILL KNEW HOW IMPORTANT THIS BILL WAS, AND FOR 108 DAYS, CONGRESS DECIDED TO HOLD IT HOSTAGE. FOR 108 DAYS, CONGRESS CALCULATED HOW MUCH SPENDING THEY COULD PILE ON TOP OF OUR EMERGENCY REQUEST. FOR 108 DAYS, INACTION BY THE CONGRESS JEOPARDIZED NOT ONLY THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY OF THESE TWO CRITICALLY STRATEGIC NATIONS -- IT JEOPARDIZED THE HARD-WON FREEDOM OF THE BRAVE PEOPLE OF NICARAGUA AND PANAMA. THAT'S A MORE THAN A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PARTIES. THAT'S A DISGRACE. \\ WE MUST HAVE MORE REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS. \\ \\

REPUBLICANS LIKE WHAT WORKS. WE THINK THAT FINDING A CURE TO THE BUDGET DEFICIT MEANS FUNDING THOSE PROGRAMS THAT WE KNOW WORK -- NOT THROWING BILLIONS OF HARD-EARNED TAX DOLLARS AT UNTESTED IDEAS WITH NO TRACK RECORD OR BUILT-IN ACCOUNTABILITY.

AMERICANS ARE FED UP. YEAR \ \ AFTER YEAR \ \ AFTER YEAR, THEY HEAR ABOUT BUDGET WRANGLING IN WASHINGTON. THEY HEAR ABOUT THE PRESIDENT TRYING TO HOLD THE LINE ON SPENDING, AND THE CONGRESS SPENDING MONEY IT DOESN'T HAVE. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. WE MUST END THIS "DEFICITS DON'T MATTER" MENTALITY. I DO NOT WANT TO PRESIDE OVER THESE GOD-AWFUL DEFICITS THAT ARE SADDLING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE HERE WITH BILLIONS IN DEBT.

THE DEFICIT IS ESTIMATED TO BE OVER \$160 BILLION. CONGRESS, AS THE AMERICAN PEOPLE KNOW SO WELL, APPROPRIATES EVERY SINGLE DOLLAR WE SPEND. AT THIS VERY MOMENT, OUR WHITE HOUSE NEGOTIATORS ARE TRYING TO DO SOMETHING MEANINGFUL ABOUT THIS DEFICIT. AND FRANKLY, I THINK WE ARE GETTING SOME GOOD COOPERATION WITH THE LEADERSHIP ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE. WE MUST CONTROL SPENDING, AND REFORM THE BUDGET PROCESS ITSELF. AS I'VE SAID BEFORE, I'LL NEGOTIATE WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS. AND I WILL. IN SPITE OF THE OUTCRY ABOUT REVENUES. BUT THERE MUST BE BUDGET REFORM AND TRUE SPENDING CONTROL.\ \

SOME PEOPLE THINK THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES. I'VE COME HERE TO TELL YOU THERE IS -- AND IT'S AS BIG AS THE GREAT DIVIDE. ON ONE SIDE -- THE REPUBLICAN SIDE -- LIES OPPORTUNITY, GROWTH, CHOICE IN CHILD CARE AND EDUCATION, THE CREATIVITY OF THE MARKETPLACE, AND A GOVERNMENT THAT UNDERSTANDS IT WORKS FOR YOU -- NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND. ON THE OTHER SIDE -- THE FAR SIDE -- LIES THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, THE PARTY OF RED TAPE AND BUREAUCRACY, STILL PUSHING FOR HIGHER AND HIGHER SPENDING. STILL TELLING THE STATES HOW TO CONDUCT THEIR AFFAIRS -- STILL PUSHING FOR MANDATED BENEFITS. THE CHOICE IS UP TO AMERICA.\

RIGHT HERE IN MONTANA YOU KNOW THERE'S A BETTER WAY OF DOING THINGS -- A REPUBLICAN WAY. I REMEMBER THE LAST TIME I WAS IN THIS STATE. IT WAS FOR MONTANA'S HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY, WHEN ALLEN WAS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION. ((FOR MY PART, I PLANTED A TREE. NOW, YOU MAY KNOW MY RECORD'S NOT TOO GOOD IN THAT RESPECT. I PLANTED A TREE IN NORTH DAKOTA. IT WAS ATTACKED BY GYPSY MOTHS. \\ I PLANTED A TREE IN SPOKANE. IT GOT VANDALIZED. \\ YOU CAN SEE WHY THEY'VE ASKED ME NOT TO DEDICATE ANY BUILDINGS HERE. BUT THE TREE I PLANTED IN HELENA -- BELIEVE IT OR NOT -- IT'S ALIVE AND WELL. \\ WELL, IN THAT SPIRIT, WHAT A GREAT JOB ALLEN DID FOR THE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION. FIRST OF ALL, HE DIDN'T USE ONE PENNY OF TAXPAYER MONEY. AND SECOND, THE CENTENNIAL IS EXPECTED TO GIVE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS BACK TO THE STATE TREASURY. THAT'S THE KIND OF FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AMERICA NEEDS ON CAPITOL HILL.\\

ALLEN KOLSTAD AND I AGREE, AND MOST AMERICANS WILL, TOO: WE MUST HAVE BUDGET PROCESS REFORMS, SPENDING CUTS, THE LINE-ITEM VETO, AND MOST OF ALL, A BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT. \\ WE LIKE WHAT WORKS. AND OUR BUDGET PROCESS IS NOT WORKING.

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