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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

JULY 24, 1990

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON^{ew}
FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE ^{BH}
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(Hinchliffe/Garmey)
July 23, 1990 8:00 p.m.
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July 25, 1990

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The Revolution of '89 was a stunning -- thrilling -- historic time. At this ceremony last year, we told the world that we would keep faith with those who were oppressed. And we did. Then, taking their lives into their own hands, the very people who were in our hearts crafted an unforgettable year of triumph. The triumph of brave hearts. The triumph of people declaring they would control their own destinies. \\

Last summer, while we were in Eastern Europe, Barbara and I sensed excitement in the air. In meetings with the people of Poland and Hungary, I pledged America's strong support for their historic struggle. Like most Americans, we had watched in joy as the barbed wire on the Austrian-Hungarian border came down. And we were deeply moved as these changes swept across a continent bringing within reach the vision of a Europe whole and free.

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united and strong in our mission for peace and freedom. That strength has at long last borne fruit. What an amazing year this has been. A year of technicolor glory in lands that had been defined by black watchtowers and walls, and the drab emptiness of lost dreams.

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And so, to honor that shining faith in the future, I dedicate this day to these new generation of freedom and to future generations who will never have to bear the burden of tyranny. \\

For some of this new generation, this freedom means a whole new world in their own backyard. On that unforgettable morning when the East German borders fell, parents gathered up their children and brought them to the Brandenburg Gate, the final symbol of tyranny in Berlin. Still in their pajamas, these children on their first day of new freedom, were passed up from friendly hand to friendly hand to have the thrill of sitting on top of the wall -- looking across at the endless horizons of their dreams. \\

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(Hinchliffe/Garmey)
July 23, 1990 8:00 p.m.
NATIONS

TO: *Chris / Beth*

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KS: CAPTIVE NATIONS WEEK
Rose Garden
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FROM: JOHN S. GARDNER
Special Assistant to the President
and Assistant Staff Secretary

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Robert L. Hutchings

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FROM:

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(HUTCHINGS)

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Chriss Winston cc: Cicconi

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Brent —
We turned off the idea of children on the dais, and changed the theme of the speech from "Children of Freedom" to "the new generation of freedom." A group of young East European interns in the audience will help make the point.

— Bob Hutchings

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 07/23/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2:00 p.m. Tuesday 07/24

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CAPTIVE NATIONS DAY
(07/23 8:00 p.m. draft)

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REMARKS:

Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 07/24, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

The NSC Staff concurs, with the changes indicated.

Brent Scowcroft.

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

(Hinchliffe/Garmey)
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~~These little ones are the future generation of the newly freed lands that were, only a year ago, still held in regimented gray captivity. We celebrate that they are now free to paint the futures of their countries in the broad, colorful strokes of childhood's limitless imagination.~~

~~In America, if a child is afraid of the dark, he can be comforted by a simple nightlight. But the Children of Captivity lived in fear day and night. Now a bold and brilliant light has been turned on, to chase away the nightmares of the unknown.~~

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(South Africa not a captive nation.)

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Last summer, while we were in Eastern Europe, Barbara and I sensed excitement in the air. In meetings with the people of Poland and Hungary, I pledged America's strong support for their historic struggle. Like most Americans, we had watched in joy as the barbed wire on the Austrian-Hungarian border came down. And we were deeply moved as these changes swept across a continent bringing within reach the vision of a Europe whole and free.

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No Comments 7/24/90

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*See Comments. Thanks.
Holly Williamson
7-24-90*

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Secretary Derwinski
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REMARKS:

Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 07/24, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

TO: CHRISS WINSTON

July 24, 1990

The NSC Staff concurs, with the changes indicated.

Brent Scowcroft

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

(Hinchliffe/Garmey)
July 23, 1990 8:00 p.m.
NATIONS

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CAPTIVE NATIONS DAY PM 8:25
Rose Garden
July 25, 1990

Welcome to every one of you able to be here for this extraordinary event. \\ For the last 32 years, presidents from Eisenhower to Reagan have commemorated Captive Nations Day. It has been a ceremony to bear witness to the struggling and suffering of millions. A ceremony to honor courage. A ceremony to tell everyone still in bondage that they were not forgotten. These previous Captive Nations Days have not been moments of joy, but of serious rededication -- and of sadness that so many in our world lived in the throes of tyranny. \\

The Revolution of '89 was a stunning -- thrilling ~~event~~. At this ceremony last year, we told the world that we would keep faith with those who were oppressed. And we did. Then, taking their lives into their own hands, the very people who were in our hearts crafted an unforgettable year of triumph. The triumph of brave hearts ~~over cruel stone~~. The triumph of people declaring they would control their own destinies. \\

Last summer, while we were in Eastern Europe, Barbara and I sensed excitement in the air. In meetings with ~~leaders~~ ^{the people} of Poland and Hungary, I ~~urged change -- as have American Presidents for two generations.~~ ^{pledged America's strong support for their historic struggle.} Like most Americans, we had watched in joy as ~~barbed wire on the~~ ^{barbed wire on the} the Austrian-Hungarian border had come down. And we were deeply moved as ~~this historic vision~~ ^{these changes} swept across a continent, ~~that will reach the vision of~~ ^{bringing within} some day be a Europe whole and free.

For four long decades, America and her allies have remained

united and strong in our mission for peace and freedom. That strength has at long last borne fruit. What an amazing year this has been. A year of technicolor glory in lands that had been defined by black watchtowers and walls, and the ^{gray} ~~drab~~ emptiness of lost dreams.

But we are gathered here today not just to celebrate the joyous change of this past year, but to celebrate it in a very special way. With us today are ~~children from Hungary, Poland, Czechoslovakia and other countries which~~ ^{some of the young people whose presence tells us that they} were a part of the Revolution of '89. Their ~~eager eyes and bright smiles tell us: "We~~ ^{themselves} believe in ~~ourselves~~ ^{their} and in ~~our~~ ^{For a bold and} homelands. ~~We can now dare to~~ ^{brilliant light illuminates their new horizons,} dream ~~for the rainbows just beyond our bright new horizons.~~ \\

And so, to honor that shining faith in the future, on behalf of the peoples of the free world, I dedicate this day to the new ~~generation of freedom - and to future generations who will~~ ^{Children of Freedom, \\ \\ never have to bear the burden of tyranny.}

~~These little ones are the future generation of the newly freed lands that were, only a year ago, still held in regimented gray captivity. We celebrate that they are now free to paint the futures of their countries in the broad, colorful strokes of childhood's limitless imagination.~~

~~In America, if a child is afraid of the dark, he can be comforted by a simple nightlight. But the Children of Captivity lived in fear day and night. Now a bold and brilliant light has been turned on, to chase away the nightmares of the unknown. \\~~

~~For some children, this light of freedom means actual deliverance from death. Those like tiny Joshua Laine. For seven months, this abandoned Romanian baby, like 40,000 others, had~~

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~~lain in one of Ceausescu's unthinkable warehouse orphanages. Sunk in a hole in his mattress, his physical world was as limited and hopeless as his future. When change and reform came to Romania, an American couple was allowed to adopt him. Now Joshua has love ... freedom ... a future.~~

some of the new generation
 For ~~other~~ children, this ~~new~~ freedom means a whole new world in their own backyard. On that unforgettable morning when the East German borders fell, parents scooped up their children and brought them to the Brandenburg Gate, the final symbol of tyranny in Berlin. Still in their nightclothes, these children on their first day of new freedom, were passed up from friendly hand to friendly hand to have the thrill of sitting on top of the wall -- looking across at the endless horizons of their new world. \\\

INSERT → But while we celebrate for ~~the children~~ *those* who are now free, we must also still remember ~~the children~~ *those* who are not. \\
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I continue to be moved by what I see and hear throughout the rest of the world, where unfinished revolutions continue one individual story at a time. In the Americas, where a boy with nothing but a board and a sail windsurfed to escape from the politics of repression. ~~[In Asia, where iron tanks were met by the iron will of a lone man. In Africa, where a proud leader ended 10,000 days of prison and took the final steps on his walk to freedom.]~~

(South Africa not a captive nation.)

Alongside the success stories of nations, we also hear quiet stories of individuals who, even in darkness, could see the vision of liberty. Those who have risked everything in countries not yet free. The countries we must still remember today. The

desperate people we must never forget. \\

Boys like Quang Trinh. A young Vietnamese teenager, he almost died escaping from the shattered life of a country where he had seen his mother killed, his father jailed, his brothers' spirits broken. Quang fled the only life he had known ... for freedom. He jumped into shark-infested waters ... for freedom. He starved in delirium ... for freedom. After he was finally rescued and told he could enter the U.S., he wept all night long.

When did something touch our lives so completely that we cried for joy through the night? Quang calls America "freedom country." How many of us have stopped to think of our homeland in those terms? \\ \\

You know, on my desk in the Oval Office I have ^a ~~two~~ mementos ~~with me~~ at all times. ~~(One is a tiny American flag, given to me in an Army hospital by a soldier wounded fighting to free our friends in Panama. It represents America's commitment to freedom and to proud people, wherever they may be, who seek that freedom.)~~

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^{It} ~~The other souvenir~~ is a piece of the Berlin Wall -- one of the very first chiseled from that horrifying affront to humanity. I keep it always, as a reminder of the miracle which courage, strength and unity can achieve. \\

Sitting in this peaceful Rose Garden today are ^{several generations} ~~children~~ from these nations of miracles -- ^{including the new generation} ~~our Children of Freedom.~~ \\

But there are also ^{Countries where the new generations are still waiting.} ~~some empty chairs~~ out there. ~~They, too, are reminders.~~ Reminders of countries where children are even now growing up with only bleak tyranny in their futures.

Let us all work together so that next year ~~those empty~~

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(The dream of freedom extends to all those countries where it is now denied.

~~chairs will be filled with children whose countries are finally free. \\\~~

~~[I'm a traditionalist. But this ceremony is one tradition I'd like to break.]~~ Let us pray together that when we gather again, the light of liberty will shine across our entire planet. And that the next Captive Nations Day will be the last. \\\

God bless you, and ~~all the children of our world.~~

God bless ~~free~~ men and women everywhere who are striving for freedom.

SUBJECT: captive nations insert

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

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Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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JULY 24, 1990

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *W*

FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*

SUBJECT: REMARKS CELEBRATING CAPTIVE NATIONS WEEK

I. SUMMARY

On Wednesday, July 25, 1990, at 1:30 PM, you will address approximately 200 guests in the Rose Garden. Among those attending will be the Vice President, Secretary Derwinski, Deputy Secretary Eagleburger, approximately twenty Congressmen and Senators, and various dignitaries from "captive nation" countries.

II. DISCUSSION

The attached remarks (8 minutes, cards) focus on the changing complexion of the 32 year old captive nations week: from a traditionally sad event into one of celebration. While highlighting the recent liberation of several Eastern European nations, the remarks also emphasize the need to remember those people in the world who are still without freedom.

(Hinchliffe/Garmey)
July 23, 1990 8:00 p.m.
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Last summer, while we were in Eastern Europe, Barbara and I sensed excitement in the air. In meetings with the people of Poland and Hungary, I pledged America's strong support for their historic struggle. Like most Americans, we had watched in joy as the barbed wire on the Austrian-Hungarian border came down. And we were deeply moved as these changes swept across a continent bringing within reach the vision of a Europe whole and free.

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But we are gathered here today not just to celebrate the joyous change of this past year, but to celebrate it in a very special way. With us today are some of the young people whose countries were a part of the Revolution of '89. Each is proud of their country and it's easy to understand why they believe in themselves and in their homelands. For the bold and brilliant light of freedom now illuminates their world.\\

And so, to honor that shining faith in the future, I dedicate this day to these new generation of freedom and to future generations who will never have to bear the burden of tyranny. \\

For some of this new generation, this freedom means a whole new world in their own backyard. On that unforgettable morning when the East German borders fell, parents gathered up their children and brought them to the Brandenburg Gate, the final symbol of tyranny in Berlin. Still in their pajamas, these children on their first day of new freedom, were passed up from friendly hand to friendly hand to have the thrill of sitting on top of the wall -- looking across at the endless horizons of their dreams. \\

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But while we celebrate for those who are now free, we must also remember those who are not. \\

I continue to be moved by what I see and hear throughout the rest of the world, where unfinished revolutions continue one heroic story at a time. In the Americas, where a boy with nothing but a board and a sail windsurfed to escape the politics of repression. In Asia, where iron tanks were met by the iron will of a lone man. \\\

Today, I also want to remember especially the people of Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia and renew our support for their long quest for national self-determination. The road ahead will be difficult, but we can now join them in looking with hope that their long-cherished dreams will become reality. \\\

Alongside the success stories of nations, we also hear quiet stories of individuals who, even in darkness, could see the vision of liberty. Those who have risked everything in countries not yet free. The countries we must still remember today. The desperate people we must never forget. \\

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Let us all work together so that next year this dream of freedom extends to all those countries where it is now denied.\\\

Let us pray together that the light of liberty will shine

across our entire planet. And that the next Captive Nations Week
will be the last. \\\

Thank you and God bless America.

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