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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/6/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 9:00 AM, FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL TALKING POINTS: GREETINGS AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
HELSINKI, FINLAND
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RESPONSE:

September 7, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

The NSC concurs with no changes.

Brent Scowcroft
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cc: James Cicconi

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

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