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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/15/90

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RESPONSE:

No comments

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November 15, 1990
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**BRIEF REMARKS: ENVIRONMENTAL BILLS SIGNING CEREMONY
THE SOUTH LAWN
NOVEMBER 16, 1990
10:15 A.M.**

Good morning. Good to see Secretary Lujan here today; as well as EPA Administrator Bill Reilly; Mike DeLand of the Council on Environmental Quality; and John Knauss, the head of the National Oceanics and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Welcome to the White House. We are here beside Lady Bird Johnson's tree -- a willow oak, I'm told -- planted in 1964. Lady Bird once said she wants to be remembered as one who planted trees. And when I look out the Oval Office window at this magnificent oak on beautiful fall days such as this, I understand Lady Bird and her advice to "know and enjoy the world around you."

Yesterday, I signed into law the Clean Air Act of 1990, the centerpiece of our commitment to preserve and protect our environment. It makes our air pollution laws, **already the world's toughest, even tougher.** This year's Clean Air Act is the **most significant air pollution legislation in American history** - - and it restores America's place as the global leader in environmental protection.

Our agenda for the environment is broad and ambitious, one that encompasses not just the air we breathe -- but also verdant forests and grassy meadows, majestic rivers and lakes, and

pristine coastal shorelines. Clearly, all of us must work together to preserve America's natural beauty.

The bills I'm signing this morning will help protect some of the most precious expanses of America -- from the sands of the Mojave Desert, to the undersea landscapes off the Purple isles of the Florida Keys, to the broad waters of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain.

Another bill creates the National Forest Foundation, establishes two new wildlife refuges, and strengthens marine research programs and environmental law enforcement. And we've not neglected our global responsibility as I will sign legislation to endorse the preservation of Antarctica's vast and unique ecosystem. Finally, there's environmental awareness -- giving teachers the tools to teach our kids about the importance of conservation, through the National Environmental Education Act.

Early in this century, the original "environmental President," Theodore Roosevelt, said that children should be taught to read and enjoy what he called the "wonder-book of nature," because he believed that our environment belongs not only to today's generation, but to the next generation as well.

You're never too young or too old to learn about the wonders of Nature. Those of us "long in the tooth" never tire of that sense of splendor one feels in the outdoors. And we love to see the wide eyes of a child at the moment they first see a cascading waterfall, a bottomless Western canyon, or even a real, live,

dangerous animal ((-- like that dangerous Thanksgiving turkey we had here the other day.))

These bills I'm about to sign are about what the future will hold for our kids. That's why our environmental agenda is forward-looking -- to the next generation, and the generations that will follow. And so it is with them in mind -- those who will inherit this stewardship -- that I am delighted to sign these seven bills into law.

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