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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 11/30/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: --

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: URUGUAYAN EMBASSY GREETING, MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY, TUES., DEC. 5, 1990, 5:00 P.M.

SUBJECT: _____

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

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

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 30, 1990

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*
SUBJECT: URUGUAYAN EMBASSY GREETING

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(Hinchliffe/Simon)
November 30, 1990
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 Scowcroft (advance) Gates (advance) Secretariat

COMMENTS

November 29, 1990

Nick ~~Rostow~~ and Don ~~Johnson~~ concur with annotated changes in text.


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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/28/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4:00 p.m. 11/29

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: GREETINGS TO URUGUAY EMBASSY STAFF
(11/19 2:00 p.m. draft)

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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: GREETINGS TO URUGUAY EMBASSY STAFF
December 4, 1990**

o Thank you all for that warm reception. And I want to give an equally warm greeting -- and congratulations -- to Ambassador Brown. This has been quite a welcome home for you. What a way to break in a new Ambassador. \\ I'm so sympathetic, since I've been in your shoes. When I was Ambassador in China, we survived one visit from the President. And two from Henry Kissinger. So you're talking to a guy who knows what you've been through. \\

o Rich and Ann (Brown), you've done a superb job in all these arrangements. And your admin officer: are you still speaking to me? You deserve a special thanks: you bear a disproportionate share of the load. And so many others. Thanks to the political counselor and staff; the communications people; the military. \\

o And the Uruguayan citizens working here: I've heard warm words of praise from your American colleagues for the vitality, cooperation and dedication you bring to our Embassy. Especially, I might add, for the Embassy chauffeurs. I've heard how very patient you were with our Embassy football players. And how generous you were in letting them win at your national sport.\\

o So to this whole team -- and it really is a team -- thank you for your extra workload and your welcome, and for making sure everything's run so smoothly. The only thing I can say is: you

can breathe easy soon, because I promise to leave on schedule.

o Barbara and I are delighted with this wonderful trip. Being down in Latin America sometimes reminds us of being back home in Texas -- though here the barbecues are called asados. Whatever: it's just great to see something else being roasted for a change.

o You know, travelling around this marvelous country, you get a feeling of real good will towards the United States. I think that reflects the good work of the Americans here, including all of you in this Embassy. I know you never lose your allegiance to your own country. But the contribution you make in Uruguay, representing all of us who are back home -- is simply incalculable.

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