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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/15/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESIDENT CHAMORRO ARRIVAL STATEMENT & TOAST

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
April 12, 1991 12 p.m.
CHAMARR Draft Two

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT CHAMORRO
Wednesday, April 17, 1991 10 a.m.
South Lawn

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We stand here at the White House almost a year to the day after that extraordinary moment when you stood at Managua's National Stadium to be sworn in as your nation's first freely elected President.

What a moment that was. In you we saw the exhilarating victory of democracy -- of that glorious new breeze that in one amazing year swept out oppression and dictatorship from Prague to Managua. In you we saw your nation's peacemaker -- the person who would close the books on 11 years of cruel civil war.

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In you we saw what your countrymen saw when they voted in their first fair, open election -- the person who inspired her people to believe in the triumphant return of peace and freedom.

On that Inauguration Day we saw Dona Violeta, candidate of compassion -- become President Chamorro, leader of reconciliation.

On that day you closed a painful chapter in your nation's history. And you began to forge a new one. The beautiful land

of Ruben Dario had been exhausted by strife. Embittered by repression. Polarized by government attempts to dominate every aspect of society. Impoverished by a cynical and mismanaged regime.

But you are the leader who once said: "As a mother, I feel with great intensity the obligation to teach while governing, and to govern while forming peaceful hearts." And you have begun to bring life and dreams back to your people -- in your "mission to help them," as you call it. Your courageous countrymen are showing they're ready to dig in and work hard, to reap the benefits of free government and free enterprise.

Following the course of your slogan: "Yes, we can change things" -- your reforms are realistic. Restoration of democratic liberties. Religious freedom. Economic reconstruction. Free market opportunities. Reallocation of military funds to vital economic and social programs. Reincorporation of former combatants and refugees.

But your reforms are also visionary: The restoration of moral values and human dignity. The importance of an inheritance for your children of reconciliation and respect. And the belief in the goodness of a people that still turns for guidance to its patron saint -- "La Purisima."

And your reforms -- your "new sun of justice and freedom" -- bring hope to the watching world. For with the democratization of Nicaragua, we are one crucial step closer to the incredible goal of becoming this world's first fully free

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We know that the tasks facing the Nicaraguan people are difficult. Your economic stabilization plan requires hard choices. Economic reform after years of mismanagement is never easy and presents challenges to leadership. But sacrifice in the short run is vital to achieve long-term growth and development. And we hope that all elements of Nicaraguan society will work with you for the good of your country.

The Nicaraguan people do not stand friendless and alone to face these challenges. We are confident that as you confront them, all Nicaraguans will enjoy renewed and widely shared prosperity.

Dona Violeta, I am proud to stand with you -- and our nation is proud to stand by you. We're offering over \$500 million in aid over your first two years as President. And we've joined with other developed countries to work with the international financial institutions to help Nicaragua. Beyond aid, we're offering opportunities for trade and investment that will benefit both our countries through the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative.

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We honor her as the conciliator who is forging a future of peace and unity for her beleaguered land. As the elected leader who ended a bitter civil war, and who replaced a repressive and undemocratic regime. As the President whom history will acclaim as the liberator of not only her country's government -- but also of its spirit.

Her people call her Dona Violeta -- a name of affection and respect. As I've come to know her, I've understood. For she personifies the blend of resolve and compassion that inspires a nation to become the best it can be.

I'll tell you something that impresses me tremendously. Not only is she working resolutely to bring about tangible reforms to expand democracy and economic opportunity -- but she has also embarked on what she terms a quest to restore moral values. What a powerful goal in this age. The most important goal there is.

Under the courageous and idealistic example of President Chamorro, Nicaragua is rediscovering the meaning of its coat of arms -- the beautiful symbol embossed in the center of its flag. A triangle for equality. A rainbow for peace. And a shower of

light -- for liberty shining throughout the land.

Liberty that's embodied by Violeta Chamorro -- and by her late husband and inspiration, Pedro Joaquin. He used to own a boat he named "Santa Libertad" -- St. Liberty. Well, the world now watches as his widow steers her own "Santa Libertad" -- her ship of state, bound for a bright horizon that promises freedom, respect and dignity for every person in her land.

On a shelf in President Chamorro's office is a plaque of a prayer she tries to live by. A prayer that reminds me of her. The words are by St. Francis. "Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love... Where there is despair, hope... Where there is darkness, light... For it is in giving that we receive; [and] it is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

Dona Violeta -- you are an instrument of peace. Through your goals of reconciliation and liberty, you bring vision to your nation and hope to the world.

To your health, Madam President -- and to that of your proud and courageous land.

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TOAST FOR PRESIDENT CHAMORRO \ STATE DINING ROOM
APRIL 17, 1991 \ 7:15 P.M.

IT IS A DISTINCT PRIVILEGE FOR BARBARA AND ME TO SALUTE THIS EVENING AN EXTRAORDINARY LEADER OF HONOR, COMPASSION AND COURAGE. WITH THE GREATEST ADMIRATION WE WELCOME TO OUR NATION'S HOME -- NICARAGUA'S PRESIDENT, VIOLETA CHAMORRO. \\\

OR AS I HEAR SHE WAS KNOWN BY HER FAMILY GROWING UP: "MADRE SUPERIORA" [MAH-DRAY SOO-PEER-EE-OR-A]: "MOTHER SUPERIOR."

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FOR EVEN AS A YOUNG GIRL, VIOLETA COULD GET HER BROTHERS AND SISTER STANDING AT ATTENTION AS SHE CRACKED HER BENEVOLENT WHIP TO GET HER FAMILY'S HOUSE IN ORDER. WELL, NOW THIS "MOTHER SUPERIOR" IS GETTING HER NATION'S HOUSE IN ORDER. AND WE HONOR HER FOR IT.

WE HONOR HER AS THE CONCILIATOR WHO IS FORGING A FUTURE OF PEACE AND UNITY FOR HER BELEAGUERED LAND. AS THE ELECTED LEADER WHO ENDED A BITTER CIVIL WAR, AND WHO REPLACED A REPRESSIVE AND UNDEMOCRATIC REGIME.

AS THE PRESIDENT WHOM HISTORY WILL ACCLAIM AS THE LIBERATOR OF NOT ONLY HER COUNTRY'S GOVERNMENT -- BUT ALSO OF ITS SPIRIT. \\

HER PEOPLE CALL HER DONA [DOHN-YAH] VIOLETA -- A NAME OF AFFECTION AND RESPECT. AS I'VE COME TO KNOW HER, I'VE UNDERSTOOD. FOR SHE PERSONIFIES THE BLEND OF RESOLVE AND COMPASSION THAT INSPIRES A NATION TO BECOME THE BEST IT CAN BE. \\

I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING THAT IMPRESSES ME. NOT ONLY IS SHE WORKING RESOLUTELY TO BRING ABOUT TANGIBLE REFORMS EXPANDING DEMOCRACY AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY -- BUT SHE HAS ALSO EMBARKED ON WHAT SHE TERMS A QUEST TO RESTORE MORAL VALUES. WHAT A POWERFUL GOAL IN THIS AGE. THE MOST IMPORTANT GOAL THERE IS. \\ \\ UNDER THE COURAGEOUS AND IDEALISTIC EXAMPLE OF PRESIDENT CHAMORRO, NICARAGUA IS REDISCOVERING THE MEANING OF ITS COAT OF ARMS -- THE BEAUTIFUL SYMBOL EMBOSSED IN THE CENTER OF ITS FLAG. A TRIANGLE FOR EQUALITY.

A RAINBOW FOR PEACE. AND A SHOWER OF LIGHT -- FOR LIBERTY SHINING THROUGHOUT THE LAND.

LIBERTY THAT'S EMBODIED BY VIOLETA CHAMORRO -- AND BY HER LATE HUSBAND AND INSPIRATION, PEDRO JOAQUIN. HE USED TO OWN A BOAT HE NAMED "SANTA LIBERTAD" -- GLORIOUS LIBERTY.

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ON A SHELF IN PRESIDENT CHAMORRO'S OFFICE IS A PLAQUE OF A PRAYER SHE TRIES TO LIVE BY. A PRAYER THAT -- IN FACT -- REMINDS ME OF HER.

THE WORDS ARE BY ST. FRANCIS: "LORD, MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF YOUR PEACE. WHERE THERE IS HATRED, LET ME SOW LOVE... WHERE THERE IS DESPAIR, HOPE... WHERE THERE IS DARKNESS, LIGHT... FOR IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE; [AND] IT IS IN PARDONING THAT WE ARE PARDONED." \\\

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DATE: 4/10/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4/12/91 11:00 a.m.

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT CHAMORRO

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REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 11:00 a.m., Friday, April 12, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

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91 APR 10 PM 4:52 April 10, 1991 5 p.m.
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WASHINGTON

April 12, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

TONY SNOW TS

FROM:

BETH HINCHLIFFE BH

SUBJECT:

PRESIDENT CHAMORRO ARRIVAL STATEMENT
AND STATE DINNER TOAST

I. ARRIVAL STATEMENT

On Wednesday, April 17, at 10 a.m., you will welcome Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro in a ceremony on the South Lawn.

Your remarks (7 minutes, cards) focus on three major themes. First: that President Chamorro was elected in the first free, open election in her country's history. Second: that her election heralds the triumph of democracy, and is one more step toward the goal of the world's first fully free hemisphere. Third: that she is now seen as her country's peacemaker, and the leader of reconciliation.

Your remarks conclude with a strong reaffirmation of this country's support and friendship for President Chamorro and Nicaragua.

II. TOAST

On Wednesday, April 17, at 7:15 p.m., you will attend a State Dinner in honor of Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro. Attached are your remarks for the dinner toast.

These remarks (3 minutes, cards) salute President Chamorro for her moral leadership. They focus on her personal vision -- her courage, idealism, and spiritual beliefs. They conclude by honoring her for her commitment to peace, reconciliation and liberty.

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April 12, 1991 ~~11~~ APR 12 P1:56

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Arrival Ceremony for
President Chamorro

We have reviewed the attached draft and have no suggested changes from a policy standpoint. We approve of the draft remarks in their current form.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/10/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4/12/91 11:00 a.m.

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RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
91 APR 10 PM 4:52 April 10, 1991 5 p.m.
CHAMARR Draft One

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Wednesday, April 17, 1991 10 a.m.
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On that Inauguration Day we saw Violeta Chamorro, candidate of compassion -- become Dona Violeta, leader of vision.

And on that day you closed a painful chapter in your nation's history. And you began to forge a new one. Your beautiful land of [country's motto] had been exhausted by strife.

Embittered by corruption. Numbed by grief. Starved and impoverished by a cynical and mismanaged regime.

But you are the leader who once said: "As a mother, I feel with great intensity the obligation to teach while governing, and to govern while forming peaceful hearts." And you have begun to bring life and dreams back to your people -- in your "mission to help them," as you call it. Secure in peace, your courageous countrymen are showing they're ready to dig in and work hard, to reap the benefits of free government and free enterprise.

Following the course of your slogan: "Yes, we can change things" -- your reforms are practical. Privatization. Restoration of democratic liberties. Economic reconstruction. Guarantee of property rights. Reallocation of military funds to vital social programs, like education.

But your reforms are also visionary: The restoration of moral values and human dignity. The importance of an inheritance for your children of reconciliation and respect. And the belief in the goodness of a people that still turns for guidance to its patron saint -- "La Purisima."

And your reforms -- your "new sun of justice and freedom" -- bring hope to the watching world. For with the democratization of Nicaragua, we are one crucial step closer to the incredible goal of becoming this world's first fully free hemisphere.

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Dona Violeta, Madam President, your nation could not be in better hands. We salute you. God bless you, and your proud and courageous land.

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(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
April 10, 1991 11 a.m.
CHAMTOAST Draft One

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April 17, 1991 7:15 p.m.
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We honor her as the visionary who is forging a future of peace and dignity for her beleaguered land. As the leader who ended a bitter civil war, and who replaced a dehumanizing regime. As the President whom history will acclaim as the liberator of not only her country's government -- but also of its spirit.

Her people call her Dona Violeta -- a name of affection and respect. As I've come to know her, I've understood. For she personifies the blend of resolve and compassion that inspires a nation to become the best it can be.

I'll tell you something that impresses me tremendously. Not only is she working resolutely to bring about tangible reforms of democracy and opportunity -- but she has also embarked on what she terms a quest to restore moral values. What a powerful goal in this age. The most important goal there is.

Under the courageous and idealistic example of President Chamorro, Nicaragua is rediscovering the meaning of its coat of arms -- the beautiful symbol embossed in the center of its flag. A triangle for equality. A rainbow for peace. And a shower of light -- for liberty shining throughout the land.

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On a shelf in President Chamorro's office is a plaque of a prayer she tries to live by. A prayer that reminds me of her. The words are by St. Francis. "Make me an instrument of peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. For it is in giving that we receive; [and] it is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

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RESPONSE:

TO: Tony Snow

The NSC Staff concurs with changes annotated in text of document.

Brent Scowcroft

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Chamorro's main achievement is reconciliation; not vision)

(Dario was a part of national hero)

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The Nicaraguan people do not stand friendless and alone to face these challenges. We are confident that as you confront them, all Nicaraguans will enjoy renewed and widely shared prosperity.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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April 12, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER ^{SR}
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Arrival Ceremony for
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Pursuant to Phillip Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed Presidential Remarks.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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RESPONSE:

NO COMMENTS. THANKS.

HOLLY WILLIAMSON *HW*
4-12-91

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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OF NICARAGUA IN EXCHANGE OF TOASTS

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8:10 P.M. EDT

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Well, now, this Mother Superior is getting her nation's house in order, and we honor her for it. We honor her as the conciliator who is forging a future of peace and unity for her beleaguered land. As the elected leader who ended a bitter civil war and who replaced a repressive and undemocratic regime, as the President whom history will acclaim as the liberator of not only her country's government but also of its heartbeat, its spirit.

Her people call her Dona Violeta, a name of affection and respect. And as I've come to know her I've understood. For she personifies the blend of resolve and compassion that inspires a nation to become the best it can be. I'll tell you something that impresses me. Not only is she working resolutely to bring about tangible reforms expanding democracy and economic opportunity. But she's also embarked on what she terms a quest to restore moral values. What a powerful goal in this age. The most important goal there is.

And under the courageous and idealistic example of President Chamorro, Nicaragua is rediscovering the meaning of its coat of arms. The beautiful symbol embossed in the center of its flag, a triangle for equality, a rainbow for peace and a shower of light for liberty shining throughout the land. Liberty that's embodied by Violeta Chamorro and by her late husband and inspiration, Pedro Joaquin. He used to own a boat named Santa Libertad, glorious liberty.

Well, the world now watches as his widow steers her own Santa Libertad, her ship of state, bound for a bright horizon that promises freedom, respect and dignity for every person in her land. On a shelf in President Chamorro's office is a plaque of a prayer she tries to live by. A prayer that, in fact, reminds me of her. The words are by St. Francis: "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred let me sow love. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. For it is in giving that we receive and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

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Dona Violeta, you are an instrument of peace. Through your goals of reconciliation and liberty, you bring vision to your nation, you bring hope to the world. And so may I ask that we rise and drink to the health -- Madam President, to your health and to that of your proud and courageous land. May God bless you.

(A toast is offered.) (Applause.)

PRESIDENT CHAMORRO: Please sit down. My dear friend, President of the United States of America Mr. George Bush; her excellency, Mrs. Barbara Bush; ladies and gentlemen. Through an impressive worldwide plebiscite, the 20th century has taught us that one cannot build paradise by oppressing men and women. If there is to be happiness on Earth, there must first be liberty.

For almost a century Nicaragua has struggled against dictatorships and militarism. It has fought for that sacred principle that gives men and women dignity and rights. Nicaragua has recovered its democracy. And I believe that we must complement this victory by reestablishing ties and a relationship with the nation that is the leader of democracy.

I am sure that you, my dear friend, Don George, who fought in World War II and lived through the horrors of war, share with me the anxious desire to banish violence. For it was violence that ended the life of my husband, Pedro Joaquin. I am sure that you share with me the desire to establish peace through dialogue as well as new social paths with all sectors of the population.

That is why, Mr. President, we are going to build the 21st century from the painful experiences of this century so full of war and hatred. Our American democracies should serve as an example to the rest of the world of countries that are good and true neighbors. In the Americas of the future, there should be no division because the Americas are now the continent of hope.

Before concluding, my dear friends; Mr. President, Don George, I would like to thank all of you for the warmth and kindness you've extended to me. I offer you my friendship. Wait.
(Laughter.)

Mr. President, I toast with you and with all of those present here to the permanent friendship between two democracies united by their common faith in liberty and the dignity of mankind. Thank you.

(A toast is offered.) (Applause.)

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