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P.A.S. Briefing

5/27/91

NAME OF WRITER :

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NAME OF RESEARCHER:

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SPEECH SYNOPSIS:

The President discusses the three themes of his domestic agenda: ① Economic Growth - which includes fast track procedures, national export initiatives; changes in banking laws; ② Investing in the future - which includes America 2000, National Energy Strategy; Highway Bill; ③ putting power back in the hands of individuals; communities. The President concludes by thanking the efforts toward these goals - pushing for further work.

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P.A.S. BRIEFING \ ROOM 450, OEOB  
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1991 \ 10:15 A.M.

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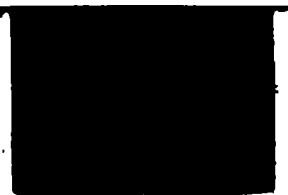
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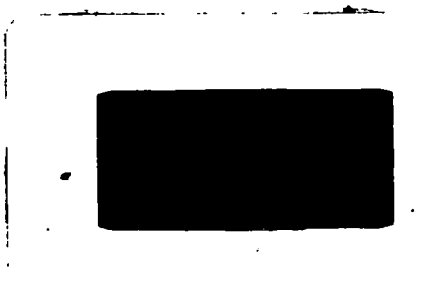
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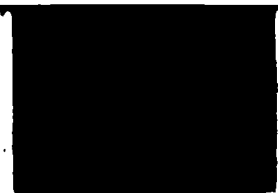
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DATE: 05/01/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 5:00 p.m. Friday 05/03

SUBJECT: TALKING POINTS: P.A.S. BRIEFING

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**REMARKS:**

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 05/03, with a copy to this office. Thanks.

**RESPONSE:**

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

(Lange/Simon)  
March 27, 1991  
4:30 P.M.  
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- \* [Admiral Watkins, Secretaries Mosbacher, Cheney... ]  
welcome, all.
  
- \* Want to begin by thanking you all for the truly outstanding  
job you've been doing -- within each one of your agencies  
and offices, and through remarkable cooperation.
  
- \* I've seen in this team an uncommon collegiality and  
confidence -- and a sense of mission that has served this  
country well, and made me proud to be your President.
  
- \* You all know how busy we've been, on the foreign policy  
front. If anyone is responsible for making real the ideal  
of a New World Order, it's all of you here today.
  
- \* More than protecting American interests -- more than merely  
asserting American influence -- you've been instrumental in  
maintaining American leadership, around the world.

- \* Because most of you spend your time thinking globally, I thought I'd offer a few thoughts about the domestic agenda.
  
- \* We've had a series of successes these past two years, working to re-orient government toward the needs of the people. It's been a quiet revolution, but significant:
  - we're giving greater choice to individuals, families, and communities: in child care, in environmental legislation, in the Americans with Disabilities Act, and a host of other domestic achievements.
  
  - we're putting the power of free wills and free markets to work, in everything from Clean Air compliance to public housing initiatives.
  
  - and we're beginning, after decades of hard experience, to turn back to states the programs they know best how to design and administer.
  
- \* I know John has outlined our major legislative initiatives, but I'd add a few impressions about the challenges ahead. Ours should rightly be considered a reform agenda -- putting power where it does the most good.

- \* We can no longer measure progress in terms of dollars spent and bureaucracies built. We want what works.
- \* Perhaps the most important outcome of the Gulf conflict has been the way it reaffirmed the virtues that have always been central to the American character: qualities like decency, honor, courage, compassion, ingenuity, determination -- the same qualities that motivate our efforts at home.
- \* After all, any real "domestic agenda" is about the people: helping them fulfill their aspirations -- not making them conform to bureaucratic mandates and abstract theories.
- \* That's why we're working for a job-generating economy, equality of opportunity, more widespread home ownership, thoughtful environmental stewardship, and programs that keep families healthy and together.
- \* We're determined to bring choice and quality to education -- and I understand Lamar Alexander has briefed you on the ambitious work he's doing, with our America 2000 Strategy.
- \* We're continuing to turn the tide on drugs -- clamping down on violent crime with tough crime control legislation. We can expect an uphill fight, getting the crime package we want from the Congress -- but this country needs it.

- \* Another battle is brewing over Fast Track Authority -- something you all recognize as crucial to our continued economic growth, and that of our neighbors. I'd emphasize that Fast Track is another way of saying "good faith" --- something I hope the Congress will bring to this debate.
  
- \* With our National Energy Strategy, we're working to reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Heard the criticisms about conservation -- but this is a strategy that, above all, won't compromise economic growth.
  
- \* Too many sense a schism between domestic and foreign policy. But in a world linked by trade, information, financial markets and geopolitics, domestic and foreign policy are inseparable. Both reflect the character, mission and will of America. Neither stands alone.
  
- \* That's why much of what we're doing heralds forward-looking, significant change: free trade; overhaul of outdated banking laws; Highway Bill. These initiatives will lay the foundation for the vibrant economy all Americans count on.
  
- \* And your efforts are crucial, in calling forth for all of America's efforts on the world stage the same qualities that succeeded so spectacularly in the Gulf.

- \* So let me thank you again, for the work you've been doing -- and encourage you in your efforts.
  
- \* I believe the nation will look back on these years, and say something significant happened here -- much of it due to a leadership that was able to work together, capably and well -- a committed and engaged executive branch, that put its faith in the people, and found its strength there.
  
- \* You all are doing a great job -- and we have great things to accomplish together. I thought it was important, today, to say thanks -- and keep up the terrific work.
  
- \* Interested in your thoughts, questions, suggestions...

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Talking Points: P.A.S. Briefing

We have reviewed the attached talking points for the P.A.S. briefing from a policy standpoint and have noted several suggestions on the draft.

The draft talking points already contain a large amount of interesting material. We feel they could be strengthened by reorganizing them along the central themes of the President's State of the Union Address. These three themes were: encouraging economic growth, investing in the future, and giving power and opportunity to individuals and communities.

Most of the material currently in the draft falls under one of these themes. For example, under encouraging economic growth, the key points could be securing an extension of fast track authority, controlling government spending, and encouraging savings and investment. Under investing in the future, the key points could be instilling excellence in education, revitalizing our transportation infrastructure, and enacting national energy legislation. Under giving power and opportunity to individuals and communities, the key points could be fighting crime and drugs and returning control of programs to State and local governments through the turnback proposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this draft. Please let us know if you have any questions or if we may help in any other way.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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THE PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

FACT SHEET

The President's 1991 State of the Union address discussed:

- A New World Order
- Preparing for the Next American Century
- The War in the Gulf

The President explained that he came to speak to the Congress and all Americans "certain that we stand at a defining hour."

I. A NEW WORLD ORDER

A. Peace and the Rule of Law

The President declared that what is at stake in the Persian Gulf is more than just the independence of Kuwait. It is a new world order where diverse nations are brought together to give permanence to the universal aspirations of mankind:

- Peace and security;
- Freedom; and
- The rule of law.

The world has "resisted the trap of appeasement, cynicism, and isolation" and is united in demanding Iraq's immediate and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait. We are working to achieve victory over tyranny and lawless aggression. America has "a unique responsibility to do the hard work of freedom."

## **B. Constructive Change**

The President noted that "the end of the Cold War has been a victory for all humanity...Germany is united. Europe has become whole and free -- and America's leadership was instrumental in making it possible."

## **C. U.S.-Soviet Relations**

The President stated that "our relationship with the Soviet Union is important, not only to us, but to the world." It has contributed to positive, historic change.

The President also noted that "like many other nations, we have been deeply concerned by the violence in the Baltics." The President stated that in discussions with the Soviet leadership "we have been given representations, which, if fulfilled, would result in the withdrawal of some Soviet forces, a reopening of dialogue with the Republics, and a move away from violence." We will watch carefully as the situation develops; we will also maintain our contacts with Soviet leaders to encourage democratization and reform.

## **II. PREPARING FOR THE NEXT AMERICAN CENTURY**

The President asserted that the spirit that is winning a victory for world peace and justice in the Persian Gulf is "the same spirit that gives us the power and the potential to meet our toughest challenges at home." The President called for "new initiative in government, in our communities, and from every American, to prepare for the next American century."

The President encouraged all Americans to join the "community of conscience", asserting that "we have within our reach the promise of a renewed America." He said "we can find meaning and reward by serving some purpose higher than ourselves."

The President called for "strengthening the power and freedom of choice of individuals and families." He declared that "the strength of a democracy is not in bureaucracy," but "in the people and their communities." The President called for the unleashing of "the potential of our most precious resource -- our citizens." This should be done by returning to "families, communities, counties, cities, states, and institutions of every kind, the power to chart their own destiny."

A. Encouraging Economic Growth

The President explained that he understands the genuine economic distress experienced by many Americans. He offered three reasons to be optimistic about the economy:

- Inflation is low;
- Inventories are low; and
- Exports are strong.

The President expressed confidence that "we will get this recession behind us, and return to growth -- soon."

Controlling Federal Spending and Enforcing the Budget Agreement

The President declared that strong economic growth requires control of Federal spending. He will transmit a budget that holds the growth in spending to less than the rate of inflation.

The budget agreement put the Federal government on a pay-as-you-go plan and cut the growth of debt by nearly \$500 billion.

Encouraging Savings and Investment

The President explained that the budget agreement helped free private funds for savings and job-creating investment.

In addition, the President announced that his budget again includes:

- Tax-free family savings accounts;
- Penalty-free withdrawals from IRAs for first-time home buyers; and
- A strengthened long-term capital gains incentive.

He also asked congressional leaders, the Administration, and the Federal Reserve to cooperate in a study, led by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, to reach technical agreement on the budgetary and other economic effects of a strengthened capital gains incentive.

**B. Investing in the Future**

The President said that we must match incentives for economic growth today with long-term investments for the next American century.

**Budget Priorities**

The President indicated that his FY 1992 budget priorities will include promoting investments in children, education, infrastructure, space, and high technology.

**Strengthening Education**

The President will propose a new Educational Excellence Act which contains strategic initiatives to improve the learning achievement of all Americans and to restructure the nation's educational system. Initiatives in the Educational Excellence Act will:

- Stimulate fundamental reform and restructure our education system through promoting educational choice and alternative certification for teachers and principals.
- Promote local control and innovation in education by providing increased flexibility in funding at the Federal and state levels in exchange for enhanced accountability.
- Assist educators in their mission to improve student performance by: rewarding schools that demonstrate improved achievement among students; rewarding excellent teachers; and providing innovation in training school administrators.
- Provide incentives to school districts to design and implement innovative approaches to mathematics and science education; enhance the endowments of Historically Black Colleges and Universities; and contribute to improving literacy.

### Strengthening Transportation Infrastructure

The President believes a strong highway system is a critical investment for our economic success. He indicated that he would shortly outline the details of a new National Highway System managed in partnership with the States.

### Enhancing Research and Development

To strengthen our research and development capability and economic competitiveness the President will propose:

- A record Federal budget commitment to science and expanding the frontiers of knowledge, including basic research and making government research more available to the private sector for speedier commercialization;
- Increased support for generic or enabling technologies at the pre-competitive stage of R&D in such areas as high-performance computing, new energy technologies, and advanced manufacturing and materials; and
- Making permanent the R&E tax credit.

### Reducing Energy Vulnerability

The President will soon present a comprehensive National Energy Strategy that calls for energy conservation and efficiency, increased domestic energy development, and greater use of alternative fuels. The elements of the strategy are designed to:

- Foster economic growth through the availability of ample supplies of reasonably priced energy;
- Enhance energy security by reducing vulnerability to oil disruptions; and
- Increase research and development of a wide range of promising energy technologies.

### Providing Financial Security

The President said that we will continue to make sure banks are safe, sound, and able to provide adequate credit

for job-creating loans for factories, businesses, and homebuyers.

He stated that "sound banks should be making more sound loans, now -- and interest rates should be lower, now."

The Treasury will shortly unveil a plan to bring America's financial system into the 21st century. The elements of the plan are designed to:

- Continue to protect the deposits of America's workers and savers;
- Assure the safety, soundness, and competitiveness of our financial institutions;
- Create a regulatory system that is strong, simple, and streamlined; and
- Move toward a deposit insurance fund that is well capitalized with industry funds.

#### Expanding World Trade

The President called for an expansion of world trade, to create new opportunities for U.S. exports, which have grown by 23 percent over the past two years to nearly \$400 billion. His priorities include:

- Strengthening and expanding the world trading system through the swift and successful completion of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations.
  - These negotiations aim to open markets worldwide, lower government subsidies and trade barriers that distort agricultural markets, and establish rules of fair play in areas vital to U.S. competitiveness -- such as services, agriculture, and high technology.
  - The lower trade barriers that would result from a successful Uruguay Round could increase world output by approximately \$5 trillion over the next ten years, and U.S. output by \$1 trillion.
- A U.S.- Mexico Free Trade Agreement (FTA), first endorsed by President Bush and Mexico's President Carlos Salinas de Gortari in June 1990.

- A comprehensive FTA would aim to eliminate barriers to trade in goods and services and investment between the United States and Mexico, as well as provide for the protection of intellectual property rights.
- It would free trade totalling \$59 billion between the two countries.
- The FTA might also include Canada, thus creating the world's largest market, with 360 million consumers and \$6 trillion in total output.

- Implementing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative, launched by President Bush last June.

- The President's initiative aims to spur economic growth and create jobs among the nations of the Western Hemisphere by removing barriers to trade and investment, and by reducing debt burdens.
- The initiative envisions the eventual development of a hemispheric zone of free trade.
- The United States has begun the process of opening markets to trade and investment with over a dozen countries in the region.
- The President will propose legislation to enable full implementation of the investment and debt reduction portions of the initiative.

- Export Promotion. The Administration will be taking quality and export programs to cities around the country, to make certain that more U.S. firms know the export potential of top quality goods and services.

C. Giving Power and Opportunity to the Individual

The President announced an action plan to "put more power and opportunity in the hands of the individual."

Creating Job Opportunities

The President called for new incentives to create jobs in our inner cities by encouraging investment through enterprise zones.

### Increasing Home Ownership

The President also called for increasing tenant ownership and control of public housing to help build the bonds of community in neighborhoods that need help.

### Fighting Discrimination

The President stated that "civil rights are also crucial to protecting equal opportunity." He called on all Americans to speak out against racism, bigotry, and hate.

The President indicated that "we will continue our vigorous enforcement of existing statutes," and promised to press the Congress again "to strengthen the laws against employment discrimination without resorting to the use of unfair preferences."

### Protecting People From Crime and Combatting Drug Abuse

The President described freedom from crime as a basic civil right and said that we must eradicate the fear that stalks our cities.

- He announced that the Attorney General will soon convene a Crime Summit of our nation's law enforcement officials.
- He called for prompt action on tough crime control legislation. The President will propose legislation that will include:
  - A meaningful Federal death penalty for the most heinous crimes with procedures to ensure its fair and colorblind application;
  - Habeas corpus reform to reduce unnecessarily repetitive appeals that clog the courts and delay justice;
  - Exclusionary rule reform to ensure that evidence gathered by law enforcement officials in a good faith belief that they are acting lawfully can be used to help courts establish the truth;
  - Provisions to strengthen Federal laws concerning the safety of women by modifying rules on the

admissibility of evidence in cases of sex crimes, enhancing penalties for the distribution of illegal drugs to pregnant women, increasing penalties for recidivist sex offenders, and offering greater protection for victims below the age of sixteen; and

- New authority to enhance international cooperation among law enforcement officials to combat international criminal activity, including international terrorism.

- The President noted that recent data shows we are making progress in reducing drug abuse, but that much remains to be done. The Administration will soon release the third edition of the National Drug Control Strategy.

This comprehensive strategy includes increased resources for drug prevention and education, treatment, law enforcement, and international initiatives.

#### Enhancing Good Health Through Prevention

The President stated that good health is every American's right and responsibility. He announced that he will propose an aggressive program of new prevention initiatives to promote a healthier America and to help control costs.

The initiatives are designed to make Americans of all ages healthier.

- Infant health will be improved through an initiative that targets cities with exceptionally high infant mortality rates;
- Children will benefit from large increases in immunization resources;
- Adults will benefit from new efforts to promote physical activity and reduce injury, reduce tobacco use, and implementation of a new program to detect breast and cervical cancer; and
- Elderly women will benefit from mammography services newly available to Medicare beneficiaries.

### Giving People More Choice in Government

The President urged "reviving the ideal of the citizen politician who comes not to stay, but to serve."

- He endorsed term limitations in order to reduce the influence of special interests.
- He also endorsed election reform -- total elimination of Political Action Committees -- as necessary to put more power in the hands of individuals.

### D. Moving Government Closer to the People

The President said that "where power cannot be put directly in the hands of the individual, it should be moved closer to the people -- away from Washington."

The President called for a more dynamic program life cycle.

- Some programs should increase;
- Some should decrease;
- Some should be terminated; and
- Some should be consolidated and turned over to the States.

The President's Budget includes a list of potential programs for turnover totalling more than \$20 billion. Working with the Governors and the Congress, the President proposed selecting at least \$15 billion in such programs and turning them over to the States in a single consolidated grant, fully funded, for flexible management by the States. This initiative will:

- Allow the Federal Government to reduce overhead;
- Allow States to manage more flexibly and efficiently;
- Move power and decision-making closer to the people; and
- Encourage the innovative power of "States as Laboratories."

### III. THE WAR IN THE GULF

#### A. The Heroism of Our Servicemen and Servicewomen

The President said that, in this defining hour for America and the world, "there is no one more devoted, more committed to the hard work of freedom than every soldier and sailor, every Marine, airman and Coastguardsman -- every man and woman now serving in the Persian Gulf." He stated that our commitment to them must match their commitment to their country.

#### B. We Are on Course

The President said that while we worked hard to avoid war, Saddam Hussein repeatedly rejected the path of diplomacy and peace. But we will prevail; we are on course. "Iraq's capacity to sustain war is being destroyed...Time will not be Saddam's salvation.

#### C. Objectives in the Gulf

The President reaffirmed our objectives:

- Drive Iraq from Kuwait. Iraq must comply with all relevant United Nations resolutions.
- Restore Kuwait's legitimate government. Kuwait will once again be free.
- Ensure stability and security in the Gulf region. It is our hope that Iraq will live as a peaceful and cooperative member of the family of nations.

The President stated that most Americans know instinctively why we are in the Gulf -- "we had to stop Saddam now, not later." The President noted the undeniable value of thoughtful dissent. The right to speak out "is one of the reasons we've been united in purpose and principle for 200 years."

#### D. Strategic Benefits of High Technology

The President observed that our progress in the Gulf is the result of using American technology and economic

strength to minimize the risk to human life. Our men and women have the best and deserve the best.

The President directed that the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) program be refocused on providing protection from limited ballistic missile strikes -- from whatever their source.

**E. The Unity of the International Community**

The President observed that for the first time in the post-war era, the international community is united. It has an opportunity to fulfill the long-held promise of a new world order -- where brutality goes unrewarded, and aggression meets collective resistance.

The President praised the courage and success of the pilots of the coalition countries and the leadership provided by the United Nations, an organization that is now confirming its founders' vision.

The President also commended our friends and allies who have provided the bulk of the financial costs of Desert Shield, and expressed confidence that they will similarly financially support Desert Storm.

**F. U.S. Determination is Great**

The President stated that Saddam will not benefit from targeting innocent civilians, from environmental terrorism, or by abusing POWs. We will succeed, and in the process send a powerful message to any dictator or despot who would follow Saddam's lead.

**G. The Special Role of U.S. Leadership**

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- \* Our domestic agenda works along three themes: encouraging economic growth, investing in the future, and putting power and opportunity in the hands of individuals and communities.
- \* A crucial element in our continued economic growth -- Fast Track Trade procedures: another way of saying "good faith" -- something I hope the Congress will bring to this debate. We're also proud of our National Export Initiatives -- and working for an overhaul of outdated banking laws. Laying the foundation for long-term, job-creating economic growth.

- \* Second theme on the domestic front, investing in the future, begins with our effort to instill excellence in American education -- America 2000 Strategy. And with our National Energy Strategy, we're working to reduce our vulnerability to disruptions in foreign oil supplies. Another, crucial investment for the future is our far-reaching Highway Bill.
  
- \* Third, we're giving greater power and choice to individuals, families, and communities: in child care, in environmental legislation, in the Americans with Disabilities Act, and a host of other domestic achievements.
  
- \* Beginning to turn back to states the programs they know best how to design and administer. Continuing to turn the tide on drugs -- clamping down on violent crime with tough crime control legislation.
  
- \* Too many sense a schism between domestic and foreign policy. But in a world linked by trade, information, financial markets and geopolitics, domestic and foreign policy are inseparable. Both reflect the character, mission and will of America. Neither stands alone.
  
- \* And your efforts are crucial, in calling forth for all of America's efforts on the world stage the same qualities that succeeded so spectacularly in the Gulf.

\* So let me thank you again, for the work you've been doing -- and encourage you in your efforts. You all are doing a great job -- and we have great things to accomplish together. I thought it was important, today, to say thanks -- and keep up the terrific work.

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