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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 6/11/91

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: WEDNESDAY 6/12/91 NOON

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RESPONSE:

MASTER

(Comments begin p. 3 ~)

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

Again, keep follow up
themes of America
whole + good. - Smith

(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
June 10, 1991 1 p.m.
SIMONW Station 170 AM 8

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*See one comment from Justice. Thanks.
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SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Simon Wiesenthal Center
Dinner Keynote

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Really solid remarks.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

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RESPONSE:

*Tony / Beth -
Great speech!*

Thanks JB 6/11

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
June 10, 1991 1 p.m.
SIMONW STATION ROOM AM 8:

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explain if you want.

Richard H.

(Hinchliffe/Blymire)
June 12, 1991 5 p.m.
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Secretary Baker has worked tirelessly to follow up, and direct negotiations between Israel and her neighbors no longer seem a distant dream. The process we have designed can promote peace -- but only if the parties in the region muster the political will to make peace happen. If they do, the issues that divide them will fall away -- and the Middle East at last can begin the journey toward peaceful coexistence.

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