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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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September 25, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Roemer Fundraiser

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

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RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

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A QUICK "HELLO" TO CONGRESSMEN JIM ^{de}CRERY + BOB
LIVINGSTON, [REDACTED]

I WAS DELIGHTED TO SEE A RED CARPET ROLLED OUT AT
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JIM MORA. // ACTUALLY, YOU'RE GETTING A PREVIEW OF
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Amb. + Mrs
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FIRST, LET'S LOOK ABROAD -- WHERE, MORE THAN EVER -- AMERICA REMAINS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. //

WHEN A DICTATOR CRUSHED HOPES FOR DEMOCRACY IN HIS HOMELAND AND ENDANGERED THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE -- WE HELPED THE PANAMANIAN PEOPLE RESTORE FREE ELECTIONS AND THE RULE OF LAW. //

WHEN A BRUTAL TYRANT INVADED AND PLUNDERED KUWAIT -- WE HELPED BUILD AN INTERNATIONAL COALITION THAT ROLLED BACK HIS AGGRESSION AND LIBERATED A LAND. //

LET ME SAY: THAT AGGRESSION WILL NOT STAND -- NOT LAST YEAR / NOT TODAY. //

AS COMMUNISM CRUMBLED, WE EXTENDED A HELPING HAND AND MADE IT CLEAR THAT AMERICANS WILL SUPPORT THOSE WHO PROMOTE DEMOCRACY, FREE ENTERPRISE, AND INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY. //

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OURS IS A CHANGING WORLD -- AND AMERICA IS HELPING CHANGE IT. / JUST LAST MONTH WHEN A COUP THREATENED THE CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY IN THE SOVIET UNION, WE STOOD FIRMLY ON THE SIDE OF FREEDOM. / AFTER THE COUP FAILED, BOTH BORIS YELTSIN AND MIKHAIL GORBACHEV CALLED ME TO SAY HOW CRUCIAL IT HAD BEEN TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. //

THESE SOVIET LEADERS, AS LINCOLN SAID, HAD THE COURAGE "TO THINK ANEW." /

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BECAUSE OF THAT -- AND BECAUSE OF AMERICA'S COMMITMENT TO VALUES PEOPLE RESPECT AROUND THE GLOBE -- AS YOU SAW FRIDAY NIGHT, WE ARE NOW ABLE TO TAKE DRAMATIC STEPS TO BUILD A FREER AND SAFER WORLD. //

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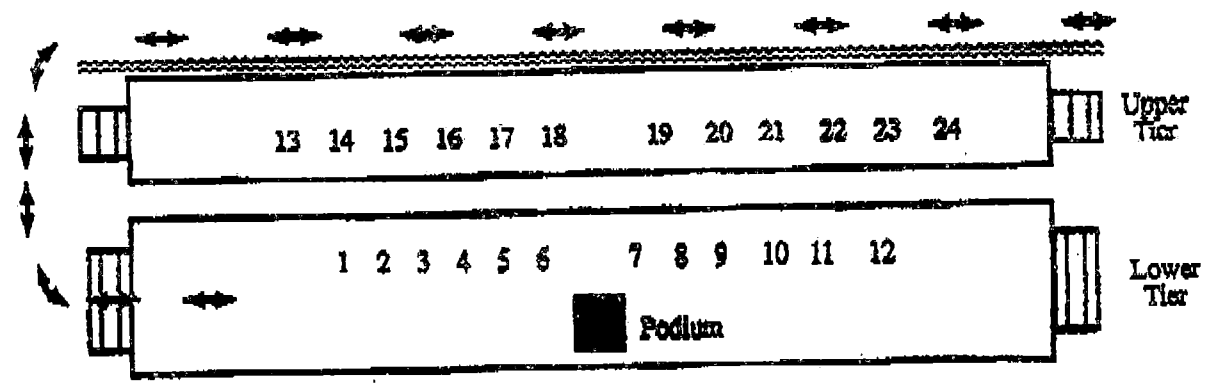
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CONVENTION, THIS TOWN REMINDS ME OF WINNING. // I HAVE
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REMIND ME ONCE AGAIN. //

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A QUICK "HELLO" TO CONGRESSMEN JIM CRERY, BOB
LIVINGSTON, AND RICHARD BAKER.

I WAS DELIGHTED TO SEE A RED CARPET ROLLED OUT AT
THE AIRPORT TO GREET ME. THEN, I FOUND OUT IT WAS FOR
JIM MORA. // ACTUALLY, YOU'RE GETTING A PREVIEW OF
WHAT A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION CAN DO FOR LOUISIANA.
// [[HOW 'BOUT THOSE SAINTS -- OFF TO THEIR FASTEST
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I'M PROUD TO BE HERE TO SHOW MY SUPPORT FOR MY LONG-TIME FRIEND BUDDY ROEMER. // AFTER ALL, BUDDY AND I HAVE A LOT IN COMMON: WE BOTH CAN BE A BIT STUBBORN / WE DON'T ALWAYS GET ALONG WITH THE LEGISLATURE / WE BOTH LIKE FISHING / WE BOTH LOVE TABASCO. / AND WE BOTH WANT TO SEE HIM RE-ELECTED GOVERNOR OF THIS STATE.

I SUPPORT BUDDY ROEMER AS A MAN WHO VALUES CONVICTION ABOVE CONSCIENCE -- WHO PUTS THE PEOPLE BEFORE THE POLITICIANS. //

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BUDDY WAS ELECTED IN TOUGH TIMES TO DO TOUGH WORK. NOW HE DESERVES RE-ELECTION TO FINISH THE JOB. HE SPOKE FOR MOST LOUISIANIANS WHEN HE SAID, "CHANGE AND PROGRESS DO NOT COME EASILY . . . THERE HAVE BEEN BATTLES WON AND BATTLES LOST . . . [BUT] WE WILL NOT GO BACK. / WE WILL NOT TURN BACK THE CLOCK. OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE CAN'T ENDURE IT; OUR CONSCIENCE WON'T ALLOW IT." //

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WHEN A DICTATOR CRUSHED HOPES FOR DEMOCRACY IN HIS HOMELAND AND ENDANGERED THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE -- WE HELPED THE PANAMANIAN PEOPLE RESTORE FREE ELECTIONS AND THE RULE OF LAW. //

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LET ME SAY: THAT AGGRESSION WILL NOT STAND -- NOT LAST YEAR / NOT TODAY. //

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OURS IS A CHANGING WORLD -- AND AMERICA IS HELPING CHANGE IT. / JUST LAST MONTH WHEN A COUP THREATENED THE CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY IN THE SOVIET UNION, WE STOOD FIRMLY ON THE SIDE OF FREEDOM. / AFTER THE COUP FAILED, BOTH BORIS YELTSIN AND MIKHAIL GORBACHEV CALLED ME TO SAY HOW CRUCIAL IT HAD BEEN TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. //

THESE SOVIET LEADERS, AS LINCOLN SAID, HAD THE COURAGE "TO THINK ANEW." /

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BECAUSE OF THAT -- AND BECAUSE OF AMERICA'S COMMITMENT TO VALUES PEOPLE RESPECT AROUND THE GLOBE -- AS YOU SAW FRIDAY NIGHT, WE ARE NOW ABLE TO TAKE DRAMATIC STEPS TO BUILD A FREER AND SAFER WORLD. //

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