

Originally Processed With FOIA(s):

S

FOIA Number:

S

# FOIA MARKER

**This is not a textual record. This is used as an administrative marker by the George Bush Presidential Library Staff.**

---

**Record Group/Collection:** George H.W. Bush Presidential Records  
**Collection/Office of Origin:** Speechwriting, White House Office of  
**Series:** Speech File Draft Files  
**Subseries:** Chron File, 1989-1993

---

**OA/ID Number:** 13586  
**Folder ID Number:** 13586-011

---

**Folder Title:**  
Bush-Quayle Fundraising Dinner 10/31/91 [OA 6038] [1]

---

Stack:	Row:	Section:	Shelf:	Position:
<b>G</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>

---

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary  
(Houston, Texas)

For Immediate Release

October 31, 1991

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
AND THE VICE PRESIDENT  
AT BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

Sheraton Astrodome Hotel  
Houston, Texas

9:25 P.M. CST

THE VICE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Phil. Mr. President, Barbara, Marilyn, distinguished head table, ladies and gentlemen. Let me just go on the record once again and to tell all of you people of Texas what you already know -- Phil Gramm is one of the best United States senators in the entire country. (Applause.)

And what a tremendous honor for Marilyn and me to be back in Houston, Texas -- the home of the 41st President of the United States of America. (Applause.) And after speaking to all of those lawyers -- (laughter) -- several weeks ago, I'm delighted to be among friends. (Laughter and applause.) Since I'm a lawyer and Marilyn's a lawyer, we know it's tough to be a lawyer. (Laughter.) After all, when a lawyer states his or her position, no matter how right he may be, the other party always finds fault with everything he says. And, believe it or not, lawyers are often criticized by the press. (Laughter.)

At times, you'd think there's even a feeding frenzy against lawyers. They're subjected to ridicule, lawyer-bashing, and even lawyer jokes. I sure hope something like that never happens to me. (Laughter and applause.)

For almost three years now, I've had the opportunity to work side-by-side with our great President. History judges presidents on the decisions they make. I might also add that history does, and should, judge presidents on how they make those decisions. I have had the opportunity to see from close range how this President faces the tough choices every day. He does it calmly, carefully, thoughtfully and, yes, at times prayerfully.

I've seen him search long and hard for the right answers to the difficult challenges that face our country. For President George Bush, the question at the beginning of the day and at the end of the day is what will serve the best interests of America and her people?

The most dramatic moment perhaps came last January when the President made the decision that Saddam Hussein would have to be expelled from Kuwait by force. Our President gave Saddam every opportunity to leave. But the dictator of Iraq thought the President and the coalition that he had put together lacked the political will to do what had to be done.

Well, our President, your friend and neighbor, did what was right. Because in his heart and in his mind, he knew what was right. He knows that honor, decency and service aren't just words, they're a way of life. George Bush's way of life.

And to know the President is also to know his wonderful family. Barbara, the children, the grandchildren and, of course, Millie and Ranger -- (laughter) -- but you and I know that the George

MORE

Bush family extends to all of us in this room tonight. And let me just say this: On behalf of millions in our country, we are proud of our great First Family. (Applause.)

Speaking of being proud, let me just say how proud I am of my partner for nearly 19 years. She's involved herself in disaster preparedness around the world and, yes, she's done a tremendous service for women of America in her crusade against the dreaded disease of breast cancer. Thank you, Marilyn. (Applause.)

Two of my favorite historians, Will and Ariel Durant, once said that, "the family is the nucleus of civilization." The last three decades have been tough on the American family. Today, almost 25 percent of America's kids live with just one parent; 15 million children do not have a father in the home. And just about every social problem you can think of is somehow related to the breakdown of the family.

Now, we can talk all we want about what government should or should not do when it comes to the American family. But one thing is certain: Values mean something. Real life means something. Because there is no substitute for role models. And in their togetherness and their values, the Bush family is an example for all Americans to follow. (Applause.)

Behind the scenes, the picture is the same. A family deeply committed to one another. I can recall the number of times when the President interrupted important meetings to take a call from his wife, his daughter, or from one of his sons. His devotion to family is one of the many reasons that people look up to him.

Tonight, we are the George Bush political family, and proud of it. A family united because of our belief in many of the same principles and ideas. And ideas are important. Ideas are powerful. And one idea that you and I agree on, Mr. President, is the need to limit the terms of members of Congress. (Applause.)

And let me say this: If Ronald Reagan was limited to two terms, and if you, Mr. President, are limited to two terms in office, then surely for the good of the country, the Senate careers of Howard Metzenbaum and Ted Kennedy should be limited to two terms. (Applause.)

Our President is a global statesman; one who yearns for peace, works for peace and knows how to bring about peace. The mere mention of his name evokes trust, respect and love. I've seen it time and time again: President George Bush simply brings out the best in the American people. He is, as you well know, one of the most decent people you will ever meet. He has a steady inner compass that tells him what is fair and what is right. And when he knows what is right for his country, he is absolutely determined to achieve it.

Ladies and gentlemen, like all of you, I am proud to say that George Bush is our President. But it makes me even more proud to call him a very special friend.

Thank you very much. Good night, and God bless you. (Applause.)

\* \* \* \* \*

THE PRESIDENT: Please be seated. And, Bob, thank you. Thank you for the superior and wonderful job you've done. You know, this is the very first event for the Bush-Quayle fundraising effort. And we wanted to start amongst friends, and we wanted to get somebody good, somebody effective to head this dinner. And I can't think of anybody better than Bob Cruikshank and all those up here and all

MORE

those out there that have come through. It is a wonderful beginning, and I'm grateful -- and I know Dan is -- to every single one of you.

I want to thank my Vice President, your Vice President and his marvelous wife, Marilyn. I can't begin to tell you of all the things he does. But I think the country now sees his substance and his value, and it's something I see every single day that I'm President as we take on a Congress that, frankly, needs a little leadership up there. I've heard him take the gloves off a little bit there, and that's fine. That suits the heck out of me. (Applause.)

I also want to say to Bob Mosbacher how grateful I am to have him at my side. I know all of you know him -- everybody in this room knows him as a friend. But I know him not just as a friend of longstanding, but as an effective member of our Cabinet. And I can tell you, he is out there -- domestically and around the world promoting the American free enterprise system, looking after the interests of American investment, American jobs, here and abroad.

And, Bob, I'm very grateful to you.

May I also thank Bobby Holt. Yes, Midland's out there somewhere. (Laughter.) Holt is everywhere, and he's doing a wonderful job as our Chairman, our National Chairman, taking the role the Bob Mosbacher has so successfully filled for us in the previous campaign.

Senator Phil Gramm -- I agree with everything Dan Quayle said about him. I see him in action. And I'll tell you -- when you have the minority in the Senate, when you have to play defense because of the numbers, you want a tenacious bulldog, free thinker, enterprising senator at your side like Phil Gramm. I'm grateful to him every single day that I'm President. (Applause.)

I want to thank Willie Alexander for being with us, and Reverend Claude Payne, my pastor; Milo Hamilton, of course; and then the Aggies -- the Texas A&M Singing Cadets. I don't know how they can still stay standing. (Applause.) This is about a 45-minute speech. Let's see how they do at the end of this one. (Laughter.)

It's great to be back. Milo, one slight correction -- you said I said, "There's so-and-so." I was looking at Red Adair, and I said, "There's that so-and-so." (Laughter.)

You know, coming back here really does take you back in a sense to roots. I first became active in politics out in Odessa and Midland in '52 when I headed the Eisenhower-Nixon campaign, Barbara at my side. In '56, the same role. I think it was in that year that she and I conducted the very first primary that was ever held in Midland, Texas. Three people -- some of you have heard this story; it happens to be true -- three people voted all day in that precinct: Barbara, me, and one drunk that thought he was going to the Democratic precinct. (Laughter.) And that's the gospel truth. (Laughter.)

Then, I came down here to Texas, and early in the '60s I became Harris County Republican Chairman. There, I think more than anyplace, Barbara and I first got a taste of what was to become a way of life for us. The party was small -- very, very small in those days. And yet, the ideals and the ideas were sound. Fiscal sanity, people controlling their own destinies more; limited government; trust in the people; a compassionate, fair government; strong defense; a country not afraid to lead. Those were some of the things that brought us together in this tiny party matrix 30 years ago in Harris County. And I must say, those are the same ideals that both Dan and I have -- the same ideas that we believe in. Thirty years later, I still feel strongly about those principles and other fundamental principles that join us here tonight.

MORE

Lately, the opposition up there in Washington says we don't have an agenda. But I've noticed that their agenda for Congress is stopping our agenda for America. They are old thinkers, tired, old ideas, and all they want to do is block the agenda that I was elected to perform on by the American people, and I'm a little tired of it. (Applause.) You work your heart out for new ideas in trying to bring new systems to this country, and you face the old -- same old tired liberal cliches in Washington, D.C. We are pro-growth, we are pro-family, we are a pro-freedom agenda, and that is our agenda -- to build a better America. And I wish we had more people in the Senate like Phil Gramm and we'd be singing swiftly ahead, I'll tell you. (Applause.)

I was privileged to work with my dear friend, Hugh Liedtke, and others in starting two or three very small companies here in Texas. And I never forgot, and I never will forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's one reason that, for over the last three years, I've fought against policies that would drive small business into the ground -- through government mandates.

Every time you turn around, you've got some subcommittee chairman that's been there 30 years trying to mandate new benefits and tell some guy in Midland or Odessa how to run his life. And we're sick and tired of it. And next year, we're going to change it. (Applause.)

Dan Quayle has a committee trying to do something about overregulation. And you ought to hear them squirming over there in the House of Representatives, refusing to let him get his job done because they're thinking old, tired thoughts that the federal government ought to regulate every inch of your life. And we're tired of that one, too. (Applause.)

Look, I'll be the first to agree we need economic growth in this country. But we can't get it if Congress keeps piling on mandated benefits. Wonderful new programs designed by a subcommittee chairman in Washington, D.C., telling everybody exactly how they're going to take their leave, what they're going to do about helping people in their neighborhoods. This isn't the way America ought to be operating. I have this wonderful sense that -- I get frustrated at times, but I've got this wonderful sense that we can change that next year by taking our message that the Congress has been around there too darn long, controlled by the same party, and it's time to change it. (Applause.)

Let me give you an example. I'm just getting warmed up because I heard George Mitchell on the television a few minutes ago. Now, let me tell you something here. (Laughter.) Let me talk to you about an issue. I don't think there is anybody in this country, any fair-minded man or woman who doesn't sympathize with someone who wants to work and is out of work. It's very easy to demagogue on this issue. Nobody who has one grain of compassion likes to veto an unemployment compensation bill. But someone -- and I think I was the one elected to do this -- must consider the welfare of all the people in this country.

So let me tell you what my position is on this unemployment compensation. Number one: I want to see the Democrats in the Senate lay politics aside and help those whose unemployment benefits have run out. Families are hurting out there. And I've said for months that I want to help them.

Secondly, I want a bill that, in helping them, does not burden every single taxpayer in this country -- those that are working and those that aren't working. I don't want to see the budget agreement that Phil Gramm and others worked so hard to get into place, the spending caps on it -- the only control that you as taxpayers have on a spendthrift Congress -- I don't want to see it

broken. And the only safeguard we have against more and more spending is that budget agreement.

Every time I turn around, the liberal Democrats want to bust the agreement. That would add to the deficit and eventually add to the tax burden of present generations and the debt burden of future generations.

Number three on this same subject -- we have a proposal before the Congress that extends benefits. It lays aside all this political rhetoric that you hear from these Democrats and gets the checks in the mail to those families that are hurting and does it within the budget agreement. Bob Dole proposed that weeks ago. But the Democrats want to ram it down my ear in a political victory, and I'm going to veto their bill if they send it down in a way that's going to bust this budget again. Now, they can mark that one down. (Applause.)

I think it's a crying shame to play politics when people are hurting in this country. I really believe that. And they can get a bill signed by me tomorrow if they get going and send something down that lives within the budget agreement that we all agreed to, that they themselves agreed to. You tell me who's playing politics with that issue when people are hurting in this country.

It's not all negative. At times, we're able to persuade -- I remember how Lyndon used to talk: "Come reason with me." Wrench the guy's arm out of his socket. (Laughter.) And he was working with control of both Houses of the Congress. I don't know how he'd do it today.

But sometimes we are able to persuade the opposition to cooperate, to join with us. I've reached out to the Congress. I don't believe there's a person in America that thinks I haven't reached out to the Congress -- not always in a kind and gentle way, but always reached out to the Congress, trying to get something done for the American people and do it in a manner I was elected to do it. I was the one that was elected -- Dan Quayle and I were the ones that were elected by all the people in this country. And the senators have their responsibilities -- of course, they do. But I think I have a responsibility to perform on what I told the people three years ago that I would do.

We did get the Clean Air Act through -- compromise. Good, fair negotiation with the Democrats, amendments that employ free-market incentives and really do help the environment. We advanced the cause of property rights and home ownership with this HOPE, this home ownership initiative. We've broken down the barriers to employment of 43 million Americans with our landmark Americans with Disabilities Act, which I was very proud -- emotional in signing last year on the South Lawn of the White House.

Other times we can do some positive things on our own. Just last week, I signed an executive order to take the first steps in reforming our legal system. Dan Quayle's committee came up with some very sound recommendations, and I was proud to incorporate them into an executive order. We're trying, frankly, to put an end to some of these outrageous lawsuits and monstrous settlements that scare every small businessman, every doctor and everybody else in this country to death. (Applause.)

There's only so much of it we can do with executive order. We need liability reform legislation. And yet, that legislation is bottled up by these people I'm saying tonight are old thinkers. They just don't want to take on the pressure groups, the lobbies, the tough constituents that come together and try to get for the few that which the many are denied.

MORE

Americans want liability reform. And I'd like to see the Congress move out now and do something about it. Dan Quayle has been out there on the cutting edge of this, and I am 100-percent behind him.

And I might say that he's touched -- he referred to it -- touched a sore spot with some of the members of the ABA, the American Bar Association, when he called for legal reform. But he touched a nerve with a whole lot more everyday Americans who just plain stood up and cheered. He's done a great job on it, and I am very proud to have him by my side on this issue and all the other issues we're talking about here tonight. (Applause.)

The Senate did a good job in a bipartisan manner on the crime bill. But then it goes over to the House, and some of these old thinkers I'm telling you about are denying the changes that the American people so clearly spoke about in the presidential elections of 1988. We've got -- you talk about these incentives to get jobs -- we've got some incentive in a transportation bill -- a job-heavy transportation bill, and yet, a good one. We beat back some bad legislation. We've got a good one there.

In the State of the Union message, I said to Congress, hey, how about passing a transportation bill in 100 days? That was 241 days ago and they haven't got it down to my desk to be signed yet. I think the people are tired of this kind of old thinking, old politics.

One area where we don't need a lot of legislation -- need some, but not a lot -- is in education. We have an initiative called America 2000 -- a concept designed to literally revolutionize our schools.

Lamar Alexander, David Kearns, coming together as a fantastic team there, rethinking -- working with governors, Democrats, Republicans alike, to redefine what we need to achieve educational excellence.

And you talk about an exciting concept, one that's gathering momentum and excitement around the country, it's that one. And fortunately, we don't need a lot of legislation because one of the key education committees that you have to go to is tired -- think how much money are we going to spend for this; how much money are we going to spend for that -- programs that have failed.

It's not a question of money. It's not a question of that. We spent \$190 billion in 1980 on education; we spend \$400 billion today, and we're way back in the tail end of education around the world. It isn't good enough. And we've got to think anew. Give me more senators like Phil and give me more congressmen like Bill Archer, and by golly, you'll see the change in education that the American people want. (Applause.)

You hear about consumer confidence. Yes, there's a lack of confidence. And one thing that would change it right now is sound, forward-looking banking reform legislation. And we've got those proposals, and they've been gutted by partisan infighting. How I long for a Congress where we can at least take the offense on these important issues.

One subject that many of you know an awful lot about in this room -- a national energy strategy. We need that from the Congress. It would mean jobs, it would mean increased production, and it would mean less dependence on foreign oil for our energy requirements.

And I am going to continue to support environmentally responsive access to ANWR, the Alaskan Refuge, for energy production. We need it. And if you're worried about caribou, take a look at the

arguments that were used about the pipeline. They'd say the caribou would be extinct. You've got to shake them away with a stick; they're all making love lying up against the pipeline. And you've got thousands of caribou up there. (Applause.) And yet the same voices, the same voices are arguing against ANWR today. I mean, come on. (Laughter and applause.)

I want to see us reduce our reliance on foreign oil, and we can if we pass an energy bill, one like the one that came out of Senator Bennett Johnston's -- good Democrat on this issue -- and Senator Malcolm Wallop -- came out of their committee.

You know, we hear a lot about economic growth. I've called for economic growth initiatives in three State of the Union messages, and a part of that -- one part of the economic growth was a capital gains tax cut. So what happens in Washington, D.C.? They jump up and down and scream, "this is a tax cut for the rich." Let me tell you, I'll make them a proposal right here tonight. I will take all the political heat that they can muster. Whatever country, however much demagoguery they can bring to bear on that issue, I'll take that heat if they will give this capital gains cut a chance. Because it will create jobs and get America back to work again. And it is not a tax cut for the rich -- (applause.) It is a jobs measure -- a small-business-creation measure -- a shot-in-the-arm-for-a-sluggish-economy measure.

History has already shown that it does not add to the deficit. The Treasury scores it as a plus, not a minus. It reduces the deficit. So let the opposition carry on all they want. We've all heard it before -- good heavens, I'm 67, I've heard it for a thousand years -- "tax cut for the rich, breaks for the rich." Let's try something a little bit different than the mandated programs from Washington that offer people a lack of dignity and a lack of hope. And in the meantime, give the Americans a break, give them some jobs. Get going with our motivation package.

Finally, it's time we got around to -- rid of a practice where a privileged few stand outside the law -- where attending to the national interest takes a back seat to serving the special interests. And very frankly, it's time that the United States Congress started following the laws it imposes on every citizen in this country. (Applause.)

I gave the Congress a gentle nudge on this the other day, pointing out that with all the pious cries during those Thomas hearings, Congress -- now, get this -- has exempted itself from sexual harassment laws. Word of honor. Yesterday the Senate did take one step to put itself under the same laws that the rest of the people have to obey. But that's just not enough. It's time that those who make the laws, live by the laws that they make others live by. Now, that is fair play, and it's long overdue. (Applause.)

And speaking of Clarence Thomas, I am delighted that he's on the Supreme Court. Men supported him overwhelmingly. Women supported him overwhelmingly. Blacks supported him overwhelmingly. But the liberals in the Senate didn't support him at all. And I'm glad that the people won out on that one. (Applause.)

When I hear the critics in Congress arguing about our priorities -- foreign policy or domestic policy -- I wonder where their priorities are. The "global marketplace" isn't off in Europe or Asia or in Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, in our businesses, in our schools. Take a look at our North American Free Trade Agreement. It will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade.

We're not doing this to be nice to Mexico, we're doing it because it is in the best interest of the workers and the people of the United States of America. Every billion dollars in new trade

means 20,000 more jobs. A better-educated work force means higher quality products, which means more economic growth. The cycle continues -- and growth means more jobs, more opportunity for everyone.

But the world beyond our borders affects us in other ways, and we've got to make a choice: do we meet its challenges, or do we fall behind?

And, yes, since I've been President, we have been called upon to meet one crucial challenge after another. And meet them we did -- each and every one. From Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, to dealing with the Soviet Union as history unfolds before your very eyes -- in all of these, it is America that stands as a beacon of freedom throughout the world. And our prestige around the world has never been higher than it is today. (Applause.)

I'm still on Madrid daylight saving, or something; my eyes kind of -- because yesterday I was in Madrid, and I helped open that Middle East peace conference in Madrid. But over there, I made a terrible mistake. I flipped on CNN -- and I say that with respect to CNN guys down here, but I turned it on and I saw one of the Democrat leaders, one of the elected Democrat leaders in the House of Representatives attack me for being at that historic conference. I could not believe the small-bore nature of that partisan criticism. Here you have a historic peace conference. You're bringing together people that have been hostile and wouldn't even have been in the same room at any time in their history. And this guy gets on and says I shouldn't be in Madrid for 36 hours.

Come on. We have a responsibility here. I have a responsibility to lead and I'm not going to let Democratic, liberal carping keep me from leading. (Applause.)

If I had to get -- let me put it to you so you can understand it. Let me put it in Red Adair's terms -- "If I'd have had to let Ted Kennedy tell me whether I could move a quarter-of-a-million troops to the Middle East or let Schwarzkopf move from St. Petersburg or Tampa to Saudi Arabia, Schwarzkopf would still be there; the troops would still be there; and Saddam Hussein would still be in Kuwait, maybe moving into Saudi Arabia. That's what was at stake. And thank God, I didn't have to listen to these carpers telling me how to run that war. (Applause.)

I'm getting warmed up for next year. (Laughter.) I told them I was not going to do this until about March or April of next year. (Laughter.) But they get under your skin for a while. I've reached out to this Congress. (Laughter.) I really have tried. And I'm getting sick and tired, as the Congress winds up, of this partisan, liberal criticism. I can't wait now to roll up my sleeves and become a candidate. (Laughter and applause.)

My point is simply this: We live in an integrated world. And in that world, you can't neatly divide foreign policy from domestic policy. When I talk with foreign leaders about new markets for American products, is it foreign policy or domestic? When I meet with groups of Latin American leaders, as I did in Cartagena, to help try to keep drugs out of America's schools and neighborhoods, is that foreign policy or is that domestic policy? When Desert Storm reignited Americans' faith in themselves, was that just foreign policy?

No. It demonstrated our special role as the world's preeminent moral, political, economic and military power. The pride that we felt in our fighting men and women -- and in ourselves -- shouldn't be trivialized as something "foreign."

Anyone who says we should retreat into an isolationistic cocoon is living in the last century -- when we should be focusing on

the next century and the life that our kids can have in that next century. They should know that America's destiny has always been to lead. And if I have anything to do with it, lead we will.  
(Applause.)

I'll tell you, yes, there are plenty of real problems out there all across our country. They're human problems where real people, real lives are at stake. Dan talked about the family. Where families are ripped asunder. Tons of problems out there. But we are going to prevail because I firmly believe that the American spirit is alive and well.

In Texas or in Washington, I know we'll keep up the fight. And we will hold as our banner the frontier resolve and the common-sense ideals of those early Texans who built our great state. I am absolutely convinced, no matter what the obstacles we face in a partisan nature, that we can do something for the kids, that we can build a better America.

So I want to thank you for being here with us tonight. It means a great deal, in many, many more ways than I can possibly tell you, for Barbara and me to start this journey -- this fundraising journey right here where we feel, what Bob talked about, a sense of love and warmth and friendship. That means an awful lot, whether you're President of the United States or still living around the corner.

Thank you and God bless each and every one of you.  
Thank you very much. (Applause.)

END

10:10 P.M. CST

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

91 OCT 30 P3:17

DATE: 10/29/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

SUBJECT: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	McBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

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

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 29, 1991

01 OCT 29 P4: 58

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:           DAVID DEMAREST  
                    TONY SNOW *TS*

FROM:               MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*

SUBJECT:            BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
                    HOUSTON, TEXAS

I. SUMMARY

Attached for your review are draft remarks for the Bush-Quayle fundraising dinner in Houston on Thursday, October 31 at 9:20 p.m. You will be addressing an audience of approximately 1,300 supporters in the Sam Houston Ballroom of the Sheraton Astrodome. Vice President Quayle will speak before you; Senator Gramm will be present but will not address the crowd.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (12 minutes/cards) begin with memories of your early days in politics. You then discuss the principles and policies guiding you as President, and your agenda for the future.

Acknowledgements include only those persons at the head table. There is also a reference to the huge "Bush-Quayle" banner which will be lowered from above as you arrive onstage. The Texas A&M Cadets will be playing, and Clint Black is tentatively scheduled to perform after your speech. [Clint Black reportedly has not been heard from since marrying Lisa Hartman last week.]

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft three  
October 29, 1991

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.**

Thank you, Bob [Cruikshank.] A special note of thanks to our Vice President, Dan Quayle, and his wife Marilyn. /// Hello to Bobby Holt; Senator and Mrs. Gramm; everyone, thank you. It's always great to be back in Houston and to see so many good friends. ((With a welcome like that, I had to check that banner behind me and see if it said "Warren Moon in '92." // ))

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct, eating chicken-fried steak ... shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Texarkana to El Paso. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office

in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, **Senator John Tower.** //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I started talking over the idea with close friends -- many of them Democrats. The advice they gave me was predictable in those days -- if I was serious, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// Saying no was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the leadership of John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic nonsense with down-home common sense -- and with the help of many good Texans -- in particular, with the help of all of you here tonight -- **we launched a Republican revolution.**//

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked, I saw Texans ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and achieve it. I saw Texans who believed in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being -- Texans committed to keeping America strong and proud.

I found that these ideals weren't just the ideals of Texans. They were the ideals of America. All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. And tonight, all of us are here because these ideals define our Party -- the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda for Congress is stopping our agenda for America. Well, if you ask me, there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about our priorities -- foreign policy or domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? To me, both at home and abroad -- American interests are the same: excellence, competitiveness, and strength. The "global marketplace" isn't just somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. For example, look no further than our North American Free Trade Agreement. It will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- every billion dollars in new trade means 20,000 more jobs. And a better-educated workforce means higher quality products ... which in turn means more economic growth. The cycle continues -- growth means more jobs and more opportunity for everyone.

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last

three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through government-mandated policies and costly over-regulation that defy common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of government checks we can authorize -- I measure it in the number of jobs that create paychecks for American workers. And until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs, I'll keep fighting that anti-job crowd. // Regardless of what the other Party may say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. ////

The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we have been forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. With more Republicans, we can enact more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House or the Senate, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to cooperate -- to join with us to enact sound legislation. We pushed through the historic **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ

free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. We advanced the cause of property rights and home ownership with our unique HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing -- and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by 1992. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, increase economic growth, invest in our future and enhance opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. // Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress in education with our "America 2000" initiative seeking safe and decent schools, world-class education standards, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and succeed -- in the global arena. We're still waiting for our National Energy Strategy from the Congress, which could mean jobs and increased production here in Texas. We've sent economic growth initiatives to the Congress three times in three years. // Well, three strikes -- you're out. // It's time for a new Congress -- a Republican Congress. //

Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of

entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream and create jobs. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did** -- each and every one. From Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.** //

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth.** /// But we can become even more. Whether you're talking about global competition or a political campaign, we have no margin for overconfidence and complacency. As Darryl Royal would say: **Always compete as if you're seven points down.**

In Texas or in Washington, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America.** //

Thank you for being here tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

91 OCT 28 A 8:38

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

*-MASTER-*

RESPONSE:

*SEE Kaufman's comments*

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Quayle ↘  
Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. ~~What~~ a pleasure *It's always (BT)* ✓  
~~it is~~ to be back in ~~Houston~~, and to see so many good friends. *the Lone Star State (BT)*

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I  
remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris  
County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first  
taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands  
and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon  
precinct to precinct ... eating *delicious (BT)* chicken-fried steak and giving *X*  
speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during  
my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used  
to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd  
hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress.  
Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you  
remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the  
Rio Grande, from *Texarkana to El Paso (Green)* *Wichita Falls to Beville.* Those days, the only ✓  
thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party.  
In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office  
in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend  
to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense, -- by the numbers. <sup>(or)</sup> But I think X everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the <sup>leadership (Green)</sup> ~~help~~ of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, ✓ our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. **And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //**

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: <sup>X What world (BT)</sup> What world are they living in? <sup>at (Green) ✓</sup> You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength.** For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools.** Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that <sup>20</sup> **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher <sup>export-related (LCA)</sup> the quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see.   
*It's simple, at best for Republicans to understand. (BT) X*  
**Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave <sup>policies (Porter) ✓</sup> benefits, <sup>mandated health (Porter) ✓</sup> ~~unreasonable~~ <sup>excessive (Porter) ✓</sup> unemployment benefits, ~~outrageous~~ tax burdens, and <sup>unnecessary (Porter) X</sup> government ~~over~~ regulation that defies common sense. Let the <sup>government (Green) ✓</sup> other Party measure success by the number of <sup>unemployment checks</sup> -- <sup>We (Porter) ✓</sup> ~~X~~ measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and <sup>allow (Cawser) ✓</sup> let them

*These refs. seem very insensitive in a state w/ high unemployment -- especially when POTUS has said he'd like to sign extension of unemploy. benefits if they are paid for. (Green)*

keep their dignity. And ~~I'll~~ <sup>4</sup> keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party ~~has to~~ <sup>may (Porter)</sup> say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America. (Peace in Middle East) - Smith X

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**.

That's why, time and again, we ~~were~~ <sup>have been - counsel</sup> forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. ~~If we had more Republicans, we <sup>can (Porter)</sup> could~~ <sup>With (Porter)</sup> ~~have enacted~~ <sup>[bad] - counsel</sup> more of our agenda for freedom, justice and

opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, we need more Republicans. <sup>Is this gratuitous that really helpful? There won't be another Gov.</sup>

~~At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push <sup>the historic (BT) B yrs.</sup> ~~sound legislation~~ through the process. We enacted <sup>I'd prefer a Tx race that's up this year.</sup> Clean Air Act amendments that employ free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. <sup>advanced the cause (Porter)</sup> We ~~were able to stand on the side of~~ <sup>unique (BT)</sup> property rights and home ownership with our HOPE initiative. <sup>Rail Road Commissioner (Green)</sup>~~

HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I <sup>proudly (PT)</sup> signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, <sup>increase (Porter)</sup> ~~enhance~~ economic growth, invest in our future and <sup>enhance (Porter)</sup> ~~increase~~ opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "**Mission defined. // Mission accomplished.**" ///

We still need our <sup>comprehensive (Porter)</sup> ~~tough-crime~~ bill from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform** proposals. We're making progress with our "**America 2000**" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena**. We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream <sup>and to create jobs (Porter)</sup>. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

✓  
MUST ANNOUNCE NES (SMITH)  
MUST DISCUSS NES in HOUSTON

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is ~~simply~~ <sup>(Porter)</sup> the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth.** /// But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America.** //

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

Kauffman's  
Comments

\* Mention D. Quayle  
(McClure)

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.**

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- [<sup>X move to A</sup>((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them))] -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, **Senator John Tower.** //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

<sup>(A) and</sup> With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength.** For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools.** Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through <sup>government intervention: (McClure)</sup> mandated leave benefits, <sup>omit</sup> [unreasonable unemployment benefits], outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**.

That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

negotiate  
a few  
vetoes

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, <sup>(McClure)</sup> which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. Mission accomplished."** ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform** proposals. We're making progress with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena.** We've sent an **economic growth package** <sup>initiatives (McClure)</sup> to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

\* Take credit for new civil Rights  
 X Package = inside complex phrase

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft four  
October 30, 1991

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.**

Thank you, Bob [Cruikshank.] A special note of thanks to our Vice President, Dan Quayle, and his wife Marilyn. /// Hello to Sec. Mosbacher; Bobby Holt; Senator and Mrs. Gramm; everyone, thank you. It's always great to be back in Houston and to see so many good friends. ((With a welcome like that, I had to check that banner behind me and see if it said "Warren Moon in '92." ))

Coming back to Texas like this brings a man back to his roots. I first became active in politics in West Texas, when I chaired the Eisenhower-Nixon campaign in Midland in both '52 and '56. Then I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct, eating chicken-fried steak ... shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Texarkana to El Paso. Those days, the only

thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, **Senator John Tower.** //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the early '60s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I started talking over the idea with close friends -- many of them Democrats. The advice they gave me was predictable in those days -- if I was serious, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. // Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. ///

And so, with the leadership of John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We fought liberal Democratic nonsense with down-home common sense -- and I relied on a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life.

Everywhere I looked, I saw Texans ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and achieve it. I saw Texans who believed in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being -- Texans committed to keeping America strong and proud. I soon found that these ideals weren't just the ideals of Texans. They were the ideals of America. All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. //

And as we work toward these ideals, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda for Congress is stopping our agenda for America. Well, if you ask me, **there's only one agenda -- our agenda -- that will build a better America. //**

As one who helped start two or three small companies here in Texas, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've **fought** policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through government-mandated policies and costly over-regulation. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks we can authorize -- I measure it in the number of jobs that create paychecks for American workers. **And until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs, I'll keep fighting that anti-job crowd. //**

Let me tell you, I don't think there's anyone here who doesn't sympathize with someone who is out of work. It's very easy to demagogue on this issue. But I have a responsibility to all Americans -- the ones who still have jobs, the ones who pay taxes. I veto bad bills ... and that bill would have busted the budget -- sinking the economy further, driving taxes higher and putting more people out of work. Every time I turn around, somebody wants to bust the budget. And I'm getting a little lonely, standing up for **Americans who need economic growth a lot more than they need the opposition's feel-good spending bills. //**

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to cooperate -- to join with us to enact sound legislation. We pushed through the historic **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We advanced the cause of **property rights and home ownership** with our unique **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing -- and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by 1992. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

Just last week, I signed an Executive Order to take the first steps in **reforming our legal system** and putting an end to these outrageous lawsuits and monstrous settlements. Vice President Quayle has been on the cutting edge of this -- and I'm behind him all the way. // Let me add this: Dan Quayle may have infuriated the American Bar Association, but I think he's done a tremendous job. **I'm proud to have him as Vice President.** ///

**But there is much, much more for us to do.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, increase economic growth, invest in our future and enhance opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. // Mission accomplished."** ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress and our job-creating **transportation bill**. We've seen some progress in education with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking safe and decent schools, world-class education standards, and community-

based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and succeed -- in the global arena.** Unfortunately, our original **banking reform** proposals have been gutted by partisans who don't understand that I will veto a bad bill. We're still waiting for our **National Energy Strategy** from the Congress, which could mean jobs and increased production here in Texas. And let me add that I will continue to support environmentally responsible access to ANWR for energy production, because we must reduce our reliance on foreign oil. We've called for **economic growth initiatives** in three State of the Union speeches in three years. // **Well, three strikes -- you're out. // It's time for a new Congress -- a Republican Congress.//**

Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time we competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.**//

Let the demagogues call it a "tax break for the rich." It's no such thing -- it's a jobs measure ... a small-business-creation measure ... a shot-in-the-arm-for-a-sluggish-economy measure. History has already shown that it does not add to the deficit -- in fact, it reduces the deficit. So let the opposition prattle on about tax breaks for the rich -- I'll take the political heat -- but in the meantime, **give me a capital**

**gains tax cut. // Give me deficit reduction. // Give me economic growth for all Americans. //**

Time and again, we hear of the desire for economic and political liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **liberal Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we have been forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. With more Republicans, we can enact more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House or the Senate, **we need more men and women who do understand -- we need more Republicans. //**

And when I hear critics arguing about our priorities -- foreign policy or domestic policy, I wonder where their priorities are. The "global marketplace" isn't off in Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools**. For example, take a look at our North American Free Trade Agreement. It will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- every billion dollars in new trade means **20,000** more jobs. And a better-educated workforce means higher quality products ... which in turn means more economic growth. The cycle continues -- **growth means more jobs and more opportunity for everyone.**

It's more than just economics. It's meeting the challenges of a changing world. We've been called upon to meet one crucial challenge after another. **And meet them we did** -- each and every one. From Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world. //**

Just yesterday, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid. I saw some narrow-minded Democratic leaders attack me for being at that important conference. Well, you can tell them this: I am going to keep right on standing up to aggression -- as we did in Desert Storm -- and trying to bring peace to troubled regions of the world -- as we did in Madrid. I said it yesterday: if we cannot summon the courage to lay down the past for ourselves, let us do it for the children.

To me, both at home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **peace, excellence, competitiveness, and strength.**

**Regardless of what anybody says, I will never apologize for advancing America's interests -- at home or abroad. ////**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. Whether you're talking about global competition or a political campaign, we have no margin for overconfidence and complacency. As Darryl Royal would say: **Always compete as if you're seven points down.**

In Texas or in Washington, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for being here tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft three  
October 29, 1991

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.**

Thank you, Bob [Cruikshank.] A special note of thanks to our Vice President, Dan Quayle, and his wife Marilyn. /// Hello to Bobby Holt; Senator and Mrs. Gramm; everyone, thank you. It's always great to be back in Houston and to see so many good friends. ((With a welcome like that, I had to check that banner behind me and see if it said "Warren Moon in '92." // ))

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct, eating chicken-fried steak ... shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Texarkana to El Paso. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office

in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, **Senator John Tower.** //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I started talking over the idea with close friends -- many of them Democrats. The advice they gave me was predictable in those days -- if I was serious, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// Saying no was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the leadership of John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic nonsense with down-home common sense -- and with the help of many good Texans -- in particular, with the help of all of you here tonight -- **we launched a Republican revolution.**//

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked, I saw Texans ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and achieve it. I saw Texans who believed in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being -- Texans committed to keeping America strong and proud.

I found that these ideals weren't just the ideals of Texans. They were the ideals of America. All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. And tonight, all of us are here because these ideals define our Party -- the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda for Congress is stopping our agenda for America. Well, if you ask me, there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about our priorities -- foreign policy or domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? To me, both at home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength.** The "global marketplace" isn't just somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. For example, look no further than our North American Free Trade Agreement. It will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- every billion dollars in new trade means 20,000 more jobs. And a better-educated workforce means higher quality products ... which in turn means more economic growth. The cycle continues -- **growth means more jobs and more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last

three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through government-mandated policies and costly over-regulation that defy common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of government checks we can authorize -- I measure it in the number of jobs that create paychecks for American workers. And until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs, I'll keep fighting that anti-job crowd. // Regardless of what the other Party may say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. ////

The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we have been forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. With more Republicans, we can enact more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House or the Senate, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to cooperate -- to join with us to enact sound legislation. We pushed through the historic **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ

**free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We advanced the cause of **property rights and home ownership** with our unique **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing -- and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by 1992. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, increase economic growth, invest in our future and enhance opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. // Mission accomplished." ///**

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform proposals**. We're making progress in education with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking safe and decent schools, world-class education standards, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and succeed -- in the global arena**. We're still waiting for our **National Energy Strategy** from the Congress, which could mean jobs and increased production here in Texas. We've sent **economic growth initiatives** to the Congress three times in three years. // **Well, three strikes -- you're out. // It's time for a new Congress -- a Republican Congress.**//

Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of

entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream and create jobs. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did** -- each and every one. From Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.** //

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth.** /// But we can become even more. Whether you're talking about global competition or a political campaign, we have no margin for overconfidence and complacency. As Darryl Royal would say: **Always compete as if you're seven points down.**

In Texas or in Washington, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America.** //

Thank you for being here tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

91 OCT 30 A10:44

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

31 OCT 25 P5:39

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the second best decision of my life. /// The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara. ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a <sup>glow, beam</sup> beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens.

All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

~~And~~ when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that 25,000 jobs are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress with our "America 2000" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and win -- in the global arena. We've sent an economic growth package to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a capital gains tax cut -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world. //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. /// But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: "Always compete as if you're seven points down."

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. Together, we can build a better America. //

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**

91 OCT 29 P2:33

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

*See comment*

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools**. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "**Mission defined. Mission accomplished.**" ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform** proposals. We're making progress with our "**America 2000**" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of ~~public~~ schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena.** We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

✓  
Sentry  
+5178

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**  
 91 OCT 28 A10:42

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
 SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

*See COMMENTS*

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

*Quayle will have  
spoken also -  
some mention?*

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength.** For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

*Peace in middle east?*

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE** initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress with our "America 2000" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and win -- in the global arena. We've sent an economic growth package to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a capital gains tax cut. -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world. //

*Energy Strategy*

*MUST DISCUSS ENERGY WITH HOUSTON*

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

10/28/91

*Tony Snow  
Rm 122*

**TO:** ~~SHIRLEY GREEN~~

**FROM:** PHILLIP D. BRADY  
Assistant to the President and  
Staff Secretary

Considering your ties to Houston,  
we would appreciate your commenting  
on the attached speech. Please  
send any edits directly to  
Tony Snow with a copy to this  
office. Thank you.

15  
✓

## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH <i>see note</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

*A few suggested edits. Thanks for the opportunity.  
Shirley Green*

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress.

Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from ~~Wichita Falls~~ *Deer Park to El Paso.* to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

*Both are cited are n/s. I'd give one ex. of =/w- sg*

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the <sup>leadership</sup>~~help~~ of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens.

All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. **And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //**

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both <sup>at</sup> home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength.** For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools.** Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've **fought** policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks <sup>government?</sup> -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

*These references seem very insensitive in a state with high unemployment - especially when Pres. has said he'd like to sign extension of unemployment benefits if they are paid for.*

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted Clean Air Act amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

*As this gratuitous  
that really helpful?  
There won't be another  
Gov. race for  
3 yrs.  
I'd pick  
a Tex. race.  
That's up this  
year -  
like the  
Railroad  
Commission.*

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. Mission accomplished."** ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform** proposals. We're making progress with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena.** We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

SECRET

(CLASSIFICATION)

CIRCLE ONE BELOW:

IMMEDIATE

PRIORITY

ROUTINE

MODE:

SECURE FAX # 2

ADMIN FAX # \_\_\_\_\_

PAGES 8

DTG 290400Z OCT 91

RELEASER \_\_\_\_\_

FROM / LOCATION: DEMAREST

ACTION / LOCATION:

- 1. WHSR
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

290440Z OCT 91  
(TIME OF RECEIPT)

INFORMATION / LOCATION:

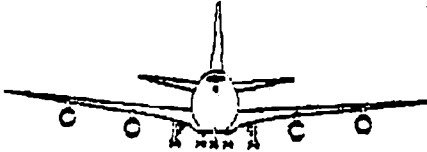
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SECRET  
(CLASSIFICATION)

UNCLASSIFIED

CLASSIFICATION



AIR FORCE 1 FAX # 02

HEADQUARTERS 89TH MILITARY AIRLIFT WING  
AIR FORCE ONE  
ANDREWS AFB, MD 20331-7004  
WHCA COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
TELEFAX SECURE # (202) 395-1206/07  
TELEFAX ADMIN # (202) 395-5521/22

DATE/TIME: 290400Z

FROM: MR DAVID DEMAREST

TO: SITUATION ROOM

REMARKS: SIT RM Please call

MARY Kate Grant X 2930 for

PICKUP IN THE MORNING

Document No. 281492ss

### WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

*M.K.  
Good work  
AD*

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.**

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

*What does this mean - cat tailgate?*

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats. <sup>about the idea</sup> ~~about the idea~~. The advice they gave me was <sup>predictable for those days -- if</sup> ~~that if~~ I was serious about ~~it~~, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// <sup>Saying no</sup> ~~I said no, and it~~ was the second best decision of my life. /// The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara. ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic <sup>non-sense</sup> ~~domination~~ with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and <sup>in particular</sup> ~~with the help of~~ all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked ~~in Texas~~, I saw <sup>Texans</sup> ~~men and women~~ ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and <sup>achieve</sup> ~~build~~ it. <sup>They were Texans</sup> ~~People who believed~~ in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being <sup>Texans</sup> ~~People~~ committed to keeping America strong and proud.

And <sup>tonight,</sup> ~~tonight,~~ All of us are here because ~~we believe in~~ <sup>they ideals define our party --</sup> the Republican Party.

*I found that these ideals weren't just the ideals of Texans, they were the ideals of America.*

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda <sup>for</sup> in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. <sup>Well, if you ask me,</sup> ~~and~~ there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- ~~that's~~ <sup>the one that</sup> that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about <sup>our priorities</sup> ~~the difference~~ between our foreign policy <sup>or</sup> and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? <sup>To me</sup> ~~You see,~~ both <sup>at</sup> home and abroad -- American interests are the same: excellence, competitiveness, and strength. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. <sup>For example, look no further than</sup> Our North American Free Trade Agreement, <sup>It</sup> will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- ~~for~~ <sup>more</sup> every billion dollars in new trade <sup>means</sup> ~~we estimate that~~ 25,000 jobs are ~~created.~~ <sup>And a</sup> The better-educated <sup>means</sup> our workforce is ... the higher quality <sup>which in turn means</sup> our products ~~are ... the~~ more economic growth we'll see. <sup>The cycle continues --</sup> Growth means more jobs <sup>and</sup> ~~more~~ opportunity for everyone.

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through <sup>government-</sup> mandated ~~leave~~ benefits, ~~unreasonable unemployment benefits,~~ outrageous tax burdens, and <sup>costly</sup> ~~government~~ over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks <sup>we</sup> can authorize <sup>the number of</sup> ~~create~~ -- I measure it in jobs that ~~give people a paycheck~~ and let them <sup>be</sup> ~~let~~ American workers.

~~No one should~~  
~~keep their dignity.~~ And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd  
 until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs, //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the Democrats in Congress. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, ~~or the Governor's mansion in Austin,~~ we need more Republicans. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to ~~push~~ <sup>cooperate</sup> sound legislation. ~~through the process.~~ <sup>to join with us to enact</sup> We ~~enacted~~ <sup>pushed through the</sup> Clean Air Act amendments that employ free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. We ~~were able to stand~~ on the side of property rights and home ownership with our HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress with our "America 2000" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and win -- in the global arena. We've sent an economic growth package to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the

world is heeding. Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a capital gains tax cut -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world. //

Well, three strikes you're out it's time for a new Congress a Republican Congress

in education educational

safe and decent schools,

succeed

6

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. /// But we can become even more. *Whether you're talking about global competition or a political campaign,* ~~And in doing so,~~ we have no ~~time~~ *margin* for overconfidence ~~and~~ or complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: "Always compete as if you're seven points down."

~~Whether it's here~~ In Texas ~~at the state level~~ or in Washington ~~at the national level~~, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. Together, we can build a better America. //

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

cc: DFB, PW & NYB

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

91 OCT 28 P2:04

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

see comment pg 3.  
RWS 10-28-91

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our **neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools**. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that ~~25,700~~ <sup>20,000</sup> jobs are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. Mission accomplished."** ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform proposals**. We're making progress with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena**. We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

91 OCT 28 P1: 57

October 28, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT A. SNOW  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR  
COMMUNICATIONS AND DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM: GREGORY S. WALDEN *GSW/LBR*  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Bush-Quayle Fundraising Dinner; Houston, TX;  
Thursday, October 31

The Counsel's Office has no legal objection to the above-subject,  
but see minor style comments.

Attachment

cc: Phillip D. Brady

31 OCT 25 P5: 39

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that 25,000 jobs are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them <sup>allow</sup>

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the Democrats in Congress. That's why, time and again, we <sup>have been</sup> ~~were~~ forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, we need more Republicans. //

"had had"  
"goes with  
could have  
enacted"

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted Clean Air Act amendments that employ free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of property rights and home ownership with our HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

"had"  
"goes  
with  
enact"

1993. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our tough crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress with our "America 2000" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and win -- in the global arena. We've sent an economic growth package to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a capital gains tax cut -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world. //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. /// But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: "Always compete as if you're seven points down."

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. Together, we can build a better America. //

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #



# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

91 OCT 28 A 9: 50

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER

SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Good - a few thoughts. Should we talk/mention the Vice President and his outstanding contributions

BT RR SR

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. <sup>It's always</sup> ~~What~~ a pleasure ~~it is~~ to be back in <sup>the Lone Star State</sup> ~~Houston~~, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in ~~Houston~~, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating <sup>delicious</sup> chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens.

All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? <sup>What world?</sup> You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that 25,000 jobs are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see.

*It's simple, at best for Republicans to understand.*  
Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, we need more Republicans. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted <sup>historic</sup> Clean Air Act amendments that employ free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of property rights and home ownership with our <sup>unique</sup> HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I <sup>prondly</sup> signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "**Mission defined. // Mission accomplished.**" ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform** proposals. We're making progress with our "**America 2000**" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena.** We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did - - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 27, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Bush-Quayle Fundraising  
Dinner Houston, Texas October 31, 1991

This is a solid set of remarks that should go over well at this dinner. I have a few suggestions that I hope will be helpful.

1. In the last paragraph on page three, I suggest rewording the list of challenges facing small business as follows: "through mandated leave policies, mandated health benefits, excessive tax burdens, and unnecessary government regulation that defies common sense."

Employing the term "mandated" twice will help reinforce that it is not leave policies or health benefits that we oppose. Quite the contrary, it is having government mandate these benefits that is the problem.

Later in that paragraph, since this is a group that presumably shares the President's values, it seems appropriate to change "I" to "we."

2. In the second full paragraph on page four, I suggest we make the sentence positive: "With more Republicans, we can enact more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity."

3. Likewise, the first sentence of the next paragraph can be stated positively: "We have achieved some legislative successes."

I have also marked several other suggested editorial changes on the attached draft. If you have any questions, or I can help in any other way, please let me know.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

31 OCT 25 P5:39

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens. All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- **it's right here in our neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools**. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've fought policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave <sup>POLICIES</sup> benefits, <sup>MANDATED HEALTH</sup> unreasonable unemployment benefits, <sup>EXCESSIVE</sup> outrageous tax burdens, and <sup>UNNECESSARY</sup> government ~~over~~ regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- <sup>WE</sup> I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. <sup>WE WILL</sup> And ~~we will~~ keep fighting the anti-job crowd <sup>AND</sup> ~~until we get~~ the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party <sup>MAY</sup> ~~has to~~ say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity everywhere for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who don't seem to understand are the Democrats in Congress. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. <sup>WITH</sup> ~~If we had~~ more Republicans, we <sup>CAN</sup> ~~could~~ ~~have enacted~~ more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, we need more Republicans. //

<sup>WE HAVE ~~NOT~~ ACHIEVED SOME LEGISLATIVE SUCCESSES.</sup>  
~~At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push~~  
~~sound legislation through the process.~~ We enacted <sup>the</sup> Clean Air Act amendments that employ free market incentives to encourage environmental protection. We <sup>ADVANCED THE CAUSE</sup> ~~were able to stand on the side of~~ property rights and home ownership with our HOPE initiative. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing - - and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the barriers to employment for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

But there is much, much more to be done. My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, <sup>INCREASE</sup> ~~enhance~~ economic growth, invest in our future, and <sup>ENHANCE</sup> ~~increase~~ opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: "Mission defined. Mission accomplished." ///

We still need our <sup>COMPREHENSIVE</sup> ~~tough~~ crime bill from the Congress ... and our transportation bill, and our banking reform proposals. We're making progress with our "America 2000" initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can compete -- and win -- in the global arena. We've sent an economic growth package to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes enterprise zones to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a capital gains tax cut -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. <sup>AND TO CREATE JOBS.</sup> No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world. //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is <sup>9</sup> simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #

7896

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

91 OCT 28 P1: 57



DATE: 10/25/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/28/91 2:00pm

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
SUBJECT: HOUSTON, TX - THURSDAY, OCT. 31, 1991

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HORNER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUNUNU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCCLURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PETERSMEYER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DARMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PORTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRADY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ROGICH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BROMLEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SMITH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOSKIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEMAREST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	KAUFMAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FITZWATER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MCBRIDE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GRAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SNOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HOLIDAY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm., MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

October 28, 1991

TO TONY SNOW

The NSC concurs with the attached Presidential remarks.

*Brent Scowcroft*  
BRENT SCOWCROFT

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

31 OCT 25 P5: 39

Grant / Aarhus  
A:HOUSTON Draft two  
October 25, 1991

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISING DINNER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1991  
9:20 P.M.

Thank you, Bob. And thank you, everyone. What a pleasure it is to be back in Houston, and to see so many good friends.

Coming home like this brings a man back to his roots. I remember our early years in Houston, when I first ran for Harris County Republican Chairman -- and Barbara and I got our first taste of what was to become a way of life for us. Shaking hands and knocking on doors every night, driving our stationwagon precinct to precinct ... eating chicken-fried steak and giving speeches with Barbara on the platform behind me.

((At the time, she took up needlepoint to stay awake during my speeches. Maybe you've got one of those "Bush Bags" she used to make. Depending on the event, as Nolan Ryan would say, I'd hit either a "one-bagger" or a "two-bagger." // ))

Later, I ran for the Senate and then for the Congress. Barbara and I -- ((and some of the original "Bush Belles," if you remember them)) -- we traveled Texas, from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, from Wichita Falls to Beeville. Those days, the only thing that wasn't big about Texas was the state Republican Party. In fact, the only Texas Republican who had won state-wide office in over a century was a man I sorely miss tonight, a dear friend to many of us, Senator John Tower. //

Politics is a way of life here in Houston. In the late '50s, when I began thinking about making a run for office I began talking to close friends -- many of them Democrats -- about the idea. The advice they gave me was that if I was serious about this, I'd better switch parties and run as a Democrat. //

Sure, it made sense -- by the numbers. But I think everybody here knew what my answer was. /// I said no, and it was the **second best** decision of my life. /// **The best one, of course, was marrying Barbara.** ///

With the help of men like John Tower and Peter O'Donnell, our band of underdogs began building a party. We were waging an uphill battle, but we believed in the rightness of our cause and we relied on the strength of our convictions. // We fought Democratic domination with down-home common sense -- and with the help of the good people of Texas -- and with the help of all of you here tonight -- we launched a Republican revolution. //

I stood with the Republican Party because I believed in a set of ideas that have carried me forward all my life ... Everywhere I looked in Texas, I saw men and women ready to take the calculated risk, to dream of a better life -- and then try to go out and build it. People who believe in the dignity of the human spirit, no matter what color or creed or religion the human being. People committed to keeping America strong and proud.

All of us want America to stand as a beacon of hope in the world -- with freedom, justice and opportunity for all citizens.

All of us are here because we believe in the Republican Party.

And as Republicans, we're on the offensive. Funny thing ... lately the opposition says we don't have an agenda, but I've noticed their agenda in Congress is stopping our agenda for America. And there's only one agenda -- the Republican one -- that will build a better America. //

And when I hear critics arguing about the difference between our foreign policy and our domestic policy, I have to ask myself: What world are they living in? You see, both home and abroad -- American interests are the same: **excellence, competitiveness, and strength**. For example, the "global marketplace" isn't somewhere in far-off Asia or Africa -- it's right here in our **neighborhoods, our businesses, our schools**. Our North American Free Trade Agreement will have a monumental effect on the quality of life here in the United States over the next decade -- for every billion dollars in new trade, we estimate that **25,000 jobs** are created. The better-educated our workforce is ... the higher quality our products are ... the more economic growth we'll see. **Growth means more jobs -- more opportunity for everyone.**

As an old Texas wildcatter, I never forget what America owes to its small business men and women. That's why, over the last three years, I've **fought** policies that would drive American small business into the ground -- through mandated leave benefits, unreasonable unemployment benefits, outrageous tax burdens, and government over-regulation that defies common sense. Let the other Party measure success by the number of unemployment checks -- I measure it in jobs that give people a paycheck and let them

keep their dignity. And I'll keep fighting the anti-job crowd until we get the kind of economic growth this country needs. //

And regardless of what the other Party has to say, I will never apologize for a single minute I've spent safeguarding America's interests abroad. The end of the Cold War and the dawn of a new world means less conflict and more cooperation -- more opportunity **everywhere** for joint ventures, scientific advances, and of course, economic growth. New, open markets in Eastern Europe ... the Soviet Union ... Latin America ... and the Pacific Rim will mean jobs right here in Houston -- and in every city and town across America.

Time and again, we hear of the desire for political and economic liberty -- from Managua to Moscow -- yet the only people who **don't** seem to understand are the **Democrats in Congress**. That's why, time and again, we were forced to veto regressive Democratic legislation. If we had more Republicans, we could have enacted more of our agenda for freedom, justice and opportunity. Whether in the House, the Senate, or the Governor's mansion in Austin, **we need more Republicans**. //

At times, we were able to persuade the opposition to push sound legislation through the process. We enacted **Clean Air Act** amendments that employ **free market incentives** to encourage environmental protection. We were able to stand on the side of **property rights and home ownership** with our **HOPE initiative**. HOPE promotes tenant ownership and management of public housing -- and we're looking at a goal of 1 million new homeowners by

1993. We've broken down the **barriers to employment** for 43 million Americans with our landmark civil rights bill, the Americans With Disabilities Act, which I signed last year.

**But there is much, much more to be done.** My mission is to promote democracy and American interests, enhance economic growth, invest in our future and increase opportunity for all people. And I won't stop until I can repeat that old Navy phrase: **"Mission defined. Mission accomplished."** ///

We still need our tough **crime bill** from the Congress ... and our **transportation bill**, and our **banking reform proposals**. We're making progress with our **"America 2000"** initiative seeking world-class standards in education, a new generation of public schools, and community-based learning so that our kids and grandkids can **compete -- and win -- in the global arena**. We've sent an **economic growth package** to the Congress three times in three years -- and we'll continue to send it until the Democrats in Congress wake up to the call of opportunity that the rest of the world is heeding. Our growth package proposes **enterprise zones** to attract investors to our hardest-hit areas, and unleash a generation of entrepreneurs in urban America. We've also proposed a **capital gains tax cut** -- to encourage men and women with new ideas to take a chance on the American Dream. No other industrialized nation taxes capital gains like we do -- and I say **it's time Americans competed on a level playing field with the rest of the world.** //

We'll continue to meet the challenges of a changing world. Less than 24 hours ago, I helped open the Middle East peace conference in Madrid [one sentence update]. We've been called upon to meet one challenge after another. **And meet them we did -** - each and every one -- from Eastern Europe to Panama to the Persian Gulf, **America has stood as a beacon of freedom throughout the world.**

I'll tell you what I learned many years ago right here in Texas: **America is simply the most productive, prosperous, enlightened nation on Earth. ///** But we can become even more. And in doing so, we have no time for overconfidence and complacency. In the words of Darryl Royal: **"Always compete as if you're seven points down."**

Whether it's here in Texas at the state level or in Washington at the national level, we've got to keep up the fight. Hold as your banner **the pioneer spirit, political unity and common-sense ideals** of those early Texas Republicans who built this great Party. **Together, we can build a better America. //**

Thank you for coming out tonight -- it means a great deal to Barbara and me -- and God bless each one of you. Thank you.

# # #