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RESPONSE: ~~no~~ comments are attached

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Any other stories? (OT)

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No

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
COMMUNICATIONS AND DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM: GENE C. SCHAEER *GCs/cm*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential remarks: Reagan Library -- Santa
Barbara, CA

Counsel's office has reviewed the matter, and has no legal objection. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

cc: PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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RESPONSE: MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

October 28, 1991

The NSC staff has reviewed the draft presidential remarks and concurs as amended.

Brent Scowcroft (signature) CLOSE HOLD

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

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Barbara, CA. November 4, 1991

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cc: Phillip D. Brady

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