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**ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT MENEM \ THE SOUTH LAWN
NOVEMBER 14, 1991 \ 9:45 A.M.**

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. PRESIDENT MENEM, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO WELCOME YOU TO THE WHITE HOUSE. THE TIES BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES HAVE NEVER BEEN STRONGER, AND A GREAT DEAL OF CREDIT GOES TO YOU AND YOUR ADMINISTRATION.

NEARLY A YEAR AGO, A REVOLT BY RENEGADE SOLDIERS FACED YOU IN YOUR NATION'S CAPITAL. YOU STOOD FIRM IN DEFENSE OF FREEDOM AND LIBERTY AND IN DEFENSE OF YOUR PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO A GOVERNMENT OF THEIR CHOICE.

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IN THE END, FREEDOM TRIUMPHED. IT WAS AN HONOR TO JOIN YOU, JUST A FEW DAYS LATER, IN BEAUTIFUL BUENOS AIRES, THE CAPITAL OF A PROUD AND FREE ARGENTINA.

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UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, ARGENTINA HAS BECOME ONE OF THIS
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HOME AND ABROAD. WHEN SADDAM HUSSEIN INVADED KUWAIT,
YOU SENT YOUR NAVY TO JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL COALITION
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WHEN TANKS RUMBLED THROUGH THE STREETS OF MOSCOW,
THREATENING THE SOVIET UNION'S FORCES OF DEMOCRATIC
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AT HOME, YOU HAVE SLASHED GOVERNMENT SPENDING,
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YOU HAVE BROUGHT ONCE-RAMPANT INFLATION UNDER CONTROL. LAST YEAR, ARGENTINA HAD A TRADE SURPLUS OF NEARLY \$8 BILLION, AND U.S. FIRMS ALONE INVESTED OVER \$200 MILLION IN ARGENTINA.

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IN THE RAPIDLY EVOLVING RELATIONSHIP AMONG THE NATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN CONE, YOU HAVE TAKEN THE LEAD IN ACHIEVING REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION AND ARMS CONTROL.

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WE ALSO WELCOME YOUR EFFORTS TO SET IN PLACE NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS THAT WILL INCREASE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. YOUR DECISIONS TO FORSWEAR CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND HALT MISSILE PROLIFERATION CREATE A SAFER HEMISPHERE AND WORLD.

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NOVEMBER 14, 1991 \ 7:15 P.M.

PRESIDENT MENEM, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

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THIS IS A MESSAGE FOR OUR TIME AS WELL. THE SIMPLE YET PRECIOUS IDEAS OF FREEDOM, OPPORTUNITY AND HOPE FOR A BETTER LIFE HAVE OFTEN BEEN CHALLENGED, BUT CAN NEVER BE KILLED. THEY LIVE ON BECAUSE MEN AND WOMEN OF COURAGE DEVOTE THEIR LIVES TO THE DEFENSE OF SUCH IDEALS.

OUR OWN PRESIDENT ANDREW JACKSON SAID THAT ONE MAN WITH COURAGE MAKES A MAJORITY. SOME WOULD DENY THAT, AND SAY THAT LARGE AND IMPERSONAL FORCES RULE OUR DESTINIES, THAT INDIVIDUALS CANNOT MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

TO THOSE WHO DOUBT THE IMPACT OF THE INDIVIDUAL ON HISTORY I SAY: LOOK TO ARGENTINA AND SEE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF CARLOS MENEM.

MR. PRESIDENT, IN TAKING OFFICE YOU COULD HAVE BLAMED OTHERS FOR THE PROBLEMS YOU FACED, BUT YOU DID NOT. YOU FACED YOUR NATION'S PROBLEMS SQUARELY: YOU ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY, SOUGHT SOLUTIONS, PROVIDED LEADERSHIP. IN YOUR INAUGURAL ADDRESS, YOU ASKED ARGENTINES "TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BIRTH OF A NEW TIME."

YOU CALLED ON THEM TO SEIZE WHAT YOU SAID MIGHT BE THE LAST, "MOST IMPORTANT, DEFINITE AND DECISIVE OPPORTUNITY OF OUR DAYS," AND YOU REMINDED THEM THAT "THE MOST BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY" IS THE ONE THE ARGENTINE PEOPLE HAVE YET TO BUILD.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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November 12, 1991

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
TONY SNOW TS

FROM: MARY KATE GRANT MKG

SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENT AND DINNER TOAST,
STATE VISIT OF PRESIDENT MENEM OF ARGENTINA

Both OK

I. SUMMARY

Attached for your review are the draft arrival statement and dinner toast for the state visit of President Carlos Menem of Argentina, to be held on Thursday, November 14. The arrival statement is approximately 6 minutes in length; the dinner toast is approximately 4 minutes long. Both will be on speechcards.

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Grant/Aarhus
November 12, 1991
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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT MENEM
NOVEMBER 14, 1991
9:45 A.M.**

Thank you all very much. President Menem, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. The ties between our countries have never been stronger, and a great deal of credit goes to you and your administration.

Nearly a year ago, a revolt by renegade soldiers faced you in your nation's capital. You stood firm in defense of freedom and liberty and in defense of your people's right to a government of their choice. In the end, freedom triumphed. It was an honor to join you, just a few days later, in beautiful Buenos Aires, the capital of a proud and free Argentina.

In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the vision of their forefathers would guide them -- leaders who believed that frontiers could not become barriers between nations. When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already been set in motion.

[Today, Mr. President, under your courageous leadership, Argentina is assuming its rightful place as a leader in the

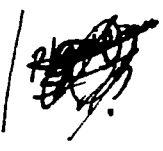
democratic community of nations. Nowhere in this hemisphere is the shape of the post cold war world more clearly evident than in Argentina.]

Under your leadership, Argentina has become one of this hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy, both at home and abroad. When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, you sent your ~~army~~ ^{Navy} ~~ships~~ ^{ships} to join the international coalition which liberated that pillaged nation. When tanks rumbled through the streets of Moscow, threatening the Soviet Union's democratic reconstruction, you were one of the first in Latin America to speak out in defense of liberty. You have called for democratic reform in Cuba and made major contributions to the efforts of the Organization of American States to restore democratic government in Haiti.

At home, you have brought down barriers to trade and investment, slashed government spending, privatized state-owned industries, and abolished harmful government regulation of the economy. You have worked hard to meet Argentina's foreign debt commitments and established Argentina's international credit reputation. You have brought once-rampant inflation under control. Industrial production levels are up; and in recent months, your stock has risen sharply. Last year, Argentina had a trade surplus of nearly \$8 billion, and U.S. firms alone invested over \$200 million in Argentina.

You faced many difficult challenges when you took office in 1989, but your efforts have earned the respect of the

international community. More importantly, they strengthened Argentina's competitive position in the global economy, by attracting new confidence and investment from around the world.

I share that confidence in Argentina's future under your leadership. You are showing the world the benefits of shaking off the dogmas of the past, of thinking anew and acting anew to build a better and more prosperous future for your people. 

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional economic integration and arms control.

For example, by the end of 1995, the Mercosur common market aims to eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay -- linking your economies together in a way consistent with GATT -- to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. [What an outstanding example you set for the troubled economies of the world as you and your trading partners open your markets and, through freer trade and competition, increase the efficiency and prosperity of your workers and businesses.] You are taking a giant step toward the goal I stated last year in announcing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative: to make the Americas the world's largest partnership of free-trading nations.

We also welcome your efforts -- and the efforts of Brazil -- to bring the Treaty of Tlatelolco into force by setting in place nuclear safeguards that will increase international security. Your decisions to forswear chemical weapons and halt

missile proliferation create a safer hemisphere and world.

From Rivadavia to Rio Gallegos, from Zapala to Buenos Aires ... your strong, committed leadership is bringing your people hope for positive change -- faith in their countrymen -- and the courage to "arise and walk" together.

On behalf of the people of the United States, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. May God bless the Argentine Republic.

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President Menem, distinguished guests.

I'd like to begin tonight with a short story. In 1839, the "Thomas Jefferson of Argentina," Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, began publishing a weekly newspaper, El Zonda, and wrote of the yearning for democracy and the dream of freedom for his people. After six issues, it was forced out of business when the Federalist Governor raised the tax on newsprint. Soon after, Sarmiento was imprisoned for conspiracy, nearly lynched, and then sent into exile. Sarmiento, under armed guard while crossing the Andes into exile, wrote a message in French on the wall of a shack he had built in the Zonda Valley. The soldiers escorting him to the border could read no French, and so the message remained. Sarmiento had written: "On ne tue pas les ideas" -- translated, "ideas cannot be killed."

This is a message for our time as well. The simple yet precious ideas of freedom, opportunity and hope for a better life have often been challenged, but can never be killed. They live on because men and women of courage devote their lives to the defense of such ideals.

Our own President Andrew Jackson said that one man with courage makes a majority. Some would deny that, and say that large and impersonal forces rule our destinies, that individuals

cannot make a difference. To those who doubt the impact of the individual on history I say: look to Argentina and see the achievements of Carlos Menem.

Mr. President, in taking office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced, but you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In your Inaugural address, you asked Argentines "to participate in the birth of a new time." You called on them to seize what you said might be the last, "most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days," and you reminded them that "the most beautiful country" is the one the Argentine people have yet to build.

You challenged your people to make sweeping changes at home and in their relationship to the world. They have responded marvelously. In governing Argentina, you have repeatedly demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders -- political courage.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL, STATEMENT AND TOAST FOR PRESIDENT MENEM

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

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international community. More importantly, they strengthened Argentina's competitive position in the global economy, by attracting new confidence and investment from around the world.

I share that confidence in Argentina's future under your leadership. You are showing the world the benefits of shaking off the dogmas of the past, of thinking anew and acting anew to build a better and more prosperous future for your people.

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional economic integration and arms control.

For example, by the end of 1995, the Mercosur common market aims to eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay -- linking your economies together in a way consistent with GATT -- to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. What an outstanding example you set for the troubled economies of the world as you and your trading partners open your markets and, through freer trade and competition, increase the efficiency and prosperity of your workers and businesses. You are taking a giant step toward the goal I stated last year in announcing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative: to make the Americas the world's largest partnership of free-trading nations.

We also welcome your efforts -- and the efforts of Brazil - - to bring the Treaty of Tlatelolco into force by setting in place nuclear safeguards that will increase international security. Your decisions to forswear chemical weapons and halt

missile proliferation create a safer hemisphere and world.

From Rivadavia to Rio Gallegos, from Zapala to Buenos Aires ... your strong, committed leadership is bringing your people hope for positive change -- faith in their countrymen -- and the courage to "arise and walk" together.

On behalf of the people of the United States, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. May God bless the Argentine Republic.

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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
PRESIDENT MENEM OF ARGENTINA
NOVEMBER 14, 1991**

President Menem, distinguished guests.

I'd like to begin tonight with a short story. In 1839, the "Thomas Jefferson of Argentina," Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, began publishing a weekly newspaper, El Zonda, and wrote of the yearning for democracy and the dream of freedom for his people. After six issues, it was forced out of business when the Federalist Governor raised the tax on newsprint. Soon after, Sarmiento was imprisoned for conspiracy, nearly lynched, and then sent into exile. Sarmiento, under armed guard while crossing the Andes into exile, wrote a message in French on the wall of a shack he had built in the Zonda Valley. The soldiers escorting him to the border could read no French, and so the message remained. Sarmiento had written: "On ne tue pas les ideas" -- translated, "ideas cannot be killed."

This is a message for our time as well. The simple yet precious ideas of freedom, opportunity and hope for a better life have often been challenged, but can never be killed. They live on because men and women of courage devote their lives to the defense of such ideals.

Our own President Andrew Jackson said that one man with courage makes a majority. Some would deny that, and say that large and impersonal forces rule our destinies, that individuals

cannot make a difference. To those who doubt the impact of the individual on history I say: look to Argentina and see the achievements of Carlos Menem.

Mr. President, in taking office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced, but you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In your Inaugural address, you asked Argentines "to participate in the birth of a new time." You called on them to seize what you said might be the last, "most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days," and you reminded them that "the most beautiful country" is the one the Argentine people have yet to build.

You challenged your people to make sweeping changes at home and in their relationship to the world. They have responded marvelously. In governing Argentina, you have repeatedly demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders -- political courage.

I now raise my glass to a man of ideas, to man of great political courage, Carlos Menem. To a beautiful world that we have yet to build: May it be one of freedom, opportunity and a better life for all people.

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On Argentine President Menem's Arrival in Washington

Good Afternoon, and welcome to the White House.

Mr. President, it is a pleasure and a privilege to meet with you again.

It is often said that our two countries share common traditions and values. The people of Argentina and the United States look back with pride to a history of frontier settlement, individualism, risk, and hard work. These common histories, and an undying devotion to liberty, continue to unite us today.

NEW

Today, Mr. President, under your courageous leadership, Argentina is assuming its rightful place as a leader in the democratic community of nations. Nowhere in this hemisphere is the shape of the post cold war world more clearly evident than in Argentina.

NEW

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Under your leadership Argentina has become one of the hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy.

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When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwaiti you sent your proud ships to join the international coalition which liberated that country, boldly serving our common interests in a lawful international order.

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When tanks rolled in Moscow and threatened the Soviet Union's



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democratic revolution you were one of the first to speak out in defense of liberty. ✓

More recently and closer to home, you have called for democratic reform in Cuba and been a leader in the effort to restore democratic government in Haiti. In so doing, you have also sought to strengthen regional institutions such as the Organization of American States. ✓

Your efforts, with Brazil and the International Atomic Energy Agency, to set in place nuclear safeguards will increase security in this hemisphere and the world, and serve as an example for others. [Your decisions to forswear chemical weapons and halt missile proliferation create a safer hemisphere and world.] ✓
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You have also taken the lead in the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone. ✓

By the end of 1995 the Mercosur common market will eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay and link your economies together -- consistent with the GATT -- to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. What an outstanding example you set for the hemisphere. ✓

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You have assembled a team of effective and dedicated reformers and have made remarkable headway in solving Argentina's most pressing economic challenges: Inflation and government spending are down, privatization of government agencies is going forward, and Argentine industrial production is up. [You are showing the world the benefits of shaking off the dogmas of the past, of thinking anew and acting anew to build a better and more prosperous future for your people.]

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The Argentine economy is also renewing its strength and attracting new confidence and investment from around the world. I share that confidence in Argentina under your leadership.

NEW

This visit celebrates your successes and the fact that cooperation between our peoples has never been so fruitful or so close.

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Mr. President, your leadership inspires the Americas and the World. You have brought your people hope of a better future.

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On behalf of the people of the United States, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the White House.

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Proposed Toast to be Delivered by the PresidentAt the State Dinner in Honor of Argentine President Menem

President Menem and distinguished guests.

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RESPONSE:

November 13, 1991

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10 A.M.

Thank you all very much. President Menem, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. The ties between our countries have never been stronger, and a great deal of credit goes to you and your administration.

Nearly a year ago, a revolt ~~ensued~~ by renegade soldiers faced you in your nation's capital. You stood firm in defense of freedom and liberty and in defense of your people's right to a government of their choice. In the end, freedom triumphed. It was an honor to join you, just two days later, in beautiful Buenos Aires, the capital of a proud and free Argentina.

In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the sight of their forefathers would guide them: San Martin, ~~Belivar,~~ and Artigas ~~and Peron~~ -- leaders who believed that ~~common frontiers~~ freedom of opportunity must prevail. ~~must turn into union bridges.~~ President Menem, in their tradition, you are a leader of courage and common sense, a man of conviction, and a visionary, ~~for a people facing common frontiers.~~

When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already

been set in motion.

Under your leadership, Argentina has become one of this hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy, both at home and abroad. When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, you sent ~~troops~~^{ships} from the Argentine navy to join the international coalition that liberated that pillaged nation. When tanks rumbled through the streets of Moscow, threatening the Soviet Union's democratic reconstruction, you were one of the first to speak out in defense of liberty. You have called for democratic reform in Cuba and made major contributions to the efforts of ~~worked within~~ the Organization of American States to restore democratic government in Haiti.

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You faced many difficult challenges when you took office in 1989, but ~~these measures~~^{your efforts have} earned the respect of the international community. More importantly, they set Argentina on the road to a stronger competitive position in the global economy. (X)

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional

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President Menem, you are a man of ideas -- ideas of freedom, opportunity and hope for a better life for your people. These ideas can never be killed.

In your Inaugural address, you said: "I call you to participate in the birth of a new time. Of a new opportunity which may be the last one, which may be the most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days. The most beautiful country is the one we have not built yet."

This is a message for our time as well. The simple yet precious ideas of freedom, opportunity, and hope for a better life have often been challenged, but can never be killed. They live on because men and women of courage devote their lives to the defense of such ideals.

I now raise my glass to a man of ideas, Carlos Menem. To the beautiful world that we have not yet built: May it be one of freedom, opportunity and a better life for all people.

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Mr. President, when you took office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced. But you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In governing Argentina, a nation of great potential and great human and natural resources, you again and again demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders--political courage.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT MENEM
NOVEMBER 14, 1991
10 A.M.

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In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the sight of their forefathers would guide them: San Martin, ~~Belivar~~, and Artigas ~~and Peron~~ -- leaders who believed that ~~common frontiers~~ freedom of opportunity must prevail. ~~must turn into union bridges.~~ President Menem, in their tradition, you are a leader of courage and common sense, a man of conviction, and a visionary, ~~for a people facing common frontiers.~~

When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already

been set in motion.

Under your leadership, Argentina has become one of this hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy, both at home and abroad. When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, you sent ^{ships} ~~troops~~ from the Argentine navy to join the international coalition that liberated that pillaged nation. When tanks rumbled through the streets of Moscow, threatening the Soviet Union's democratic reconstruction, you were one of the first to speak out in defense of liberty. You have called for democratic reform in Cuba and made major contributions to the efforts of ~~worked within~~ the Organization of American States to restore democratic government in Haiti.

At home, you have brought down barriers to trade and investment, slashed government spending, privatized state-owned industries, and abolished harmful government regulation of the economy. You have worked hard to meet Argentina's foreign debt commitments[↑] and established Argentina's international credit reputation. You have brought once-rampant inflation under control. Industrial production levels are up; your stock market -- the oldest in Latin America -- has risen sharply in recent months. Last year, Argentina had a trade surplus of over \$8 billion; U.S. firms alone invested over \$200 million in Argentina.

You faced many difficult challenges when you took office in 1989, but ^{your efforts have} ~~these measures~~ earned the respect of the international community. More importantly, they set Argentina on the road to a stronger competitive position in the global economy. X

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional

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For example, by the end of ¹⁹⁹⁵~~1994~~, the Mercosur common market will eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay -- linking your economies together consistent with GATT - - to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. You and your partners are taking a giant step toward the goal I stated last year in announcing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative: to make the Americas the world's largest partnership of free-trading nations.

We also welcome your efforts -- and the efforts of Brazil - - to bring the Treaty of Tlatelolco into force by setting in place nuclear safeguards which will increase security in this hemisphere and the rest of the world.

From Rivadavia to Rio Gallegos, from Zapala to Buenos Aires ... your strong, committed leadership is bringing your people hope for positive change -- faith in their countrymen -- and the courage to "arise and walk" together.

On behalf of the people of the United States, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. May God bless the Argentine Republic.

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November 8, 1991
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Draft Two

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
PRESIDENT MENEM OF ARGENTINA
NOVEMBER 14, 1991**


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President Menem, you are a man of ideas -- ideas of freedom, opportunity and hope for a better life for your people. These ideas can never be killed.

In your Inaugural address, you said: "I call you to participate in the birth of a new time. Of a new opportunity which may be the last one, which may be the most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days. The most beautiful country is the one we have not built yet."

This is a message for our time as well. The simple yet precious ideas of freedom, opportunity, and hope for a better life have often been challenged, but can never be killed. They live on because men and women of courage devote their lives to the defense of such ideals.



I now raise my glass to a man of ideas, Carlos Menem. To the beautiful world that we have not yet built: May it be one of freedom, opportunity and a better life for all people.

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Mr. President, when you took office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced. But you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In governing Argentina, a nation of great potential and great human and natural resources, you again and again demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders--political courage.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/09/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2:00 p.m. Tuesday 11/12

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

The NSC approves with changes noted in the text.

Brent Scowcroft

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

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In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the ^{VISION (OLC)} ~~(sight)~~ of their forefathers would guide them ^{omit} [San Martin, Bolivar, Artigas and Peron] -- leaders who believed that ^{freedom of opportunity must prevail. ✓} ~~common frontiers~~ ^(NSC) ~~must turn into union bridges.~~ [President Menem, in their ^{OLC says omit} tradition, you are a leader of courage and common sense, a man of conviction, and a visionary.] ^{(NSC) ✓} ~~for a people facing common frontiers.~~

When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1991

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
 TONY SNOW *TS*

FROM: MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*

SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENT AND DINNER TOAST,
 STATE VISIT OF PRESIDENT MENEM OF ARGENTINA

I. SUMMARY

Attached for your review are the draft arrival statement and dinner toast for the state visit of President Carlos Menem of Argentina, to be held on Thursday, November 14. The arrival statement is approximately 6 minutes in length; the dinner toast is approximately 4 minutes long. Both will be on speechcards.

Grant/Aarhus
November 12, 1991
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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT MENEM
NOVEMBER 14, 1991
9:45 A.M.**

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In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the vision of their forefathers would guide them -- leaders who believed that frontiers could not become barriers between nations. When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already been set in motion.

Today, Mr. President, under your courageous leadership, Argentina is assuming its rightful place as a leader in the

democratic community of nations. Nowhere in this hemisphere is the shape of the post cold war world more clearly evident than in Argentina.

Under your leadership, Argentina has become one of this hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy, both at home and abroad. When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, you sent your proud ships to join the international coalition which liberated that pillaged nation. When tanks rumbled through the streets of Moscow, threatening the Soviet Union's democratic reconstruction, you were one of the first in Latin America to speak out in defense of liberty. You have called for democratic reform in Cuba and made major contributions to the efforts of the Organization of American States to restore democratic government in Haiti.

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You faced many difficult challenges when you took office in 1989, but your efforts have earned the respect of the

international community. More importantly, they strengthened Argentina's competitive position in the global economy, by attracting new confidence and investment from around the world.

I share that confidence in Argentina's future under your leadership. You are showing the world the benefits of shaking off the dogmas of the past, of thinking anew and acting anew to build a better and more prosperous future for your people.

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional economic integration and arms control.

For example, by the end of 1995, the Mercosur common market aims to eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay -- linking your economies together in a way consistent with GATT -- to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. What an outstanding example you set for the troubled economies of the world as you and your trading partners open your markets and, through freer trade and competition, increase the efficiency and prosperity of your workers and businesses. You are taking a giant step toward the goal I stated last year in announcing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative: to make the Americas the world's largest partnership of free-trading nations.

We also welcome your efforts -- and the efforts of Brazil -- to bring the Treaty of Tlatelolco into force by setting in place nuclear safeguards that will increase international security. Your decisions to forswear chemical weapons and halt

missile proliferation create a safer hemisphere and world.

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Our own President Andrew Jackson said that one man with courage makes a majority. Some would deny that, and say that large and impersonal forces rule our destinies, that individuals

cannot make a difference. To those who doubt the impact of the individual on history I say: look to Argentina and see the achievements of Carlos Menem.

Mr. President, in taking office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced, but you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In your Inaugural address, you asked Argentines "to participate in the birth of a new time." You called on them to seize what you said might be the last, "most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days," and you reminded them that "the most beautiful country" is the one the Argentine people have yet to build.

You challenged your people to make sweeping changes at home and in their relationship to the world. They have responded marvelously. In governing Argentina, you have repeatedly demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders -- political courage.

I now raise my glass to a man of ideas, to man of great political courage, Carlos Menem. To a beautiful world that we have yet to build: May it be one of freedom, opportunity and a better life for all people.

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STATE VISIT OF PRESIDENT MENEM OF ARGENTINA

I. SUMMARY

Attached for your review are the draft arrival statement and dinner toast for the state visit of President Carlos Menem of Argentina, to be held on Thursday, November 14. The arrival statement is approximately 6 minutes in length; the dinner toast is approximately 4 minutes long. Both will be on speechcards.

Grant/Aarhus
November 12, 1991
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Draft Three

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR PRESIDENT MENEM
NOVEMBER 14, 1991
9:45 A.M.**

Thank you all very much. President Menem, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the White House. The ties between our countries have never been stronger, and a great deal of credit goes to you and your administration.

Nearly a year ago, a revolt by renegade soldiers faced you in your nation's capital. You stood firm in defense of freedom and liberty and in defense of your people's right to a government of their choice. In the end, freedom triumphed. It was an honor to join you, just a few days later, in beautiful Buenos Aires, the capital of a proud and free Argentina.

In your inaugural address you told the Argentine people, "Only working together we shall become the architects of a deep change and of a positive transformation." You asked Argentina to "arise and walk." And you reassured your people that the vision of their forefathers would guide them -- leaders who believed that frontiers could not become barriers between nations. When we met last year in Buenos Aires, we spoke about the challenges your country faces, and the changes that have already been set in motion.

Today, Mr. President, under your courageous leadership, Argentina is assuming its rightful place as a leader in the

democratic community of nations. Nowhere in this hemisphere is the shape of the post cold war world more clearly evident than in Argentina.

Under your leadership, Argentina has become one of this hemisphere's strongest defenders of democracy, both at home and abroad. When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, you sent your proud ships to join the international coalition which liberated that pillaged nation. When tanks rumbled through the streets of Moscow, threatening the Soviet Union's democratic reconstruction, you were one of the first in Latin America to speak out in defense of liberty. You have called for democratic reform in Cuba and made major contributions to the efforts of the Organization of American States to restore democratic government in Haiti.

At home, you have brought down barriers to trade and investment, slashed government spending, privatized state-owned industries, and abolished harmful government regulation of the economy. You have worked hard to meet Argentina's foreign debt commitments and established Argentina's international credit reputation. You have brought once-rampant inflation under control. Industrial production levels are up; and in recent months, your stock has risen sharply. Last year, Argentina had a trade surplus of nearly \$8 billion, and U.S. firms alone invested over \$200 million in Argentina.

You faced many difficult challenges when you took office in 1989, but your efforts have earned the respect of the

international community. More importantly, they strengthened Argentina's competitive position in the global economy, by attracting new confidence and investment from around the world.

I share that confidence in Argentina's future under your leadership. You are showing the world the benefits of shaking off the dogmas of the past, of thinking anew and acting anew to build a better and more prosperous future for your people.

In the rapidly evolving relationship among the nations of the Southern Cone, you have taken the lead in achieving regional economic integration and arms control.

For example, by the end of 1995, the Mercosur common market aims to eliminate tariffs between Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay -- linking your economies together in a way consistent with GATT -- to form one of the hemisphere's largest open markets. What an outstanding example you set for the troubled economies of the world as you and your trading partners open your markets and, through freer trade and competition, increase the efficiency and prosperity of your workers and businesses. You are taking a giant step toward the goal I stated last year in announcing the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative: to make the Americas the world's largest partnership of free-trading nations.

We also welcome your efforts -- and the efforts of Brazil - - to bring the Treaty of Tlatelolco into force by setting in place nuclear safeguards that will increase international security. Your decisions to forswear chemical weapons and halt

missile proliferation create a safer hemisphere and world.

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This is a message for our time as well. The simple yet precious ideas of freedom, opportunity and hope for a better life have often been challenged, but can never be killed. They live on because men and women of courage devote their lives to the defense of such ideals.

Our own President Andrew Jackson said that one man with courage makes a majority. Some would deny that, and say that large and impersonal forces rule our destinies, that individuals

cannot make a difference. To those who doubt the impact of the individual on history I say: look to Argentina and see the achievements of Carlos Menem.

Mr. President, in taking office you could have blamed others for the problems you faced, but you did not. You faced your nation's problems squarely: you accepted responsibility, sought solutions, provided leadership. In your Inaugural address, you asked Argentines "to participate in the birth of a new time." You called on them to seize what you said might be the last, "most important, definite and decisive opportunity of our days," and you reminded them that "the most beautiful country" is the one the Argentine people have yet to build.

You challenged your people to make sweeping changes at home and in their relationship to the world. They have responded marvelously. In governing Argentina, you have repeatedly demonstrated a fundamental quality that distinguishes true statesmen from mere place holders -- political courage.

I now raise my glass to a man of ideas, to man of great political courage, Carlos Menem. To a beautiful world that we have yet to build: May it be one of freedom, opportunity and a better life for all people.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 12, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast and
Arrival Ceremony for President Menem

We have reviewed the attached draft and have no suggested changes from a policy standpoint. We approve of the draft remarks in their current form.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

11/10/91 4:57

DATE: 11/09/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2:00 p.m. Tuesday 11/12

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

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

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RESPONSE: Comments from Cabinet Affairs are attached.

Thanks,
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 Elizabeth Luttig

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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 Ext. 2702

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RESPONSE:

*Tony / Mary Kate -
 Toast was really nice. Just a few comments
 on the arrival.
 Thanks, J.G.*

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→ This is a different (and much less radical) position than the usual line about a free trade zone throughout the Americas. Was this deliberate?

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MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER 
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Arrival Ceremony for
President Menem, 11/14

Pursuant to Phillip Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter. We have no legal objection to the proposed remarks, but offer the editorial suggestions indicated on the attached text.

Attachment

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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 (11/08 draft two)

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RESPONSE:

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