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**HISPANIC EDUCATION PANEL \ ROOSEVELT ROOM
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1991 \ 2:45 P.M.**

- O WELCOME TO THE WHITE HOUSE. SECRETARY ALEXANDER. I REGRET THAT IT HAS TAKEN SO LONG FROM THE TIME THIS PANEL WAS FIRST ENVISIONED TO TODAY'S MEETING. I PLEDGE TO MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME. THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY IS A HIGH PRIORITY FOR LAMAR AND FOR ALL OF US.**

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- IT'S CLEAR TO ME THAT IN [CHAIRMAN] ANDRES BANDE [BON-DAY] YOU HAVE A GO-GETTER WHO WON'T REST UNTIL THIS COMMISSION TRULY MAKES A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOR HISPANIC AMERICANS.**
- O AS WE MOVE TOWARD THE YEAR 2000, HISPANIC AMERICANS WILL HAVE AN EVER HIGHER PROFILE IN THIS COUNTRY -- AND AN EVEN PROUDER ONE. HISPANIC AMERICANS ARE THE PIVOTAL COMMUNITY IN THE ECONOMIC GROWTH THAT WILL ARISE FROM EXPANDED TRADE WITH MEXICO AND OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.**

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- 0 THIS COMMUNITY IS VITALLY IMPORTANT NOT JUST TO HISPANIC AMERICANS BUT TO ALL AMERICANS WHO BELIEVE IN ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION.
- 0 WE'LL DRAW ON YOUR EXPERTISE IN EDUCATION, YOUR BUSINESS ACUMEN, AND YOUR COMMUNITY PRIDE. I'M CERTAIN THAT THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY WILL BE IN THE VANGUARD OF THE NEW AMERICAN SCHOOLS -- SCHOOLS THAT MAKE UNITED STATES EDUCATION THE BEST IN THE WORLD. THANK YOU.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: HISPANIC EDUCATION PANEL
 SUBJECT: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1991

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HOLIDAY	☒	☐		☐	☐

REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

*Cards for
 Hispanic education
 event need to
 go to David
 today first
 thing in the morning.*

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RESPONSE:

See comments

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
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RESPONSE: Comments from Cabinet Affairs are attached.

Thanks,
Elizabeth Luttig

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Alfondo should be acknowledged
He has been in room at his point for 15 min

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Should the President ask to hear from the panel,

NOTE: the President should point out that America
2000 and his commission are unrelated. (Education)

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Hispanic Education Panel

We have no suggested changes from a policy standpoint and approve of the draft in its present form.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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