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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

January 30, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Washington Hilton
Washington, DC

9:10 A.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Heflin, for such a lovely introduction. To Dan and Marilyn, the Vice and Mrs. Quayle; to the members of my Cabinet here; to the members of Congress, all so many here in faith; to General Powell; especially to our host Ted Stevens; to our dear friend Billy Graham; and to all gathered.

Let me first just say a special greeting to Prime Minister Ratu Mara of Fiji. This is not his first time here. I'm sure it won't be his last, but he's an inspiration to all of us that know him and consider him a friend, as I do.

May I salute our other guests from overseas. And though sometimes you might feel like it, we don't consider you overseas, those who serve in the state legislatures, and we're glad you all are here. (Laughter.)

Four principles -- four ideas, really -- inspire America. And I think they're all here this morning reflected in one way or another: freedom, family, and faith, that Dan Quayle talked about, and to that I would add fellowship.

So many people brought together by a shared spirit, the simple joy of praying to God. Slava, that was a tremendously moving story and one of the most dramatic moments in recent history. And if sound -- you referred to sound -- if sound has anything to do with entry into heaven, I believe you can choose the fluffiest, most generous cloud in the firmament up there when you get there. (Laughter.) And thank you for your inspiring message. (Applause.)

But I think you reminded us all of the powerful role that prayer has played in the unprecedented events of the past year. Since we last met, nations have been reshaped and the lives have been restored throughout the land and throughout the entire world. And the force that unites them, as we've heard here today from the Vice President to General Powell, is faith in God, the link they share is prayer.

And when I last stood here, as Colin reminded us, we were at war, compelled by a deep need for God's wisdom, we began to pray. And we prayed for God's protection in what we undertook, for God's love to fill hearts, and for God's peace to be the moral North Star that guided us.

Abraham Lincoln said, and we remember it, everyone in this room would remember it: "I've been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I have nowhere else to go." And in his example, we came together for a special National Day of Prayer. And Americans of every creed turned to our greatest power to bring us peace -- "peace which passeth all understanding." And at

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the end of the war, we prayed as one during our National Day of Thanksgiving.

Let us pray that as a people we will continue to bring the power of prayer to bear on all the challenges we confront. And let us pray that we will strengthen the values that this great land was founded on, that we will reverse any threat of moral decline, and that we will dedicate ourselves to the ethic of service -- being what I call a Point of Light to someone else, someone in need.

And in this work, we are not without inspiration. We need look no further than the handful of men who became heroes by their courage, their strength and above all their faith -- last of whom returned in December. I'm talking about our hostages. And in brutalizing conditions, as we've heard this morning, they prayed together daily in what they called the "church of the locked door." They unweave floor mats in order to make rosaries. These men, who every day lived the story of Job, treasured their first book, the Bible. When Terry Anderson was released, one of the first things he did was to thank strangers across the world who had prayed that he be set free. "Your prayers made a big difference," said this man who imprisoned, had rediscovered the faith that sets and keeps men free.

There's another story from last year's news that tells of the transformation of faith. While it's a story familiar to all of you, it's intensely personal to Barbara and me and to others in this room. We lost a dear friend last March -- Lee Atwater, a restless, fiercely driven, fun-loving good ol' boy from South Carolina who rode life as hard and fast as he could. But he also lived a kind of miracle because his illness reintroduced him to something he'd put aside, his own faith.

And in his last months, he worked intensely to come to grips with his faith. And through reading the Bible and through prayer, he learned that, as he put it, "What was missing in society was what was missing in me, a little heart and a lot of brotherhood."

He was so right. Prayer has a place. Not only in the life of every American, but also in the life of our nation for we are truly one nation under God.

May God bless this very special gathering. For those of you who have come from overseas, for those of you from across our land, for those of you right here in the nation's capital, thank you for participating in this celebration of faith.

Thank you very much. (Applause.)

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9:16 A.M. EST

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1/28/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
 SUBJECT: THURSDAY, 1/30/92 - 9:00 a.m.

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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

92 JAN 28 AM 11:29

January 28, 1992

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
 TONY SNOW

FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

I. SUMMARY

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II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks note the powerful role that prayer has played in the extraordinary events of this past year. The speech includes a section about Lee Atwater. This has been cleared with Sally Atwater -- who will attend the event.

(Hinchliffe/Nix)
January 28, 1992 9 a.m.
PRAYER Draft Three

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
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92 JAN 27 WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM



DATE: 1/24/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE COMMENT DUE BY: 3:00PM, MONDAY, JAN. 27
PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1992
SUBJECT: WASHINGTON HILTON

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REMARKS:

Please provide comments on the attached directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, with a copy to this office NO LATER THAN 3:00PM, MONDAY, JANUARY 27. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

January 27, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

The NSC staff concurs with the draft presidential remarks as amended.

Signature of Brent Scowcroft

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

(Hinchliffe/Nix)
January 21, 1992 10 a.m.
PRAYER Draft Two

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
Thursday, January 30, 1992
Washington Hilton

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Let us pray that as a people we will continue to bring the power of prayer to bear on all the challenges we confront. Let us

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1992

SUBJECT: WASHINGTON HILTON

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92 JAN 28 P12: 21

January 26, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: National Prayer Breakfast

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

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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FITZWATER	—	✓	KAUFMAN	✓	—
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 28, 1992

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
TONY SNOW

FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

I. SUMMARY

On Thursday, January 30, at 9:00 a.m., you will deliver remarks (5 minutes, on cards) to an audience of 4,000 people gathered at the Washington Hilton Hotel for the National Prayer Breakfast.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks note the powerful role that prayer has played in the extraordinary events of this past year.

The speech includes a section about Lee Atwater. This has been cleared with Sally Atwater -- who will attend the event.

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RESPONSE: *No comment. Thanks.*
Paul ^{PK} Korfanta
01/27/92

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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January 27, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

Deputy Assistant to the President for
Communications and Director of Speechwriting

FROM:

JANET REHNQUIST *ja*
Associate Counsel to the President

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks -- National Prayer Breakfast,
Thursday, January 30, 1992, Washington Hilton

At your request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter. We have no legal objections.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this matter

cc: Phil Brady

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RESPONSE:

Very good speech. I would recommend however that you take a look at the President's closing remarks at the Rotary dinner in Portsmouth, NH earlier this month. Perhaps, those comments can somehow be incorporated.

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