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Q. Do you think there will be one this year, Mr. President?

The President. Well, we're hoping so, yes.

Note: The exchange began at 8:42 a.m. at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

Text of Remarks at the Opening Session of the Drug Summit in San Antonio

February 27, 1992

It is a great honor and pleasure to call to order an historic meeting, in a historic city, in a historic State, my home State of Texas. We are all here to make this San Antonio drug summit as successful as the first summit called by President Barco 2 years ago in beautiful, heroic Cartagena. It is fitting to begin this meeting with a warm tribute to the great, visionary man who first brought us together on this issue, Virgilio Barco.

In Cartagena, as President Paz Zamora, who is also here today, will recall, we faced a daunting, unprecedented, some thought hopeless, challenge: How to unite against the scourge of drugs, violence, and corruption that was undermining our democratic societies, our institutions, our economies, and our environment.

That meeting gave birth to a new alliance to strengthen our democracies by attacking the drug trafficking and consumption with greater resolve than ever before. Cartagena was when we stopped the finger-pointing and committed ourselves to cooperation, when we recognized that drugs are an international plague caused by both consumer and supplier.

Two years later the situation has markedly improved. We are facing the challenge. We are united. We are resolute. We are prevailing. We are now seven, not four. We welcome to this group Mexico, Venezuela, and Ecuador, all of whom have shown firm leadership and courage in this struggle. Others in the Americas and Europe are with us, see-

ing the threat more clearly. Progress is being made. We have courageously faced those who would subvert our societies, break our laws, and kill thousands of innocents. Top traffickers are dead or jailed. Record levels of cocaine and other drugs have been seized. Cultivation has leveled off. Interdiction is up worldwide. We have cracked down on drug users. Consumption is declining as our people increasingly reject drugs, especially our youth. Our judicial institutions are stronger, better able to meet the challenge. Our efforts against money laundering, chemical diversion, and illegal arms exports are improving.

But, we are here today because the job is not yet done. We have not yet won this fight. It is time to assess our accomplishments and our plans, to learn from the past and look to the future. Let me mention what seems to me to be some priority areas.

First and foremost, we must reduce demand. All else will fail if we do not do that. I know that task falls heaviest on the United States, and we have made a good beginning. Since I came to office, there has been a 35-percent decrease in current cocaine users, and 27 percent fewer young people are using drugs.

Second, we must continue the economic reform, economic assistance, debt, trade, and investment measures which are so important to our antinarcotics programs. The United States wants alternative development to succeed. I am sure Peruvian and Bolivian peasants will stop growing illegal coca if there is an alternative besides starvation. The stick of law enforcement must have a carrot, an offer of viable economic alternatives for poor peasants.

Third, we must continue and enhance our effectiveness in eradication, interdiction, and law enforcement that have been so critical to our success thus far. Just as demand reduction will lower supply, so also supply reduction will lessen demand. We have laid this out in the "Strategy for Action" that is part of our declaration. We must make it happen.

Fourth, we must look carefully and imaginatively at what might be called nonviolent law enforcement measures. We must strengthen and harmonize our laws on money laundering, arms, exports, chemical controls, asset seizure, and in other areas. It

is here that the long arm of the law can fracture the power of the traffickers. The antiracketeering laws in the United States have proven to be one of the strongest measures we have developed in recent years.

Fifth, our judicial systems need our attention. Many of us have underway legal reforms so that we can handle criminal cases faster, more securely, and more effectively. These are important and should proceed. We must also cooperate by sharing information about traffickers and their crimes so they can be brought to justice.

Sixth, our cooperation has developed in the past 2 years, and I welcome that. We need to keep in close touch so that we can coordinate strategy and understand each others' perspectives and needs. That makes the high-level follow-on meeting very important. It will be the first review of how our "Strategies for Action" are progressing. We also must enlist the cooperation of the Europeans and Asians. To do that we should send a delegation to those countries to talk to their leaders.

Seventh, heroin production is a worrisome problem which Mexico and Colombia are moving against with some success. This is a sign the traffickers believe the cocaine trade is declining. We cannot ignore this new threat, or we risk a surprise in the future.

Eighth, we must do a better job educating our press and our publics about our progress. In the United States, for example, we are seeing a downturn in demand that was purchased at great cost in money and effort. Another example is the story of the drop in cultivation in the Chapare in Bolivia.

Ninth, as we take up the struggle within our own countries with renewed vigor, we must bear in mind that our efforts transcend borders. We must respect sovereignty, or our cooperation will not be sustained. But as sovereign states, we can agree to cooperate against the traffickers who trample on the sovereignty. If we do not work together, the traffickers will destroy us separately.

Finally, one more note of great importance. Everything we do must conform to our democratic principles. None of us wants a drug-free dictatorship. We must protect the human and civil rights of our citizens. We are all committed to defending democracy

and its principles as we defeat the scourge of drugs.

Note: The text was issued by the Office of the Press Secretary. The text referred to Virgilio Barco, former President of Colombia.

The President's News Conference With the Drug Summit Participants in San Antonio

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President Bush. As the President of the host country, I will give a brief statement, and then we will respond under the plan for responding to questions.

First, let me just say that it has been a privilege and a pleasure to welcome six strong democratic leaders to San Antonio: President Gaviria of Colombia, President Fujimori of Peru, President Paz Zamora of Bolivia, President Borja of Ecuador, President Salinas of Mexico, and then Foreign Minister Duran of Venezuela.

The United States is indeed fortunate to have these leaders as allies in a cooperative fight against drugs. And this cooperative venture is reflected as well in the cooperation that permeates our bilateral relationships, for example, the recent agreement between Peru and Bolivia on access to the sea, a wonderful agreement; growing rapport between Ecuador and Peru, another good sign.

Drug traffickers corrupt our young people. They bring violence to our democracies and destroy our hemisphere's natural environment. This is a new kind of transnational enemy, well-financed, ruthless, well-organized, and well-armed, a foe who respects no nation's sovereignty or borders. The struggle to defeat the narco-traffickers requires cooperation, commitment, and it will not be won overnight. But make no mistake, defeat the traffickers we will.

Two years ago at Cartagena we formed a regional alliance with Peru, Bolivia, and Colombia to confront the narco-trafficking cartels. Today three new allies joined us, Mexico, Ecuador, and Venezuela. In the past 2 years we've made significant progress. First and most importantly, today in the United

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST *AD*

FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*

SUBJECT: SAN ANTONIO SPURS DRUG FREE YOUTH BASKETBALL
LEAGUE

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(Hinchliffe/Nix)
February 25, 1992 7:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1992
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And the San Antonio Spurs. I've often said that from now on in America, any definition of a successful life must include serving others, and it's great to see athletes who succeed off the court as well as on. Or, maybe I should say, who spur kids into action. Here in this grand state, success comes from strength of beliefs and a spirit as big as the Texas sky. So it makes sense that a great Texas team decided to lead its community in reclaiming its streets, its kids, and its future.

So many sports celebrities have volunteered their time and effort in the fight against drugs. But think of what could be

accomplished if every basketball, baseball, football, soccer and hockey team, from major league to college, followed your example and became Points of Light in this struggle. Then from San Antonio to Minneapolis, from San Diego to Miami, a network of athletes would show our kids there is an alternative to drugs and crime.

And think of what could be accomplished if leaders of every institution here committed themselves to helping the Spurs and other organizations solve social problems through voluntary service. San Antonio would become a "Community of Light."

You kids are learning something more than just how to do a lay-up or a full-court press. You're learning about what really makes adults: responsibility, conscience, goals. You're helping your community become a decent, drug-free, safe place to live.

And by staying drug-free you're helping our country reach its goals. We have a National Drug Control Strategy -- set up to wrestle our country from the deadly grip of drugs. And we're seeing results. This year we've dramatically exceeded many of the goals we'd hoped to reach -- particularly in areas affecting kids like you. We'd planned to reduce current adolescent cocaine use by 30% -- it's actually fallen 63%. That's something we've done together, and you should be proud.

I'm here in San Antonio to meet with Latin American leaders to better coordinate our nations' efforts to combat drugs. We're waging a war to cut the supply lines that channel drugs into this country. But you and I know we've also got to wage this war at

home -- cutting the demand lines that channel drugs into the lives of our children. In addition to drug awareness and education programs like this one here in San Antonio; and expanding drug treatment nationwide; we need stronger legislation to show lawbreakers that actions have consequences. I want stiffer sentences for drug dealers. I want courts that punish criminals, not cops trying to do their jobs. And I want laws that make life tougher on criminals than on the victims.

As a nation we have to celebrate the success stories. Showing the good that's being done inspires others to do good things as well. We're here to honor something special: your determination, your spirit. You kids and the 2300 like you across this city are learning very important lessons here -- staying drug-free can help you make your dreams come true.

Today, in order to highlight for others the good work you are doing here, I recognize the San Antonio Spurs Drug Free Youth Basketball League as our 705th Daily Point of Light. You prove no community has to accept things as they are. Drugs and other problems can be driven from our backyards if leaders in every community care enough to urge people to become Points of Light.

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FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE *BH*

SUBJECT: SAN ANTONIO SPURS DRUG FREE YOUTH BASKETBALL
LEAGUE

I. SUMMARY

On Thursday, February 27, at 4:55 p.m., you will deliver remarks to an audience of approximately 400 people gathered at the West End Community Center. You will be introduced by San Antonio Spurs Player David Robinson.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (5 minutes, on cards) praise the players, coaches, kids and parents for their commitment to this basketball program and to the anti-drug effort.

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February 25, 1992 7:00 p.m.
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4:55 P.M.

Thanks, Dave (Robinson). It's great to see you all here -- Roger Heminghouse, Gregg Popovich, Frank Martin, thanks for the great work you do for this league. I'm also glad to see some other Spurs here -- owner Red McCombs [~~mac-COMBS~~] and players.

Thanks for letting Barbara and me take part in this terrific program -- [it's nice to be in a place where the "foul shots" aren't coming in my direction.] I hear you kids were excited when your coaches told you that the most important man in America was coming here to talk to you today. So, don't worry, I won't take up too much of Dave Robinson's time.

I'm glad to see so many parents here -- because the future of every community depends on strong families. That was the firm belief of our founding fathers, and it's as true today.

And the San Antonio Spurs. I've often said that from now on in America, any definition of a successful life must include serving others, and it's great to see athletes who succeed off the court as well as on. Or, maybe I should say, who spur kids into action. Here in this grand state, success comes from strength of beliefs and a spirit as big as the Texas sky. So it makes sense that a great Texas team decided to lead its community in reclaiming its streets, its kids, and its future.

So many sports celebrities have volunteered their time and effort in the fight against drugs. But think of what could be

accomplished if every basketball, baseball, football, soccer and hockey team, from major league to college, followed your example and became Points of Light in this struggle. Then from San Antonio to Minneapolis, from San Diego to Miami, a network of athletes would show our kids there is an alternative to drugs and crime.

And think of what could be accomplished if leaders of every institution here committed themselves to helping the Spurs and other organizations solve social problems through voluntary service. San Antonio would become a "Community of Light."

You kids are learning something more than just how to do a lay-up or a full-court press. You're learning about what really makes adults: responsibility, conscience, goals. You're helping your community become a decent, drug-free, safe place to live.

And by staying drug-free you're helping our country reach its goals. We have a National Drug Control Strategy -- set up to wrestle our country from the deadly grip of drugs. And we're seeing results. This year we've dramatically exceeded many of the goals we'd hoped to reach -- particularly in areas affecting kids like you. We'd planned to reduce current adolescent cocaine use by 30% -- it's actually fallen 63%. That's something we've done together, and you should be proud.

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home -- cutting the demand lines that channel drugs into the lives of our children. In addition to drug awareness and education programs like this one here in San Antonio; and expanding drug treatment nationwide; we need stronger legislation to show lawbreakers that actions have consequences. I want stiffer sentences for drug dealers. I want courts that punish criminals, not cops trying to do their jobs. And I want laws that make life tougher on criminals than on the victims.

As a nation we have to celebrate the success stories. Showing the good that's being done inspires others to do good things as well. We're here to honor something special: your determination, your spirit. You kids and the 2300 like you across this city are learning very important lessons here -- staying drug-free can help you make your dreams come true.

Today, in order to highlight for others the good work you are doing here, I recognize the San Antonio Spurs Drug Free Youth Basketball League as our 705th Daily Point of Light. You prove no community has to accept things as they are. Drugs and other problems can be driven from our backyards if leaders in every community care enough to urge people to become Points of Light.

Congratulations to all of you, who show us that it's better to build children than repair adults. Keep making those hoops against all odds -- and may God bless you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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February 25, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DAN MCGROARTY

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: San Antonio Spurs Anti-
Drug Event

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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REMARKS: MARTINEZ

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 Rm 122, Ext. 2930, NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. TODAY 2/25,
 with a copy to this office.

RESPONSE: Thank you.

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

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As is. S.R.

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RESPONSE:

TO: DAN MCGROARTY

February 25, 1992

The NSC concurs with the attached statement.


Brent Scowcroft

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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Assistant to the President
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REMARKS:

MARTINEZ

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RESPONSE:

Thank you.

Dan - Good remarks. Please see suggested edits. We are trying to emphasize a few themes which I have underlined e.g. leadership, Community spirit, strong families, success, Community. Thanks for

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I've often said that, from now on in America, my definition of a successful life ~~must~~ include serving others, and

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Today, in order to highlight for others the good work you are doing here, I am recognizing
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(HHS)

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General Comment
 (HHS) This is an actual quote... Anonymous but nonetheless recognizable to people in the child care professions.

Carol

Memorandum for Speechwriting Staff

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Regarding: *SPURS*

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CBA

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 Rm 122, Ext. 2930, NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. TODAY 2/25,
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RESPONSE: Thank you.

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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Regarding: *SPURS*

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Today's Date: FEB 25 1999

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Congratulations to Gregg (Popovich), Frank (Martin), and the players and coaches who show us that it's easier to build a child than repair an adult. Keep making those hoops against all odds -
- and may God bless you.

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