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THE WHITE HOUSE

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April 13, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN SIGNING CEREMONY FOR BECK EXECUTIVE ORDER

The Rose Garden

11:00 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Please be seated. And may I just say that we are delighted to see all of you here on this crisp, cool day in the Rose Garden. Before I begin, I'd like to recognize two members of the Cabinet here: Secretary Lynn Martin over here, Secretary of Labor; and then Attorney General Bill Barr sitting over here in the front. (Applause.) I also want to single out two congressmen with us today, Bob Walker and Tom DeLay -- thank them for being here. Mr. James Stephens the Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board. And also a very special welcome to Harry Beck and his wife Karan. (Applause.) And fresh from parting the Red Sea yet again on TV last night -- (laughter) -- our old friend Charlton Heston. And I'll have more to say about him in a minute. But thank you for coming all this way. (Applause.)

Today happens to be a very special anniversary. Two hundred and forty nine years ago today, Thomas Jefferson was born. And there is a renewed spirit of Jeffersonian reform sweeping through this nation today. It is therefore a fitting occasion for putting into effect new reforms that will protect American's fundamental rights against political abuse by special interest groups.

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Now not long ago in Philadelphia, I spoke of the wisdom of the founders on the subject of government reform. It is this Jeffersonian insight that we reaffirm today with reforms to strengthen the political rights of American workers.

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It took this man 12 years of patient effort to carry his case to vindication in the highest court of the land. And it is his crusade that brings us together today. So, Harry Beck, thank you, sir, for all that you have done. And I am proud to have you stand with me as I sign this Executive Order. Welcome and well done. (Applause.)

(The Executive Order is signed.)

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FROM: JOSEPH P. DUGGAN *J P*
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(Duggan/Simon)
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GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

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\\ {Signs order.}

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The Beck decision is one of a series of cases protecting American workers from being compelled against their will to pay union or agency dues in excess of what is actually used for collective bargaining purposes. Full implementation of this principle will guarantee that no American will have his job or livelihood threatened for refusing to contribute to political activities against his will. The Executive Order I sign today will make it easier for employees of federal contractors to understand and protect their political rights.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DAN MCGROARTY

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Beck Executive Order
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We have reviewed the attached presidential remarks and have noted a few suggested changes on the draft.

If you have any questions or we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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DATE: 4/9/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: FRIDAY, 4/10/92 NOON

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3129. To give up the task of reforming society is to give up one's responsibility as a free man. —Alan Paton, "The Challenge of Fear", *Saturday Review*, Sep 9, 1967

3130. To achieve reforms, you have sometimes to try to make the revolution. —Anonymous, quoting a student at the University of Nanterre, France, following 1968 upheaval, *The Economist*, May 14, 1988

3131. Personally, I am not nonviolent, but I'm not a fool either. I can count. —Whitney Moore Young Jr., recalled on his death, Mar 11, 1971

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3133. Many middle-class reformers will find to their surprise, that the populace is going to be quick to bite the hand that aims to feed it. The populace doesn't want to be fed; it wants more freedom to graze on its own. —Irving Kristol, *Esquire*, May 23, 1978

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RELIGION AND THE STATE

3135. If men think that a ruler is religious and has a reverence for the Gods, they are less afraid of suffering injustice at his hands. —Aristotle, *Politics*, 343 B.C.

3136. Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's. —Bible, *Matthew*, ca. 90

3137. The doctrine of persecution for cause of conscience is most evidently and lamentably contrary to the doctrine of Christ Jesus the Prince of Peace. —Roger Williams, *The Bloudy Tenant of Persecution for Cause of Conscience*, 1644

3138. A sanctimonious man is one who under an atheist king would be atheist. [*Un dévot est celui qui sous un roi athée serait athée.*] —Jean de La Bruyère, "De la mode", *Les Caractères*, 1688

3139. All religions must be tolerated...every man must go to heaven in his own way. [*Die Religionen müssen alle toleriert werden ... denn hier muss ein jeder nach seiner Fassung selig werden.*] —Frederick the Great, note to the Religious Department, Jun 22, 1740

3140. That religion, or the duty which we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence; and therefore all men are equally entitled to the free exercise of religion, according to the dictates of conscience. —Patrick Henry, *Virginia Bill of Rights*, Jun 12, 1776

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3142. It does me no injury for my neighbor to say there are twenty gods, or no God. It neither picks my pocket nor breaks my leg. —Thomas Jefferson, *Notes on the State of Virginia*, 1782

3143. It behoves every man who values liberty of conscience for himself, to resist invasions of it in the case of others; or their case may, by change of circumstances, become his own. —Thomas Jefferson, letter to Benjamin Rush, Apr 21, 1803

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If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

April 10, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO JIM PINKERTON

From: Jeremy Shane *JS*
Re: Comments on Beck statement

The Beck EO announcement is exactly the type of statement where the President can begin to connect the dots on the reform agenda. Subconsciously this was done on p.3 with the linkage of Beck to election financing reform. It should be done explicitly. I suggest adding after the first sentence of the first full paragraph:

Institutions of public life, whether the government, corporations, or unions should be accountable to their constituents to produce results and to respond to their needs. Working Americans should have the right to decide whether contributing to political parties or candidates at odds with their beliefs fulfill that principle, or represent the institutional responsibility we rightfully expect from those we trust to represent our needs. In pursuit of the very same principles -- accountability and institutional responsibility -- I am asking Congress to . . .

cc: Jim Cicconi

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To

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Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

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April 9, 1992
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