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Statement by Press Secretary Fitzwater on Syria's Lifting of Restrictions on Syrian Jews
April 27, 1992

We are pleased to have obtained official confirmation from the Syrian Government on Saturday of the lifting of restrictions on travel and disposition of property for the Syrian Jewish community.

The Syrian Government has now informed us that, in the aftermath of President Assad's recent meeting with the leaders of Syria's Jewish community, all members of the Syrian Jewish community will be accorded the same rights as those enjoyed by all other Syrian citizens. We have been told that Syrian Jews will be allowed to travel abroad as families, on business, and for vacations. Further, the Syrian Government has removed difficulties encountered by its Jewish citizens with regard to the sale and purchase of property. The Syrian Government has also released the Soued brothers, who had been imprisoned for violating Syrian travel laws.

We welcome these decisions by President Assad and his Government. This administration has maintained a productive dialog with Syria's leadership on a number of important issues, including the peace process. The subject of Syrian Jewry has constituted an integral part of this dialog and has been raised by both President Bush and Secretary Baker with President Assad and other senior Syrian officials. We look forward to the full implementation of these decisions affecting Syrian Jews.

Statement by Press Secretary Fitzwater on the Beer Market Access Agreement With Canada
April 27, 1992

The President welcomes the agreement in principle reached Saturday between the U.S. Trade Representative and Canadian officials to resolve long-standing bilateral differences over access for American beer to the Canadian market. The agreement is an indication of the importance of our bilateral trading relationship and the willingness of the U.S. and

Canada to work cooperatively to resolve trade differences.

Nomination of William Clark, Jr., To Be an Assistant Secretary of State
April 27, 1992

The President today announced his intention to nominate William Clark, Jr., of the District of Columbia, a member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Career Minister, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. He would succeed Richard H. Solomon.

Since 1989, Ambassador Clark has served as United States Ambassador to India. Prior to this, he served as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Asian and Pacific Affairs at the U.S. Department of State, 1987-89; and as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, 1986-87. In addition, Ambassador Clark served as Chargé d'Affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, Egypt, 1986, and as Deputy Chief of Mission, 1985-86.

Ambassador Clark graduated from San Jose State College (B.A., 1954). He was born October 12, 1930, in Oakland, CA. Ambassador Clark served in the U.S. Navy, 1949-53. He is married, has one child, and resides in Washington, DC.

Remarks at a Bush-Quayle Fundraising Dinner in Charlotte, North Carolina
April 27, 1992

Thank you so much for the warm welcome. Thank you, Jim Martin, Dottie—and Jim, for those kind words and for heading up our effort in this great and important State. Dr. Ford, thank you for your lovely words of invocation. Let me single out the Bravo Singers, did a superb job of harmony there on the anthem. And the Lees-McRae College Clodhoppers out there, the cloggers, first-class from what I could see. I only saw one end of it down there, but it looked pretty good.

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And my respects to your neighbor to the south, the incomparable, outstanding Senator Strom Thurmond. My heavens, what a great joy it is to have him and work with him in the United States Senate. He is a superb leader. And he's very proud of the Cat Band of Lexington, South Carolina, that's with us tonight.

And may I salute the three Congressmen introduced, Congressmen McMillan and Taylor and Ballenger, and thank them for being with us. Thank our finance team that's done so much for me already, Bobby Holt, our national chairman, and Jack Laughery, our regional—he's got five States, and he's twisting arms in every single one of them, doing a first-class job. And Mayo, thank you, sir, for leading the pack here. May I also thank Bob Bradshaw, our dinner chairman; salute an old friend, colleague—he and I were elected to Congress on the same day—Jim Gardner, now the Lieutenant Governor. It's big plans ahead for him.

And Mayor Vinroot, you lead a wonderful city indeed. You know, coming into Charlotte is no longer a small-city experience. I can't believe your airport is now the eighth busiest in the country. The old saw used to be that you had to go through Atlanta to get to heaven; now they say it is much more fun to go through Charlotte. *[Laughter]*

But it's wonderful to see so many friends here. And Jim Martin and I have a lot in common. We both have to deal with a house full of Democrats. We don't need his Ph.D. to realize that that's bad chemistry. You know, I listened very carefully to what Jesse said, outstanding Senator Jesse Helms, and heard what he had to say about the spending habits of the Congress and then coupled that with what Strom had to say. And there's very little left for me. But they hit the main points. It is the Congress that appropriates every dime. It is the Congress that tells the Executive how to spend every dime.

People say they think that Jim Martin—back to him—will have a hard time making the transition from politics to medicine. I don't think so at all. I'll bet it won't take him any time at all before he's out playing golf on Wednesday afternoons. *[Laughter]*

There's a good reason for Charlotte to be a proud city. I especially admire the way you

support two concerns that are very close to my heart: education, that Jim touched on, and service to others. Your Foundation for the Carolinas shows the priority you place on these community efforts. And yes, this is National Volunteer Week. And I'm reminded that Charlotte is the home to some remarkable, what we call Points of Light, including the Cities in Schools volunteers, Charlotte Habitat for Humanity, and the employees of the Duke Power Company that go out and do so much to help others get educated.

But now let me thank each of you who contribute so generously to this reelection campaign. This support is important for the future of our country. Let me say it right up front: I want to be your President for 4 more years, and I believe I'm going to be.

I know that many here are understandably concerned about the economy. That is my number one concern as well. But this month we had some heartening news about the United States economy, almost across the board, incidentally. It's turning around; it's beginning to move again. The leading indicator has been trade. U.S. exports are surging, rising 7 percent in February to a record one-month high of almost \$38 billion. And once again, American manufacturing exports are leading the way.

The evidence is indisputable: Open markets and free trade mean new hires and new buyers, jobs for American workers from sales of American goods and services. Jobs in the trade sector have grown three times faster than overall American job creation. This good news underscores a fundamental truth about our own competitiveness: If we're to succeed economically at home, we must lead economically abroad.

There's still much more that we've got to do to make America more competitive. The Congress could get this recovery moving quicker and stronger if it would pass the economic action package that Strom mentioned, the package that I sent up to Congress in January. One of our problems right now is the cost of capital; it is too high. But it is a problem we can do something about. A high capital gains tax rate deters investment, thus business expansion, and thus job creation. None of our major industrial competitors tax capital gains at rates that are com-

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comparable to ours. Germany doesn't tax them at all, zero. And in Japan, a businessman, entrepreneur who sells the company that he's built from scratch pays a tax of one percent. These are America's toughest competitors. But we disadvantage our own workers and then ask them to beat the competition. That's just plain dumb.

Yet, the very people who every year complain about America's ability to compete are the same people who every year block our efforts to lower the cost of capital. Once and for all they need to get the message: It is time to cut the tax on capital gains. And it is time that Congress gives us this investment tax allowance that we also put forward as one of our seven investment points. We need that, and we need that one now. And I wish, Strom, that the Congress would get moving on that.

For us to compete we also must lighten up the regulatory burden that Washington imposes on every American business. Just last January we placed a 90-day moratorium on Federal regulations. Wherever possible, we've blocked those regulations that impede growth and accelerated those that encourage growth. So far, we've saved American consumers and businesses many billions in regulatory costs. Wednesday, we'll announce our next step in our battle against these excessive regulations. But for now I simply want to say the days of overregulation are just that, they are over. And we must all work to keep it that way.

I've talked often about the need for reform and the need for change. And I've acted, made specific and far-reaching proposals. I've called for reform of our education system, our health care system, our courts, and our election campaigns. I have fought for free and fair trade to sustain and create good jobs. These are five key issues at the forefront of the national agenda. Beyond that, right down the line, from crime that Strom talks about, in a field in which he's been such a leader, all the way to the Congress itself, our administration has proposed fundamental changes to help us solve pressing national problems.

We've had some successes in our efforts to change things, but more often than not Congress stands in the way. They are sup-

ported by an army of special interests. Neither are interested in change. They stand squarely behind the status quo. They may be powerful. They may be influential. They may be very well-connected. But let me tell you this: They are absolutely wrong in their approach to the economy of the United States of America.

Let me tell you why. It used to be that a doctor's first concern was the care of the patient, not the chance of a malpractice suit. Lawsuit mania, you know what I'm talking about: Obstetricians not delivering babies, parents literally being driven away from coaching Little League, volunteers not helping the elderly, all because of the fear of lawsuits. That is wrong. That is not the America we want. People should spend more time helping each other and a little less time suing each other.

And you can help me by calling on the Congress to pass our "Access to Justice Act." It is languishing on Capitol Hill, blocked by special interest groups getting rich off these outrageous settlements. Our legal system is complicated. And people's rights certainly must be protected. But the system desperately needs reform, and no lawyers lobby should stand in the way. And we must fight to put some limits on these liability claims.

It used to be that we were confident that when we sent our kids to school they would get a first-class education, learn how to read and write, understand something about the world. We believed in building character, so education included teaching values and responsibility, simple right from wrong. We believed parents shared this responsibility for education. Parents are a child's first teachers, and the home is a child's first school. I believe that's still the way it ought to be.

But educational achievement has been stagnant for years. And now we thank our lucky stars that our child's school isn't the one where they find a gun in someone's locker or drug dealing out there in the playground, for heaven's sakes. And our teachers, they often double as counselors, mentors, social workers, and surrogate parents all rolled up into one. God bless our teachers for the work they do. They deserve our best effort, they deserve our best effort to make the system better.

And right here, Charlotte and the State of North Carolina are leading the way. We've set national goals, six national goals in a bipartisan fashion, and a strategy to achieve them. In every State in the Nation and over 1,200 communities across the country, our America 2000 reforms are gaining steam with innovation, these break-the-mold schools, world-class standards, voluntary national testing, more flexibility for teachers and principals. And whether it's among public schools or private or religious, all parents, rich or poor, deserve the right to choose their children's schools. And I challenge Congress to pass legislation to that end.

It's a giant undertaking to create the best schools in the world for our kids, to literally, in a country this big, to revolutionize the Nation's education system. But we are going to do it, with or without the permission of the powerful NEA union or the United States Congress.

Charlotte is very fortunate. You've got a great Congressman in Alex McMillan. He's an expert on another urgent reform issue, health care. It used to be that going to the hospital didn't conjure up images of financial ruin. And while our health care still is the finest quality care in the world, too many people don't qualify for health insurance, or they simply cannot afford it. And the cost of even minor surgery has gone sky-high, right out through the roof. Many poor people would prefer going to a family doctor but end up waiting for hours in hospital emergency rooms for routine medical attention. This, too, is wrong, and it's got to change.

Our health care proposal is comprehensive. It makes health insurance accessible and affordable for all Americans without destroying the finest quality health care in the world. We must not go the way of these nationalized health care plans with long lines, impersonal service, and fewer options for consumers. If that's what we wanted, we'd put health care under the department of motor vehicles, and we'd all stand in line all day long. We don't need another big bureaucracy.

Look what happened to Medicaid. It started as a \$1 billion program, \$1 billion. It is now \$150 billion and growing at a rate of 17 percent a year, 38 percent last year alone.

Yes, there are those whose first resort is a big new Government program with all the self-perpetuating features of the old big Government programs. But make no mistake, nationalized health care would be a national disaster. And I will fight any nationalized or socialized medicine plan for the United States of America.

In these and so many areas that demand our reform, our Government can play a pivotal and positive role in addressing many of our Nation's most critical problems. One half of my adult life, my own, has been in the private sector, and one half in government service. And I've seen this country change, sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse. And you need to know what needs change. Change for change sake is meaningless and empty. It takes more than happy talk, more than lip service to reform or get service to special interest.

But that's what the Democrats are still offering if you look at these mandated programs they're proposing day in and day out. Our party stands for change. But the national Democratic Party will always revert to form, solve a problem by creating a program; more power to the bureaucracy, less to the individual. They do not understand that people are yearning for a return to responsibility and accountability, values that refuse to go out of style.

That is why major reforms of our Government are absolutely essential. The American people know that as Government tries to do more and more, it delivers less and less. Next year, the Federal Government will spend \$1.5 trillion of your money. There is just no question about it: The Federal Government is too big and spends too much. So, we should start with real spending reform. It's time for the President—and I will not parrot Strom—to have what 43 Governors have, that line-item veto.

Next, I've sent up legislation to end the special treatment for Congress. It is time for the Congress to govern itself by the laws that it imposes on others. The laws that you and I have to abide by, the Congress ought to abide by. And it's time for sweeping reform of campaign financing, but let's not do it by making the taxpayer fund all these congressional elections. It's bad enough to have them

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put it in for the President's race. Finally, it's time to make Congress a citizen assembly, not a club for career politicians. And so, I think the time has come to limit the terms of Members of Congress. I favor six terms for a Member of the House and two for a Senator that precisely has limited terms—the Presidency has it limited. You might say, then, why should not the Congress?

These last few years have seen our world turned upside down. Think how much we have accomplished. We think of our problems, but think of our blessings for a minute. With God's help and with hard work to support the convictions we have, we've helped change the world. We literally have changed the world. We've helped the peoples of Eastern Europe and the old Soviet empire peacefully throw off the yoke of communism. Now we're helping their transition to free markets and helping them reduce their nuclear arsenals.

And if you ask me what gives you the most pride or pleasure out of having been President, I take great pride that it was the leadership of the United States that has diminished for our children the threat of nuclear war. We stood up against dictators and exporters of totalitarian revolution in Latin America; we've helped democracy take root in nearly every country of our own hemisphere. Look south of the Rio Grande.

When a ruthless tyrant overran Kuwait and threatened to engulf the Middle East in its worst conflagration, we protected the people of Israel and Turkey and Saudi Arabia. And we organized an unprecedented world coalition, and we liberated Kuwait from the aggressor. In the process, we accomplished a breakthrough sought by every President from Truman to Reagan: We brought Arab neighbors face to face with Israel for the first time at the peace table. This is big. And this is historic. And we can all take pride in this as Americans.

We won the cold war and we stopped Saddam's aggression because 12 years ago we renewed our faith in our values and, as Strom pointed out again, we strengthened our defenses. And now, if any of you have traveled around the world I believe you'd agree with this one, the United States is the undisputed leader of the entire world. This is no time

to pull back. This is no time to retreat, no time to be afraid of the changes in the world. We will keep ourselves strong. And in world markets, security, and politics, we are going to stay engaged, and we are going to continue to lead the entire world.

And so, in sum, we have a mission together to carry on the American dream for new generations. With your help we can win a mandate to lead this country for 4 more years. We can keep our country a champion of ideas and opportunity and justice. We can reform our schools and our courts and our health care system, our very system of government. And we can assure that when we reach the new century, America will still be the strongest, the bravest, and the freest Nation on the face of the Earth.

Thank you all. And may God bless each and every one of you. And may God bless our great country, the United States of America. Thank you very much.

Note: The President spoke at 8:05 p.m. at the Adam's Mark Hotel. In his remarks, he referred to Gov. James Martin of North Carolina and his wife, Dorothy, Leighton Ford, president of the Leighton Ford Ministries, and Mayo Boddie, a dinner fundraiser.

Remarks at Bush-Quayle Campaign Headquarters

April 28, 1992

The President. Good to see all of you. **Audience members.** Four more years! Four more years!

The President. Thank you so much. I've just had a wonderful tour of the headquarters. And now for the best part: to thank the volunteers who have done so much already. And we haven't really begun to fight yet. And this is good. I am grateful to each and every one of you. I had a chance to thank many on the professional staff here, but I just would never be able to adequately thank you who do so much in the way of volunteering. So I wanted to start with that.

Bob referred to the fact—Bob Teeter, who is doing a superb job—referred to the fact that if things go about the way we expect

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: DAVID F. DEMAREST *DD*

SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMARKS FOR BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

I. SUMMARY

On Monday, April 27, at 7:10 p.m., you will deliver remarks to approximately 500 people gathered at the Adams-Mark Hotel in downtown Charlotte. You will be introduced by Governor Jim Martin.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (approximately 19 minutes/teleprompter) focuses on your reform agenda and appeals to the audience for support of your re-election.

DDJCMN
Friday April 24, 1992
9:30 a.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1992

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There's been a lot of talk about change this election year. Most of it has been just that -- talk. But that's not good enough if we're going to build a better America. We need people of action. People with the experience to know what to do, and how to do it. People of principle -- willing to stand up against powerful special interests. That's why I need your support -- to fight for change -- make this country a better country.

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government for many years. Been in the Congress, served this country overseas -- in uniform and in diplomatic pinstripes. But I've also run a business, met a payroll, created jobs and beat the competition. I've seen this country change -- sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse. These experiences help me bring something to the table when it comes to taking on the status quo.

You need to know the system in order to change it. If you don't, you won't know what needs change. "Change for change sake" is meaningless and empty. It takes more than happy talk. More than lip service to reform -- or debt service to special interests. But that's what the Democrats still offer.

Our Party stands for change, but the national Democratic Party will always revert to form -- solve a problem by creating a program -- more power to the bureaucracy, less to the individual. They don't understand that people are yearning for a return to responsibility and accountability -- values that refuse to go out of style. Liberal Democrats don't understand that people have had it with the "no-fault" lifestyle -- the denial that actions have consequences. Well, that's what responsibility is about. Parents want their kids brought up to know that. All of us have a right to a government that understands that as well.

That's why major reforms of our government are essential. The American people know that as government tries to do more and more, it delivers less and less. Next year, the federal government will spend \$1.5 trillion dollars of your money. There

is just no question about it -- the federal government is too big and spends too much.

So we should start with real spending reform. It's time for the President to have what 43 governors have, the line-item veto. Next, no more special treatment for the Congress. It's time for the Congress to govern itself by the laws it imposes on others. It's time for sweeping reform of campaign financing and it's time to make Congress a citizen assembly, not a club for career politicians -- time to limit the terms of Members of Congress. The Presidency has limited terms, why not Congress -- six terms for a member of the House and two terms for a senator?

Term limits would keep government more active, more vital and closer to the people. Help us get government back to the basics. Focus on what people want, what they need, what they deserve -- like wholesome families and good jobs. Like good schools and safe neighborhoods. Fundamentals like a strong economy and a strong country. That's what a government of the people means. If you think about it that's the definition of freedom. That's what I believe, and that's why I am asking for your support for four more years.

These last few years have seen our world turned upside down. Think how much we have accomplished. Think of our blessings. With God's help and with hard work to support our convictions, we've helped change the world. We've helped the peoples of Eastern Europe and the old Soviet empire peacefully throw off the yoke of communism. And today we're helping their transition to

free markets and helping them reduce their nuclear arsenals. We stood up against dictators and exporters of totalitarian revolution in Latin America and we've helped democracy take root in nearly every country of our hemisphere.

When a ruthless tyrant overran Kuwait and threatened to engulf the Middle East in its worst conflagration, we protected the people of Israel and Turkey and Saudi Arabia. We organized an unprecedented world coalition and we liberated Kuwait from the aggressor. In the process we accomplished a breakthrough sought by every President from Truman to Reagan -- we brought Arab neighbors face to face with Israel for the first time at the peace table.

We won the Cold War and we stopped Saddam's aggression because, 12 years ago, we renewed our faith in our values and we strengthened our defenses. And now, the United States is the undisputed leader of the entire world. This is no time to pull back. No time to retreat. No time to be afraid of the changes in the world. We will keep ourselves strong, and in world markets, security and politics, we will stay engaged.

We have a mission together to carry on the American Dream for new generations. With your help we can win a mandate to lead this country for four more years. We can keep our country a champion of ideas, and opportunity, and justice. We can reform our schools and our courts, our health care system, our very system of government. And we can assure that when we reach the

new century, America will still be the strongest, the bravest, the freest nation on the face of the Earth.

Thank you all. And may God bless each and every one of you and our great country, the United States of America. Thank you very much.

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MARTIN

BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1992

THANK YOU FOR THAT WARM WELCOME. THANK YOU
GOVERNOR MARTIN [DOTTIE]. DR. FORD (INVOCATION) AND
THE BRAVO SINGERS (NATIONAL ANTHEM). MY RESPECTS TO
YOUR NEIGHBOR TO THE SOUTH -- THE INCOMPARABLE SENATOR
STROM THURMOND. HE'S PROUD OF THE CAT BAND OF
LEXINGTON, S.C. WITH US TONIGHT. CONGRESSMEN MCMILLAN,
TAYLOR, AND BAUUENGER. THANKS TO MY FINANCE TEAM HERE
TONIGHT -- BOBBY HOLT AND JACK LAUGHERY, DINNER
CHAIRMAN BOB BRADSHAW ET. GOV. GARDNER. MAYOR
VINROOT, YOU LEAD A WONDERFUL CITY INDEED. YOU KNOW,
COMING INTO CHARLOTTE IS NO LONGER A SMALL-CITY
EXPERIENCE -- I CAN'T BELIEVE YOUR AIRPORT IS NOW THE
8TH BUSIEST IN THE COUNTRY. THE OLD SAW USED TO BE,
YOU HAD TO GO THROUGH ATLANTA TO GET TO HEAVEN; NOW
THEY SAY IT IS MUCH MORE FUN IF YOU GO THROUGH
CHARLOTTE.

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IT IS WONDERFUL TO SEE SO MANY GOOD FRIENDS HERE.
GOVERNOR JIM MARTIN AND I HAVE A LOT IN COMMON. WE
BOTH HAVE TO DEAL WITH A HOUSE FULL OF DEMOCRATS -- WE
DON'T NEED HIS PH.D. TO REALIZE THAT'S BAD CHEMISTRY.
YOU KNOW, PEOPLE SAY THEY THINK JIM WILL HAVE A HARD
TIME MAKING THE TRANSITION FROM POLITICS TO MEDICINE.
I DON'T THINK SO! I'LL BET IT WON'T TAKE HIM ANYTIME
AT ALL TO LEARN TO SPEND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS ON THE
GOLF COURSE.

THERE IS GOOD REASON FOR CHARLOTTE TO BE A PROUD
CITY. I ESPECIALLY ADMIRE THE WAY YOU SUPPORT TWO
CONCERNS THAT ARE CLOSE TO MY HEART -- EDUCATION AND
SERVICE TO OTHERS. YOUR "FOUNDATION FOR THE CAROLINAS"
SHOWS THE PRIORITY YOU PLACE ON COMMUNITY EFFORTS.
THIS IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK, AND I'M REMINDED THAT
CHARLOTTE IS HOME TO SOME REMARKABLE "POINTS OF LIGHT"
INCLUDING THE CITIES AND SCHOOLS VOLUNTEERS, CHARLOTTE
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, AND THE EMPLOYEES OF THE DUKE
POWER COMPANY.

BUT NOW, LET ME THANK EACH OF YOU WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO GENEROUSLY TO OUR RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN. YOUR SUPPORT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY. LET ME SAY IT RIGHT UP FRONT: I WANT TO BE YOUR PRESIDENT FOR FOUR MORE YEARS.

I KNOW MANY HERE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ECONOMY. THAT'S MY NUMBER ONE CONCERN AS WELL. THIS MONTH WE HAD SOME HEARTENING NEWS ABOUT THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY -- ALMOST ACROSS THE BOARD, IT'S TURNING AROUND, STARTING TO MOVE AGAIN. THE LEADING INDICATOR HAS BEEN TRADE. U.S. EXPORTS ARE SURGING, RISING 7% IN FEBRUARY TO A RECORD ONE-MONTH HIGH OF ALMOST \$38 BILLION. AND ONCE AGAIN, AMERICAN MANUFACTURING EXPORTS ARE LEADING THE WAY.


THE EVIDENCE IS INDISPUTABLE: OPEN MARKETS AND FREE TRADE MEAN NEW HIRES AND NEW BUYERS -- JOBS FOR AMERICAN WORKERS FROM SALES OF AMERICAN GOODS AND SERVICES. JOBS IN THE TRADE SECTOR HAVE GROWN THREE TIMES FASTER THAN OVERALL AMERICAN JOB CREATION. THIS GOOD NEWS UNDERSCORES A FUNDAMENTAL TRUTH ABOUT OUR OWN COMPETITIVENESS: IF WE'RE TO SUCCEED ECONOMICALLY AT HOME, WE MUST LEAD ECONOMICALLY ABROAD.

THERE'S STILL MUCH MORE WE MUST DO TO MAKE AMERICA MORE COMPETITIVE. THE CONGRESS COULD GET THIS RECOVERY MOVING QUICKER AND STRONGER IF IT WOULD PASS THE ECONOMIC ACTION PACKAGE I SENT UP IN JANUARY. ONE OF OUR PROBLEMS RIGHT NOW IS THE COST OF CAPITAL -- IT'S TOO HIGH. BUT IT IS A PROBLEM WE CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT. A HIGH CAP-GAINS TAX RATE DETERS INVESTMENT, THUS BUSINESS EXPANSION, AND THUS JOB CREATION. NONE OF OUR MAJOR INDUSTRIAL COMPETITORS TAX CAPITAL GAINS AT RATES COMPARABLE TO OURS. GERMANY, FOR EXAMPLE, DOESN'T TAX THEM AT ALL. AND IN JAPAN, AN ENTREPRENEUR WHO SELLS THE COMPANY THAT HE'S BUILT FROM SCRATCH PAYS A TAX OF ONE PERCENT. THESE ARE OUR TOUGHEST COMPETITORS. BUT WE DISADVANTAGE OUR OWN WORKERS, THEN ASK THEM TO BEAT THE COMPETITION. THAT'S JUST PLAIN DUMB.

YET, THE VERY PEOPLE WHO EVERY YEAR COMPLAIN ABOUT AMERICA'S ABILITY TO COMPETE ARE THE SAME PEOPLE WHO EVERY YEAR BLOCK OUR EFFORTS TO LOWER THE COST OF CAPITAL. ONCE AND FOR ALL THEY NEED TO GET THE MESSAGE: IT'S TIME TO CUT THE TAX ON CAPITAL GAINS.

FOR US TO COMPETE WE ALSO MUST LIGHTEN UP THE REGULATORY BURDEN THAT WASHINGTON IMPOSES ON EVERY AMERICAN BUSINESS. LAST JANUARY WE PLACED A 90-DAY MORATORIUM ON FEDERAL REGULATIONS. WHEREVER POSSIBLE, WE'VE BLOCKED THOSE REGULATIONS THAT IMPEDE GROWTH AND ACCELERATED THOSE THAT ENCOURAGE GROWTH. SO FAR, WE'VE SAVED AMERICAN CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSES MANY BILLIONS IN REGULATORY COSTS. WEDNESDAY, WE'LL ANNOUNCE OUR NEXT STEP IN OUR BATTLE AGAINST THESE EXCESSIVE REGULATIONS, BUT FOR NOW I SIMPLY WANT TO SAY THE DAYS OF OVER-REGULATION ARE JUST THAT -- OVER.

I HAVE TALKED OFTEN ABOUT THE NEED FOR REFORM -- AND THE NEED FOR CHANGE. AND I'VE ACTED -- MADE SPECIFIC AND FAR-REACHING PROPOSALS. I'VE CALLED FOR REFORM OF OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM, OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, OUR COURTS AND OUR ELECTION CAMPAIGNS. I'VE FOUGHT FOR FREE AND FAIR TRADE TO SUSTAIN AND CREATE GOOD JOBS. THESE ARE FIVE KEY ISSUES AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE NATIONAL AGENDA. BEYOND THAT, RIGHT DOWN THE LINE, FROM CRIME TO CONGRESS, OUR ADMINISTRATION HAS PROPOSED FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES TO HELP US SOLVE PRESSING NATIONAL PROBLEMS.

WE HAVE HAD SOME SUCCESSES IN OUR EFFORTS TO CHANGE THINGS -- BUT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT CONGRESS STANDS IN THE WAY. THEY ARE SUPPORTED BY AN ARMY OF SPECIAL INTERESTS. NEITHER ARE INTERESTED IN CHANGE. THEY STAND SQUARELY BEHIND THE STATUS QUO. THEY MAY BE POWERFUL. THEY MAY BE INFLUENTIAL. THEY MAY BE WELL-CONNECTED. BUT LET ME TELL YOU THIS: THEY ARE WRONG.

LET ME TELL YOU WHY. IT USED TO BE THAT A DOCTOR'S FIRST CONCERN WAS THE CARE OF THE PATIENT -- NOT THE CHANCE OF A MALPRACTICE SUIT. LAWSUIT MANIA -- YOU KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT -- OBSTETRICIANS NOT DELIVERING BABIES, PARENTS NOT COACHING LITTLE LEAGUE, VOLUNTEERS NOT HELPING THE ELDERLY -- ALL BECAUSE OF THE FEAR OF LAWSUITS. THAT'S WRONG. THAT IS NOT THE AMERICA WE WANT. PEOPLE SHOULD SPEND MORE TIME HELPING EACH OTHER, AND A LITTLE LESS TIME SUING EACH OTHER.

AND YOU CAN HELP BY CALLING ON CONGRESS TO PASS OUR ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT. IT'S LANGUISHING ON CAPITOL HILL -- BLOCKED BY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS GETTING RICH OFF THESE OUTRAGEOUS SETTLEMENTS. OUR LEGAL SYSTEM IS COMPLICATED. AND PEOPLE'S RIGHTS MUST BE PROTECTED. BUT THE SYSTEM DESPERATELY NEEDS REFORM -- AND NO LAWYERS' LOBBY SHOULD STAND IN THE WAY.

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IT USED TO BE THAT WE WERE CONFIDENT THAT WHEN WE SENT OUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL THEY WOULD GET A FIRST CLASS EDUCATION -- LEARN HOW TO READ AND WRITE -- UNDERSTAND SOMETHING ABOUT THE WORLD. WE BELIEVED IN BUILDING CHARACTER, SO EDUCATION INCLUDED TEACHING VALUES AND RESPONSIBILITY, SIMPLE "RIGHT FROM WRONG". WE BELIEVED PARENTS SHARED THIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR EDUCATION. PARENTS ARE A CHILD'S FIRST TEACHERS, AND THE HOME IS A CHILD'S FIRST SCHOOL. I BELIEVE THAT'S STILL THE WAY IT SHOULD BE.

BUT EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT HAS BEEN STAGNANT FOR YEARS. AND NOW WE THANK OUR LUCKY STARS THAT OUR CHILD'S SCHOOL ISN'T THE ONE WHERE THEY FIND A GUN IN SOMEONE'S LOCKER, OR DRUG DEALING IN THE PLAYGROUND. AND OUR TEACHERS -- THEY OFTEN DOUBLE AS COUNSELORS, MENTORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND SURROGATE PARENTS -- ALL ROLLED UP INTO ONE. GOD BLESS OUR TEACHERS FOR THE WORK THEY DO. THEY DESERVE OUR BEST EFFORT TO MAKE THE SYSTEM BETTER, AND RIGHT HERE, CHARLOTTE AND THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA ARE LEADING THE WAY. WE'VE SET NATIONAL GOALS AND A STRATEGY TO REACH THEM. IN EVERY STATE IN THE NATION, AND OVER 1,200 COMMUNITIES, OUR AMERICA 2000 REFORMS ARE GAINING STEAM WITH INNOVATION -- BREAK-THE-MOLD SCHOOLS, WORLD CLASS STANDARDS AND VOLUNTARY NATIONAL TESTING, MORE FLEXIBILITY FOR TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS. AND WHETHER IT'S AMONG PUBLIC SCHOOLS, OR PRIVATE, OR RELIGIOUS, ALL PARENTS, RICH OR POOR, DESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THEIR CHILDREN'S SCHOOLS.

Chal. Conley

IT'S A GIANT UNDERTAKING TO CREATE THE BEST SCHOOLS
IN THE WORLD FOR OUR KIDS, TO LITERALLY REVOLUTIONIZE
THE NATION'S EDUCATION SYSTEM -- BUT WE ARE GOING TO DO
IT -- WITH OR WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE POWERFUL
NEA UNION OR THE U.S. CONGRESS.

CHARLOTTE IS FORTUNATE. YOU'VE GOT A GREAT
CONGRESSMAN -- ALEX MCMILLAN. HE'S AN EXPERT ON
ANOTHER URGENT REFORM ISSUE -- HEALTH CARE. IT USED TO
BE THAT GOING TO THE HOSPITAL DIDN'T CONJURE UP IMAGES
OF FINANCIAL RUIN. AND WHILE OUR HEALTH CARE IS STILL
THE FINEST QUALITY CARE IN THE WORLD, TOO MANY PEOPLE
DON'T QUALIFY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE OR CAN'T AFFORD IT.
AND THE COST OF EVEN MINOR SURGERY HAS GONE THROUGH THE
ROOF. MANY POOR PEOPLE WOULD PREFER GOING TO A FAMILY
DOCTOR BUT END UP WAITING FOR HOURS IN HOSPITAL
EMERGENCY ROOMS FOR ROUTINE MEDICAL TREATMENT. THIS
TOO IS WRONG. AND IT'S GOT TO CHANGE.

OUR HEALTH CARE PROPOSAL IS COMPREHENSIVE. IT
MAKES HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE FOR
ALL AMERICANS -- WITHOUT DESTROYING THE FINEST QUALITY
HEALTH CARE IN THE WORLD. WE MUST NOT GO THE WAY OF
NATIONALIZED HEALTH CARE WITH ITS LONG LINES,
IMPERSONAL SERVICE, AND FEWER OPTIONS FOR CONSUMERS.
~~*~~ IF THAT'S WHAT WE WANTED, WE'D PUT HEALTH CARE UNDER
THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES. WE DON'T NEED
ANOTHER BIG BUREAUCRACY. LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO
MEDICAID. IT STARTED AS A \$1 BILLION PROGRAM. NOW
IT'S \$150 BILLION AND GROWING AT A RATE OF 17% A YEAR -
- 38% LAST YEAR ALONE. YES, THERE ARE THOSE WHOSE
FIRST RESORT IS A BIG NEW GOVERNMENT PROGRAM --WITH ALL
THE SELF-PERPETUATING FEATURES OF THE OLD BIG
GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, NATIONALIZED
HEALTH CARE WOULD BE A NATIONAL DISASTER.

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IN THESE AND SO MANY AREAS THAT DEMAND REFORM, OUR GOVERNMENT CAN PLAY A PIVOTAL AND POSITIVE ROLE IN ADDRESSING MANY OF OUR NATION'S MOST CRITICAL PROBLEMS. ONE HALF OF MY ADULT LIFE HAS BEEN IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, ONE HALF IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE. I'VE SEEN THIS COUNTRY CHANGE -- SOMETIMES FOR THE BETTER, SOMETIMES FOR THE WORSE.

YOU NEED TO KNOW WHAT NEEDS CHANGE. "CHANGE FOR CHANGE SAKE" IS MEANINGLESS AND EMPTY. IT TAKES MORE THAN HAPPY TALK. MORE THAN LIP SERVICE TO REFORM -- OR DEBT SERVICE TO SPECIAL INTERESTS. BUT THAT'S WHAT THE DEMOCRATS STILL OFFER.

OUR PARTY STANDS FOR CHANGE, BUT THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY WILL ALWAYS REVERT TO FORM -- SOLVE A PROBLEM BY CREATING A PROGRAM -- MORE POWER TO THE BUREAUCRACY, LESS TO THE INDIVIDUAL. THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT PEOPLE ARE YEARNING FOR A RETURN TO RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY -- VALUES THAT REFUSE TO GO OUT OF STYLE.

THAT'S WHY MAJOR REFORMS OF OUR GOVERNMENT ARE ESSENTIAL. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE KNOW THAT AS GOVERNMENT TRIES TO DO MORE AND MORE, IT DELIVERS LESS AND LESS. NEXT YEAR, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL SPEND \$1.5 TRILLION DOLLARS OF YOUR MONEY. THERE IS JUST NO QUESTION ABOUT IT -- THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS TOO BIG AND SPENDS TOO MUCH.

SO WE SHOULD START WITH REAL SPENDING REFORM. IT'S TIME FOR THE PRESIDENT TO HAVE WHAT 43 GOVERNORS HAVE, THE LINE-ITEM VETO. NEXT, I'VE SENT UP LEGISLATION TO END THE SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR THE CONGRESS. IT'S TIME FOR THE CONGRESS TO GOVERN ITSELF BY THE LAWS IT IMPOSES ON OTHERS. AND IT'S TIME FOR SWEEPING REFORM OF CAMPAIGN FINANCING, BUT LET'S NOT DO IT BY MAKING THE TAXPAYER FUND CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS. FINALLY, IT'S TIME TO MAKE CONGRESS A CITIZEN ASSEMBLY, NOT A CLUB FOR CAREER POLITICIANS -- TIME TO LIMIT THE TERMS OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. SIX TERMS FOR A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE, TWO FOR A SENATOR -- THE PRESIDENCY HAS LIMITED TERMS, WHY NOT CONGRESS?

THESE LAST FEW YEARS HAVE SEEN OUR WORLD TURNED UPSIDE DOWN. THINK HOW MUCH WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED. THINK OF OUR BLESSINGS. WITH GOD'S HELP AND WITH HARD WORK TO SUPPORT OUR CONVICTIONS, WE'VE HELPED CHANGE THE WORLD. WE'VE HELPED THE PEOPLES OF EASTERN EUROPE AND THE OLD SOVIET EMPIRE PEACEFULLY THROW OFF THE YOKE OF COMMUNISM. NOW WE'RE HELPING THEIR TRANSITION TO FREE MARKETS AND HELPING THEM REDUCE THEIR NUCLEAR ARSENALS. AND I TAKE GREAT PRIDE THAT IT WAS THE LEADERSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES THAT HAS DIMINISHED FOR  OUR CHILDREN THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WAR. WE STOOD UP AGAINST DICTATORS AND EXPORTERS OF TOTALITARIAN REVOLUTION IN LATIN AMERICA AND WE'VE HELPED DEMOCRACY TAKE ROOT IN NEARLY EVERY COUNTRY OF OUR HEMISPHERE.

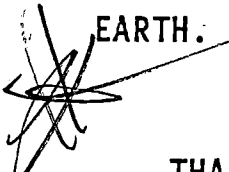
WHEN A RUTHLESS TYRANT OVERRAN KUWAIT AND
THREATENED TO ENGULF THE MIDDLE EAST IN ITS WORST
CONFLAGRATION, WE PROTECTED THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL AND
TURKEY AND SAUDI ARABIA. WE ORGANIZED AN UNPRECEDENTED
WORLD COALITION AND WE LIBERATED KUWAIT FROM THE
AGGRESSOR. IN THE PROCESS WE ACCOMPLISHED A
BREAKTHROUGH SOUGHT BY EVERY PRESIDENT FROM TRUMAN TO
REAGAN -- WE BROUGHT ARAB NEIGHBORS FACE TO FACE WITH
ISRAEL FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE PEACE TABLE.

Big History

WE WON THE COLD WAR AND WE STOPPED SADDAM'S
AGGRESSION BECAUSE, 12 YEARS AGO, WE RENEWED OUR FAITH
IN OUR VALUES AND WE STRENGTHENED OUR DEFENSES. AND
NOW, THE UNITED STATES IS THE UNDISPUTED LEADER OF THE
ENTIRE WORLD. THIS IS NO TIME TO PULL BACK. NO TIME
TO RETREAT. NO TIME TO BE AFRAID OF THE CHANGES IN THE
WORLD. WE WILL KEEP OURSELVES STRONG, AND IN WORLD
MARKETS, SECURITY AND POLITICS, WE WILL STAY ENGAGED.

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WE HAVE A MISSION TOGETHER TO CARRY ON THE AMERICAN DREAM FOR NEW GENERATIONS. WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN WIN A MANDATE TO LEAD THIS COUNTRY FOR FOUR MORE YEARS. WE CAN KEEP OUR COUNTRY A CHAMPION OF IDEAS, AND OPPORTUNITY, AND JUSTICE. WE CAN REFORM OUR SCHOOLS AND OUR COURTS, OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, OUR VERY SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT. AND WE CAN ASSURE THAT WHEN WE REACH THE NEW CENTURY, AMERICA WILL STILL BE THE STRONGEST, THE BRAVEST, THE FREEST NATION ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH.



THANK YOU ALL. AND MAY GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU AND OUR GREAT COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/24/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: - - -

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
 SUBJECT: CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
 MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1992

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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

April 24, 1992

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: DAVID F. DEMAREST ^{DA}

SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMARKS FOR BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

I. SUMMARY

On Monday, April 27, at 7:10 p.m., you will deliver remarks to approximately 500 people gathered at the Adams-Mark Hotel in downtown Charlotte. You will be introduced by Governor Jim Martin.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (approximately 19 minutes/teleprompter) focuses on your reform agenda and appeals to the audience for support of your re-election.

*Pls staff
as forwarded.
Thanks*

DDJCMN
Friday April 24, 1992
9:30 a.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1992

Thank you for that warm welcome. You know, coming into Charlotte is no longer a small-city experience -- I can't believe your airport is now the 8th busiest in the country. The old saw used to be, you had to go through Atlanta to get to Heaven; now they say it is much more fun if you go through Charlotte.

It is wonderful to see so many good friends here. Governor Jim Martin and I have a lot in common. We both have to deal with a House full of Democrats -- we don't need his Ph.D. to realize that's bad chemistry. You know, people say they think Jim will have a hard time making the transition from politics to medicine. I don't think so! I'll bet it won't take him anytime at all to learn to spend Wednesday afternoons on the golf course.

There is good reason for Charlotte to be a proud city. I especially admire the way you support two concerns that are close to my heart -- education and service to others. Your "Foundation for the Carolinas" shows the priority you place on community efforts. This is National Volunteer Week, and I'm reminded that Charlotte is home to some remarkable "Points of Light" including the Cities and Schools volunteers, Charlotte Habitat for Humanity, and the employees of the Duke Power Company.

Let me thank each of you who have contributed so generously to our re-election campaign. Your support is important for the future of our country. Let me say it right up front: I want to be your President for four more years.

I know many here are concerned about the economy. That's my number one concern as well. This month we had some heartening news about the United States economy -- almost across the board, it's turning around, starting to move again. The leading indicator has been our exports. All around the world, American goods and services are in high demand. U.S. exports are surging, rising seven percent in February to a one-month record high of almost \$38 billion. And once again, American manufacturing exports are leading the way.

This good news underscores a fundamental truth about our own competitiveness: If we're to succeed economically at home, we must succeed economically abroad. And the evidence is indisputable: Open markets and free trade mean new jobs for American workers and growth for American companies. Over the past four decades, trade-related jobs in our country have grown three times faster than overall American job creation.

There's still much more we must do to make America more competitive. And one of our serious economic problems right now is the cost of capital -- it's too high. A high cap-gains tax rate discourages investment and, thus, business expansion and, thus job creation. None of our major industrial competitors tax capital gains at rates comparable to ours. Germany, for example,

doesn't tax them at all. And in Japan, an entrepreneur who sells the company that he's built from scratch pays a tax of one percent. It makes no sense that we ask our workers to compete with those vigorous economies at such a disadvantage.

And yet, the very people who complain about America's ability to compete block our effort -- every effort to lower the capital gains tax. They need to get the message: it's time to cut the tax on capital gains.

For us to compete we also must lighten up the regulatory burden that Washington imposes on every American business. Last January we announced a 90-day moratorium on federal regulations. Wherever possible, we've blocked those regulations that impede growth and accelerated those that encourage growth. So far, the preliminary estimates show that we've saved American consumers and businesses [\$10 billion to \$20 billion] in regulatory costs. Wednesday, I'm going to announce the next step in our battle against these excessive regulations, but for now I simply want to say the days of over-regulation are just that -- over.

There's been a lot of talk about change this election year. Most of it has been just that -- talk. But that's not good enough if we're going to build a better America. We need people of action. People with the experience to know what to do, and how to do it. People of principle -- willing to stand up against powerful special interests. That's why I need your support -- to fight for change -- make this country a better country.

I have talked often about the need for reform -- and the need for change. And I've acted -- made specific and far-reaching proposals. I've called for reform of our education system, our health care system, our courts and our election campaigns. I've fought for free and fair trade to sustain and create good jobs. These are five key issues at the forefront of the national agenda. Beyond that, right down the line, from crime to Congress, our Administration has proposed fundamental changes to help us solve pressing national problems.

We have had some successes in our efforts to change things -- but more often than not Congress stands in the way. They are supported by an array of special interests. Neither are interested in change. They stand squarely behind the status quo. They may be powerful. They may be influential. They may be well-connected. But let me tell you this: they are wrong.

Let me tell you why. It used to be that a doctor's first concern was the care of the patient -- not the chance of a malpractice suit. Lawsuit mania -- you know what I'm talking about -- obstetricians not delivering babies, parents not coaching Little League, volunteers not helping the elderly -- all because of the fear of lawsuits. That's wrong. That is not the America we want. People should spend more time helping each other, and a little less time suing each other.

Certainly, our legal system is complicated. People's rights must be protected, but the system desperately needs reform -- and no lawyers' lobby should stand in the way.

It used to be that we were confident that when we sent our children to school they would get a first class education -- learn how to read and write -- understand something about the world. We believed that to build character education included teaching values and responsibility, simple "right from wrong". We believed parents shared this responsibility for education. Parents are a child's first teachers, and the home is a child's first school. I believe that's still the way it should be.

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It's a giant undertaking to change the nation's education system -- but we are going to do it -- with or without the permission of the NEA or the Congress.

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That's why major reforms of our government are essential. The American people know that as government tries to do more and more, it delivers less and less. Next year, the federal government will spend \$1.5 trillion dollars of your money. There

is just no question about it -- the federal government is too big and spends too much.

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Thank you all. And may God bless each and every one of you and our great country, the United States of America. Thank you very much.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/22/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: THURS. 4/23/92 3:00pm

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RESPONSE:

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I could talk about what you are doing in this great city all night, but I especially want to thank each of you who have contributed so generously to our re-election campaign. Your support is very important and I very much appreciate your commitment to the goals of my Presidency.

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This good news underscores a fundamental truth about our own competitiveness: If we're to succeed economically at home, we must succeed economically abroad. And the evidence is indisputable: Open markets and free trade mean new jobs for American workers and ~~certainly~~ growth for American companies. Over the past four decades, trade-related jobs in our country have grown three times faster than overall American job creation.

There's still much ^{more must} we can do to make America more competitive. And one of our serious economic problems right now is the cost of capital -- it's too high. A high cap-gains tax rate discourages investment and, thus, business expansion and, thus job creation. None of our ^{major} industrial competitors ~~major industrial competitors~~ -- tax capital gains at rates comparable to ours. Germany, as some of you know, ~~Germany~~ doesn't tax them at all. And in Japan, an entrepreneur who sells the company that he's built from scratch pays a tax of one percent. It makes no sense that we ask our workers to compete with those vigorous economies with a much higher capital gains rate. ^{at such a disadvantage.}

And yet, the very people who complain about America's ability to compete block our effort -- every effort to lower the capital gains tax. A lower rate will benefit virtually everyone in America, not only those who run a business, but anyone who owns a house, ^a or a farm, ^{or who} or share of stock, seeks a better job. So it's time to stop punishing the pursuit of excellence. And it's time, I think, to cut the tax on capital gains.

For us to compete we also must lighten up the regulatory burden that Washington imposes on every American business. Last January we announced a 90-day ^{review} moratorium on federal regulations. Wherever possible, we ^{we} blocked those regulations that discourage growth and we're accelerating those that encourage growth. So far, the preliminary estimates show that we ^{will have} saved American ^{consumers & business} ^{so many} \$10 billion to \$20 billion in regulatory costs.

On Wednesday, I'm going to make an announcement about the next step

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That will mean lower utility bills for consumers & new jobs & businesses for America.

in our battle against these excessive regulations, but for now I simply want to say ^{that} the days of overregulation are just that -- they are over.

There's been a lot of talk about change this election year. Most of it has been just that -- talk. But that's not good enough if we're going to build a better America. We need people of action. People with the experience to know what to do, and how to do it. People of principle -- willing to stand up against powerful special interests. That's why I need your support -- to fight for change -- make this country a better country -- I need your help to ^{be your President} serve for four more years.

I have talked often about the need for reform. And I've acted -- made specific and far-reaching proposals. I've called for reform of our education system, our health care system, our courts and our election campaigns. ^{I've fought for free and fair trade to} Right down the line, issue ^{sustain and create jobs} after issue, from crime to Congress, our Administration has proposed fundamental changes to help us solve pressing national problems. ^{Five key issues at the top}

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It used to be that a doctor's first concern was ~~about~~ the care of the patient not the chance of a malpractice suit. You

know what I'm talking about -- obstetricians not delivering babies, parents not coaching Little League, volunteers not helping the elderly -- all because of the fear of lawsuits. That's wrong. That is not the America we want. People should spend more time helping each other, and a little less time suing each other.

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WASHINGTON

April 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DAN MCGROARTY

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Bush-Quayle Fundraiser

We have reviewed the attached presidential remarks and have noted a few suggested changes on the draft, including an important factual comment on page 6. The President's health care proposal provides access to individuals who are employed not all Americans.

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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know what I'm talking about -- obstetricians not delivering babies, parents not coaching Little League, volunteers not helping the elderly -- all because of the fear of lawsuits. That's wrong. That is not the America we want. People should spend more time helping each other, and a little less time suing each other.

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It used to be that we were confident that when we sent our children to school they would get a first class education. Know how to read and write -- and understand something about the world. We also believed that education includes teaching values and responsibility -- you know, "right from wrong". That builds character and that's the way it should be.

But educational achievement has been sliding for years. And now we thank our lucky stars that our child's school isn't one where they find a gun in someone's locker, or drug dealing in the playground. That's wrong. That is not what we want for our children. And our teachers -- they are also counselors, mentors, social workers, and surrogate parents. God bless them for the work they do. They deserve our best effort to make the system better. Our America 2000 reforms are gaining steam. Break-the-mold schools -- national standards and testing, community by community. And whether it's among public schools, or private, or religious, parents deserve the right to choose their children's

schools. It's a giant undertaking to change the nation's education system -- but we are going to do it -- with or without the permission of the NEA.

It ~~used to~~ ^{shouldn't} be that going to the hospital ~~didn't~~ ^{can} conjure up images of financial ruin. ~~And~~ while our health care is still the finest quality care in the world, too many people can't qualify for health insurance or can't afford it. ~~And the cost of even minor surgery has gone through the roof.~~ Many poor people would prefer going to a family doctor but end up going to hospital emergency rooms for routine medical treatment. Sometimes they wait for hours, because the doctors and nurses have to treat life-and-death emergencies first. And then frustrated, over-worked hospital staff refer to them derogatorily as GOMERS -- meaning "get out of my emergency room". This too is wrong. And it's got to change.

Our health care proposal is comprehensive. It makes health insurance accessible and affordable for all ^{working} Americans -- without throwing out the finest quality health care in the world. We must not go the way of nationalized health care with its long lines, impersonal service, and fewer options for consumers. If that's what we wanted, we'd put health care under the Department of Motor Vehicles. A brand new big bureaucracy -- kind of like Medicaid -- started as a \$\$___ anti-poverty program. Now it's \$\$___ and growing at a rate of %__ a year. Multiply that a few times and that's a cradle-to-grave boondoggle. And no matter what those whose first resort is a new big government program --

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with all the self-perpetuating features of the old big government programs -- nationalized health care would be a national disaster.

In these and so many areas that demand reform, our government can play a pivotal and positive role in addressing many of our nation's most critical problems. I've been in government for many years. I've been in the Congress, and I've served this country -- in uniform and as a diplomat -- overseas. I've also run a business, met a payroll, created jobs. I know how to meet the competition. I've seen this country change -- sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse. So I think I bring something to the table when it comes to taking on the status quo.

You need to know the system in order to change it. If you don't, you won't know what needs change. "Change for change sake" is meaningless and empty. It takes more than happy talk. More than lip service to reform -- and then full service to special interests. The Democratic Party will always revert to form -- solve a problem by creating a program -- more power to the bureaucracy, less to the individual. They don't understand that people are yearning for a return to responsibility, that old idea that refuses to go out of style. Liberal Democrats don't understand that people have had it with the "no-fault" lifestyle -- the denial that actions have consequences. Parents want their kids brought up to know that. And the people have a right to a government that understands that as well.

The American people know -- as government tries to do more and more, it delivers less and less. Next year, the federal government will spend \$1.5 trillion dollars of your money. There is just no question about it. The federal government is too big and spends too much.

Major reforms are in order. First, it's time for the Congress to govern itself by the laws it imposes on others. No more special treatment. And it's time for sweeping reform of campaign financing -- time to eliminate the special interest PACs. It's time for real spending reform; time for the President to have what 43 governors have -- the line-item veto. And I'm going to take that case to the American people this fall.

Finally, it's time to make Congress a citizen assembly, not a club for careerists -- time to limit the terms of Members of Congress. My term is limited to two terms and I want to serve both of them -- so I don't see that it would hurt to have Congress limited to six terms for a member of the House and two terms for a senator. It would keep government more active, more vital and closer to the people.

It will help us get government back to the basics. Focus on what people want, what they need, what they deserve. Things like wholesome families, good jobs. Safe streets, good schools, a strong economy and a strong country. If you think about it that's nothing more than a working definition of freedom. That's what I believe, and why I am asking for your support for another four years.

These last years have seen our world turned upside down. Think how much we have accomplished. Think of our blessings. With God's help and with hard work to support our convictions, we've helped change the world. We've helped the peoples of Eastern Europe and the old Soviet empire peacefully throw off the yoke of communism. And today we're aiding their transition to free markets, helping them reduce their nuclear arsenals. And we stood up against dictators and exporters of totalitarian revolution in Latin America and we've helped democracy take root in nearly every country of our hemisphere.

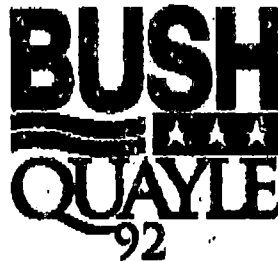
When a ruthless tyrant overran Kuwait and threatened to engulf the Middle East in its worst conflagration, we protected the people of Israel and Turkey and Saudi Arabia. And we organized an unprecedented world coalition and we liberated Kuwait from the aggressor. And in the process we accomplished a breakthrough sought by every President from Truman to Reagan -- we brought Arab neighbors face to face with Israel for the first time at the peace table.

And we won the Cold War and we stopped Saddam's aggression because, 12 years ago, we renewed our faith in our values and we strengthened our defenses. The United States is now the undisputed leader of the entire world. And we will keep ourselves strong, and we will stay engaged in world politics. This is no time to pull back and to retreat and to be afraid of the changes in the world. In world security and in world markets, we will remain engaged.

And we have a mission together to carry on the American Dream for new generations. And with your help and with grassroots action, we can win a mandate to lead this country for four more years. And we can keep our country open to the contributions of immigrants, of trade, of ideas. And we can work together and win with our plans to reform our schools, our health care system, our very system of government. And we can assure that when we reach the new century, America still will be the strongest, the bravest, the freest nation on the face of the Earth.

Thank you all. And may God bless each and every one of you and our great country, the United States of America. Thank you very much.

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TO: *Ken McCreary*

DATE: *4/23 am*

FROM: JIM PINKERTON *by fax*

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April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM

RE: BUSH REFORMS AND ISSUE CLEAVAGES IN THE CONTEXT OF AN OVERALL
THEME FOR THE CAMPAIGN

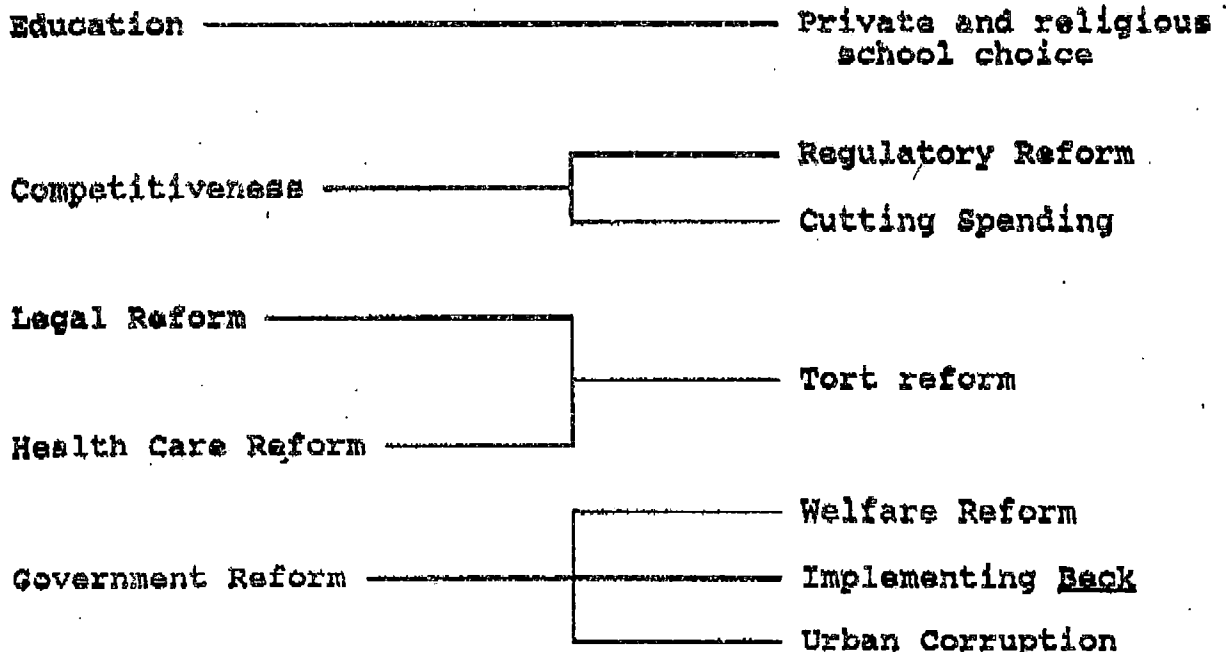
The President's "over-the-top" speech scheduled for May 5th provides a useful starting point to discuss an overall umbrella theme for the Summer and Fall, including consideration of the five Bush reforms and the seven issue cleavages, (as discussed below).

Since the President declared in his State of the Union Address, "If we can change the world, we can change America," he has begun to establish himself as the anti-status quo, pro-reform candidate. The reforms and cleavages are parts of the mosaic that can be pieced together to create an overall image of the President as a leader with a broad vision; a President who takes a direct interest in specific issues that speak to Americans' concerns.

The five components of the reform agenda encompass seven issue cleavages which simultaneously highlight the President's reforms, and draw a favorable contrast against Clinton:

Reform Issues

Issue Cleavages



Following is a discussion of the seven issue cleavages in relation to the President's five reform themes.

- o **School Choice.** On April 16th, the President laid out the case for complete school choice -- choice for public, private and religious schools. As the President has said, complete choice will motivate all schools to reform and restructure, and will empower parents to send their children to the schools they -- not local educrats -- deem best. More than anything else the President's proposals will end the education establishment's stranglehold over our Nation's schools. By instilling accountability, promoting parental choice, and encouraging results-oriented thinking, America 2000 will force public schools to reform, and, with "break-the-mold" schools, show them how to do it. This theme is already a winner: during his speech on the 16th, the President was interrupted three times for applause on school choice.

Bill Clinton has allowed that parents should have choice for private schools if local school districts enact it. This shift in position from supporting public school choice only is a reminder of how quickly Clinton is adjusting his message for the general election. As the President continues to discuss choice, Clinton's position can be expected to shift even more. Nevertheless, Clinton does not, and cannot, support school choice religious schools. Clinton's half-hearted embrace of choice will preserve the power of entrenched bureaucrats to control where children go to school, and will deny public schools the competitive pressure needed to reform. Clinton refuses to empower parents -- especially poor parents -- to send their children to religious schools that, above all, instill the values and discipline long-absent from broken families and poor neighborhoods. Without the accountability of complete choice, the minds of most American children will remain the exclusive province of Clinton's bureaucrats, teachers unions, lobbyists for local school boards, civil rights lawyers, and establishment elites.

- o **Regulatory Reform.** The President is taking significant steps to reduce the anti-competitive effect of excessive regulation. As he said in this year's State of the Union Address, "I won't neglect my responsibility for sound regulations that serve the public good, but regulatory overkill must be stopped." Removing unnecessary regulations will empower Americans now stymied by red tape to take control over their lives and their businesses. Terminally ill-patients will now have the choice to take experimental drugs; market mechanisms will occupy a greater role in reducing pollution under the Clean Air Act and the "Cash for Clunkers" initiative; and regulatory approval will be streamlined for businesses like biotechnology that create jobs. As the April 28th end of the President's 90-day moratorium approaches, it is clear that regulatory reforms approved during the moratorium will make a real difference in millions of Americans' daily lives.

Bill Clinton has not said whether he supports or opposes the President's regulatory reforms. While the President has been

reforming needless red tape, Clinton has been content to watch from the sidelines. He has downplayed the need for "more new laws and new programs" but his health care proposal would impose significant new mandates on small businesses to comply with costly government regulations.

o **Stopping Big Spending.** The President has said repeatedly that government is too large and spends too much. And, as he said on April 3rd, "Common sense tells us the American people aren't undertaxed. We need a budget process that can deal rationally with wasteful government spending." President Bush believes systemic reform must start with government reform -- a new commitment to accountability, responsiveness, and most importantly, results. Better, smarter government will mean setting performance standards and measuring government's actions, and decentralizing authority to encourage flexible problem-solving.

The President wants the tool that 43 Governors have, the tool necessary to cut spending -- a line-item veto. He will force an unwilling Congress to start acting responsibly. As a start, on March 20th the President sent Congress a series of rescissions to start cutting the pork out of federal spending. Also, in this year's budget the President proposed over \$12 billion in new spending cuts, including the elimination of 246 wasteful federal programs.

Bill Clinton, however, is embarrassingly quiet on the need for more responsible spending. He has finally allowed that the President needs what 43 of his fellow Governors' have -- the line-item veto. There is no evidence that he supports a Balanced Budget Amendment. He also has not called on Congress to pass the President's March 20th rescissions. And, while he has been Governor, the Legislature has approved 27 significant tax hikes, most with Clinton's blessing.

o **Tort Reform.** The President's legal reforms answer two basic questions: how to make the legal reform serve consumer's needs, and how to eliminate needless lawsuits that drive up costs and delay justice? The legal reforms proposed last August by Vice President Quayle's Competitiveness Council emphasize the need for lawyers and clients to accept more responsibility for the cases they bring, and to stop abusing costly legal procedures. The President's reforms will provide new choices for litigants in deciding how to resolve disputes, and new accountability by losing parties for costly delays and frivolous suits. In short, the President wants a legal system responsive to citizens' and consumers' needs, not one meeting the needs of well-heeled lawyers whose only principle is to sue now, and ask questions later.

Clinton has made no effort to encourage legal reform, (see attached Paul Gigot column). Indeed, his campaign is wooing trial lawyers with promises of no action on legal reform, and

solicitations stressing Clinton's opposition to the President's reforms. Again, the thematic contrast is clear: Bill Clinton the opponent of accountability for wasteful litigation; Bill Clinton, the opponent of choice in resolving disputes; Bill Clinton the captive plaything of lawyers, instead of the champion of citizens' needs and consumers' wants.

- o **Profound Welfare Reform.** As the President has said, "the old bureaucratic system of big government has ground to a halt. And it's not accountable; it is not effective, and it is not efficient -- it's not even compassionate. And the chronic problems we see are sad proof that the old approaches are producing new failures." Government needs to produce results if it is to meet its responsibility to secure opportunity. Each year the Government spends more than \$150 billion on anti-poverty programs; yet, over the last 2½ years welfare rolls have increased by 25 percent.

The President has laid out the goals of meaningful welfare reform: promoting family values, requiring welfare recipients to stop engaging in irresponsible behavior, and to encourage states to get welfare recipients back to work. Other, distinctly un-Republican leaders such as Folly Williams and Wayne Bryant (NJ) are talking about the failure of the welfare bureaucracy, the poison of dependency, and the need for personal responsibility on the part of poor.

Bill Clinton may pay lip service to welfare reform, but he is unwilling to support the kinds of incentives necessary to create responsible behavior. He's even flip-flopped on New Jersey's radical welfare reforms, which were originally proposed by a big-city Democrat concerned about growing dependency and irresponsibility. Clinton's notion of leadership on welfare reform is to say that he would have vetoed the plan if had been New Jersey's Governor, but that he would sign a federal waiver for the plan if he becomes President. Clinton also opposes California's radical welfare reforms, which like New Jersey and Wisconsin, would promote responsibility and family values, and reward work instead of dependency.

- o **Implementing the Beck Decision.** The President is committed to increasing union leaders' accountability to workers. As he said on March 20th, "No worker should be forced to have money taken out of his paycheck to fund politicians [with whom] he disagrees." Employees have the right to know how their union dues and fees are being spent, and to hold union leaders accountable for those decisions. The President has taken the lead on this issue by signing an Executive Order to ensure that employees on government contracts are informed of their Beck rights. Once workers know their rights, they will be able to hold union leaders accountable for spending decisions, and to ensure that union leaders meet their responsibility to

represent workers' needs accurately.

Clinton has said that he supports the Beck decision, but he will not support the measures necessary to implement it. Clinton's position should once again serve as a warning as to how easily he will shift his views as the general election approaches. As he begins to endorse some measures to implement Beck, the campaign should be prepared to respond with additional policies expanding implementation of the decision. So far Clinton has dismissed as election-year politics the President's efforts to instill accountability, and to empower Working Americans so that they know how their union dues are spent. On Beck Clinton is a firm supporter of the status quo, preferring the desires of closed door union decision-making to the accountability Beck implementation will bring.

- o Urban Corruption. Americans want to know that representatives of the public interest are not betraying the public trust. In the last two years . . . Urban corruption betrays government's responsibility to provide honest and efficient services, and stops citizens from holding their government accountable for results. Also, urban corruption rips off the poor more than anyone else. As the New York Times has reported, corrupt, mismanaged urban bureaucracies can let a twice-convicted child molester go free to molest again, and can spend \$50,000 on welfare payments to the family victimized by the molester, but it will do nothing to stop the molestation, (NYT, 4/4/92). The extent of corruption makes this a problem of more than just a few rotten apples in a barrel; the whole barrel is rotten. As the President told the Nations' Attorneys General:

"The problem is greater than a few individuals who stopped caring -- the problem is a system that has stopped working . . . it is not effective; and it is not efficient -- it's not even compassionate. And the chronic problems we see today are sad proof that the old approaches are producing new failures."

Aggressive prosecution, tough sentencing, implementation of performance standards, decentralization of authority, and community self-governance will stop corruption, and give Americans back an accountable, responsible government.

Bill Clinton has called for billions more in federal dollars for urban areas, but he has been silent on the need to first change the inefficiency and corruption that plagues many state and city government bureaucracies. When Clinton was scheduled to attend a dinner honoring a New York Democratic leader indicted on federal racketeering charges, instead of denouncing urban corruption, he just skipped the event and kept his mouth shut. Through the whole New York primary he also kept his mouth shut about Arnold Biegen, Mayor Dinkins'

top aid now convicted for embezzlement and fraud; Mario Biaggi, the former Congressman from Queens convicted on federal charges; or Gerald Manes and other city officials convicted for defrauding the city of parking bureau revenues. Clinton is willing to turn a blind eye to urban corruption that has transformed city governments into mazes of rigged rules and unresponsive bureaucracies. Without accountability, these bureaucrats will just go on lining their own pockets instead of producing results for the public good.

Conclusion

The President has made clear that old approaches are just creating new failures. His reforms will provide new guideposts for an America on the verge of the next century; the President will change America just as he has changed the world.

The President's reform agenda encompasses a mosaic of reform proposals which highlight the significant differences between himself and Clinton as a defender of the status quo. The President's reforms will tangibly improve Americans daily lives: new choices will give them renewed control over their futures; new accountability will give them a more responsive government, and added responsibility will ensure that all institutions of society better meet their obligations.

Once the President establishes the issues which he is comfortable to run on, and the cleavages he is comfortable to emphasize, the decision-making process for events and speeches can be reversed. No longer will ideas for speaking engagements have to percolate up from the field or the bureaucracy. Instead, we will be able to conceive new events and initiatives specifically to emphasize the five reforms and seven cleavages, (or however many of the reforms and cleavages we decide to stress).

The challenge now is to cast the five reforms and seven cleavages in way that will appeal strongly to significant Republican constituencies. The objective must be to so excite and motivate these groups that they will spend their own resources to, in effect, carry the President's message. For example, as much good as it does to fulfill the Education Department's wish list, it will be far better to build a case for private and religious school choice among those groups where school choice is a fundamental issue -- Catholics, evangelical Christians, and Orthodox Jews. (By the same token, we should also try to find more appealing and newsworthy venues to hold Education ceremonies or announce new initiatives.)

Finally, the campaign needs to be aware that Clinton is a moving target. Conscious that he has won the nomination, Clinton is altering his message in anticipation of the general election. Thus, when the President signed the Executive Order implementing

the Back decision, Clinton said that he thought Back was decided correctly, but the Administration's implementation efforts were motivated by opportunism and political pressures.

The point is not that we should avoid issues where Clinton is shifting towards the President, but that we must be prepared to go further. To analogize to a numerical scale, if our position on a scale from one to ten is a six and Clinton's is a five, we must be prepared to expand our initiatives so that they are seen as an eight. As Clinton moves to keep pace with the President, he will insulate the President by shifting the political center in our direction. In this way, the President will both set the reform agenda and control the ideological separation between himself and Clinton.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/22/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: THURS. 4/23/92 3:00pm

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CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA - MONDAY, APRIL 27, 1992

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER
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Thank you for that warm welcome. You know, coming into Charlotte is no longer a small-city experience -- I can't believe your airport is now the 8th busiest in the country. The old saw used to be, you had to go through Atlanta if you wanted to get to Heaven; now they say it is much more fun if you go through Charlotte.

It is wonderful to see so many good friends here. Governor Jim Martin and I have a lot in common. We both have to deal with a House full of Democrats -- we don't need his Ph.D. to realize that's bad chemistry. You know, people say they think Jim will have a hard time making the transition from politics to medicine. I don't think so! I'll bet it won't take him anytime at all to learn to spend Wednesday afternoons on the golf course. Being here at Carowinds, I'm tempted to compare Congress to an amusement park, but that wouldn't really be fair. An amusement park has some activity in it.

I have been looking forward to being with you tonight, there is so much I admire about this city -- especially the way you support two concerns that are close to my heart -- education and service to others. Your "Foundation for the Carolinas" shows the priority you place on community efforts. Many people here in

Charlotte have been named "points of light". Charlotte has good reason to be a proud city.

I could talk about what you are doing in this great city all night, but I especially want to thank each of you who have contributed so generously to our re-election campaign. Your support is very important and I very much appreciate your commitment to the goals of my Presidency.

I know many here are concerned about the economy. That's my number one concern as well. This month we had some heartening news about the United States economy. All around the world, consumers and companies buy American goods and services in ever-greater amounts, despite the sluggish performance of some of their own economies. U.S. exports -- I look around this room and I see many who are aware of this -- U.S. exports are experiencing a surge, rising seven percent in February to a one-month record high of almost \$38 billion. And once again, I think in a good sense, American exports, manufacturing exports, are leading the way.

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April 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID DEMAREST

FROM: MICHELE NIX 

SUBJECT: FACT CHECK CHANGES

Here are fact changes/additions for the latest draft:

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only 50 percent of the national average back in 1929 and 68 percent in 1950, had climbed to 97 percent in 1980.

Georgia's accomplishments are not only economic. The state has also made enormous strides in race relations. It has attracted back thousands of talented blacks who felt forced a generation or two ago to seek a life in the North. Jimmy Carter's best assurance for a place in history comes from his 1977 inaugural address: "I say to you quite frankly that the time for racial discrimination is over. Our people have already made this major and difficult decision. No poor, rural weak or black person should ever have to bear the additional burden of being deprived of the opportunity for an education, a job, or simple justice." Carter later hung the portrait of Martin Luther King, Jr., in the state capitol, still a courageous deed in the Georgia of the early 1970s.

Atlanta became one of the most vibrant cities of the latter 20th century, at once a symbol and the heartbeat of the new Southern economy. In the present day, according to Southern economist Philip Hammer, Atlanta's position is based on more than its location (though that is still vital). "It is based rather," according to Hammer, "upon a new set of essential functions in an increasingly complex industrial structure—the 'central work' functions of business, industry, finance and government that cannot be duplicated anywhere else. No other city in the region occupies or duplicates Atlanta's role as the spark plug, catalyst, generator, service center, financier, clearing house, trading point, policy maker and pace setter for the region's new economy." Hammer might have added that no other Southern city comes close to Atlanta as a center of intellectual ferment, black leadership, and the civil rights movement. Singly, no one of these factors might mean too much; taken together, they effect a kind of critical mass that makes Atlanta the premier city of the South and a force to be reckoned with nationally.

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RESPONSE:

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I know many here are concerned about the economy. That's my number one concern as well. This month we had some heartening news about the United States economy. All around the world, consumers and companies buy American goods and services in ever-greater amounts, despite the sluggish performance of some of their own economies. U.S. exports -- I look around this room and I see many who are aware of this -- U.S. exports are experiencing a surge, rising seven percent in February to a one-month record high of almost \$38 billion. And once again, I think in a good sense, American exports, manufacturing exports, are leading the way.

This good news underscores a fundamental truth about our own competitiveness: If we're to succeed economically at home, we must succeed economically abroad. And the evidence is indisputable: Open markets and free trade mean new jobs for American workers and certainly growth for American companies. Over the past four decades, trade-related jobs in our country have grown three times faster than overall American job creation.

There's still much we can do to make America more competitive. And one of our serious economic problems right now is the cost of capital -- it's too high. A high cap-gains tax rate discourages investment and, thus, business expansion and, thus job creation. None of our industrial competitors -- major industrial competitors -- tax capital gains at rates comparable to ours. Germany, as some of you know, Germany doesn't tax them at all. And in Japan, an entrepreneur who sells the company that he's built from scratch pays a tax of one percent. It makes no sense that we ask our workers to compete with those vigorous economies with a much higher capital gains rate.

And yet, the very people who complain about America's ability to compete block our effort -- every effort to lower the capital gains tax. A lower rate will benefit virtually everyone in America, not only those who run a business, but anyone who owns a house, or a farm, or share of stock, seeks a better job. So it's time to stop punishing the pursuit of excellence. And it's time, I think, to cut the tax on capital gains.

For us to compete we also must lighten up the regulatory burden that Washington imposes on every American business. Last January we announced a 90-day ^{review} ~~moratorium~~ ^(Treas.) on federal regulations. Wherever possible, we blocked those regulations that discourage growth and we're accelerating those that encourage growth. So far, the preliminary estimates show that we've saved American business \$10 billion to \$20 billion in regulatory costs. Wednesday, I'm going to make an announcement about the next step

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in our battle against these excessive regulations, but for now I simply want to say the days of overregulation are just that -- they are over.

There's been a lot of talk about change this election year. Most of it has been just that -- talk. But that's not good enough if we're going to build a better America. We need people of action. People with the experience to know what to do, and how to do it. People of principle -- willing to stand up against powerful special interests. That's why I need your support -- to fight for change -- make this country a better country -- I need your help to serve for four more years.

I have talked often about the need for reform. And I've acted -- made specific and far-reaching proposals. I've called for reform of our education system, our health care system, our courts and our election campaigns. Right down the line, issue after issue, from crime to Congress, our Administration has proposed fundamental changes to help us solve pressing national problems.

We have had some successes in our efforts to change things - - but more often than not roadblocks stand in the way. They are the special interests. They are not interested in change. They stand squarely behind the status quo. They may be powerful. They may be influential. They may be well-connected. But let me tell you this: they are wrong.

It used to be that a doctor's first concern was about the care of the patient not the chance of a malpractice suit. You

know what I'm talking about -- obstetricians not delivering babies, parents not coaching Little League, volunteers not helping the elderly -- all because of the fear of lawsuits. That's wrong. That is not the America we want. People should spend more time helping each other, and a little less time suing each other.

Sure, our legal system is complicated. People's rights must be protected, but it desperately needs reform -- and no lawyers' lobby should stand in the way.

It used to be that we were confident that when we sent our children to school they would get a first class education. Know how to read and write -- and understand something about the world. We also believed that education includes teaching values and responsibility -- you know, "right from wrong". That builds character and that's the way it should be.

But educational achievement has been ~~sliding~~ ^{stagnant} for years. And now we thank our lucky stars that our child's school isn't one where they find a gun in someone's locker, or drug dealing in the playground. That's wrong. That is not what we want for our children. And our teachers -- they are also counselors, ^{and} mentors.

~~social workers, and special education~~ ^(Ed.) God bless them for the work they do. They deserve our best effort to make the system better. Our America 2000 reforms are gaining steam ^{Charlotte (North Carolina) are helping lead the way.} Break-the-mold schools -- ^{world class} ~~national~~ ^{voluntary national} standards and testing, ^{flexibility for teachers} ~~community~~ ^{and principals and more choices of schools for parents.} ~~community~~ And whether it's among public schools, or private, or religious, parents deserve the right to choose their children's

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schools. It's a giant undertaking to change the nation's education system -- but we are going to do it -- with or without the permission of the NEA or the Congress.

It used to be that going to the hospital didn't conjure up images of financial ruin. And while our health care is still the finest quality care in the world, too many people can't qualify for health insurance or can't afford it. And the cost of even minor surgery has gone through the roof. Many poor people would prefer going to a family doctor but end up going to hospital emergency rooms for routine medical treatment. Sometimes they wait for hours, because the doctors and nurses have to treat life-and-death emergencies first. And then frustrated, over-worked hospital staff refer to them derogatorily as GOMERS -- meaning "get out of my emergency room". This too is wrong. And it's got to change.

Our health care proposal is comprehensive. It makes health insurance accessible and affordable for all Americans -- without throwing out the finest quality health care in the world. We must not go the way of nationalized health care with its long lines, impersonal service, and fewer options for consumers. If that's what we wanted, we'd put health care under the Department

of Motor Vehicles. ^{And we would get} A brand new big bureaucracy -- kind of like Medicaid -- ^{which} started as a \$1.8 billion ^{for the poor.} anti-poverty program. Now it's over \$125 billion and growing at a rate of % 38 ^{this year alone.} a year. Multiply that a few times and that's a ^{fiscal nightmare.} ~~cradle-to-grave boondoggle.~~ And no matter what those whose first resort is a new big government program --

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with all the self-perpetuating features of the old big government programs -- nationalized health care would be a national disaster.

In these and so many areas that demand reform, our government can play a pivotal and positive role in addressing many of our nation's most critical problems. I've been in government for many years. I've been in the Congress, and I've served this country -- in uniform and as a diplomat -- overseas. I've also run a business, met a payroll, created jobs. I know how to meet the competition. I've seen this country change -- sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse. So I think I bring something to the table when it comes to taking on the status quo.

You need to know the system in order to change it. If you don't, you won't know what needs change. "Change for change sake" is meaningless and empty. It takes more than happy talk. More than lip service to reform -- and then full service to special interests. The Democratic Party will always revert to form -- solve a problem by creating a program -- more power to the bureaucracy, less to the individual. They don't understand that people are yearning for a return to responsibility, that old idea that refuses to go out of style. Liberal Democrats don't understand that people have had it with the "no-fault" lifestyle -- the denial that actions have consequences. Parents want their kids brought up to know that. And the people have a right to a government that understands that as well.

The American people know -- as government tries to do more and more, it delivers less and less. Next year, the federal government will spend \$1.5 trillion dollars of your money. There is just no question about it. The federal government is too big and spends too much.

Major reforms are in order. First, it's time for the Congress to govern itself by the laws it imposes on others. No more special treatment. And it's time for sweeping reform of campaign financing -- time to eliminate the special interest PACs. It's time for real spending reform; time for the President to have what 43 governors have -- the line-item veto. And I'm going to take that case to the American people this fall.

Finally, it's time to make Congress a citizen assembly, not a club for careerists -- time to limit the terms of Members of Congress. My term is limited to two terms and I want to serve both of them -- so I don't see that it would hurt to have Congress limited to six terms for a member of the House and two terms for a senator. It would keep government more active, more vital and closer to the people.

It will help us get government back to the basics. Focus on what people want, what they need, what they deserve. Things like wholesome families, good jobs. Safe streets, good schools, a strong economy and a strong country. If you think about it that's nothing more than a working definition of freedom. That's what I believe, and why I am asking for your support for another four years.

These last years have seen our world turned upside down. Think how much we have accomplished. Think of our blessings. With God's help and with hard work to support our convictions, we've helped change the world. We've helped the peoples of Eastern Europe and the old Soviet empire peacefully throw off the yoke of communism. And today we're aiding their transition to free markets, helping them reduce their nuclear arsenals. And we stood up against dictators and exporters of totalitarian revolution in Latin America and we've helped democracy take root in nearly every country of our hemisphere.

When a ruthless tyrant overran Kuwait and threatened to engulf the Middle East in its worst conflagration, we protected the people of Israel and Turkey and Saudi Arabia. And we organized an unprecedented world coalition and we liberated Kuwait from the aggressor. And in the process we accomplished a breakthrough sought by every President from Truman to Reagan -- we brought Arab neighbors face to face with Israel for the first time at the peace table.

And we won the Cold War and we stopped Saddam's aggression because, 12 years ago, we renewed our faith in our values and we strengthened our defenses. The United States is now the undisputed leader of the entire world. And we will keep ourselves strong, and we will stay engaged in world politics. This is no time to pull back and to retreat and to be afraid of the changes in the world. In world security and in world markets, we will remain engaged.

And we have a mission together to carry on the American Dream for new generations. And with your help and with grassroots action, we can win a mandate to lead this country for four more years. And we can keep our country open to the contributions of immigrants, of trade, of ideas. And we can work together and win with our plans to reform our schools, our health care system, our very system of government. And we can assure that when we reach the new century, America still will be the strongest, the bravest, the freest nation on the face of the Earth.

Thank you all. And may God bless each and every one of you and our great country, the United States of America. Thank you very much.

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