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APRIL 29, 1992 \ 8:15 P.M.

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WE ARE ALSO HONORED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER -- WHO JUST ANNOUNCED THAT HE IS STEPPING DOWN FROM THE POSITION HE HAS HELD WITH SUCH DISTINCTION FOR 18 YEARS -- IS WITH US, TOGETHER WITH MRS. GENSCHER. HANS-DIETRICH, THANK YOU, SIR, FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR OUR COMMON GOOD. \

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(Hinchliffe/Nix)
April 27, 1992 4 p.m.
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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: WELCOME OF GERMAN PRESIDENT VON WEIZSAECKER
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1992
SOUTH LAWN 10:00 A.M.**

President and Mrs. von Weizsaecker [fohn VITES-zeck-er], Minister and Mrs. Genscher, distinguished members of the German delegation -- on behalf of the American people, let me warmly welcome you to the United States, and to Washington. Barbara and I hope you have a productive and enjoyable visit -- we're especially happy that you'll spend a few days in our own hometown of Houston, Texas.

Mr. President, your presence doubly honors us. Not only is this your first state visit here, but I'm told it's your first state visit to any country since the triumphant re-unification one and one-half years ago. Your presence here is testimony to the enduring ties that exist between our lands and our people.

Two hundred years ago, Germany helped with our Revolution. One hundred years ago, your strong and proud nation sent to our shores men and women who worked and dreamed to better this land. And in this century, the German-American relationship has grown through Cold War and post-Cold War cooperation -- drawing our two peoples even more closely together.

You come at a pivotal time for our two countries and indeed the entire world. Forty-five years ago -- at an equally pivotal time -- some in the United States said we should turn inward and turn our backs on our defeated adversaries. We did not.

Instead, we committed ourselves to democracy's success, helping ~~Europe~~ Europe,

→ ~~defeated~~ ^{helping} Germany and its fledgling democracy.

What a wise decision it was -- committing ourselves to a continuing global role and making an investment in German democracy. Today we see the fruits of that decision: united Germany, a model of democracy for the whole world, and a reliable friend and partner.

Today, Germany and the United States face a similar decision, as the peoples of Russia and the other new states seek to follow the countries of central and eastern Europe in building democracy and free markets. And now Germany, the beneficiary of that earlier decision, is leading the way. Germany and America in partnership are committed to supporting those who are struggling with the legacy of a defeated Communist system and making an investment in their democratic future. Those who would ask why this is the right course need only look at united Germany: once our adversary, now our ^{friend, now our} "partner in leadership" -- ~~a force for peace, democracy and prosperity in the world.~~

Mr. President, three years ago, I accompanied Chancellor Kohl in a visit to your beautiful Rhineland city of Mainz. There, I spoke of how together we could build a Europe "whole and free," at peace with itself, because lasting security "comes not from tanks, troops, or barbed wire; it is built on shared values and agreements that link free people." I proposed that the U.S. and Germany act as "partners in leadership" in resolving global problems and charting a course for the future.

I believed that in Mainz -- and I believe it just as firmly

today. United Germany is a key partner for the United States in promoting democracy and economic reform in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. You are our partner in building a more united and cooperative Europe -- in fashioning a security system for the post-Cold War world -- and in furthering an open trading system for every nation.

In that spirit, as "partners in leadership," we strongly welcome greater German involvement in global affairs. Strong German-American cooperation is fully compatible with development of a more unified Europe -- a goal that the U.S. has consistently supported over the years -- just as we unequivocally supported a united Germany.

As our world looks ahead to the coming century, I want to state this as clearly as I can -- the United States is firmly committed to remaining a world leader. We will play an active role in securing peace, security, and prosperity in Europe and in our transatlantic community. We must work together to overcome differences, to drive down barriers to free and fair trade -- to achieve in the GATT negotiations agreements that will secure for all nations a new prosperity. Europe and America need to act in concert to meet our global objectives -- promoting and preserving liberty; democracy; security; economic freedom; and prosperity.

Mr. President, you've played, and continue to play, a vital role in this transition from the Cold War to the promising new world before us. You've made it your task to help reconcile former adversaries -- to overcome the antagonism of the past --

and to heal the wounds of division and strife.

In a time of upheaval and rapid change, you've provided your countrymen with firm moral leadership. You've helped them come to terms with the twin catastrophes of dictatorship and division that befell Germany this century. Now, the German nation is at peace with itself -- steadfastly committed to democracy and human rights -- and determined to support the cause of justice and freedom everywhere.

Mr. President, Germany and the United States are poised to walk together into a future full of hope, guided by the words of your great national anthem: "May our path by peace be lighted." As we walk down that path of peace together, may God bless our two great nations and the lasting friendship that unites our peoples.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/28/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ARRIVAL CEREMONY AND DINNER TOAST FOR THE VISIT OF GERMAN PRESIDENT VON WEIZSAECKER

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST

FROM: BETH HINCHLIFFE BH

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1992
SOUTH LAWN 10:00 A.M.**

President and Mrs. von Weizsaecker [fohn VITES-zeck-er],
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delegation -- on behalf of the American people, let me warmly
welcome you to the United States, and to Washington. Barbara and
I hope you have a productive and enjoyable visit -- we're
especially happy that you'll spend a few days in our own hometown
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Mr. President, your presence doubly honors us. Not only is
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And in this century, the German-American relationship has grown
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What a wise decision it was -- committing ourselves to a continuing global role and making an investment in German democracy. Today we see the fruits of that decision: united Germany, a model of democracy for the whole world, and a reliable friend and partner.

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Mr. President, three years ago, I accompanied Chancellor Kohl in a visit to your beautiful Rhineland city of Mainz. There, I spoke of how together we could build a Europe "whole and free," at peace with itself, because lasting security "comes not from tanks, troops, or barbed wire; it is built on shared values and agreements that link free people." I proposed that the U.S. and Germany act as "partners in leadership" in resolving global problems and charting a course for the future.

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In that spirit, as "partners in leadership," we strongly welcome greater German involvement in global affairs. Strong German-American cooperation is fully compatible with development of a more unified Europe -- a goal that the U.S. has consistently supported over the years -- just as we unequivocally supported a united Germany.

As our world looks ahead to the coming century, I want to state this as clearly as I can -- the United States is firmly committed to remaining a world leader. We will play an active role in securing peace, security, and prosperity in Europe and in our transatlantic community. We must work together to overcome differences, to drive down barriers to free and fair trade -- to achieve in the GATT negotiations agreements that will secure for all nations a new prosperity. Europe and America need to act in concert to meet our global objectives -- promoting and preserving liberty; democracy; security; economic freedom; and prosperity.

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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

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THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST

SUBJECT: APRIL 29 - 8:15 pm 10:00 South Lawn

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REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Dan McGroarty, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 pm, MONDAY, APRIL 27, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

April 28, 1992

NSC concurs with changes as indicated.

Brent Scowcroft.

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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DAN --

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Brent had three changes:

(1) Page one, the ref. to Germany helping with our Revolution will be confused with the Hessians, who fought with the British. This needs to be changed. How about changing it to say, "the German General von Steuben...." ①

(2) Pp. 1-2 insert, the para on helping Russia took the focus away from Germany. I've rewritten it (attached) per his instructions.

(3) P. 2: small change to ref to Chancellor Kohl: need to say the Pres. accompanied so it doesn't sound like Kohl was visiting too.

Bob Hutchins

INSERT (pp. 1-2) (Note: this redraft makes the same main points as in the original draft, but in slightly different order.)

You come at a pivotal time for our two countries and indeed the entire world.

45 years ago -- at an equally pivotal time -- some in the United States said we should turn inward and turn our backs on our defeated adversaries. We did not. Instead, we committed ourselves to democracy's success, helping a defeated Germany and its fledgling democracy.

What a wise decision it was -- committing ourselves to a continuing global role and making an investment in German democracy. Today we see the fruits of that decision: united Germany, a model of democracy for the whole world, and a reliable friend and partner.

Today, Germany and the United States face a similar decision, as the peoples of Russia and the other new states seek to follow the countries of central and eastern Europe in building democracy and free markets. And now Germany, the beneficiary of that earlier decision, is leading the way. Germany and American in partnership are committed to support those struggling with the legacy of a defeated Communist system and make an investment in their democratic future. Those who would ask why this is the right course need only look at united Germany: once our adversary, now our "partner in leadership" -- a force for peace, democracy and prosperity in the world.

And America knows that it is not alone this effort: Germany, which benefitted from our support two generations ago, is leading the way in providing support and encouragement to the new democracies farther east.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DANIEL B. MCGROARTY

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER *SR*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast

Pursuant to Phil Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed presidential remarks.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1992
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I hope you have a productive and enjoyable visit -- we're
especially happy that you'll spend a few days in our own hometown
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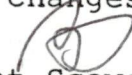
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SPONSE:

April 27, 1992

The NSC Staff concurs, with changes as indicated.


Brent Scowcroft

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
STATE DINING ROOM
APRIL 29, 1992 8:15 P.M.

Mr. President and Mrs. von Weizsaecker, Barbara and I are honored to welcome you here -- as the first President of a united Federal Republic of Germany. ~~(The last two years have been glorious and historic -- and your joining us in America's home is a joyous moment in our history)~~

~~And it's a real personal pleasure to have you here. I respect you as a strong and honest leader -- and especially~~ as a man who embodies the values that have made Germany's unity and *democracy* ~~strength~~ a source of hope to the world. ~~I admire you as a statesman with the vision to look beyond narrow national interests to the greater good~~ Throughout an era of division, you constantly stood for unity -- the unity of the German people; the unity of Europeans, East and West; and the unity and brotherhood before God of all mankind.

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(1) → ~~I was proud that the United States was represented at the glorious celebration of German reunification last fall~~ At midnight, the exact moment when two countries became one, Berlin's Liberty Bell pealed triumphantly. We were proud to share in the glory of that moment, since the bell -- a replica of our own Liberty Bell -- was a gift from the American people offered in friendship and support. Mr. President, those half-million people crowded around the Reichstag that night will always remember the words you proclaimed as the bell rang: "We

want to serve world peace in a united Europe." ^{Americans} ~~That is the~~
~~thrilled with you at that moment.~~
~~noblest goal, and we're proud to be a part of it.~~

~~German unification, which for so long seemed so~~
~~Mr. President, you and I can remember so well a time when an~~
~~distant, was but one of the German~~
~~evening like this would have seemed impossible. Think of the~~

~~we have~~
~~miracles we've seen in our lifetime.~~ ^s There is, of course,
~~Germany's legendary "economic miracle," but I'm thinking of~~
~~something else -- your country's moral and spiritual revival, of~~

~~I've been to your beautiful, vital nation. I've seen first-~~
~~hand the energy and enterprise it took to restore the ruined~~
~~factories and cities. I've seen the patience and spirit of~~
~~reconciliation it took to create a climate of cooperation in a~~
~~Europe burdened with bitterness. [And in you, Mr. President, I've~~
~~seen the far-sighted leadership that broke down the old barriers~~
~~between nations -- and promoted the unity that's now brought to~~
~~our world new and lasting peace and prosperity.~~

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⁽²⁾ → ~~This is a wonderful time to be alive -- and a tremendously~~
~~challenging time to lead a nation. Within our own terms of~~
~~office, you and I have been privileged to see a reunited and~~
~~healing Germany assume renewed responsibility as one of the great~~
~~nations of the world. I'm reminded of a saying by one of your~~
~~great writers, Bertolt Brecht: "Everyone needs help from every-~~
~~one." A simple phrase, but it sums up the new world we live in.~~
~~Germany has been a tremendous leader of political liberation.~~
~~Now we wait to see how our close ally will assume the moral,~~
~~political, and economic leadership role it has earned. We are~~
~~confident, for our shared values and unity of purpose have guided~~

us through our past; and will continue to guide us in our future.

Barbara and I speak proudly for this country when we call on everyone here to celebrate the promise our ~~(nations')~~ relationship holds. ^{It is} ~~(It's)~~ a relationship ^{that} ~~of Washington,~~ led by the Kennedy Center, is commemorating ~~right now~~ with an unprecedented salute to 300 years of German culture -- a festival under our joint patronage. In that spirit of enduring friendship, ^{let us} ~~let's~~ raise our glasses to unity, to freedom, to the new Germany, to our nations' renewed partnership, and to the long life and good health of my honored friend President von Weizsaecker. Zum Wohl!

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We are also honored that Foreign Minister Genscher -- who just announced that he is stepping down from the position he has held with such distinction for 18 years -- is with us, together with Mrs. Genscher. Hans-Dietrich, thank you, sir, for your friendship and for all you have done for our common good.

To all our German friends, let me say that we rejoiced with you a year and a half ago, as Germany was united once more, in peace and freedom. (Continue: "At midnight.....")

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Just as Germany has transcended and triumphed over its past, so has the German-American relationship shed the burdens that were history's legacy. United Germany, champion of a more united Europe, [now] stands as our partner in leadership. Together we have achieved our common goal of a Germany united in peace and freedom, but our partnership did not end with that. To the contrary, now that we are free of the dangers and divisions of Europe's Cold War confrontation, the German-American partnership has just begun.

The world around us has changed almost beyond recognition, and we cannot know precisely where these revolutionary changes will take us. But this we do know: our principles have not changed, for they have been proven right. (Continue: "We are confident.....")

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DATE: 4/24/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 4/27/92 2:00pm

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
APRIL 29 - 8:15 pm

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RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

(Hinchliffe/Nix)
April 23, 1992 5 p.m.
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
STATE DINING ROOM
APRIL 29, 1992 8:15 P.M.

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April 27, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DANIEL B. MCGROARTY

FROM: STEPHEN G. RADEMAKER *SR*
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: State Dinner Toast

Pursuant to Phil Brady's request, Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced matter and has no objection to the proposed presidential remarks.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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von Weizsaecker

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Attachment

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 - 10:00am

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1992
SOUTH LAWN 10:00 A.M.

President and Mrs. von Weizsaecker [fohn VITES-zeck-er],
Minister and Mrs. Genscher, distinguished members of the German
delegation -- on behalf of the American people, let me warmly
welcome you to the United States, and to Washington. Barbara and
I hope you have a productive and enjoyable visit -- we're
especially happy that you'll spend a few days in our own hometown
of Houston, Texas.

Mr. President, your presence doubly honors us. Not only is
this your first state visit here, but I'm told it's your first
state visit to any country since the triumphant re-unification 2
1/2 years ago. Your presence here is testimony to the enduring
ties that exist between our lands and our people.

Two hundred years ago, Germany helped with our Revolution.
One hundred years ago, ^{you} ~~this~~ strong and proud nation sent to our
shores men and women who worked and dreamed to better this land.
And in this century, the German-American relationship has grown
through Cold War and post-Cold War cooperation -- knitting our
two peoples even more closely together.

We've done much for each other in the name of democracy. In
the aftermath of the Allied victory in WWII, the U.S. stretched
out its hand to a prostrate and devastated Germany. After
Secretary of State Byrnes pointed the way in his 1946 Stuttgart
speech, we inaugurated the Marshall Plan as a contribution to

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ic recovery and an investment in German democracy.

This investment has repaid itself many times over. Together, our countries stood shoulder-to-shoulder with other NATO allies defending freedom and democracy throughout the dark days of the Cold War. Together, we offered hope to the peoples of Central and Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union who lived under the scourge of communism. Together, through steadfast commitment to our principles, we succeeded in overcoming the unnatural division of Europe and in bringing an end to the Cold War.

The United States has never wavered in our commitment to German unity -- and history has now vindicated our stand.

Now we stand at the brink of an unknown future, facing new challenges as we strive to come to grips with a continent and a world in transition. We must shape our route together. Three years ago, when I had the pleasure of visiting your beautiful country, I traveled to the Rhineland city of Mainz. There, I spoke of how together we could ensure a Europe "whole and free," at peace with itself, because lasting security "comes not from tanks, troops, or barbed wire; it is build on shared values and agreements that link free people." I then proposed that the U.S. and Germany act as "partners in leadership" in resolving global problems and charting a course for the future.

I believed that in Mainz -- and I believe it just as firmly today. United Germany is a key partner for the United States in promoting democracy and economic reform in the Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. You are our key partner in building a

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more united and cooperative Europe -- in fashioning a security system for the post-Cold War world -- and in furthering an open trading system for every nation.

More than four decades of steadfast commitment to freedom and democracy have entitled you to play, once again, a leading role on the international stage. In the spirit of "partners in leadership," we strongly welcome greater German involvement in global affairs. Strong German-American cooperation is fully compatible with development of a more unified Europe -- a goal that the U.S. has consistently supported over the years -- just as we unequivocally supported a united Germany.

As our world looks ahead to the coming century, I want to state this as clearly as I can -- the United States is absolutely committed to remaining a world leader. We will play an active role in securing peace, security, and prosperity in Europe and in our transatlantic community. But Europe and America need to act in concert to meet our global objectives -- promoting and preserving liberty; democracy; security; economic freedom; and prosperity. Active German-American teamwork can serve as the impetus for a broader European-American cooperation, and will help us achieve the goals and dreams we share.

Mr. President, you've played, and continue to play, a vital role in this transition from the Cold War period to one which is more hopeful and progressive. You've made it your task to help reconcile former adversaries -- to overcome the antagonism of the past -- and to heal the wounds of division and strife.

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In a time of upheaval and rapid change, you've provided your countrymen with firm moral leadership. You've helped them come to terms with the twin catastrophes of dictatorship and division that befell Germany this century. Because of your work, the German nation is more at peace with itself -- more steadfastly committed to democracy and human rights -- and more determined to support the cause of justice and freedom everywhere.

Mr. President, Germany and the United States are poised to walk together into an unknown future, guided by the words of your great national anthem: "May our path by peace be lighted." As we walk down that path of peace together, may God bless our two great nations and the lasting friendship that unites our peoples.

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To all our German friends, let me say that we rejoiced with you a year and a half ago, as Germany was united once more, in peace and freedom. (Continue: "At midnight.....")

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Just as Germany has transcended and triumphed over its past, so has the German-American relationship shed the burdens that were history's legacy. United Germany, champion of a more united Europe, now stands as our partner in leadership. Together we have achieved our common goal of a Germany united in peace and freedom, but our partnership did not end with that. To the contrary, now that we are free of the dangers and divisions of Europe's Cold War confrontation, the German-American partnership has just begun.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM
 92 APR 27 P5:43

DATE: 4/24/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 4/27/92 2:00pm

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: STATE DINNER TOAST
APRIL 29 - 8:15 pm

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PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
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(Hinchliffe/Nix)
April 23, 1992 5 p.m.
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