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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/22/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: FRI. 10/23 2:00p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: INTERNATIONAL POLICE CHIEFS  
 SUBJECT: DETROIT - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25 - 10:00 a.m.

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Please forward your comments directly to Dan McGroarty, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 p.m., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

**RESPONSE:**

*Called at 1:00  
 " " 2 pm*

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

(Askew/Bunton)  
October 22, 1992  
5:00 p.m.  
CRIME

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:      INTERNAT'L POLICE CHIEFS  
                                  COBO HALL, DETROIT  
                                  SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 1992  
                                  10:00 A.M.

Thank you for that introduction, and hello, everybody.

((Acknowledgements, local color, humor.))

Today I want to talk about government's first and foremost function: to protect every American citizen from violence -- at home and on the streets.

There's no point winning a Cold War if our neighborhoods back home are criminal territory, where grandparents and kids hide behind bars, like prisoners in their own homes. That's a perversion of the public peace, and it absolutely must not stand.

Easier said than done -- but it can be done. You know, better than anyone, that we've slowed violent crime dramatically the past twelve years. And we're starting to turn the tide on the terrible drugs that so often fuel the fire.

I know it's been especially hard on you. America got soft on crime in the 60s, and you paid for it. By the time we cracked down again in the early 80s, violent crime had gone up 400% in twenty years. But in the ten years since then, it's gone up a little over 25%, and the overall crime index is actually down.

So with your help, we've stemmed the tide... prevented millions of crimes... but that's not enough. It's never enough.

Crime is a smart virus... always changing its face, and our laws need to react just as quickly... so we can beat it.

Here's a timely example. Carjacking -- a brand-new word for a brand-new crime. Someone figured out it's easy to steal a car that's already running, with the keys in the ignition. But that means the criminal has to do away with a driver.

I want to tell you a story that just sickened Barbara and me when we saw it on TV. But it shows what we're up against. In a nice area near D.C. recently -- in broad daylight -- a woman was forced from her car at a stop sign by two men who then drove off.

But she got tangled in her seatbelt outside the car. Or maybe she hung on. What mother wouldn't? Her baby was inside.

That woman was dragged for almost two miles. The thieves finally crushed her to death against a fence. And they tossed her little baby out by the roadside like a piece of trash.

I know I'm preaching to the choir... I know you've got horror stories of your own, certainly here in Detroit... but we can't get jaded against outrage. This is sick, animal behavior, and we cannot as a nation abide it any longer.

People who do such things have no place in decent society. And as far as this President's concerned, they can go to jail... they can stay in jail... and they can rot in jail.

We need tough laws that don't bend over backwards sheltering the criminal... while saying to the victim, "Tough luck, buddy."

You know, there are so many issues in this Presidential campaign... where the differences among candidates couldn't be

more radical. Crime is one of them -- Bill Clinton and I are about as far apart as Barney Fife and the Terminator.

I'll give him credit, though. He's learned to talk tough. But let me tell you: When push comes to shove, what the Governor really believes is the same old baloney that it's society's fault when someone gets mugged, and society should pay.

His record practically shouts it. An average Arkansas inmate served less than one-fifth of his sentence last year. Compare that to federal inmates -- inmates under my jurisdiction. They serve at least 85 percent of their full sentence.

Violent crime in Arkansas went up almost 60 percent in the 80s -- more than twice the national average. That was the nation's single-biggest increase in overall crime in the 80s, and the third-biggest in violent crime.

Look at violent crimes committed for every 100,000 people in Arkansas. In 1983, there were 289. Last year -- up to 593.

Three years ago, the average Arkansas inmate was serving 31 months. But just three years later -- they're down to 16.

This one's my favorite. Just the other day, Governor Clinton observed that America is number one in the world in the percentage of people behind bars. And then he said he wants to reverse that trend. What does he want to do? Turn 'em loose?

The evidence keeps piling up. Arkansas ranks near rock-bottom for every important per-capita crime dollar it spends. For prisons: 46th. Police officers: 49th. And for spending on judicial and legal systems -- Arkansas ranks 50th.

That's right. Dead last.

No wonder crime went ballistic in Arkansas during the 80s. If you don't give police the tools they need... you can't expect them to do their job.

Bottom line -- the Governor's record is not right for Arkansas, and it's not right for America. If you don't believe me... just ask the Fraternal Order of Police in Little Rock, Arkansas. They know Bill Clinton's record better than anyone... and they're not endorsing their Governor. They're joining hands with their national organization, and endorsing me for President.

They're endorsing me because they're on the front lines... where it's clear that America needs a government that attacks the problem... by preventing and punishing crime.

I believe it, too. That's why I've been fighting for strong federal support... so we can help our state and local police in new and concrete ways. We must help you fight.

For four years, I've been working hard to do just that. You don't hear about it -- it's good news, which to the media means no news. Well, they've got a lot of things wrong. I heard them on my train the other day, singing their theme song: "Accentuate the negative... eliminate the positive."

Well, let me tell you four big things we've been doing to fight crime and we'll see if the press bothers to mention them.

First, more resources. My 1993 budget calls for almost 60% more federal money than crimefighters got when I took office. We've got a program to double Federal prison capacity during the

90s. We've hired more than 1,200 new Federal prosecutors since 1989, telling them to go after drug lords and violent criminals. And we've assigned 300 FBI agents to help you fight gangs.

Second, reforming criminal justice. We want criminal punishment to be fair, fast and final, and we want at least the same respectful treatment for innocent victims.

That means stopping the ridiculous abuse of our appeals process... it means enforcing the death penalty... and it means letting cops use criminal evidence they seize in good faith.

And we've given more than \$200 million to crime victims since 1989, to help compensate their losses. You know where that money came from? Criminal fines. Sometimes justice is poetic.

Third, targeting the violent repeat-offender. You know this guy. The one with the nasty habit of walking out of jail, right back into the lives of innocent people. He's a huge part of the problem. Put him away for good, and crime takes a holiday.

One of our federal operations arrested 3300 of the most-dangerous fugitives in America in just 68 days last spring. And we're targeting repeat offenders with project Triggerlock, where the feds join state and local crimefighters to take violent criminals to federal court. That way, we nail them on federal charges that put them away much longer. We just finished year one of Triggerlock, and federal firearms prosecutions more than doubled, to the average tune of 18 years with no parole.

And finally fourth, taking back our neighborhoods -- our weed-and-seed program. I believe in this program because tougher

laws won't fix everything. The other side of crime has a more human face -- and too often, it's a child's face. At some point early in life, a kid at a critical juncture can be steered to a life of right or a life of terrible wrong. It all depends on the kind of soil you plant these kids in... and how you nourish them.

So you weed out the bad in a neighborhood... and you seed it with good. We're trying pilot programs in 19 cities right now. With love and care like this, we give kids a chance to escape the scars of a Cass Corridor in Detroit... a Cabrini-Green in Chicago ... a Hough in Cleveland... or an East Lake Meadows in Atlanta.

We've fought for all these initiatives during my administration. Not just tough talk -- we're taking action. But our action would be more effective as a part of a comprehensive national crime strategy with the full backing of Congress.

That's why, twelve-hundred and twenty-eight days ago, on June 15, 1989 -- the same day Mikhail Gorbachev first hinted the Berlin Wall might someday fall -- I sent a comprehensive crime bill to Capitol Hill. I offered the hand of partnership to Congress, and asked for help fighting crime on a national level.

I guess crime isn't as high on their list as it is on mine. Since I first sent that bill to the Hill in 1989, here in the United States we've had almost 60,000 murders, 260,000 rapes, 1.6 million robberies and 2.6 million assaults. And 69,000 of those violent crimes took place -- right here in Detroit.

Think about that. Enough people to fill the city of Detroit four times over... were brutalized while that bill languished on

Capitol Hill. (X) of those Americans were brutalized on Capitol Hill -- in the hard neighborhoods near the halls of Congress. The horrible truth is, if you started putting all the Americans who are beaten, robbed, raped or killed in this country into Cobo Hall, they'd fill every one of your seats -- in one day. You're sitting in a victim's chair.

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something about this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

I could not agree more. And as frustrating as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've won some big battles in the past few weeks. I want to share them with you, but I also want you to know what's on my overall crime agenda, so you know what to expect in a second Bush term. I'm not asking for anything but common-sense justice, especially for women, kids and elderly victims of crime.

Here are the eight goals I asked Congress to help me reach.

One, severely punish carjackers, like the ones I just described. I told Congress I want to make carjacking a federal offense with harsh penalties. I want thugs who take cars at gunpoint to stay in a cell so long that when they get out -- they're too old to walk, much less drive.

Two, call deadbeat dads on the carpet. Right now, a single mother here in Detroit can be struggling to keep the kids fed on her small salary... while their father's in Chicago, picking out a nice new Jeep Grand Cherokee with a CD player and leather

seats. He could be 'way behind in child-support, but no one can touch him because he's over state lines.

Well, I think that's a disgrace, and it's about time the long arm of the law reaches out over that state line... taps that deadbeat dad on his shoulder... and says, Time to pay up, buddy. Time to pay up... or go up the river.

Three, strengthen laws dealing with sexual and domestic violence. For starters, we need to protect the victim. It's bad enough a rape victim is attacked in the first place. Then she takes the stand to testify -- and gets attacked by the rapist's lawyers. I say that's two too many attacks.

And I want repeat sex and domestic-violence offenders behind bars until trial. Today, even a repeat offender can get arrested and be out on bond hours later... stalking his next victim... or beating his wife and kids for turning him in. I want him detained until trial, and I want the prosecution to be able to use past convictions against him. Right now, certain details can't even be mentioned in court. So-called little details -- like the fact that everyone and their dog within a country mile knows the guy's done this before. And that's wrong. Let him face what he's done and pay for what he's done.

Four, crack down on gang violence. I want gangs to be treated like the criminal enterprises they are. That way, we can go after the leaders, and we can deal harshly with them, and we can untie the hands of good cops so they can clean up decent neighborhoods. Little Dantrell Davis was killed by a gang sniper

in Cabrini-Green in Chicago last week. This was an innocent little seven-year-old boy, on his way to school. And I say, the animal who shot him should be caged.

And I want to toughen the penalties for using juveniles in crimes. Gangs can send under-age kids out to do their dirty work, because they're minors who'll get off easy if they're caught. I want to make the big boys pay.

Five, protection for the elderly. It's absurd that the folks who've contributed to this society all their lives... have to live in terror when they're old and frail, just because some young punks see them as an easy target. I want to beef up the laws so instead of stalking the streets, mugging grandma -- they're down at precinct, mugging for the police camera.

Six, Habeas Corpus reform. Habeas Corpus should protect the innocent, but it's turned into a ridiculous perversion of the law. Can you believe that these petitions can drag on for more than a decade? The fact is, criminal lawyers are abusing the law to postpone justice, and it's time we stop this travesty. Let them have one Habeas Corpus petition and be done with it.

Seven, a Federal death penalty. I think certain acts of violence deserve the ultimate penalty. I'm talking about assassinations, murder for hire, terrorism and other depraved acts. And you can add the new urban violence we see with gangs. Drive-by shootings, random violence, gang massacres -- these people are merchants of death, who trade in death... so when they kill someone, let's complete the transaction.

And eight, firearms. This one's short and sweet. I want much-tougher penalties for criminal use of firearms. Period.

Those are the eight things I felt most-strongly about when I sent my Crime Bill to Capitol Hill. I fought to get the comprehensive Bill passed, but Congress wouldn't do it. So we took each of the items to the mat individually, and today I'm proud to announce that after this speech, I'm going to sit right down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of those measures into law - the two that deal with carjacking and deadbeat dads.

The carjacking bill isn't as tough as I wanted, but it's a start. It makes carjacking a federal offense, and it makes the chop-shops that buy stolen cars federally liable, too.

And the deadbeat dads bill lets the arm of the law reach over state lines and hold fathers responsible for child support.

So there are two tough new laws. And we've been able to work with the Congress to get these done. Next year, we're going after the other six on my agenda, and with the new Congress, a Congress with 150 new members, we'll pass these six as well.

There's a lot of work still to be done. But America is worth defending, at home as much as abroad. For every hardened criminal you face down, there are countless thousands of good, decent Americans out there with strong values and big hearts. You don't hear from them too much... but I happen to know, on good authority, that they appreciate you.

I know because they tell me.

So let me pass it on. America stands behind you. And I stand behind you, with the full weight of the Federal government.

And on behalf of all those unheard but grateful Americans... thank you -- all of you -- for putting your lives on the line every day. Pass it on. Go back and tell your brave men and women that we love you and we need you.

You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

And so I'm asking for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years... to help you do it.

God bless you... God bless all the law-enforcement officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.

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REMARKS:  
 I just saw these. I don't know if someone else sent them to you, but just in case - here they are.  
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Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D. C. 20530

October 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO: PAUL KORFONTA  
FROM: EUGENE SCALIA  
SUBJECT: DETROIT CRIME SPEECH

Pages with changes are attached. I am also attaching some new drug statistics from DEA that might be worked into this or another speech.

Explanations of changes:

There is a misunderstanding that runs through the latter part of the speech. Of the eight criminal law reforms the speech says the President has been promoting since 1989, only the last 3 were in his '89 crime bill. By now all have been supported in Congress by the President, but not as of that date. (The car-jacking bill, for example, is quite recent.) The speech ought to be reviewed and revised with this in mind. See, for example, page 10, line 4, where "crime bill" should be changed to "crime bills" or "crime legislation." But the speech may require a change in structure.

Page 1: There was not a 400 percent violent crime increase; it was 300 percent (or "quadrupled"), and it should be clear that we are speaking of rates, not absolute numbers.

It may be wise to refer to "countless" crimes, rather than "millions."

Page 2: ". . . they can go to jail and stay in jail," instead of "rot in jail" as well, which seems a little beneath the President. On the other hand, the death penalty should not be foreclosed: "And when they commit cold-blooded murder, they should pay with their own lives."

Page 3: Middle paragraph, the edits are to make clear that the crime rate and violent crime rate are distinct.

In the next paragraph, we have substituted 1980 numbers for violent crime. This number is still low enough relative to the 1991 figures that it is preferable to selecting the lowest number in the 80's (if that's how '83 was decided on).

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We cannot verify the 31 month sentence, though we do not have contrary figures.

Page 4: We are unfamiliar with the 60 percent "crimefighters" increase. The budget did amount to a 71 percent increase for the Department, but not all of us are crimefighters (civil cases are a great part of our docket).

Note that prison capacity will triple.

Page 5: Through the crime victims fund we have given out \$550 million to help crime victims, but it is only \$200 million of this that went to crime victims to "compensate" them. (The rest was for programs, etc.) We recommend going with the bigger number, as shown.

We have added "armed career criminals" at the end of the last full paragraph. This is an important change, as this is a statutory term of art referring to a discrete class of armed felons.

Page 7: We do not know the number of assaults on Capitol Hill.

Page 9: First paragraph: Again, what about the death penalty for the sniper who killed the boy? It should not be foreclosed for the sake of a metaphor (though it also should not be pre-determined).

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Finally: On Page 1, the President shouldn't say there was "no point" to winning the Cold War. Suggestion: "We cannot have neighborhoods . . ."

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Wholesale cocaine prices in each of the four major U.S. gateway cities (Miami, Houston, Los Angeles, and New York) rose dramatically in the second quarter of 1992. These increases averaged in excess of 50%. Preliminary third quarter prices remain approximately 50% higher than in the first quarter.

In addition, sources indicate that cocaine base prices in Colombia have almost doubled. Over the past few months, the average price of cocaine base per kilogram in Colombia has increased from \$500-600 to \$1,000.

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Look at violent crimes committed for every 100,000 people in Arkansas. In 1988, there were <sup>80</sup> ~~122~~ <sup>375</sup> ~~122~~ last year -- up to 121.

Three years ago, the average Arkansas inmate was serving 21 months, but just three years later -- they're down to 14.

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**Washington, D. C. 20530**

October 23, 1992

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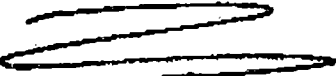
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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FROM:

KEN ASKEW *KA*

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED REMARKS AT INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
POLICE CHIEFS

I. SUMMARY

On Sunday, October 25th at 10:00 a.m., you will deliver remarks to an audience of 5,000 members of the International Association of Police Chiefs and their spouses at their annual convention in Cobo Hall in Detroit, Michigan.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (approximately 18 minutes / teleprompter) highlight your crime bill.

Following your remarks you will sign the deadbeat dads and carjacking measures of your crime bill into law.

(Askew/Burton)  
October 23, 1992  
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Think about it. Enough Americans to fill Detroit four times over... were brutalized by assault, rape or murder while that bill languished on Capitol Hill. If you started putting victims here in Cobo Hall... they'd fill every one of these seats -- in a single day. Folks -- you're sitting in a victim's chair.

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something about this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

Well, as frustrating as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've fought and won a couple of big battles the past few weeks. And today I'm proud to announce that right after this speech, I'm going to sit down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of the crime initiatives I've fought for... into tough new federal laws.

The first one severely punishes carjackers. I told Congress I wanted to make carjacking a federal offense with harsh penalties. Thugs who take cars at gunpoint should sit in a cell so long that when they get out -- they're too old to drive.

And the second one calls deadbeat dads on the carpet. Right now, a single mother in Detroit can struggle to keep the kids fed on a small salary while their father's on a lark in Chicago. He could be way behind in child-support, but no one can touch him over state lines. Well, that's a disgrace, and now the long arm

of the law can reach over that border, tap dad on his shoulder... and say, Buddy... time to pay up, or go up the river.

So there you have two tough new federal laws that go into effect today. We've been able to work with Congress to get them through. And you know why? Because national attention created national outrage that I applied to Congress to force them to act. It's a formula I want to use again and again in the next four years. So let me make you an offer. Stick with me in the election, and I'll stick with you after it, applying that formula over and over until law enforcement in this country has the federal support it needs and deserves to do the job right.

Those two laws made it this year. But my crime bill had at least six other initiatives that Congress didn't pass -- that I happen to care a whole lot about. So next year, we're going after them as well. Given a new Congress -- with 150 new members next session -- we're going to pass those six items into law too.

So here's what to expect in a second Bush administration.

Number one, I want to strengthen laws dealing with sexual and domestic violence. For starters, we've got to protect the victim. It's bad enough a woman is attacked in the first place. Then she takes the stand for testimony -- and gets attacked by lawyers. I say that's two attacks too many.

And I want repeat offenders behind bars until trial. Today, even a repeat rapist can get arrested and be out on bond hours later. I say, detain him until trial and let the prosecution use past behavior against him. Right now, certain little details

can't even be mentioned in court -- like the fact that everyone within a country mile knows the guy has done this before. And that's wrong. Let him face what he's done and pay for it.

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Three, protection for the elderly. It's absurd that the folks who've contributed to society all their lives... have to live in terror just because some young punks see them as an easy target. I want to beef up the laws so instead of stalking the streets, mugging grandma -- they're down at precinct, mugging for the police camera.

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And six, firearms. This one's short and sweet. I want much-tougher penalties for criminal use of firearms. Period.

So there's a lot of work to be done. But America's worth it. For every hardened criminal you face down, there are countless thousands of good, decent Americans out there with strong values and big hearts. You don't hear from them much, but I happen to know on good authority that they appreciate you.

I know because they tell me.

So let me pass it on. America stands behind you. And I stand behind you, with the full weight of the Federal government.

And on behalf of all those unheard but grateful Americans... thank you -- all of you -- for putting your lives on the line every day. Now you pass it on. Go back and tell your brave men and women that we love you and we need you all.

You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

To do it, I need your support. And I ask for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years fighting for the federal support you need to get your jobs done.

Thank you... God bless all the law officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.

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(Askew/Bunton)  
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CRIME

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(Ferguson/Grossman)  
October 23, 1992  
Draft Two  
ENERGY

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ENERGY BILL SIGNING  
OCTOBER 24, 1992  
MAURICE, LOUISIANA

Good afternoon, everyone.

(Acknowledgments)

Almost two years ago, my Administration proposed a National Energy Strategy -- a blueprint to promote economic growth and make our country more secure. Our strategy was based on a simple premise: that the greatest single energy resource America possesses is the wisdom and enterprise of its citizens.

The last two years have seen much hard work, many hundreds of hours of hard study and negotiation. Our efforts have now borne fruit. This morning I will sign the Energy Policy Act of 1992.

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And we will accomplish these goals not by resorting to the failed methods of government control, but by unleashing the genius of private enterprise.

The Act increases competition in the way electricity is generated and sold -- reducing the strain on family budgets across the country. <sup>By the year 2010</sup> ~~Over the next ten years~~, for example, our

reforms will save the average American household ~~\$500 in~~ <sup>\$150 a year in its</sup> annual electricity bills.

The Act improves licensing procedures for new nuclear power plants -- guaranteeing that this safe and clean resource helps meet our nation's energy needs for the next century.

Using the power of the market, the Act encourages the development and use of clean-burning alternative fuels -- so that the robust production of energy will go hand-in-hand with a clean environment.

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I spent much of my life in the oil business, building a company, meeting a payroll. I saw first-hand how government can help -- and hinder -- the men and women who meet the energy needs of their fellow Americans. I believe that this Act opens a new era, in which government acts not as master but as partner and servant.

I'm very proud of the broad support I've received from energy leaders. From people like my old friends Lod Cook of Arco and Ken Lay of Enron, Leighton Stewart and Harold Hamm, to elected leaders of the industry like Gene Ames, --- [Mid

## Changes from Walter

Christina -

This is a change from the memo Andy sent. Walter Harlitt has these 2 additional changes:

- ① delete Jim Kenneer and add Pete Silas
- ② keep Kent Harrell

October 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR STEVE PROVOST  
DAN MCGROARTY  
RAY SILLER  
CHRISTINA MARTIN  
CLAIRE TURNEY

FROM: JENNIFER GROSSMAN *JAG*  
SUBJECT: COLOR FOR PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

The lead advance won't be in Paducah till tonight, so event info is still unavailable. Here's what I was able to come up with on local color:

KENTUCKY

--The Bluegrass State  
--One interpretation of Kentucky's original etymology is an Indian name meaning "land of tomorrow."  
--in contrasting with Clinton: "differences as wide as Cumberland Gap." It's the National Historical Park -- shared by Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia. At 20,222 acres, it's the nation's largest historical park.

QUOTES

- 1) Local saying: "Heaven is a Kentucky of a place."
- 2) "A Kentuckian is a man who wants to tell you a story."  
--Elsie Asbury, The Filson Club Quarterly, Winter 1981
- 3) "The Kentuckians are the only Americans who can understand a joke."  
--Thomas D. Clark, Kentucky: Land of Contrasts, 1968.

HISTORY/KENTUCKY PRIDE

- 1) 200 years ago Kentucky joined the Union as the 15th state. (June 1)
- 2) Kentucky is Lincoln's birthplace.
- 3) Kentucky is the homestate of the McCoy-Hatfield feud -- erupting in 1882.
- 4) In 1937, the US Government established its gold vault at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

- 5) Oct. 27 is the birthday of Teddy Roosevelt (1909). It's also the birthday of Emily Post (1872).
- 6) Cold War retro: On this date in 1961, U.S. and Soviet tanks confronted each other at the crossing point between East and West Berlin, with the U.S. insisting on free entry to the east by U.S. citizens.
- 7) Kentucky Derby lore: In 1913 at Churchill Downs, there was a come-behind, upset victory that still lives in Derby folklore. Doneraile entered the race as a longshot -- with odds 91:1. At the stretch he was in fifth place but somehow he pulled ahead. At the finish line he beat the frontrunner, "Ten Point," by one-half length. (whew).

#### PADUCAH

- 1) Pop: 27,250. Only Kentucky city with an Indian name.
- 2) Paducah is called by the locals "Quilt City, USA." There's a guy named Bill Schroeder who built the Museum of the American Quilter's Society in Paducah -- the only museum in the world devoted solely to quilts. The guy fished with Bush when he was Vice Prez.
- 2) Popular local eatery: "Cecil's Barbecue." POTUS ate there when he was last in town -- he had West Kentucky barbecued pork, a favorite local dish.
- 3) Alben Barkley: Kentucky's own Vice President to **Harry Truman**. Barkley move to Paducah from Clinton. Maybe there's some kind of name play you can do. There's a Alben W. Barkley Museum in Paducah.
- 4) "I would rather be born a homeless orphan in Paducah than duly certified twins anywhere else on earth."  
--humorist and author Irvin Cobb, Paducah native son. His tombstone in Paducah's Oak Grove Cemetery reads "back home."

#### POLITICAL/CURRENT EVENTS

- 1) It's estimated that between 1,453,000 and 1,557,000 Kentuckians will go to the polls this November.
- 2) "On Saturday, one day after the President's visit to London, KY, Al Gore will attend a state labor rally at the IUE Local 761 hall in Louisville, one of 31 AFL-CIO rallies scheduled around the country for early Saturday afternoon...Gore's speech in the Louisville rally will be beamed across the country. Beforehand, presidential nominee Bill Clinton and national AFL-CIO Pres. Lane Kirkland will speak to the

rallies by satellite. [event will not be open to the public]."

--AP, 10/22/92.

- 3) "A Frankfort (KY) native got to ask a question of the three presidential candidates Thursday night (second debate)... 'I did not like my answers because no one really answered it,' Ben Curtis Smith told the State Journal.... Smith's question to the candidates was about the future of social security, Medicare and private pension funds. He asked each for 'a specific response as to what you intend to do for retirees relative to these issues not generalities, but specifics, because I think they're very disturbing issues.'"

"But all three candidates were short on specifics, and he remained undecided about whom to vote for on Nov. 3, Smith said. He said he found it 'a little disconcerting' that none of the candidates knew much about the Pension Guarantee Fund, which is supposed to back up private investment... [Smith] is a firm believer in the audience-participation format, Smith said, though some audience members were nervous. 'No one wanted to be a horse's rear end in front of millions of people,' he said." ((Maybe there's a joke/comeback: "well, how do you think Bill Clinton felt."))

#### ECONOMY (McCracken County)

- 1) In McCracken Country (which Paducah is in), the unemployment rate is 6.3% (lower than the national average and down from their rate of 7.3% in August of '91).
- 2) Median household income in the county is \$21,748.
- 3) In the last 12 years, new housing units in the county have gone up by 2,784.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DAN MCGROARTY

FROM: LEE S. LIBERMAN *LSL*  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Police Chiefs Remarks

Attached please find a mark-up of the draft speech. The reasons for the changes on p. 7 are as follows.

(1) Shumer proposed carjacking and deadbeat dad legislation, which the Administration initially was not enthusiastic about, which was then reworked to meet our concerns. But neither is accurately described as an Administration initiative that we forced Congress to acquiesce in by applying public pressure.

(2) Most of the listed initiatives were not in the President's 1989 crime bill. Only death penalty and habeas reform and some juvenile stuff were. Therefore, we need to delete the reference to "my crime bill" (which is the 1989 bill). I also feel strongly that we should reorder the points so that the ones the President has been pushing since 1989, which are the really important ones, come first. There was reason to do the speech the way we did 3 weeks ago because of the precarious status of the negotiations, but since they did not produce a deal and we're talking about the second term agenda, we ought to be clear about our priorities.

(3) Justice agrees that there should be an exclusionary rule insert. I'd propose the following (exclusionary rule should be the way be the third point, since it was in the 1989 bill):

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cc: Phil Brady  
Betsy Anderson

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I know I'm preaching to the choir... but this sort of thing must provoke outrage. People who act like animals have no place in decent society. As far as this President's concerned, they can go to jail, they can stay in jail, and they can rot in jail.

There are so many issues in this Presidential campaign... where the differences among candidates couldn't be sharper. And crime is one of them: Bill Clinton and I are about as far apart as Barney Fife and the Terminator.

I'll give him credit; he's learned to talk tough. But let me tell you, under the rhetoric, the Governor believes the same old baloney that it's society's fault when someone gets mugged, and society should pay. His record proclaims it.

The average Arkansas inmate served less than one-fifth of his sentence last year. The average federal inmate, though -- an inmate under my jurisdiction -- served 85 percent of his.

There's more. Under Bill Clinton, Arkansas' violent crime rate went up almost 60 percent in the 80s -- more than twice the

national average. That was the nation's single-biggest increase in serious crime during the decade.

There were about 300 violent crimes for every 100,000 people in Arkansas in 1983. Last year, it was almost 600. It's doubled on Governor Clinton's watch.

Three years ago, the average Arkansas inmate was serving 31 months. But now -- they're down to 16.

This one's my favorite. Just the other day, Governor Clinton observed that America is number one in the world in the percentage of people behind bars. And then he said he wants to reverse that trend. What does he want to do? Turn 'em loose?

The evidence keeps piling up. Arkansas ranks near rock-bottom for every important per-capita crime dollar it spends. For prisons: 46th. Police officers: 49th. And for spending on judicial and legal systems, Arkansas ranks 50th.

That's right. Dead last.

No wonder crime went ballistic in Arkansas during the 80s. You're supposed to handcuff criminals -- not the police.

It's obvious the Clinton record isn't right for Arkansas, and it isn't right for America. If you don't believe me, ask the Fraternal Order of Police in Little Rock, Arkansas. They know the Clinton record better than anyone, and they're joining hands with their national organization -- to endorse me for President.

They've taken the time to look at my record. And given the media -- that's not easy. Let me tell you four important things

we've been doing to fight crime -- and we'll see if the press bothers to mention them.

First, more resources. I've consistently called for more federal money to fight crime. Since I took office, we've increased the crime budget by almost 50% -- not as much as I wanted, but it's a start.

I've also proposed a program to double Federal prison capacity during the 90s. We've hired more than 1200 new Federal prosecutors since 1989, just to fight fraud, violence and drugs. And we've assigned 300 FBI agents to help you fight gangs.

Second, reforming criminal justice. We need criminal punishment to be fair, fast and final, and we don't need laws that bend over backward for the criminal... while saying to the victim, "Tough luck, buddy." That means stopping the abuse of our appeals process... it means enforcing the death penalty... and it means letting cops use evidence seized in good faith.

And here's an interesting fact. Since 1989, we've given more than \$400 million dollars to help crime victims. Know where it came from? Criminal fines. Sometimes justice is poetic.

Third, targeting the violent repeat-offender. You know this guy. The one with the nasty habit of walking out of jail, right back into the lives of innocent people. He's a huge part of the problem. Put him away for good, and crime takes a holiday.

One of our federal efforts to do just that put 3300 of the most-dangerous fugitives in America behind bars in just a couple

of months last spring. And another one hits repeat offenders with federal charges that put them away much longer.

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We owe it to the overwhelming majority of people in these neighborhoods who are law-abiding citizens... to live free of terror from drugs and violence in their communities.

I've fought for all these initiatives. Not just tough talk -- we're taking action. But our action would be stronger if it were a part of a national crime strategy supported by Congress.

That's why, twelve-hundred and twenty-eight days ago, on June 15, 1989 -- the same day Mikhail Gorbachev first hinted the Berlin Wall might someday fall -- I sent a comprehensive crime bill to Capitol Hill. I extended my hand in partnership to Congress, and asked for help fighting crime on a national level.

I guess crime isn't as high on their list as it is on mine. Since I first sent that bill to the Hill in 1989, Americans have been assaulted to the tune of almost 60,000 murders, 260,000

rapes, 1.6 million robberies and 2.6 million assaults. And 69,000 of those violent crimes took place right here in Detroit.

Think about it. Enough Americans to fill Detroit four times over... were brutalized by assault, rape or murder while that bill languished on Capitol Hill. If you started putting victims here in Cobo Hall... they'd fill every one of these seats -- in a single day. Folks -- you're sitting in a victim's chair.

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something about this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

Well, as frustrating as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've fought and won a couple of big battles the past few weeks. And today I'm proud to announce that right after this speech, I'm going to sit down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of the crime initiatives I've fought for... into tough new federal laws.

The first one severely punishes carjackers. I told Congress I wanted to make carjacking a federal offense with harsh penalties. Thugs who take cars at gunpoint should sit in a cell so long that when they get out -- they're too old to drive.

And the second one calls deadbeat dads on the carpet. Right now, a single mother in Detroit can struggle to keep the kids fed on a small salary while their father's on a lark in Chicago. He could be way behind in child-support, but no one can touch him over state lines. Well, that's a disgrace, and now the long arm

of the law can reach over that border, tap dad on his shoulder... and say, Buddy... time to pay up, or go up the river.

So there you have two tough new federal laws that go into effect today. We've been able to work with Congress to get them through. And you know why? Because national attention created national outrage that <sup>you</sup> applied to Congress to force them to act. It's a formula <sup>we can</sup> ~~I want~~ to use again and again in the next four years. So let me make you an offer. Stick with me in the election, and I'll stick with you after it, applying that formula over and over until law enforcement in this country has the federal support it needs and deserves to do the job right.

Those two laws made it this year. But <sup>I also asked Congress to act on</sup> ~~my crime bill had at~~ least <sup>seven</sup> ~~six~~ other initiatives that Congress didn't pass -- that I happen to care a whole lot about. So next year, we're going after them as well. Given a new Congress -- with 150 new members next session -- we're going to pass those <sup>seven</sup> ~~six~~ items into law too.

So here's what to expect in a second Bush administration. <sup>Four</sup> ~~Number one~~, I want to strengthen laws dealing with sexual and domestic violence. For starters, we've got to protect the victim. It's bad enough a woman is attacked in the first place. Then she takes the stand for testimony -- and gets attacked by lawyers. I say that's two attacks too many.

And I want repeat offenders behind bars until trial. Today, even a repeat rapist can get arrested and be out on bond hours later. I say, detain him until trial and let the prosecution use past behavior against him. Right now, certain little details

can't even be mentioned in court -- like the fact that everyone within a country mile knows the guy has done this before. And that's wrong. Let him face what he's done and pay for it.

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~~Number two~~, we've got to crush gang violence. I want gangs to be treated like the criminal enterprises they are, so we can go after the leaders with federal medicine they deserve. And I want to toughen penalties for using juveniles in crimes. Gangs can send under-age kids out to do their dirty work, because they're minors who'll get off easy if they're caught. I want to make the big boys pay.

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~~Three~~, protection for the elderly. It's absurd that the folks who've contributed to society all their lives... have to live in terror just because some young punks see them as an easy target. I want to beef up the laws so instead of stalking the streets, mugging grandma -- they're down at precinct, mugging for the police camera.

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~~Four~~, Habeas Corpus reform. Habeas Corpus should protect the innocent, but it's turned into a perversion of the law. Some petitions can drag on for more than a decade. Criminal lawyers are abusing the law to postpone justice, and it's time to stop it. Let them have one Habeas petition and be done with it. *as criminals bring endless repetitive appeals*

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~~Five~~, a Federal death penalty. I think certain acts of violence deserve the ultimate penalty. Assassinations, murder for hire, terrorism, random drive-by shootings, gang massacres: These depraved people are merchants of death who trade in death so when they kill someone let's complete the transaction. *is enough to protect rights. let them have it*

And ~~six~~<sup>seven</sup>, firearms. This one's short and sweet. I want much-tougher penalties for criminal use of firearms. Period.

So there's a lot of work to be done. But America's worth it. For every hardened criminal you face down, there are countless thousands of good, decent Americans out there with strong values and big hearts. You don't hear from them much, but I happen to know on good authority that they appreciate you.

I know because they tell me.

So let me pass it on. America stands behind you. And I stand behind you, with the full weight of the Federal government.

And on behalf of all those unheard but grateful Americans... thank you -- all of you -- for putting your lives on the line every day. Now you pass it on. Go back and tell your brave men and women that we love you and we need you all.

You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

To do it, I need your support. And I ask for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years fighting for the federal support you need to get your jobs done.

Thank you... God bless all the law officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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**NOTICE:**

Enclosed are comments from staff members of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Such comments do not necessarily represent the official position of the Director of OMB or of the Office of Management and Budget. If you wish to have the Director's personal comments, please let me know -- and contact me if you have any questions.

James C. Murr  
Associate Director for  
Legislative Reference  
and Administration

10/23 Additional comments  
@ 3:30 - fax'd to Claire (x6218)

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/22/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: FRI. 10/23 2:00p.m.

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: INTERNATIONAL POLICE CHIEFS  
DETROIT - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25 - 10:00 a.m.

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REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Dan McGroarty, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 p.m., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

*No comments See comments*  
*(P. Brady may respond at a later time)*

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

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

DATE: 23 OCT 92

TO: Steve Provost / Dan McGroarty

FROM: WILLIAM J. BUTTERFIELD  
Associate Director  
Office of Cabinet Affairs  
Room 239, OEOB, x2800

Transportation asked that I  
pass along some language for the  
IACP speech.

-Bill B.

Attachment.

President's IACP speech insert

Each year, highway crashes kill over 40,000 people in this country and cost us well over \$100 billion. There are twice as many people killed on the highways each year than are murdered nationwide. You see the human consequences of this needless loss each day as you pursue your traffic enforcement duties.

With your help, we have made great strides in reducing this needless loss. In 1991, we set an all-time record low of 1.9 traffic deaths per 100 million vehicle miles travelled, exceeding our target for 1992 by 15 percent.

In 1989, I set an objective for the country to reach 70 percent seat belt use by the end of this year. With your help, that goal is within reach and I encourage you to continue your substantial efforts to enforce seat belt use laws.

Without the leadership of law enforcement officers all over the country, our successes in reducing death and injury on the highways would not have been possible.

Since we have reached our goals for reducing highway deaths ahead of schedule, I believe we should now set an even more ambitious goal for the year 2000. I ask for your advice and assistance, not only in setting the goal, but in helping to achieve it.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DAN MCGROARTY

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: International Police  
Chiefs

We have reviewed the attached presidential remarks and have noted several suggested changes on the draft.

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

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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(Askew/Bunton)  
October 22, 1992  
5:00 p.m.  
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:      INTERNAT'L POLICE CHIEFS  
   COBO HALL, DETROIT  
   SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 1992  
   10:00 A.M.

Thank you for that introduction, and hello, everybody.

((Acknowledgements, local color, humor.))

Today I want to talk about <sup>ONE OF</sup> government's <sup>MOST IMPORTANT</sup> ~~first and foremost~~ function<sup>s</sup>: to protect every American citizen ~~from violence~~ -- at home and on the streets.

~~There's no point winning a Cold War if our neighborhoods back home are criminal territory, where grandparents and kids hide behind bars, like prisoners in their own homes. That's a perversion of the public peace, and it absolutely must not stand.~~

~~Easier said than done~~ — ~~but it can be done.~~ You know,

better than anyone, that we've slowed <sup>THE RISE IN</sup> violent crime dramatically the past twelve years. And we're starting to turn the tide on the terrible drugs that so often fuel the fire.

I know it's been especially hard on you. America got soft on crime in the 60s, and you paid for it. By the time we ~~cracked~~ <sup>FOCUSED OUR</sup> ~~ATTENTION ON CRIME~~ <sup>down</sup> again in the early 80s, ~~violent crime~~ <sup>IT</sup> had gone up 400% in twenty years. But in the ten years since then, it's gone up a little over 25%, and the overall crime index is actually down.

So with your help, we've stemmed the tide... prevented millions of crimes... but that's not enough. ~~It's never enough.~~

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Crime <sup>5</sup> ~~is a smart virus...~~ <sup>TODAY ARE MORE VIOLENT THAN THOSE OF 10 OR 20 YEARS AGO,</sup> always changing its face, and our ~~laws~~ need to react ~~just as quickly~~ <sup>AND EFFECTIVELY.</sup> ~~so we can beat it.~~

~~Here's a timely~~ <sup>FOR</sup> example, Carjacking, <sup>g</sup> a brand-new word for a brand-new crime. ~~Someone figured out~~ <sup>it's</sup> easy to steal a car that's already running, with the keys in the ignition. But that means the criminal has to do ~~away with a~~ <sup>SOMETHING ABOUT THE</sup> driver.

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I know I'm preaching to the choir... I know you've got horror stories of your own, certainly here in Detroit... but we can't get jaded against outrage. This is sick, animal behavior, and we cannot as a nation <sup>LET</sup> ~~abide it~~ <sup>STAND</sup> ~~any longer.~~

People who do such things have no place in <sup>OUR</sup> ~~decent~~ society. ~~And as far as this President's concerned, they can go to jail...~~ ~~they can stay in jail...~~ ~~and they can rot in jail.~~

We need tough laws that don't bend over backwards sheltering the criminal... while saying to the victim, "Tough luck, buddy."

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<sup>UNDER BILL CLINTON'S LEADERSHIP</sup> Violent crime in Arkansas went up almost 60 percent in the 80s -- more than twice the national average. That was the nation's single-biggest increase in overall crime in the 80s, and the third-biggest in violent crime.

Look at violent crimes committed for every 100,000 people in Arkansas. In 1983, there were 289. <sup>BY</sup> Last year -- ~~up~~ <sup>IT HAD RISEN</sup> to 593.

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No wonder crime went ballistic in Arkansas during the 80s. If you don't give police the tools they need... you can't expect them to do their job.

Bottom line -- the Governor's record is ~~not right for~~ <sup>HURTING</sup> ~~for~~ <sup>STET</sup> Arkansas, and it's not right for America. If you don't believe me... just ask the Fraternal Order of Police in Little Rock, Arkansas. They know Bill Clinton's record better than anyone... and they're not endorsing their Governor. They're joining hands with their national organization, and endorsing me for President.

They're endorsing me because they're on the front lines... where it's clear that America needs a government that attacks the problem... by preventing and punishing crime.

~~I believe it, too.~~ That's why I've been fighting for strong federal support... so we can help our state and local police, ~~in new and concrete ways.~~ We must help you fight.

For four years, I've been working hard to do just that. You don't hear about it -- <sup>BECAUSE</sup> it's good news, which to the media means no news. Well, ~~they've got a lot of things wrong. I heard them on my train the other day, singing their theme song: "Accentuate the negative... eliminate the positive."~~

Well, let me tell you four <sup>ELEMENTS OF MY STRATEGY TO FIGHT CRIME.</sup> ~~big things we've been doing to fight crime and we'll see if the press bothers to mention them.~~

First, <sup>INCREASED</sup> ~~more~~ resources. [My 1993 budget calls for almost 60% <sup>RECEIVED</sup> more federal money] than crimefighters ~~got~~ when I took office. <sup>I'VE PROPOSED</sup> We've ~~got a program to~~ <sup>ING</sup> double Federal prison capacity during the

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laws won't fix everything. ~~The other side of crime has a more human face -- and too often, it's a child's face.~~ At some point early in life, a kid at a critical juncture can be steered to a life of right or a life of terrible wrong. It all depends on the kind of soil you plant these kids in... and how you nourish them.

So you weed out the ~~bad~~<sup>ELEMENTS</sup> in a neighborhood<sup>S</sup>... and you seed it with good. We're ~~trying~~<sup>IMPLEMENTING</sup> pilot programs in ~~19~~<sup>20</sup> cities right now. With love and care ~~like this~~<sup>I</sup>, we ~~will~~<sup>WILL</sup> give kids a chance to escape the scars of a Cass Corridor in Detroit... a Cabrini-Green in Chicago ... a Hough in Cleveland... or an East Lake Meadows in Atlanta.

We've fought ~~for all~~<sup>CRIME ON</sup> these ~~initiatives~~<sup>FOUR FRONTS</sup> during my ~~administration~~<sup>FIRST TERM</sup>. ~~Not just tough talk -- we're taking action.~~ But our action<sup>S</sup> would be ~~more~~<sup>FAR</sup> effective as a part of a comprehensive national crime strategy with the full backing of Congress.

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Capitol Hill. (X) of those Americans were brutalized on Capitol Hill -- in the hard neighborhoods near the halls of Congress. The horrible truth is, if you started putting all the Americans who are beaten, robbed, raped or killed in this country into Cobo Hall, they'd fill every one of <sup>THESE</sup> your seats -- in <sup>A SINGLE</sup> ~~one~~ day. ~~You're~~ sitting in a victim's chair.

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something about this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

I could not agree more. And as frustrating as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've won some big battles in the past few weeks. I want to share them with you, ~~but~~ <sup>AND</sup> I ~~also~~ <sup>I</sup> want you to know what's <sup>IN</sup> ~~on~~ my overall crime agenda, so you know what to expect in a second Bush term. ~~I'm not asking for anything but common sense justice, especially for women, kids and elderly victims of crime.~~

Here are the eight goals I <sup>HAVE</sup> asked Congress to help me reach.

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<sup>INTERIOR</sup> seats. He could be <sup>YEARS</sup> ~~way~~ behind in <sup>HIS</sup> child-support<sup>PAYMENTS</sup>, but no one can touch him because he's over state lines.

Well, I think that's a disgrace, and it's about time the long arm of the law reaches out over that state line... taps that deadbeat dad on his shoulder... and says, Time to pay up, buddy. Time to pay up... or go up the river.

Three, strengthen laws dealing with sexual and domestic violence. For starters, we need to protect the victim. It's bad enough a rape victim is attacked in the first place. Then she takes the stand to testify -- and gets attacked by the rapist's lawyers. I say that's two too many attacks.

And I want <sup>TO KEEP</sup> repeat sex and domestic-violence offenders behind bars until trial. Today, even a repeat offender can get arrested and be out on bond hours later... stalking his next victim... or beating his wife and kids for turning him in. I want him detained until trial, and I want the prosecution to be able to use past <sup>SIMILAR ACTS</sup> ~~convictions~~ against him. Right now, certain details can't even be mentioned in court. ~~So called little details --~~ like the fact that everyone and their dog within a country mile ~~knows the guy's done this before.~~ And that's wrong. Let him face what he's done and pay for <sup>IT.</sup> ~~what he's done.~~

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Five, protection for the elderly. It's absurd that ~~the~~ folks who've contributed to <sup>OUR</sup> ~~this~~ society all their lives... have to live in terror, ~~when they're old and frail~~, just because some young punks see them as an easy target. I want to beef up the laws so instead of stalking the streets, mugging grandma -- they're down at precinct, mugging for the police camera.

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Seven, a Federal death penalty. I think certain acts of violence deserve the ultimate penalty. I'm talking about assassinations, murder for hire, terrorism and other depraved acts. And you can add the new urban violence we see with gangs. Drive-by shootings, random violence, gang massacres -- these people are merchants of death, who trade in death... so when they kill someone, let's complete the transaction.

And eight, firearms. This one's short and sweet. I want much-tougher penalties for criminal use of firearms. Period.

Those are the eight things I felt most-strongly about when I sent my Crime Bill to Capitol Hill. I fought to get the comprehensive Bill passed, but Congress wouldn't do it. So we took each of the items to the mat individually, and today I'm proud to announce that after this speech, I'm going to sit right down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of those measures into law - the two that deal with carjacking and deadbeat dads.

The carjacking bill isn't <sup>QUITE</sup> as tough as I wanted, but it's a <sup>GOOD</sup> start. It makes <sup>ARMED</sup> carjacking a federal offense, and it makes ~~the~~ <sup>g</sup> ~~chop-shops~~ <sup>THOSE WHO RUN</sup> that buy stolen cars federally <sup>CRIMINALS</sup> ~~liable~~, too.

And the deadbeat dads bill lets the arm of the law reach over state lines and hold fathers responsible for child support. <sup>PAYMENTS.</sup>

So there are two tough new laws. And we've been able to work with the Congress to get these done. Next year, we're going after the other six on my agenda, and with <sup>A</sup> ~~the~~ new Congress, a Congress with 150 new members, we'll pass these <sup>OTHER</sup> ~~se~~ six as well.

There's a <sup>MUCH</sup> ~~lot of~~ work still to be done. ~~But America is~~ ~~worth defending, at home as much as abroad.~~ <sup>g</sup> For every hardened criminal you face down, there are countless thousands of good, decent Americans out there with strong values and big hearts. You don't hear from them too much... but I happen to know, on good authority, that they appreciate you.

I know because they tell me.

So let me pass it on. America stands behind you. And I stand behind you, with the full weight of the Federal government.

And on behalf of all those unheard but grateful Americans... thank you -- all of you -- for putting your lives on the line every day. Pass it on. Go back and tell your brave men and women that we love you and we need you.

You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

And so I'm asking for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years... to help you do it.

God bless you... God bless all the law-enforcement officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
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DATE: 10/23

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COMMENTS:

Jeannie, a P.R. guy who's doing work for Motorola wants the President to highlight a joint IACP/Motorola law enforcement award program in his speech.

I don't know anything more about it - for appropriate action.

Thanks —



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### **IACP and Motorola Launch New Quality in Law Enforcement Award Program**

Detroit, MI-- The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and Motorola today jointly announced a new Award program designed to honor local department initiatives that redefine the concepts of quality and excellence in law enforcement worldwide.

Named for IACP's first president in 1893, Webber Seavey, chief of police in Omaha, Nebraska, the Award is the first program ever created to specifically recognize departments for continuously improving the quality and scope of the services they provide, the productivity of the human and financial resources available to them and the relationships professionals have with their peers and the communities they serve.

"We believe the Award will be an important public recognition for the outstanding work departments are doing right now in the communities they serve," says Roland Vaughn, president IACP. "It also will represent an important challenge to law enforcement

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**professionals, a challenge to continuously stretch their imaginations  
searching for new ways to do their difficult jobs better."**

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Motorola's involvement in the program further distinguishes the Award as a unique public and private sector initiative. Together, IACP and Motorola bring considerable synergy to the Award program thanks, in part, to Motorola's long standing relationship with IACP and its international reputation for product and service quality. Motorola was the first recipient of the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige Award for Quality.

"We believe the Webber Seavey Award will do for law enforcement what the Baldrige Award has done for business," says George Fisher, Motorola Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Not only will the Award honor the best initiatives in law enforcement, it will also enable information to be shared regarding what those departments have accomplished. This will provide models other departments can easily emulate."

The first Webber Seavey Award for quality Policing will be presented at the IACP's 100th annual meeting October 16-17, 1993 in St. Louis.

The Award will honor department accomplishments in five areas:

- Imaginative approaches that dramatically improve the quality and excellence of local law enforcement practice and contribute to the profession's body of knowledge.
- Enhancement of community services.
- Strengthened police relations and the development of avenues for increased community interaction and involvement.
- Improved use and productivity of available department and community resources.
- And, development of innovative ways to facilitate intra and inter agency communications.

Agencies will nominate their own programs through a simple written process. Submittals will be limited to a maximum of ten pages.

All program submittals will be judged against a published one hundred point evaluation criteria. This criteria will examine the following areas:

- Selection of the Project/Issue
- Analysis Techniques Used
- Solutions that were Developed
- Results of the Program
- Institutionalization of the Program Concept
- The Submittal Document Itself

Every Seavey Award nomination will undergo a series of peer reviews with a maximum of three Awards presented annually.

Department chosen for the recognition will receive a unique crystal sculpture for permanent display, an Award flag and other personalized recognition's that celebrate the department's accomplishments.

The IACP Awards Committee has established the nomination timetable for 1993.

- April 1:           Deadline for registration to receive application forms.
- May 1:            Deadline for completed nomination submissions to be received at IACP headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia.
- July 15:          25 semi-finalists will be selected and notified.

- September 1: 10 finalists will be selected and notified.
- September 15: Recipients will be notified.
- October 18: Award presentations will be made as part of the IACP's general sessions.

Any department wanting and application package can call the IACP's at 1-(800)-THE-IACP.

"The Webber Seavey Award for Quality and Excellence in Law Enforcement promises to be one of the most important professional contributions the IACP has ever initiated and one Webb would be particularly proud of," says Daniel Rosenblatt Executive Director of the IACP "because he believed, as we do, that effective law enforcement can contribute significantly to the quality of life we all enjoy."

Motorola, Inc., headquartered in Schaumburg, Illinois, is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include FM two-way radios, pagers and telepoint systems, cellular telephones and systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:      INTERNAT'L POLICE CHIEFS  
   COBO HALL, DETROIT  
   SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 1992  
   10:00 A.M.

Thank you for that introduction, and hello, everyone.

Today I want to talk about government's foremost function:  
to protect every citizen from violence at home and on the street.

We just won a Cold War. Now we need to focus on enemy  
territory in neighborhoods back home, where grandparents and kids  
hide behind bars, like prisoners in their own homes. That's a  
peacekeeping perversion, and it absolutely must not stand.

Easier said than done -- but it can be done. We've slowed  
violent crime dramatically the past twelve years, and we're  
turning the tide on the drugs that so often fuel the fire.

You've watched it first-hand. America got soft on crime in  
the 60s, and for twenty years you paid for it. But we fought  
back, and for the first time in decades the overall crime index  
is actually down.

So with your help, we've stemmed the tide... prevented  
millions of crimes... but that's not enough. It's never enough.

Crime is a smart virus... always changing its face, and our  
laws need to react just as quickly... so we can beat it.

Take carjacking -- a brand-new word for a brand-new crime.

I want to tell you a story that just sickened Barbara and me  
when we saw it on TV. But it shows what we're up against. In

broad daylight in a nice area near DC recently, a woman was forced from her car at a stop sign by two men who then drove off. But she got tangled in her seatbelt outside the car. Or maybe she hung on. What mother wouldn't? Her baby was inside.

That woman was dragged for almost two miles. The thieves finally crushed her to death against a fence. And they tossed her little baby out by the roadside like a piece of trash.

I know I'm preaching to the choir... but this sort of thing must provoke outrage. Perpetrators of this sick, animal behavior have no place in decent society. As far as this President's concerned, they can go to jail... and they can rot in jail. 0

You know, there are so many issues in this Presidential campaign... where the differences among candidates couldn't be bigger. Crime is one of them -- Bill Clinton and I are about as far apart as Barney Fife and the Terminator.

I'll give him credit; he's learned to talk tough. But let me tell you, (when push comes to shove, <sup>cliques</sup>) the Governor believes the same old baloney that it's society's fault when someone gets mugged, and society should pay. His record proclaims it.

The average Arkansas inmate served less than one-fifth of his sentence last year. But the average federal inmate -- an inmate under my jurisdiction -- served 85 percent of his.

Violent crime in Arkansas went up almost 60 percent in the 80s -- more than twice the national average. And Arkansas had the nation's single-biggest increase in overall crime in the 80s, including the third-biggest jump in violent crime.

Look at violent crimes committed for every 100,000 people in Arkansas. In 1983, there were almost 300. Last year -- almost 600. It's doubled on his watch.

Three years ago, the average Arkansas inmate was serving 31 months. But just three years later -- they're down to 16.

This one's my favorite. Just the other day, Governor Clinton observed that America is number one in the world in the percentage of people behind bars. And then he said he wants to reverse that trend. What does he want to do? Turn 'em loose?

The evidence keeps piling up. Arkansas ranks near rock-bottom for every important per-capita crime dollar it spends. For prisons: 46th. Police officers: 49th. And for spending on judicial and legal systems, Arkansas ranks 50th.

That's right. Dead last.

No wonder crime went ballistic in Arkansas during the 80s. If you handcuff the police, you can't expect them to do the job.

The Governor's record is not right for Arkansas, and it's not right for America. If you don't believe me, just ask the Fraternal Order of Police in Little Rock, Arkansas. They know the Clinton record better than anyone, and they're joining hands with their national organization to endorse me for President.

They've taken the time to look at my record. And by the way, that's not easy, given the national media. Let me tell you four big things we've been doing to fight crime and we'll see if the press bothers to mention them.

First, more resources. My 1993 budget calls for almost 60% more federal money (CLARIFY THIS POINT. MENTION TRIPLING OF FED SUPPORT TO STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT?) We've (got a program) to double Federal prison capacity during the 90s. We've hired more than 1,200 new Federal prosecutors since 1989, telling them to go after violence and drugs. And we've assigned 300 FBI agents to help you fight gangs.

Second, reforming criminal justice. We need criminal punishment to be fair, fast and final, and we don't need laws that bend over backward for the criminal... and say to the victim, "Tough luck, buddy." That means stopping the abuse of our appeals process... it means enforcing the death penalty... and it means letting cops use evidence seized in good faith.

We've given more than \$200 million to crime victims since 1989, to help compensate their losses. You know where that money came from? Criminal fines. Sometimes justice is poetic.

Third, targeting the violent repeat-offender. You know this guy. The one with the nasty habit of walking out of jail, right back into the lives of innocent people. He's a huge part of the problem. Put him away for good, and crime takes a holiday.

One of our federal operations to do just that arrested 3300 of the most-dangerous fugitives in America in just 68 days last spring. And another one hits repeat offenders with federal charges that put them away much longer.

And fourth, taking back our neighborhoods. I believe in our Weed-and-Seed program. Tough laws won't fix everything. You

have to save kids early, before they get sucked into crime. It all depends on the social soil you plant their dreams in.

So after you weed out the bad in a neighborhood, you seed it with good. We're trying pilot programs in 20 cities right now. With love and care, we can give kids a chance to escape the scars of a Cass Corridor in Detroit... a Cabrini-Green in Chicago... a ~~Hough~~ <sup>Hough [HUFF]</sup> in Cleveland... or an East Lake Meadows in Atlanta.

I've fought for all these initiatives. Not just tough talk -- we're taking action. But our action would be stronger as a part of a national crime strategy fully supported by Congress.

That's why, twelve-hundred and twenty-eight days ago, on June 15, 1989 -- the same day Mikhail Gorbachev first hinted the Berlin Wall might someday fall -- I sent a comprehensive crime bill to Capitol Hill. I offered a hand of partnership to Congress, and asked for help fighting crime on a national level.

I guess crime isn't as high on their list as it is on mine. Since I first sent that bill to the Hill in 1989, Americans have been assaulted to the tune of almost 60,000 murders, 260,000 rapes, 1.6 million robberies and 2.6 million assaults. And 69,000 of those violent crimes took place right here in Detroit.

Think about it. Enough Americans to fill Detroit four times over... were brutalized by assault, rape or murder while that bill languished on Capitol Hill. If you started putting victims here in Cobo Hall... in just one day -- they'd fill every one of these seats. Folks -- you're sitting in a victim's chair.

*We owe it to the law-abiding citizens in every one of these neighborhoods*

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something about this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

Well, as frustrating as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've fought and won a couple of big battles the past few weeks. And today I'm proud to announce that right after this speech, I'm going to sit down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of the crime initiatives I've fought for... into tough new federal laws.

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Two tough new federal laws that go into effect today. We've been able to work with the Congress to get them through. They're not as tough as I'd like, but it's a start. And you know why they got done? Because national attention created national

outrage that I applied to Congress to force them to act. It's a formula for success I want to use again and again in the next four years. So let me make you an offer. Stick with me in the election, and I'll stick with you after it, using that formula over and over until law enforcement in this country has the federal support it needs and deserves to do the job right.

Those two laws made it this year. But my crime bill had at least six other initiatives that Congress didn't pass -- that I care a whole lot about. So next year, we're going after them as well. With a new Congress -- with 150 new members -- we're going to pass those six items into law, too.

Here's what you can expect in a second Bush administration.

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You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

To do it, I need your support. And I ask for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years fighting for the federal support you need to get your jobs done.

Thank you... ~~God bless you...~~ God bless all the law officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: INTERNAT'L POLICE CHIEFS  
COBO HALL, DETROIT  
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Thank you for that introduction, and hello, everybody.

((Acknowledgements, local color, humor.))

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There's no point winning a Cold War if our neighborhoods back home are ~~criminal~~ <sup>enemy</sup> territory, where grandparents and kids hide behind bars, like prisoners in their own homes. That's a perversion of the public peace, and it absolutely must not stand.

Easier said than done -- but it can be done. You know, better than anyone, that we've slowed violent crime dramatically the past twelve years. And we're starting to turn the tide on the terrible drugs that so often fuel the fire.

Is this a strong argument? →

I know it's been especially hard on you. America got soft on crime in the 60s, and you paid for it. By the time we cracked down again in the early 80s, violent crime had gone up 400% in twenty years. But in the ten years since then, it's gone up a little over 25%, and the overall crime index is actually down.

So with your help, we've stemmed the tide... prevented millions of crimes... but that's not enough. It's never enough.

Crime is a smart virus... always changing its face, and our laws need to react just as quickly... so we can beat it.

Here's a timely example. Carjacking -- a brand-new word for a brand-new crime. ~~Someone figured out it's easy to steal a car that's already running, with the keys in the ignition. But that means the criminal has to do away with a driver.~~

I want to tell you a story that just sickened Barbara and me when we saw it on TV. But it shows what we're up against. In a nice area near D.C. recently -- in broad daylight -- a woman was forced from her car at a stop sign by two men who then drove off.

But she got tangled in her seatbelt outside the car. Or maybe she hung on. What mother wouldn't? Her baby was inside.

That woman was dragged for almost two miles. The thieves finally crushed her to death against a fence. And they tossed her little baby out by the roadside [like a piece of trash.] *awfully graphic*

I know I'm preaching to the choir... I know you've got horror stories of your own, certainly here in Detroit... but we can't get jaded against outrage. This is sick, animal behavior, and we cannot as a nation abide it any longer.

People who do such things have no place in decent society. And as far as this President's concerned, they can go to jail... they can stay in jail... and they can rot in jail.

We need tough laws that don't bend over backwards sheltering the criminal... while saying to the victim, "Tough luck, buddy."

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His record practically shouts it. ~~An~~ <sup>The</sup> average Arkansas inmate served less than one-fifth of his sentence last year. Compare that to federal inmates -- inmates under my jurisdiction. They serve ~~at least~~ <sup>[No!]</sup> 85 percent of their full sentence. <sup>on average</sup>

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Bottom line -- the Governor's record is not right for Arkansas, and it's not right for America. If you don't believe me... just ask the Fraternal Order of Police in Little Rock, Arkansas. They know Bill Clinton's record better than anyone... and they're not endorsing their Governor. They're joining hands with their national organization, and endorsing me for President.

~~They're endorsing me because they're on the front lines... where it's clear that America needs a government that attacks the problem... by preventing and punishing crime.~~

I believe it, too. That's why I've been fighting for strong federal support... so we can help our state and local police in new and concrete ways. We must help you fight.

For four years, I've been working hard to do just that. You don't hear about it -- it's good news, which to the media means no news. Well, they've got a lot of things wrong. I heard them on my train the other day, singing their theme song: "Accentuate the negative... eliminate the positive."

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That means stopping the ridiculous abuse of our appeals process... it means enforcing the death penalty... and it means letting cops use criminal evidence they seize in good faith.

And we've given more than \$200 million to crime victims since 1989, to help compensate their losses. You know where that money came from? Criminal fines. Sometimes justice is poetic.

Third, targeting the violent repeat-offender. You know this guy. The one with the nasty habit of walking out of jail, right back into the lives of innocent people. He's a huge part of the problem. Put him away for good, and crime takes a holiday.

One of our federal operations arrested 3300 of the most-dangerous fugitives in America in just 68 days last spring. And we're targeting repeat offenders with project Triggerlock, where the feds join state and local crimefighters to take violent criminals to federal court. That way, we nail them on federal charges that put them away much longer. We just finished year one of Triggerlock, and federal firearms prosecutions more than doubled, to the average tune of 18 years with no parole.

And finally fourth, taking back our neighborhoods -- our weed-and-seed program. I believe in this program because tougher

laws won't fix everything. The other side of crime has a more human face -- and too often, it's a child's face. At some point early in life, a kid at a critical juncture can be steered to a life of right or a life of terrible wrong. It all depends on [the kind of soil you plant these kids in]... and how you nourish them. So you weed out the bad in a neighborhood... and you seed it with good. We're trying pilot programs in 19 cities right now. With love and care like ~~this~~, we give kids a chance to escape the scars of ~~a~~ Cass Corridor in Detroit... ~~a~~ Cabrini-Green in Chicago ... ~~a~~ Hough in Cleveland... or ~~an~~ East Lake Meadows in Atlanta.

We've fought for all these initiatives during my administration. Not just tough talk -- we're taking action. But our action would be more effective as a part of a comprehensive national crime strategy with the full backing of Congress.

That's why, twelve-hundred and twenty-eight days ago, on June 15, 1989 -- the same day Mikhail Gorbachev first hinted the Berlin Wall might someday fall -- I sent a comprehensive crime bill to Capitol Hill. I offered the hand of partnership to Congress, and asked for help fighting crime on a national level.

I guess crime isn't as high on their list as it is on mine. Since I first sent that bill to the Hill in 1989, ~~here in the United States~~ we've had almost 60,000 murders, 260,000 rapes, 1.6 million robberies and 2.6 million assaults. And 69,000 of those violent crimes took place -- right here in Detroit.

Think about that. Enough people to fill the city of Detroit four times over... were brutalized while that bill languished on

NOT.

unfortunate analogy  
is people who  
may have lost kids  
had to bury  
them.

[phonetic]

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Capitol Hill. (X) of those Americans were brutalized on Capitol Hill -- in the hard neighborhoods near the halls of Congress. The horrible truth is, if you started putting all the Americans who are beaten, robbed, raped or killed in this country into Cobo Hall, they'd fill every one of your seats -- in one day. You're sitting in a victim's chair.

Yuck.

No wonder Americans stare at the news every night... shake their heads... and ask, why doesn't somebody do something ~~about~~ this incredible mess? People are dying in the streets!

I could not agree more. And as frustrating <sup>to wait for</sup> as this crime bill has been for me... it's still my job as President to get results. So we've won some big battles in the past few weeks. I want to share them with you, but I also want you to know what's on my overall crime agenda, so you know what to expect in a second Bush term. I'm not asking for anything but common-sense justice, especially for women, kids and elderly victims of crime.

Here are the eight goals I asked Congress to help me reach. (Are you serious!?)

One, severely punish carjackers, like the ones I just described. I told Congress I want to make carjacking a federal offense with harsh penalties. I want thugs who take cars at gunpoint to stay in a cell so long that when they get out -- they're too old to walk, much less drive.

Two, call deadbeat dads on the carpet. Right now, a single mother here in Detroit can be struggling to keep the kids fed on her small salary... while their father's in Chicago, picking out a nice new Jeep Grand Cherokee with a CD player and leather

seats. He could be way behind in child-support, but no one can touch him because he's over state lines.

Well, I think that's a disgrace, and it's about time the long arm of the law reaches out over that state line... taps that deadbeat dad on his shoulder... and says; ~~Time to pay up, buddy.~~ Time to pay up... or go up the river.

Three, strengthen laws dealing with sexual and domestic violence. For starters, we need to protect the victim. It's bad enough \* <sup>a woman</sup> [rape victim] is attacked in the first place. Then she takes the stand to testify -- and gets attacked by the rapist's lawyers. I say that's two [too many] attacks.

And I want repeat sex and domestic-violence offenders behind bars until trial. Today, even a repeat offender can get arrested and be out on bond hours later... stalking his next victim... or beating his wife and kids for turning him in. I want him detained until trial, and I want the prosecution to be able to use past convictions against him. Right now, certain details can't even be mentioned in court. So-called little details -- like the fact that everyone and their dog within a country mile knows the guy's done this before. And that's wrong. Let him face what he's done and pay for what he's done.

Four, crack down on gang violence. I want gangs to be treated like the criminal enterprises they are. That way, we can go after the leaders, and we can deal harshly with them, and we can untie the hands of good cops so they can clean up decent neighborhoods. Little Dantrell Davis was killed by a gang sniper

stigma  
"victim"

in Cabrini-Green in Chicago last week. This was an innocent little seven-year-old boy, on his way to school. And I say, the animal who shot him should be caged.

And I want to toughen the penalties for using juveniles in crimes. Gangs can send under-age kids out to do their dirty work, because they're minors who'll get off easy if they're caught. I want to make the big boys pay.

Five, protection for the elderly. It's absurd that the folks who've contributed to this society all their lives... have to live in terror when they're old and frail, just because some young punks see them as an easy target. I want to beef up the laws so instead of stalking the streets, mugging grandma -- they're down at precinct, mugging for the police camera.

Six, Habeas Corpus reform. Habeas Corpus should protect the innocent, but it's turned into a ridiculous perversion of the law. Can you believe that these petitions can drag on for more than a decade? The fact is, criminal lawyers are abusing the law to postpone justice, and it's time we stop this travesty. Let them have one Habeas Corpus petition and be done with it.

Seven, a Federal death penalty. I think certain acts of violence deserve the ultimate penalty. I'm talking about assassinations, murder for hire, terrorism and other depraved acts. And you can add the new urban violence we see with gangs. Drive-by shootings, random violence, gang massacres -- these people are merchants of death, who trade in death... so when they kill someone, let's complete the transaction.

treason

And eight, firearms. This one's short and sweet. I want much-tougher penalties for criminal use of firearms. Period. Those are the eight things I felt most-strongly about when I sent my Crime Bill to Capitol Hill. I fought to get the comprehensive Bill passed, but Congress wouldn't do it. So we took each of the items to the mat individually, and today I'm proud to announce that after this speech, I'm going to sit right down here at Cobo Hall and sign two of those measures into law -- the two that deal with carjacking and deadbeat dads.

The carjacking bill isn't as tough as I wanted, but it's a start. It makes carjacking a federal offense, and it makes the chop-shops that buy stolen cars federally liable, too.

And the deadbeat dads bill lets the arm of the law reach over state lines and hold fathers responsible for child support.

So there are two tough new laws. And we've been able to work with the Congress to get these done. Next year, we're going after the other six on my agenda, and with the new Congress, a Congress with 150 new members, we'll pass these six as well.

There's a lot of work still to be done. But America is worth defending, at home as much as abroad. For every hardened criminal you face down, there are countless thousands of good, decent Americans out there with strong values and big hearts. You don't hear from them too much... but I happen to know, on good authority, that they appreciate you.

I know because they tell me.

Very nice.

So let me pass it on. America stands behind you. And I stand behind you, with the full weight of the Federal government.

And on behalf of all those unheard but grateful Americans... thank you -- all of you -- for putting your lives on the line every day. Pass it on. Go back and tell your brave men and women that we love you and we need you.

You've done so much already... but there's more to be done.

And so I'm asking for your vote on November 3 -- because I want to be in Washington four more years... to help you do it.

God bless you... God bless all the law-enforcement officers across this great land... and God bless the United States of America.

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