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**COOPERATION WITH
MULTILATERAL BANKS**

OVERALL GOAL

To partner with multilateral banks to improve the safety of imported foods at their source of production

- o White House impetus**
- o Both fresh produce and other foods**
- o Long-term effort**
- o FDA has the technical expertise;
The Banks have the funds to bring about needed changes.**
- o Individual countries must agree**

SUBGOALS

- 1. Institutionalize food safety as part of Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) country assessments and loan/grant packages.**
- 2. Using knowledge gained from working with IDB, work with other multilateral banks to institutionalize food safety as part of their work.**
- 3. Gain knowledge about conditions in foreign countries.**

NEAR-TERM OBJECTIVES

- 1. Develop a protocol for food safety assessments and test it out.**
Trinidad; Tobago Honduras
- 2. Develop a working relationship with the IDB.**
 - **Institutional relationships**
 - **Personal relationships**
- 3. Educate the IDB about food safety**
 - **What constitutes a food safety assessment?**
 - **What are FDA's requirements and guidelines?**

IDB STRATEGY

- 1. Meeting at IDB organized by White House.**
- 2. Work with the IDB on two country assessments.**
 - o Choose countries according to IDB's overall priorities.**
 - o Trinidad and Tobago; Honduras**
- 3. Work with the IDB on a strategy for Central America**
- 4. Hold a seminar about food safety at the IDB (??)**
 - o Use completed assessments as case studies.**

COORDINATION

1. Within FDA

- o CFSAN**
- o ORA**
- o OC**

2. With other U.S. agencies

- o AID (funding)**
- o APHIS (participate in trip)**
- o FAS (coordination)**
- o CDC (future participation?)**

THE FOOD SAFETY ASSESSMENTS

1. Trinidad and Tobago

- o More detailed assessment**
- o By end of year: Loan proposal**

2. Honduras

- o Part of a six country study in Central America**
- o More general assessment**
- o By end of year: Needs identification for future loans or grants**

3. The Terms of Reference and Protocol

- o Food safety law**
- o Regulatory authority**
 - standard-setting, inspection system and enforcement, laboratory support, enforcement**
 - human resources, infrastructure, procedures**

THE FOOD SAFETY ASSESSMENTS (continued)

- o Processing facilities**
- o Agricultural practices in the produce industry;
Traceback**
- o Accomodation to trading partners**
- o Foodborne disease surveillance system;
Epidemiological data (??)**
- o Food safety education (??)**

4. Evaluation Plan

- o Protocol**
- o Other aspects of the trips**

RISKS

- o Countries may not agree to take out loans.**
- o FDA will not have ultimate control.**
- o FDA's dual role (assessor and regulator) may create future controversy.**

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

- 1. Inclusion of seafood in the protocol**
- 2. Farm Visits in Honduras**
- 3. Selection of countries for assessment**
- 4. Resources to carry out future assessments**
 - Will FDA get more FTEs that can be used for this work?**
 - Will FDA be willing to pay for future travel costs?**
- 5. IDB briefing for FDA officials**
- 6. Seminar at IDB in August**



DATE: May 5, 1998

**United Fresh Fruit
& Vegetable Association**

TO: Jerry Mande

FROM: John Aguirre

727 North Washington Street Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 836-3410 FAX (703) 836-7745

RE: InterAmerican Development Bank Luncheon

I apologize Jerry, I am not going to be able to make it. My boss instructed me at a late date that I need to accompany him to Ottawa, Canada to an industry meeting involving Canada's Minister of Agriculture on issues related to food safety, pesticides and dispute resolution. However, Stacey Zawel, Ph.D., Director of Scientific and Regulatory Affairs, will be attending. She is very capable and has represented United in all aspects of food safety issues. If you need to contact her, she can be reached at 703/836-3410 ext. 104.

Again, I apologize for the late notice. I hope this has not inconvenienced you. We at United are very interested in working with you on this issue.

Participants in Wednesday May 6 IDB luncheon meeting with Larry Harrington.

Jerold R. Mande	Senior Advisor to the Director Office of Science and Technology Policy White House
John R. Cady	President, National Food Processors Association
Mary Sophos	Senior VP, Government Affairs Grocery Manufacturers of America
Leslie Sarasin	Executive VP and Staff Counsel American Frozen Food Institute
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MEMORANDUM

MARCH 5, 1998

**TO JERRY MAND
THE WHITE HOUSE
FAX: (202) 456-6027**

Thank you for inviting us to the meeting scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 1998, in Room 211 of the Old Executive Office Building.

Representing the American Frozen Food Institute will be:

**Steven C. Anderson
President and Chief Executive Officer**

DOB: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]

and

**Leslie G. Sarasin
Executive Vice President and Staff Counsel**

DOB: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]

We look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

**Steven C. Anderson
President and Chief Executive Officer**

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To: Jerry Mande

Date: 12-9-97

From: Granese, Nancy L.

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for today's 10:15 mtg.

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John R. Cady
President and
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WASHINGTON, DC
DUBLIN, CA
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Date: March 5, 1998

To: Jerry Mande

From: Carole A. Pelehaty, Assistant to the President

Subject: Mr. Cady's information

As requested, the following is the information on Mr. Cady:

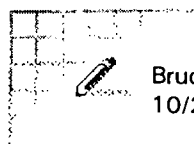
John R. Cady, President, National Food Processors Association

1401 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20005

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Jerry, should you need any other information please call me at 639-5963.



Bruce N. Reed
10/21/97 06:02:49 PM

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To: Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP

cc:

Subject: The Safety of Imported Produce.

I defer to your expertise on this one.

----- Forwarded by Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP on 10/21/97 06:03 PM -----



Jerold R. Mande

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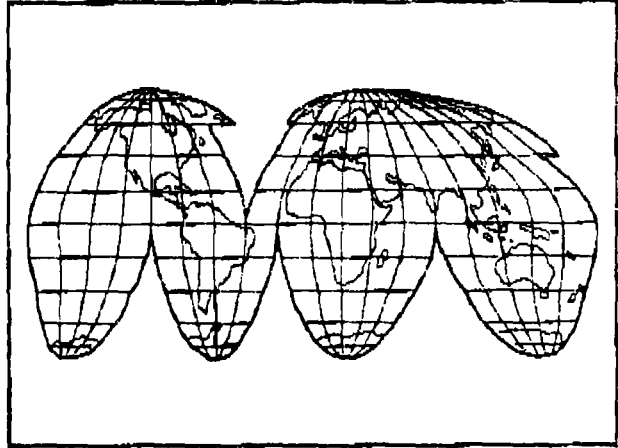
Subject: The Safety of Imported Produce.

I have an idea I would like to pursue. I'm still obsessed by the fact that the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has millions to lend or grant to Latin American countries to improve the safety of their exports right now, and the money for our efforts won't be available for at least another year, and even then will be much less than IDB has right now. I propose the following: we immediately convene a WH meeting of HHS (FDA & CDC), USDA, state experts, industry, and other appropriate parties, and develop a plan, beginning with Latin America, that maps out for the next 5 to 10 years, which countries we are most interested in. We then take that plan to IDB and learn which of the countries we are interested in currently are receiving money that could be used for food safety and which countries might be eligible for aid but haven't applied. Next we send U.S. teams to the designated countries and encourage them to either apply for aid, or to use existing aid to implement food safety programs. If this is a success, and I am confident it will be, we can enlist the World Bank's help next year.

...

Jer -
Have you started
this process?
Elena

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DATE: March 13, 1998

TO: Jerry Mande

FAX: 202-456-6027

FROM: Naomi Kavin

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COMMENTS:

Attached is the proposal that I'm circulating to the various people in FDA, USDA, State, CDC, etc. that I'm supposed to be coordinating with. I've asked for comments by Friday, March 20, and would also appreciate it if you could give me your comments by then.

Please note that the information in the tables is essentially "dummy" information, just to show what the tables that we would give the Bank would look like. ORA is currently in the process of developing the actual data that would go into the tables.

As I mentioned in my phone message, I'm also looking into some possible projects involving seafood.

Naomi

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CONCEPT PAPER

DRAFT**PROPOSAL:**

The U.S. Government should request the InterAmerican Development Bank to fund a number of country profile studies on food safety aspects of foreign agricultural practices for fresh fruits and vegetables that are exported to the U.S. market.

BACKGROUND:

President Clinton has directed the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Agriculture to provide assistance to foreign countries where necessary to help them bring their produce production practices up to par with those in the U.S. The InterAmerican Development Bank also has an interest in funding such technical assistance, in order to help countries in the Americas preserve and increase their export markets in the U.S.

To determine what types of technical assistance are needed to improve food safety practices, profile information is needed regarding agricultural practices and conditions, as well as regulatory systems, in the foreign countries that export produce to the United States. Neither the U.S. Government nor the World Bank has such detailed information at present.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSAL:

The U.S. Government would provide the InterAmerican Development Bank with the names of the countries in the Americas with the largest fresh produce exports to the U.S. and, for each country, their major exported crops. (See the Attachment for samples of the type of information that would be provided to the Bank.)

The InterAmerican Development Bank, after exploratory discussions with the countries in question, would select a limited number of country/crop combinations for investigation. The scope of the investigation would be limited to crops raised for export to the United States; crops raised for domestic consumption, for example, would be excluded.

For each of the selected country/crop combinations, the Bank would fund an assessment of all food safety aspects of production, including farm practices, government measures (including export regulation), and private-sector programs. This assessment would include establishment inspections for each commodity under study.

Food safety areas to be studied for the selected commodities would include the quality of water used in all aspects of crop production, manure/sludge usage practices, time-temperature controls for raw product, worker health controls, equipment sanitation, etc.

ATTACHMENT

The following are samples of the types of tables that would be provided to the InterAmerican Development Bank. These are meant only as illustrative examples; the countries, export statistics, and data sources that appear in the final tables will likely differ from those below.

Table 1

WESTERN-HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES
WITH LARGEST VOLUME OF
PRODUCE EXPORTS TO THE U.S.

<u>Country</u>	<u>Produce Exports to the U.S.</u> <u>(in metric tons)</u>	
	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>
Mexico	2,935,575	3,029,650
Canada	1,032,506	1,013,887
Chile	463,343	458,030 ²
Costa Rica	211,166	268,380
Honduras	105,092	147,860 ³

¹ Source: USDA Economic Research Service (ERS) Internet Site, January 7, 1998.

Note: These statistics include both fresh and frozen product.

² This figure includes only fruit; statistics on vegetables for Chile were not available at the ERS Internet site.

³ This figure includes only fruit; statistics on vegetables for Honduras were not available at the ERS Internet site.

Table 2

COUNTRIES AND PRODUCE COMMODITIES
WITH LARGEST VOLUME OF
EXPORTS TO THE U.S.⁴

<u>Country</u>	<u>Exports to the U.S.</u> <u>(in metric tons)</u>	
	<u>1995/96</u>	<u>1996/97</u>
Mexico		
Bananas		
Avocados		
[another product]		
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[another product]		
Canada		
Peaches		
[another product]		
[another product]		
[another product]		
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Chile		
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⁴ For each of the countries with the largest volume of exports to the U.S., this table provide the particular commodities with the highest volume of exports.

Food Imports and the IDB Background Paper

Issue:

Growing concerns are being expressed in the U.S. about possible outbreaks of disease linked to imported foods from Latin America and other developing countries. What efforts are underway at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to address this pressing problem?

Background.

Since 1968, the Inter-American Development Bank has financed 27 agricultural projects, totaling \$241 million, which included components for animal health in 19 countries in Latin America. A major accomplishment has been the eradication of hoof-and-mouth disease in Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay as well as its prevention in Central America. In Haiti and the Dominican Republic, IDB programs have controlled and eradicated African swine fever.

Beginning in 1990, the IDB has financed programs in Latin America to support plant health. Areas of concentration have included control and eradication of the mediterranean fruitfly as well as the tristeza virus in citrus fruits.

Starting in 1997, the IDB began providing assistance to borrowing countries for the establishment of food safety control systems to comply with the WTO Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary standards. The IDB is also considering requests from Guatemala and Honduras to help them set up Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP), the new methodology established by the US FDA to ensure food safety.

Several examples of recently approved IDB projects are:

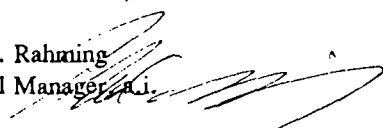
Peru. Agricultural Health Development Program (\$46 million). Activities include maintenance of a fruitfly-free areas in 25 fruit-growing valleys; training of fruit producers in comprehensive pest management; control and eradication of hoof-and-mouth disease; promotion of biological pest control to reduce costs and environmental damage; and control of scabies (affects wool production and quality in sheep and other cameloids).

Panama. Agricultural Services Modernization Program (\$34 million). Program aims at minimizing losses from pests and diseases and facilitating marketing. Activities include: establishment of laboratory to test for toxic residues in plant and animals; control of rabies and brucellosis; setting up of registry and analysis of pesticides; and establishment of livestock quarantine to prevent entry and spread of diseases.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 3, 1997

TO: Mr. Lawrence Harrington
Executive Director, United States of America

FROM: John C. Rahming
General Manager 

SUBJECT: IIC and the HACCP Program

Background of HACCP:

The HACCP (Hazard Analysis of Critical Control Points) is a method developed by the Pillsbury Company in 1959 when supplying food products to NASA for the space program. The goal is to ensure food safety by establishing process controls, product handling measures, and laboratory tests to address the problem of food borne illness, i.e., the presence and propagation of pathogen agents, most commonly bacteria such as *e-coli* and *salmonella* at food processing plants. In 1988, the International Commission for the Microbiological Specifications for Food (ICMSF) introduced the subject to the international community, when it produced the first international publication on the subject. In 1992, the National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods of the United States (NACMCF) endorsed the application of HACCP as the best means to assure food safety. In 1993, the World Health Organization's (WHO) Codex Alimentarius Commission adopted the guidelines of HACCP to be gradually applied worldwide. Later, the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) through the Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) proposed a new rule in 1995 to introduce HACCP to beef and poultry operations on a mandatory basis, and started a consensus building discussion at the WTO level to make this a worldwide requirement. Other environmental and sanitary agencies in various countries such as the Canadian Environmental Agency (CEA), have since established voluntary programs for the application of HACCP principles to selected food products.

Application of HACCP in IIC funded projects:

From the above, it is clear that HACCP is recognized worldwide as the most effective method to address the control of infection due to food borne illness, and as such, the best standard approach to be implemented as an IIC guideline to address the issue of food safety in projects in that sector. Therefore, since 1995, the IIC started reviewing compliance of the food processing projects in its portfolio, in an attempt to normalize the procedures to be followed by each, focusing specifically on pathogen control measures. Since then this program has included the enforcement of the application of HACCP in Avic (poultry) in Brazil, and the gradual implementation of full featured HACCP programs in all other IIC food processing projects. One of these, Tierra Fria in Guatemala effected the change on its own, before IIC's intervention.

As a result, HACCP manuals and implementation checklists have been delivered to all these projects, and in the case of Ecuaplantation (frozen fruit and juice concentrate project in Guayaquil, Ecuador), the development of the program is being carried out during the next two months through the assistance of Italian consultants, financed through the IIC - Italian Foreign Ministry Technical Assistance Fund. The goal here will be to achieve full implementation of the HACCP, including field, factory floor, packaging, and transportation operations. The program being implemented includes the drafting of the HACCP guide for the facility, the training of the key production supervisors and subsequently all the staff, and the strict implementation of the measures (which will include an important element of consensus building) to ensure food safety.

Visits to all the IIC food processing projects are planned by early 1998, to review the progress of the initiative and evaluate the effectiveness of the application of the guidelines. It is expected that by the end of 1998 all the projects will be in compliance.

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PRESIDENT CLINTON ANNOUNCES INITIATIVE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF IMPORTED AND DOMESTIC FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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PRESIDENT CLINTON ANNOUNCES INITIATIVE TO ENSURE THE **SAFETY** OF
IMPORTED AND DOMESTIC FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
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Today President Clinton will announce an initiative to upgrade domestic **food safety** standards and to ensure that fruits and vegetables coming from overseas are as safe as those produced in the United States. The President will ask Congress to enact legislation that will require the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to halt imports of fruits, vegetables and other **food** products produced in countries that do not meet U.S. **food safety** requirements. The President will direct the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to work cooperatively with the agricultural community to develop guidance on good agricultural and manufacturing practices for fruits and vegetables.

Enhanced FDA Oversight for Imported **Foods**. The President will send legislation to Congress that will require the FDA to halt imports of fruits, vegetables and other **food** products from any foreign country with **food safety** systems and standards that are not on par with those of the United States. The legislation also will require the FDA to halt imports from countries or facilities that do not allow FDA inspections to occur. This legislation -- comparable to existing law that requires the USDA to halt the importation of meat and poultry from such countries -- will enable the FDA to prevent the importation of potentially unsafe foreign produce. The President will also commit to providing the necessary funds in his Fiscal Year 1999 budget to enable the FDA to dramatically expand its international **food** inspection force. With this greatly increased ability to inspect **food safety** conditions abroad and at points of entry, the FDA will be able to make effective use of its new authority.

Development of Guidance on Good Agricultural and Manufacturing Practices. The President will direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the Secretary of Agriculture and in cooperation with the agricultural community, to develop guidance on good agricultural and manufacturing practices within one year. This guidance will take into account differences in both crops and regions and will address potential **food safety** problems throughout the **food** production and distribution system such as sanitation, worker health, and water quality. The guidance -- the first-ever specific **safety** standards for fruits and vegetables -- will improve the agricultural and manufacturing practices of all those seeking to sell produce in the U.S. market. To ensure that this guidance has the widest possible effect, the President will also direct the FDA and USDA to develop coordinated outreach and educational activities.

Improvement of Monitoring and Inspection Activities Abroad. In addition to committing substantial resources to expand the FDA's international **food** inspection force, the President will direct the Secretaries of Health and Human Services and Agriculture to report within 90 days on how to improve the monitoring of agricultural and manufacturing practices abroad, to assist foreign countries to improve these practices where necessary, and to prevent the importation of unsafe produce. The President will urge consideration of ways to target inspection and testing toward those areas where problems are most likely to occur.

Clinton Administration Accomplishments In Improving **Food Safety**

The President's announcement builds on a strong record of **food safety** initiatives, ensuring that Americans eat the safest possible **food**. The Administration has put into place improved **safety** standards for meat, poultry and seafood products, and has begun the process of developing enhanced standards for fruit and vegetable juices. The Administration also has expanded research, education and surveillance activities throughout the **food safety** system.

* October, 1997. President announces new initiative to enhance FDA oversight over imported **foods** and develop guidance on good agricultural and manufacturing practices for fruits and vegetables.

* May, 1997. Administration announces comprehensive new initiative to improve the **safety** of nation's **food** supply -- **Food Safety** from Farm to Table -- detailing a \$43 million **food safety** program, including measures to improve surveillance, outbreak response, education, and research.

* January, 1997. President announces new Early-Warning System to gather critical scientific data to help stop **food** borne disease outbreaks quickly and to improve prevention systems further.

* August, 1996. President signs Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996. The law requires drinking water systems to protect against dangerous contaminants like cryptosporidium, and gives people the right to know about contaminants in their tap water.

* August, 1996. President signs **Food** Quality Protection Act of 1996, which streamlines regulation of pesticides by FDA and EPA and puts important new public-health protections in place, especially for children.

* July, 1996. President Clinton announces new regulations that modernize the nation's meat and poultry inspection system for the first time in 90 years. New standards help prevent E.coli bacteria contamination in meat.

* December, 1995. Administration issues new rules to ensure seafood **safety**. Utilizes HACCP regulatory programs to require **food** industries to design and implement preventive measures and increase the industries' responsibility for and control of their **safety** assurance actions.

* 1994. CDC embarks on strategic program to detect, prevent, and control emerging infectious disease threats, some of which are **food** borne, making significant progress toward this goal in each successive year.

* 1993. Vice-President's National Performance Review issues report recommending government and industry move toward a system of preventive controls.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

SUBJECT: Initiative to Ensure the **Safety** of Imported and Domestic
Fruits and Vegetables

American consumers today enjoy the safest **food** supply in the world, and I am proud of my Administration's record in this area. We have taken significant steps to ensure that we maintain the safest **food** possible. We have put in place improved **safety** standards for meat, poultry, and seafood products, and we have begun the process of developing enhanced **safety** standards for fruit and vegetable juices. We have also expanded research, education, and surveillance activities through coordinated efforts of all agencies involved in **food safety** issues. Together, these measures will greatly improve the **safety** of the Nation's **food** supply.

We need to build on these efforts, and today I ask you to do so by focusing on the **safety** of fruits and vegetables. Although the produce Americans eat is very safe, we can and must do even better, especially at a time when Americans are eating more fruits and vegetables from all over the world. Last year, 38 percent of the fruit and 12 percent of the vegetables consumed by Americans came from overseas. We must ensure that fruits and vegetables coming from abroad are as safe as those produced in the United States, especially as we upgrade our own domestic standards.

To help accomplish this task, I plan to send to the Congress proposed legislation that will require the **Food** and Drug Administration (FDA) to halt imports of fruits, vegetables, or other **food** from any foreign country whose **food safety** systems and standards are not on par with those of the United States. This legislation, which will be similar to existing law requiring the USDA to halt the importation of meat and poultry from such countries, will enable the FDA to prevent the importation of potentially unsafe foreign produce. My Fiscal Year 1999 budget will provide the necessary funds to enable the FDA to expand dramatically its international **food** inspection force. With this greatly increased ability to inspect **food safety** conditions abroad and at points of entry, the FDA will be able to determine when to halt the importation of fruits and vegetables from foreign countries.

Today, I hereby direct two administrative actions that will better ensure the **safety** of fruits and vegetables coming from abroad, while continuing to improve the **safety** of domestic produce.

First, I direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the Secretary of Agriculture and in close cooperation with the agricultural community, to issue within 1 year from the date of this memorandum, guidance on good agricultural practices and good manufacturing practices for fruits and vegetables. This guidance should address ways to prevent potential sources of contamination, should take into account differences in both crops and regions, and should address **food safety** issues throughout the **food** production and distribution system. By providing the first-ever specific **safety** standards for fruits and vegetables, the guidance will improve the agricultural and manufacturing practices of all those seeking to sell produce in the U.S. market. To ensure that this guidance has the widest possible effect, I also direct the development of coordinated outreach and educational activities.

Second, I direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Agriculture, to report back to me within 90 days from the date of this memorandum with a status report and complete schedule for the good agricultural and manufacturing practices, and a plan on how to improve the monitoring of agricultural and manufacturing practices abroad, to assist foreign countries to improve those practices where necessary, and to prevent the importation of unsafe produce, including by detecting unsafe **food** at the dock or border. I especially urge you to consider the best ways to target inspection and testing toward those areas where problems are most likely to occur.

In addition to taking these actions, you should accelerate whatever **food safety** research is necessary to support them. You should also call upon the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Labor, and other agencies as necessary to provide you with assistance in achieving this goal. These steps, taken together and in coordination with the proposed legislation I will send to the Congress, will improve the **safety** of fruits and vegetables for all Americans.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY

SUBJECT: Improving the **Safety** of the Nation's **Food** Supply

Americans rightly expect to have the world's safest **food** supply. Although our **food** is unmatched in quantity and quality, we can do better in our efforts to eliminate disease caused by microorganisms and other contaminants. Americans still suffer thousands of **food**-related deaths and millions of **food**-related illnesses.

The 21st century will present new and greater challenges in this area. Novel pathogens are emerging. Long-understood pathogens are growing resistant to treatment. Americans eat more **foods** prepared outside the home, and we consume record levels of imported **food** -- some of which moves across the globe overnight. These changing circumstances require greatly strengthened systems of coordination, surveillance, prevention, research, and education.

My Administration has already taken a number of steps to improve **food safety**. We modernized the meat, poultry, and seafood **safety** systems. I signed into law new legislation to keep harmful pesticides off our fruits and vegetables -- and legislation that keeps our drinking water safe and pure. Today, I announced a new national early warning system for **food**-borne illness. The system will allow us to respond more quickly to

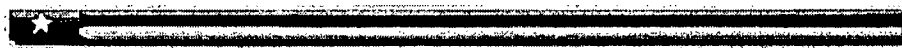
disease outbreaks and to better prevent them in the future.

But we need to do more. Government, consumers, and industry must work together to further reduce **food**-borne disease and to ensure our **food** supply is the safest in the world.

I hereby direct that you work with consumers, producers, industry, States, universities, and the public to identify additional ways to improve the **safety** of our **food** supply through government and private sector action, including public-private partnerships. Your recommendations should identify steps to further improve surveillance, inspections, research, risk assessment, education, and coordination among local, State, and Federal health authorities. You should report back to me within 90 days with your recommendations.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

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The following people from USDA/FAS/ICD will attend the above mentioned meeting:

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Message:

Attached please find the latest working draft of the USDA proposal regarding food safety in the Caribbean. The draft is being reviewed within the USDA and has been shared with the FDA for comment. Working with the USDA, USAID has shared a summary of the proposal with the USTR and the State Department for their comment. After the USDA completes their review and officially transmits the proposal to USAID and, assuming the USTR and State Department have no objections, we will transmit the proposal to CARICOM for consideration as part of our FY 98 Caribbean Economic Diversification program.

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DRAFT**CARICOM Food Safety Project**

January 30, 1998

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) performs an important role in ensuring domestic and world food security. A safe and nutritious food supply for domestic consumption and international export is the result of an extensive and interrelated network of research, extension, and regulatory oversight mechanisms, supported by a comprehensive policy framework. The USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) specifically carries out food aid and market-related technical assistance programs, as well as operates a variety of Congressionally mandated import and export programs. FAS helps USDA, other federal agencies and U.S. universities increase income and food availability in developing nations by mobilizing expertise for agriculturally led economic growth.

FAS coordinates and directs USDA's responsibilities in international trade agreement programs and negotiations, working closely in this effort with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative. International trade policy experts within FAS help identify--and work to reduce--trade barriers and practices. FAS is the U.S. Enquiry Point, as required under the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, for all WTO member inquiries related to sanitary and phytosanitary (S&P) regulations. It provides technical information on allowable pesticide residues, food labeling and standards, sanitary and phytosanitary requirements, acceptable food additives, and certification and testing requirements of countries importing U.S. agricultural and food products. The multi-disciplinary nature of the U.S. food safety infrastructure requires that USDA coordinate with other USG agencies such as the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Disease Control (CDC), and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as well as producers, processors, and consumers.

Through international technical assistance programs (often in cooperation with the Agency for International Development) USDA can make the technical expertise from the domestically oriented programs available to assist developing countries strengthen their capabilities to improve the safety of food production, processing, and distribution. One example specific to the Latin America and Caribbean region reflects activities initiated in the mid-1980s. Under the Caribbean Basin Initiative, assistance was provided in quality grades and standards, post-harvest treatment, and improved packaging and distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables.

An underlying premise of USDA's trade policy is that all food safety regulations, including those being developed for fruit and vegetables, should be based on scientific principles and be consistent with international obligations under the WTO. Further, the President's Food Safety Initiative (PFSI) directs FDA and USDA to use existing authorities to issue guidance on good agricultural practices (GAPs) and good manufacturing practices (GMPs) and to provide

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"a plan on how to... (1) improve the monitoring of agricultural and manufacturing processes abroad, (2) assist foreign countries to improve those practices where necessary to prevent the importation of unsafe produce, (3) consider the best ways to target inspection and testing towards those areas where problems are most likely to occur, and (4) accelerate whatever food safety research is necessary [to support all of the above tasks]."

As noted in a draft report issued by the PFSI inter-agency research committee, there is an implicit need to address microbial food safety concerns of agricultural commodities produced and marketed by developing nations.

In September 1997, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with CARICOM to address economic diversification. Countries in the Caribbean have long been plagued by slow growth and high unemployment. The economic challenge facing these countries is to find ways to exploit opportunities created by the changing global and preferential trade arrangements currently underway. With the end of trade preferences, local governments are challenged to develop alternative approaches to long-term sustainability and growth.

In order to assist CARICOM countries create new market opportunities and meet their WTO obligations, FAS is proposing an initiative to address food safety standards based on CODEX and other international standards. The ISO 9000 and 14000 series may be a useful guide for setting the quality management and quality assurance standards. ISO develops worldwide technical agreements which are published as International Standards. Conformity assessment, as this verification process is known, is a matter for suppliers and their clients in the private sector, and of regulatory bodies when ISO standards have been incorporated into public legislation. Existence of non-harmonized standards for similar technologies in different countries or regions can contribute to so-called "technical barriers to trade." Export-minded industries have long sensed the need to agree on world standards to help rationalize the international trading process. This was the origin of the establishment for ISO—the International Organization for Standardization.

Under the auspices of the PFSI, FDA issued the draft "Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables." Potential vehicles or mechanisms for microbial contamination common to most produce operations include: water, manure and municipal sewage sludge, worker hygiene, field and facility sanitation, and transportation.

One potential mechanism is water, and the following example details some of the challenges facing the Caribbean specifically in water quality. The World Bank "Initiatives for Regional Action on Caribbean Environmental Issues" report (No. 13045-LAC, 1994) describes water quality monitoring and analysis. "Ensuring the quality of potable water supplies and of coastal and marine waters remains a problem in many countries of the region. Water contaminated by improper sewage disposal, agricultural chemical residues, and untreated industrial effluents is the

primary cause of the unacceptably high incidence of certain waterborne diseases (e.g., gastro-enteritis, dysentery, cholera.) The best method for detecting contaminated water is routine monitoring and analysis, yet few countries in the Caribbean currently perform adequate monitoring and analysis of their freshwater supplies or coastal and marine waters.”

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The report states that for most countries, the lack of capacity, in terms of both technical facilities and qualified personnel, is the problem. Many countries have trained personnel to perform water sampling and possess the laboratory facilities to conduct basic analysis of physical parameters (e.g., alkalinity, turbidity, pH, etc.) But full analysis of potential biological and chemical pollutants requires more sophisticated laboratory equipment and highly trained technicians and thus lies beyond the reach of a number of countries. Using regional centers to conduct analyses may be the best option for many of the smaller islands and poorer countries.

In response to the PFSI, USDA/FAS in collaboration with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will assist CARICOM in designing and implementing consumer-friendly food safety systems compliant with international standards and specifically U.S. standards so CARICOM countries can achieve increased market access.

In order to address the scientific principles in implementing a food safety project, experts from the U.S. will assist CARICOM countries in the design of a system that will ensure a safe and exportable food supply. Since FDA is finalizing the guidelines on food safety and does not expect to issue them until late 1998, FAS proposes a three-phased strategy. The first phase will consist of information gathering and needs assessment in order to plan a project design workshop. With the information, a workshop or series of workshops will be held in the region with the stakeholders in CARICOM.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

1. Strengthen existing regulatory, technical, and educational infrastructure in the region to ensure food safety.
2. Establish partnerships between U.S. and regional organizations (policy makers, regulatory entities, research institutes, and industry) to address issues of food safety, as well as related issues of human, plant and animal health.

PHASE ONE:

In order to identify the stakeholders in the region and the specific needs in the CARICOM countries, a team of representatives from USDA, FDA, CARICOM, and IICA will identify the systems already in place, noting any areas that may show a need for additional training and technical assistance. In collaboration with CARICOM, the team will select the countries and institutions to be visited. The objectives of this needs assessment phase include:

1. Determine the state of the problem
2. Identify institutions and partners
3. Design the strategy for phase two
4. Solicit regional buy-in
5. Solidify the U.S. position regarding the Caribbean

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The team will use the findings of the assessment phase to plan either one or a series of three workshops. The workshops will be used to design the CARICOM food safety project. If the team finds it feasible, one workshop could be held with all stakeholders identified in phase one. However, the team may determine that a series of workshops in the islands would engender more support for the food safety initiative. The islands would be grouped into categories either by location or need. The team of experts would travel to three locations and spend approximately two days at each workshop. The workshops will be broken into "brainstorming sessions" with the U.S. experts facilitating the process. They would provide guidance and assist in prioritizing the issues and needs to be addressed. The experts will be determined by the information gathered in the needs assessment phase; but key institutions expected to participate include USDA, FDA, IICA, Environmental Protection Agency, Pan-American Health Organization, and members of the University community.

Potential Components and Activities of a CARICOM Food Safety Project

Product standards that differ from country to country are often perceived as trade barriers. In order to develop trade in export products, understanding the requirements of the importing country is crucial. Developing countries in the CARICOM region need to be in full partnership in harmonizing and establishing international standards. Training/workshops related to the establishment and application of national and international standards would improve the capacity of countries to meet their WTO obligations and participate in the Free Trade Area of the Americas.

Based on discussions with food safety experts in USDA, Table 1 provides a conceptual framework for this proposed food safety initiative.

PHASE THREE:

After the workshops are held and the comments are compiled, a proposal for a comprehensive CARICOM food safety project will be submitted by USDA to AID.

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Travel and per diem (\$3,000/person for 6 persons)	\$ 18,000
Phase two workshop(s) (includes travel for 40 participants)	\$ 60,000
Information, equipment and supplies	\$ 10,000
Subtotal	\$ 88,000
Indirect costs (32%)	\$ 28,160
TOTAL	\$116,160

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- **legislation** (assist in reviewing, drafting legislation; country specific and regional agreements as required)
- **monitoring and inspection** (assist in designing and implementing monitoring and inspection systems; assist in developing standards and equivalent systems)
- **enforcement** (assist in improving mechanisms for enforcement--X number of inspections per month, parameters of the system, regulatory requirements, pre-clearance programs)

Component B -- Improving technical capabilities

- **production technologies** (cooperative research; technology transfer, post-harvest and cold storage, clean water and management systems, nutrient management, and agronomic issues)
- **processing technologies** (establish industry partnerships; technology transfer)
- **monitoring technologies** (U.S. internships)

Component C. -- Developing mechanisms for education and outreach

- **consumers** (fostering consumer groups, institutional outreach)
- **producers** (on-farm demonstrations of new technologies, grower certification)
- **regulators** (linking with educators for remediation efforts; regulator training)
- **policy makers** (regional standards, ISO 9000/14000, equivalency, resource allocation, MOU's, CODEX and WTO compliance workshops)

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The Caribbean Community and Common Market (CARICOM) works to enhance the economic, social and cultural development of the Caribbean people. It was founded in 1973 by agreement of the Commonwealth Caribbean Heads of Government, on the signing of the Treaty of Chaguaramas. Member countries are:

- Antigua and Barbuda
- The Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Dominica
- Grenada
- Guyana
- Jamaica
- Montserrat
- St Kitts and Nevis
- St Lucia
- St Vincent and the Grenadines
- Suriname
- Trinidad and Tobago.
- British Virgin Islands and Turks and Caicos Islands are associate members.

(Note: Discussions are underway pursuant to Haiti becoming a member of CARICOM.)

The Conference of Heads of Government is the supreme authority of the community; it determines its policy and is responsible for the conclusion of treaties on behalf of the community and relations between the community and international organizations and states. A common market council of ministers is responsible for the development and operation of the common market. The Bureau of Heads of Government initiates proposals and secures implementation. CARICOM is serviced by a secretariat, based in Georgetown, Guyana.

CARICOM has several institutions: the conference of ministers (health), and standing committees of ministers responsible for agriculture, education, energy, mines and natural resources, finance, foreign affairs, science and technology, tourism and transportation, and the environment.

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Record Type: Record

To: JEROLD R. MANDE

cc:

Subject: WAVES Confirmation

ADDRESSEES: JEROLD R. MANDE
SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION: APPT. REQUEST FOR MANDE, JEROLD
FROM: WAVES OPERATIONS CENTER - ACO: (b)(7)c; (b)(6)
Date: 01-13-1998
Time: 20:35:33

This message serves as confirmation of an appointment for the visitors listed below.

Appointment With: MANDE, JEROLD
Appointment Date: 1/14/98
Appointment Time: 10:00:00 AM
Appointment Room: 472
Appointment Building: OEOB
Appointment Requested by: MANDE, JEROLD
Phone Number of Requestor: 66018
WAVES APPOINTMENT NUMBER: U15265

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please call the WAVES Center at 456-6742 and have the appointment number listed above available to the Access Control Officer answering your call.

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES SUBMITTED FOR ENTRY : 5
TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES OF CLEARED FOR ENTRY: 5

GOMEZ, RICARDO
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PITTS, KEITH
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006. fax	WAVES confirmation for 2 people for 1/14/98 meeting (partial) (1 page)	01/13/1998	b(7)(C), b(6)

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Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

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01/13/98 11:32:08 AM

Record Type: Record

To: JEROLD R. MANDE

cc:

Subject: WAVES Confirmation

ADDRESSEES: JEROLD R. MANDE

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION: APPT. REQUEST FOR MANDE, JEROLD

FROM: WAVES OPERATIONS CENTER - ACO: (b)(7)c, (b)(6)

Date: 01-13-1998

Time: 11:30:08

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Appointment With: MANDE, JEROLD

Appointment Date: 1/14/98

Appointment Time: 10:00:00 AM

Appointment Room: 472

Appointment Building: OEOB

Appointment Requested by: MANDE JEROLD

Phone Number of Requestor: 66018

WAVES APPOINTMENT NUMBER: U14946

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please call the WAVES Center at 456-6742 and have the appointment number listed above available to the Access Control Officer answering your call.

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES SUBMITTED FOR ENTRY : 2

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES OF CLEARED FOR ENTRY: 2

BROOME, CLAIRE
OHARA, JAMES

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007. fax	WAVES confirmation for 7 people for 1/14/98 meeting (partial) (1 page)	01/13/1998	b(7)(C), b(6)

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Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

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[007]



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01/13/98 04:06:02 PM

Record Type: Record

To: JEROLD R. MANDE

cc:

Subject: WAVES Confirmation

ADDRESSEES: JEROLD R. MANDE

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION: APPT. REQUEST FOR MANDE, JEROLD

FROM: WAVES OPERATIONS CENTER - ACO: (b)(7)C, (b)(6)

Date: 01-13-1998

Time: 16:04:49

This message serves as confirmation of an appointment for the visitors listed below.

Appointment With: MANDE, JEROLD

Appointment Date: 1/14/98

Appointment Time: 10:00:00 AM

Appointment Room: 472

Appointment Building: OEOB

Appointment Requested by: MANDE JEROLD

Phone Number of Requestor: 66018

WAVES APPOINTMENT NUMBER: U15116

If you have any questions regarding this appointment, please call the WAVES Center at 456-6742 and have the appointment number listed above available to the

Access Control Officer answering your call.

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES SUBMITTED FOR ENTRY : 7

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES OF CLEARED FOR ENTRY: 7

BECKER, JOHN
CLAPP, ALLEN
CLAPP, PRISCILLA
HEDLUND, ROBERT
HULEBAK, KAREN
SCHULTZ, WILLIAM
WINTON, AMY

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008. fax	WAVES confirmation for 1 person for 1/14/98 meeting (partial) (1 page)	01/13/1998	b(7)(C), b(6)

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[008]



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Record Type: Record

To: JEROLD R. MANDE

cc:

Subject: WAVES Confirmation

ADDRESSEES: JEROLD R. MANDE

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION: APPT. REQUEST FOR MANDE, JEROLD

FROM: WAVES OPERATIONS CENTER - ACO: (b)(7)c, (b)(6)

Date: 01-13-1998

Time: 16:33:12

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Appointment With: MANDE, JEROLD

Appointment Date: 1/14/98

Appointment Time: 10:00:00 AM

Appointment Room: 472

Appointment Building: OEOB

Appointment Requested by: MANDE JEROLD

Phone Number of Requestor: 66018

WAVES APPOINTMENT NUMBER: U15133

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TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES SUBMITTED FOR ENTRY : 1

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAMES OF CLEARED FOR ENTRY: 1

PAXMAN, DALTON

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009. fax	WAVES confirmation for 5 people for 1/14/98 meeting (partial) (1 page)	01/13/1998	b(7)(C), b(6)

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Record Type: Record

To: JEROLD R. MANDE

cc:

Subject: WAVES Confirmation

ADDRESSEES: JEROLD R. MANDE

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION: APPT. REQUEST FOR MANDE, JEROLD

FROM: WAVES OPERATIONS CENTER - ACO: (b)(7)c, (b)(6)

Date: 01-13-1998

Time: 20:36:14

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Appointment Date: 1/14/98

Appointment Time: 10:00:00 AM

Appointment Room: 472

Appointment Building: OEOB

Appointment Requested by: MANDE JEROLD

Phone Number of Requestor: 66018

WAVES APPOINTMENT NUMBER: U15265

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PITTS, KEITH
SIMMONS, BEVERLY
WILSON, CAROL

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Please Fax to Jerry Mande at
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Fax 456-6027

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Message: I have been asked to attend the meeting on the food safety initiative to be held in Room 472 of the Old Executive Office Building from 10:00 - 11:00 on Wednesday January 14, 1998. The information requested for my entry into the building is as follows:

John Becker

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Mr. Mande,

I plan to attend the meeting on the White House Food Safety Initiative, Wednesday, January 14, 10:00 - 11:00 am, Rm. 472 of the Old Executive Office Building. I will be representing USAID's Office of Agriculture and Food Security.

Name: Robert Hedlund

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THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE**

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

SUBJECT: Initiative to Ensure the Safety of Imported and Domestic Fruits and Vegetables

American consumers today enjoy the safest food supply in the world, and I am proud of my Administration's record in this area. We have taken significant steps to ensure that we maintain the safest food possible. We have put in place improved safety standards for meat, poultry, and seafood products, and we have begun the process of developing enhanced safety standards for fruit and vegetable juices. We have also expanded research, education, and surveillance activities through coordinated efforts of all agencies involved in food safety issues. Together, these measures will greatly improve the safety of the Nation's food supply.

We need to build on these efforts, and today I ask you to do so by focusing on the safety of fruits and vegetables. Although the produce Americans eat is very safe, we can and must do even better, especially at a time when Americans are eating more fruits and vegetables from all over the world. Last year, 38 percent of the fruit and 12 percent of the vegetables consumed by Americans came from overseas. We must ensure that fruits and vegetables coming from abroad are as safe as those produced in the United States, especially as we upgrade our own domestic standards.

To help accomplish this task, I plan to send to the Congress proposed legislation that will require the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to halt imports of fruits, vegetables, or other food from any foreign country whose food safety systems and standards are not on par with those of the United States. This legislation, which will be similar to existing law requiring the USDA to halt the importation of meat and poultry from such countries, will enable the FDA to prevent

the importation of potentially unsafe foreign produce. My Fiscal Year 1999 budget will provide the necessary funds to enable the FDA to expand dramatically its international food inspection force. With this greatly increased ability to inspect food safety conditions abroad and at points of entry, the FDA will be able to determine when to halt the importation of fruits and vegetables from foreign countries.

Today, I hereby direct two administrative actions that will better ensure the safety of fruits and vegetables coming from abroad, while continuing to improve the safety of domestic produce.

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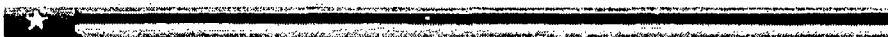
First, I direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the Secretary of Agriculture and in close cooperation with the agricultural community, to issue within 1 year from the date of this memorandum, guidance on good agricultural practices and good manufacturing practices for fruits and vegetables. This guidance should address ways to prevent potential sources of contamination, should take into account differences in both crops and regions, and should address food safety issues throughout the food production and distribution system. By providing the first-ever specific safety standards for fruits and vegetables, the guidance will improve the agricultural and manufacturing practices of all those seeking to sell produce in the U.S. market. To ensure that this guidance has the widest possible effect, I also direct the development of coordinated outreach and educational activities.

Second, I direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Agriculture, to report back to me within 90 days from the date of this memorandum with a status report and complete schedule for the good agricultural and manufacturing practices, and a plan on how to improve the monitoring of agricultural and manufacturing practices abroad, to assist foreign countries to improve those practices where necessary, and to prevent the importation of unsafe produce, including by detecting unsafe food at the dock or border. I especially urge you to consider the best ways to target inspection and testing toward those areas where problems are most likely to occur.

In addition to taking these actions, you should accelerate whatever food safety research is necessary to support them. You should also call upon the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Labor, and other agencies as necessary to provide you with assistance in achieving this goal. These steps, taken together and in coordination with the proposed legislation I will send to the Congress, will improve the safety of fruits and vegetables for all Americans.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

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**REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
ON FOOD SAFETY REGULATIONS**

The Rose Garden

10:59 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Mr. Vice President, Secretary Shalala, Deputy Secretary Rominger, Cathie Woteki, Dr. Friedman, all the representatives of the groups that have helped us come to this day.

Our government made a fundamental promise to the American people of a bountiful and safe food supply way back at the beginning of this century. It is a promise that we have had to renew our commitment to periodically over the years, and a promise that needed a lot of work when I became President. From the day I took office, I worked very hard to honor that commitment, to make our food supply -- the world's safest -- even safer.

In 1993, the Vice President's national performance review recommended an overhaul of our food safety procedures so that we could use the best scientific technology available in inspection methods, to make sure that we had put in the best preventive controls to keep our food supply the world's safest.

Since then, we have taken major steps. We first put in place rigorous new safety standards for seafood, meat and poultry products, throwing out archaic and ineffective methods of inspection that had not been updated for nearly a century. We've required slaughterhouses to test for deadly E. Coli and salmonella bacteria. We've begun developing new safety standards for fruit and vegetable juices. We've strengthened our system of guaranteeing that our drinking water will remain safe, and improved public health protections for pesticide uses on food. And we brought a host of federal agencies together to boost food safety research, education and surveillance efforts around our nation. In so doing, we're using the world's best science to help prevent food contamination tragedies before they happen, to make sure our supply of food is as safe as it can be.

Today, our food supply remains the world's safest, but we can't rest on those accomplishments. We have to do more. At the time when Americans are eating more and more food from around the globe, we must spare no effort to ensure the safety of our food supply from whatever source.

Today, I want to tell you the new steps we're taking to ensure that our fruits and vegetables, including those imported from other countries, meet the highest health and safety standards. First, I'm asking Congress to give the Food and Drug Administration the power and the obligation to ban the importation of fruits, vegetables and other foods from countries whose safety precautions do not meet American standards. This new law would be similar to a law that already requires the United States Department of Agriculture to keep meet and poultry

from countries with inferior food safety systems out of our stores.

In my next budget, I will provide enough funds to ensure that the FDA can fully implement this new legislation by dramatically expanding its international food inspection force. With these

efforts, we can make sure that no fruits and vegetables cross our borders, enter our ports, or reach our dinner tables without meeting the same strict standards as those grown here in America. Our food safety system is the strongest in the world, and that's how it's going to stay.

I'm also directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Agriculture to work together in close cooperation with the agricultural community to develop the first-ever specific safety standards for the growing, processing, shipping and selling of fruits and vegetables. These standards will address potential food safety problems throughout the production and distribution system, and they'll improve the sanitation and safety practices of all those seeking to sell produce in the United States market.

I'm asking Secretary Shalala and Glickman to report back to me within 90 days with a complete schedule for developing these standards within a year. I'll also ask them to submit a comprehensive plan to improve the monitoring of food safety programs abroad, to help foreign countries upgrade their safety precautions and toughen food inspections at the border.

Being a parent is perhaps the toughest job in the world. Our parents deserve the peace of mind that comes from knowing the food they set before their children is safe. With today's new actions, we can help make their jobs much easier.

And, again, let me thank all of those who were involved in this effort as I sign this order. Thank you very much.

(The order is signed.)

THE PRESIDENT: Thanks. (Applause.)

Q Mr. President, will you be using the line item veto

THE PRESIDENT: Excuse me?

Q Will you be using the line item veto on any of the appropriations bills that you've just passed -- that you've just signed?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, let me say, I have received only -- I've received one memorandum for my staff on one bill. And that came in late last night, so I haven't read it. But I will consider it -- as the bills come in, I will ask for a review of the potential uses by specific bill and make judgments as we go along. I have nothing to report at this time, because I have received only one memorandum and I haven't read it.

Q What about the census, sir? Do you have any concerns concerning the Commerce bill and the particular ways that the money will be used for the census?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, my feeling is that we ought to do the census as well as we can. I don't think this is a complicated issue. The National Science Foundation has recommended this statistical sampling method. The man who did President Bush's census says that it's the only way to get the most accurate count. I just want to do whatever the Census Bureau believes, the full-time professionals, believe is the most accurate thing to do.

I think that's a heavy constitutional responsibility we have, to conduct a census that is as

accurate as possible based on what the professionals say. This ought to be a professional, not a political judgment. And that's the position I will take throughout.

Q Mr. President, did the Democratic Party send money to the states because of federal election law restrictions?

Q Mr. President, there are fresh fruit and vegetables producers that are saying --

THE PRESIDENT: Well, wait a minute. I'll take both of them. Go ahead first.

Q There are fresh fruit and vegetable producers that are saying that you're acting with this action as the world food police and that your actions here today are unwarranted and that's going to complicate the trade environment.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, I hope it doesn't complicate the trade environment. But, you know, it seems to me that we have no higher responsibility than to protect the health and safety of our citizens, and everyone who has been following all of your reporting over the last four or five years knows that we have had continuing challenges in food safety. We have millions of people who get sick every year. And we're not trying to unfairly target foreign producers of food into our market; we don't ask them to meet any standards we don't meet. And indeed, if you look at the actions of this administration over the last four years, when we started, I think you can make a compelling case that we started working on things that were problems coming out of the American market first. So I just don't think that's right.

I don't want it to complicate the trade environment, but I'm not interested in trade in things that will make the American people sick.

Q Mr. President, did the Democratic National Committee send money to the states in order to get around the federal spending limits that went along with accepting federal money for the national campaign, sir?

THE PRESIDENT: It's my understanding that everything the Democratic National Committee did had the prior approval of the lawyers. If they cleared it all in advance, then it was perfectly legal. And when this issue was raised about a year ago, the exact issue, I believe that that was clarified at that time. I'm sure that they had legal advice that they followed, and I believe the Republicans said that they did some of the same things and also had prior legal clearance.

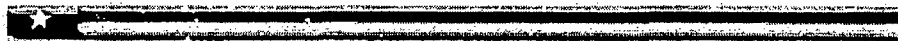
Q Mr. Clinton, do you that Mrs. Reno -- she's been advised to go forward with the 90-day investigation into the fundraising calls of the Vice President -- and perhaps Mr. Gore would like to comment, too --

THE PRESIDENT: I think that --

Q -- do you feel that the 90-day investigation would be helpful?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, if you read the statute, she can consider certain things in the 90-day period that are not permitted in the 30-day period. But I think this is a legal question and it should be done based on an independent legal review with no pressure from the outside, from me or from anyone else. And that's the way I intend to keep it, at least on my part.

Thank you.



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RE: Meeting with John Lupien, FAO

DATE: 5 November, 1998

Thank you for arranging to meet with John Lupien and me on
Wednesday, 11 November at 2:00 p.m. Following is the information
requested:

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John Lupien
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Mr. Mande, please note correct birthdate for Mr. Lupien, noted above in bold.

Thanks.

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