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WASHINGTON

**MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN PODESTA
 SANDY BERGER
 MACK McLARTY**

Subject: Cabinet travel to South America

VENEZUELA, BRAZIL, AND ARGENTINA

VENEZUELA

BRAZIL

ARGENTINA

SBA Administrator Aida Alvarez
UN Ambassador Bill Richardson
Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt

If this meets with your approval, we would also strongly recommend that someone from Cabinet Affairs travel on the trip to coordinate the movements of the Cabinet. In addition, we will work with the Advance office regarding the Cabinet's need for advance people and will attempt to limit each Cabinet member to two staff people to accompany them on the trip.

cc: D. Rosenthal A. Steinberg
N. Elkon L. Marcus
T. Piccone K. Balderston
A. Friendly D. Beaubaire

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**TRIP OF THE FIRST LADY TO
PANAMA, VENEZUELA, BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA
[Draft #2--September 25]**

October 8, 1997

TBD Depart enroute Panama
 [flight time: 5 hours and 5 minutes]
 [time change: -1]

TBD Arrive Tocumen International Airport

TBD Arrival Ceremony
 Tocumen International Airport

7:30pm- Reception
TBD Presidential Palace

RON Intercontinental Hotel

October 9, 1997

9:00am- First Lady's Conference
1:00pm Atlapa Conference Center

1:00pm- Conference Luncheon
2:00pm Atlapa Conference Center

TBD Embassy/American Community Event -- Peace Corp Swearing-In
 Ambassador's Residence

TBD Tour of Miraflores Lock - Panama Canal
 Miraflores Lock

7:00pm- Closing Conference Reception/Panama Declaration Signing
TBD Miraflores Lock

RON Intercontinental Hotel

Friday, October 10, 1997

TBD Event

1:15pm- Military Personnel and Families Event
2:00pm Howard Air Force Base

2:00pm Depart Panama enroute xxxxx

Sunday, October 12, 1997

2:30pm- Arrival Ceremony [w/POTUS]
3:00pm Simon Bolivar International Airport

4:15pm- Wreath Laying Ceremony [w/POTUS]
5:00pm El Panteon

5:20pm- Embassy Event [w/POTUS]
6:00pm Hilton Hotel

7:30pm- State Dinner and Reception
10:30pm La Casona

RON Caracas, Venezuela

Monday, October 13, 1997

TBD Tour Children's Museum w/Mrs. Caldera

TBD Tour FUDEP/Microenterprise Roundtable

11:00am- Crowd Speech [w/POTUS]
12:00pm

12:15pm- Departure Ceremony
12:30pm LaCarlotta Airbase

1:00pm Depart enroute Brasilia, Brazil
[flight time: 4 hours and 30 minutes]
[time change: +2]

7:30pm Arrive Brasilia, Brazil

8:30pm- State Dinner/Cultural Presentation [w/POTUS]
11:30pm

RON Brasilia, Brazil

Tuesday, October 14, 1997

TBD Coffee with Mrs. Cardoso

TBD Education or Family Planning event with Mrs. Cardoso

2:50pm- Embassy Event [w/POTUS]
3:50pm

4:20pm Depart enroute Sao Paulo
[flight time: 1 hour and 20 minutes]

5:40pm Arrive Sao Paulo

RON Sao Paulo, Brazil

Wednesday, October 15, 1997

9:00am- Visit School Antonio Manoel Alves de Lima
10:00am

11:05am Depart enroute Rio de Janerio
[flight time: 1 hour]

12:05pm Arrive Rio de Janerio

12:35pm- Education Event/Speech [w/POTUS]
1:35pm Mangeuira School

6:00pm Depart enroute Buenos Aires, Argentina
[flight time: 1 hour and 30 minutes]
[time change: -1]

6:30pm Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

6:45pm- Arrival Ceremony [w/POTUS]
8:00pm Ezeiza Airport

RON Buenos Aires, Argentina

Thursday, October 16, 1997

12:00pm- Speech [w/Meet in Greet preceeding]

1:30pm Law School

2:15pm- Town Hall Meeting [w/POTUS]

3:30pm

8:00pm- State Dinner/Reception [w/POTUS]

11:00pm

RON Buenos Aires, Argentina

Friday, October 17, 1997

11:30am- Embassy Event [w/POTUS]

12:15pm Airport

1:15pm Depart enroute Bariloche
[flight time: 2 hours and 10 minutes]

3:35pm Arrive Bariloche

Saturday, October 18, 1997

TBD (Tentative) Environmental event [with POTUS]

TBD Depart enroute DC

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From: DAVID SANDALOW/TED PICCONE

To: STATE S/S FOR AMB. JIM DOBBINS

Agency: NSC

Fax Number: 212/486-8227

Date/Time: Thursday, September 25, 2:00

No. of pages to follow: 1

**Message: **URGENT FAX FOR AMB. DOBBINS TO
RECEIVE BEFORE SECRETARY ALBRIGHT'S
MEETING WITH ARGENTINE FM DITELLA.**

**United States
Information
Agency**

Washington, D.C. 20547

**USIA**

DATE: September 25, 1997 FAX: 456-9270

TO: Anne Luzzatto
NSC - Communications Office PAGES: 1FROM: Barbara C. Moore *for her*
Deputy Director - AR

SUBJECT: Request for Interview with President Clinton before the Visit to Latin America

President Clinton's visit next month to Venezuela, Brazil and Argentina is a highly anticipated event. Media coverage of the visit in all three countries has been considerable and, at times, controversial regarding recent US policy initiatives in the region. In light of this, USIA strongly recommends an interview with President Clinton and select Venezuelan, Brazilian and Argentine media representatives prior to his departure. This interview would provide an excellent opportunity for the President to convey the themes of his upcoming visit directly to the most important foreign publics through these key, respected media representatives.

We recommend that the interview include one broadcast and one print media professional from each country, for a total of six journalists. All the people we are recommending below also speak excellent English. Not all of these individuals are resident in the US, however, and would need sufficient notice to make their travel plans. The following are our recommendations:

Venezuela

- Andres Mata, publisher/editor in chief of national daily *El Universal*
- Nelson "Bocaranda" Sardi of Venevision. Venevision is Venezuela's most widely viewed television network. Bocaranda is Venezuela's most respected television journalist in the field of foreign affairs.

Brazil

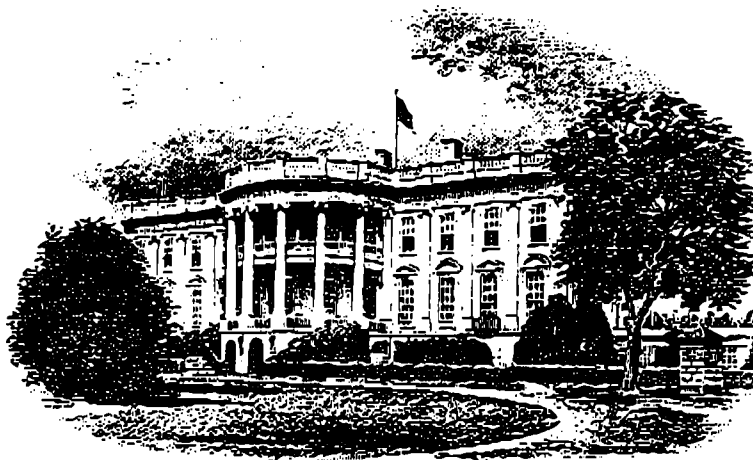
- Euripedes Alcantara, the New York correspondent for *Veja* (a prestigious weekly magazine comparable to Newsweek or Time)
- a representative from Rio-based *TV Globo*, which represents 70 percent of the prime-time news and entertainment audience.

Argentina

- Jorge Elias, Washington-based correspondent for national daily of record *La Nacion*
- Monica Cahen D'Anvers, news anchor of *Channel 13* nightly newscast, perhaps the most respected nightly newscast in the country.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as you have an indication of whether, and hopefully when, we can proceed. Thanks for your assistance.

cc: Anne Edwards - White House Press Advance



WHITE HOUSE/NSC PRESS OFFICE

TO: Ted P

FAX: _____

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FROM: Eric RFAX: (202) 456-9270TELEPHONE: (202) 456-9271

DATE: _____

TIME: _____

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COMMENTS: _____

TO: MIKE MCCURRY
FROM: ANNE LUZZATTO
SUBJECT: POTUS INTERVIEW REQUESTS
DATE: 09/25/97

We have received a number of POTUS interview requests that are worthy of consideration. I would like to talk to you about these when we get back from New York.

Latin America Trip

My recommendation is two events: a TV roundtable before the trip with Brazilian, Argentinian and Venezuelan TV as well as CNN Spanish and CBS Telenoticias; and the Univision town hall from Buenos Aires.

1. Univision proposal for hemisphere-wide town hall broadcast from Buenos Aires. This is the project Dave Leavy is working on. I have attached the memo that he sent forward. This is a worthy project if Univision succeeds in arranging for Latin America-wide broadcast. That element is crucial to making this a success.
2. CNN Spanish: They (Marlene Fernandez/Michael Skol) are still smarting over their exclusion from the last roundtable and have asked to be first in line before the trip.
3. CBS Telenoticias: They are not pushing as hard as CNN but very much want to be included this time as well.
4. TeleGlobo/Idea TV: Globo is one of the largest TV networks in the world and is Brazil's leading media outlet. We should try to include them in anything we do.
5. Veja Magazine: Veja is Brazil's leading newsmagazine and has asked for an interview through Michael Kantor and Rahm. Worth trying to include them.
6. VenPres. This is Venezuela's state news agency. We should try to include them if we do a regional roundtable that includes print.
7. Artear magazine, Argentina. Pass.
8. O Globo, Brazil's largest daily. Worth considering if we do print.
9. O Estado de Sao Paulo, Brazil's N.Y. Times. Paolo Sotero is their bureau chief.
10. Noticias Magazine, Buenos Aires. Another news mag.

Other Requests

1. BBC-PBS Northern Ireland documentary series (for Frontline): We gave them Nancy Soderberg and Tony Lake on camera but they are asking for the President as well. Nancy recommends giving this request serious consideration. So do I.
3. BBC-PBS Israel-Arab documentary series: They are doing a big six-part series that Bruce Riedel thinks we ought to consider participating in. I agree.
4. Abba Eban MEPP documentary for PBS. Probably too late, since this is airing next month, but Bruce thought we should try to help Eban on this.
5. Knight-Ridder: K-R's bureau chief, Michael Zielenziger, has asked for an interview with POTUS on Asian issues before Jiang's visit. Good idea.

(continued)

6. **Bosnian TV:** No way, I'd say.
7. **Dallas Morning News** is doing a big multi-part package on landmines and the efforts to achieve a global ban. I suspect they're aiming for a Pulitzer. Susan Feeney has asked for a POTUS interview next month. We would want to get Bob Bell's advice on this one.
8. **Mark Little, RTE Irish TV/Radio** has a longstanding request to interview POTUS on the peace process. You have spoken to him about it and he is ever-hopeful.

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From: Piccone, Theodore J.
Sent: Monday, September 22, 1997 7:26 PM
To: Sandalow, David B.
Cc: Kinser-Kidane, Brenda J.; Hofmann, Karl W.
Subject: FW: Argentina/climate change - letter from Mac to Kohan [UNCLASSIFIED]

Some minor changes. Jim D. may have more in the morning.

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To: @INTERAM - Inter-American; Abdulmalik, April B.
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Mac spoke with Kohan this morning. My report (thru Nelson) was that Kohan took points on board but knew nothing of the issue (no surprise). Mac promised a follow-up letter by tomorrow.

Attached text for comments/clearance.



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April: Pls pass to Lael. Thx

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Please call me at X62131 to confirm receipt of this memo. Thanks in advance for all of your help.

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Background on Panama, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina

- Bios
- Background notes/Country profile
- U.S./[Panama, xx] Relations
- Political and Social Overview
- Economic overview
- Education
- Women's Issues*
- Involvement in the Fourth World Conference on Women*
- Population and Family Planning*
- Children's Issues*
- Health Issues
- Human Rights
- US Assistance
- Environment (where relevant)
- U.S. Embassy
- Etiquette (where relevant)

Events in Panama and South America

- Scenesters/event memos with Talking points
- Guest lists - Guest lists/Audiences descriptions should include titles and short bios and pronunciations (Full Bios for Gov't. officials, short bios/ descriptions for others, ie. -- clinic directors/administrators, discussion participants)



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Mr. President

The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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August 27, 1997

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to be considered for the opportunity to accompany you on your upcoming visit to Argentina, my homeland. I feel that I can share my expertise in the national and international policy of Argentina and health and human service issues.

I am currently Special Assistant to the Health Commissioner for Hispanic Affairs at the Chicago Department of Public Health, Office of Hispanic Affairs. In my capacity, I serve as a liaison to Hispanic community-based organizations. I am also Director of the Chicago Hispanic Health Coalition. The Coalition is composed of more than 400 community health groups, colleges, universities, voluntary health organizations, and a host of elected officials. The Coalition's goal is to work at the grassroots level to encourage individuals to become knowledgeable health consumers.

Currently, I am on the Board for the Chicago Sister Cities International Program. It was enacted by Mayor Richard J. Daley in 1991 to provide leadership to develop, manage and coordinate comprehensive international exchanges with Chicago's sister cities. It promotes exchanges in the areas of culture, trade and economic development, youth, education, recreation, medicine and technology. In addition, I am Chair of the Mexico City Public Health Committee and responsible for seeking medical supplies and equipment donations for disadvantaged hospitals in Mexico City. This responsibility is parallel to my vision of portability of care across the border, NAFTA, and Merco-Sur.

I hope to have the opportunity to accompany you to Argentina as a representative of our nation's Hispanic Community. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Esther Sciammarella

Special Assistant to the Health Commissioner for Hispanic Affairs
and Director, Chicago Hispanic Health Coalition





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DECLARATION ON COUNTER-NARCOTICS

1. ON SEPTEMBER 9, MINISTER CARLOS TABLANTE OF THE CNA (NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG COMMISSION) SENT AMBASSADOR A PROPOSED PRELIMINARY DRAFT FOR A JOINT DECLARATION ON NARCOTICS DURING THE UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL VISIT (PARA 2). SUBSEQUENTLY TABLANTE TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS HAD RECEIVED BUT HAD NOT YET COMMENTED UPON THIS DRAFT. EMBASSY WILL SEND COMMENTS SEPTEL.

2. BEGIN INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF COVER LETTER AND DRAFT DECLARATION:

CARACAS, SEPTEMBER 9, 1997
I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF ADDRESSING YOU AND TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRANSMIT A DRAFT "STRATEGIC ALLIANCE BETWEEN VENEZUELA AND THE UNITED STATES AGAINST THE PRODUCTION, TRAFFICKING, AND CONSUMPTION OF DRUGS AND MONEY LAUNDERING" TO BE SIGNED BY PRESIDENTS RAFAEL CALDERA RODRIGUEZ AND WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON IN OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR.

REMITTED FOR YOUR OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

SINCERELY, CARLOS TABLANTE HIDALGO, MINISTER

ATTACHED TEXT OF DRAFT DECLARATION:

A STRATEGIC ALLIANCE BETWEEN VENEZUELA AND THE UNITED STATES AGAINST THE PRODUCTION, TRAFFICKING, AND CONSUMPTION OF DRUGS AND MONEY LAUNDERING

CARACAS, OCTOBER 12, 1997

THE PRESIDENTS OF VENEZUELA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CONCERNED BY THE LEVEL THE DRUG PHENOMENON HAS REACHED IN ALL OF ITS MANIFESTATIONS, AND CONVINCED OF THE NECESSITY TO CONFRONT THIS PROBLEM, PLACE GREAT IMPORTANCE ON BILATERAL COOPERATION AS A MEANS TO COMBAT EFFECTIVELY THE PRODUCTION, TRAFFICKING AND CONSUMPTION OF DRUGS AND MONEY LAUNDERING WHICH REPRESENT AN OBSTACLE TO THE HARMONIOUS DEVELOPMENT OF OUR RESPECTIVE SOCIETIES.

IT IS A VERIFIABLE FACT THAT BOTH NATIONS HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL TIES--BOTH BILATERAL AS WELL AS MULTI-LATERAL--IN THIS AREA.

HISTORICALLY, BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE MAINTAINED A LONG TRADITION OF COOPERATION TO ELIMINATE THE DRUG PROBLEM WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE "1961 SINGLE COVENTION REGARDING NARCOTICS" AND SUBSEQUENT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS INCLUDING "THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION CONVENTION AGAINST ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES OF 1988." BILATERAL RELATIONS (SIC) WERE INITIATED IN 1974 WHEN AN AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT IN CARACAS OF A REGIONAL OFFICE OF THE U.S. DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. MORE RECENTLY IN THE DECADES OF THE EIGHTIES AND NINETIES, ACCORDS AND MEMORANDA HAVE BEEN SIGNED IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT BINATIONAL ACTIONS IN STEP WITH THE STEADY GROWTH OF THE TRANSNATIONAL DRUG INDUSTRY.

COOPERATION BETWEEN VENEZUELA AND THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN GROUNDED IN A NECESSITY TO UNDERTAKE THIS PROBLEM ON A BASIS OF AN EQUAL RELATIONSHIP, USING AS A GUIDANCE THE PRINCIPLES CONTAINED IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, ESPECIALLY THOSE REFERRING TO RESPECT FOR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY, NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES, STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THE RULE OF LAW, THE PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES, THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND THE UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 CARACAS 003314

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY.

THE PRESIDENTS OF VENEZUELA AND THE UNITED STATES, RECOGNIZING THE GLOBAL PROBLEM BY MEANS OF THE PRESENT DECLARATION, AGREE TO INSTRUCT THE APPROPRIATE NATIONAL BODIES TO FORMULATE A JOINT COUNTER DRUG STRATEGY DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE DEMAND FOR, SUPPLY OF, AND TRAFFICKING IN ILLICIT DRUG SUBSTANCES, THE DIVERSION OF ESSENTIAL AND PRECURSOR CHEMICALS, AND MONEY LAUNDERING. ACTING IN A JOINT MANNER, THEY COMMIT THEMSELVES TO IMPLEMENTING THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO ACCOMPLISH THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- 1) INTENSIFY BINATIONAL ACTIONS AIMED AT IMPROVING GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS THROUGH PROGRAMS INCLUDING MODERNIZATION OF THE JUDICIARY, CUSTOMS AND STATE SECURITY AGENCIES.
- 2) REDUCE THE DEMAND FOR ILLICIT DRUGS BY REINFORCING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND PUBLIC PREVENTION CAMPAIGNS.
- 3) INCREASE THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG

SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO PERMIT THE REALIZATION OF COORDINATED OPERATIONS DESIGNED TO DESTROY CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ARREST THEIR PRINCIPAL MEMBERS.

4) CONTROL ESSENTIAL AND PRECURSOR CHEMICALS TO PREVENT THEIR DIVERSION, USING AS A FUNDAMENTAL BASE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOTH GOVERNMENTS IN 1992 REGARDING STEPS TO ELIMINATE CHEMICAL DIVERSION, PRODUCTION OF NARCOTICS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES SIGNED BY BOTH COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS EXPANDING THE LIST OF SUBSTANCES UNDER THE ABOVE AGREEMENT.

5) STRENGTHEN THEIR TECHNICAL AND OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES TO INTERRUPT DRUG TRAFFIC FLOWS BY AIR, LAND AND SEA.

6) IMPROVE ALL MARITIME INTERDICTION EFFORTS AND IN SO DOING THEY WILL EXECUTE EFFECTIVELY THE AGREEMENT TO ELIMINATE THE ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC OF NARCOTICS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES BY SEA IN 1991 AND ITS ASSOCIATED PROTOCOL OF 1997.

7) AUGMENT EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS THROUGH TRAINING COURSES, SEMINARS AND VISITS MADE BY EXPERTS ON SUCH MATTERS.

8) STRENGTHEN EXISTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS TO DETECT MONEY LAUNDERING IN BOTH COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THE "AGREEMENT TO COOPERATE IN THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF MONEY LAUNDERING ORIGINATING FROM TRAFFICKING OF ILLICIT NARCOTICS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES," SIGNED IN 1992, IN ORDER TO EXPAND EXISTING LAWS TO INCLUDE PROFITS FROM CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OTHER THAN DRUG TRAFFICKING.

9) STRENGTHEN NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS RESPONSIBLE FOR COUNTER NARCOTICS MATTERS, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS OF EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, INTERDICTION, CONTROL AND INVESTIGATION.

10) REVISE THE EXTRADITION TREATY OF 1922 OF NEW TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ORGANIZED CRIME.

11) COLLABORATE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXISTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS TO CONFISCATE PROPERTIES ORIGINATING FROM DRUG TRAFFICKING AND TO USE THEM IN PREVENTION PROGRAMS, TREATMENT, REHABILITATION, AND CONTROL AND REDUCTION OF NARCOTIC PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES.

12) PROMOTE INITIATIVES AIMED AT SUPPRESSING
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CRIMES RELATED TO DRUG TRAFFICKING SUCH AS
SMUGGLING OF ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, GUERRILLAS,
TERRORISM AND CORRUPTION.

13) WORK JOINTLY FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE SPECIAL
SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON
ILLCIT DRUGS WHICH WILL BE HELD IN JUNE 1998.

THE TWO HEADS OF STATE PLEDGE ALL THEIR SUPPORT
FOR THIS BILATERAL ALLIANCE, IN ORDER TO FREE OUR
TWO COUNTRIES OF DRUGS BY THE 21ST CENTURY.

RAFAEL CALDERA RODRIGUEZ
WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON

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OPIC's new President George Muñoz has made Latin America a top-priority and would like to participate in the President's upcoming trip to Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela.

The attached memo includes potential site visits, announcements and signings that may be useful for the trip. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or to get further information.

**Possible Announcements and Site Visits:
Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela**

“...To keep America growing, to keep America leading, we have to continue to create high-wage jobs, and to do that, we must continue to expand American exports. After all, 95 percent of the world's consumers live beyond our borders... in the coming century... emerging markets in Latin America and Asia are expected to grow three times as fast as our own – and their demand for United States goods and services is already taking off. If we don't seize these new opportunities, our competitors surely will.”

President Clinton, Radio Address, August 23, 1997

OPIC's new President and CEO, George Muñoz, sees President Clinton's upcoming trip as an excellent opportunity to showcase the positive benefits – for everyone - derived from direct U.S. investment in Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela. There are a number of OPIC projects – new and existing – that present ideal opportunities for President Clinton to illustrate the importance of Latin American markets.

In South America alone, OPIC is providing more than \$6.3 billion in political risk insurance and financing to projects that help America expand its presence abroad. These projects represent 36% of OPIC's global portfolio. South America is clearly an important region to OPIC, and Venezuela, Argentina and Brazil are three of the most attractive markets for U.S. investors. In these countries, OPIC is providing \$823 million in direct project financing for 19 projects and nearly \$2.9 billion in political risk insurance to some 61 projects.

Mr. Muñoz is committed to continuing to use OPIC support for U.S. investments to demonstrate the Administration's commitment to expanded U.S. trade and investment in South America. Moreover, in recognition of the changing foreign investment climate throughout Latin America, OPIC President Muñoz is spearheading an effort to develop new OPIC finance products, particularly to assist U.S. small businesses. OPIC projects, big and small alike, create jobs and economic growth in Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela, as well as here at home.

Attachment

Argentina

In Argentina, OPIC is currently providing \$421 million in financing for 8 projects, and more than \$1.1 billion in political risk insurance to some 25 projects. These projects are helping Argentina build a strong and stable economic infrastructure. In fact, while in Buenos Aires, President Clinton will be staying at the Sheraton Hotel. In 1990, a \$34 million OPIC loan helped Sheraton expand its Buenos Aires facilities. As a result of this and other OPIC-assisted projects that have had a demonstrably positive effect on the local economy, Argentina's President, Carlos Saul Menem has been a vocal supporter of OPIC. The following projects are remarkable examples of the success of OPIC support in Argentina and offer potential site visit and signing ceremony opportunities for President Clinton.

Potential Signing Ceremony - CMS Generation Co.

Backed with \$50 million in OPIC political risk insurance, CMS Generation Co. will invest up to \$264 million in the privatization and expansion of a 386-megawatt oil and gas-fired electric generation facility in Mendoza, Argentina. This project, Centrales Termicas Mendoza, will result in \$419 million in local procurement and is one of two CMS projects in Argentina currently supported by OPIC.

Message: U.S. private investment in the power sector creates local jobs, fuels American exports, and provides Argentina with the energy necessary to grow.

Potential Site Visit - BellSouth/Motorola Cellular Phone Joint Venture

In 1988, BellSouth and Motorola formed a joint venture in Buenos Aires to develop the first private cellular phone system in the country. Backed with more than \$55 million in combined OPIC financing and political risk insurance, this project paved the way for later Argentine privatization and deregulation of the telecommunications sector. Buoyed by the success, OPIC provided an additional \$14 million for the system's 1991 expansion. This joint venture has generated more than \$250 million in U.S. exports from more than 240 equipment suppliers across the U.S.

Message: Bringing down barriers to foreign investment in the telecommunications sector connects Argentina to the world.

Brazil

OPIC is currently providing \$395 million in financing to ten projects and more than \$1.4 billion in political risk insurance to some 27 projects in Brazil. These projects, which include the manufacturing, telecommunications, power, oil and gas, and the financial service sectors, are expected to create thousands of Brazilian and American jobs. Two of these projects, one in the state of Rio de Janeiro and one in the state of Sao Paulo, offer site visit opportunities and are especially notable for the positive impact on the local economy.

Potential Site Visit - State of Rio de Janeiro: AES, Houston Industries Energy ("LIGHT")

OPIC provided \$200 million in political risk insurance for the Light Servicos de Electricidade, SA ("LIGHT") project, one of the largest power privatizations in the world, and the first major privatization in Brazil's electricity sector. This privatization resulted in the Government of Brazil selling its controlling interest in the utility for \$1.73 billion. LIGHT is the electricity generating, transmission and distribution company that serves the city of Rio de Janeiro and 27 other municipalities in southeastern Brazil. MIGA, AIG and Lloyds of London all participated in this highly successful project.

Message: Privatization is opening the door for U.S. participation in Brazil's multi-billion dollar energy sector while helping Brazil achieve its energy needs.

Potential Site Visit - Sao Paulo: Three adjacent factories (buns, beef and chicken, and distribution) supply McDonald's restaurants throughout Brazil

Three Chicago-based companies are using OPIC financing to expand their operations as suppliers to McDonald's throughout Brazil. The first, Fresh Start Bakeries Industrial Ltd., is the exclusive hamburger bun baker for McDonald's Corporation restaurants in Brazil. In 1991, when OPIC provided the initial financing for Fresh Start, the company was a U.S. small business. A 1996 \$14 million OPIC Investment Guaranty helped finance their subsequent expansion. The company was recently purchased by the Campbell's Soup Company, and its Brazilian Fresh Start baking operations rank among the largest in the country. The second project, Braslo Produtos de Carne, Ltda. ("Braslo") is the exclusive supplier of beef and chicken to McDonald's in Brazil. Braslo is expanding their facilities with \$10 million in OPIC financing. The third related project receiving OPIC financing is Brapelco Comercio, a small business that handles distribution for McDonalds throughout Brazil.

Message: International growth of a big business is helping other U.S. businesses to grow.

Venezuela

OPIC is currently providing nearly \$370 million in political risk insurance and financing to nine projects in Venezuela. Three OPIC projects, in particular, could be useful in illustrating a number of positive themes during the President's trip.

Potential Signing Ceremony - WilPro Energy Services

OPIC expects to commit a \$165 million loan guaranty to WilPro Energy Services for a major gas compression project. The project will result in significantly enhanced oil recovery in the El Furial field in northeastern Venezuela, one of the country's largest. Importantly, the project will facilitate compliance with Venezuelan environmental laws restricting the flaring of gas. WilPro is sponsored by two U.S. industry leaders in gas compression and pipelines - The Williams Companies of Oklahoma and Production Operators Corp. of Texas, a subsidiary of Texas-based Camco International. The project, WilPro's first significant investment overseas, will procure millions of dollars in goods and services from companies across the U.S., including contracting services from Missouri, compression equipment from Ohio, piping from California and motors from Texas. Further, the project represents one of the first foreign investments in the oil sector to be developed on a build, own, and operate basis.

Message: Protecting the environment and developing energy resources can be compatible.

Success Story - Pride Petroleum Services

In 1994, OPIC provided \$50 million in political risk insurance to Pride Petroleum Services ("Pride") for its investment in a project involving the acquisition and expansion of an oil well drilling company in Venezuela. At that time, Pride was a small Houston-based business with \$100 million in revenues and 2,000 employees. In May 1997, Pride reported that, largely as a result of OPIC's support, the project's revenues and number of employees had grown to \$700 million and 9,000 respectively.

Message: Small businesses can become big players by investing abroad.

Potential Site-Visit and/or Signing -- PDVSA

A joint venture between California-based SAIC and a subsidiary of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PDVSA), the state petroleum company of Venezuela, will supply information technology including hardware and software procurement, computer applications development and support, information technology training, help desk support, and computer system security to PDVSA. This venture is the second major outsourcing for PDVSA, helping the company to privatize and outsource many of its functions. OPIC expects to provide \$25 million in insurance coverage to this project.

Message: Information technology is helping to make privatization possible.

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Subject: ARGENTINA-CLINTON

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BUENOS AIRES (Reuter). - Argentina will ask President Clinton when he visits next month to pressure Britain to negotiate over the future of the Falkland Islands, Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella told a newspaper Friday.

"He isn't going to ask him to mediate, but for him to renew the commitment that the United States assumed when it voted in favor of U.N. resolutions calling for Argentina and Great Britain to return to negotiations," Di Tella said.

Argentina has claimed the islands for more than 150 years. The former military junta briefly snatched them back from Britain in 1982, but lost them again after a 10-week war in which 1,000 soldiers from both sides were killed.

Clinton is due to make an official visit to Venezuela, Brazil and Argentina from Oct. 12-19.

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From: Hofmann, Karl W.
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SOURCE: Caracas El Nacional (Internet version) in Spanish
13 Sep 97

TEXT:

[Report by Javier Ignacio Mayorca]

[FBIS Translated Text] During US President Bill Clinton's forthcoming visit to Venezuela, the two countries will sign a commitment letter entitled "Strategic Alliance Against the Production, Traffic, and Use of Drugs and the Legitimation of Assets" [Alianza Estrategica Contra la Produccion, Trafico, Consumo de Drogas y Legitimacion de Capitales].

Officials from the Venezuelan Foreign Ministry, National Drug Commission, and US Embassy in Caracas worked together to prepare the first draft of this document.

Thus, the text could suffer some changes before the US President actually arrives in the country. Initially, Caldera and Clinton declare "concern with the expansion of drugs in all its manifestations and, convinced of the need to confront this problem, give great importance to bilateral cooperation as a means to effectively combat" all facets of this illegal industry, which "represents an obstacle to the harmonic development of their respective societies."

The Alliance contains the main multilateral treaties signed by both countries in regards to this issue: the 1961 Convention and the 1988 Vienna Convention. In the bilateral sphere, it includes the first diplomatic effort, an agreement reached in Caracas in 1974, that allowed the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to open a regional office in the country.

"The Venezuela-US cooperation efforts have been structured on the need to broach this problem based on equitable relations and managing initiatives in accordance to the principles established in the UN and OAS Charters, especially those that refer to national sovereignty, non-interference in the internal affairs of the States, strict observance of the legal order, peaceful solution of controversies, and the promotion of international cooperation and

shared responsibility," the document indicates.

13-Point Strategy [Subhead]

In this pact, Venezuela and the United States acknowledge the comprehensiveness of the drug problem and agree to instruct their local organization on the need to advance a Joint Strategy "geared to reduce the demand, offer and traffic of illegal substances; deviation of chemicals and precursors; and legitimization of assets."

Clinton and Caldera will propose 13 points as the alliance's specific objectives:

- 1) Intensify programs geared to up-date the Judicial Branch, customs and State security organizations.
- 2) Reduce the demand for illegal drugs by furthering education programs and public drug prevention campaigns.
- 3) Increase the exchange of information between the security organizations of both countries "to allow coordinated operations aimed at the destruction of criminal organizations and the arrest of its main members."
- 4) Stop the deviation of precursors and chemicals that are necessary to manufacture drugs, in compliance with the 1992 agreement on the subject, "as well as increase the list of controlled substances in that agreement."
- 5) Reinforce technical and operative capabilities in regards to land, air and maritime interdiction.
- 6) Improve the treaties that control the activity described in the previous point.
- 7) Increase training and technical cooperation programs.
- 8) Strengthen laws and regulations to detect the legitimization of assets in both countries. It is here proposed that this crime be linked to other organized crime activities, separate from drug trafficking.
- 9) Increase support to national institutions involved in the struggle against drugs "especially in regards to exchange of information, interdiction, and control and investigation activities."
- 10) Review the 1922 Extradition Treaty, in virtue of the new multinational criminal activities of Organized Crime.
- 11) Cooperate in the implementation of laws leading to the confiscation of assets produced by drug trafficking organizations, which are "to be used in programs related to the prevention, treatment, rehabilitation, control, and repression of narcotics and psychotropic substances."
- 12) Propitiate initiatives to attack "drug-related crime" such as: contraband of weapons and explosives, guerrilla groups, terrorism, and corruption.
- 13) Make a joint effort to ensure the success of the Special UN Assembly on Illegal Drugs, which is to be held in New York in June 1998.

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1. (U) DCM AND POLCOUNS MET SEPTEMBER 15 WITH ALLIANCE OPPOSITION REPS TO DISCUSS THE COMPOSITION OF A POSSIBLE OPPOSITION MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON DURING HIS OCTOBER 15-17 VISIT TO BUENOS AIRES.

2. (SBU) BOTH UCR PRESIDENT ADOLFO TERRAGNO AND FREPASO DEPUTY DARIO ALESSANDRO (SITTING IN FOR AILING FREPASO PRESIDENT CARLOS "CHACHO" ALVAREZ) SAW A NEED TO KEEP THE MEETING LIMITED TO A FAIRLY SMALL GROUP, IN THE INTEREST OF PROMOTING AN EFFECTIVE DIALOGUE. EACH URGED THAT THE OPPOSITION BE REPRESENTED BY THE ALLIANCE'S NATIONAL COMMITTEE, COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

- CARLOS "CHACHO" ALVAREZ (FREPASO PRESIDENT)
- RODOLFO TERRAGNO (UCR PRESIDENT)
- RAUL ALFONSIN (FORMER UCR PRESIDENT OF ARGENTINA)
- FERNANDO DE LA RUA (UCR MAYOR OF BUENOS AIRES)
- GRACIELA FERNANDEZ MEIJIDE (FREPASO SENATOR FROM BUENOS AIRES)

(COMMENT: WE RECOMMEND THE ALLIANCE LIST. THERE ARE OTHER OPPOSITION PARTIES THAT WOULD DOUBTLESS WELCOME TIME WITH THE PRESIDENT. ONE THAT HAS SPECIFICALLY ASKED IS LED BY FORMER ECONOMY MINISTER DOMINGO CAVALLO. THE POLLING STRENGTH OF THESE SMALLER PARTIES, HOWEVER, DOES NOT COMPARE WITH THAT OF THE ALLIANCE. END COMMENT.)

3. (U) TERRAGNO POINTED OUT THAT NOT EVERYONE ON THE ALLIANCE'S LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH. HE URGED THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION, IN THE INTEREST OF MAKING THE MOST OF THE LIMITED TIME THE GROUP MIGHT HAVE WITH THE PRESIDENT.
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Subject: PRESIDENT CLINTON'S OCTOBER VISIT TO VENEZUELA

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- PRESS SUMMARY, 9/6-14/97

1. FOLLOWING IS THE SECOND IN A SERIES OF PERIODIC SUMMARIES OF RECENT VENEZUELAN PRESS ACCOUNTS RELEVANT TO THE PRESIDENT'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO VENEZUELA AND THE ISSUES THAT FORM PART OF THE ENVIRONMENT. SPECULATION CONTINUES TO MOUNT OVER AGREEMENTS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE SIGNED AND THERE ARE REPORTS THAT VENEZUELA WANTS TO EXCLUDE MAJOR INDUSTRIES FROM AN INVESTMENT TREATY.

2. VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. PEDRO LUIS ECHEVERRIA WAS IN CARACAS THIS WEEK, CONSULTING WITH THE PRESIDENT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND MAKING HIMSELF AVAILABLE TO THE MEDIA. WITH NO INFORMATION COMING FROM THE U.S. SIDE, ECHEVERRIA HAD THE FIELD TO HIMSELF IN TERMS OF WHAT VENEZUELAN WERE HEARING ABOUT THE UPCOMING VISIT.

THE AGREEMENTS -- INVESTMENT TREATY A NON-STARTER?

3. JUDGING FROM PRESS REPORTS, VENEZUELA SEEMS TO HAVE FIXED ON FOURTEEN AS THE NUMBER OF AGREEMENTS ON THE TABLE FOR THE OCTOBER VISIT, AND "TWELVE OF THEM ARE READY TO BE SIGNED," ECHEVERRIA WAS QUOTED AS SAYING IN POPULAR TABLOID "ULTIMAS NOTICIAS" ON SEPTEMBER 11. THE PAPER MENTIONED THE DOUBLE TAXATION AND INVESTMENT PROTECTION TREATIES AS THE DOUBTFUL TWO, BECAUSE THE PROPOSED AGREEMENTS WOULD REQUIRE "CERTAIN LAWS TO PUT THEM INTO EFFECT. WE ARE READY TO ESTABLISH WITH THE U.S. A WORK TIMELINE LEADING TO THE SIGNING OF AN AGREEMENT WHICH, UNFORTUNATELY, WON'T BE READY BY THE TIME OF THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT."

4. ECHEVERRIA TOLD LEFT-OF-CENTER DAILY "EL GLOBO" THAT, ALTHOUGH MUCH OF THE GROUNDWORK ALREADY HAS BEEN LAID, AN INVESTMENT PROTECTION TREATY WOULDN'T BE READY FOR TWO OR THREE MONTHS. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT SUCH A TREATY WOULD BE IN VENEZUELA'S INTERESTS BECAUSE IT "UNQUESTIONABLY WOULD PUT US AT THE SAME COMPETITIVE LEVEL AS OTHER COUNTRIES WHO ARE TRYING TO ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTMENT. WITH RESPECT TO THE AGREEMENT TO ELIMINATE DOUBLE TAXATION, JUST IMAGINE THE ADVANTAGES THAT WOULD MEAN FOR THOSE COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SUCH AN AGREEMENT: AN INVESTOR, HERE OR IN THE U.S., WOULD HAVE TO PAY TAXES IN ONLY ONE COUNTRY..."

5. ACCORDING TO LEADING CONSERVATIVE NATIONAL DAILY "EL UNIVERSAL," ECHEVERRIA DIDN'T RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SIGNING AN INVESTMENT TREATY, BUT NOTED THAT "WE ARE IN THE NEGOTIATING STAGES, AND PROBABLY WON'T FINISH BY THE TIME PRESIDENT CLINTON ARRIVES. IT'S NOT THAT WE HAVE REJECTED THE POSSIBILITY, BUT...THERE ARE LEGISLATIVE AND TECHNICAL OBSTACLES" TO AN INVESTMENT PROTECTION TREATY. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT PART OF THE PROBLEM WAS VENEZUELA'S DELAY IN ACTING, BUT ADDED THAT VENEZUELA HAD NOT YET RECEIVED RESPONSES TO "CERTAIN QUESTIONS" ABOUT THE TREATY, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT OF MOST-FAVORED NATION STATUS.

A PROTECTIONIST INVESTMENT TREATY?

6. INFLUENTIAL LEFT-OF-CENTER NATIONAL DAILY "EL NACIONAL" REPORTED ON SEPT. 12 THAT VENEZUELA WANTS TO EXCLUDE THE OIL AND GAS, STEEL, AND OTHER "STRATEGIC" INDUSTRIES FROM ANY BILATERAL TRADE AGREEMENT, MEANING THAT VENEZUELAN COMPANIES WOULD CONTINUE TO RECEIVE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN THOSE AREAS. THE ARTICLE ADDED THAT A DRAFT WORKING PAPER WOULD BE SENT NO LATER THAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 FROM THE VENEZUELAN MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE TO USTR BARSHEFSKY. THE NEWS PROMPTED ENGLISH-LANGUAGE "THE DAILY JOURNAL," WIDELY READ IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, TO RUN A COMMENTARY HEADLINED "VENEZUELA SHOOTS ITSELF IN THE FOOT LIKE NOBODY ELSE ON EARTH." COLUMNIST MICHAEL ROWAN CALLS EXCLUSION OF THESE LARGE INDUSTRIAL AREAS "PATENTLY ABSURD" AND NOTES THAT "VENEZUELA HAS SIGNED BILATERAL TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH HALF A DOZEN NATIONS. NONE OF THESE CONTAINS THE (EXCLUSION) AMENDMENT PROPOSED FOR THE AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S....PRESIDENT CLINTON IS ON A MISSION OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE IN LATIN AMERICA. HE IS WORKING FOR 'FAST TRACK' TRADE AGREEMENTS WHICH GROW THE LATIN ECONOMIES, REDUCE POVERTY AND REINVIGORATE AMERICAN EXPORTS...BEING SNUBBED BY VENEZUELA DOES NOT GIVE CLINTON THE MOMENTUM HE NEEDS IN ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE, OR BACK IN WASHINGTON..."

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IF NOT A TREATY, HOW ABOUT AN MOU?

7. ON SEPTEMBER 11, "EL NACIONAL" SAID THAT PRESIDENTS CLINTON AND CALDERA WOULD SIGN A "MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING" TO AGREE TO AN INVESTMENT PROTECTION TREATY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE ARTICLE SAID THAT ECHEVERRIA HAD DECLARED DEFINITELY THAT A TREATY WOULD NOT BE SIGNED. THE ARTICLE ALSO QUOTED VENEZUELAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (VENAMCHAM) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TONY HERRERA AS SAYING, "THERE'S ENOUGH TIME; ALL THAT'S LACKING IS THE (VENEZUELAN) POLITICAL WILL."

WHAT ABOUT DRUGS?

8. "EL UNIVERSAL" ON SEPTEMBER 11 NOTED THAT "THE U.S.

AMBASSADOR IN CARACAS HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE INFLUENCE OF DRUG MONEY IN ELECTORAL CAMPAIGNS" AND ASKED ECHEVERRIA WHETHER AN AGREEMENT IN THIS AREA WOULD BE SIGNED. ECHEVERRIA REPLIED, "I KNOW AMBASSADOR MAISTO IS CONCERNED, BUT THE PRIMARY CONCERN COMES FROM OUR GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE IMPORTANCE OF A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE FINANCING OF ELECTORAL CAMPAIGNS...BUT WE HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT SIGNING A TREATY."

9. ON SEPTEMBER 13, "EL NACIONAL" DECLARED THAT PRESIDENT CLINTON WOULD SIGN A 13-POINT "STRATEGIC COUNTERNARCOTICS ALLIANCE" AGREEMENT WITH VENEZUELA, TO INCLUDE JUDICIAL, CUSTOMS AND SECURITY REFORM; DEMAND REDUCTION EFFORTS; INTELLIGENCE EXCHANGE; INTERDICTION COOPERATION; AND OTHER AREAS OF COOPERATION.
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PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL TO SOUTH AMERICA

AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 18, 1997

1. Deliverables – Update (Dobbins)

Fast Track (Radd)
Climate Change (Sandalow)
2. President's Travel Schedule – Review (Rosenthal/A. Steinberg/Graham)

Highlights/Outstanding Issues:

Venezuela	Energy meeting/event format Speech site Congressional Leaders meeting
Brazil	Brasilia – Ministerial level Peru-Ecuador talks Meeting with Congress? location? Sao Paulo - Speech site Rio - Event site
Argentina	Buenos Aires - Wreath Laying Town Hall Meeting site Business breakfast

Iguazu Falls & Bariloche – Environment event
3. First Lady's Travel Schedule - Review (Solis/Huffman)
- Panama
4. Delegations –

Cabinet (Balderston)
Codel (Leg Affairs)
5. Communications Ramp Up – (Lewis/Blinken/Leavy)

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1. (U) FOLLOWING ARE THE MISSION'S SUGGESTIONS FOR
ACTIVITIES FOR THE FIRST LADY IN BUENOS AIRES BASED ON
THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRE-ADVANCE TEAM DURING THEIR
SEPTEMBER 4-5 VISIT. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT AT
THIS TIME, NO/NO SEPARATE OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES ARE
CONTEMPLATED FOR THE FIRST LADY IN IGUAZU FALLS OR
BARILOCHE.

2. (U) AFTER AN EVENING ARRIVAL ON OCTOBER 15 WITH NO

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FORMAL AGENDA, MRS. CLINTON WOULD HAVE A SEPARATE
SCHEDULE ON OCTOBER 16, REJOINING THE PRESIDENT IN THE
EVENING FOR A STATE DINNER HOSTED BY PRESIDENT MENEM.
ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 17, MRS. CLINTON COULD
ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT TO MEET WITH EMBASSY EMPLOYEES
PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR IGUAZU FALLS.

3. (U) FOR MRS. CLINTON'S SEPARATE SCHEDULE ON OCTOBER
16, WE SUGGEST A MAJOR SPEECH, A ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION
WITH PROMINENT WOMEN, AND, TIME PERMITTING, A VISIT TO A
SCHOOL OR A SOCIAL WELFARE PROJECT INVOLVING WOMEN AND
CHILDREN. SIGHTSEEING OPTIONS ARE SUGGESTED IN PARA 7.

4. (SBU) MAJOR SPEECH

- VENUE: WE SUGGEST THAT MRS. CLINTON SPEAK ON THE
ISSUES OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY
OF BUENOS AIRES LAW SCHOOL IN THE "SALON DE ACTOS", AN
AUDITORIUM WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF 850. THIS EVENT
WOULD PROVIDE THE FIRST LADY AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AT
A NATIONAL UNIVERSITY IN ARGENTINA, WHICH HAS A LONG AND
PROUD TRADITION OF PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION. THE
UNIVERSITY PROPOSES GRANTING MRS. CLINTON AN "HONORARY
PROFESSORSHIP." INVITEES TO THE EVENT WOULD INCLUDE
UNIVERSITY FACULTY AND STUDENTS, AS WELL AS
REPRESENTATIVES FROM NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS,
GOVERNMENT, AND BUSINESS.

- AN ALTERNATIVE SPEECH SITE IS THE NATIONAL LIBRARY. WHILE ALSO A PRESTIGIOUS VENUE, IT HAS A LIMITED SEATING CAPACITY, WITH FIXED SEATS FOR 220 AND FOLDING CHAIRS AND STANDING ROOM FOR UP TO 100 MORE. EMBASSY AND PRE-ADVANCE CONSIDERED AND RULED OUT SEVERAL OTHER SPEECH VENUES, INCLUDING THE SAN MARTIN THEATRE, THE DECORATIVE ARTS MUSEUM, THE "CONCEJO DELIBERANTE" (CITY COUNCIL), AND THE NATIONAL LEGISLATORS' CIRCLE OF CONGRESS.

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- CO-SPONSOR: WE SUGGEST THAT THE "CONSEJO NACIONAL DE LA MUJER" (NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN), A GOVERNMENTAL UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION ENCOMPASSING LEGISLATORS, NGOS, SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES, UNIONS, AND OTHER GROUPS WORKING TO ACHIEVE EQUALITY FOR WOMEN, CO-SPONSOR AND ASSIST IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE EVENT.

- THEME: ARGENTINA HAS A LONG HISTORY AT THE FOREFRONT IN LATIN AMERICA ON THE ISSUES OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND EQUALITY. A SPEECH BY MRS. CLINTON ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES WOULD HIGHLIGHT THE PROGRESS ALREADY MADE IN OUR COUNTRIES AND REINFORCE EFFORTS TO MEET THE CHALLENGES THAT STILL LIE AHEAD. IN ADDITION, WITH EDUCATION HIGH ON THE AGENDA OF THE SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS, MRS. CLINTON'S SPEECH COULD EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF QUALITY PUBLIC EDUCATION, THE ROLE OF EDUCATION IN OBTAINING EQUAL RIGHTS FOR WOMEN, AND THE ROLE OF SCHOOLS IN PROMOTING CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY. FINALLY, WITHIN THE EDUCATION SUB-THEME, THE SPEECH COULD HIGHLIGHT THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM TO ENHANCING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA, LOCAL INSTITUTIONS, AND U.S. AND ARGENTINE BUSINESSES FOR THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA.

- NOTE: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS PERSISTENTLY VOICED CONCERN OVER THE RISK OF DEMONSTRATIONS AT THE UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 BUENOS AIRES 004615

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UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES, A POLITICIZED INSTITUTION GENERALLY CONTROLLED BY THE PRINCIPAL OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTY, THE RADICAL CIVIC UNION. POSSIBLE CO-SPONSOR THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN, WHICH REPORTS TO THE PRESIDENCY AND IS ALIGNED WITH THE RULING JUSTICIALIST PARTY, AND THE DEAN OF THE LAW SCHOOL HAVE DISCOUNTED THE POSSIBILITY OF DEMONSTRATIONS. WHEN PRESIDENT CHIRAC SPOKE AT THE LAW SCHOOL EARLIER THIS YEAR, TWO ANTI-NUCLEAR DEMONSTRATORS WITH SIGNS WERE PRESENT. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT SOME FORM OF DEMONSTRATION (AS LIKELY DIRECTED AT THE MENEM

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ADMINISTRATION AS AT THE U.S.) CANNOT BE RULED OUT, BUT ALSO SEES CONSIDERABLE BENEFIT IN THE SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION WHICH WOULD BE IMPLIED BY MRS. CLINTON SPEAKING AT THE UNIVERSITY.

5. (U) ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION

- A ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION WOULD PROVIDE MRS. CLINTON AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH 12-15 PROMINENT ARGENTINE WOMEN REPRESENTING NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, JOURNALISM, AND THE ARTS. PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS COULD BE PRESENT AT THE OPENING OF THE ROUND TABLE, WITH PRINT MEDIA, IF DESIRED, REMAINING THROUGHOUT.

- IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING FROM THE PRE-ADVANCE THAT A STAND-ALONE ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION, WITHOUT LUNCHEON, IS PREFERABLE AND THAT NO OFFICIAL EVENT OVER THE LUNCH HOUR IS BEING CONTEMPLATED AT THIS TIME.

- IF MRS. CLINTON'S SPEECH TAKES PLACE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES, THE NATIONAL LIBRARY'S CONFERENCE ROOM ("SALON JULIO CORTAZAR") COULD BE THE VENUE OF THE ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION.

- OTHER POSSIBLE ROUND-TABLE VENUES VISITED BY THE PRE-ADVANCE TEAM ARE THE DECORATIVE ARTS MUSEUM, THE LIBRARY OF THE "CONCEJO DELIBERANTE" (CITY COUNCIL), AND A RECEPTION AREA OF THE COLON THEATRE. UNFORTUNATELY, THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, WHICH WOULD BE IDEAL FOR THIS EVENT, IS CLOSED FOR EXTENSIVE RENOVATIONS.

6. (U) VISIT TO SCHOOL OR SOCIAL WELFARE PROJECT

- TIME PERMITTING, MRS. CLINTON COULD VISIT A SCHOOL

WHERE JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT, WHICH WAS INTRODUCED IN ARGENTINA IN 1991 AND IS SUPPORTED BY SEVERAL U.S. FIRMS, IS OPERATING. ONE POSSIBILITY (SEEN BY THE PRE-ADVANCE) IS THE "COLEGIO SUPERIOR DE COMERCIO NO.3 HIPOLITO VIEYTES", A TYPICAL PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN THE TRADITIONAL MIDDLE CLASS NEIGHBORHOOD OF CABALLITO. THE FIRST LADY COULD OBSERVE A CLASSROOM DEMONSTRATION OF A JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT AND, IF DESIRED, MEET BRIEFLY WITH THE LARGER STUDENT BODY IN THE SCHOOL'S AUDITORIUM.

- ALTERNATIVELY, MRS. CLINTON COULD VISIT A SOCIAL WELFARE PROJECT INVOLVING WOMEN AND/OR CHILDREN. THE NATIONAL SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT IS DEVELOPING SUGGESTIONS FOR A NUMBER OF POSSIBLE SITES; MISSION WILL FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS DIRECTLY TO THE FIRST LADY'S SCHEDULING OFFICE.

7. (U) SIGHTSEEING AND CULTURAL OPTIONS

THE FOLLOWING ARE AMONG THE OTR ACTIVITIES WHICH COULD BE ARRANGED FOR MRS. CLINTON ON SHORT NOTICE.

- THE FIRST LADY COULD TOUR THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, INCLUDING ITS EXCELLENT PERMANENT COLLECTION OF WORKS BY ARGENTINE ARTISTS.

- ANOTHER OPTION IS THE HISTORIC "ISAAC FERNANDEZ BLANCO HISPANOAMERICANO MUSEUM", WHICH HOUSES AN IMPRESSIVE
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COLLECTION OF COLONIAL PERIOD SILVER OBJECTS AND OTHER
ART FROM ARGENTINA AND OTHER SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

- A THIRD POSSIBILITY IS THE MUSEUM OF THE CASA ROSADA
(GOVERNMENT HOUSE), WHERE MRS. CLINTON WOULD VIEW THE
CURRENT EXHIBITION OF OBJECTS BELONGING TO PRESIDENTS
THROUGH ARGENTINA'S HISTORY.

- THE FIRST LADY COULD VISIT THE FRIGATE "PRESIDENT

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SARMIENTO", ARGENTINA'S RETIRED MERCHANT MARINE TRAINING
VESSEL, WHICH CELEBRATES ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY THIS
YEAR. THIS PICTURESQUE TALL-SAILS SHIP, NAMED AFTER THE
NINETEENTH CENTURY ARGENTINE PRESIDENT WHO CHAMPIONED
PUBLIC EDUCATION, IS DOCKED AT PUERTO MADERO, A
RENOVATED WATERFRONT AREA IN THE CENTER OF BUENOS AIRES.

- MRS. CLINTON COULD DROP BY A REHEARSAL OF THE AMERICAN
BALLET THEATRE, WHICH WILL PERFORM AT THE MAGNIFICENT
COLON THEATRE ON OCTOBER 15 AND 16. PER REF (B), PARA
11, ATTENDANCE OF THE ABT'S PERFORMANCE ON OCTOBER 15 AT
8:30 P.M. MAY BE AN OPTION FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS.
CLINTON, DEPENDING ON THEIR TIME OF ARRIVAL FROM RIO DE
JANEIRO.

- MRS. CLINTON COULD STOP AT THE CAFE TORTONI, AN
ATMOSPHERIC AND HISTORIC MEETING PLACE FOR WRITERS AND
POLITICIANS LOCATED NEAR THE PLAZA DE MAYO, BUENOS
AIRES' CENTRAL SQUARE.

8. (U) WE LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR RESPONSE TO
THESE SUGGESTED EVENTS AND VENUES.
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