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MEMORANDUM FOR THEODORE WIDMER
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SUBJECT: Administration History Project

The Department of State's Historian has prepared the attached draft preliminary outline of the proposed history of the Department during the Clinton presidency. This draft is a working tool for preparing the Department's contribution. The organization and contents of the eventual finished history may be quite different.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kristie A. Kenney".

Kristie A. Kenney
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Draft Preliminary Outline of the History of the
Department of State During the Clinton Presidency

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THE HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE DURING THE CLINTON PRESIDENCY PRELIMINARY OUTLINE

GENERAL

1. General principles and opportunities for American foreign policy
2. Organization of the Department of State
 - Merger of USIA with the Department of State

MULTILATERAL ISSUES

3. International economic affairs; expanding the global economy
 - Seeking Fast-Track Trade Authority
 - Strengthening the World Trade Organization
 - The NAFTA experience
 - Preparations for and consequences of the G-7 (G-8) Economic Summits
 - ❖ Tokyo (June 1993), Naples (July 1994), Halifax (June 1995), Lyons (1996), Denver (June 1997), Birmingham (May 1998), Cologne (June 1999)
4. Reforming the United Nations
5. Engaging global issues
 - Establishment of a new Under Secretary for Global Affairs
 - Response to global environmental changes
 - ❖ The run-up to the Kyoto Conference on Global Climate Change in December 1997 and its consequences
 - Response to the AIDS epidemic
6. Fighting terrorism
 - Bombing of U.S. military barracks in Saudi Arabia
 - Negotiations leading to and results of the "Summit of Peacemakers" at Sharm al-Sheikh, March 1996
 - Actions against terrorists in Africa and the Middle East
7. Supporting human rights in the international sphere
 - Appointment of a UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
 - ❖ UN Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, 1993
 - Promoting rights for women and children
 - ❖ UN Conference on Women, Beijing, 1995

- Negotiations leading to the International Conference on Population and Development (Cairo, 1998)
 - ❖ Efforts to implement the Cairo Action Plan
- Taking the lead in combating war crimes
- 8. Arms control
 - Negotiation and signing of the Treaty to Ban the Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons
 - Efforts to halt or control the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction
 - Arms reduction negotiations with Russia
 - U.S.-Russian START and ABM negotiations
 - Solving the world land mine problem

EUROPE

- 9. The Transatlantic agenda
- 10. Negotiations regarding the recovery of Holocaust era assets
 - Washington Conference on Holocaust Era Assets, December 1998
 - Dissolution of the Tripartite Gold Commission, August 1998
 - Creation of the Presidential Commission on Holocaust Era Assets, 1999
- 11. NATO enlargement
 - Partnership for Peace
 - NATO-Russia Founding Act, May 1997
 - Admission of new members
 - 50th Anniversary Meeting of the Establishment of NATO, April 1999
- 12. Relations with Russia
 - Support for Russian reform
 - Assuring stability of relations through the failed coup attempt against President Yeltsin
 - Developing the aid program for Russia
 - Negotiation and operations of U.S.-Russian Commission on technical cooperation in energy and space
 - Responding to the Russian financial collapse
 - Negotiations arising from concerns about human rights violations in Chechnya

- Clinton-Yeltsin (and Clinton-Putin) Summit Meetings
 - ❖ Vancouver (April 1993), Moscow (January 1994), Washington (September 1994), Moscow (May 1995), Moscow (April 1996), Moscow (September 1998), Moscow (June 2000)
- 13. Policy toward the Newly Independent States of Eastern Europe
- 14. Bringing peace to Bosnia
 - The collapse of Yugoslavia; the Civil War in Bosnia
 - The Dayton Peace Agreement
 - Bringing the Dayton Agreement to NATO
- 15. Rescuing Kosovo
 - Negotiations preceding the war
 - The diplomacy of the war
 - Postwar efforts to resettle and revive Kosovo
- 16. Mediating the Greek-Turkish dispute over Cyprus
- 17. Revitalizing the OECD and the OSCE

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

- 18. China policy
 - The decision to engage China
 - Strategy for a peaceful and prosperous Asia-Pacific region
 - Expanding trade with China
 - The security of Taiwan
- 19. Relations with Japan
- 20. Seeking peace and stability in the Korean Peninsula
 - Negotiating agreement with North Korea to dismantle nuclear reactors
 - Providing emergency food aid to North Korea
- 21. Opening relations with Vietnam
- 22. Meetings of the Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
- 23. Response to the Asian economic crisis
 - Encouraging Asian economic and financial recovery in 1998
 - Working with the "Group of 22"
- 24. Concerns about the economic and political stability of Indonesia
- 25. The New Pacific Community

MIDDLE EAST

26. Peace in the Middle East

- Mediating the Conclusion of Peace between Israel and Palestine: the Treaty of 1993
- Evolving relations with the Palestine Authority
- Efforts to promote an Arab-Israeli peace settlement
- Negotiations and events Leading to the Camp David talks of 2000

27. Policy toward Iraq

- Sanction regime Against Iraq; problems and developments
- Emerging crisis over Iraq's opposition to UN inspection to ensure the destruction of all weapons of mass destruction

28. Intensifying and diversifying engagement with India and Pakistan

- Efforts to forestall nuclear testing by India and Pakistan
- Encouragement of peaceful resolution of the conflict over Kashmir

U.S. INTERESTS IN AFRICA AND U.S. ENGAGEMENT WITH THE CONTINENT

29. Response to the terrorist bombing of the Embassies in Tanzania and Kenya

30. Efforts to ameliorate the consequences of the civil war in the Congo

31. Involvement in UN efforts to forestall or halt the massacres and genocide in Central Africa

32. Background and efforts to aid the peoples of Somalia

33. Response to war and disaster in Sierra Leone, Angola, the Horn of Africa, and elsewhere.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE

34. NAFTA

- Managing the agreement in Congress
- Negotiations with Mexico and Canada

35. Hemispheric cooperation in the interdiction of narcotics trafficking

36. Restoring democracy to Haiti

- Landing in Haiti; restoring order and safety
- Overseeing Presidential elections in Haiti
- The Haiti issue in the UN

37. Providing emergency financial assistance to Mexico

- Developing legislation in Congress
- Negotiations with Mexico
- Aftermath of the bailout

38. Hope for the restoration of democracy to Cuba and its reintegration into the inter-American system.

39. U.S.-Brazilian leadership in a democratic and prosperous hemisphere

40. Relations with the American Republics and responses to political changes and crises

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