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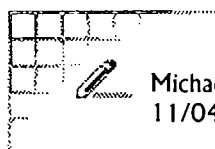
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To: Terry Edmonds/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: Sylvia M. Mathews/OMB/EOP@EOP, Sonny Garg/OMB/EOP@EOP
Subject: Request for disaster assistance

Today the President will seek Congressional approval for additional assistance to the victims of Hurricane Floyd. The flooding that followed Hurricane Floyd destroyed an unprecedented number of homes. Most of these homes are in floodplains and therefore remain vulnerable to future floods. To prevent a repetition of such widespread destruction, the President will send a letter today seeking Congressional approval to use additional disaster relief funds to buyout many of these homes and relocate the housing to higher ground.

All the States -

*11,000 homes in NC
+
30 in Jersey*

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States affected by this disaster.*
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NEWARK, NJ
November 4, 1999

Before I begin, let me say that today I will seek Congressional approval for \$429 million in additional assistance to the victims of Hurricane Floyd in New Jersey, North Carolina and all the states affected by this disaster. These are existing funds which will be reallocated within the Federal Emergency Management Agency. They will assist in the buyout and relocation of homes located in floodplains that remain vulnerable to future floods. Additionally, I continue to urge Congress to fully fund my request for SBA's disaster loan program that can help families and small businesses rebuild in the wake of hurricanes and other natural disasters. I have already asked Congress to provide at least \$500 million that will help farmers in New Jersey and other states who

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