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North Korea

- We are pursuing the options of sanctions in the UNSC following the IAEA report last Wednesday. We are consulting allies and Security Council members on the substance of possible sanctions and their timing.
- We are working with our allies and at the UN to build a consensus on the situation.
- Our approach is a phased, step-by-step approach to resolve the situation. It is important not only to act with regard to past actions/behavior but also to create leverage for possible future actions by the North, such as further actions toward development of nuclear weapons and full withdrawal from the Nuclear Non-Proliferation treaty (NPT).
- Our goals remain constant: advancing a non-proliferation regime around the world, and ensuring stability and security on the Korean peninsula.
- We are working closely with Japan and South Korea and we continue to consult on the language for a draft resolution.
- We have made real progress with the Russians.
- The Chinese share our goals; but we cannot predict China's position at the UN. (FYI: They have not told us that they would veto a sanctions resolution.)
- The President will make a decision soon on the specifics of the sanctions resolution.
- President Carter is travelling at his own initiative in an unofficial capacity. We have briefed him on the situation and our policy. (Tony Lake and other USG officials briefed him on Friday.)
- We believe that President Yeltsin's proposal for an international conference can be useful at some point but our first focus is on pursuing sanctions at the UNSC.
- There is nothing new in North Koreans threats that sanctions would be an act of war. We do not, of course, believe that they would be an act of war. Neither we nor the world community will be intimidated by such statements.

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Korea

NORTH KOREA: NUCLEAR ISSUE

Q. What diplomatic consultations took place over the weekend?

A. -- OVER THE WEEKEND, WE CONTINUED OUR DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS IN NEW YORK AND IN CAPITALS ON FURTHER UN SECURITY ACTION ON NORTH KOREA, INCLUDING SANCTIONS.

-- WE UNDERSTAND THE JAPANESE AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS ALSO HELD PRODUCTIVE CONSULTATIONS OVER THE WEEKEND.

Q. Is there a draft resolution? When will it be tabled?

A. -- THERE HAS BEEN NO DECISION YET ON THE ELEMENTS OF A SANCTIONS RESOLUTION. OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES AND WITHIN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT ARE CONTINUING WITH A VIEW TOWARD TABLING A DRAFT LATER THIS WEEK.

WE EXPECT  
( -- AT THIS POINT, ~~IT APPEARS~~ THAT IT WILL PROVIDE ~~SOME~~ <sup>FOR</sup> ~~KIND OF~~ PHASING IN OF SANCTIONS. )

**Q. Who is President Carter in contact with? Will a U.S. official go with him to Pyongyang?**

**A. -- PRESIDENT CARTER HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY WHITE HOUSE AND STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING ASSISTANT SECRETARIES LORD AND GALLUCCI.**

**-- A U.S. FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER FLUENT IN KOREAN WILL ACCOMPANY HIM TO NORTH KOREA.**

**Q. How will President Carter report back on his trip?**

**A. -- WE EXPECT PRESIDENT CARTER WILL ~~REPORT BACK~~ CONVEY THE RESULTS OF HIS TRIP DIRECTLY TO THE WHITE HOUSE.**

**-- HE WILL ALSO MEET WITH SOUTH KOREAN OFFICIALS IN SEOUL AFTER LEAVING NORTH KOREA AND BEFORE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON.**

**Q. Are the IAEA inspectors still at Yongbyon?**

**A. -- WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE IAEA INSPECTORS ARE STILL  
IN YONGBYON.**

**-- NORTH KOREA COULD ONLY ADD TO THE TENSIONS IN THE  
REGION AND FURTHER UNDERCUT THE BASIS FOR  
DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE IF IT  
INTERFERED WITH IAEA SAFEGUARDS PROCEDURES.**

**EAP Press Guidance  
June 13, 1994**

**KOREA: CIVIL DEFENSE EXERCISE**

**Q. What can you tell us about the civil defense exercise? Will the U.S. conduct a similar exercise?**

**A. -- THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS IN THE PAST REGULARLY SCHEDULED CIVIL DEFENSE EXERCISES. WE HAVE SEEN REPORTS THAT SOUTH KOREA IS CONDUCTING SEVERAL CIVIL DEFENSE EXERCISES TO TEST THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF ITS NATIONWIDE CIVIL DEFENSE SYSTEM.**

**-- FOR FURTHER INFORMATION I WOULD REFER YOU TO THE KOREAN EMBASSY.**

**-- THERE ARE NO PLANS AT THIS TIME FOR U.S. FORCES IN KOREA TO CARRY OUT CIVIL DEFENSE EXERCISES.**

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South Korea - Embassy Statement  
June 9, 1994

The U.S. Embassy in Seoul has made the following statement to the local American community in Korea:

- There is no change in the military situation on the Korean peninsula, and there is no sign of imminent hostilities. As is normal, U.S. Forces Korea (USFK) continues to closely monitor North Korea.
- There has been no Travel Warning issued, either by the U.S. Embassy or the Department of State, recommending against travel to Korea.
- The U.S. Embassy will immediately advise the American community, as the situation warrants.

For further information, consult the State Department's Consular Information Sheet for Korea.

Chernobyl

**PM Press Guidance  
June 13, 1994**

**UKRAINE: CHERNOBYL**

**Q. Is Ukraine having second thoughts about closing Chernobyl?**

**A. -- THIS IS A COMPLICATED ISSUE FOR UKRAINE, WHICH HAS AN ENERGY SHORTAGE AND PROBLEMS OBTAINING ADEQUATE RESOURCES TO MEET ITS ENERGY NEEDS.**

**-- UKRAINE HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THESE PROBLEMS WITH WESTERN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE U.S. UKRAINE HAS STATED IT IS COMMITTED IN PRINCIPLE TO CLOSE CHERNOBYL IF IT ENERGY AND RESOURCE NEEDS ARE MET. WE BELIEVE UKRAINE HAS REACHED NO DEFINITIVE CONCLUSIONS ABOUT CLOSING CHERNOBYL.**

**-- ON APRIL 8, THE U.S. AND UKRAINE SIGNED A JOINT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER. SINCE THEN, THERE HAVE BEEN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN UKRAINE AND THE G-7 COUNTRIES. THESE HAVE NOT YET PRODUCED AGREEMENT ON SPECIFIC DATES AND CONDITIONS FOR CLOSING CHERNOBYL.**

**Q. Are the Chernobyl reactors dangerous ?**

**A. -- WESTERN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE U.S. CONSIDER THE REACTORS AT CHERNOBYL TO BE DANGEROUS TO OPERATE. WE ARE PRESSING UKRAINE TO CLOSE THOSE THAT ARE OPERATING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND NOT TO REOPEN THE ONE UNIT THAT IS SHUT DOWN.**

**-- WE HAVE ALSO BEEN DISCUSSING UKRAINE'S NEEDS FOR ALTERNATE ENERGY SOURCES AND RESOURCES TO CLOSE THE REACTORS.**

**Q. What does the U.S. plan to do to help?**

**A. -- WE HAVE AN ONGOING NUCLEAR SAFETY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WITH UKRAINE AND ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT ON NUCLEAR SAFETY ISSUES.**

**-- A U.S. TEAM RECENTLY VISITED UKRAINE TO SEEK TO IDENTIFY ITS PRIORITIES AND THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO MEET THEM MORE PRECISELY. G-7 REPRESENTATIVES HAVE VISITED UKRAINE TWICE.**

**Q. Is there a disagreement between Energy and State on this?**

**A. -- THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND ENERGY, TOGETHER WITH OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES, ARE CURRENTLY CONSIDERING WHAT ACTIONS THE U.S. MIGHT TAKE, BILATERALLY AND IN THE G-7, CONCERNING NUCLEAR SAFETY IN UKRAINE AND THE SOONEST POSSIBLE SHUTDOWN OF CHERNOBYL.**

**-- NO FINAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN REACHED. ALL AGENCIES ARE CONSIDERING HOW BEST TO PROCEED.**

### Chernobyl

- The discussion of the energy needs of Ukraine are a serious and complicated issue. We have been in close contact with the Ukrainian government on this issue.
- The Ukrainians signed an agreement in principle with the US in April to close down the Chernobyl reactor. The Ukrainian leadership understands the serious ongoing problems of Chernobyl.
- The US Government is continuing discussions bilaterally --with Ukrainian officials-- and multilaterally --in the G-7 context-- to achieve that goal as soon as possible.
- We have been talking with them and studying with them ways to help them fulfill their energy needs when Chernobyl is shut down. We are working the issue. (FYI: There was a USG team in Kiev last week in fulfillment of our pledge to work with them.)
- Q: Is the Ukrainian government straying from its agreement with the US on closing the Chernobyl nuclear plant?
- A: -- No indications, but continuing to discuss details.
- Q: Has the Ukrainian Government indicated that it will restart the third reactor at Chernobyl?
- A: -- No. (FYI: There have been discussions within the Parliament and Government on this.)

Haiti

-- THE AIRPORT REMAINS OPEN AND OPERATIONS CONTINUE NORMALLY. THE THREE IN-COUNTRY MIGRANT PROCESSING CENTERS WERE CLOSED, AS IS NORMAL, FOR THE WEEKEND BUT REOPENED TODAY TO RESUME NORMAL OPERATIONS. HUMANITARIAN FOOD AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS CONTINUE NORMALLY

HAITI: AIRPORT CLOSING THREATENED

Q: What can you tell us about the regime's threats to close the airport in Port au Prince on June 21?

A: -- WE HAVE SEEN PRESS REPORTS THAT A RIGHT WING GROUP IN HAITI ISSUED A STATEMENT CONTAINING SUCH A PROPOSAL. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE HAITIAN ARMY HAS VETOED THE IDEA, POPULAR AMONG SOME OF THOSE CLOSE TO JONASSAINT, OF CLOSING THE PORT AU PRINCE AIRPORT IN RETALIATION FOR THE U.S. BAN ON COMMERICAL AIR TRAVEL TO HAITI.

Q: Is American Airlines adding extra flights to take out those who want to leave Haiti?

A: --

## HAITI: INTERVENTION DISCUSSIONS

Q: Has the U.S. been consulting with Latin American governments about armed intervention in Haiti? What's the reaction?

A: -- THE U.S. IS WORKING MULTILATERALLY, THROUGH THE OAS, THE U.N. AND OUR FRIENDS IN THE REGION TO RESTORE HAITI'S DEMOCRATICALLY-ELECTED PRESIDENT. WE HAVE BEEN CONSULTING WITH LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS SEEKING SUPPORT FOR SANCTIONS AGAINST THE MILITARY REGIME AND ITS SUPPORTERS IN HAITI. THESE DISCUSSIONS HAVE ALSO FOCUSED ON THE RECONSTITUTED U.N. MISSION IN HAITI (UNMIH), WHICH--AS YOU WILL RECALL--RECEIVED STRONG UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FROM THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN BELEM, BRAZIL, LAST WEEK.

*Belem*

-- PRESIDENT CLINTON HAS MADE CLEAR THAT WE HAVE NOT RULED OUT THE USE OF FORCE; HOWEVER, OUR FOCUS IS ON USING THE TOOLS OF DIPLOMACY TO RESOLVE THE SITUATION IN HAITI PEACEFULLY.

Press background for Tuesday June 7, 1994 Port-au-Prince airport incident involving U.S. Marines.

Proposed Statement

Haitian customs seized the military gear of a U.S. marine entering Port au Prince airport enroute to the American Embassy. The Marine, on normal rotation with the Marines assigned to the Embassy, was given a receipt for the gear and allowed to continue to the Embassy.

BACKGROUND FOR BRIEFER ONLY:

Incident:

A U.S. Marine Corporal assigned to the F.A.S.T. Marine contingent sent to Haiti by the President to bolster Embassy defense last October, was subjected to a search by Haitian customs upon arrival at Port-au-Prince airport last Tuesday (June 7). The Marine, accompanied by two other F.A.S.T. Marines, an NCO (traveling on a tourist passport) and a Lt. (traveling on an official passport), was traveling on a military I.D. card. During the search military equipment fell out of the Corporal's bag and was confiscated. The Marine was given a receipt for the confiscated gear and allowed to continue to the Embassy. The Embassy DAO office is in contact with the Haitian military in an attempt to retrieve the equipment. The seized gear included uniforms, two empty holsters, knife and holder, one pistol belt, canteen holder, helmet, flak jacket, boots, two empty 9mm pistol magazines and four empty m-16 magazines.

F.A.S.T. (Fleet Anti-Terrorist Security Team) Marines

Last October the President ordered a contingent of twenty-six F.A.S.T. Marines to Port-au-Prince to help guard the Embassy compound. A few months ago all but two of the F.A.S.T. Marines were rotated back to Norfolk, Va. and placed on standby. For rapid deployment purposes, the equipment, weapons and ammunition of the contingent were left at the Embassy. The two F.A.S.T. Marines were left in PAP guard and maintain the equipment. The NCO and the Lt. accompanying the Marine whose gear was seized were supervising the rotation and inspecting the equipment. The corporal was replacing another F.A.S.T. due to rotate out of PAP.

Marine Security Guard Detachment (MSG)

The Embassy has a permanently assigned Marine Security Guard detachment consisting of seven watch standers and a detachment commander. The MSG detachment is responsible for internal security at the Embassy is not part of the F.A.S.T. contingent.

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MEXICO: CHIAPAS PEACE ACCORD

Q: What is your reaction to the rejection by the Zapatista rebels in Mexico of the Government-sponsored peace accord? Will there be a resumption of fighting?

A. WE DO NOT HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BEYOND INITIAL PRESS REPORTS. THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT HAS SAID THAT IT NEEDS TO REVIEW THE REBELS' COMMUNIQUE BEFORE COMMENTING ON THE REBELS' POSITION OR THE NEXT STEPS IN THE PEACE PROCESS.

WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE A RESUMPTION OF FIGHTING. THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT HAS REITERATED ITS COMMITMENT TO A NON-MILITARY SOLUTION TO THE UNREST IN CHIAPAS AND THE REBELS HAVE PLEDGED NOT TO BREAK THE CEASE-FIRE WHICH HAS BEEN OBSERVED SINCE JANUARY 12.

**INM Press Guidance  
June 13, 1994**

**COLOMBIA: ASSISTANT SECRETARY GELBARD'S TRAVEL**

**Q: What is Assistant Secretary Gelbard doing in Colombia?**

**A: -- ROBERT GELBARD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS MATTERS, IS LEADING AN INTER-AGENCY TEAM TO COLOMBIA AND PERU FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH OFFICIALS OF THOSE COUNTRIES.**

**-- (IF ASKED) THERE IS AN INTER-AGENCY POLICY REVIEW UNDERWAY ON THE ISSUE OF SHARING REAL-TIME RADAR INTELLIGENCE WITH COLOMBIA AND PERU. THE CONSULTATIONS WITH THESE GOVERNMENTS ARE A PART OF THE REVIEW PROCESS.**

**-- (IF ASKED) ASSISTANT SECRETARY GELBARD AND THE TEAM LEFT THE U.S. ON THURSDAY AND ARE STILL IN LATIN AMERICA.**

*Note to briefers: Gelbard is not discussing the DeGrief evidence sharing issue (He's the Prosecutor General who is in favor of legalization). Gelbard's trip is focused exclusively on the radar question. Recent guidance on DeGrief follows; from our perspective, the two issues are totally unrelated.*

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**NEA Press Guidance  
Monday, June 13, 1994**

*Yemen*

**YEMEN: FIGHTING, FACT-FINDING MISSION**

**Q: Status of fighting and fact-finding mission? U.S. position?**

**A: WE UNDERSTAND THAT FIGHTING CONTINUES AROUND ADEN. WE'VE SEEN REPORTS OF A NEW CEASEFIRE PROPOSAL. IF TRUE, WE WELCOME THIS DEVELOPMENT AND CALL ON ALL PARTIES TO ABIDE BY THIS CEASEFIRE AND TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF U.N. SPECIAL ENVOY BRAHIMI. WE HAVE URGED STATES IN THE REGION TO ASSIST THIS EFFORT AND TO TAKE NO ACTIONS WHICH REDUCE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SUCCESS OF THIS MISSION.**

**Q: What can you tell us about the humanitarian situation, particularly in Aden? Is the U.S. contributing to any humanitarian efforts?**

**A: WE SUPPORT EFFORTS BY THE ICRC, THE U.N., AND OTHER SUCH ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT AN ICRC SHIP WAS ABLE TO DOCK IN ADEN SUNDAY TO DELIVER SUPPLIES.**

**WE ARE AWAITING THE RESULTS OF THE BRAHIMI FACT-FINDING MISSION TO SEE ABOUT COORDINATING AID FLOWS.**

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**If Asked Only:**

**Q: In your June 8 statement, you ask other states in the region to take no action which prejudices the conclusions of the fact-finding mission. Does this imply a rift with the Saudis and other gulf states over the Yemen conflict?**

**A: NO. WE AGREE WITH THE SAUDIS AND OTHER GULF STATES ON THE IMPORTANCE OF AN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES AND A RESUMPTION OF A POLITICAL DIALOGUE TOWARD A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF YEMEN'S PROBLEMS. WE HAVE BEEN AND WILL REMAIN IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE SAUDIS, OTHER GCC COUNTRIES, AND OTHER CONCERNED NATIONS.**

**If Asked Only:**

**Q: What is the U.S. position on Yemen's unity? What is the U.S. position on the independence of the self-proclaimed Democratic Republic of Yemen?**

**A: WE DID NOT RESPOND TO THE AL-BIDH DECLARATION. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT SUCH CRITICAL DECISIONS ON YEMEN'S FUTURE SHOULD BE MADE IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE.**

**WE BELIEVE THAT UNITY AND RECONCILIATION CANNOT BE BASED ON MILITARY FORCE. WE CONTINUE TO CALL ON BOTH PARTIES TO HALT THE FIGHTING IMMEDIATELY, AND AGREE TO RESUME A POLITICAL DIALOGUE, REPRESENTING ALL YEMENIS, WHICH CAN BEGIN A PROCESS OF RECONCILIATION.**

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**If Asked Only:**

**Q: Have you asked the Saudis and others to not recognize the Independence of the Democratic Republic of Yemen?**

**A: WE HAVE ASKED OTHER STATES IN THE REGION TO ASSIST THE FACT-FINDING MISSION AND TO TAKE NO ACTION WHICH PREJUDGES THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE MISSION.**

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Mid-East

**NEA PRESS GUIDANCE**  
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**MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS**

**Q: Has the Secretary decided when he will go to the Middle East?**

**A: THE SECRETARY IS REVIEWING THAT MATTER, BUT NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON THE TIMING OF HIS NEXT TRIP. WE'LL KEEP YOU POSTED.**

**Q: What are the factors at play in deciding when to go? Are you waiting for some specific proposals from the parties?**

**A: THE TIMING OF THE SECRETARY'S TRAVEL WILL BE BASED ON WHEN, IN HIS JUDGMENT, HIS PRESENCE IN THE REGION WILL HELP PUSH THE PROCESS ALONG. WE HAVE ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PARTIES; TRAVEL TO THE REGION IS ONE WAY TO BUILD ON THOSE.**

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GREECE /  
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**GREECE/TURKEY: DISARMING AIRCRAFT**

**Q: Did the Secretary demand that the Greeks remove the weapons from their planes which operate over the Aegean?**

**A:-- WE HAVE URGED THE GREEKS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS TO MAKE A RECIPROCAL GESTURE TO THE TURKISH DECISION TO REMOVE THE AIR-TO-AIR WEAPONS FROM THEIR PLANES WHICH OPERATE OVER THE AEGEAN. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR POLICY OF SEEKING TO REDUCE TENSIONS AND AVOID INCIDENTS IN THE AEGEAN.**

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**EURO**

**EUROPEAN ELECTIONS**

**Q: What is your reaction to this weekend's European elections, especially Austria's vote to join the European Union?**

- A: -- AS YOU KNOW, VOTERS IN THIRTEEN EUROPEAN NATIONS WENT TO THE POLLS THIS WEEKEND. AUSTRIANS WERE ASKED TO CHOOSE WHETHER TO THEIR COUNTRY SHOULD BECOME PART OF THE EUROPEAN UNION.**
- THE UNITED STATES HAS LONG SUPPORTED EUROPE'S STRIVING FOR BROADER AND DEEPER INTEGRATION. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT TAKE A POSITION ON THE STRUCTURE OR PACE OF THAT EFFORT. THESE ARE DECISIONS FOR THE EUROPEANS TO DECIDE, SUCH AS AUSTRIANS DID ON SUNDAY.**
- ON FRIDAY AND SUNDAY, VOTERS IN THE TWELVE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION WENT TO THE POLLS TO CHOOSE 567 NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. THE OUTCOME IN EACH COUNTRY IS AN INTERNAL MATTER.**

Rwanda

**IO PRESS GUIDANCE**  
**June 13, 1994**

**RWANDA:**  
**CURRENT SITUATION**

**Q. Please provide an update on the fighting and UN peace efforts in Rwanda.**

**A. -- UN SOURCES REPORT THAT INTENSE FIGHTING BETWEEN RPF AND GOVERNMENT FORCES CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND IN AND AROUND GITARAMA AND KIGALI. RPF FORCES TOOK CONTROL OF GITARAMA, FORCING INTERIM GOVERNMENT POLITICAL LEADERS AND THEIR MILITARY PROTECTORS TO FLEE WESTWARD TOWARD ZAIRE. HEAVY ARTILLERY AND MORTAR EXCHANGES ARE CONTINUING IN KIGALI, BUT NO CHANGES HAVE OCCURED YET IN THE RELATIVE POSITIONS OF THE TWO FORCES THERE.**

THIS  
IS A  
UN  
REPORT

**-- THE KIGALI AIRPORT REMAINS CLOSED AND UNAMIR ESCORTED EVACUATIONS OF RWANDAN CIVILIANS FROM THE CITY REMAIN SUSPENDED DUE TO THE HEAVY FIGHTING. HOWEVER, CONVOYS BRINGING UN RELIEF SUPPLIES TO KIGALI BY LAND FROM UGANDA ARE CONTINUING.**

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-- CEASE-FIRE TALKS UNDER UNAMIR AUSPICES BETWEEN RPF AND GOVERNMENT LEADERS IN KIGALI WERE HELD ON SATURDAY AND ARE SCHEDULED TO RESUME TODAY. UNAMIR COMMANDER DALLAIRE TOLD THE PRESS OVER THE WEEKEND THAT HE IS PESSIMISTIC ABOUT A CEASE-FIRE IN THE NEAR-TERM BECAUSE BOTH SIDES APPEARED DISPOSED NOT TO QUIT UNTIL THEIR RESOURCES ARE EXHAUSTED.

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RWANDA: GENOCIDE

Q. Do we avoid legal obligations by saying that acts of genocide may have occurred instead of saying that genocide has occurred?

-- NO. A CONCLUSION THAT GENOCIDE HAS OCCURRED IN RWANDA WOULD NOT IMPOSE ANY LEGAL OBLIGATIONS ON THE UNITED STATES. UNDER THE CONVENTION, THE PROSECUTION OF PERSONS CHARGED WITH GENOCIDE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE WHERE THE ACTS TOOK PLACE OR OF A COMPETENT INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL. UN?

-- PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION MAY ALSO CALL UPON THE COMPETENT UN ORGANS TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PREVENT AND SUPPRESS ACTS OF GENOCIDE. WITH STRONG SUPPORT BY THE UNITED STATES, UN ORGANS HAVE TAKEN A NUMBER OF ACTIONS. THE SECURITY COUNCIL IMPOSED AN ARMS EMBARGO AND REVISED THE MANDATE OF UNAMIR. THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION HAS DESIGNATED A SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR WHOSE MANDATE INCLUDES INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE ACTS OF GENOCIDE.

*1948 Convention  
on Genocide?*

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JUNE 13, 1994**

**BOSNIA**

**CEASE-FIRE AND FIGHTING UPDATE: BOSNIA**

**Q: Is the cease-fire holding in Bosnia?**

**A: -- THE CEASE-FIRE IN BOSNIA IS GENERALLY HOLDING  
ACCORDING TO THE UN**

**-- THE UN HAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT SIX ROCKETS WERE  
LAUNCHED INTO THE SERB CONTROLLED TOWN OF BRCKO  
(Birch-koh) IN NORTH EASTERN BOSNIA.**

**-- THERE WERE ALSO REPORTS OF SPORADIC SMALL-ARMS  
FIRE ALONG THE CONFRONTATION LINES.**

**-- THERE ARE REPORTS OF FIGHTING BETWEEN THE  
BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND THE FORCES  
ALIGNED WITH THE REBEL MUSLIM LEADER FIKRET ABDIC  
IN THE NORTH WESTERN ENCLAVE OF BIHAC (BEE-hatch).**

**CROATIA:**

**Q: What about the cease-fire in Croatia?**

**A: -- THE ZAGREB-KNIN CEASE-FIRE CONTINUES TO HOLD  
WITH MINOR VIOLATIONS. (SMALL-ARMS FIRE)**

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**CONTACT GROUP: REDMAN**

**Q: What is the Contact Group doing? When is it scheduled to meet next? What about Ambassador Redman? Where is he?**

**A: -- THE CONTACT GROUP IS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO MEET LATER THIS WEEK TO DISCUSS THE ONGOING PEACE TALKS.**

**-- AMBASSADOR REDMAN IS IN WASHINGTON FOR CONSULTATIONS.**

FISKE

Possible Press Questions re Fiske Interview

(tds/scc/6-13-94)

Q: Since the only subjects covered were the death of Vince Foster and White House/Treasury contacts relating to Madison Guaranty, will there be other Fiske interviews with the President and First Lady?

We don't know whether Fiske will request an additional interview as his investigation proceeds on other topics, but if he does, the President and First Lady will continue to cooperate fully.

Q: Were the President and First Lady interviewed separately?

Yes.

Q: How long did the interviews take?

One and a half hours for the President; one hour for the First Lady.

Q: Where were the interviews conducted?

In the Residence.

Q: Who was present? *5 people + principal*

Robert Fiske, Rod Lankler (from Fiske's office), David Kendall, Lloyd Cutler and a stenographer.

Q: Were the interviews on the record? (Was there a transcript? a tape recording?)

Yes; they were transcribed.

Q: Were the interviews under oath?

Yes.

Q: Why were the interviews conducted on Sunday?

For scheduling purposes/mutual convenience.

-done sep; started @ 2<sup>30</sup>

-Orig. req. made shortly before <sup>POTUS</sup> ~~we~~ left  
for Europe

-people have been interviewed; don't  
know about grand jury

Reagan - 2 intv. w/ Tower Comm. 1987  
Not under oath  
Iran  
Coates

- Office of the Indep. Counsel  
sworn answers to written  
questions

- interview July 1992 by  
Walsh people ~~under oath~~  
- video taped depo. re: Poindexter

Bush - FBI Dec 86 re Iran

Depo Jan 88 (sworn)  
Iran Counsel

Carter - Paul B. Curran  
interviewed him under oath  
peanut scandal

→ also provided diaries to disprove  
on passport issue

# Health Care

## Talking Points for Roundtable with the Vice President Monday, June 13, 1994

### Points to be made:

\* There has been talk about whether the Administration will back away from universal coverage. Let me repeat what the President said in the State of the Union Address: If you send him legislation that does not guarantee every American private health insurance that can never be taken away, you will force him to take his pen and veto the legislation.

\* The Administration stands by this as strongly as we did when the President said it in January.

\* There is momentum on the Hill for health care reform this year. We have come further along than any other Administration since the fight first began over 60 years ago.

*But what does universal coverage mean?*

\* It means guaranteed private insurance to EVERY American that can never be taken away. It means that every American has a guarantee in law that they will always have health security.

*What about a phase-in?*

\* We phase in coverage in our bill (January 1, 1998). Congress is debating this issue right now.

*The White House seemed to signal that it would be open to an extended phase-in. How long?*

\* That's an issue that Congress is debating. We have said all along that we would be flexible, but we do mean a date certain.

*What about percentage - 91%, 98%?*

\* I'm not going to engage in a percentage debate. The President's bottom line is to guarantee every American health coverage that can never be taken away. I will say that doing incremental reform and leaving over 25 million hard-working Americans without health coverage is NOT acceptable. Millions of families would remain at risk and the middle class would take the hardest hit.

*The Administration also seemed to indicate that it would be willing to accept a trigger. Is this a signal being sent from the White House?*

\* What the Administration has been saying all along is that the bottom line is universal coverage and we are flexible on how you get there. We remain flexible on how you get to universal coverage, but not whether you get to universal coverage.

Everyone knows that the Administration feels that health benefits guaranteed at work is the simplest, least disruptive means to achieve universal coverage.

\* There are several proposals being floated on the Hill. We cannot comment on any one element without seeing the entire package.

*Representative Gephardt indicated on Friday that Committees may not get the work done by the July 4 recess. Will that kill chances of getting legislation done this year.*

\* There is obviously alot of work to be done. But the Administration believes that there is momentum on the Hill to get it done this year. We think that virtually all of the Committees will have completed action by July 4th. And, if not, they will move quickly afterwards/

\* What the American people do not want to hear is talk of inaction and gridlock. Congress has been talking about reform for over 60 years. The time is not for further delay the time has come for action.

*What about the discussion that the issue should be presented to the voters?*

\* We already had a referendum on health care reform. It was called the 1992 elections. Health care reform and universal coverage was a key issue that the President and I ran on. And it's what the American people want and deserve.