

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov> ( Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov>

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 14:42:03.00

SUBJECT: Columbine

TO: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

It is our understanding that any student qualified for Medicaid and SSDI are receiving it. Hope this helps.

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CREATOR: Christopher C. Jennings ( CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 17:36:50.00

SUBJECT: Re: letter to Columbine counselor

TO: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

this is fine -- thanks.

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CREATOR: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 17:08:31.00

SUBJECT: letter to Columbine counselor

TO: Christopher C. Jennings ( CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Tracy F. Sisser ( CN=Tracy F. Sisser/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JUN-1999 10:25:55.00

SUBJECT: scott hitt letter

TO: Mary M. May ( CN=Mary M. May/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Mary:

As we have discussed, can you please fax me a copy of the Scott Hitt letter that you found in Todd's office. My directors also want to see the incoming so we can determine, as quickly as possible, how to handle.

My fax is 6-5426. Please let me know if there are any problems.

thank you.

Tracy, Presidential Letters

----- Forwarded by Tracy F. Sisser/WHO/EOP on 06/25/99  
10:25 AM -----

Debra D. Alexander

06/25/99 08:45:11 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Tracy F. Sisser/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:scott hitt letter

tracy - - please pull your draft on this. i remember seeing it. i think that dan kicked it back to you for correction. let's get this completed. thanks. debi

----- Forwarded by Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP on 06/25/99  
08:44 AM -----

Daniel W. Burkhardt

06/24/99 02:33:25 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Tracy F. Sisser/WHO/EOP@EOP, Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:scott hitt letter

where is this? it's by far the oldest thing on my log.

also, debi -- can you please follow up with wayna on the columbine letters? i have some others that we may be able to add to that group.

thanks.

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CREATOR: Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov> ( Elizabeth Summy <esummy@os.dhhs.gov>

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUN-1999 11:36:49.00

SUBJECT: Re: Columbine

TO: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

There might be a privacy issue/concern if we ask names.

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Original Text

From: <Sean\_P.\_O'Shea@who.eop.gov>, on 6/28/99 11:10 AM:

Liz do we know specifics...everyone knows what they are eligible for, but do we know what they actually got.

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To: Sean P. O'Shea/WHO/EOP

cc:

Subject: Columbine

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CREATOR: Renee Sagiv ( CN=Renee Sagiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ UNKNOWN ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUN-1999 12:00:05.00

SUBJECT: letter from Columbine student

TO: Neera Tanden ( CN=Neera Tanden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi,

I'm a new writer at Presidential Letters and Messages, and one of my issue areas is Children and Families. I've already inundated Nicole Rabner with some letters to clear (not really "inundated"...), and I was told that you are another person who could clear my use of policy in certain letters. I've written a response to a Columbine student, and the response has some light policy content. I would appreciate your taking a look at it--I'll fax it rather than attach via email so that you can see the incoming letter as well. My director has asked that I have it in to edit by July 7. Of course, I would be grateful for any suggestions!

Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUN-1999 17:05:11.00

SUBJECT: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Nancy V. Hernreich ( CN=Nancy V. Hernreich/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Betty W. Currie ( CN=Betty W. Currie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Wasn't sure how to handle this one:

A boy named Mark Taylor, who was injured at Columbine and who the President saw, wants to come to DC. I guess the President told him that when he came to DC, to call and we'd set up a private tour. His spokesperson called at first for a tour and I said fine, let us know the date and we'll be happy to set this up. She just called back today and the boy said that the President told him he'd like him to stop by so the boy is really wanting to see him AND do the tour. SO - the boy coming here is depending on when the President can see him - anytime in July or August. I explained the usual, timing is tough, he's going to be on vacation etc... but to no avail. He is really counting on seeing the President.

Should I go through scheduling -and if so, can you tell me who I should talk to? Should I have them go through scheduling? Any advice you have would be appreciated. Thanks so much!

Holly  
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Cheryl D. Mills ( CN=Cheryl D. Mills/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JUN-1999 15:23:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: Ten Commandments Guidance

TO: Julia M. Payne ( CN=Julia M. Payne/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Do you still need a response to this?

From: Julia M. Payne on 06/17/99 02:13:28 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Cheryl D. Mills/WHO/EOP

cc: Erica S. Lepping/WHO/EOP, Melissa J. Prober/WHO/EOP, Richard L. Siewert/WHO/EOP

Subject:Ten Commandments Guidance

Who would do guidance on the House passage of the right for schools and governments to post the Ten Commandments? Please see attached story.

Thanks

WASHINGTON (AP) \*

The House, working on a bill to deter juvenile crime, voted today to permit the display of the Ten Commandments in schools as lawmakers headed toward a showdown on gun control.

By 248-180, House

members approved Rep.

Robert Aderholt's amendment to allow states to decide whether to permit such displays on government property. The amendment, Aderholt said, was a first step toward reinstilling the value of human life in children influenced by violent culture.

One lawmaker, Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., said recently that if the Ten Commandments had been posted at Columbine High School, the April 20 massacre there would never have happened. The amendment's sponsor didn't go that far.

``I understand that simply posting the Ten Commandments will not instantly change the moral character of our nation,'' Aderholt, R-Ala., said. ``However, it is an important step to promote morality, and an end of children killing children.''

The vote prompted a sharp rebuke from religious groups.

``I think this is just one more sad example of religion being used as a political football by a Congress which apparently cannot find any real solution to the problem under debate,'' said Barry Lynn,

executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State. ``Congress probably should spend more time obeying the Ten Commandments and less time trying to exploit them for crass political purposes.''

The Supreme Court in 1980 struck down as unconstitutional a Kentucky law requiring the posting of a copy of the Ten Commandments in each public school classroom. The court said such postings violated the required separation of religion and government.

The House vote was a victory for conservatives in the debate over whether violent culture, the proliferation of guns or a combination of the two are responsible for a sudden outbreak of school shootings and other youth violence.

Republicans for the most part have sided with a cultural solution and taken aim at the entertainment industry, pushing legislation to change the violent and sexual content of movies, video games, music and thus real life. Democrats, meanwhile, want more laws to keep guns out of the hands of children.

The House today also approved by voice vote a proposal by Rep. Ed Markey, D-Mass., commissioning a study of the firearms industry's marketing practices to children. A similar provision was passed by the Senate.

Aderholt's victory provided fresh evidence that the gun restrictions passed by the Senate stand little chance of surviving the House. Democrats are fighting the powerful gun lobby and the most senior House member of their own party, Rep. John Dingell of Michigan, who has proposed a shorter waiting period for gun purchase background checks than those proposed by the Senate.

``We're up against a lot of money,'' House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri said

Wednesday.

The votes today followed defeat of another cultural proposal that would have curbed access by children to explicit sexual or violent material in video games and movies. Propelled by aggressive lobbying by the entertainment industry, the House rejected the measure Wednesday on a 282-146 vote.

``Of course we worked it hard,'' Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, told reporters in a conference call shortly after the vote.

``I think whoever drafted the bill drafted it in such a way as to be simply, blatantly, and I guess irrefutably, unconstitutional.''

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., said the measure was designed to ``slow the flood of toxic waste into our kids' minds.''

But at one point in the debate, Hyde acidly acknowledged that he could not compete with the industry's political action committee \* a reference to campaign contributions.

``Anyone who thinks (school violence) has nothing to do with the media is an idiot,'' Rep. Jo Ann Emerson, R-Mo., said today on the House floor.

Pro-gun-control Democrats, meanwhile, were still fighting Dingell, who is pushing a National Rifle Association-backed amendment that would cut the waiting period for background checks at gun shows from three days in the Senate bill to 24 hours. If there's no definitive answer in that time period, the purchaser may take possession of the gun. Dingell said most gun checks are completed in a matter of hours.

President Clinton awoke at 5 a.m. in Paris to telephone four wavering Democrats: Reps. Gary Condit and Mike Thompson of California, Marion Berry of Arkansas and Ron Kind of Wisconsin. Clinton urged a ``no'' vote on the NRA-supported Dingell amendment.

``The president said the Dingell amendment would weaken the Senate legislation and said he knows it's a tough vote but we have to remember this is about keeping guns out of the hands of children and criminals,'' said White House spokesman Barry Toiv.

Democrats called Aderholt's proposal unconstitutional, saying it violates the separation between church and state.

``Whose 10 Commandments? The Christian version, the Protestant version or the Jewish version?'' asked

Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y. ``They're different, you know.``

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CREATOR: Betty W. Currie ( CN=Betty W. Currie/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JUN-1999 10:55:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I see Nancy has responded to your e-mail. Let me know if there is anything I can do after you hear from Scheduling. I will keep you informed of anything I become aware of. Thanks

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JUN-1999 10:26:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Nancy V. Hernreich ( CN=Nancy V. Hernreich/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Thanks so much - I don't know a soul over there, do you have a name?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nancy V. Hernreich ( CN=Nancy V. Hernreich/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JUN-1999 10:52:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Talk to Annie in Stephanie's office and she will get an answer for you.  
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SUBJECT: Re: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Betty W. Currie ( CN=Betty W. Currie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

thanks so much!!



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nancy V. Hernreich ( CN=Nancy V. Hernreich/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JUN-1999 10:25:29.00

SUBJECT: Re: Tour for Columbine Student

TO: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: betty w. currie ( CN=betty w. currie/OU=who/O=eop@eop [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Go through scheduling - there is never a guarantee that he will be here at any time and there are always hard feelings if the schedule changes so I try to make it extremely clear that there are no guarantees until the last minute- to come when it is good for them. Scheduling can give you a more definite time but they may want us to do it in a radio address which I am happy to do but again nothing is definite until the very last minute.

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CREATOR: Noa A. Meyer ( CN=Noa A. Meyer/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-JUN-1999 14:54:10.00

SUBJECT: follow-up conversation with teacher

TO: Laura E. Schiller ( CN=Laura E. Schiller/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

she filled in some blanks:

Re: interviews with veterans, one of the lessons the students learned from their interviews of veterans were from stories of Japanese internment camps during WWII. They learned that we must honor all our citizens and not stereotype those who are different than the majority. They also learned that we must abide by the presumption of innocence until someone is proven guilty.

After Columbine in some classes the students discussed the right to bear arms and what the framers had in mind. They wondered if the framers could have imagined the creation of the internet and if their intention was for everyday citizens or militias.

She also told me that the town meeting gives the students a say in not only issues like the price of lunch, but gives them a say in how much teachers they should hire. Students are also a part of the interviewing committee for hiring teachers.

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CREATOR: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-JUN-1999 14:57:45.00

SUBJECT: Re: letter to Columbine counselor

TO: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Yes, Chris Jennings signed off on monday. I am waiting still on Jonathon Young and Kris Balderston.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Delia A. Cohen ( CN=Delia A. Cohen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 2-JUL-1999 11:30:19.00

SUBJECT: columbine bc sigs

TO: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Daniel W. Burkhardt ( CN=Daniel W. Burkhardt/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

hi debi,

do you know why the columbine letters haven't been turned in? i had asked  
for a very fast turnaround on those, and now they may be too old for him  
to sign.

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CREATOR: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 2-JUL-1999 13:08:10.00

SUBJECT: Re: columbine bc sigs

TO: Delia A. Cohen ( CN=Delia A. Cohen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

yes. they are finished and we have been pushing for clearance. i will  
make another phone call. debi

Delia A. Cohen

07/02/99 11:31:10 AM

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cc: Daniel W. Burkhardt/WHO/EOP

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CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-JUL-1999 19:58:37.00

SUBJECT: Handgun Control Childrens Group from Littleton

TO: Stephanie S. Streett ( CN=Stephanie S. Streett/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Stephanie A. Cutter ( CN=Stephanie A. Cutter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Sara M. Latham ( CN=Sara M. Latham/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Thomas D. Janenda ( CN=Thomas D. Janenda/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Loretta M. Ucelli ( CN=Loretta M. Ucelli/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Bruce N. Reed ( CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I spoke to the people at Handgun Control about the group of kids coming from Colorado. There are apparently now about 80 kids coming -- mostly from Littleton, including one that was injured in the Columbine incident, but also from other parts of the state. They will arrive at Dulles at 2pm on Wednesday, July 14 and will only have a reception planned for that evening. They are tentatively scheduled to do a Hill press conference on Thursday morning and then stay on the Hill to lobby. They could do something with us in the afternoon OR if we would prefer for them to be here in the morning they would make it so they could be. They are very flexible, and will work with us.

Let me know how you would like me to proceed.

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CREATOR: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-JUL-1999 17:16:45.00

SUBJECT: Re: Message Mtg Update

TO: Kris M Balderston ( CN=Kris M Balderston/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

As far as Columbine event, I would like to be involved with you as we did this; would be nice to meet some human beings.

re: Back to School...you and Goody need to look at that letter. Thurgood believed it was a good idea to do a simultaneous release of a Riley and POTUS letter. Thoughts? I will ask Marc D'Anjou to start thinking of ideas.

re: Battlefield - Roger Ballantine sent in a sked request with Thurgood's name as well - DOI sent it to him and us.

Kris M Balderston  
07/06/99 05:14:15 PM  
Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message  
cc:  
Subject:Message Mtg Update

Notes from the 2 pm Message Mtg today. I distributed new block calendars.

1- On July 12, it was recommended that the POTUS do a Cabinet Mtg as a message event to push his domestic agenda. they are going to run this by John P prior to the am mtg tomorrow .

2-On 7/14-15, 100 of the Columbine kids will be in WDC to do a Handgun Control event on the Hill. There is some talk that we may want to do a WH event too. Setti - you may want to tell DOJ.

3 On 7/15, we could do the OPIC Africa fund with the VP who will be doing an NAACP event in NYC

4- Sean - on 7/16 we should make the Educ Dept aware that the POTUS will do a School Construction event with Harkin. The advance guys will send us options to be vetted by DOEd for Iowa options tomorrow.

5- There may be a Medicare Town Hall on 7/21-22. In that case we may want to get the Regional Administrators on board to do regional events

6- SOS - we have to start talking to Ed about getting a sked request for the POTUS to do a Back to School event in September (7-9) Let's chat about it.

7 - SOS - the Fredericksburg battlefield idea may be a possibility during the dog days of August

Message Sent

To:

Lisa J. Levin/WHO/EOP@EOP

Thurgood Marshall Jr/WHO/EOP@EOP

Anne E. McGuire/WHO/EOP@EOP

Clay Reed/WHO/EOP@EOP

Sean P. O'Shea/WHO/EOP@EOP

Irma L. Martinez/WHO/EOP@EOP

Setti D. Warren/WHO/EOP@EOP



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CREATOR: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JUL-1999 09:49:33.00

SUBJECT: letter to Columbine counselor

TO: Christopher C. Jennings ( CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Good morning. I need to get this letter over to staff secretary for signing. Could you please review it and let me or Wayna know if it needs any revisions? Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Thanks! Debi

----- Forwarded by Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP on 07/07/99  
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Woyneab M. Wondwossen

06/25/99 05:08:22 PM

Record Type: Record

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cc: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP  
Subject:letter to Columbine counselor

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CREATOR: Allison M. Murphy ( CN=Allison M. Murphy/OU=NSC/O=EOP [ NSC ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JUL-1999 14:03:44.00

SUBJECT: Group WH Tour

TO: Jared Powell ( CN=Jared Powell/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi Jarred,

I've been asked to request a tour for approximately 60 Columbine High School students (lacrosse players, parents and psychologists) who are coming to Washington sponsored by RADM Thomas Jurkowsky, Navy Chief of Information. I've been asked if it's at all possible to get them a tour on Monday, July 19th. I know the House is closed on Sunday's and Monday's, however, I've been asked if it's at all possible to make an exception. These are kids from the high school in Colorado where two students killed 13 kids and themselves.

I've asked the requesting office to suggest another date in case this date could not be accommodate but they haven't come up with anything yet. Regardless I thought I'd give you a heads up and will follow up with a formal written request.

Let me know what you think. Thanks.

Allison

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Renee Sagiv ( CN=Renee Sagiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JUL-1999 10:51:59.00

SUBJECT: letter from littleton student

TO: Neera Tanden ( CN=Neera Tanden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I was wondering if you've had a chance to look over the POTUS response I faxed you June 28 for your approval. It was in reply to a very touching letter by a Columbine student who had witnessed the shootings. I've attached a copy of the response in case you need it. My director has requested I have the response to edit by tomorrow, July 8. Please feel free to call me at 456-5519 if you have any questions. Thanks for your help!

Renee

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====  
ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

TEXT:

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The following is a HEX DUMP:

===== END ATTACHMENT 1 =====

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CREATOR: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JUL-1999 16:40:15.00

SUBJECT: Re: MI mail/Robo Updates

TO: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

As of this afternoon I have:

21 tracked letters pending or in clearance.

90 current MI letters

41 old MI letters (Jeffrey and I are getting together friday for another MI day).

15 messages and 1 proc

I have sent a draft of the landmines form letter to NSC for clearance.

Once the Columbine letters are in edit, I will be able

to focus on Kosovo. I will finish my end of the form letter process by the middle of next week, but I cannot account for NSC clearance time.

Will keep you informed.

ww

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Woyneab M. Wondwossen ( CN=Woyneab M. Wondwossen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JUL-1999 10:23:49.00

SUBJECT: Re: letter to Richard Castaldo

TO: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Good morning, Debi.

I have actually heard back from Chris Jennings (DPC) on the letter to the Columbine counselor. It is Kris Balderston in Cabinet Affairs who has not yet gotten back to me on the issue of whether or not we can provide disaster assistance to the Shoels family. I am sorry if that was not clear from our conversation. In the future, I'll let you know in writing the status of all the clearance emails I send you a cc of.

As you can see from the e-mail below, I have recently asked him for a follow up; but, I think it would help a great deal if you contacted him directly. Please let me know if you would like to go over this in person. Thanks.

ww

----- Forwarded by Woyneab M. Wondwossen/WHO/EOP on  
07/07/99 09:55 AM -----

Woyneab M. Wondwossen

07/02/99 10:24:44 AM  
Record Type: Record

To: Kris M Balderston/WHO/EOP@EOP  
cc: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP  
Subject: Re: letter to Richard Castaldo

Hi Kris,

I hope you received the letter from Mr. and Mrs Shoels, which I faxed to you last week. We really need to move on this.

Any word yet from HHS or DOJ? Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Woyneab M. Wondwossen/WHO/EOP on  
07/02/99 10:19 AM -----

Kris M Balderston  
06/17/99 02:28:19 PM  
Record Type: Record

To: Woyneab M. Wondwossen/WHO/EOP@EOP  
cc:  
Subject: Re: letter to Richard Castaldo

great on reeve

FEMA will not declare a disaster in this case,

they should be getting HHS, DOJ victim assistance

We will have a call tomorrow w HHS and DOJ and ask them about it

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Melinda N. Bates ( CN=Melinda N. Bates/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 15:08:04.00

SUBJECT:

TO: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

On Monday July 19, is the press conference still on at 2 Pm now that a dinnner has been added July 18 night and lunch on 20th? We need to accommodate two important groups with a tour on the 19th: 200 Seeds of Peace, which the Clintons support and 60 Columbine HS students.... Gary does not think this can happen unless you are aware of some change.  
Thanks.



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Melinda N. Bates ( CN=Melinda N. Bates/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 13:57:42.00

SUBJECT: Re: Group WH Tour

TO: Allison M. Murphy ( CN=Allison M. Murphy/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [ NSC ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: tracey a. jacobson ( CN=tracey a. jacobson/OU=nsc/O=eop@eop [ NSC ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: jared powell ( CN=jared powell/OU=who/O=eop@eop [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I received this request late yesterday. It often takes more than 24 hours to work these out. We will respond to you as soon as we know what we can do.

Thank you for your patience.

P.s. I'd like to be sure that no one has promised anything to this group, as Monday tours are difficult to arrange, and we don't want any hurt feelings or wrong expectations. Thanks.

Allison M. Murphy

07/08/99 01:12:59 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Jared Powell/WHO/EOP@EOP, Melinda N. Bates/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Tracey A. Jacobson/NSC/EOP@EOP, Tracey A. Jacobson/NSC/EOP@EOP

Subject:Group WH Tour

Jared,

I've been asked to get a read again on the possiblity of this tour happening for the Columbine High School students on Monday, July 19th. As I mentioned, all are aware that the House is closed to public tours on Sundays and Mondays, however, our Press office has stressed that since the 19th is the only day they kids will be here and given the fact that the President has taken a personal interest in this issue and visited students at their high school our offices should make every reasonable effort to accommodate them. I've been asked to see if anything can be done to make this happen. I really appreciate your help.

Allison

----- Forwarded by Allison M. Murphy/NSC/EOP on 07/08/99  
01:14 PM -----

Allison M. Murphy  
07/07/99 02:03:34 PM  
Record Type: Record

To: Jared Powell/WHO/EOP@EOP  
cc:  
Subject: Group WH Tour

Hi Jarred,

I've been asked to request a tour for approximately 60 Columbine High School students (lacrosse players, parents and psychologists) who are coming to Washington sponsored by RADM Thomas Jurkowsky, Navy Chief of Information. I've been asked if it's at all possible to get them a tour on Monday, July 19th. I know the House is closed on Sunday's and Monday's, however, I've been asked if it's at all possible to make an exception. These are kids from the high school in Colorado where two students killed 13 kids and themselves.

I've asked the requesting office to suggest another date in case this date could not be accommodate but they haven't come up with anything yet. Regardless I thought I'd give you a heads up and will follow up with a formal written request.

Le'me know what you think. Thanks.

Allison

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Daniel W. Burkhardt ( CN=Daniel W. Burkhardt/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 16:00:40.00

SUBJECT: Re: sigs

TO: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

the hitt, castaldo, and columbine letters are too old now for sig, but any possibility of getting winter, spurs, and trabulski today? i'll do whatever i can to help get us there? i'm probably out the door at 12:30 tomorrow.

Debra D. Alexander

07/08/99 03:37:10 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Daniel W. Burkhardt/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: sigs

By 12 noon tomorrow I will have: Scott Hitt, Richard Castaldo, Columbine Trip letters, Jeff Winter, San Antonio Spurs and Trabulsi gift letter (not on log for some reason).

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Daniel W. Burkhardt

07/08/99 01:07:13 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP, Neal Sharma/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:sigs

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let me know. thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Allison M. Murphy ( CN=Allison M. Murphy/OU=NSC/O=EOP [ NSC ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 14:40:23.00

SUBJECT: Group Tour Request

TO: Jared Powell ( CN=Jared Powell/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Jared,

Thanks for the attention to the Columbine request. Our office is very grateful.

FYI, I just faxed to you another request for Tuesday, July 20th for a group of Japanese delegates hosted by the ACYPL. I'll be on leave next week 7/12 - 7/16 and don't expect that you'll be able to approve or disapprove this until next week sometime, so could you please forward any response on this request to Lindsey Huff and Natalie Wozniak in our Press office at ext 6-9271. They are on Lotus notes email. Thanks very much.

Allison

p.s. of course, if the decision is made tomorrow I can forward that.  
Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 15:37:18.00

SUBJECT: Re: sigs

TO: Daniel W. Burkhardt ( CN=Daniel W. Burkhardt/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Allison M. Murphy ( CN=Allison M. Murphy/OU=NSC/O=EOP [ NSC ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-JUL-1999 15:19:40.00

SUBJECT: Re: Group Tour Request

TO: Jared Powell ( CN=Jared Powell/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey, thanks! I appreciate your help.

FYI, Melinda wasn't able to do the Columbine tour but we are grateful that ya'll looked into it so quickly, thanks.

Allison

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-JUL-1999 14:50:03.00

SUBJECT: meetings.....

TO: Claire E. Turner ( CN=Claire E. Turner/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

These are the meetings set for next week:

weta at 10 on monday in capricia's  
columbine at 10:15 on Monday in loretta's - that may be more formulative  
of a meeting - we'll keep on it  
vhl at 4 on wednesday in capricia's  
philanthropy at 3 on thursday rm 100  
millennium set by ellen/ginger time day tbd

These are the meetings i was thinking about calling for next week:

Adoption and ADA events:

monday or tuesday or wednesday -- as soon as we know anything -- they  
would both be a loretta meeting first - I'll call ann hertelendy and ask  
her if they are calling a meeting and urge the sooner the better as  
always.....

Boys and Girl's nation

again -- message of event pending would be a loretta thing -- i'll call on  
this as well and hopefully we can do something on tuesday or asap

Hispanic Conveening

maybe wed -- kim i need to bring you up on what was discussed -- they were  
planning to have their lists by today and absolutley finalized by tues/wed  
-- we can stay ahead of the game if we can get them to keep moving forward  
instead of the last minute -- this will also be good for the satellite of  
the event.

Isreal Dinner

I'm sure we'll all get together in capricia's office as soon as she knows  
anything onmonday and then start coordinating with protocol and doing  
walkthrus etc....

Is there anything else you guys see a need for? thanks



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Melinda N. Bates ( CN=Melinda N. Bates/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-JUL-1999 11:53:40.00

SUBJECT: July 19

TO: Jared Powell ( CN=Jared Powell/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Better find the Seeds and the columbine requests again for me.../

----- Forwarded by Melinda N. Bates/WHO/EOP on 07/09/99  
11:53 AM -----

Elizabeth C. Jones

07/09/99 10:24:43 AM

Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message

cc:

Subject:

Laura Schwart called - the Press Conference scheduled on 7/19 is  
definitely CANCELED.

Message Sent

To:

Melinda N. Bates/WHO/EOP@EOP

Margaret M. Whillock/WHO/EOP@EOP

Holly H. Thoden/WHO/EOP@EOP

Gayleen P. Dalsimer/WHO/EOP@EOP

Shawn J. Johnson/WHO/EOP@EOP

Jared Powell/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kim B. Widdess ( CN=Kim B. Widdess/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-JUL-1999 08:57:21.00

SUBJECT: Re:

TO: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I know that President's scheduling is aware of the columbine students, and was talking about having them at a departure statement or something. I think we should just triple confirm with scheduling about a press conference on Monday before we let Melinda schedule a tour for 200. I will call Steph.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Setti D. Warren ( CN=Setti D. Warren/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 17:45:03.00

SUBJECT: columbine

TO: Kris M Balderston ( CN=Kris M Balderston/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Thurgood Marshall Jr ( CN=Thurgood Marshall Jr/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

potus will meet with 5 columbine students privately on thursday, then walk out and make statement with them behind them. it is press only, it has been dpc so far- i know this is yours- whats' our role,( i asked dpc to think about what role justice may play.)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 12:37:16.00

SUBJECT: Thurs event

TO: Patricia Solis-Doyle ( CN=Patricia Solis-Doyle/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Katharine Button ( CN=Katharine Button/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Patti, on Thurs at around 11am, the President is going to meet with a group of Colorado students (some from Columbine High School), who are here to lobby the hill on gun control and school violence issues. The President will meet with them briefly and then make a statement urging the Congress to act strongly on sensible gun control measures . . . just FYI, if HRC were in town to join.

[illegible]

Thanks so much for your heartfelt letter. As the parents of a young college student about your age, Mrs. Clinton and I understand, if only in our worst fears, the horror of what has happened in your lives.

What occurred at your school was a terrible tragedy. I agree that no student should have to worry that a classmate is carrying a loaded gun to school. No parent should have to fear that the places to which we send our children every day are unsafe. We need to make sure that our schools are safe places for children to learn, play, and grow. There is no task more urgent; and every one of us has a role to play.

That is why we have launched a national campaign to prevent youth violence. This campaign will work with all sectors of our society -- the media, education groups, parents, religious leaders, and young people like you -- to focus on this problem, find what is working, and spread it to new communities.

I firmly believe that the American spirit is stronger than the forces of hate. I know that we can prevent more youth violence if we work together, across all the lines that divide us. I hope you will remain engaged in this vital endeavor -- America needs the energy and idealism of our country's youth. You can help us to build a better future for all our children, a future where hatred and distrust no longer distort the mind or harden the heart -- a future where what we have in common is far more important than what divides us.

It is difficult to heal after such a tragedy. Yet in your struggle to make sense of the senseless, you have found a new appreciation for the things that are really important in life: your friends, family, and the value of reaching out to one another. I hope that this knowledge, and the caring of not only your neighbors, but of your country and people from all around the world, will help you keep your optimism and faith. Mrs. Clinton and I send you our best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lotus Pager Gateway ( Lotus Pager Gateway [ UNKNOWN ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 15:46:12.00

SUBJECT:

TO: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To: 4463 @ WHCA

cc:

From: Laura D. Schwartz

Date: 7/12/1999

Time: 15:33:47

Subject:

Body:

pls call laura at 65655 re: columbine thanks a lot!

Priority:

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Message history for recipient SARAH LATHAM [Pager]

Monday 12 Jul 1999 15:34:51 Eastern Standard Time - Message received by  
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Paging Service

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 13:35:02.00

SUBJECT:

TO: 4463 ( 4463 @ WHCA [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

PLS CAL LAURA AT 65655 WHEN AVAIL RE: COLUMBINE KIDS THANKS



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Setti D. Warren ( CN=Setti D. Warren/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 12:37:00.00

SUBJECT: event on wed

TO: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Thurgood Marshall Jr ( CN=Thurgood Marshall Jr/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

are we doing a guns and violence event on wed. with students from  
columbine?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 12:37:06.00

SUBJECT: Re: event on wed

TO: Setti D. Warren ( CN=Setti D. Warren/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: thurgood marshall jr ( CN=thurgood marshall jr/OU=who/O=eop@eop [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: jose cerda iii ( CN=jose cerda iii/OU=opd/O=eop@eop [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We're meeting with a group of kids coming from THE METROPOLITAN DENVER AREA (only 5 of them will be from Columbine, out of a total of about 80) on Thursday. They will meet with POTUS privately, and then he'll make a statement with them standing behind him.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: James M. Teague ( CN=James M. Teague/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 14:29:32.00

SUBJECT: from newman re; columbine

TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

thanks - i borrowed joe's guidance and gave my people a heads up

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JUL-1999 15:33:48.00

SUBJECT:

TO: 4463 ( 4463 @ WHCA [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

pls call laura at 65655 re: columbine thanks a lot!

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CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 17:51:18.00

SUBJECT: Colorado Student

TO: Rajiv Y. Mody ( CN=Rajiv Y. Mody/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Devon Adams

Columbine High School

Littleton, CO

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Sarah E. Gegenheimer ( CN=Sarah E. Gegenheimer/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 14:19:53.00

SUBJECT: Event Checklist #1: 7/15 Gun Control Statement with Colorado Kids

TO: Patrick M. Dorton ( CN=Patrick M. Dorton/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Courtney M. Manning ( CN=Courtney M. Manning/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: David Vandivier ( CN=David Vandivier/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [ OMB ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Victoria L. Valentine ( CN=Victoria L. Valentine/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Richard L. Siewert ( CN=Richard L. Siewert/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Toby C. Graff ( CN=Toby C. Graff/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: OLCOTT\_E@A1 ( OLCOTT\_E@A1 @ CD @ VAXGTWY [ UNKNOWN ] ) (WHO)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Lindsey E. Huff ( CN=Lindsey E. Huff/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [ NSC ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Patrick E. Briggs ( CN=Patrick E. Briggs/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: BERNSTEIN\_MJ@A1@CD@VAXGTWY ( BERNSTEIN\_MJ@A1@CD@VAXGTWY [ UNKNOWN ] ) (WHO)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Erica S. Lepping ( CN=Erica S. Lepping/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Karen C. Burchard ( CN=Karen C. Burchard/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jason H. Schechter ( CN=Jason H. Schechter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Beverly J. Barnes ( CN=Beverly J. Barnes/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nanda Chitre ( CN=Nanda Chitre/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: CROWLEY\_P@A1 ( CROWLEY\_P@A1 @ CD @ LNGTWY [ UNKNOWN ] ) (NSC)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elizabeth R. Newman ( CN=Elizabeth R. Newman/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Megan C. Moloney ( CN=Megan C. Moloney/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Anne M. Edwards ( CN=Anne M. Edwards/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barry J. Toiv ( CN=Barry J. Toiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Stephanie A. Cutter ( CN=Stephanie A. Cutter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Audrey Choi ( CN=Audrey Choi/OU=CEA/O=EOP@EOP [ CEA ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jenni R. Engebretsen ( CN=Jenni R. Engebretsen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Michael A. Hammer ( CN=Michael A. Hammer/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [ NSC ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Heather M. Riley ( CN=Heather M. Riley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Joshua S. Gottheimer ( CN=Joshua S. Gottheimer/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: SUNTUM\_M@A1@CD@VAXGTWY ( SUNTUM\_M@A1@CD@VAXGTWY @ VAXGTWY [ UNKNOWN ] ) (WHO)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: LEAVY\_D@A1@CD@VAXGTWY@EOP ( LEAVY\_D@A1@CD@VAXGTWY@EOP [ UNKNOWN ] ) (NSC)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Nathan B. Naylor ( CN=Nathan B. Naylor/O=OVP@OVP [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Julie E. Mason ( CN=Julie E. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Julie B. Goldberg ( CN=Julie B. Goldberg/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dorinda A. Salcido ( CN=Dorinda A. Salcido/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Mark A. Kitchens ( CN=Mark A. Kitchens/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: James M. Teague ( CN=James M. Teague/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Mark D. Neschis ( CN=Mark D. Neschis/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Julia M. Payne ( CN=Julia M. Payne/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: WOZNIAK\_N@A1 ( WOZNIAK\_N@A1 @ CD @ LNGTWY [ UNKNOWN ] ) (NSC)

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Brenda M. Anders ( CN=Brenda M. Anders/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Dag Vega ( CN=Dag Vega/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Press Office

Contact:

Elizabeth Newman,

65663

Event: Statement on Gun Control Legislation with  
Colorado Students

Date: Thursday, July 15, 1999

Time: 11:45 a.m. (T)

Date for Announcing/Advisory: Advisory on Wednesday, July 14, 1999

Press: OPEN PRESS

Site: In front of South Portico

Program:President Clinton is announced from the Red Room onto the South Portico, joined by 81 high school students from the Denver metropolitan area (five from Columbine High School). The President and the kids walk down the exterior stairs to a stage in front of the portico. President Clinton and one student TBD (probably from Columbine H.S.) proceed to the podium. The rest of the students stand on tiered risers behind the speakers. President Clinton delivers remarks and introduces a student TBD. Student TBD makes remarks. President Clinton closes the program.

Order of Speakers: President Clinton, student TBD, President  
Clinton (closes program)

Audience: None

Cabinet:Secretary of Treasury Summers, Secretary of Education Riley, and Attorney General Reno are being invited to participate. They will stand on stage, and will not have speaking roles.

Congressional: TBD

Other: The students will meet with President Clinton in the State Dining Room prior to the statement from about 11:00-11:40 a.m. Following the statement, the kids will go to Capitol Hill. They'll hold a mini press conference at 1:15 p.m. with members of Congress, and then break up into groups to lobby individual members. At 3:00 p.m., about 10 of the students will meet with the Vice President and Rep. Gephardt.

Message:President Clinton will reiterate the need for comprehensive gun control legislation that keeps guns out of the hands of children and criminals.

Speechwriter: June Shih



## Press Plan

National Media: OPEN PRESS for remarks

Regional Media: Invite Colorado press to statement

TV: TBD

Specialty: TBD

Radio: TBD

Press Briefing in addition to JL briefing: None

Stakeout: TBD

## Press Paper

## Policy Paper/Q&amp;A

Originating Office:

DPC

Contact and phone number:

Karin Kullman, 6-1732

Date Press Paper Expected:

7/14

## Event Participant List

Originating Office:

DPC

Contact and phone number:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 17:41:13.00

SUBJECT: Re: Colorado

TO: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

no just wondering who the kids are from Columbine and who from  
Chattfield.as you know, he met with some of each during his trip

Karin Kullman

07/13/99 05:05:45 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Sean P. O'Shea/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: Colorado

I have a list of names, dob's, and ssn's. Do you need to see a copy?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 10:56:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: SAFE Colorado thurs. event.

TO: Stephanie A. Cutter ( CN=Stephanie A. Cutter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: karin kullman ( CN=karin kullman/OU=opd/O=eop@eop [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: stephanie a. cutter ( CN=stephanie a. cutter/OU=who/O=eop@eop [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: sara m. latham ( CN=sara m. latham/OU=who/O=eop@eop [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

If people want a student to speak we can have one. There are 5 kids from Columbine, and I think they believe 1 or 2 of them can speak. However, they know this because they are probably speaking at the Hill event later. I believe there are about 9 students speaking at the Hill event!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura J. Lewis ( CN=Laura J. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 12:26:41.00

SUBJECT: Re:

TO: Joshua S. Gottheimer ( CN=Joshua S. Gottheimer/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

gun control and columbine

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JUL-1999 14:43:16.00

SUBJECT: Re: colorado kids

TO: June Shih ( CN=June Shih/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The plan as of right now is this. Informal, private meeting in the State Dining Room with the group of 81 students and their chaperones (WH photo only; I assume he'll just need some talking points). Then, the President will walk with the kids down the South Portico steps. There will be a stage and choral risers set up. POTUS will make remarks and introduce a student (I'm working with them to identify one, most likely one from Columbine). The student will speak for 2-3 minutes. POTUS will make concluding remarks and depart.

I am going to walk down to you some background on the group, their press release, and some info. on the 2 students who are co-chairing the trip.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 08:51:00.00

SUBJECT: Re: Colorado

TO: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: June Shih ( CN=June Shih/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 13:07:22.00

SUBJECT: thoughts?

TO: Michael Waldman ( CN=Michael Waldman/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Draft 7/14/99

Shih

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON

REMARKS WITH COLORADO KIDS

THE WHITE HOUSE

JULY 15, 1999

Good morning. Three months have passed since that horrible day in Littleton. Three months since the crack of gunfire, the cries of terror, the sad funerals after sad funerals woke all of us to the fact that no one is ever safe from gun violence. But now as the shock and grief subside, as the cameras and satellite trucks move on to cover different events, it might be easy to forget, to allow time to weaken our resolve against future violence.

But we must never forget. These young people are the lifeblood of a grassroots movement to stop gun violence that has risen in the wake of Columbine. I thank them for coming to Washington to hold our feet to the fire. In our great Democracy, every American has the right to make their voices heard, to point out where our laws fail to protect our people, and demand change from those elected to represent us in corridors of power.

I have just heard from these wonderful young people about their hopes for the future, for safer streets, for tougher gun laws that can help free our classrooms from the specter of gun violence. This afternoon, they will carry that same message to Capitol Hill. I call on Congress to listen to what our children have to say. For the past three months, the gun lobby has been bending the ears of too many representatives, calling all the shots on Capitol Hill. Now it is time for Congress to listen to the only lobbyists whose voices truly matter in this gun debate ) our children.

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But three months after Columbine, we are still waiting. Congress has yet to send me a bill that would make these common sense gun reforms law. The Senate has already passed these reforms. And though they died in the House, we still have an opportunity to make them law.

We must not allow the victims of Columbine and of school shootings across the country to have died in vain. We must not lose the urgency of our mission. Every day, 13 children die from gunshot wounds. How many more children must become victims of a illegally obtained gun, or victims of a poorly secured gun? How many more children must lose their lives before we act? How many more parents must lose their beloved sons and daughters, how many more boys and girls will lose their chance to grow into the fine bright teenagers I see here today? The American people deserve better. I call on Congress to end the delay, listen to and protect our children, and send me a strong bill like the one passed by the Senate.

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CREATOR: June Shih ( CN=June Shih/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 13:21:35.00

SUBJECT: draft of colorado kids... thoughts?

TO: Jose Cerda III ( CN=Jose Cerda III/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Bruce N. Reed ( CN=Bruce N. Reed/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Draft 7/14/99

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (EXTERNAL MAIL)

CREATOR: Elizabeth R. Newman@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 19:29:00.00

SUBJECT: Event Checklist #2: 7/15 Gun Control Statement with Colorado Ki

TO: WOZNIAK\_N ( WOZNIAK\_N@A1@CD ) (NSC)  
READ:15-JUL-1999 15:46:28.34

TO: CROWLEY\_P ( CROWLEY\_P@A1@CD ) (NSC)  
READ:NOT READ

TO: SUNTUM\_M ( SUNTUM\_M@A1@CD ) (WHO)  
READ:14-JUL-1999 20:52:55.44

TO: OLCOTT\_E ( OLCOTT\_E@A1@CD ) (WHO)  
READ:NOT READ

TO: LEAVY\_D ( LEAVY\_D@A1@CD ) (NSC)  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Barry J. Toiv ( Barry J. Toiv@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Dag Vega ( Dag Vega@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Anne M. Edwards ( Anne M. Edwards@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Brenda M. Anders ( Brenda M. Anders@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Megan C. Moloney ( Megan C. Moloney@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Elizabeth R. Newman ( Elizabeth R. Newman@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( Jennifer M. Palmieri@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Julie B. Goldberg ( Julie B. Goldberg@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Sarah E. Gegenheimer ( Sarah E. Gegenheimer@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: LEAVY\_D ( LEAVY\_D@A1@CD@VAXGTWY@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
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TO: Heather M. Riley ( Heather M. Riley@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Victoria L. Valentine ( Victoria L. Valentine@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Michael A. Hammer ( Michael A. Hammer@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Karen C. Burchard ( Karen C. Burchard@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Richard L. Siewert ( Richard L. Siewert@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TO: Erica S. Lepping ( Erica S. Lepping@EOP@LNGTWY@EOPMRX )  
READ:NOT READ

TEXT:

Message Creation Date was at 14-JUL-1999 19:26:00

Press Office Contact:  
Elizabeth Newman, 65663

Event: Statement on Gun Control Legislation with Colorado Students

Date: Thursday, July 15, 1999

Time: 11:45 a.m.

Date for Announcing/Advisory: Advisory on Wednesday, July 14, 1999

Press: OPEN PRESS

Site: In front of South Portico

Program: President Clinton is announced from the Red Room onto the South

Portico, joined by 81 high school students from the Denver metropolitan area (five from Columbine High School). The President and the kids walk down the exterior stairs to a stage in front of the portico. President Clinton and David Winkler, Co-Leader of "SAFE Trip" proceed to the podium. The rest of the students stand on tiered risers behind the speakers. President Clinton delivers remarks and introduces David Winkler. David Winkler makes remarks. President Clinton closes the program.

Order of Speakers: President Clinton, David Winkler, President Clinton  
(closes program)

Audience: None

Cabinet: Secretary of Treasury Summers, and Attorney General Reno will be in the closed press meeting with the President and students before the event. At the event, they will stand on stage, and will not have speaking roles.

Congressional: None

Other: The students will meet with President Clinton in the State Dining Room prior to the statement from about 11:00-11:40 a.m. Following the statement, the kids will go to Capitol Hill. They'll hold a mini press conference at 1:15 p.m. with members of Congress, and then break up into groups to lobby individual members. At 3:00 p.m., about 10 of the students will meet with the Vice President and Rep. Gephardt.

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National Media: OPEN PRESS for remarks

Regional Media: Invite Colorado press to statement

TV: Students from SAFE Colorado will do morning shows

Specialty: TBD

Radio: TBD

Press Briefing in addition to JL briefing: None

Stakeout: None

Press Paper

Policy Paper/Q&A

Originating Office: DPC

Contact and phone number: Karin Kullman, 6-1732

Date Press Paper Expected: 7/14

Event Participant List

Originating Office: DPC

Contact and phone number: Karin Kullman, 6-1732

Date Press Paper Expected: 7/14

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 20:51:29.00

SUBJECT: Re: Student Speaker for SAFE Colorado Event

TO: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

this is an outrage! what happened to the Columbine student.

Karin Kullman

07/14/99 06:48:42 PM

Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message

cc: Claire E. Turner/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject:Student Speaker for SAFE Colorado Event

Our speaker for tomorrow will be:

David Winkler, Co-Leader, "S.A.F.E. Trip". David just graduated from George Washington High School in Denver, CO. He is one of two students that have worked to organize this large group of students to "march on Washington" and ask for meaningful gun control legislation.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your patience.

Message Sent

To:

Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP@EOP

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June Shih/WHO/EOP@EOP

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Jennifer M. Palmieri/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Sean P. O'Shea ( CN=Sean P. O'Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 08:55:03.00

SUBJECT: Re: Colorado

TO: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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Karin Kullman

07/14/99 08:50:59 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Sean P. O'Shea/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: Colorado

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Debra S. Wood ( CN=Debra S. Wood/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 13:27:27.00

SUBJECT: ...for you!

TO: Betty W. Currie ( CN=Betty W. Currie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Betty,

I know you meet so many people in a day it would be impossible for you to remember them all. However, several weeks ago, you were eating lunch in the Mess when I was there with my cousin, and you were kind enough to allow her to come up and have her picture made in the Oval Office. Her name was Charlotte Meredith, and you may recall my telling you that she is an Assistant Principal at a school in the same school district as Columbine High School. You/She shared some thoughts about the tragedy...ring any bells?

Well, I'm embarrassed that this is coming to you so late (most of my personal things have been buried under plaster in my office which is STILL being renovated...grr!). Anyway, according to Charlotte, each school in the school district made ribbons in memory of those who were killed at Columbine. The ribbons are made with the colors of Columbine, however, each school put their own pin in the ribbon, to signify "we are all Columbine." Charlotte sent a ribbon from her school for every person she met the day she was here. They were handmade by the kids at her school. One was to be for you, and again, I'm SO embarrassed that I'm sending it so late!

I got a little thank you card that everyone is signing, to send to her. I'll put it in inner office mail for you. If you want, you can sign it, and if not, that's okay too. Either way, could you return it to me in Room 597.

Again, the pin is made from Columbine's colors. The HCMS pin is Charlotte's school -- Horizon Community Middle School. Hope you enjoy it!

Debra



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: June Shih ( CN=June Shih/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 16:08:53.00

SUBJECT: latest colorado draft

TO: Joshua S. Gottheimer ( CN=Joshua S. Gottheimer/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Michael Waldman ( CN=Michael Waldman/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )  
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Draft 7/14/99

Shih

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With fewer than two months left before the start of a new school year, let us send a strong message to all our children that when they go back to school in September, America will be doing everything we can to keep them safe in their classrooms, their libraries, their schoolyards.

Make America safe for all Americans.

Now I'd like to introduce (

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Debra D. Alexander ( CN=Debra D. Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JUL-1999 17:45:53.00

SUBJECT: Lisa Cosgrove letter

TO: Neera Tanden ( CN=Neera Tanden/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Renee Sagiv ( CN=Renee Sagiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi! Renee Sagiv e-mailed and faxed a draft letter to you addressing lisa's experience at Columbine. It is logged as a sample to go to the President this week. Could you please let us know your recommendations? Thanks. Debi

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Margaret M. Suntum ( CN=Margaret M. Suntum/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JUL-1999 13:21:07.00

SUBJECT: remarks with S.A.F.E. Colorado Students

TO: Sally Katzen ( CN=Sally Katzen/OU=OMB/O=EOP @ EOP [ OMB ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri ( CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Hildy Kuryk ( CN=Hildy Kuryk/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Releases@pub.pub.whitehouse.gov@inet ( Releases@pub.pub.whitehouse.gov@inet [ UN

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Alberto O. Feraren ( CN=Alberto O. Feraren/OU=OA/O=EOP @ EOP [ OA ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Aprill N. Springfield ( CN=Aprill N. Springfield/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO S.A.F.E. COLORADO STUDENTS

South Lawn

12:25 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon. I want to welcome the groups of young people from Colorado S.A.F.E. here to the White House, as well as those who brought them here from Colorado; the co-leaders, David Winkler and Ben Gelt. David will speak in a moment. And I want to say again how grateful I am that these young people have come. Secretary Summers and Attorney General Reno and I have just had a remarkable session.

It has now been three months since the horrible day in Littleton, since the crack of gunfire and the cries and the funerals. And now as the shock and grieve subside, as the cameras and satellite trucks move on to different events, it might be easy to forget and to have the nation weaken its resolve to keep our children safe from gun violence. But America must not forget that event, or those which occurred in schools last year, or the fact that 13 of our children die every single day from gun violence.

These young people represent millions of Americans who have come together at the grass roots to take action. They have come to Washington

to hold our feet to the fire and to make their voices heard. And I thank them for coming.

I have just had, as I said, a fascinating question and answer session with these young people. They have asked good questions and they have given good suggestions. And they are plainly impatient with the lack of action on the important legislation before Congress.

This afternoon they will carry that same message to Capitol Hill. I hope the Congress will listen very, very carefully to them. For the past three months the gun lobby has been calling the shots on Capitol Hill; now it's time for Congress to listen to the lobbyists who truly matter -- our children, the people who will be most affected by what is or is

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not done by the Congress.

This is not a partisan issue out there in America; indeed, not a partisan issue anywhere but Washington. Americans of all ages, all backgrounds, all political philosophies support strong legislation to close dangerous loopholes in our gun laws. The vast majority of Americans believe passionately that no criminal who has failed a Brady background check and been refused a gun by an honest dealer should be able to turn around and buy a gun at a gun show. Florida, hardly one of our most liberal states, voted 72 percent in a referendum last November to do just that.

We believe that every handgun should be made child-proof, with a safety lock. We know that high-capacity ammunition gun clips are designed for war, not hunting, and they have no place in the American market. We believe any juvenile convicted of a violent crime should be banned as an adult would from owning a handgun.

But three months after Columbine, Congress has yet to send me a bill to make these common-sense gun reforms the law of the land. The Senate has passed them, and though they died in the House, we still -- we still -- have an opportunity to make them the law this year. I ask, as the young people ask here today, don't forget Littleton; don't allow the victims at Columbine to have died in vain; don't forget the 13 children who die every day from gun violence. Many, many, many of them can be saved.

We must not lose the urgency of our mission. It is not too late. How many more children must become victims of an illegal or poorly secured weapon? How many more parents must be robbed of the opportunity to see their children grow up into the fine young people we see standing behind me today?

I asked Congress to end this delay, and to send me a strong bill like the one passed by the Senate. I ask Congress to reaffirm these young people's faith in America, in our system of democracy. I ask Congress to listen to the young lobbyists who will be on Capitol Hill today. Send them home with the knowledge that Washington can hear their voices, too; that men and women who serve in democracy's house, the U.S. Capitol, truly serve the American people.

There are less than two months now before the start of a new school year. Let's show all our children that when it comes to making their classrooms and communities safe from gun violence, America did not

take a summer vacation. Let's show them that politics can stop at the schoolhouse door; that this summer can be a season of progress and a season of safety.

I again say, I wish every American could have seen and heard these young people as the Attorney General, the Secretary of Treasury and I have just done. I was impressed, amazed, and heartened. I ask the members of Congress to open their eyes, their hearts, their minds to what they have to say.

Now I'd like to introduce one of the people who is most responsible for all these fine young people being here today, the co-leader of this S.A.F.E. trip, David Winkler.

David. (Applause.)

MR. WINKLER: Thank you, Mr. President. First of all, I'd like to speak for all of us in the group in saying that we really enjoyed our conversation on the inside, and we'd like to present you with a tee-shirt that we're all wearing today that recognizes this S.A.F.E. trip.

We're here from a group called S.A.F.E. Colorado. S.A.F.E. Colorado stands for the "Sane Alternatives to the Firearms Epidemic." We hope it will branch out into other states and be joined by other reasonable people. We call for reasonable gun control measures, while recognizing the right of American citizens to use and own firearms for responsible, legitimate purposes.

Thank you, Mr. President. My name is David Winkler, and I'm from Denver, Colorado. I'm here today to speak on behalf of over 90 Colorado students who have come to Washington because we can no longer tolerate the level of gun violence in this country. We're a diverse group who do not agree on everything, but we do agree that our gun laws are not working and must be changed.

While Columbine was overwhelming, tragedies of a smaller scale take place every day. Thirteen of our children die each day from gunfire. That's a Columbine every day. From the inner cities to the suburbs to rural America, gun violence affects us all. The problem is that the wrong people -- criminals and children -- have easy access to firearms. The students of this S.A.F.E. Colorado trip call upon our nation's leaders to fix this problem as soon as possible, before school starts.

We do not call for the abolition of guns. We call for reasonable gun legislation. Guns are not toys; gun ownership must be conducted responsibly. We must allow law-abiding Americans to buy guns, while preventing those same guns from falling into the wrong hands. Our country needs simple laws that are easy to understand and easy to enforce. We cannot allow loopholes to invalidate the intent of the law.

Congress needs to act before the next school year. Most importantly, we must close the gun show loophole once and for all. The gun show loophole allows anyone to buy a gun with no questions asked. This loophole allows criminals to by-pass all of our other gun laws. The four guns used at Columbine were purchased at gun shows. In fact, only a month ago, an 18-year-old friend of mine and I were able to purchase a Tec-9 assault pistol at a Denver area gun show that he would not have been abler to buy at a gun store. Even though that particular gun was banned in 1994, he was able to get one without presenting identification or



giving his name to the seller. It was just cash and carry, and it was legal. This must be stopped. We demand that we close this loophole.

We also want to limit handgun purchases to one per month. Too many people make their living by selling firearms on our streets. The guns used in the recent hate shootings in the Midwest were allegedly sold in a private sale after the shooter failed a background check at a gun store. Gun traffickers are legally arming the criminals and children of America. We must attack these unlicensed dealers and their ability to profit from selling guns.

Limiting handgun purchases to one a month would put many gun traffickers out of business, while allowing licensed dealers to operate legally. Besides, does anyone really need more than 12 handguns a year?

These reasonable measures will save lives, without infringing on the rights of responsible gun owners. We call upon our leaders to recognize that the American people have come to a conclusion and that now is the time to act.

Young people here are concerned about gun violence in America and we will make our voices heard. We will not go away. We will be back next year, in greater numbers and from other states. We want action, not excuses. And we call on the rest of America to join us.

Mr. President, thank you for your leadership on this important issue. Thank you for meeting with us and talking to us today.  
(Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: Great job. That was terrific. Thank you.

MR. WINKLER: I want to thank all the students for coming on this trip, and all of our chaperons for making it possible. Thanks, guys. You all deserve a big hand. (Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: I think if you all stayed a couple of weeks we would do very well. This is great. Thank you.

Q Mr. President, a little bit later on today you will be meeting with Prime Minister Barak, who has asked you to take a step back from the peace process -- I'm wondering, first of all, if you are considering to take the time and wait for him to do that? Conversely, do you think the time is right for you to get back into -- the Northern Ireland peace process?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, let me say, first of all, on all these other questions unrelated to this subject, as all of you know, I'm going to be making a public statement with Prime Minister Barak later and I will be happy to answer questions then. I'm not sure that the way you've characterized it is exactly what his request to me is going to be, so I think I ought to wait until we are out there together.

On Northern Ireland, let me say that this is a difficult day for those of us who have worked for years and who have worked over the last several weeks. It is a particularly difficult day for Prime Minister Blair and Prime Minister Ahern, who have performed heroic service. And it is hard for most Americans, I'm sure, and most people throughout the world to understand how a peace process could be stalled when both sides agree on every element of the peace process, and both sides agree on exactly

what they both have to do between now and next May. And the idea that this whole thing could fall apart, over an argument over who goes first sounds more reminiscent of something that might happen to these young people in their school careers six or seven years earlier in their lives.

I mean, that's basically what's going on here. And you all need to understand it. There is no difference of opinion here about what the Good Friday Accords require, what the communities of Ireland and Northern Ireland have voted for, what they are all committed to do. They are having a fight over who goes first, and acting today as if the whole thing could be abandoned over that.

That cannot be allowed to happen. I do not believe it will be allowed to happen. I believe there is too much invested in this. And I believe sooner rather than later we'll get this thing back on track.

But I've done what I could, along with the people in the communities and the British and the Irish Prime Ministers -- they have been wonderful. I don't know what else they could have done. I don't know what else I could have done. But I just don't believe as far as we've come that this thing is going to come apart. This is not a good day for us, but I do not believe that it's going to come apart, and we'll keep working on it.

And I'll answer the other questions later.

Q On gun control, will you veto legislation from Capitol Hill on juvenile justice if it does not contain a gun control provision?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, I want to talk to the Attorney General about what else is in the bill, and I'd like to get her advice on that before I make a final decision. But I tell you what I will do -- I will veto any legislation that appears to be gun control legislation that actually weakens the law. One of the things they were trying to do up there before was to actually go back and weaken the pawn shop part of the law, and say that if a criminal puts a gun in a pawn shop and goes to jail, when they come back there shouldn't be a background check if you're coming back to get your own gun at a pawn shop. That's been the law for years and years, and they're even trying to weaken that law.

So I will not, in any way, shape or form, countenance a weakening of the law. I will do whatever I think -- I'll tell you the answer to that -- I will do whatever I am convinced is best to increase the chances that we can pass responsible legislation to protect our children from guns, to keep guns out of the hands of people who should not have them. That's what I will do.

But in terms of the details, I think the Attorney General will have to give me a briefing on it before I can make a final decision.

Thank you, and I'll see you in a couple of hours. Thank you.

Q Patients bill of rights?

THE PRESIDENT: It's still a good bill. I'm bewildered by that, actually. I mean, I don't see how the majority is going to explain -- we had 100 percent of our caucus and a couple from theirs, and I listened to the debate and it still doesn't make any sense to me. All they can say is -- either they can say we just don't want doctors to be able to refer their patients to specialists, or people to be able to stop at the first

emergency room, or women to be able to keep their gynecologist throughout a pregnancy, or people with cancer to be able to keep their oncologist throughout a chemotherapy treatment -- or they have to say what the health insurers are saying, which is, oh, this is going to really raise premiums.

The problem with their argument and all these millions of dollars they're spending on their advertising is that the Congressional Budget Office which, as you know -- all of you know this now -- for more than four years, the Republican majority is held up as the sole authority on anything having to do with money in Washington, D.C. -- they have held it up as an icon, and the Congressional Budget Office tells them that, at most, this could raise premiums \$2 a month.

Now, so the health insurers have paid advertisement that says something different from their own Congressional Budget Office, and so now, they're only too happy to abandon the Congressional Budget Office that they waved in front of us like a sacred body for four and a half years.

So I don't know what's going on there. I know one thing -- again, that's just like gun violence -- you go out into this country and you will find 70 percent of Republicans, Democrats and independents who believe in the provisions of the Patients' Bill of Rights, and you tell them that Congress says it will cost two bucks a month, the federal government experience is it costs less than one dollar a month, and the numbers will stay solid.

So there's something else going on here. And all I can say is I'm going to keep working for a good one. And I just -- this is -- this one is truly beyond me. I figure when the Congressional Budget Office came up after they had nourished it as the end all and be all of financial wisdom for five years, or nearly five years, that we would be home free and we could pass this in a bipartisan fashion. And the health insurers won't let them do it -- that's really what's going on. They won't let them do it. And I think it's a sad day for health care in America. But we're not done yet, and this won't die.

Thank you.

Q Are you being overly protective of Mr. Gore's campaign, sir? You agreed to raise funds for him and you took a shot at Mr. Bush yesterday. How do you --

THE PRESIDENT: That's -- I have nothing to say about that. Everything I said yesterday was in complete good spirits, and everyone that was there knew that we were all having a very good time -- that we were all having a good time. And I think we ought to lighten up here on the politics, and focus on the work.

You know, we're going to have an election in November and then you'll have somebody else to chew on after 2001. But between now and then, everyone who is in Congress, and everyone who is in the Executive Branch is drawing a paycheck every two weeks -- from them, and their parents. They're paying us to go to work. And what we need to do is to be less obsessed with the politics, and more obsessed with substance, and deal with these issues.

And what I was trying to do yesterday, was basically cut the atmosphere a little bit, give us something to laugh about -- which they

did -- and then talk for a good period of time, probably more than a half hour, about the issues that are before us. I want us to focus on the work to be done. There's plenty of time later to worry about that. All of us that are drawing a check ought to be doing the people's business now.

Thank you. (Applause.)

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RE: President ,s Statement on Gun Control Legislation with  
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Attached are copies of the cover sheet and fact sheet.

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America Goes Back to School

ú Secretary Riley will again chair this year's America Goes Back to School initiative along with Tipper Gore and Patti Labelle as the honorary co-chairs. The Office of Cabinet Affairs, in conjunction with the Department of Education, have already begun discussing this year's effort and I know they will meet on July 23 to discuss the roll-out strategy for potential Cabinet events.

ú Early next week, we will send out a letter from the President to each of the Cabinet Officials encouraging each agency to fan out across the country to highlight the importance of this year's initiative. Additionally, Secretary Riley is sending out a letter outlining this year's theme, Challenge our Students and They Will Soar, and the Administration's priorities for education: making schools safe, recruiting quality teachers, modernizing schools, expanding after school programs, high standards, and developing pathways to college and careers.

ú Each of you should reach out to school communities outside the D.C. area in order to get widest possible dissemination and coverage. We have done quite well in year's past. With the recent events in Columbine and other communities, this year's back to school effort will be especially important.

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Last month, House leaders, bowing to the gun lobby, tried to pass a bill that would have weakened current gun laws instead of strengthening them. Since then, House and Senate leaders have failed to name conferees to resolve issues surrounding the juvenile crime bill ) allowing the gun lobby even more time to try and stop common sense gun legislation from becoming law.

After the meeting, the President will urge Congress to listen to these students ) instead of the gun lobby -- and to act to strengthen our gun laws before the start of the next school year. Specifically, the President will ask Congress to send him legislation that will:

ú Close the gun show loophole. To stop firearms from being sold at gun shows on a "no questions asked" basis, we must extend the same Brady background checks that have proven effective in keeping guns out of the hands of many thousands of felons to all sales at gun shows.

ú Require child safety locks with every handgun sold. To reduce the unauthorized use of handguns by a curious child or a teen looking to commit a crime, federally-licensed firearms dealers should be required to provide a child safety lock or device with every handgun they sell.

ú Ban violent juveniles from owning guns as adults. There is simply no reason for youths convicted of a violent crime in juvenile court to be able to purchase a gun on their 21st birthday.

ú Ban the importation of all large capacity ammunition magazines. We should close the loophole in current law that allows the continued importation of large numbers of high capacity ammunition clips that were generally banned by the 1994 assault weapons ban.

Keeping guns out of the hands of criminals and children has been a key priority of the Clinton Administration. Since the President took office, gun-related crime has dropped by over 25 percent. Administration accomplishments include:

- ú Blocking over 400,000 illegal gun sales with Brady background checks;
- ú Banning the juvenile possession of handguns;
- ú Enforcing zero tolerance for guns in schools;
- ú Combating illegal gun trafficking by tracing more crime guns to their source; and
- ú Banning the 19 deadliest assault weapons and their copies.

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America Goes Back to School

ú Secretary Riley will again chair this year's America Goes Back to School initiative along with Tipper Gore and Patti Labelle as the honorary co-chairs. The Office of Cabinet Affairs, in conjunction with the Department of Education, have already begun discussing this year's effort and I know they will meet on July 23 to discuss the roll-out strategy for potential Cabinet events.

ú Early next week, we will send out a letter from the President to each of the Cabinet Officials encouraging each agency to fan out across the country to highlight the importance of this year's initiative. Additionally, Secretary Riley is sending out a letter outlining this year's theme, Challenge our Students and They Will Soar, and the Administration's priorities for education: making schools safe, recruiting quality teachers, modernizing schools, expanding after school programs, high standards, and developing pathways to college and careers.

ú Each of you should reach out to school communities outside the D.C. area in order to get widest possible dissemination and coverage. We have done quite well in year's past. With the recent events in Columbine and other communities, this year's back to school effort will be especially important.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
AND MRS. CLINTON  
ON CHILDREN, VIOLENCE AND MARKETING

The Rose Garden

11:46 A.M. EDT

MRS. CLINTON: Good morning, and please be seated, and thank you for joining us today in the Rose Garden as we continue a national conversation about how to address the problems of youth violence in our communities and schools.

I want to thank everyone for coming this morning, and I'd like to acknowledge Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, Mayor Deedee Corradini, Mayor Timothy Kaine, and County Executives Wayne Curry and Charles Ruppertsburger. In addition to the Chairman of the FTC, whom you will hear from in a minute, Robert Pitofsky, we also have Commissioner Sheila Anthony and Commissioner Mozelle Thompson. I'm also pleased that Pamela Eakes, who led the very innovative group, Mothers Against Violence in America, has worked with us on this event as she has on past events that are also part of our efforts to try to create ways in which every American can take his or her part in doing whatever we can against youth violence.

As a nation, we've reacted to the shootings at Columbine High School like almost no other event I can remember in recent memory. It has literally pierced the heart of America. Yet, in my conversations with young people and parents over the past few weeks, I've heard less talk about people feeling helpless or hopeless and more about a growing consensus that finger-pointing doesn't lead to solutions and that we have to move forward together to

take

steps to end the violence, not only in our schools, but in our broader community. And that it is time -- some might say past time -- that we all play a role in making a positive difference in the lives of our children.

I want to thank the Attorney General and the Chair of the FTC for joining us today, as well as the many parents, educators, religious leaders, members of the media and students who are here as well. I'm pleased that we will be hearing from a 4th grader this morning who will tell us how he became part of the solution in his home state of Washington.

I think all of us recognize that there is no single answer or solution to the problem of violence in our society, but that we must move on many fronts -- from passing common-sense gun control efforts to helping parents understand better how to exercise authority over the media that their children are exposed to, and enabling more parents to spend more time with their own children.

We've come together to talk about some of the ways we can begin to reverse the culture of violence that is engulfing American children every day, particularly the role that the media plays in shaping the lives and values of our children and young people.

In 1972, a Surgeon General report said, and I quote: "We know that children imitate and learn from everything they see -- parents, fellow children, school, the media. It would be extraordinary, indeed, if they did not imitate and learn from what they see on television."

The report went on to say that violence on television causes children either to mimic directly the actions they see or to act generally in a more aggressive way. Yet, today, more than 25 years after this report was written, our culture is even more saturated with TV programs, movies and songs that romanticize and glorify violence. What kind of values are we promoting when a child can walk into a store and find video games where you win based on how many people you can kill or how many places you can blow up.

We can no longer ignore the well-documented connection between violence in the media and the effects that it has on children's behavior. One study has found, for example, that if an actor is rewarded for violent behavior, children are more likely to imitate it. Another tells us that media violence has a particularly negative effect on children who already have a tendency toward aggressive or antisocial behavior.

According to the American Psychiatric Association, viewers of violence not only become desensitized and fearful, they begin to identify with an aggressive solution to their own personal problems. America's culture of violence is having a profound effect on our children, and we have to resolve to do all we can to change that culture.

One of the ways we can do that is to give parents the tools they need to control what their own children are exposed to. And we've already moved forward in that direction. Today's announcement is another important step in the fight against violence. We know there is a lot of work to be done. But I'm encouraged that so many leaders and citizens are coming together and talking honestly not only about the challenges we face, but what we have to do, together, to meet those challenges.

I'm particularly heartened that as a result of the meeting the President convened at the White House a few weeks ago, there was general agreement from a broad cross-section of Americans that we would launch a national grass roots campaign to prevent youth violence. We would model the campaign on successful national efforts like Mothers Against Drunk Driving, which showed us that we can change the culture when enough people from all walks of life say enough is enough. So I look forward to seeing everyone working together on this new nationwide effort to prevent youth violence.

Now, I'd like to introduce someone who cares deeply about the future of our children and who has fought tirelessly to create safe schools and communities. Our Attorney General, Janet Reno. (Applause.)

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THE PRESIDENT: Give him another hand. He was great. Bravo. (Applause.) Thank you.

When I was listening to Arthur speak, I didn't know whether to offer him a job as a White House speechwriter -- (laughter) -- or just wait for the opportunity to vote for him someday. Let me say -- (applause) -- thank you very much. Thank you.

And we thank your mother for bringing you here, and congratulations. (Applause.) And Representative Mary Lou Dickerson, thank you; and Pam Eakes, founder of Mothers Against Violence in America, thank you.

I thank the Attorney General, and Chairman Pitofsky, for their remarks and their commitment. I thank Mayor Corradini, Mayor Kaine, County Executive Curry and County Executive Dutch Ruppersburger for the interest that our local government leaders have. I thank Representative Sheila Jackson Lee for her passionate commitment to this issue. And, all of you, welcome to the White House.

And most of all, I want to say again how much I appreciate Arthur Sawe for coming here, and for sharing a child's perspective. We have other children in this audience today, and we are really here about them, and their future.

As Hillary said, the tragedy at Littleton had a profound effect on America. It certainly had a profound effect on us, and on our family -- particularly after we had the chance to go to Colorado and visit with the families of the children who were killed, and many of the young children who are still grievously

wounded -- and the kids at the school with them, who are hurting still, and the teachers.

I do think that what Hillary said is right: we sense a determination, not only in that community but throughout our country, not just to grieve about this, but to do something about it. The national grassroots campaign against violence against children is rooted in our faith that we can do better.

We know we can prevent more youth violence if we work together, across all the lines that divide us. We know we can do it if we're all willing to assume responsibility, and stop trying to assign blame. Of course, the responsibility begins at home. It must be reinforced and supported at schools and houses of worship in the community as a whole. Those of us in public service must also do our part. There is broad and growing consensus for us to do more.

Let me say I am also very grateful that the gun manufacturers came here last month and voiced their support for common-sense restrictions to make it more difficult for guns to get into the hands of children and criminals. I'm encouraged that the Senate acted to close the deadly gun show loophole, to require safety locks to be sold with every handgun, to ban the importation of large-capacity ammunition clips, and ban violent juveniles from owning guns as adults. I hope the House of Representatives will pass these common-sense measures as soon as they return from the Memorial Day recess. (Applause.) We have a lot to do this year, but this should be put at the top of the agenda, and not put on hold.

As you have already heard, members of the entertainment industry must also do their part. They, and the rest of us, cannot kid ourselves. Our children are being fed a dependable daily dose of violence -- and it sells. Now, 30 years of studies have shown that this desensitizes our children to violence, and to the consequences of it.

We now know that by the time the typical American child reaches the age of 18, he or she has seen 200,000 dramatized acts of violence, and 40,000 dramatized murders. Kids become attracted to it, and more numb to its consequences. As their exposure to violence grows, so, in some deeply troubling cases of particularly vulnerable children, does the taste for it. We should not be surprised that half the video games a typical seventh-grader plays are violent.

Anyone who doubts the impact of the cultural assault can look at what now, over 30 years, amounts to somewhere over 300 studies, all of whom show that there is a link between sustained exposure, hour after hour, day after day, week after week, year after year, to violent entertainment and violent behavior.

What the studies say, quite simply, is that the boundary between fantasy and reality violence, which is a clear line for most adults, can become very blurred for vulnerable children. Kids steeped in the culture of violence do become desensitized to it and more capable of committing it themselves.

That is why I have strongly urged people in the

entertainment industry to consider the consequences of what they create and how they advertise it. One can value the First Amendment right to free speech and at the same time care for and act with restraint. Our administration has worked to give parents more tools to protect their kids, to block violent programming from entering their living room with the V-chip and the rating system. We've made progress on parental screening for Internet and ratings for Internet game sites.

Still, when violent entertainment made for adults is marketed to children, it undermines the rating system designed to protect them. And if you look at some of these ads, it's hard to argue with a straight face that the games were made for adults in the first place. Like the one Arthur mentioned.

Advertisements have a particular role here. They have the power to egg children on and lure them in. Every parent knows what response a commercial for sugar cereal or the latest Star Wars toy will get from their children. People advertise because it works. They want that product and, one way or the other, they're determined to get it. So we ought to think twice about the impact of ads for so-called "first person shooter video games," like the recent ad for a game that invites players to -- and I quote -- "get in touch with your gun-toting, cold-blooded murdering side."

I was given -- today, Arthur brought me the magazine with the ad that he mentioned, and he was kind enough to mark it for me. There really is a gun here. It says: More fun than shooting your neighbor's cat. I was given another ad that says: What kind of psycho drives a school bus into a war zone? And here's a school bus, heavily armed. This came out right after the incident in Springfield, Oregon.

Here's an ad that turns the argument I just made on its head: Psychiatrists say it's important to feel something when you kill. And then it goes on to say, you ought to get this technology because it bumps and you feel it. It says: Every sensation, every vibration, every mutilation, nine programmable weapons buttons. Customizable feedback software. Push the stick that pushes back and feel your pain. And here's one that's the most unbelievable of all. It says: Kill your friends guilt-free.

Now, obviously, Arthur has the inner strength and the good upbringing to reject that kind of violent appeal. Most of our children do. But not all of our children do. We cannot be surprised when this kind of thing has an impact on our most vulnerable children. Is it 100 percent to blame? No. It's easier to get guns in this society. Parents on average spend 22 hours a week less with their children than they did 30 years ago because of the demands of work and commuting, the busyness of daily life.

But when you put it all together, there are bound to be explosive negative consequences. That's why today I am asking the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission to study the extent to which the video game, music and movie markets do actually market violence to children, and whether those industries are abiding by their own voluntary systems of



regulations.

To any company that sells violent products, I say, children are more than consumers. I understand nobody made anybody buy any of this stuff. But every day, a responsible society declines to do some things for short-term gain that it can do. And that is what we have to think about. These children are our future, our most precious resource. Raising them is any society's most important job.

Don't make young people want what your own rating systems say they shouldn't have. I might say again, as has already been acknowledged, they shouldn't have. I might say again, as has already been acknowledged, many, many people in the entertainment industry have worked with us on this -- on the ratings system, on the V-chip, on the screening technology for the Internet.

I noticed one network executive, a few days ago, actually cancelled a program because its violent content was inappropriate, and I applaud that. But I also read with concern the news that some of the new programming coming up for this fall on some networks will be even more violent than last year's. The time has come to show some restraint, even if it has a short-term impact on the bottom line.

I also want to challenge the owners of movie theaters and video stores, distributors -- anyone at any point of sale -- enforce the rating systems on the products that you sell. Check the IDs, draw the line. If underage children are buying violent video games or getting into R-rated movies, the rating system should be enforced to put a stop to it. (Applause.)

And if, as many of us suspect, there is still too much gratuitous violence in PG-13-rated movies, the rating systems themselves should be re-evaluated.

I want to thank Senators Brownback, Lieberman, Hatch and Kohl, for the bipartisan work they have done on this issue. Again, I want to commend State Representative Mary Lou Dickerson from Washington, who read about young Arthur, helped to create a task force on video game violence, and thanks to her work with Pam and the Mothers Against Violence in America and the Washington Retailers' Association -- who are all represented here today -- video game retailers in Washington state now voluntarily sign a pledge to parents, committing themselves to check IDs and block sales of violent games to minors. That's something that ought to happen in every state in the United States of America. (Applause.)

Again I say, we can do something about this. It will take a grass roots campaign. It will take everybody doing his or her part. This is a problem we face together, a problem America can solve together. There is no more urgent task for our future.

You were all looking at this young man speaking today, thinking, what a wonderful thing that a person that young could speak so clearly, so confidently, about things that are so right. You look around at the other young people here today who are involved in this effort in some way or another, and you thank God that we have this legacy of children.

A lot of those kids that haven't made it through all these school violence incidents were just as good, just as fine, had just as much to give the world. We've got to quit fooling around with this. We've got a chance. Our hearts are open, our ears are open, are heads are thinking.

I know this stuff sells. But that doesn't make it right.

Thank you, and God bless you. (Applause.)

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The President's remarks will come after a meeting with over 80 students from the Denver area who are in Washington, D.C. to rally support for comprehensive gun legislation. This visit, or "S.A.F.E. Trip," has been organized in conjunction with Handgun Control, Inc. by S.A.F.E. Colorado (Sane Alternatives to Firearms Epidemic), a bipartisan political action group formed in the aftermath of the Columbine Tragedy. In addition to their meeting with the President, the students will meet with Vice President Gore and members of Congress later in the day on the Hill.

### **Order of Speakers**

President Clinton opens program

David Winkler, Co-Leader of "S.A.F.E. Trip" and a recent graduate of George Washington High School in Denver.

President Clinton makes concluding remarks

## PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM GUN VIOLENCE

*July 15, 1999*

Today, President Clinton will meet with over 80 high school students from Littleton, Colorado and the Denver area to discuss the importance of enacting common sense gun legislation. The President will insist that Congress send to his desk for signature – without further delay -- the reasonable gun measures already passed by the Senate.

Last month, House leaders bowed to the gun lobby, and tried to pass a bill that would have weakened current gun laws instead of strengthening them. Since then, House and Senate leaders have failed to name conferees to resolve issues surrounding the juvenile crime bill – allowing the gun lobby even more time to try and stop common sense gun legislation from becoming law.

After the meeting, the President will urge Congress to listen to these students – instead of the gun lobby -- and to act to strengthen our gun laws before the start of the next school year. Specifically, the President will ask Congress to send him legislation that will:

- **Close the gun show loophole.** To end the policy of firearms being sold at gun shows on a “no questions asked” basis, we must extend to all sales at gun shows the same Brady background checks that have proven effective in keeping guns out of the hands of many thousands of felons.
- **Require child safety locks with every handgun sold.** In order to reduce the unauthorized use of handguns by a curious child or a teen looking to commit a crime, federally-licensed firearms dealers should be required to provide a child safety lock or device with every handgun they sell.
- **Ban violent juveniles from owning guns as adults.** There is simply no reason for a youth convicted of a violent crime in juvenile court to be able to purchase a gun on their 21st birthday.
- **Ban the importation of all large capacity ammunition magazines.** We should close the loophole in current law that allows the continued importation of large numbers of high capacity ammunition clips that were generally banned by the 1994 assault weapons ban.

Keeping guns out of the hands of criminals and children has been a key priority of the Clinton Administration. Since the President took office, gun-related crime has dropped by over 25 percent. The Administration has also worked hard to:

- Block over 400,000 illegal gun sales with Brady background checks;
- Ban the juvenile possession of handguns;
- Enforce zero tolerance for guns in schools;
- Combat illegal gun trafficking by tracing more crime guns to their source; and
- Ban the 19 deadliest assault weapons and their copies.



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Paul K. Engskov ( CN=Paul K. Engskov/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JUL-1999 19:00:43.00

SUBJECT: Inscribed Photos

TO: Delia A. Cohen ( CN=Delia A. Cohen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Can we send inscribed photos to:

Ed Pinkelman  
Communication Workers of America  
5400 Foxridge Drive, Rm 514  
Mission, Kansas 66202

Dave Vigil  
Vice Presient, Communications Workers of America  
2840 S. Vallejo Street  
Englewood, Colorado 80110

Hope you got my message OK on the Columbine letters. Sorry we didn't find them sooner. Hope you can salvage.

Best, Kris

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:16-JUL-1999 17:43:13.00

SUBJECT:

TO: #kennedy ( #kennedy [ UNKNOWN ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

fyi columbine tour at 8:30 cannot stay for event laura

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Holly H. Thoden ( CN=Holly H. Thoden/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:16-JUL-1999 09:09:13.00

SUBJECT: Re: Soccer layout and diagram 1st draft

TO: Laura D. Schwartz ( CN=Laura D. Schwartz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jared Powell ( CN=Jared Powell/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi Laura!! If you need bodies in the West Palm room, Jared and I are available (we had a little practice at the Yankee event!)

Also, I left this message on Sharons voicemail, but the Columbine students are in town and coming on a tour that day, if you need people for the event, they might be a good group to include. Just a thought. She had also asked about flags, and we have one large box full - should be plenty depending on your numbers.

Let us know if you need anything!

Holly 61204



RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP [ OPD ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JUL-1999 20:56:10.00

SUBJECT: Re: clearance for a littleton letter

TO: Renee Sagiv ( CN=Renee Sagiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I agree with Nicole's recommendation on including something about passing common sense gun legislation (assuming there was no negative language on guns included in the incoming) -- particularly if this letter will be going out to others. I can give you some language to include. Please call me at 65574. Thanks.

Nicole R. Rabner

07/19/99 01:56:47 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OPD/EOP@EOP

bcc:

Subject: Re: clearance for a littleton letter

I'll take a closer look at the letter when I get back from a series of meetings, but here are some quick thoughts:

1. The President usually refers to Mrs. Clinton as "Hillary"
2. The President and Mrs. Clinton didn't "launch" the campaign -- they announced that they intended to work toward the formation of a campaign -- it will be a non-profit, nongovernmental entity and it does not yet exist.
3. I think somewhere you should also say "That's why my Administration has been fighting for common-sense, moderate gun control legislation" -- somewhere where you talk about measures that need to be taken.

Leanne, any thoughts?

Renee Sagiv

07/19/99 12:42:22 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Nicole R. Rabner/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject:clearance for a littleton letter

Renee

[illegible]

Thanks so much for your heartfelt letter. As the parents of a young college student about your age, Mrs. Clinton and I understand, if only in our worst fears, the horror of what has happened in your lives.

What occurred at your school was a terrible tragedy. I agree that no student should have to worry that a classmate is carrying a loaded gun to school. No parent should have to fear that the places to which we send our children every day are unsafe. We need to make sure that our schools are safe places for children to learn, play, and grow. There is no task more urgent; and every one of us has a role to play.

That is why we have launched a national campaign to prevent youth violence. This campaign will work with all sectors of our society -- the media, education groups, parents, religious leaders, and young people like you -- to focus on this problem, find what is working, and spread it to new communities.

I firmly believe that the American spirit is stronger than the forces of hate. I know that we can prevent more youth violence if we work together, across all the lines that divide us. I hope you will remain engaged in this vital endeavor -- America needs the energy and idealism of our country's youth. You can help us to build a better future for all our children, a future where hatred and distrust no longer distort the mind or harden the heart -- a future where what we have in common is far more important than what divides us.

It is difficult to heal after such a tragedy. Yet in your struggle to make sense of the senseless, you have found a new appreciation for the things that are really important in life: your friends, family, and the value of reaching out to one another. I hope that this knowledge, and the caring of not only your neighbors, but of your country and people from all around the world, will help you keep your optimism and faith. Mrs. Clinton and I send you our best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

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CREATOR: Catherine T. Kitchen ( CN=Catherine T. Kitchen/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JUL-1999 13:43:17.00

SUBJECT: Littleton Letters

TO: Delia A. Cohen ( CN=Delia A. Cohen/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey,

I'm looking over that recent batch of letters you sent up here from the Littleton school. Attached, you also sent up a draft that looks like it was sent to Columbine students. Did you do this one? I really like it and hope that I can vary that for this batch. It might be too adult, but otherwise it's perfect. Also, I have another batch of letters from Columbine students thanking the President for coming to Colorado. I wonder if I could vary this letter for that as well... your thoughts? Regardless, I will send down the draft that I do to you.

Thanks,  
Catherine



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CREATOR: Nicole R. Rabner ( CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JUL-1999 20:58:10.00

SUBJECT: clearance for Cosgrove letter

TO: Leanne A. Shimabukuro ( CN=Leanne A. Shimabukuro/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I thought you were copied on this -- it includes a line about gun control and I said looks fine, though I changed "are developing" to "have called for" (see discussion below).

----- Forwarded by Nicole R. Rabner/WHO/EOP on 07/19/99  
06:24 PM -----

Renee Sagiv

07/19/99 04:17:27 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Nicole R. Rabner/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:clearance for Cosgrove letter

Thanks for getting back to me so quickly. I've attached a new version of the letter with two changes:

1. I changed "launched" a national campaign to "are developing" a national campaign, which is the language the President used in his June 25 conference. I have also seen "have called for"--please let me know if you prefer that phrase over "are developing."

2. I added a sentence about the Administration fighting for common-sense control legislation.

I have kept the reference to the First Lady as "Mrs. Clinton," since that is the way he usually refers to her when addressing people younger than 18 and that is how he referred to her in previous letters to Columbine students.

Please let me know if you have any other comments/suggestions, and thanks again for your time.

Renee

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ATT CREATION TIME/DATE: 0 00:00:00.00

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Anne Whitworth ( CN=Anne Whitworth/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-JUL-1999 12:28:29.00

SUBJECT: Mark Taylor Columbine Student

TO: Karin Kullman ( CN=Karin Kullman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [ OPD ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Karin- Mark Taylor is a Columbine Student that was injured in the shootings. He wants to see Potus when he comes to visit in August, but Steph wanted me to doublecheck with you that he wasn't one of the SAFE students that were here. Can you find that out or who can I ask. Please let me know. Thanks. Annie

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: "Seiden, Maya" <Maya.Seiden@hq.doe.gov> ( "Seiden, Maya" <Maya.Seiden@hq.do

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-JUL-1999 17:44:50.00

SUBJECT: Aspen, CO Hot Issues

TO: Irma L. Martinez ( CN=Irma L. Martinez/OU=WHO/O=EOP [ WHO ] )

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

International Conference on Geologic Repositories: On July 2nd, Secretary Richardson and Denver Mayor Wellington Webb announced that Denver will host an International Conference on Geologic Repositories to be convened by DOE from October 31-November 3. It will highlight global progress on the management of nuclear materials and waste, and provide a forum to discuss ongoing and planning activities to develop geologic repositories for nuclear waste and spent nuclear fuel. Presentations and discussions by U.S. and international delegates will focus on technical aspects of managing radioactive materials. The conference will close with tours of the potential site for a geologic repository at Yucca Mountain (NV) and the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (NM).

Secretary Richardson's visit to Rocky Flats: At DOE's Rocky Flats site on May 17th, Secretary Richardson announced an interagency agreement with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to cooperatively manage 800 acres of uncontaminated land in the buffer zone. Governor Owens and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Regional Director Morganweck also joined Secretary Richardson in signing a letter of intent to jointly protect the land. Designated the "Rock Creek Reserve," this parcel of unique habitat along Colorado's Front Range will be protected for future generations, consistent with the President's Preserving America's Land Legacy Initiative. Attorney General Ken Salazar (D-CO), Representative Mark Udall (D-CO), Representative Tom Tancredo (R-CO) and various local and city government representatives also attended the event. (DOE)

Shootings at Columbine High School: Bob Curnow, a DOE Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) employee, lost his 14 year old son (Steven Curnow) in the Littleton, CO shootings. Five other families at WAPA had children at Columbine High School on April 20; the wife of an employee at DOE's Rocky Flats Facility also works at the high school. No other injuries were reported. Secretary Richardson called the Curnow family to express his condolences and sent notes to all the DOE families involved with the high school. (DOE)