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001. email	Minyon Moore to Marjorie Tarmey and Maria Echaveste at 11:26:50.00. Subject: Re:Potus Golf memo. [partial] (1 page)	12/08/1999	b(6)

COLLECTION:

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OA/Box Number: 500000

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[12/08/1999 - 01/26/2000]

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CREATOR: Minyon Moore (CN=Minyon Moore/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-DEC-1999 11:26:50.00

SUBJECT: Re: Potus Golf Memo

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

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

CC: Douglas B. Sosnik (CN=Douglas B. Sosnik/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

will we have any Cuban issues (i.e. the Cuban boy) to deal with?

----- Forwarded by Minyon Moore/WHO/EOP on 12/08/99 11:26
AM -----

Laura A. Graham
12/08/99 10:44:27 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Minyon Moore/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: Re: Potus Golf Memo

just in case you do not already know, Potus chose the following TM people
and he is going to play at Inverrary CC which was recommended by
Congressman Hastings.

(b)(6)

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-DEC-1999 18:50:33.00

SUBJECT: 12/10 Ask the White House responses

TO: Sharon Farmer (CN=Sharon Farmer/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: Joseph P. Lockhart (CN=Joseph P. Lockhart/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
"ASK THE WHITE HOUSE"
December 10, 1999

SUBJECT: CUBAN BOY CUSTODY

QUESTION:

I would like to find out what's the position of the President regarding Castro's ultimatum of 72 hours to return the 6 year old rafter that arrived in US soil on Thanksgiving day. As a Cuban-American I hope this president will not buckle under the immigration blackmail threat of a thug like Castro. A strong response from the President is in order, this nation cannot be held hostage by a common criminal like Castro. I hope the President would act like the leader of the most powerful nation of the world.

ANSWER:

As the President said in his December 8 press conference, he believes that this is a matter that must be resolved according to law and in the best interests of the child. As he pointed out, he is not authorized to make the decision on the outcome, but he believes that this should be decided on the basis of the law and not politics. Clearly, the statements made by Castro and the demonstrations taking place in Cuba should not be a factor.

On December 7, State Department Deputy Spokesman James Foley released a statement on behalf of the Administration on this matter:

"As in the case of any unaccompanied minor who arrives on U.S. shores, our primary concern is for the child. We are committed to working with the family of Elian Gonzalez, including the father, and all relevant officials to achieve an appropriate resolution to this case.

"The regulations of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) recognize the right of a parent to assert parental interests in an immigration proceeding. The INS will be in contact with Mr. Gonzalez in the near future to explain the process by which it will evaluate his rights in this case.

"The United States will follow a deliberate process consistent with our rules and procedures. The United States will not be intimidated or pressured into taking actions that are inconsistent with these principles. We reject any ultimatum or deadline imposed by the Government

of Cuba for resolution of this case.

"We would hold the Cuban government responsible for any harm to U.S. citizens or damage to our Interests Section that may come from the public protests called for by the Cuban government. The Government of Cuba has assured us that it will fulfill its obligation to protect international diplomatic missions and their personnel.

As evidenced by our interdiction of a Cuban vessel yesterday, the United States remains committed to the full implementation of the migration accords and to facilitating migration to the United States in a safe, legal, and orderly manner."

SUBJECT: HEALTH CARE

QUESTION:

What can the government do to stop the rapid and steady increase in the cost of prescription drugs? What has it done, and what will it do? This has become a crisis situation for many elderly and terminal patients.

ANSWER:

The cost of prescription drugs and the lack of coverage for them, particularly for older Americans and individuals with disabilities, are of great concern to the Administration. Those Americans who are fortunate enough to have prescription drug coverage through their employer are able to take advantage of their group purchasing power in order to receive discounts on their behalf.

We are working to provide an optional prescription drug benefit to Medicare beneficiaries so that the 40 million elderly Americans and individuals with disabilities who depend on this program can access affordable prescription drug coverage. We will work next year with the Congress to ensure that this legislation is enacted.

We are also concerned about the rising cost of drugs for those with and without insurance, and we must focus further attention on this issue as well. To that end, the President announced on October 25 that he was instructing the Department of Health and Human Services to produce a study on the cost of prescription drugs for Americans, with a special emphasis on the elderly and Americans with disabilities. This report, which is due early next year, will help further focus the debate.

SUBJECT: HILLARY'S CAMPAIGN FOR SENATE

QUESTION:

How will the President participate in Hillary's senate campaign?

ANSWER:

The President has said that it is his turn to help the First Lady in her political campaign after she has helped him in his for so many years. Her campaign is only just beginning, and the President stands ready to play whatever role she asks in the coming year.

SUBJECT: MILITARY READINESS

QUESTION:

How can the President justify the significant increase in the number of military actions/deployments and contingency operations while reducing the defense budget for such operations?

ANSWER:

Your question is based on incorrect information regarding the defense budget.

First, it is important to remember we must lead abroad if we are to be secure at home. American leadership and engagement in the world are vital for our security. Our nation and the world are safer and more prosperous as a result. Let there be no doubt; the United States has the best led, best trained, best equipped military in the world (proved most recently in Kosovo) and can advance our interests wherever needed.

However, it is important to note: the Clinton/Gore Administration has been very selective in using its capabilities and the choices which have been made have always been guided by advancing the administration's objectives of a more secure, prosperous and free America.

As for the defense budget, the President has worked hard to address issues of readiness, retention, and quality of life. During the past several years, this administration has reversed a 10-year decline in defense spending and requested \$112 billion over the next six years to address the issue of military training and readiness.

SUBJECT: NASA'S MARS PROBE

QUESTION:

How will the apparent failure of the last two probes affect the White House's budgetary policy towards NASA? Would it likely support additional funding?

ANSWER:

It's important to view these setbacks in context. NASA formerly developed missions that cost billions of dollars and took nearly a decade to complete. We are not doing that now. NASA's future Mars missions are significantly less expensive, take less time to develop and spread the risk across several separate missions.

At the same time, we must continually ensure that we strike the right

balance among these goals. The President's Science Advisor, Neal Lane, has been in close contact with NASA Administrator Dan Goldin on this issue, and NASA will be pursuing a review, not only to determine what went wrong and how to fix it, but also to make sure we have the proper balance.

The Administration is currently in the process of formulating the fiscal year 2001 budget. It will be submitted by the President to the Congress in February of 2000. As the President said in his December 8 press conference, "NASA will be reviewing what went wrong and how to fix it in the days ahead." We will be looking to NASA for recommendations resulting from their review and, as appropriate, take these into account in the budget process.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-DEC-1999 16:47:04.00

SUBJECT: POTUS Cuba answer

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

TEXT:

Q Sir, regarding the Cuban boy, you say you don't know enough about the facts. A lot of people in -- think the facts are pretty simple. They say that even though the boy's father's in Cuba, this boy would be better off growing up in the United States than in Cuba under Castro. What would you say to those people?

THE PRESIDENT: I think the decision-makers will take into account all the relevant facts. But I don't think I should make the decision. First of all, I can't make the decision under the law. And I don't think I should tell them how to make the decision because I don't know enough about the facts. I believe they will do their best to make the right decision.

Q -- growing up in Cuba as opposed to growing up in the United States?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, of course, I'd rather grow up in the United States. But there may be other considerations there, and one was asked in the previous question about it. So we'll just have to evaluate it.

You know, there are times in the United States when judges have to make decisions -- the legal standard governing domestic cases is the best interest of the child -- there's a slightly different characterization, I think, of what will determine the international decision here. This is an unusual case for us. But even here, sometimes it's very hard to say. You know, will children be better off with their parents in America? Almost always, but not always.

So you just can't -- I don't think -- I can't serve any useful purpose by commenting on it, because I don't know enough about the facts of the family life, or even the governing law on this. I just know that I think we ought to let the people make the decision, urge them to do their best to do what's best for the child, and try to take as much political steam out of it as possible so that the little child can be considered.

Yes.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lisa M. Kountoupes (CN=Lisa M. Kountoupes/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-DEC-1999 14:12:11.00

SUBJECT: Re: Congressional Correspondence for 12/8/99

TO: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

1. Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR), Sen. Gordon Smith (R-OR) and Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-OR), requesting FY2001 funding support for the Willamette Temperature Control Project, which would improve fish habitat in one of Oregon's major salmon rivers;

Devanshu Patel
12/08/99 07:37:29 PM
Record Type: Record

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

cc:

Subject: Congressional Correspondence for 12/8/99

The following is a list of correspondence received from Members of Congress on December 8:

1. Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR), Sen. Gordon Smith (R-OR) and Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-OR), requesting FY2001 funding support for the Willamette Temperature Control Project, which would improve fish habitat in one of Oregon's major salmon rivers;
2. Rep. Bill Archer (R-TX), concerning the first anniversary of the bipartisan White House Conference on Social Security and future social security legislation; and,
3. Rep. Jose E. Serrano (D-NY), concerning the case of Elian Gonzalez, the Cuban child recently rescued off the coast of Florida.

Message Sent

To: _____

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: RLegersky@aol.com (RLegersky@aol.com [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-DEC-1999 19:21:04.00

SUBJECT: Re: White House Responses to AWH Dec 10

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kvote@aol.com (Kvote@aol.com [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Thanks, Mark.

They're published.

I had to cut the very last line of the Cuban Boy statement. I didn't know there was a technical length limit on the answers, but you found it by one line. It just wouldn't fit.

:-)

-Randy

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-DEC-1999 12:05:31.00

SUBJECT: NIGHTLINE--PLEASE READ

TO: David C. Leavy (CN=David C. Leavy/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

Doris Meissner was asked by Nightline to go on tonight about the Cuban boy. INS is asking for approval. HELLO???? Are we at this stage with Cuban boy? Guidance please....

Leavy, thanks to Scott Buzby (sp?), who called Natalie, we found out about this request.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 14:20:58.00

SUBJECT: Immigration Background

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Attached are:

1. immigration talking points that I drafted for the Congressional Black Caucus meeting on issues that may be raised. If you want something on the Cuban boy issue, you should Scott Busby with NSC.
2. Q and As on INS Restructuring/Reform that was drafted in response to allegations that the Administration is not serious about immigration reform but it also includes what we support.
3. A section of the WH Wins document that was drafted on WH accomplishments and things we need to to on immigration issues.

I am going to a meeting at 2:45 but page me if you need anything further.

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====

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

TEXT:

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IMMIGRATION TALKING POINTS

LATE AMNESTY

Background: The “late amnesty” cases involve claims by undocumented immigrants who did not successfully apply for legalization under the 1986 immigration law before the deadline of May 1988. They assert that they were discouraged or prevented from applying by regulations implementing the legalization program that the INS had promulgated during the Reagan Administration.

The courts, including the Supreme Court, have held that they cannot grant relief to anyone who did not actually apply within the deadline or anyone who was not “front-desked” before May 1988. “Front-desked” refers to an applicant who attempted to timely apply by tendering a completed INS form and fee which was then immediately returned to the applicant on the grounds of ineligibility. For those immigrants who believed they were “front-desked,” the INS had made it clear that they can submit their claims now and INS will review them. If INS determines an applicant was “front-desked,” then the applicant can apply for legalization, even though the May 1988 deadline has long since passed.

For those immigrants who were not “front-desked,” Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee, the ranking member on the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and others have asked the Administration to find an administrative remedy to help this group. While the Administration is sensitive to the needs of this group, the Department of Justice (DOJ) in concurrence with White House Counsel conducted an extensive review and has concluded that there is no administrative relief available to this group. Therefore, a legislative change is required which the Administration supports.

The legislative change that is under consideration is a change in the “Registry Date”. Under current law, if an immigrant can show he/she has been in the country since 1972 and is in good moral standing, he/she may legalize their immigration status. The current registry date of 1972 is updated periodically by Congress. The last time was in 1986. We are proposing to update the registry date to 1986. In a recent meeting with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the President indicated his strong support of a legislative fix. Representative Jackson-Lee recently held a hearing that demonstrated the devastating impact that this situation has caused many immigrant families. During the recent budget debate, the Administration pushed for the inclusion of this legislative fix but was the Republicans opposed its inclusion.

- For those immigrants who were not front-desked, the Administration is sensitive to their position. However, the Department of Justice is unable to offer any administrative short of a legislative change, which the Administration would support.

- We would recommend a legislative fix to help those who were not front-desked. We think the cleanest fix is to update the registry date to 1986.
- During the recent budget negotiations, we urged Congress to include this legislative fix, however our proposal was denied.
- We will work with Congress to enact this legislation in the upcoming session.

CENTRAL AMERICAN AND HAITIAN PARITY ACT OF 1999

Background: Under the *Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Act of 1997 (NACARA)* and the *Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act of 1998 (HRIFA)*, certain Nicaraguans and Cubans were allowed to become legal permanent residents but other Central Americans and Haitians did not receive the same treatment. On May 20, 1999, the Administration published regulations that will probably increase the likelihood that the Salvadorans and Guatemalans covered by NACARA will become legal permanent residents. However, these regulations do not totally bridge the gaps created by NACARA. Nor do they address the situation of Hondurans, who were not covered at all by the legislation. Therefore, in August 1999, the President transmitted legislation to Congress, the ***Central American and Haitian Parity Act of 1999*** that would address the inequities that continue to exist under current law. In the House, Representatives Luis Gutierrez (D-IL), Christopher Smith (R-NJ), Carrie Meek (D-FL) and others introduced this legislation and have over 60 cosponsors and Senators Durbin and Kennedy introduced this legislation in the Senate. In a recent meeting with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the President reiterated his commitment to pass legislation. During the recent budget debate, the Administration pushed for the inclusion of this proposal but was the Republicans opposed its inclusion.

- The President is committed to providing equal treatment to similarly situated Central Americans and Haitians.
- Like Nicaraguans and Cubans, many Salvadorans, Guatemalans, Hondurans, and Haitians fled human rights abuses or unstable political and economic conditions in the 1980s and 1990s. Thus, they should be treated the same.
- In addition, returning migrants to these countries would place significant demands on their fragile economic and political systems.
- The President is committed to even-handed treatment of nationals from these countries and to the strengthening of democracy and economic stability among these important neighbors.
- We are pleased with the growing support for our bill but we are now making calls to key Members to stress how important this legislation is to the Administration.
- During the recent budget negotiations, we urged Congress to include this important proposal, however our efforts were not successful.
- We will work with Congress to enact this legislation in the upcoming session.

INS RESTRUCTURING

Background: The Administration has a proposal to restructure the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to improve the way the INS conducts its business and serves its clients. Representatives Harold Rogers (R-KY), Lamar Smith (R-TX) and Silvestre Reyes (D-TX) introduced legislation that was approved by the House Subcommittee on Immigration, but we opposed their bill because it did not include what we believe to be a vital part of meaningful restructuring: a strong single full time senior official who manages and oversees both immigration services and enforcement functions. In negotiations, the sponsors of the House legislation began to move in our direction but ultimately did not move far enough before the session ended.

Representative Jackson-Lee, the Ranking Member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, has introduced an INS Restructuring proposal that is consistent with the Administration's principles. The Administration has been working with Representative Jackson-Lee and other key members to ensure Democratic support for any INS Restructuring proposal that we negotiate with Representatives Rogers, Smith and Reyes.

- The Administration is committed to a fundamental change in the way the INS conducts its business.
- I commend Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee's leadership on this issue and will continue to work with her to achieve our goal of restructuring INS into an organization that works.
- Over the past year we have worked closely with Representatives Sheila Jackson-Lee, Rogers, Smith and Reyes, as well as other key members of Congress, to develop a restructuring proposal for the INS that would establish clear lines of authority and responsibility under a single, strong immigration executive.
- In fact, we had made great progress towards restructuring INS, and were actually very close to agreement.
- We are disappointed that our efforts with Congress have not yet borne fruit, but we also think it would be a mistake to start over from square one when we have moved the process so far forward in the last few months.
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INS RESTRUCTURING

Q&A

November 19, 1999

Q: What is the Administration's view of statements by Representative Rogers and Smith that the Administration has held up passage of the legislation to restructure the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS)?

A: The Administration is committed to a fundamental change in the way the INS conducts its business. Over the past year we have worked closely with Representatives Rogers, Smith and Reyes, as well as other key members of Congress, to develop a restructuring proposal for the INS that would establish clear lines of authority and responsibility under a single, strong immigration executive. Our goal is to restructure the INS into an organization that works. In fact, we made great progress towards restructuring INS, and were actually very close to agreement. We are disappointed that our efforts with Congress have not yet borne fruit, but we also think it would be a mistake to start over from square one when we have moved the process so far forward in the last few months.

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Excerpts from the WH Wins document:

WH ACCOMPLISHMENT ON IMMIGRATION:

- ✓ **English Language/Civics Education Initiative:** The increase to Adult Education targets \$25.5 million for the President's ESL/Civics Initiative, which would provide instruction in both English literacy and critical life skills necessary for effective citizenship and civic participation.

WORK THAT STILL MUST BE DONE

- × **Providing Fairness to Immigrant Families.** Congress has failed to take action to provide fairness to immigrant families by: restoring important disability, health, and nutrition benefits to additional categories of legal immigrants; restructuring the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS); approving the Administration's proposal to support the process of democratization and stabilization now underway in Central America and Haiti and ensure equitable treatment for migrants from these countries; or changing the registry date to permit long-term migrants to adjust their status.

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CREATOR: Vincent Fry (CN=Vincent Fry/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 15:29:16.00

SUBJECT:

TO: 1416514 (1416514 @ SkyTel [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Call Vincent. Dewayne Wickham is going to write article taking
administration to task on Cuban boy

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 12:08:53.00

SUBJECT: Meeting w/Cuban boy

TO: David C. Leavy (CN=David C. Leavy/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])

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DORINDA A. SALCIDO

12/10/99 11:35:20 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Richard L. Siewert/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Meeting w/Cuban boy

There are reports that the President is going to meet with the cuban boy while in Florida. The press advance in Miami relayed this information.

What can Steve Boyd say to his press?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 14:09:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: IMPORTANT LOOKOUT

TO: Christina Stacey (CN=Christina Stacey/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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CC: helen s. castleman (CN=helen s. castleman/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])
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CC: ami m. lynch (CN=ami m. lynch/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:

Debi went home early today - I haven't heard anything about this, but you might want to have maureen check her office just to make sure she doesn't have it in her inbox (I can't imagine that she does, but I guess it can't hurt.) If you haven't done so already, you might want to check with John Ficklin in NSC Records or NSC's Executive Secretary's office. Good luck.

Christina Stacey

12/10/99 02:06:07 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP, Tracy F. Sisser/WHO/EOP@EOP,
Helen S. Castleman/WHO/EOP@EOP, Ami M. Lynch/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: IMPORTANT LOOKOUT

Sean called looking for this. The President want to see. Did this by chance come through your offices? Mail Analysis is already looking, but as far as I know, they're not having much luck. Can you please search?

Thanks.

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Christina Stacey

12/10/99 02:02:45 PM

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

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Subject: IMPORTANT LOOKOUT

Please be on the lookout for a letter to the President from the father of Elin Gonzalez, the young Cuban boy rescued off the coast of Miami. Please let me know ASAP if you find anything. Thanks.

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

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SUBJECT: Anti-Castro Protests in Miami

TO: Richard L. Siewert (CN=Richard L. Siewert/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: David C. Leavy (CN=David C. Leavy/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])
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TEXT:

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Laura A. Graham
12/10/99 12:31:00 PM
Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc:
Subject: Anti-Castro Protests in Miami

We have received intel that there will be anti-castro protests surrounding
the Cuban boy at our event sites in Miami. Thanks.

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To: _____
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CREATOR: Dorinda A. Salcido (CN=Dorinda A. Salcido/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 12:30:50.00

SUBJECT: Re: Meeting w/Cuban boy

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

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TEXT:

This is in response to my inquiry of rumored POTUS meeting w/Cuban boy while in Florida.

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David C. Leavy

12/10/99 12:09:03 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Dorinda A. Salcido/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: michael a. hammer/nsc/eop@eop, Richard L. Siewert/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: Re: Meeting w/Cuban boy

first i heard of it...seriously doubt it though...i would tell steve to say no plans to meet...

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

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SUBJECT: Univision Qs and As

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

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TEXT:

Dage here's a first crack to make sure you have something. We might need to update Monday morning.

POTUS Q and A for Univision Interview

CUBA

What are you going to do about Castro,s rhetoric concerning returning the 6-year-old Cuban boy to his father?

ú The outcome of this case will be dictated by the fact and the law, not politics.

ú Not a decision for me to make.

ú The key issue is determining who speaks for the child. INS is making every effort to collect the necessary information from Elian ,s father and will consider all other information relevant to this issue.

ú Reject ultimatum and threats. This is not conducive to resolving case in the appropriate way.

ú We have made clear to the Cuban government what this process entails and hope they will help us facilitate the gathering of the necessary information.

ú Expect Cuba to fulfill its obligation to protect international diplomatic missions and their personnel.

ú Will hold Cuban government responsible for any harm to U.S. citizens or to our personnel.

Last week, the State Department said that the USG would defer to the courts on this case. Now, you are saying that INS must make a decision of its own. Are you caving into the pressure applied by the Castro

government?

ú No. This case is a complex one, involving issues of both children's law and immigration law.

ú INS is in the process of gathering the facts, based on the appropriate governing laws. The process should proceed as appropriate and not be politicized.

It appears that an asylum claim will/has been filed on Elian's behalf. Will this change your view of the case?

ú No. The central issue remains the same: who should speak for this child. That is the decision INS must make. And that is a decision that INS will make without involvement of the White House or any other political actor.

How can you be sure that the father is speaking of his own free will, and not responding to pressure from the Castro regime? Why don't you grant the father a visa to come to the U.S.?

ú INS is doing everything possible to ensure that the father can represent his wishes freely.

ú We are also prepared to consider any request the father may make to come to the United States to pursue his case.

Will the outcome of this case affect the U.S. relationship with Cuba on other matters?

ú This is certainly not our intention or hope.

ú This is a difficult legal matter that should be resolved in the appropriate legal way; it should not be a political issue between our two governments.

ú We intend to continue our cooperation with the Government of Cuba on migration and other law enforcement issues.

What can you tell us about the pro-democracy flotilla and the USG preparation for it?

ú I understand that the Democracy Movement, a Cuban exile group, intends to conduct a pro-democracy demonstration in international waters off the Cuban coast on Saturday.

ú We support their right to hold peaceful demonstrations as well as the goal they promote—the peaceful transition to democracy in Cuba.

ú As on past occasions, the USG will monitor the event to ensure to the extent possible the safety of all participants.

Will the USG intervene to protect the participants from possible Cuban Government against them?

ú We have urged the event organizer to avoid unnecessary risks and warned them of the danger of entering Cuban territory without Cuban

government authorization. They have assured us that they have no intention of violating Cuban territorial sea or airspace.

ú Coast Guard ships will be positioned in international waters and will be prepared to perform search and rescues and other emergency operations.

Isn't it time to lift the embargo against Cuba?

ú Our relationship with Cuba is governed by the Cuban Democracy Act and Helms-Burton. Our policy is to keep pressure on the Cuban government to change -- through the embargo and diplomatic efforts -- while reaching out to the Cuban people through exchanges including direct mail, travel and phone links and building bridges to NGOs and the Catholic Church. Believe best way to effect change in Cuba.

VENEZUELA

Venezuelans will vote December 15 on the new constitution. Some are arguing that the constitution will undermine democracy. Any comments?

ú Venezuela established a democratic, open, and transparent process to draft and approve a new constitution. The debate in the Constitutional Assembly during the drafting was well publicized, and proponents and opponents of the new constitution have had ample opportunity to make their case.

ú It is now up to the Venezuelan people to decide whether to accept or reject the constitution.

But aren't you concerned by some aspects of the constitution, such as the continuing role of the state in the economy?

ú It is up to the Venezuelan people to decide what should and should not be in their constitution. We have no role in this process.

What about Chavez's relationship with Castro? He goes out of his way to highlight their friendship? Don't you find this worrisome?

ú Our policy and diplomacy towards Cuba is well known. Not everyone agrees with our approach. The important thing is to keep everyone focused on the necessity of promoting significant, meaningful political change in Cuba, including free and fair elections and respect for basic human rights. I think we have been successful in this regard.

COLOMBIA

What does the future hold for Colombia? Will you be asking for additional assistance for Colombia?

ú Colombia faces a tough road ahead working to get its economy back on track while addressing the insurgency and the drug war.

ú President Pastrana's team has designed a comprehensive, integrated strategy in Plan Colombia. Am committed to supporting it with a substantial new increment of bilateral assistance. We are well on track to engage Congress on this issue when it returns in January.

ú Most of our assistance to Colombia will continue to focus on countering the production and trafficking of illicit drugs, both to protect counter-drug successes elsewhere in the region and to reduce the overall amount of drugs entering the United States. It is an expensive undertaking. But, our assistance must also reflected our broader interests in Colombia, including the protection of human rights, promotion of economic trade and development, environmental protection, and encouragement of the peace process.

ú Let me also reiterate the distinction between counter-drug and counter-insurgency assistance. The USG does not intend to provide counter-insurgency aid to the GOC. Support to the Colombian military will continue to be focused on the common counter-drug objective and will be given only to units that have been vetted for any indication of human rights abuses.

MEXICO

How do you view the upcoming Mexican Elections and how will they affect the U.S.-Mexican relationship?

ú Am confident that the United States can work with any of the candidates whom the Mexican electorate might choose next July. It is for the Mexican people to decide.

ú The U.S. maintains an excellent and broad relationship with Mexico that goes to all levels of both our governments.

What can you say about the ongoing investigation in Juarez?

ú Understand this investigation may be a lengthy process. We are there to support the Office of the Mexican Attorney General. Bilateral cooperation has been outstanding.

PANAMA

You said you couldn't go to Panama for the Canal transfer ceremony because of another trip. Isn't true you didn't want to go because of political considerations back home?

ú No. Would have liked to attend but important the United States be represented by some of its most important officials past and present.

ú The delegation reflects the bipartisan support for the transfer and for Panama in the United States. President Carter's participation is recognition of the historic role he played in concluding the treaties.

ú The transfer marks a watershed in our relations with Panama and all of our neighbors in Latin America. It is a concrete sign of the maturity of democracy in the region and of the growing economic and trade relations in the hemisphere, based on mutual respect and proven mutual benefit.

You said the Chinese would do a fine job running the Canal. Did you misspeak, or will the Chinese really be in control of the Canal?

ú I was making a larger point about how the Chinese engage with international commerce. The government of Panama, working through the Panama Canal Authority (PCA) will run the Canal. The PCA will be responsible for management of the Canal, control of its access and egress points, and pilotage services.

ú Regarding the private Hong Kong-based company, this company has the concession to operate two container facilities, one at the Pacific port and the other at the Caribbean. This company will have no control over access to or transit of the Canal.

I am confident that our commercial and security interests are protected and the provisions under the Treaty transferring authority for the Canal, gives us all the authority necessary to protect access if needed

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TEXT:
The boy's name is spelled Elian Gonzalez and the dad's name is Juan Gonzalez.

Christina Stacey

12/10/99 02:02:45 PM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

Subject: IMPORTANT LOOKOUT

Please be on the lookout for a letter to the President from the father of Elin Gonzalez, the young Cuban boy rescued off the coast of Miami. Please let me know ASAP if you find anything. Thanks.

Message Sent

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-DEC-1999 14:24:32.00

SUBJECT: Re: Immigration Background

TO: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
Thank you!

Irene Bueno
12/10/99 02:20:51 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Dag Vega/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: Immigration Background

Attached are:

1. immigration talking points that I drafted for the Congressional Black Caucus meeting on issues that may be raised. If you want something on the Cuban boy issue, you should Scott Busby with NSC.
2. Q and As on INS Restructuring/Reform that was drafted in response to allegations that the Administration is not serious about immigration reform but it also includes what we support.
3. A section of the WH Wins document that was drafted on WH accomplishments and things we need to to on immigration issues.

I am going to a meeting at 2:45 but page me if you need anything further.

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IMMIGRATION TALKING POINTS

LATE AMNESTY

Background: The “late amnesty” cases involve claims by undocumented immigrants who did not successfully apply for legalization under the 1986 immigration law before the deadline of May 1988. They assert that they were discouraged or prevented from applying by regulations implementing the legalization program that the INS had promulgated during the Reagan Administration.

The courts, including the Supreme Court, have held that they cannot grant relief to anyone who did not actually apply within the deadline or anyone who was not “front-desked” before May 1988. “Front-desked” refers to an applicant who attempted to timely apply by tendering a completed INS form and fee which was then immediately returned to the applicant on the grounds of ineligibility. For those immigrants who believed they were “front-desked,” the INS had made it clear that they can submit their claims now and INS will review them. If INS determines an applicant was “front-desked,” then the applicant can apply for legalization, even though the May 1988 deadline has long since passed.

For those immigrants who were not “front-desked,” Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee, the ranking member on the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and others have asked the Administration to find an administrative remedy to help this group. While the Administration is sensitive to the needs of this group, the Department of Justice (DOJ) in concurrence with White House Counsel conducted an extensive review and has concluded that there is no administrative relief available to this group. Therefore, a legislative change is required which the Administration supports.

The legislative change that is under consideration is a change in the “Registry Date”. Under current law, if an immigrant can show he/she has been in the country since 1972 and is in good moral standing, he/she may legalize their immigration status. The current registry date of 1972 is updated periodically by Congress. The last time was in 1986. We are proposing to update the registry date to 1986. In a recent meeting with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the President indicated his strong support of a legislative fix. Representative Jackson-Lee recently held a hearing that demonstrated the devastating impact that this situation has caused many immigrant families. During the recent budget debate, the Administration pushed for the inclusion of this legislative fix but was the Republicans opposed its inclusion.

- For those immigrants who were not front-desked, the Administration is sensitive to their position. However, the Department of Justice is unable to offer any administrative short of a legislative change, which the Administration would support.

- We would recommend a legislative fix to help those who were not front-desked. We think the cleanest fix is to update the registry date to 1986.
- During the recent budget negotiations, we urged Congress to include this legislative fix, however our proposal was denied.
- We will work with Congress to enact this legislation in the upcoming session.

CENTRAL AMERICAN AND HAITIAN PARITY ACT OF 1999

Background: Under the *Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Act of 1997 (NACARA)* and the *Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act of 1998 (HRIFA)*, certain Nicaraguans and Cubans were allowed to become legal permanent residents but other Central Americans and Haitians did not receive the same treatment. On May 20, 1999, the Administration published regulations that will probably increase the likelihood that the Salvadorans and Guatemalans covered by NACARA will become legal permanent residents. However, these regulations do not totally bridge the gaps created by NACARA. Nor do they address the situation of Hondurans, who were not covered at all by the legislation. Therefore, in August 1999, the President transmitted legislation to Congress, the ***Central American and Haitian Parity Act of 1999*** that would address the inequities that continue to exist under current law. In the House, Representatives Luis Gutierrez (D-IL), Christopher Smith (R-NJ), Carrie Meek (D-FL) and others introduced this legislation and have over 60 cosponsors and Senators Durbin and Kennedy introduced this legislation in the Senate. In a recent meeting with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the President reiterated his commitment to pass legislation. During the recent budget debate, the Administration pushed for the inclusion of this proposal but was the Republicans opposed its inclusion.

- The President is committed to providing equal treatment to similarly situated Central Americans and Haitians.
- Like Nicaraguans and Cubans, many Salvadorans, Guatemalans, Hondurans, and Haitians fled human rights abuses or unstable political and economic conditions in the 1980s and 1990s. Thus, they should be treated the same.
- In addition, returning migrants to these countries would place significant demands on their fragile economic and political systems.
- The President is committed to even-handed treatment of nationals from these countries and to the strengthening of democracy and economic stability among these important neighbors.
- We are pleased with the growing support for our bill but we are now making calls to key Members to stress how important this legislation is to the Administration.
- During the recent budget negotiations, we urged Congress to include this important proposal, however our efforts were not successful.
- We will work with Congress to enact this legislation in the upcoming session.

INS RESTRUCTURING

Background: The Administration has a proposal to restructure the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to improve the way the INS conducts its business and serves its clients. Representatives Harold Rogers (R-KY), Lamar Smith (R-TX) and Silvestre Reyes (D-TX) introduced legislation that was approved by the House Subcommittee on Immigration, but we opposed their bill because it did not include what we believe to be a vital part of meaningful restructuring: a strong single full time senior official who manages and oversees both immigration services and enforcement functions. In negotiations, the sponsors of the House legislation began to move in our direction but ultimately did not move far enough before the session ended.

Representative Jackson-Lee, the Ranking Member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, has introduced an INS Restructuring proposal that is consistent with the Administration's principles. The Administration has been working with Representative Jackson-Lee and other key members to ensure Democratic support for any INS Restructuring proposal that we negotiate with Representatives Rogers, Smith and Reyes.

- The Administration is committed to a fundamental change in the way the INS conducts its business.
- I commend Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee's leadership on this issue and will continue to work with her to achieve our goal of restructuring INS into an organization that works.
- Over the past year we have worked closely with Representatives Sheila Jackson-Lee, Rogers, Smith and Reyes, as well as other key members of Congress, to develop a restructuring proposal for the INS that would establish clear lines of authority and responsibility under a single, strong immigration executive.
- In fact, we had made great progress towards restructuring INS, and were actually very close to agreement.
- We are disappointed that our efforts with Congress have not yet borne fruit, but we also think it would be a mistake to start over from square one when we have moved the process so far forward in the last few months.
- Throughout this process, we have made it clear that the Administration is committed to a vastly streamlined immigration structure that has clear and separate lines of authority for enforcement and service operations, and that maintains an equal balance between these important responsibilities. To ensure that INS speaks with one voice, we believe there needs to be a strong high-level immigration official to oversee and lead both parts of this new structure.

- Our objective is to create a better, more effective and efficient immigration service that can control the Nation's borders and serve the immigration community in an efficient and timely manner. As we have made clear to Congress, we are not interested in establishing an organizational structure that cannot achieve these goals.

INS RESTRUCTURING

Q&A

November 19, 1999

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Excerpts from the WH Wins document:

WH ACCOMPLISHMENT ON IMMIGRATION:

- ✓ **English Language/Civics Education Initiative:** The increase to Adult Education targets \$25.5 million for the President's ESL/Civics Initiative, which would provide instruction in both English literacy and critical life skills necessary for effective citizenship and civic participation.

WORK THAT STILL MUST BE DONE

- × **Providing Fairness to Immigrant Families.** Congress has failed to take action to provide fairness to immigrant families by: restoring important disability, health, and nutrition benefits to additional categories of legal immigrants; restructuring the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS); approving the Administration's proposal to support the process of democratization and stabilization now underway in Central America and Haiti and ensure equitable treatment for migrants from these countries; or changing the registry date to permit long-term migrants to adjust their status.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-DEC-1999 22:23:38.00

SUBJECT: Arkansas/Florida Trip Pool Report #1: Unity Event At Biltmore

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TEXT:
Pool Report #1
Unity Event at the Biltmore Hotel
December 11, 1999

Barry Toiv says that Jorge Mas Santos, head of the Cuban-American Foundation in Miami, came to the Biltmore Hotel to meet Deputy Chief of Staff Maria Echaveste. Toiv was short on the details, but said that Mas Santos transferred a letter to Ms. Echaveste dealing with the case of Elian Gonzalez, the little Cuban boy at the heart of the tug-of-war between the United States and Cuba at the moment.

Barry said he had not seen the letter, and does not know if Clinton has seen the letter yet. He said that Mas Santos did not speak with the President at the fund-raising event. Toiv also said that Clinton has not changed his hands-off policy on the case and, as far as he knows, has no plans to do so.

Barry also said that he did not know whether the letter was the same one or similar to another letter that was reportedly sent to the White House yesterday by relatives of the boy here in Miami.

Greg McDonald
Houston Chronicle

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Courtney C. Crouch (CN=Courtney C. Crouch/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:27-DEC-1999 19:15:50.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 12/27/99

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The following is a list of correspondence received from Members of Congress on December 27:

- 1) Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA), urging the POTUS to fully fund the General Services Administration (GSA) plan for courthouse construction in the FY 2001 budget;
- 2) Rep. Gary L. Ackerman (D-NY), concerning his recent trip to India and the Administration's recent decision to review the list of Indian government agencies and firms affected by U.S. export curbs; and,
- 3) Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA), urging the Administration to expedite the return of Elian Gonzalez to his father in Cuba.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-JAN-2000 17:53:03.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 1/4/2000

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TEXT:

The following is a list of correspondence received from Members of Congress on January 4:

1. Sen. Jeff Bingaman (D-NM), urging the POTUS to resist the political forces around the situation regarding Elian Gonzalez, the Cuban child recently rescued off the coast of Florida (407654);
2. Sen. Tim Hutchinson (R-AR), requesting \$30 million for a C-130J Flight Simulator for the Little Rock, Arkansas Air Force Base (fax);
3. Sen. John D. Rockefeller, IV (D-WV), requesting funding for a demonstration project to determine whether Medicare should provide coverage of cancer clinical trials in the FY2001 budget (407643);
4. Sen. Rick Santorum (R-PA), concerning the conflict in Sudan and recent reports of peace agreements between Sudan and Uganda and with the activities of the Greater Nile Petroleum Company (407655);
5. Rep. Robert E. Andrews (D-NJ), requesting a clarification of the U.S. military and security assistance policies and practices toward Armenia and Azerbaijan (407647);
6. Rep. Marion Berry (D-AR), supporting increased funding for science-based technical assistance and voluntary conservation programs in the FY2001 budget proposal (original received in our office);
7. Rep. Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Rep. Fortney Pete Stark (D-CA), urging the POTUS to include the "Medicare Early Access Act," H.R. 2228, in his FY2001 budget proposal (407651);
8. Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO), encouraging the POTUS to include H.R. 827, the "Improved Maternal and Children's Health Coverage Act of 1999" in his FY2001 budget proposal (407656);
9. Rep. John Lewis (D-GA), requesting the POTUS to support funding to

assist the sewer overflow and water pollution problems in Atlanta, Georgia in his FY2001 budget proposal (407653);

10. Rep. James L. Oberstar (D-MN) and three other Members of Congress, requesting the POTUS to support increased federal funding for the Nation's Clean Water infrastructure programs in his FY2001 budget request (407652);

11. Rep. Donald M. Payne (D-NJ), concerning the Sudan food-aid authorization provision which passed at the end of the 106th Congress (407659);

12. Rep. Tim Roemer (D-IN), enclosing a copy of the "Transition to Teaching" bill and requesting that the POTUS mention the bill in his State of the Union address (fax);

13. Rep. Nick Smith (R-MI), urging the U.S. to continue to monitor the Panama Canal since Panama serves as a major transit point for illegal drugs to enter the United States (407648);

14. Rep. Vic Snyder (D-AR), urging the POTUS to include funding for courthouses in his FY2001 budget request (407657);

15. Rep. Bob Stump (R-AZ) and seven other Members of Congress, opposing the use of the Antiquities Act to create the Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument and the Agua Fria National Monument in Arizona (407650); and,

16. Rep. Tom Udall (D-NM), requesting that funding for the Crownpoint Institute of Technology be included in his FY2001 budget request (407644).

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Linda L. Moore (CN=Linda L. Moore/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 6-JAN-2000 08:40:45.00

SUBJECT: summary of sr staff mtg this a.m.

TO: Vincent Fry (CN=Vincent Fry/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Craig Hughes (CN=Craig Hughes/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Bridget T. Leininger (CN=Bridget T. Leininger/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno (CN=Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

The relevant people here and in the agencies are on high alert re: Miami due to the reaction of Cubans there to the news that the Cuban boy likely will be sent back to his father in Cuba soon.

The head of the gun manufacturers will meet with Bruce Reed and Eric Holder today for some negotiations re: our gun-control plan.

Chuck Brain, who served as Larry Stein's deputy, is now officially the head of Legislative Affairs. Karen Robb, AA to Sen. Edwards (NC), will start soon as the head of Senate Liaison, replacing Tracy Thornton, who is moving to Dallas.

Chuck said that yesterday's mtg with Gephardt and Daschle went very well.

An agreement has been reached re: Governor's Island in NY that will make Moynihan happy.

Alexis took back statements made in a recent letter sent out under her signature that indicated that companies could be held responsible for the workplace safety of telecommuters (at home workers). A series of meetings and discussions will be held on this topic.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mickey Ibarra (CN=Mickey Ibarra/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JAN-2000 19:57:19.00

SUBJECT: Mayor Penelas

TO: tysonh@panet.us-state.gov (tysonh@panet.us-state.gov [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Barbara B. Hunt (CN=Barbara B. Hunt/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Brian.deVallance@USDOJ.gov (Brian.deVallance@USDOJ.gov [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno (CN=Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Maria E. Soto (CN=Maria E. Soto/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Mayor Penelas (Dade County) and Mayor Carollo (City of Miami) are meeting with AG Reno tonight to state their objections to the INS decision on Elian Gonzales of Cuba. The AG will restate our position. They understand that. The President addressed this issue again today following his statement to the press on another matter this morning. Gov. Bush of Florida appealed to the President to rescind the INS order. He refused.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JAN-2000 18:40:19.00

SUBJECT: ADDITION: Congressional Correspondence for 1/7/2000

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

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

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

TO: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Erica R. Morris (CN=Erica R. Morris/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Courtney C. Crouch (CN=Courtney C. Crouch/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Joanna E. Slaney (CN=Joanna E. Slaney/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Tracey E. Thornton (CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Lauren K. Gillespie (CN=Lauren K. Gillespie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

TO: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Marty J. Hoffmann (CN=Marty J. Hoffmann/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 7-JAN-2000 13:47:27.00

SUBJECT: Re: guest worker

TO: Renee Sagiv (CN=Renee Sagiv/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 should have an answer on the guestworker letter early next week.

On the MALDEF letter, I am still waiting to get clearance from a few others that Maria asked me to check with including INS General Counsel who is tied up with Elian Gonzalez case but I will be keeping pushing.

Renee Sagiv

01/07/2000 01:44:20 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP

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

bcc:

Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. Any word yet on the MALDEF or McConnell/guest worker letters?

Irene Bueno

01/06/2000 02:07:02 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: guest worker

end of the week

Renee Sagiv
01/06/2000 12:47:44 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. Have you been able to make any headway on the remaining guest worker letters (which mention McConnell)? Do you still think we'll be able to have a draft by the end of this week?

Irene Bueno
12/30/99 10:51:38 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: delia a. cohen/who/eop@eop, debra d. alexander/who/eop@eop
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Attached is the cleared response on the guestworker letter NOT mentioning McConnell. I will send you the McConnell response next week. Thanks for your patience.

Renee Sagiv
12/20/99 01:03:41 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc: Delia A. Cohen/WHO/EOP@EOP, Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. Attached are suggested draft responses to the remaining anti-guestworker letters (one for those letters that mention the McConnell Amendment, and one for those that didn't). They are based on the biller and rodriguez responses you cleared in Oct, with an added couple of sentences re: AgNet (I took these sentences straight from the Byrd response you cleared last week). The added sentences are in red. As you know, we're trying to get these letters out by Wed., so if you could let me know your recommendations by COB today, I would be very grateful. Please feel free to call (65519) if you have any questions. Thanks.

Irene Bueno
12/17/99 04:05:08 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

I'll get back to you.

Renee Sagiv
12/17/99 02:28:57 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. My director has asked that I give her a cleared draft for the remaining anti-guest worker legislation by COB today. Do you think the Biller and Rodriguez responses (below) can be used, perhaps with adding the info about AgNet? Again, if I get them in today, the responses will go out by 12/22. Please let me know. Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP on 12/17/99 02:25 PM -----

Renee Sagiv
12/16/99 11:24:07 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc: Records Management@EOP
Subject: Re: guest worker

Most do not mention specific legislation--just why there is no need for any at this time. One or two mention the McConnell amendment. Attached are 2 guest worker letters you have previously cleared: the moe biller one does not mention specific legislation, and the Arturo Rodriguez letter does mention Section 748 of H.R. 1906. Hope this helps.

Irene Bueno
12/16/99 10:52:21 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

We are working on the Byrd letter - my boss asked me to add more to it so should get this to you later today.

Do the anti-guestworkers letters mention specific legislation? Let me know and I'll see if we can come up with something. Also, send e-mail the earlier Moe Biller response that we developed. Thanks.

Renee Sagiv
12/16/99 10:44:59 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. Sorry to keep bugging you about this, but we really want to get at least the August letter out of here next week. Would it be possible for you to let me know your recommendations on the Byrd letter by COB today? Also, if you think it's possible for the other anti-guest worker legislation letters to get the Moe Biller response (to be sent out around 12/22) please let me know.

Thanks for your help on this.

Irene Bueno
12/14/99 10:21:42 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

That's better but let me run it by my boss and get back to you.

Renee Sagiv
12/14/99 10:14:48 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Hi, Irene. How's this?

Irene Bueno
12/13/99 07:45:12 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Renee Sagiv/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: guest worker

Rep. Byrd wants us to support legislation that we probably will not support so this letter doesn't really work but can you send a general letter that says something like - Thank you and I will share your views with DPC but not say too much?

Renee Sagiv
12/13/99 04:42:23 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc:
Subject: guest worker

Hi, Irene. Attached is the draft response to Johnnie Bird, which I just faxed to you. Please let me know if you have any questions--65519.
Thanks.

===== ATTACHMENT 1 =====

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

TEXT:

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

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

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The following is a HEX DUMP:

===== END ATTACHMENT 3 =====

===== ATTACHMENT 4 =====

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

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===== END ATTACHMENT 4 =====

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

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The following is a HEX DUMP:

===== END ATTACHMENT 7 =====

October 13, 1999

Mr. Moe Biller
President
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO
1300 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Moe:

Thank you for your letter regarding agricultural guest worker legislation. I appreciate knowing your concerns and have shared your correspondence with my Domestic Policy staff.

My Administration has opposed past efforts designed to expand the H-2A program and does not believe that kind of legislation is necessary or appropriate at this time. We recognize that farmworkers are among the poorest and most vulnerable people in our society. Average annual earnings of farmworker families are only about \$6,500, and farmworkers are employed on average only about 26 weeks per year. Instead, we support reform of the current H-2A guest-worker program and are working -- through administrative actions and the regulatory process -- to reengineer the program while maintaining strong worker protections.

We will continue to work with all interested parties to address this issue in a way that will not jeopardize vital worker protections. As we move forward in this endeavor, I'm glad to know that I can count on your help.

Sincerely,

October 13, 1999

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Sincerely,

Thank you for your letter regarding H.R. 1906. I appreciate knowing your concerns and have shared your correspondence with my Domestic Policy staff.

Although I signed this legislation, I remain opposed to Section 748, which modifies the nonimmigrant farmworker program known as the H-2A program, because it virtually eliminates the credibility of the recruitment process that protects legal U.S. farmworkers. As you know, this provision will adversely affect the recruitment of legal U.S. farmworkers by substantially shortening the recruitment period for these workers to as little as 3-8 days. I agree that this is not long enough to recruit legal U.S. workers fairly and properly.

My Administration has opposed past efforts to expand the H-2A program and does not believe that kind of legislation is necessary or appropriate at this time. We recognize that farmworkers are among the poorest and most vulnerable people in our society. Average annual earnings of farmworker families are only about \$6,500, and farmworkers are employed on average only about 26 weeks per year. Instead, we support reform of the current H-2A guest worker program and are working -- through administrative actions and the regulatory process -- to reengineer the program while maintaining strong worker protections. My Administration is committed to improving the H-2A program to assure growers of an adequate, predictable labor supply while protecting U.S. farmworkers. As you may know, we recently proposed a \$10 million program to create the America's Agricultural Labor Network (AgNet), an online system that would benefit growers and workers alike by creating an efficient way to help growers find an adequate labor supply and to match workers with employment opportunities. I am confident that these and other steps we are taking can help address some of the concerns you've raised.

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Dear Arturo:

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We will continue to work with all interested parties to address this issue in a way that will not jeopardize vital worker protections. As we move forward in this endeavor, I'm glad to know I can count on your help.

Dear Johnnie:

Thank you for your letter regarding agricultural guest worker legislation. I'm glad that you also sent me a copy of the letter from Tommy Brock. I appreciate knowing your views, and I have shared your correspondence with my staff in the Domestic Policy Council.

My Administration is committed to improving the H-2A program to assure growers of an adequate, predictable labor supply while protecting U.S. farmworkers. As we move forward in this endeavor, I'm grateful for your insights.

Thank you for your letter regarding agricultural guest worker legislation. I appreciate knowing your views, and I'm sorry I was unable to respond sooner.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-JAN-2000 11:39:55.00

SUBJECT: LKL

TO: David C. Leavy (CN=David C. Leavy/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Larry King is doing Cuban boy tonight and is requesting someone from INS.

INS is not ready right now to make any kind of tv commitments. Thoughts?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-JAN-2000 09:41:52.00

SUBJECT: Re: ADDITION: Congressional Correspondence for 1/7/2000

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

----- Forwarded by Devanshu Patel/WHO/EOP on 01/10/2000
09:41 AM -----

Lisa M. Kountoupes
01/07/2000 06:53:03 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Devanshu Patel/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
bcc:
Subject: Re: ADDITION: Congressional Correspondence for 1/7/2000

i need that maloney letter thanks

Devanshu Patel
01/07/2000 06:40:11 PM
Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc:
Subject: ADDITION: Congressional Correspondence for 1/7/2000

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Ami M. Lynch (CN=Ami M. Lynch/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-JAN-2000 08:49:26.00

SUBJECT: Re: Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

DOJ/INS since he's still not back in Cuba

Bryan L. Day

01/11/2000 08:48:21 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Ami M. Lynch/WHO/EOP@EOP, Helen S. Castleman/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Elian Gonzalez

I think I asked this once, but are you handling Elian Gonzalez?

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Collection: 2015-0524-F

Bucket: WHO

Creation Date: 2000-01-11

Subject: Gov. Jeb Bush/ Elian Gonzales letter.

Creator: Adrienne K. Elrod CN=Adrienne K.
Elrod/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JAN-2000 11:54:46.00

SUBJECT: Gonzalez

TO: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey Irene -- I just got back from vacation and my voicemail was full of messages asking where the WH (I guess as an entity separate from INS) is on Elian Gonzalez. More specifically, folks want to know if we have or will take a position on a private relief bill for Gonzalez? Any guidance would be very helpful. Thanks.

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Bucket: WHO

Creation Date: 2000-01-12

Subject: Re: elian gonzalez

Creator: Debra D. Alexander CN=Debra D.
Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

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Bucket: WHO

Creation Date: 2000-01-12

Subject: Correspondence Gov. worksheet

Creator: John A. Wertman CN=John A.
Wertman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-JAN-2000 18:47:43.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 1/12/2000

TO: Paul Thornell (CN=Paul Thornell/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Lauren K. Gillespie (CN=Lauren K. Gillespie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TO: Erica R. Morris (CN=Erica R. Morris/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Courtney C. Crouch (CN=Courtney C. Crouch/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Joanna E. Slaney (CN=Joanna E. Slaney/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: Martha Foley (CN=Martha Foley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: Tracey E. Thornton (CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: William T. Glunz (CN=William T. Glunz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

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

TEXT:

The following is a list of correspondence received from Members of Congress on January 12:

1. Sen. Max Cleland (D-GA), requesting the POTUS to include funding for the construction of a National Cemetery in Atlanta, Georgia as part of his FY2001 budget request for the Department of Veterans' Affairs (408764);
2. Sen. Kent Conrad (D-ND), encouraging the POTUS to emphasize the challenges facing rural America and the nation's farmers in his State of the Union Address (fax);
3. Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski (D-MD), requesting the POTUS to include S. 1142, the bipartisan Seniors' Access to Continuing Care Act legislation in his FY2001 budget request (408005);
4. Rep. Robert B. Aderholt (R-AL), concerning a recent decision by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) transferring television licenses between two Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, television stations that may interfere with the Constitutional right to freedom of religion (408001);
5. Rep. Bob Barr (R-GA), opposing the Administration's \$2 billion proposal to combat cyber-terrorism (408011);
6. Rep. James E. Clyburn (D-SC), urging the POTUS to include full funding for the Empowerment Zones designated last year in his FY2001 budget request (408000);
7. Rep. Danny K. Davis (D-IL), supporting the commutation of the sentence against former Congressman Melvin Reynolds (D-IL) (408765);

8. Rep. Robert Menendez (D-NJ), Rep. Peter Deutsch (D-FL) and Rep. Patrick J. Kennedy (D-RI), requesting the POTUS not to take action to enforce the decision by Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) that would mandate the return of Elian Gonzalez to his father in Cuba (408766);

9. Rep. Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and six other Members of Congress, emphasizing the Democratic Caucus Education Task Force Co-Chair's support for substantially increased investments in education initiatives in the President's FY2001 budget (408009); and,

10. Rep. George Miller (D-CA), thanking the POTUS for pardoning Mr. Freddie Meeks (408006).

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Bucket: WHO

Creation Date: 2000-01-12

Subject: Re: elian gonzalez

Creator: John A. Wertman CN=John A.
Wertman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

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Bucket: WHO

Creation Date: 2000-01-12

Subject: elian gonzalez

Creator: Tracy F. Sisser CN=Tracy F. Sisser/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Judi Gold <Judi.Gold@ost.dot.gov> (Judi Gold <Judi.Gold@ost.dot.gov> [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JAN-2000 14:59:54.00

SUBJECT: Florida and two questions

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

TEXT:

here is south Florida for the VP

I have two Florida questions:

1. I would still love to know events planned for the VP in Florida so
I can
let our Deputy Secretary know

2. Can you help me get a copy of "official talking points" or
something on
the Elian Gonzales issue (boy from Cuba). Since our Deputy will be
there,
someone may raise the issue, since he is a high level sub-cabinet and
we
ought to give him the official "stuff."

I would need this stuff by tomorrow Friday. Thanks
- fl1-14.wpd===== 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 =====

MEMORANDUM TO THURGOOD MARSHALL, JR., CABINET AFFAIRS

FROM: Jerry Malone
Chief of Staff

SUBJECT: Background Information - Florida

DATE: January 14, 2000

The following is information on South Florida issues. Please contact me or Judi Gold at 366-9497 if you have any questions.

US-1 Widening Project in Dade and Monroe Counties: This project is salient among the south Florida media, publicly controversial, very controversial among Federal agencies as to process, and politically volatile from the perspective of local vs. State vs. Federal roles and rights.

The proposed improvement would widen 20 miles of US-1 from Florida City and Key Largo, that is, improve the mainland link to the Keys. The Final Environmental Impact Statement and the Record of Decision were issued in 1992. The project has advanced to the final design where construction plans were produced for a proposed four-lane divided highway.

The Corps and other Federal resource agencies raised new concerns with potential secondary and cumulative impacts resulting from accelerated and increased development on the Keys after capacity expansion. Because Monroe County (all of the Keys) controls land development through permits issued under the State's Growth Management Act, the extent and pace of growth are a State and local issue.

USACE does not "trust" the State and county land development process. The USACE staff believes it will be sued if it issues a 404 permit based on the FEIS and ROD, will lose on process, and essentially demands the FHWA to supplement the EIS. The FDOT and FHWA have pursued a detailed

reevaluation of the FEIS on a down-scaled alternative (one lane south, two lanes north for evacuation) to address direct impacts and secondary and cumulative impacts. The US Coast Guard strongly supports the FHWA and FDOT. A reevaluation is insufficient for the USACE and other resource agencies. These agencies reinforced written positions to this effect at a February 4, 1999 meeting.

Florida Governor Jeb Bush has not taken a position as yet. The State is angry with the Federal government for over stepping its bounds and entering the land permits arena. The Federal resource agencies are angry with FHWA for not readily agreeing to supplement the EIS. FDOT is disappointed that FHWA cannot easily sign the reevaluation and push the issue onto the USACE as the permitting agency.

Should this issue arise, we recommend acknowledging the controversy as being appropriate because there are important safety, environmental, and development issues at play that should be addressed fully by all the professionals involved, and that an appropriate solution will emerge from the process.

“Transit” or “Penny” Sales Tax Issue: The “penny” sales tax was strongly supported by Miami-Dade Mayor Alex Penelas to provide a dedicated source of revenue (estimated at \$400 million/year) for implementation of transportation improvements in the Miami-Dade area. In the local press, the penny tax became known as the “Penelas Penny Tax,” and it also was primarily associated with transit improvements. In exchange for voters approving a penny tax, all tolls operated by the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority would be dropped in the County. The penny tax proposal became highly controversial since everyone in the County would be taxed (regardless whether they use transit or not), while regarding the

Expressway, only the actual users of the Expressway pay tolls for that facility. The penny tax was put to vote in late July 1999, and it was soundly defeated by almost a two-to-one margin (65% to 35%). The penny tax is still a hot issue in the Miami area. The local press and the public still believes it was a poor proposal and would have been a wasteful use of taxpayer monies. Defeat of the proposal has meant that the Mayor, the local transportation planning agency and the state transportation department have had to re-assess transportation needs and funding.

SR 7/U.S. 441 (Palm Beach County): The question of noise impacts on local principal arterials has become a topic of discussion between the FDOT and those counties involved with particular projects. One project consists of widening SR 7 to a six lane facility from SR 808 (Glades Road) to SR 704 (Okeechobee Blvd.) in Boca Raton. The cost of the project is estimated at \$66 million. The roadway is being widened to meet future capacity needs.

The environmental document states the need and feasibility of intermittent noise walls along the east and west side of SR 7. However, the District is receiving pressure from homeowners who live further into the community, local activists, and city and county officials against the proposed noise walls. It should be noted that Congressman Robert Wexler's office has been involved with this project. The FDOT is in the process of getting the views of the residents impacted by the future noise levels and making a final determination on whether to construct noise abatement or not.

Homestead: The Federal disposition of former Homestead Air Force Base has been a highly controversial issue for several years between pro-airport developers and environmental organizations. A Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is currently available for agencies and the public to review. Public hearings are scheduled for the first week of February. This SEIS is being jointly prepared by the Air Force and FAA with the National Park Service and the

Environmental Protection Agency as cooperating agencies. The goals are to reuse Homestead in a way that revitalizes the economy and protects the nearby national parks (Everglades National Park to the west and Biscayne National Park to the east). The Proposed Action in the SEIS continues to be to transfer land, including the airfield, to Miami-Dade County for a commercial airport. Representative Carrie Meek and other South Florida elected officials received a briefing on the SEIS from Air Force officials on January 7.

Department of Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and EPA Administrator Carol Browner oppose plans to convert Homestead AFB into a commercial airport.

Deputy in Miami: Deputy Secretary Mort Downey is scheduled to be in Miami on January 15 to address the Aviation Safety Alliance.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-JAN-2000 17:36:34.00

SUBJECT: draft response, may be too short. please edit and revise as you see fit.

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

QUESTION:

Would the President consider the current "tug of war" over Elian Gonzalez the perfect opportunity to begin more serious talks with the Cuban Government to explore the possibility to lifting the embargo against Cuba, even if it means doing it without the support of the exiled Cuban community in this country?

ANSWER:

As the President has stated from the beginning of this very difficult situation, this is a matter in which politics should not play any role. The White House believes this matter is appropriately in the hands of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Department of Justice.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Maureen T. Shea (CN=Maureen T. Shea/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-JAN-2000 15:07:32.00

SUBJECT: NCC

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

here is report on meeting for POTUS weekly: hot off the presses!

Meeting with New General Secretary of National Council of Churches. Former Rep. Bob Edgar (D-PA), a Methodist minister, has begun his term at NCC. Until April, however, he also continues as President of Claremont School of Theology. NCC's legislative priorities for the coming year are: reduction of Third World Debt; Hunger Relief Act; raise in minimum wage; reduction of gun violence; and fighting AIDS in Africa. They will also be helpful on hate crimes legislation and he made some useful suggestions on China/MFN. Edgar also offered to assist in any appropriate ways in the return of Elian Gonzalez to Cuba.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Courtney C. Crouch (CN=Courtney C. Crouch/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-JAN-2000 12:36:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: Member letters re: Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

certainly. we're a little swamped at the moment, but we will get those for you shortly.

Brian S. Mason

01/18/2000 10:57:12 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Courtney C. Crouch/WHO/EOP@EOP, Devanshu Patel/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Mark D. Magana/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: Member letters re: Elian Gonzalez

Greetings to both of you gentlemen. Mark is interested in having copies of all the letters that MOCs have written to the White House regarding the Cuban boy, Elian Gonzalez. Could we get copies of those? Many, many thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-JAN-2000 19:55:14.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 1/18/2000

TO: William T. Glunz (CN=William T. Glunz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Paul Thornell (CN=Paul Thornell/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Lauren K. Gillespie (CN=Lauren K. Gillespie/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: David R Thomas (CN=David R Thomas/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])
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TO: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
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TO: Broderick Johnson (CN=Broderick Johnson/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-JAN-2000 10:59:38.00

SUBJECT: Black-Brown Debate

TO: Albert Gore (CN=Albert Gore/O=OVP@OVP [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Just wanted you to know that I think you did a very good job yesterday--you were well prepared, you were animated and you showed your convictions. Excellent job on racial profiling and affirmative action and even though I disagree with you on Elian Gonzales, your answer was forthright and definitive. I thought the format didn't leave enough time for more questions that would have been more interesting for the viewers--but nonetheless, good job.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mark D. Magana (CN=Mark D. Magana/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-JAN-2000 15:10:48.00

SUBJECT: Conf. Call on Elian Gonzalez private bills

TO: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Brian S. Mason (CN=Brian S. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Joel -- DOJ wants to hold a conf. call on possibility of Elian Gonzalez private bill this afternoon at 5:30 pm. Please call Patty First to indicate your availability.

Mark

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JAN-2000 09:21:19.00

SUBJECT: Re: Congressional Correspondence for 1/18/2000

TO: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

look at all of that correspondence! go bunker, go!

Devanshu Patel

01/18/2000 07:55:06 PM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

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CREATOR: Shannon M. Hinderliter (CN=Shannon M. Hinderliter/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JAN-2000 10:35:11.00

SUBJECT: Re: question

TO: Eugenie Bisulco (CN=Eugenie Bisulco/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

It's a sig regarding elian gonzalez. The response involves a lot of policy, but I think I am changing it to general ty. The letter urges potus to send him back and expresses more concern for how it will reflect on him than on what will happen to little boy. NSC has cleared the policy, but if we go the other way with general ty-what do you think of something along the lines of the following

Thanks for your letter regarding the immigration case involving Elian Gonzalez. I value your counsel, and I'm always glad to know your views. You're a good friend.

Your continued thoughtfulness and support mean a lot to me, and I send my best wishes for the coming year. I hope to see you soon.

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CREATOR: Mark D. Magana (CN=Mark D. Magana/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JAN-2000 16:35:10.00

SUBJECT: Elian Gonzalez bill

TO: Maria Echaveste (CN=Maria Echaveste/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

Rep. Becerra has quietly supported the INS decision, but he is not going to take a higher profile on this issue. He does not like to jump into issues that deeply divide the CHC, plus he is going to be too focused on the Mayoral campaign.

Mark

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CREATOR: Linda L. Moore (CN=Linda L. Moore/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JAN-2000 08:39:51.00

SUBJECT: sr staff mtg

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TO: Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno (CN=Cynthia M. Jasso-Rotunno/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:
Not much to report.

The rest of our health care plan will be released today. Higher ed will come out tomorrow.

Negotiations with the gun industry fell through in the last few days when the group announced that they are forming a political action committee for races this year. Bruce Reed et al will continue to try to work with more reasonable voices in the industry.

A small group will meet today to discuss legislative strategy around Elian Gonzales. As you probably know, he's been subpoenaed by a Republican committee chair and they are pushing legislation on this issue as well.

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Don't forget: Briefing tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. in the Indian Treaty Room.

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CREATOR: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-JAN-2000 13:12:44.00

SUBJECT: Weekly

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

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

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TEXT:

Bankruptcy Reform

On Tuesday, January 25th, the Senate will hold a cloture vote on S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1999. The bill, with which the Administration has serious concerns, almost completed action on the Senate floor last session. The bill was pulled from debate, however, when Senator Levin insisted upon offering his amendment making debts arising from law suits against gun manufacturers nondischargeable and Senator Schumer insisted upon offering his amendment making debts arising from abortion clinic violence nondischargeable. The Democrats are likely to hold together and oppose cloture in an effort to protect their right to offer amendments. Senator Lott will then likely pull the bill. There are a large number of Democrats who support the underlying bankruptcy bill; however, so any subsequent cloture vote may succeed.

Eliau Gonzalez

This week the Senate will likely take up a private relief bill sponsored by Senator Helms granting Elian Gonzalez US citizenship . If Gonzalez is granted citizenship, it would divest the federal government (i.e. INS) of its jurisdiction over the boy because there would no longer be an immigration issue. The boy's custody dispute would then be handled solely by the Florida state court. There is a possibility that there will be an alternative bill offered which would either make Gonzalez a permanent resident or grant him citizenship when he turns 18. In addition, some Democrats may offer other immigration related bills (e.g., Central American Parity, Late Amnesty) for which the Administration is supportive as amendments.

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CREATOR: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-JAN-2000 15:14:36.00

SUBJECT: President's statement on Elian legislation

TO: Wendy L. Patten (CN=Wendy L. Patten/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Lisa J. Macecevic (CN=Lisa J. Macecevic/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

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

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TEXT:

FYI - From an article on an interview the President had with the Christian Science Monitor.

The president also gave his most extensive comments to date on the case of Elian Gonzalez. He has sided with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which ruled the boy should be returned to his father and grandparents in Cuba.

"We need to think long and hard whether we're going to take the position that any person who comes to our shores who is a minor, any minor child who loses his or her parents, should never be sent home to another parent - even if that parent is capable of doing a very good job - if we don't like the government of the country where the people lived."

He warned Congress not to grant the 6-year-old special citizenship to keep him in the United States.

On Cuban leader Fidel Castro, Clinton said: "I think the way he has attempted to politicize this is also terrible."

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CREATOR: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 17:11:36.00

SUBJECT: Immigration Legislation

TO: Lisa J. Macecevic (CN=Lisa J. Macecevic/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

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READ:UNKNOWN

Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

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TEXT:

Here's an update from our conference call. INS and State Dept. are preparing a letter to interested Members of Congress that will state our views on the concept of conferring citizenship or legal permanent resident status to Elian Gonzalez. They will send the letter to me and I will forward to you for clearance.

With regard to a SAP, we believe it's premature to send a SAP since Congress will unlikely vote on any legislation until next week and we do not know yet what this legislation will look like when it gets to the floor.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

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CREATOR: E. Holly Fitter (CN=E. Holly Fitter/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 13:28:19.00

SUBJECT: Senate floor action - Yucca Mentioned

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

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CC: John D. Burnim (CN=John D. Burnim/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

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TEXT:

In the Senate, Lott announced that:

he and Daschle will have an announcement later today concerning next steps on the bankruptcy bill;

the Elian Gonzalez citizenship bill may be on the floor as soon as Wednesday; and

there may be action on the nuclear waste bill (S 1287) that could result in votes soon.

Lisa: Are you hearing about the timing of a vote on S. 1287.

Attached is the latest copy of the SAP as approved by the agencies (including Energy/ML and CEQ/Lance). I'm doing my final concurrences inside the red building and then will send it across the street. Who do I need from WH LA. I know you're interested, but who is the Senate LA contact? Thanks.

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January 25, 2000
(Senate)

S. 1287 - Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1999
(Murkowski (R) Alaska)

The President has previously stated that, S.1287 "would not adequately ensure the protection of public health and safety." In order to protect public health and safety, the President would veto S. 1287 if it were presented to him in its current form.

Specifically, S. 1287 would eliminate the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) current authority to set acceptable radiation release standards for the Yucca Mountain repository. In addition, the bill attempts to legislate criteria for a radiation standard that would limit agency discretion. Any nuclear waste legislation that undermines EPA's current role in setting standards to protect public health and the environment from radioactive emissions is unacceptable to the Administration.

Notwithstanding its strong opposition to S. 1287, the Administration is committed to resolving the complex and important issue of nuclear waste in a timely and sensible manner and remains committed to safe, permanent, geological disposal. In this regard, the Administration is encouraged that S. 1287 includes the Administration's "take-title" proposal.

Pay-As-You-Go Scoring

S. 1287 would increase direct spending; therefore, it is subject to the pay-as-you-go requirements of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. Preliminary estimates indicate that S. 1287 would increase outlays by approximately \$1.2 billion through FY 2005. S. 1287 does not contain provisions to offset potential deficit increases during this period; consequently, if the bill were enacted, any deficit effects could contribute to a sequester of mandatory programs.

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This draft position was developed by LRD (Fitter) in consultation with ESD (Pfeiffer/Bennethum/ Peroff), GC (Rettman), BRD (Moran), BAS (Balis), Energy (Wagner), CEQ (Lance), EPA (Meni), Transportation (Crouter), Interior (Cardinale), Treasury (Dorsey), FEMA (Crane), and Justice (Taylor).

NRC (Commissioners) objects to the SAP because it: (1) implies that NRC will not perform its statutory role to protect public health and safety and the environment and (2) may undermine public confidence in NRC's ability to carry out its non-Yucca Mountain related activities.

S. 1287 was reported by the Senate Energy Committee on June 24, 1999, by a vote of 14-6.

Administration Position to Date

On October 1, the President issued a press release stating the position reiterated in the SAP.

Major Provisions of S. 1287

S. 1287 would establish statutory milestones leading to the opening of a high level nuclear waste repository in Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Specifically, by 12/31/01 the Secretary of Energy must decide whether to recommend the site to the President. By 3/31/02 the President must decide whether to recommend the site to Congress. By 12/31/06 NRC must decide whether to authorize construction of the repository at the site. The Secretary is to begin receiving waste at the repository "as soon as practicable" after NRC authorizes construction.

NRC is to establish licensing standards for the repository sufficient to protect the public and the environment from releases of radioactive materials. After the permanent closure of the site, NRC's radiation protection standard is to limit an individual's lifetime cancer risk (due to radioactive site-releases) to a 1 in 1,000 chance of occurring. NRC's standards would not be subject to an environmental impact statement or a NEPA environmental review.

The Secretary of Energy would be authorized to enter into a settlement agreement with contract holders to resolve claims against the Department for failure to provide a high level nuclear waste repository by 1/31/98 as required by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. The Secretary may settle such a claim by taking title to spent nuclear fuel currently stored on site at the utility; providing storage casks; compensating the utility for storage costs; or any combination of these options. The Secretary also, under prescribed circumstances, must provide backup storage capacity for a utility that has run out of safe storage capacity.

The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the affected States and Tribes, is to implement a comprehensive management plan to ensure the safe transportation of high level nuclear waste from utility sites to the Yucca Mountain repository. In addition, the bill would establish an Office of Spent Nuclear Fuel Research within the Energy Department's Office of Nuclear Energy Science and Technology, to develop a national nuclear spent fuel strategy.

Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) Scoring

ESD (Pfeiffer), BRCD (Moran), and BASD (Balis) advise that S. 1287 would increase direct spending by a total of \$1.2 billion through FY 2005; therefore, the bill is subject to the pay-as-you-go requirement of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. The increased direct spending is attributable to provisions: (1) requiring the Secretary to provide backup storage capacity (Section 102) and (2) allowing the Secretary to enter into a settlement agreement that would result in the Department taking title to certain waste (Section 105). OMB believes that the latter provision would create a new recourse against the Judgment Fund.

PAYGO ESTIMATES
(dollars in millions)

	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>FY2001</u>	<u>FY2002</u>	<u>FY2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>
<u>Total</u>	247	181	185	211	197	
207	1,228					

CBO has not scored the bill as PAYGO. (Final). CBO does not believe that there will be any demand for backup storage and that the cost of any settlement agreement could be accommodated within Energy's current utility fee structure.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DIVISION
11/02/99 — 4:10 p.m.

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CREATOR: Wendy L. Patten (CN=Wendy L. Patten/OU=NSC/O=EOP [NSC])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 12:59:16.00

SUBJECT: OMB call re: SOP on Elian bill

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CC: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
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TEXT:
Maria,

An issue related to this afternoon's conference call: OMB (Lisa Macecevic) called me this morning to say that if we plan to prepare a Statement of Administration Position on a bill related to Elian Gonzalez, OMB would need a draft by early tomorrow. Their sense of urgency stems from word that such a bill may reach the floor as early as Wednesday. I let her know that there is an interagency process for developing our strategy to handle Elian legislation, and that your office was coordinating another conference call later today.

thanks -- WLP

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CREATOR: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 18:13:09.00

SUBJECT: Immigration Legislation

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TEXT:

Angie Kelly of National Immigration Forum called me back re: parity legislation as a possible amendment to the Elian Gonzalez bill but I missed her call. Do you want to try to schedule a conference call with her and Michael Hill of the US Catholic Conference at 11 am on Tuesday, 1/25 to discuss this issue? Please let me know. Thanks.

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CREATOR: Mary B. DeRosa (CN=Mary B. DeRosa/OU=NSC/O=EOP [NSC])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 11:20:42.00

SUBJECT: Re: Elian Gonzalez Conference Call

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I can be on the call.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lauren K. Gillespie (CN=Lauren K. Gillespie/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 22:04:36.00

SUBJECT: OMB Legislative Report - January 24, 2000

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

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TEXT:

You should get on Lisa Z's list as well

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Lisa Zweig

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FROM: OMB LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

DATE: January 24, 2000

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Senate

Monday, January 24:

The Senate convened today for the second session of the 106th Congress.

A unanimous consent agreement was reached for consideration of S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform bill. The agreement designates 14 amendments to be in order and limits the time allowed on those amendments. Under the agreement, the Majority and Minority Leaders reserve the opportunity to

vitate the agreement, so objections on either side could result in sending the bill into limbo.

The Senate also began the "Rule 14" process of putting directly on the Senate calendar an unneeded continuing resolution passed by the House in November. The majority did not need Democrats' consent to begin this step and their intent is unknown. However, its effect is to provide an appropriations vehicle (or House-numbered vehicle) if the Senate wants one for any reason (perhaps legislation related to the immigration status of Elian Gonzalez).

Tuesday, January 25:

The Senate will convene at 11:30 a.m. for morning business.

At 2:15pm, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform bill.

The cloture motion on S. 625, previously scheduled for Tuesday at 12 noon, has been vitiated.

[SAP sent 11/8/99: serious concerns with underlying bill; veto threat on minimum wage and class size amendments]

Wednesday, January 25 and the balance of the week:

Attempt to complete action on S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform bill

[SAP sent 11/8/99: serious concerns with underlying bill; veto threat on minimum wage and class size amendments]

Debate is also expected on the immigration status of Elian Gonzalez.

House

Monday, January 24:

The House convened today for the second session of the 106th Congress, conducted no organizational or legislative business and stands adjourned until 12:00 P.M. on January 27, 2000.

Thursday, January 27:

On Thursday, the House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for a quorum call.

No legislative business will be conducted. At 9:00 P.M. Congress will convene a joint session for the purpose of receiving the President's State of the Union Address.

Friday, January 28:

The House will not be in session.

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FROM: OMB LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

DATE: January 24, 2000

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Senate

Monday, January 24:

The Senate convened today for the second session of the 106th Congress.

A unanimous consent agreement was reached for consideration of S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform bill. The agreement designates 14 amendments to be in order and limits the time allowed on those amendments. Under the agreement, the Majority and Minority Leaders reserve the opportunity to vitiate the agreement, so objections on either side could result in sending the bill into limbo.

The Senate also began the "Rule 14" process of putting directly on the Senate calendar an unneeded continuing resolution passed by the House in November. The majority did not need Democrats' consent to begin this step and their intent is unknown. However, its effect is to provide an appropriations vehicle (or House-numbered vehicle) if the Senate wants one for any reason (perhaps legislation related to the immigration status of Elian Gonzalez).

Tuesday, January 25:

The Senate will convene at 11:30 a.m. for morning business.

At 2:15pm, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform bill. The cloture motion on S. 625, previously scheduled for Tuesday at 12 noon, has been vitiated.

[SAP sent 11/8/99: serious concerns with underlying bill; veto threat on minimum wage and class size amendments]

Wednesday, January 25 and the balance of the week:

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Debate is also expected on the immigration status of Elian Gonzalez.

HouseMonday, January 24:

The House convened today for the second session of the 106th Congress, conducted no organizational or legislative business and stands adjourned until 12:00 P.M. on January 27, 2000.

Thursday, January 27:

On Thursday, the House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for a quorum call.

No legislative business will be conducted. At 9:00 P.M. Congress will convene a joint session for the purpose of receiving the President's State of the Union Address.

Friday, January 28:

The House will not be in session.

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CREATOR: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 11:49:48.00

SUBJECT: SAP on Elian Gonzalez case

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TO: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

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CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 14:47:03.00

SUBJECT: Re: Senate floor action - Yucca Mentioned

TO: E. Holly Fitter (CN=E. Holly Fitter/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Julie M. Anderson (CN=Julie M. Anderson/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

julie m. anderson is the lastest member of the yucca family

From: E. Holly Fitter on 01/24/2000 01:28:17 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Lisa M. Kountoupes/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: John D. Burnim/OMB/EOP@EOP

Subject: Senate floor action - Yucca Mentioned

In the Senate, Lott announced that:

he and Daschle will have an announcement later today concerning next steps on the bankruptcy bill;

the Elian Gonzalez citizenship bill may be on the floor as soon as Wednesday; and

there may be action on the nuclear waste bill (S 1287) that could result in votes soon.

Lisa: Are you hearing about the timing of a vote on S. 1287.

Attached is the latest copy of the SAP as approved by the agencies (including Energy/ML and CEQ/Lance). I'm doing my final concurrences inside the red building and then will send it across the street. Who do I need from WH LA. I know you're interested, but who is the Senate LA contact? Thanks.

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January 25, 2000
(Senate)

S. 1287 - Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1999
(Murkowski (R) Alaska)

The President has previously stated that, S.1287 "would not adequately ensure the protection of public health and safety." In order to protect public health and safety, the President would veto S. 1287 if it were presented to him in its current form.

Specifically, S. 1287 would eliminate the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) current authority to set acceptable radiation release standards for the Yucca Mountain repository. In addition, the bill attempts to legislate criteria for a radiation standard that would limit agency discretion. Any nuclear waste legislation that undermines EPA's current role in setting standards to protect public health and the environment from radioactive emissions is unacceptable to the Administration.

Notwithstanding its strong opposition to S. 1287, the Administration is committed to resolving the complex and important issue of nuclear waste in a timely and sensible manner and remains committed to safe, permanent, geological disposal. In this regard, the Administration is encouraged that S. 1287 includes the Administration's "take-title" proposal.

Pay-As-You-Go Scoring

S. 1287 would increase direct spending; therefore, it is subject to the pay-as-you-go requirements of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. Preliminary estimates indicate that S. 1287 would increase outlays by approximately \$1.2 billion through FY 2005. S. 1287 does not contain provisions to offset potential deficit increases during this period; consequently, if the bill were enacted, any deficit effects could contribute to a sequester of mandatory programs.

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This draft position was developed by LRD (Fitter) in consultation with ESD (Pfeiffer/Bennethum/ Peroff), GC (Rettman), BRD (Moran), BAS (Balis), Energy (Wagner), CEQ (Lance), EPA (Meni), Transportation (Crouter), Interior (Cardinale), Treasury (Dorsey), FEMA (Crane), and Justice (Taylor).

NRC (Commissioners) objects to the SAP because it: (1) implies that NRC will not perform its statutory role to protect public health and safety and the environment and (2) may undermine public confidence in NRC's ability to carry out its non-Yucca Mountain related activities.

S. 1287 was reported by the Senate Energy Committee on June 24, 1999, by a vote of 14-6.

Administration Position to Date

On October 1, the President issued a press release stating the position reiterated in the SAP.

Major Provisions of S. 1287

S. 1287 would establish statutory milestones leading to the opening of a high level nuclear waste repository in Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Specifically, by 12/31/01 the Secretary of Energy must decide whether to recommend the site to the President. By 3/31/02 the President must decide whether to recommend the site to Congress. By 12/31/06 NRC must decide whether to authorize construction of the repository at the site. The Secretary is to begin receiving waste at the repository "as soon as practicable" after NRC authorizes construction.

NRC is to establish licensing standards for the repository sufficient to protect the public and the environment from releases of radioactive materials. After the permanent closure of the site, NRC's radiation protection standard is to limit an individual's lifetime cancer risk (due to radioactive site-releases) to a 1 in 1,000 chance of occurring. NRC's standards would not be subject to an environmental impact statement or a NEPA environmental review.

The Secretary of Energy would be authorized to enter into a settlement agreement with contract holders to resolve claims against the Department for failure to provide a high level nuclear waste repository by 1/31/98 as required by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. The Secretary may settle such a claim by taking title to spent nuclear fuel currently stored on site at the utility; providing storage casks; compensating the utility for storage costs; or any combination of these options. The Secretary also, under prescribed circumstances, must provide backup storage capacity for a utility that has run out of safe storage capacity.

The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the affected States and Tribes, is to implement a comprehensive management plan to ensure the safe transportation of high level nuclear waste from utility sites to the Yucca Mountain repository. In addition, the bill would establish an Office of Spent Nuclear Fuel Research within the Energy Department's Office of Nuclear Energy Science and Technology, to develop a national nuclear spent fuel strategy.

Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) Scoring

ESD (Pfeiffer), BRCD (Moran), and BASD (Balis) advise that S. 1287 would increase direct spending by a total of \$1.2 billion through FY 2005; therefore, the bill is subject to the pay-as-you-go requirement of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. The increased direct spending is attributable to provisions: (1) requiring the Secretary to provide backup storage capacity (Section 102) and (2) allowing the Secretary to enter into a settlement agreement that would result in the Department taking title to certain waste (Section 105). OMB believes that the latter provision would create a new recourse against the Judgment Fund.

PAYGO ESTIMATES (dollars in millions)

	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>FY2001</u>	<u>FY2002</u>	<u>FY2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>
<u>Total</u>	247	181	185	211	197	
207	1,228					

CBO has not scored the bill as PAYGO. (Final). CBO does not believe that there will be any demand for backup storage and that the cost of any settlement agreement could be accommodated within Energy's current utility fee structure.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DIVISION
11/02/99 — 4:10 p.m.

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CREATOR: Charles J. Payson (CN=Charles J. Payson/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 10:38:03.00

SUBJECT: Re:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

did you hear our comments on elian gonzalez? we feel very passionate
about this issue!! :)

Rachel A. Redington 01/24/2000 10:35:10 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Charles J. Payson/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:

can you guys please keep it down over there??

:)

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CREATOR: Bobby D. Conner (CN=Bobby D. Conner/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 19:08:54.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Elian Gonzalez: The Senate may also take up a private relief bill, sponsored by Senator Helms, granting Elian Gonzalez US citizenship. If Gonzalez is granted citizenship, it would divest the federal government (i.e. INS) of its jurisdiction over the boy because it would no longer be an immigration issue. The boy's custody dispute would then be handled by the Florida State court system. An alternative bill may be offered which would either make Gonzalez a permanent resident or grant him citizenship when he turns 18. In addition, some Democrats, likely to be Senators Dodd and Leahy, may offer other immigration related bills (e.g., Central American Parity, Late Amnesty) which the Administration supports.

Nuclear Waste: If not considered next week, the Majority continues to threaten to bring up S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1999, early in the session. You announced on October 1st during a visit to Nevada, that you would veto this bill in its current form because it strips EPA of its existing standard-setting authority. We will be ready to mount a full-scale effort to sustain a veto if the bill in its current form is brought to the Senate floor. Senator Bingaman continues to work to try to find a compromise. He opposes the current version of S. 1287.

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CREATION DATE/TIME:24-JAN-2000 23:49:45.00

SUBJECT: Re: Immigration Legislation

TO: Irene Bueno (CN=Irene Bueno/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

works for me. who will initiate the call?

thanks -- WLP

Irene Bueno

01/24/2000 06:25:42 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Brian A. Barreto/WHO/EOP@EOP, Wendy L. Patten/NSC/EOP@EOP

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Subject: Re: Immigration Legislation

Works for me.

Wendy - is this okay for you?

Brian A. Barreto

01/24/2000 06:14:28 PM

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CREATION DATE/TIME:25-JAN-2000 14:07:18.00

SUBJECT: Hope all is well

TO: Abigail C. Smith (CN=Abigail C. Smith/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

It was wonderful hearing from you the other day, I'm sorry it's been so long.

How are the leap year events proceeding at the White House? Any word on Elian

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TO: Brooke B. Livingston (CN=Brooke B. Livingston/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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With regard to a SAP, we believe it's premature to send a SAP since Congress will unlikely vote on any legislation until next week and we do not know yet what this legislation will look like when it gets to the floor.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

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TEXT:

FYI-

Both Broderick and I spoke with Sheila Jackson Lee's office about their 1/25 letter on Elian. They have not hand delivered it yet, and are not going to fax us a copy of the grandmothers' letter. They will call us when they do hand deliver it. I told them to send it to the Bunker when they drop it off.

Also, the letter from the Grandmothers are in Spanish.

I'll let you know if anything changes.

p.s. you gals are interested in this letter, right??

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TEXT:

If you also translated the grandmothers' letters, everyone here would be really impressed :)

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TEXT:

We received the hardcopy of the Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee letter on Elian Gonzalez with the enclosed letter from his Grandmothers to the President around 4:30 p.m. and we have given it to Maria Echaveste's office who will take care of forwarding it to the POTUS. Case closed.

Devan