

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JAN-2000 17:54:52.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 1/26/2000

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

TO: Brian S. Mason (CN=Brian S. Mason/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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CREATOR: Marti.Thomas@do.treas.gov (Marti.Thomas@do.treas.gov [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JAN-2000 17:47:05.00

SUBJECT: Sotu Idea -Reply

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Date: 01/26/2000 05:39 pm (Wednesday)

From: Marti Thomas

To: ex.mail("Charles_M._Brain@who.eop.gov")

Subject: Sotu Idea -Reply

Chuck --- Sec. reached Rangel, Neal, Cardin, Baucus, Lieberman, Spratt.
Left messages for Graham, Moynihan, Pomeroy re: savings proposal.
Tried to give as little as possible. Response VERY positive.

We will do follow up briefings for staff tomorrow:

11:00 a.m. in Janice's office

1:00 p.m. in Podoff's office (203 Hart)

Feel free to send someone.

We may get some unrelated questions about others parts of SOTU -- do
we reveal anything that hasn't already been rolled out?

Also, when Larry spoke to Rangel, Rangel informed him that he intends
to bring Elian Gonzalez' grandmothers to the President's speech
tomorrow. Wanted us to pass that on to you.

Hope you survive the day/week/year!!!

p.s. thanks for keeping Larry so happy.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:26-JAN-2000 10:21:35.00

SUBJECT: Re: Saxton Pen and Letter

TO: Fern Mechlowitz (CN=Fern Mechlowitz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey Fern,

I'm still working on the letter and the redline for Rep. Saxton.

Unfortunately, I was swamped with redline requests at the end of the year, and I'm still trying to get them all out. I'll be sure to send you a copy as soon as it's ready. The Elian Gonzalez letter from Rep. Waters et al is still pending with NSC right now. When I checked with them this morning, their staff that working on it wasn't here, but let me know if we need to push them to move on it. Thanks.

Courtney

Fern Mechlowitz

01/26/2000 09:25:50 AM

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cc:

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:27-JAN-2000 18:52:28.00

SUBJECT: question

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

has jeff farrow been involved in the elian gonzalez case?

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:27-JAN-2000 11:28:38.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 1/26/2000

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READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

You should have a copy of the following letter. Please advise on whether a response is necessary and if so, who should handle. Thanks. --Courtney

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----- Forwarded by Courtney C. Crouch/WHO/EOP on
01/27/2000 11:23 AM -----

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 12:51:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: PLEASE RESPOND TO LRM (ELIAN GONZALES) ASAP !!!!!; WHEN DO YOU NEED A CAR?.....TJ (Sent to: BRODERICK D. (SKY) JOHNSON [Pager])

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

TEXT:

To:

cc:

From: Taneesha J. Johnson/WHO/EOP

Date:

Time:

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Body:

Priority:

Message history for recipient BRODERICK D. (SKY) JOHNSON [Pager]
Friday 28 Jan 2000 12:39:48 Eastern Standard Time - Message received by
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Paging Service

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CREATOR: Robert C. Houser (CN=Robert C. Houser/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 16:18:51.00

SUBJECT: Re: LOOKOUT/LOOKOUT!!!

TO: Janice H. Vranich (CN=Janice H. Vranich/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

we have zero faxes on hand in mail analysis, i went over to the mail room
and Barbara and Tony looked through everything that they had (faxes) and
found nothing so far.
bob

Janice H. Vranich
01/28/2000 04:04:03 PM

Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc: Carrie A. Street/WHO/EOP@EOP
Subject: LOOKOUT/LOOKOUT!!!

It may be a letter -- not just a fax and more specifically -- Matt Gobush
from the NSC is looking for it..

Please check to see if a fax has been received from the two grandmothers
of Elian Gonzalez....it would probably be a scheduling request, but it may
go thru our normal mail routing until it is read. The grandmothers' names
are: Raquel Rodriguez and Mariella Quintana. NSC is looking for this
fax.

THANKS

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To: _____
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CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 14:53:25.00

SUBJECT: immigrant benefits

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

----- Forwarded by Bobby D. Conner/WHO/EOP on 01/28/2000
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Rebecca Hunter

01/28/2000 02:39:47 PM

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To: Karen Robb/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Bobby D. Conner/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: immigrant benefits

FYI

----- Forwarded by Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP on 01/28/2000
02:36 PM -----

Anil Kakani

01/28/2000 02:18:43 PM

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To: Maria Echaveste/WHO/EOP@EOP, Marjorie Tarmey/WHO/EOP@EOP

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

Subject: immigrant benefits

We've heard rumors that certain Senate Dems are interested in attaching immigrant benefit restoration provisions to the Elian Gonzalez bill.

Given our support for the restorations, this could put the Administration in an awkward position on the broader bill. We may soon receive phone calls from folks who support using the Gonzalez bill as a vehicle. Is this something we need to send a signal on? If so, who should send it?

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 12:14:44.00

SUBJECT: Re: elian gonzales letter

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

i'm sorry. too many distractions. i'm fine with the letter.

From: Lisa J. Macecevic on 01/28/2000 12:10:59 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Joel K. Wiginton/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: elian gonzales letter

hi joel,
if you're in the office, could you let me know about this letter...i'm
trying to clear it by 12:30...maria echaveste wants to send it today.
thanks!
lisa

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Janice H. Vranich (CN=Janice H. Vranich/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 16:04:13.00

SUBJECT: LOOKOUT/LOOKOUT!!!

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TEXT:
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are: Raquel Rodriguez and Mariella Quintana. NSC is looking for this
fax.

THANKS

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 12:11:11.00

SUBJECT: elian gonzales letter

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

hi joel,

if you're in the office, could you let me know about this letter...i'm
trying to clear it by 12:30...maria echaveste wants to send it today.

thanks!

lisa

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TEXT:

Please check to see if a fax has been received from the two grandmothers of Elian Gonzalez....it would probably be a scheduling request, but it may go thru our normal mail routing until it is read. The grandmothers' names are: Raquel Rodriguez and Mariella Quintana. NSC is looking for this fax.

THANKS

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rebecca Hunter (CN=Rebecca Hunter/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 14:39:54.00

SUBJECT: immigrant benefits

TO: Karen Robb (CN=Karen Robb/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI

----- Forwarded by Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP on 01/28/2000

02:36 PM -----

Anil Kakani

01/28/2000 02:18:43 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Maria Echaveste/WHO/EOP@EOP, Marjorie Tarmey/WHO/EOP@EOP

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

Subject: immigrant benefits

We've heard rumors that certain Senate Dems are interested in attaching immigrant benefit restoration provisions to the Elian Gonzalez bill. Given our support for the restorations, this could put the Administration in an awkward position on the broader bill. We may soon receive phone calls from folks who support using the Gonzalez bill as a vehicle. Is this something we need to send a signal on? If so, who should send it?

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To: _____

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 12:13:11.00

SUBJECT: Re: Weekly

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

TEXT:

The Senate will likely pass S. 625, the Bankruptcy Reform Act, this week, despite the Administrations opposition to the measure. Although the Administration does not have a veto threat on the substantive bankruptcy provisions of the Senate bankruptcy bill (there is a Senior Advisors level veto threat on the House companion bill), it does have a veto threat on the Senator Domenici minimum wage and tax amendment that was attached to the bill on the floor. More specifically, the amendment would raise the minimum wage by \$1.00 over three years and provide \$18.4 billion in tax cuts over five years. The amendment also includes a provision that would undermine overtime pay for hourly employees by excluding bonuses and commissions from the rate of pay used to determine overtime pay.

The Senate may also take up a private relief bill, sponsored by Senator Mack, granting Elian Gonzalez US citizenship. The prospects for this bill actually being brought to the Senate floor are somewhat less likely, however, because there is a split within the Republican caucus and the large majority of Democrats are opposed to the measure. 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 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 Senators Kennedy and Durbin) may offer other immigration related bills which the Administration supports. And finally, Senators Dobb, Boxer, Feinstein, Durbin, and Leahy have introduced a Sense of the Congress resolution holding that Elian should be returned to his father.

HILDY KURYK

01/28/2000 11:12:52 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Joel K. Wiginton/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Weekly

Here is what you wrote last week. Since it is all the same issues I thought you would like to have this available in order to make changes more easily. Thanks.

ú The bill, with which we have serious concerns, was pulled from debate last year after Senators Levin and Schumer offered objectionable amendments. Senator Levin's amendment would have made debts arising from lawsuits against gun manufacturers nondischargeable. Senator Schumer's amendment would have made debts arising from abortion clinic violence nondischargeable. If cloture is not invoked, the Majority leader will likely pull the bill and move to consider the two bills discussed below. However, a unanimous consent agreement may be reached allowing the Levin and Schumer amendments to be debated under strict time agreements, finishing the bankruptcy bill this week.

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 12:23:00.00

SUBJECT: Re: NEED YOUR RESPONSE TO LRM ON ELIAN GONZALES, DEADLINE @ NOON.....TJ (Sent to: BRODERICK D. (SKY) JOHNSON [Pager])

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To:

cc:

From: Taneesha J. Johnson/WHO/EOP

Date:

Time:

Subject: NEED YOUR RESPONSE TO LRM ON ELIAN GONZALES, DEADLINE @ NOON.....TJ

Body:

Priority:

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 11:13:02.00

SUBJECT: Weekly

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

TEXT:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Anil Kakani (CN=Anil Kakani/OU=OMB/O=EOP [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-JAN-2000 14:18:45.00

SUBJECT: immigrant benefits

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: Charles E. Kieffer (CN=Charles E. Kieffer/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Barbara Chow (CN=Barbara Chow/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Jennifer E. McGee (CN=Jennifer E. McGee/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

CC: Sylvia M. Mathews (CN=Sylvia M. Mathews/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

We've heard rumors that certain Senate Dems are interested in attaching immigrant benefit restoration provisions to the Elian Gonzalez bill. Given our support for the restorations, this could put the Administration in an awkward position on the broader bill. We may soon receive phone calls from folks who support using the Gonzalez bill as a vehicle. Is this something we need to send a signal on? If so, who should send it?

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Collection: 2015-0524-F

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Creation Date: 2000-01-31

Subject: Re: Elian Gonzalez letter

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

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Dawn M. Chirwa (CN=Dawn M. Chirwa/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-JAN-2000 18:02:09.00

SUBJECT: Re: LRM LJM72 - - STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Sorry. Thought I'd sent this response already. I'm fine with the letter on H.R. 1833.

From: Lisa J. Macecevic on 01/31/2000 05:08:03 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Dawn M. Chirwa/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: LRM LJM72 - - STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

Hi Dawn,

I really was hoping you could get back to me regarding LJM64--on HR1833 Customs Authorizations etc.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-JAN-2000 17:08:05.00

SUBJECT: Re: LRM LJM72 - - STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

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READ:UNKNOWN

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CREATION DATE/TIME:31-JAN-2000 16:51:07.00

SUBJECT: Re: LRM LJM72 - - STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

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

TEXT:

Sorry. I had no comments/changes with regard to this letter.

From: Lisa J. Macecevic on 01/27/2000 05:31:13 PM
Record Type: Record

To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc:
Subject: LRM LJM72 - - STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

LJM72 is being faxed to you; there is no electronic copy. If you do not receive the fax, please let me know (395-1092).
Please send any comments on the letter concerning Elian Gonzales by NOON TOMORROW--FRIDAY so the letter may be transmitted to Congress TOMORROW.
Thank you.

----- Forwarded by Lisa J. Macecevic/OMB/EOP on
01/27/2000 05:32 PM -----

LRM ID: LJM72
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
Washington, D.C. 20503-0001

Thursday, January 27, 2000

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislative Liaison Officer - See Distribution
below
FROM: Richard E. Green (for) Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference
OMB CONTACT: Lisa J. Macecevic
PHONE: (202)395-1092 FAX: (202)395-3109
SUBJECT: STATE Report on Elian Gonzales

DEADLINE: Noon Friday, January 28, 2000

In accordance with OMB Circular A-19, OMB requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President. Please advise us if this item will affect direct spending or receipts for purposes of the "Pay-As-You-Go" provisions

of Title XIII of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990.

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Thank you.

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RESPONSE TO

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL

MEMORANDUM

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You may also respond by:

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Please include the LRM number shown above, and the subject shown below.

395-3454

_____ (Name)

(Agency)

_____(Telephone)

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_____ Concur

 No Objection

 No Comment

See proposed edits on pages _____

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To: _____

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Terry Moore (Terry Moore [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-JAN-2000 15:13:02.00

SUBJECT: HI

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Is there a WH meet tomorrow w/Prez & Congressional leaders, say, at 10am?

I didn't see anything on the WeekAhead about it.

T

M

PS-Sorry about missing the roundtable last week. I got caught in a logistical trap and simply couldn't be in two places at once (There was breaking DC news on the Elian Gonzalez-front. Ugh. SEND HIM HOME!!!!!!!!). Anyway, I apologize...

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-FEB-2000 10:05:17.00

SUBJECT: Rep. Sheila Jackson letter on Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-FEB-2000 11:27:40.00

SUBJECT: Rep. Sheila Jackson letter on Elian Gonzalez

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

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

TEXT:

Courtney -- Can I get a copy of the Sheila Jackson Lee Letter on Elian.
Has this letter been sent out for an answer? Have we had any MOC letters
on Elian Gonzalez since January 10th? I need these answers ASAP.

Thanks

Mark

----- Forwarded by Mark D. Magana/WHO/EOP on 02/01/2000
10:20 AM -----

Irene Bueno
02/01/2000 10:05:02 AM
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CREATOR: Mickey Ibarra (CN=Mickey Ibarra/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-FEB-2000 08:27:23.00

SUBJECT: Re: Are we meeting Tues at 7pm?

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

you bet----first Tuesday of every month. we plan to have a watch party following our meeting too tonight. Maria Echaveste is going. We can all take a cab together at 6:45pm if you'd like. Also, please call Pedro Pablo Permuy this morning regarding Elian Gonzales and Bob Menendez.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-FEB-2000 07:57:43.00

SUBJECT: Re: Elian Gonzalez letter

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

thanks.

Tracy F. Sisser

01/31/2000 05:59:36 PM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: Elian Gonzalez letter

Mary DiRosa said she had finished with the draft and had sent it on for signature. She did not know where it is in the process, so I put in a call to NSC Records Management. They will see if this has been signed off on yet by Sandy Berger.

Mary is faxing me a copy of the language. I will follow up with you on this tomorrow.

Debra D. Alexander

01/31/2000 12:15:49 PM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

Subject: Elian Gonzalez letter

I assigned a letter to you this morning. Attached are faxes to Wendy Patten and Meredith Cabe. Meredith talked with Mary DeRosa who is working with Wendy on the Jeb Bush letter. Call Mary at x69111 for language on this new letter. Let me know if there will be a hold or if you can proceed quickly with her language.

thanks.

debi

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 1-FEB-2000 17:28:48.00

SUBJECT: DOJ letter on Elian Gonzalez 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])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Leslie Bernstein (CN=Leslie Bernstein/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I am faxing you a copy of this letter. FYI - DOJ is considering adding another sentence but there is not agreement at this time and they did not want to hold up the letter.

Lisa - please send out for clearance.

Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 2-FEB-2000 16:48:02.00

SUBJECT: Re: Rep. Sheila Jackson letter on Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Marge and I just tried to call you. Maria wants this response to Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee to go out asap. What's the status of this letter?

----- Forwarded by Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP on 02/02/2000

04:45 PM -----

Mark D. Magana

02/02/2000 03:02:58 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: Rep. Sheila Jackson letter on Elian Gonzalez

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02/01/2000 10:05:02 AM

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CREATION DATE/TIME: 2-FEB-2000 15:04:59.00

SUBJECT: Re: Rep. Sheila Jackson letter on Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Please find out from Wendy what the status is?

Mark D. Magana

02/02/2000 03:02:58 PM

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To: Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP

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bcc:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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CREATOR: Janice H. Vranich (CN=Janice H. Vranich/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 3-FEB-2000 12:09:52.00

SUBJECT: Re: Responding????

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

THANKS..I'll touch base with her.

----- Forwarded by Janice H. Vranich/WHO/EOP on
02/03/2000 12:09 PM -----

Daniel W. Burkhardt
02/03/2000 12:02:35 PM
Record Type: Record

To: Janice H. Vranich/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

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Subject: Re: Responding????

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Janice H. Vranich
02/03/2000 10:44:27 AM

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

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 3-FEB-2000 12:03:08.00

SUBJECT: Re: Responding????

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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Alexander/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO]

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Carolyn E. Cleveland (CN=Carolyn E. Cleveland/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 3-FEB-2000 11:29:22.00

SUBJECT: Fax from Sheila Jackson-Lee

TO: Michele Ballantyne (CN=Michele Ballantyne/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Leslie Bernstein (CN=Leslie Bernstein/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Betty Currie called to let us know that the President would like Mr. Podesta to see the fax from Sheila Jackson Lee re Elian Gonzalez that was received here within the last few days. I asked Sean about it and it is his understanding that the fax is with Maria.

debbie bird

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Carolyn E. Cleveland (CN=Carolyn E. Cleveland/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 4-FEB-2000 10:26:08.00

SUBJECT: Letter to Charles M. Kittrell

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Have we gotten clearance from NSC on the letter to Charles M. Kittrell re
Elian gonzalez/grandmothers in general??

Debbie Bird

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-FEB-2000 08:28:17.00

SUBJECT: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

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

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

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

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Laura A. Graham (CN=Laura A. Graham/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 8-FEB-2000 10:50:39.00

SUBJECT: Re: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

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

TEXT:

FYI - we are confirming this trip based on this conversation. Let us know if you think JDP needs to weigh in. Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Laura A. Graham/WHO/EOP on 02/08/2000
10:50 AM -----

Minyon Moore
02/08/2000 10:37:25 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Maria Echaveste/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
Subject: Re: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

Steve, Joe, Laura and I had a brief conversation about this and we agreed that we should stick to the schedule and go. Joe indicated that he would do the trip provided we weren't going to a particular house,...lucky Joe we aren't going. It's a go!

----- Forwarded by Minyon Moore/WHO/EOP on 02/08/2000
10:35 AM -----

Maria Echaveste
02/08/2000 10:08:16 AM
Record Type: Record

To: Marjorie Tarmey/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: Laura A. Graham/WHO/EOP@EOP, Jennifer M. Palmieri/WHO/EOP@EOP, Minyon Moore/WHO/EOP@EOP
bcc:
Subject: Re: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

I think we should still go to Florida--not to miami, but whatever the court decided on 2/22 will be a week before we get there--Unless everyone is scared to go?

Marjorie Tarmey
02/08/2000 08:28:12 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Maria Echaveste/WHO/EOP@EOP, Jennifer M. Palmieri/WHO/EOP@EOP, Laura A. Graham/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

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Jennifer M. Palmieri/WHO/EOP@EOP
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Joseph P. Lockhart/WHO/EOP@EOP
Tanya L. Lombard/WHO/EOP@EOP
Marjorie Tarmey/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Jeffrey H. Oakman (CN=Jeffrey H. Oakman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-FEB-2000 16:13:47.00

SUBJECT: letter from Church Women United

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I am faxing you a letter the CWU wrote to POTUS in December asking him to end the embargo against Cuba and normalize our bilateral relations. In light of the ongoing Elian Gonzales situation, I was wondering if you would prefer to handle this thru NSC, or if you have any guidance about what I should say in a response. Thanks for your help,
Jeffrey Oakman,
Presidential Letters, x65517

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Laura A. Graham (CN=Laura A. Graham/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-FEB-2000 08:46:23.00

SUBJECT: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

fyi

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Stephen N. Boyd (CN=Stephen N. Boyd/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-FEB-2000 12:16:34.00

SUBJECT: Florida trip / PA trip

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Thanks for heads up -- I'll check back with you next week as to when we want to announce the PA trip and later of course the FL trip.

DORINDA A. SALCIDO

02/10/2000 09:54:09 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Stephen N. Boyd/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

FYI - Miami is back on the sked for the 29th - Palm Beach and then Miami.

----- Forwarded by Dorinda A. Salcido/WHO/EOP on

02/10/2000 09:53 AM -----

Laura A. Graham

02/09/2000 08:46:14 AM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

Subject: Ct hearings re Elian Gonzales

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CREATOR: Omarosa O. Manigault (CN=Omarosa O. Manigault/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-FEB-2000 11:22:21.00

SUBJECT: Hey girl, quick question...

TO: Amy M. Bilyeau (CN=Amy M. Bilyeau/OU=OA/O=EOP@EOP [OA])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Could you (if your not too busy) and pull up what you can find on the Elian Gonzales case. On our political appointments (the Presidents Cuba Broadcasting Board) could be affected by this case. Omarosa

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-FEB-2000 18:00:18.00

SUBJECT: Re: sample Elian language

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Wendy- thank you for sending me the drafts. They were extremely helpful. I have made some changes to the drafts to make them a little more responsive to the incoming letters we have down here. I'd like to send you a copy of the incoming letters so you/someone in your office can make sure the answer is appropriate for the particular official. Can you let me know which room I can drop them off to? The more important draft is the Koplewicz letter - that's the one the Staff Sec wants to be signed by the President as soon as possible. Thanks again for your assistance. - Tracy

Wendy L. Patten

02/10/2000 10:59:47 AM

Record Type: Record

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

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

Subject: sample Elian language

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thanks -- WLP

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Again, thank you for sharing with me your concerns about this compelling case.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Jeb Bush
Governor of Florida
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Dear Nydia:

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Again, thank you for sharing with me your concerns about this compelling case.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Nydia M. Velazquez
House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

Dr. Harold S. Koplewicz
New York University School of Medicine
550 First Avenue
New York, N.Y. 11016

Dear Harold:

Thank you for your letter regarding the case of Elian Gonzalez. I share your desire to do what is in the best interest of this six-year-old boy. I am glad you took the time to outline some thoughts on this compelling issue.

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-FEB-2000 09:54:20.00

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CREATOR: Caryn C. Hollis (CN=Caryn C. Hollis/OU=NSC/O=EOP [NSC])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-FEB-2000 09:57:11.00

SUBJECT: Re: letter from Church Women United

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

That is quite a letter. I can provide you some language for a response or can do the answer, either way NSC needs to be in close contact with you on this one. caryn

Jeffrey H. Oakman

02/09/2000 04:13:41 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Caryn C. Hollis/NSC/EOP@EOP

cc:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-FEB-2000 19:05:24.00

SUBJECT: meeting with Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Rebecca Hunter (CN=Rebecca Hunter/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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Info:

Rep. Jackson Lee Immigration meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 16th

2:30 pm, 410 Cannon building

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-FEB-2000 20:39:10.00

SUBJECT: Re: meeting with Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: rebecca hunter (CN=rebecca hunter/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: broderick johnson (CN=broderick johnson/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: taneesha j. johnson (CN=taneesha j. johnson/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: mark d. magana (CN=mark d. magana/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Broderick and Mark - we should have a conference call with Patty to make sure that we are well briefed on where things stand and our strategy.

I could go but I would need to leave early b/c I have a meeting with Maria E. at 3:15 pm. Do you want me to try to change the meeting my meeting with Maria? Does she know about this meeting?
On HIB- should Brian Kennedy be there?

Please let me know. Thanks.

Brian S. Mason

02/15/2000 07:05:19 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Mark D. Magana/WHO/EOP@EOP, Broderick Johnson/WHO/EOP@EOP,
Irene Bueno/OPD/EOP@EOP

cc: Taneesha J. Johnson/WHO/EOP@EOP, Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP@EOP

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CREATOR: Todd A. Bledsoe (CN=Todd A. Bledsoe/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-FEB-2000 14:01:45.00

SUBJECT: Pls. call

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

can you pls. call me tomorrow 456=2896 re: the Cuban boy and a letter we received from Gov. Bush of FL. Thanks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:22-FEB-2000 18:09:58.00

SUBJECT: Re: Podesta Letters

TO: Fern Mechlowitz (CN=Fern Mechlowitz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey Fern,

No problem. (1) The Saxton letter is going through the approval process right now, and I apologize for the delay in getting it out. I hope to have it ready by the end week, or if not, early next week. (2) The Gephardt/Pelosi letter went out last week. I'll fax you copies of both (they're basically identical). (3) Still have not seen any responses from NSC on Elian Gonzalez yet, but I will follow up and let you what I find out.

Thanks for your patience with these letters!

Courtney

Fern Mechlowitz

02/22/2000 03:00:23 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Courtney C. Crouch/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Podesta Letters

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CREATOR: Heather L. Davis (CN=Heather L. Davis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:22-FEB-2000 11:52:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: Trip of the President to Florida on 2/29

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Elian Gonzalez

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Fern Mechlowitz (CN=Fern Mechlowitz/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:22-FEB-2000 15:00:27.00

SUBJECT: Podesta Letters

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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Thanks, Fern

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CREATOR: Gerri.Ratliff@usdoj.gov (Gerri.Ratliff@usdoj.gov [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:24-MAR-2000 11:52:54.00

SUBJECT: Re:Immigration Working Group Meeting

TO: Emil J. Barth (CN=Emil J. Barth/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Emil: Irene Bueno asked me to let you know that I might not make it to the

1:

30

IWG meeting today, because of a 1:30 meeting with Commissioner Meissner on

Elian

Gonzalez. We're hoping that Patty First still will be able to make it...

Cathy

St Denis with INS is out this afternoon, so we're all scrambling with Elian

issues....thanks! -- Gerri

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-MAR-2000 17:54:38.00

SUBJECT: INS Letter On Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi Kirsten,

I left your name off of the distribution. You'll see this isn't a formal clearance, but if anyone has comments, please let me know.

Thanks!

Lisa

----- Forwarded by Lisa J. Macecevic/OMB/EOP on
03/28/2000 05:59 PM -----

From: Lisa J. Macecevic on 03/28/2000 04:39:10 PM

Record Type: Record

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

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-MAR-2000 16:39:37.00

SUBJECT: INS Letter On Elian Gonzalez

TO: Mary B. DeRosa (CN=Mary B. DeRosa/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TO: Steven M. Mertens (CN=Steven M. Mertens/OU=OMB/O=EOP@EOP [OMB])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TO: Daniel F. Feldman (CN=Daniel F. Feldman/OU=NSC/O=EOP@EOP [NSC])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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READ:UNKNOWN

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READ:UNKNOWN

TO: harrisonvd@STATE.GOV (harrisonvd@STATE.GOV @ inet [UNKNOWN])
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Marjorie Tarmey (CN=Marjorie Tarmey/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-MAR-2000 13:26:15.00

SUBJECT: Re: INS Letter On Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Maria is ok with the letter

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-MAR-2000 12:54:22.00

SUBJECT: INS Letter On Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hi,

I'm not sure if one of you would be best to contact, so I'll just ask both of you if you know if Maria has focused on this. We want to make sure she sees it. Irene's sent some little changes...most grammatical...and that was it so far.

Please let me know.

Thanks!

----- Forwarded by Lisa J. Macecevic/OMB/EOP on
03/29/2000 01:00 PM -----

From: Lisa J. Macecevic on 03/28/2000 04:39:10 PM

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CREATOR: Justin G. Cooper (CN=Justin G. Cooper/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-MAR-2000 09:11:28.00

SUBJECT: Call from Mayor Martinez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

RE: Call from Mayor Raul Martinez of Hialeah, FL

The mayor would like to speak with you regarding the Elian Gonzales case. He expressed his views to me but feels that only you will pass on his views to POTUS. The mayor spoke to Maria Echaveste yesterday regarding the same topic. He said that Maria explained to him that at this time she would not intervene with the actions of the DOJ.

The mayor believes that the boy should be returned to the father but believes that the case should be heard in the appellate courts. He emphatically disagrees with the request by the DOJ to force the Miami relatives to sign a statement to requiring them to abide by any future court decisions. To this point he says that he supports the administrations decision but not the process. At a press conference with other mayors, to be held at noon today he plans to voice his opinion.

Mayor Martinez would like to speak to you before the press conference this morning in the hope that he will not have to make remarks against the administration.

03-29-00 Mayor Raul Martinez

(Hialeah, FL) 305-883-5802

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Eric W. Woodard (CN=Eric W. Woodard/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-MAR-2000 18:57:23.00

SUBJECT:

TO: Pamela Cicetti (CN=Pamela Cicetti/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hey...

Katy or somebody may have already passed this on...but Gloria Estefan was wanting to talk to HRC about the whole Elian Gonzalez thing. Melanne says it's probably the sort of thing to put on HRC's call sheet. Gloria's person, George Plasencia, called here at 6:40 pm on Wednesday, 3/29 and left three numbers in Miami:

George Plasencia's cell: (305) 794-4399

Gloria Estefan's office: (305) 695-7012
(305) 695-7023

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Shivaun A. Cooney (CN=Shivaun A. Cooney/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-2000 12:07:38.00

SUBJECT: thank you . . .

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

for forwarding the press conference transcript. . . .we have been getting
a lot of calls about elian gonzalez, including the president's remarks on
the situation. thanks! have a good day! :-)

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-2000 11:42:10.00

SUBJECT: Re: Congressional Correspondence for 3/30/2000

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

can you really hava a hive of solitude? i thought hives by definitions
had a lot of bees and activity in them.

come on over if you get lonely. i always have an extra chair in my little
room for devanshu. :-)

Devanshu Patel

03/31/2000 11:23:26 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Brooke B. Livingston/OMB/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: Congressional Correspondence for 3/30/2000

yes mam. no courtney, no kiersten....the bunker is a hive of solitude
today.

but it's ok...people from the house and senate visit me from time to
time.

Brooke B. Livingston

03/31/2000 11:02:56 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Devanshu Patel/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: Congressional Correspondence for 3/30/2000

are you lonely in the bunker?

Devanshu Patel

03/30/2000 07:07:23 PM

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

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Subject: Congressional Correspondence for 3/30/2000

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1. Rep. J. Dennis Hastert (R-IL), Rep. Richard K. Armey (R-TX), Rep. Tom DeLay (R-TX), and Rep. J. C. Watts, Jr. (R-OK), urging the POTUS to instruct Attorney General Janet Reno not to return Elian Gonzalez to his home in Cuba (fax).

Message Sent

To:

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Ronna A. Freiberg/OVP@OVP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-APR-2000 09:05:43.00

SUBJECT: Re: Elian Gonzales

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I think the President made the statements yesterday after Juan Gonzales

made his remarks to write to the President???? Who knows though.

Catherine T. Kitchen

04/21/2000 09:04:06 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Bryan L. Day/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: Elian Gonzales

I wonder why he did that ...sort of like preaching to the choir. The

President has already said he wants to return Elian.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Shivaun A. Cooney (CN=Shivaun A. Cooney/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-APR-2000 09:34:53.00

SUBJECT: Re: Calls on Elian

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

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kelley A. Van Auken (CN=kelly a. van auken/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Barbara left a message for me last night that Sean wanted to see the

Comment Line report from yesterday, so I walked it over this morning since

our mail hadn't been picked up yet. Sean asked me to give the report to

Jake and answer his questions, which I did. Our call volume definitely

increased yesterday afternoon with people calling about the Elian Gonzalez

situation, and many of the callers indicated that they were calling in

response to the father's plea for help. Our volume is extremely high so

far this morning, and I think we are getting more calls along those

lines. Per Sean and Jake's request, we will send Jake a copy of this

evening's report.

Delia A. Cohen

04/21/2000 09:07:04 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Kelley A. Van Auken/WHO/EOP@EOP, Shivaun A. Cooney/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Calls on Elian

can you let me know so i can tell jake? thx.

----- Forwarded by Delia A. Cohen/WHO/EOP on 04/21/2000

09:06 AM -----

Richard L. Siewert

04/20/2000 06:19:01 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Delia A. Cohen/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Calls on Elian

Juan Miguel, Elian's dad, asked people to call the President. Have we gotten a noticeable number of calls today? How have the calls been running on this?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-APR-2000 08:44:01.00

SUBJECT: Elian Gonzales

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Just in case you are unaware, Juan Gonzalez asked the American people to

write to President Clinton to help him get his son back. We may see an

increase in that volume of mail over the next few weeks.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Terry Edmonds (CN=Terry Edmonds/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 09:12:26.00

SUBJECT: topper on elian gonzalez

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

TO: Eric P. Liu (CN=Eric P. Liu/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TO: Rachael F. Goldfarb (CN=Rachael F. Goldfarb/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:
Draft 04/25/00 9am

Edmonds

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON

TOPPER ON ELIAN GONZALEZ

THE WHITE HOUSE

April 25, 2000

Before I begin, I want to take a moment to commend the Attorney General and agents of the INS for their efforts to successfully reunite Elian Gonzalez with his father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez this past Saturday. The Attorney General made a very difficult decision under difficult circumstances. I believe it was the right thing to do, and I fully supported her actions.

The important thing to remember is that a father and son have been reunited and now have the quiet and the space to heal the wounds of these past months and strengthen their family bond. This matter is now in the courts and we should all allow that process to run its course.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Samir Afridi (CN=Samir Afridi/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 12:00:37.00

SUBJECT:

TO: Terry Edmonds (CN=Terry Edmonds/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Before I begin, I want to say a few words about the reunion of Elian

Gonzalez with his father. After five long months, it was long overdue.

And now that father and son have been safely reunited, I believe it is

time that all of us--including the media and Congress *give this young

family the space to heal its wounds and strengthen its bonds. We should

all work to lessen the pressure on them as this matter goes forward in the

courts.

I also want to commend the Attorney General, law enforcement, and the

INS. They had some very difficult choices, and I am pleased that they

were able to safely reunite Elian with his father.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: James E. Kennedy (CN=James E. Kennedy/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 15:05:24.00

SUBJECT: draft

TO: Beth Nolan (CN=Beth Nolan/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To the Editor:

Professor Laurence Tribe probably can tell when one of his students is expounding on a case that he or she failed to read the night before class. I had the same sensation when I read his op-ed article in today's New York Times. Professor Tribe appears not to have seen the search warrant that he so inaccurately described.

Professor Tribe says that the search warrant issued to the Justice Department & was not a warrant to seize the child. 8 He says & it is a semantic sleight of hand to compare his forcible removal to the seizure of evidence, which is what a search warrant is for. 8

The real sleight of hand is Professor Tribe's complete mischaracterization of the warrant, which was a warrant to seize the child. Elian Gonzalez's name is spelled out in the warrant, which expressly provides authority for the INS to & seize 8 him.

It is hard to understand the falsity of Professor Tribe's characterization of the warrant unless he did not have it before writing his article. How else, for example, can one explain his strange reference to & areawide 8

warrants, which this warrant clearly was not?

Professor Tribe's false statements are compounded by his misleading representation that the Attorney General took the law & into her own hands. 8 The search warrant was signed by a magistrate judge of the U.S. District Court. Another U.S. District Court had clearly upheld the government's authority to determine who had custody of Elian Gonzalez. The Court of Appeals did not overrule or stay that finding. And a state court judge had thrown out the Miami relatives efforts to argue for custody of the boy. The law clearly and squarely gave to the government the authority to reunite Elian and his father.

If Professor Tribe does not like the way our laws work, he can argue that Congress should change them. That is his right. But he has no right to misrepresent what the law is, or to make untrue claims about the steps we have taken under the law, to make his case.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Shivaun A. Cooney (CN=Shivaun A. Cooney/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 18:00:04.00

SUBJECT: Re: possible questions -- NOT APPROVED

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

CC: Kelley A. Van Auken (CN=Kelley A. Van Auken/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

What did Lisel think about this? Kelley and I are happy to change the questions, but we have two main concerns:

- 1) If the Elian Gonzalez issue dies down soon (as we can only hope it will), will we be able to change the questions quickly again?
- 2) Will it seem somewhat hypocritical to have a question about the Elian Gonzalez case on the White House Comment Line survey in light of the President's reluctance to become involved in the situation and his remarks today that people should stop talking about it?

A couple of other things:

I am not sure at this point if we would be able to get the questions recorded and set up for tomorrow. We could definitely work on setting it up tomorrow, but we have checked with the phone people who would need to be involved, and the people who are familiar with the comment line conversant have already gone for the day.

Also, we are not sure if having a question about Elian on the survey will really alleviate the volume/busy signal problem. We think that most

callers will probably still want to speak with an operator to explain their views, etc.

Please let us know where you want to go from here. Thanks!

Daniel W. Burkhardt

04/25/2000 05:29:45 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Shivaun A. Cooney/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: possible questions -- NOT APPROVED

This is the sort of thing I could envision putting in the survey. Told Lisel about this and said we could probably have them up tomorrow if they were approved in time.

1. Do you approve of the President's job performance generally?

Press 1 if you approve

Press 2 if you disapprove

2. Do you approve of the federal government's handling of the Elian Gonzalez matter?

Press 1 if you approve

Press 2 if you disapprove

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Robert C. Houser (CN=Robert C. Houser/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 11:01:09.00

SUBJECT: Re: issues meeting

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Mary U. Binns (CN=Mary U. Binns/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Gertrude A. Roddick (CN=Gertrude A. Roddick/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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fyi, critical mail is real critical and abusive, nrm.

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Debra D. Alexander

04/25/2000 10:51:48 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Robert C. Houser/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: issues meeting

have you received 100 yet?

Robert C. Houser

04/25/2000 10:39:26 AM

Record Type: Record

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

cc: Ami M. Lynch/WHO/EOP@EOP, Gertrude A. Roddick/WHO/EOP

Subject: issues meeting

Agenda for Wednesday issues meeting.

1.How/Are we going to answer SUPPORT mail regarding actions taken

regarding elian gonzalez? we are holding at the moment.

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Message Sent

To: _____

Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP

Mary U. Binns/WHO/EOP@EOP

Catherine T. Kitchen/WHO/EOP@EOP

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Christopher K. Scully/WHO/EOP@EOP

Pamela M. Williams/WHO/EOP@EOP

Helen S. Castleman/WHO/EOP@EOP

John A. Wertman/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Mary U. Binns (CN=Mary U. Binns/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 13:20:32.00

SUBJECT: Re: issues meeting

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

CC: Debra D. Alexander (CN=debra d. alexander/OU=who/O=eop@eop [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Gertrude A. Roddick (CN=Gertrude A. Roddick/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Stephen K. Horn (CN=Stephen K. Horn/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Over the weekend we have received 35,000 emails re: Elian Gonzalez.

Based on our sampling, 53% is support.

Robert C. Houser

04/25/2000 11:01:09 AM

Record Type: Record

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Terry Edmonds (CN=Terry Edmonds/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 12:18:44.00

SUBJECT: topper

TO: Thomas L. Freedman (CN=Thomas L. Freedman/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
please call me ASAP to close the loop on this. He needs this within
minutes. Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Terry Edmonds/WHO/EOP on 04/25/2000

12:18 PM -----

Samir Afridi

04/25/2000 12:00:37 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Terry Edmonds/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: James E. Kennedy (CN=James E. Kennedy/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-APR-2000 11:42:22.00

SUBJECT: more

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Highlights

1. The government had a search warrant to enter the home and take

Elian Gonzalez away to be reunited with his father.

Statements by allies of the relatives in Miami, including Rep. Tom DeLay,

that the government had no warrant to enter the home are false.

The search warrant was signed Friday evening by a U.S. Magistrate judge

from the Federal court in Miami.

2. The relatives in Miami did not meet the Attorney General ,s

deadline, and never agreed to turn the child over to federal authorities

to be reunited with his father.

The relatives had signed a document that stated &We understand that you

have transferred temporary custody of Elian to his father (. 8 But nowhere

in that document did they commit to turning Elian over.

The relatives have, in fact, given very conflicting signals about what

they would do with Elian over recent weeks. For example, great-uncle Lazaro Gonzalez was quoted on April 13 as saying, "The kid will have to be picked up by force." 8

3. The government used appropriate measures to enter the home and remove the child.

From start to finish, the government entered the home and removed Elian Gonzalez in less than three minutes.

Officials had to be prepared for the possibility that relatives or their allies might have guns on the premises or in the area. Reportedly, someone providing security for the relatives had a permit for a concealed weapon and was seen in and around the home with a gun strapped to his ankle. In addition, news reports say cousin Marisleysis Gonzalez made this troubling comment to members of the INS Community Relations Service on Thursday: "You think we just have cameras in the house? If people try to come in, they could be hurt." News reports also say officials had two other indications that guns might be in or near the property, including one case in which a woman reportedly showed a gun in her purse, and intelligence reports that weapons were being stockpiled in an adjacent house.

The procedures followed by the government were supported today by the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, which issued a statement sharply critical of those who have questioned the actions of federal agents.

4. The government had the legal authority to reunite the child with his father.

The U.S. District Court last month had ruled in favor of the government, affirming that the Attorney General had discretion to handle this as an immigration matter. The 11th Circuit's recent order did not stay or overturn that decision. The order simply prevents removal of Elian Gonzalez from the United States. It did not prevent the government from reuniting the child with his father.

In addition, earlier this month a state court had thrown out an effort by the Miami relatives to seek custody of Elian.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:28-APR-2000 14:10:51.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

what is happening to the letter regarding Elian Gonzalez?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kelley A. Van Auken (CN=Kelley A. Van Auken/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME: 5-MAY-2000 18:36:31.00

SUBJECT: Comment Line

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Hello. As I am sure you have noticed, we are no longer getting flooded

with calls about Elian Gonzalez. He is actually not on our report tonight

- we got very few calls regarding him. Do you want us to keep sending you

the report? Should we stop, and then start again if for some random

reason we get flooded with calls again?

Kelley

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-MAY-2000 14:25:23.00

SUBJECT:

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

READ:UNKNOWN

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

AP reports that Sen. Bob Smith (R-NH) denied on 5/8 that "he said
Elian Gonzalez is
being drugged as a part of a 'reeducation' effort to prepare him to
return to Cuba." Smith's office
said that comments the he made on 5/7 "were taken out of context,"
and that Smith "is
concerned that drugs including tranquilizers were taken by the
Customs Service from Elian's
pediatrician" following her arrival in the U.S. Smith flack Lisa
Harrison said "He never, ever,
ever said that." As he talked to 30 voters on 5/7, the Manchester
Union Leader quoted Smith
as saying: "They've already found tranquilizer drugs with the
doctors. I think you can reasonably
assume that on May 11 the little kid is going to come say 'I want to
go back to Cuba." Another
Smith flack, Karen Hickey, claims that there things left out between
the two sentences that take
the quote out of context. Charles Perkins, executive editor of the

Union Leader, said that "At

this point, we're standing by our reporting." The Eagle-Tribune,
which did not directly quote

Smith, but did say that Smith "believes elian will be influenced --
partly by 'tranquilizers' used by

doctors treating him -- into saying he wants to go back." Editor
Jeff McMenemy "said the

paper stood by its report" (5/9). Manchester Union-Leader reports
that Smith said on 5/8 that

"he has no evidence that Elian Gonzalez is being given
tranquilizers," and denied reports that

claim he made such assertions on 5/7. Smith did say, however, that
"My case would be that

maybe they attempted to get the drugs in there (Wye River
Plantation) ... to maybe tranquilize

the kid." Hickey said that Smith consistently refers to the compound
as as "re-education camp."

Hickey: "I think he just misspoke." Hickey also added that while
Smith denies he made the

assertions, "Sedatives and tranquilizers are common practice in Cuba
for bringing people into

submission" (5/9). AP reports that Smith denied that he suggested
Elian Gonzalez is being

drugged. Smith: "I did not suggest it. If that's the conclusion you
draw, that's incorrect" (5/9).

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

CREATION DATE/TIME: 9-MAY-2000 15:53:47.00

SUBJECT: Re: agenda for robo/dispo meeting

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

a. Elian Gonzalez - aren't these going to justice? i don't think

potus should comment.

b. Million Mom March - could the gun control letter go out. are

you getting letters in about it? how many? call me about this.

c. Potus Birthday letters - send the workflow to john

wertman

d. Gun Control - dan sent it back with questions. it should go

back to dan next week.

Gertrude A. Roddick

05/09/2000 03:19:23 PM

Record Type: Record

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

cc:

Subject: agenda for robo/dispo meeting

A few items to discuss:

- a. Elian Gonzalez
- b. Million Mom March
- c. Potus Birthday letters
- d. Gun Control

We will meet in Room 60 (the room in front of Special Projects). If anyone else has any further items, please email us and we will add them to the agenda. Thanks.

Message Sent

To: _____

Debra D. Alexander/WHO/EOP@EOP

Helen S. Castleman/WHO/EOP@EOP

Mary U. Binns/WHO/EOP@EOP

Michael A. Sharp/WHO/EOP@EOP

Pamela M. Williams/WHO/EOP@EOP

Catherine T. Kitchen/WHO/EOP@EOP

John A. Wertman/WHO/EOP@EOP

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Helen S. Castleman (CN=Helen S. Castleman/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:10-MAY-2000 15:27:04.00

SUBJECT: Elian Gonzalez mail

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

TO: Mary U. Binns (CN=Mary U. Binns/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TEXT:

I received confirmation that the Attorney General's office has indicated

that DOJ will not respond to this mail, so unless the White House wants to

respond we can probably file it.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kay Casstevens (CN=Kay Casstevens/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:17-MAY-2000 18:38:24.00

SUBJECT: Re: meeting requests/ACKERMAN

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

Kay Casstevens (CN=Kay Casstevens/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Marty -- please let me know when we receive anything from Ackerman's

office on this request. It is very sensitive and we should not give his

office the impression that this is going to happen

Marty J. Hoffmann

05/16/2000 07:56:00 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Charles M. Brain/WHO/EOP@EOP, Kay Casstevens/WHO/EOP@EOP,

Broderick Johnson/WHO/EOP@EOP, Karen Robb/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP@EOP, Lauren K. Gillespie/WHO/EOP@EOP,

Taneesha J. Johnson/WHO/EOP@EOP, Bobby D. Conner/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: meeting requests

MEMORANDUM FOR CHUCK, KAY, BRODERICK & KAREN

FROM: MARTY

RE: MEETING REQUESTS

I received calls from several offices regarding requests for Meetings with the President today. Please let me know how you would prefer to respond (hold, regret, or scheduling proposal). From my conversations with offices the President was said to have agreed to #2 & #3.

1. Sen. Wyden requests that the President do a 5 minute photo-op w/ Sen. Wyden, Sen. Gordon Smith along with his daughter and a few other young women college students who are on a Rodeo Court in Pendleton, Oregon. They will be here June 20-22.

2. Rep. Ackerman requests a meeting with the President to discuss Jonathon Pollard (NSC/Israel issue). The President and Ackerman spoke briefly about this issue on the AFL return trip from the Cardinal's funeral in NY. Their office is following up on the request.

3. Sen. Graham requests a meeting with the President to discuss Elian Gonzalez. The President and Graham spoke briefly about this issue at the Senate Democratic Issues Conference. Their office is following up on the request.

4. Rep. Souder requests that the President do a small bill signing for H.R. 2412, designating the Federal building and United States courthouse in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the "E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Karen Robb (CN=Karen Robb/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:23-MAY-2000 14:48:29.00

SUBJECT: Phone call between Graham and Pres. on Elian Gonzalez

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

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

CC: Michele Ballantyne (CN=Michele Ballantyne/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
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CREATOR: Kay Casstevens (CN=Kay Casstevens/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:23-MAY-2000 16:22:14.00

SUBJECT: Re: Phone call between Graham and Pres. on Elian Gonzalez

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

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I assume you mean Graham has called for John.

Has Chuck seen this message? Should he give John a heads up?

Rebecca Hunter

05/23/2000 04:14:39 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Karen Robb/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: charles m. brain/who/eop@eop, kay casstevens/who/eop@eop, joel

k. wiginton/who/eop@eop, michele ballantyne/who/eop@eop

bcc:

Subject: Re: Phone call between Graham and Pres. on Elian Gonzalez

FYI: He has already called for John.

Karen Robb

05/23/2000 02:48:29 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Charles M. Brain/WHO/EOP@EOP, Kay Casstevens/WHO/EOP@EOP, Joel

K. Wiginton/WHO/EOP@EOP, Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Michele Ballantyne/WHO/EOP@EOP

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CREATOR: Michele Ballantyne (CN=Michele Ballantyne/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:23-MAY-2000 14:57:56.00

SUBJECT: Phone call between Graham and Pres. on Elian Gonzalez

TO: Fern Mechlowitz (CN=Fern Mechlowitz/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Rachael F. Goldfarb (CN=Rachael F. Goldfarb/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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----- Forwarded by Michele Ballantyne/WHO/EOP on

05/23/2000 02:57 PM -----

Karen Robb

05/23/2000 02:48:29 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Charles M. Brain/WHO/EOP@EOP, Kay Casstevens/WHO/EOP@EOP, Joel

K. Wiginton/WHO/EOP@EOP, Rebecca Hunter/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Michele Ballantyne/WHO/EOP@EOP

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rebecca Hunter (CN=Rebecca Hunter/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:23-MAY-2000 16:34:48.00

SUBJECT: Re: Phone call between Graham and Pres. on Elian Gonzalez

TO: Kay Casstevens (CN=Kay Casstevens/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I found out when I was down in Podesta's office and I told Fern what

Graham was calling about.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:25-MAY-2000 19:16:07.00

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence for 5/25/2000

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])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Broderick Johnson (CN=Broderick Johnson/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: Charles M. Brain (CN=Charles M. Brain/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: Devanshu Patel (CN=Devanshu Patel/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: Hildy Kuryk (CN=Hildy Kuryk/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: Joel K. Wiginton (CN=Joel K. Wiginton/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: Julie M. Anderson (CN=Julie M. Anderson/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

TO: Kathy Weatherly (CN=Kathy Weatherly/OU=OVP/O=EOP@EOP [OVP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kay Casstevens (CN=Kay Casstevens/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: Lisa M. Kountoupes (CN=Lisa M. Kountoupes/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: Martha Foley (CN=Martha Foley/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: Michael Williams (CN=Michael Williams/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

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

TO: Ronna A. Freiberg (CN=Ronna A. Freiberg/OU=OVP/O=EOP@EOP [OVP])
READ:UNKNOWN

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

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

TEXT:

The following is a list of correspondence received by Members of Congress

on May 25:

1. Sen. Phil Gramm (R-TX), requesting the POTUS to discuss the Mexico's water management plan in the Rio Grande watershed with Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo (418146);

2. Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN), urging the POTUS to veto H.R. 833, the Bankruptcy Reform bill (418147);
3. Rep. James E. Clyburn (D-SC) and thirty-one other Members of Congress, concerning Sierra Leone and the Lome Accords (418162);
4. Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-CT), concerning the START II Treaty (418155);
5. Rep. Benjamin A. Gilman (R-NY) and thirteen other Members of Congress, urging the POTUS not to resume the suspended U.S. military to military relationship with Indonesia (418158);
6. Rep. Cynthia A. McKinney (D-GA), encouraging the POTUS to join British Prime Minister Tony Blair in taking action to end the bloodshed in Sierra Leone (418285);
7. Rep. Robert Menendez (D-NJ), urging the POTUS not to let the Elian Gonzalez family be manipulated by the Castro regime (418152);
8. Rep. Martin Olav Sabo (D-MN), requesting the POTUS to issue a Presidential directive to the Department of Energy to acknowledge that radiation from the Hanford Nuclear Plant has caused disease to people living downwind of the plant (418126);
9. Rep. Matt Salmon (R-AZ), urging the administration to secure the transfer of Muhammad Deif for prosecution in the U.S. courts (418288);

10. Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), Rep. Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. (D-IL), and Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA), urging the POTUS to extend his executive order regarding HIV/AIDS in Saharan Africa to include all nations faced with such public health emergencies (418145);

11. Rep. Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS), requesting the POTUS to grant a presidential pardon for William A. Borders, Jr. (418149);

12. Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-CA), Rep. Lloyd Doggett (D-TX), and Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR), supporting the completion of a free trade agreement between the United States and Jordan (418290);

13. Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA), urging the POTUS to support H.R. 3188, which would require diamonds bought and sold in the U.S. to be certified in the nation of origin and to name Sierra Leoninan rebel Foday Sankoh as a war criminal (418161); and,

14. Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA), requesting the POTUS to direct the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) to declassify information concerning the national security implications of the PNTR agreement with China (418159).

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

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

CREATION DATE/TIME:27-JUN-2000 12:03:06.00

SUBJECT: Re: this is what we have from nsc -- are you OK with this? updates for today?

TO: Beth Nolan (CN=Beth Nolan/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: emily karcher (CN=emily karcher/OU=who/O=eop@eop [who])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: jenni r. engebretsen (CN=jenni r. engebretsen/OU=who/O=eop@eop [who])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Here is an update. I've also given it to NSC press.

Beth Nolan

06/27/2000 11:20:27 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Jenni R. Engebretsen/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: emily karcher/who/eop@eop, Mary B. DeRosa/NSC/EOP@EOP

bcc:

Subject: Re: this is what we have from nsc -- are you OK with this? updates for today?

We will be getting you an update.

Jenni R. Engebretsen

06/27/2000 11:15:23 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Beth Nolan/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc: Emily Karcher/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: this is what we have from nsc -- are you OK with this? updates for today?

CUBAN BOY

June 23, 2000

CONTEXT: Today, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta unanimously denied a request filed by Elian Gonzalez,s Miami relatives for rehearing of its June 1 ruling in this case. The appeals court,s June 1 decision therefore stands. In that decision, the court dismissed the challenge to the INS decision filed by Elian,s Miami relatives. The court found that the INS had acted within the bounds of its discretion in determining that Elian,s father has sole legal authority to speak for his son in immigration matters. In its decision today, the appeals court stated that all injunctions in the case will dissolve next Wednesday, June 28, at 4:00pm. Any further requests for stays or injunctions must be filed with the Supreme Court. The ruling means that, unless Elian,s relatives seek and the Supreme Court grants an injunction prohibiting his departure from the US, Elian Gonzalez will be free to return home to Cuba as of 4:00pm next Wednesday.

What,s your reaction to today,s decision by the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, dismissing the appeal by Elian,s Miami relatives?

ú We are pleased with the decision. It underscores the importance of family and the bond between a parent and child.

When will injunction on Elian ,s family returning to Cuba be lifted?

ú We understand that they will be here for 5 more days, but then would be free to return home unless the Miami relatives sought and were granted an injunction by the Supreme Court.

ú We refer you to the Justice Department for more details.

What assurances are you seeking from the Cuban government -- should Elian return to Cuba next week -- that he would not be used as propaganda, would not be placed in a special school, and would return to his "normal" life?

FOR WH PRESS

ú I would refer you to the State Department.

FOR NSC PRESS:

ú From the beginning, we have tried to de-politicize this case, and we have spoken to Cuban officials in Havana, Geneva, and Washington about the need to do so.

ú Officials from the State Department have met with representatives of the Cuban Interests Section in Washington and voiced concern on how Elian would be treated in the event he returns to Cuba. These conversations have been constructive. We will continue to discuss with Cuban officials Elian's treatment should he return to Cuba.

[IF ASKED] Isn ,t it time for the Miami relatives to drop their appeal and let Elian and his family to go to home to Cuba?

ú We hope that this matter will reach final resolution soon so that
Elian and his family can resume their normal lives.

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

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

TEXT:

Unable to convert NTNFS304:[ATTACH.D9]ARMS35001V4H5.001 to ASCII,
The following is a HEX DUMP:

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

CONTEXT: Last Friday, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta unanimously denied a request filed by Elian Gonzalez's Miami relatives for rehearing of its June 1 ruling in this case. The appeals court's June 1 decision therefore stands. In that decision, the court dismissed the challenge to the INS decision filed by Elian's Miami relatives. The court found that the INS had acted within the bounds of its discretion in determining that Elian's father has sole legal authority to speak for his son in immigration matters. In its decision, the appeals court stated that all injunctions in the case will dissolve Wednesday, June 28, at 4:00pm. Elian's Miami relatives have asked the Supreme Court to accept the case, and to issue an injunction to prevent Elian from leaving the United States while they consider the matter. If the Supreme Court does not issue such an injunction, Elian Gonzalez will be free to return home to Cuba as of 4:00pm tomorrow.

When will injunction on Elian's family returning to Cuba be lifted?

- We understand that the injunction will end at 4:00 tomorrow. At that time Elian's family would be free to return home unless the Supreme Court grants the Miami relatives' request for an injunction.
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[IF ASKED] In retrospect, do you think this went on too long? Should your Administration have stepped in more decisively in November?

- As I have said before, I support completely the Justice Department's handling of this matter. The Justice Department followed a deliberate and careful process in order to reunite this child with his father safely and with as little disruption as possible. This was a matter in litigation and it was important to let the judicial process run its course.
- I hope now the matter will reach final resolution. It is important that Elian and his family be able to resume a normal life.