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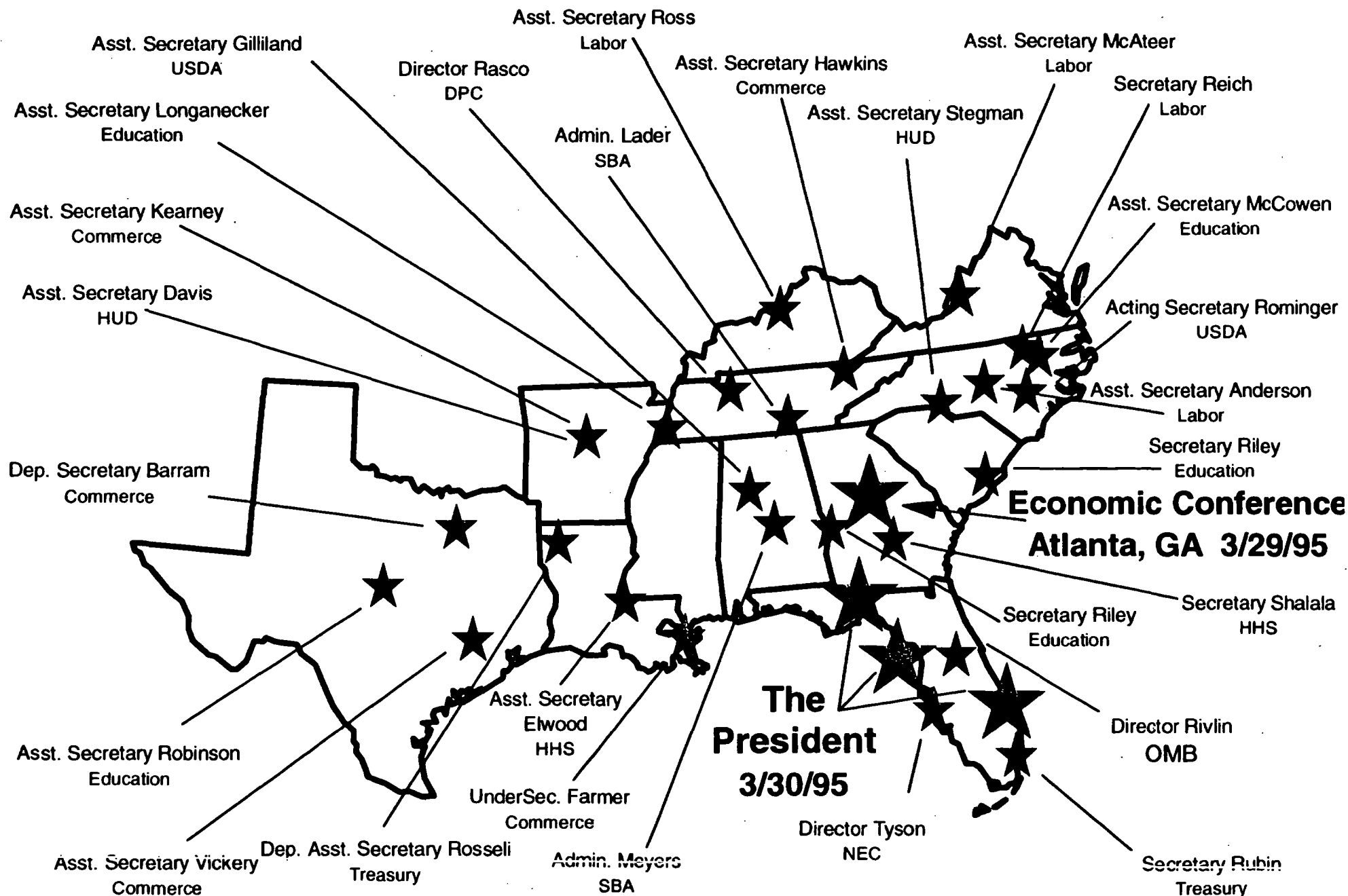
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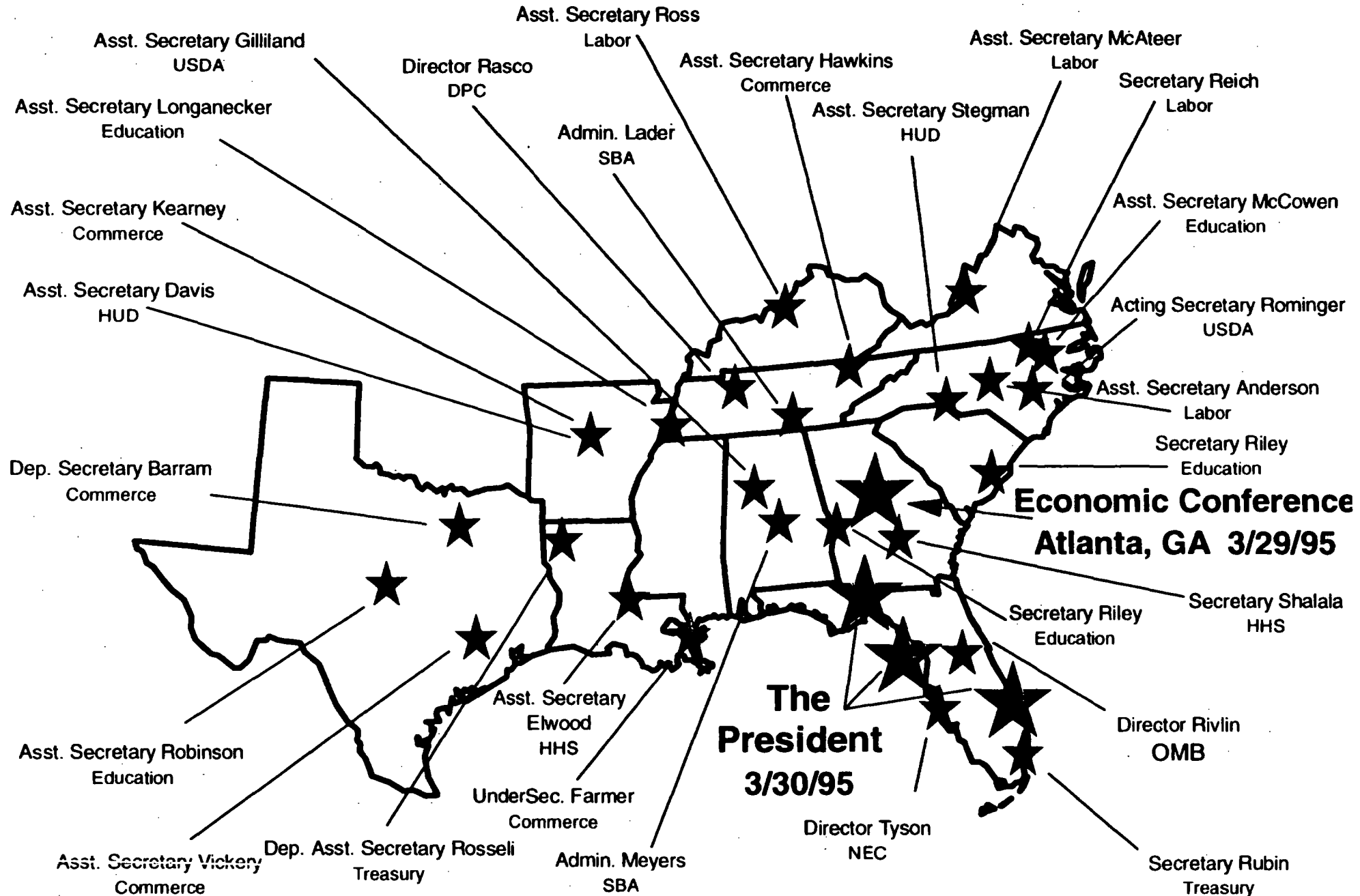
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- **DOC -- Georges Bank Fishery In New England:** An extension of current emergency measures is likely to be signed in the next few weeks. Commerce expects extensive regional coverage of this contentious issue.
- **DOE -- Visit of the Prime Minister of Pakistan:** This week Secretary O'Leary participates in several meetings and events with Prime Minister Bhutto. Last September, Secretary O'Leary traveled to Pakistan with 100 U.S. business leaders and witnessed the signing of \$4 billion in Energy agreements and initiated investment discussions. Events include: Witnessing additional business agreements between the American business community and the government of Pakistan; Investor Conference in New York; Financial Roundtable in Washington; One-on-One meetings; and the Vice-President's dinner.
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- **DOJ -- Columbia/Snake River Salmon Transportation Program:** Arguments on cross-motions for summary judgment will be heard on April 10. Plaintiffs maintain that federal agencies operate the Federal Columbia River Power System in a manner that jeopardizes the three listed Snake River salmon. Justice argues that plaintiffs' claims were moot in light of the new NMFS biological opinion which reached a jeopardy conclusion under the ESA -- the limited removal of salmon from the river does not jeopardize the species or modify the critical habitat and is one of several lawful means of moving the fish to the ocean that minimizes mortality from the hydropower system. An adverse ruling, that declares the transport program unlawful, would effectively end efforts to develop a comprehensive regional salmon recovery plan.
- **DOL -- Working Women Count:** On Monday, April 10, Karen Nussbaum, Director of DOL's Women's Bureau, and Secretary Reich will present the *Working Women Count!* recommendations to the President in a Rose Garden ceremony. The First Lady and Vice President Gore will also participate. *Working Women Count!* will highlight the key role of working women in the workplace in the new economy. This Administration is the first to solicit opinions from working women and take steps to address their concerns. Six Cabinet agencies also plan simultaneous *Working Women Count!* events in cities around the country.
- **EPA -- Visit to Kennecott Superfund Site:** On Monday, April 10, Administrator Browner joins Senator Hatch (R-UT), Senator Bennett (R-UT) and Representative Orton (D-UT) on a visit to the Kennecott Superfund site, near Salt Lake City, Utah. Kennecott is one of the largest sites, and the company's ongoing mining operation is economically important to the region.
- **HHS -- NIH Study Shows that Drug Prevention Programs For Children Are Effective:** On Monday, April 10, HHS will announce the results of a long-term study which shows that drug abuse prevention programs, when conducted with seventh grade students and reinforced with subsequent "booster" sessions, can produce lower levels of tobacco, alcohol, and marijuana use by teenagers over a sustained period of time.
- **HHS -- Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) -- Elimination of Reasonable Pricing Clause:** This week HHS will announce a change in the CRADA model. These agreements between NIH and private companies allow for joint research. NIH's requirement that this clause appear in all CRADAs and exclusive licenses has discouraged the private sector from entering into cooperative arrangements with NIH.
- **SBA -- Regulatory Reform:** On Monday, April 10th, as part of the Administration's efforts to amplify our regulatory reform initiatives, Administrator Lader will be participating in a roundtable discussion on regulatory reform in San Antonio. This will be the first of five SBA "reg. ref." events planned for the month of April.

- **TREAS -- Grassroots Regulatory Partnership Meetings:** As part of the President's Regulatory Reform initiative, Treasury is conducting numerous events during the month of April to create grassroots partnerships with its regulated constituencies. For instance, IRS Commissioner Richardson will be in Seattle, WA on April 10 and Sacramento, CA on April 12 to meet with small business owners.
- **USDA -- Regional Meetings on Farm Credit Programs:** The first of six regional meetings on USDA's farm credit programs will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 10-12. The meeting will cover farm credit policy and program issues, as well as discussion of how the USDA Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) should be organized in the field to better deliver USDA's farm credit programs in a farmer-friendly manner.
- **USTR --** On April 10, Ambassador Kantor meets with CEO's of MEMA (an auto parts equipment manufacturing assoc.)
- **VA --** Secretary Jesse Brown will address the Annual Mid-Winter Conference of the National Association of State Veterans Homes to be held in Arlington, Virginia.

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- **DOL -- Secretary Reich addresses the Sperling Breakfast.**
- **DOL -- Secretary Reich appears on *Equal Time* with Mary Matalin.**
- **TREAS -- G-7:** Treasury officials continue to work with their G-7 counterparts on the drafting of a report on International Financial Institutions. Finance Deputies will meet in London on April 11 to prepare for the April 25 G-7 Ministerial meeting in Washington.
- **USDA -- Seminars On Nutrition Issues:** On April 11, USDA will launch a seminar series entitled Nutrition Issues for the 21st Century. White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Associate Director for Science M.R.C. Greenwood will be the keynote speaker at the first series' seminar, which are being sponsored by the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion and USDA.
- **USDA -- Meeting On Canadian Border Regulatory Review:** On April 11-12, USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service officials will attend a meeting in Seattle, Washington with Agriculture Canada, the California and Washington Departments of Agriculture, U.S. Customs, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service to discuss U.S.-Canadian border issues, particularly the movement of illegal produce from Canada into the United States.

- **USTR -- Pakistan:** On April 11, Ambassador Kantor meets with Pakistan Prime Minister Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto.

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- **DOJ -- Louisiana and Georgia Redistricting Cases:** On April 12, 1995, Justice will appeal a district court ruling that the boundaries of Louisiana's 4th District (Rep. Fields) and Georgia's 11th District (Rep. McKinney) were unconstitutionally drawn. In each case, trial courts found the district lines were "racial gerrymanders" under the standards set forth in *Shaw v. Reno*. In each appeal, the United States argues the courts should not have applied strict scrutiny because the district boundaries were not "bizarrely-shaped," and that, in any event, the districts were narrowly tailored to serve compelling state interests in complying with the Voting Rights Act.
- **HHS -- Secretary Shalala addresses Alzheimer's Association.**
- **USDA -- UN Commission on Sustainable Development:** On April 12-13, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment Adela Backiel will attend the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development meeting. Major forestry issues to be addressed include consideration for a high-level intergovernmental panel on forests, continuation of work on criteria and indicators of sustainable forest management, timber certification and labelling schemes, forestry donor coordination, and further implementation of the Rio Forest Principles at national levels.
- **VA -- South Dakota:** Secretary Jesse Brown will visit the VA Medical Centers in Hot Springs and Fort Meade, South Dakota. In the evening, he will attend a meeting in Rapid City, SD, with Senator Daschle and leaders of veterans service organizations.

Thursday, April 13, 1995

- **DOC -- Economic Data Release:** Commerce will release the following economic data:
Advance Retail Sales for March April 13
- **DOJ -- COPS Coupons:** COPS Director Joe Brann holds a press conference on April 13 to announce COPS Coupons, a novel method for COPS recipients to draw against their grant awards. The coupons work the same way that a mortgage payment works. Every month (or every other week depending on what best fits the grantees needs) a COPS FAST grantee will send DOJ a preprinted coupon indicating the amount of money that they should receive for covering the cost of their officer(s). DOJ will then send them their grant money. The new process is a tremendous convenience to small police departments, many of whom have never applied for government funding.

- **HHS -- New York Travel:** Secretary Shalala travels to New York, where she will address a board meeting of the Carnegie Corporation and will also meet -- along with OMB Director Alice Rivlin -- with the editorial boards of the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal.
- **TREAS -- Los Angeles:** On April 13, the Secretary travels to Los Angeles where he meets with the DNC Business Leadership Forum, interviews with the LA Times Editorial Board, and addresses the Los Angeles World Affairs Council regarding APEC.

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- **DOC -- Economic Data Release:** Commerce will release the following economic data:
Manufacturing and Trade: Inventories and Sales for February April 14
- **DOI -- Florida Beach Erosion:** On Friday, April 14, Secretary Babbitt travels to Florida working on beach erosion issues.

Monday, April 17, 1995

- **DOC -- Russian:** On Monday and Tuesday, April 17-18, Secretary Brown will meet with Russian Deputy Prime Minister Davydov and the Russian Presidential Business Development Mission accompanying him.
- **DOL -- Boeing Visit:** On Monday, April 17, Secretary Reich travels to Seattle, WA to highlight Boeing's extensive worker training and re-training programs. Senators Slade Gorton (R) and Patty Murray (D) and Representatives Jim McDermott (D-WA-7) and Jennifer Dunn (R-WA-8) have been invited. While in Seattle, he will also meet with local Democratic leaders and conduct press interviews.
- **DOT -- West Coast Travel:** On April 17, Secretary Pena travels to the West Coast for a variety of activities. He will make stops in Minneapolis, Seattle, Portland, and San Francisco. Highlights include the certification of the Boeing 777 aircraft and events with Sen. Hatfield (R-OR). He will attend party fundraisers and tour air traffic control centers.
- **DOT -- National Highway System Road Tour '95:** Federal Highway Administrator Rodney Slater will conduct a 5-state, 5-day road tour, which will travel approximately 1,500 miles. The tour will be kicked off in Montgomery, Alabama, on April 17, at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, which is currently being designated a historic site. The station was prominent as the terminus site of the 1964 Civil Rights march from Selma to Montgomery.

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Housing Starts and Building Permits for March 1995 April 18
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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: KITTY HIGGINS

SUBJECT: Summary of Daily Cabinet Activity
April 10 - April 28, 1995

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- **DOC -- Endangered Species Listing:** This week, Commerce plans to release the endangered species listing of four species of coastal coho salmon in the Northwest.
- **DOC -- Georges Bank Fishery In New England:** An extension of current emergency measures is likely to be signed in the next few weeks. Commerce expects extensive regional coverage of this contentious issue.
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- **TREAS -- Grassroots Regulatory Partnership Meetings:** As part of the President's Regulatory Reform initiative, Treasury is conducting numerous events during the month of April to create grassroots partnerships with its regulated constituencies. For instance, IRS Commissioner Richardson will be in Seattle, WA on April 10 and Sacramento, CA on April 12 to meet with small business owners.
- **USDA -- Regional Meetings on Farm Credit Programs:** The first of six regional meetings on USDA's farm credit programs will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 10-12. The meeting will cover farm credit policy and program issues, as well as discussion of how the USDA Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) should be organized in the field to better deliver USDA's farm credit programs in a farmer-friendly manner.
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- **VA --** Secretary Jesse Brown will address the Annual Mid-Winter Conference of the National Association of State Veterans Homes to be held in Arlington, Virginia.

Tuesday, April 11, 1995

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- **DOL -- Secretary Reich appears on *Equal Time* with Mary Matalin.**
- **TREAS -- G-7:** Treasury officials continue to work with their G-7 counterparts on the drafting of a report on International Financial Institutions. Finance Deputies will meet in London on April 11 to prepare for the April 25 G-7 Ministerial meeting in Washington.
- **USDA -- Seminars On Nutrition Issues:** On April 11, USDA will launch a seminar series entitled Nutrition Issues for the 21st Century. White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Associate Director for Science M.R.C. Greenwood will be the keynote speaker at the first series' seminar, which are being sponsored by the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion and USDA.
- **USDA -- Meeting On Canadian Border Regulatory Review:** On April 11-12, USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service officials will attend a meeting in Seattle, Washington with Agriculture Canada, the California and Washington Departments of Agriculture, U.S. Customs, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service to discuss U.S.-Canadian border issues, particularly the movement of illegal produce from Canada into the United States.

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- **HHS -- Secretary Shalala addresses Alzheimer's Association.**
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Thursday, April 13, 1995

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Advance Retail Sales for March April 13
- **DOJ -- COPS Coupons:** COPS Director Joe Brann holds a press conference on April 13 to announce COPS Coupons, a novel method for COPS recipients to draw against their grant awards. The coupons work the same way that a mortgage payment works. Every month (or every other week depending on what best fits the grantees needs) a COPS FAST grantee will send DOJ a preprinted coupon indicating the amount of money that they should receive for covering the cost of their officer(s). DOJ will then send them their grant money. The new process is a tremendous convenience to small police departments, many of whom have never applied for government funding.

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Friday, April 14, 1995

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Manufacturing and Trade: Inventories and Sales for February April 14
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Monday, April 17, 1995

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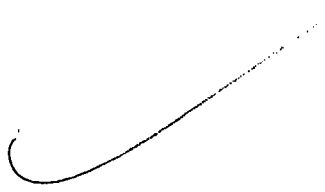
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- USTR Trade Priorities: On Wednesday, April 5, Ambassador Kantor testifies before the Senate Finance Committee regarding the Administration's trade priorities for 1995.

Thursday, April 6

- DoEd -- Skill Standards Board: On April 6, Secretary Riley and Secretary Reich swear in the National Skill Standards Board created as part of Goals 2000. On April 7, the Secretaries participate in the first meeting of the Board.
- HHS -- Secretary Shalala speaks at the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce in CT.
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- ONDCP -- National Drug Control Strategy: The second half of the hearing by Congressman Zeff (R-NH) will take place on Thursday, April 6 before the Subcommittee on National Security. It is anticipated that similar to the earlier hearing which featured Nancy Reagan, this will be critical of the National Drug Control Strategy.
- TREAS -- On April 6, the Secretary will address the New York Stock Exchange Breakfast, meet with Chairman Greenspan, and attend a lunch with Democratic House Banking Committee Members to discuss Glass-Steagall and other banking issues.
- UN -- Testimony: Ambassador Albright testifies before the House International Relations Committee.

Friday, April 7

- DOE -- Secretary O'Leary addresses the Investor Conference in New York, NY.
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- DOI -- Secretary Babbitt is tentatively scheduled to announce the Habitat Conservation Bank with Bank of America in San Diego, CA.
- DOL -- Unemployment: On Friday, April 7, the Bureau of Labor Statistics releases data on the national employment and unemployment situation for the month of March.
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- VA -- Secretary Brown addresses the American Ex--POW Hudson Valley Chapter in Castle Point, NY.

Saturday, April 8

- DoEd -- Safe Schools Grants: On April 8, Secretary Riley and the President announce 21 grant awards totalling \$18 million under the Safe Schools program.
- DOI -- Secretary Babbitt keynotes the Wisconsin Dems J-J Dinner in Milwaukee, WI.
- DOJ -- Attorney General Janet Reno addresses Mercer University Law Day in Macon, GA.

Sunday, April 9

- UN -- Ambassador Madeleine Albright addresses troops at Fort Pendleton in CA.

Monday, April 10

- DOJ -- Attorney General Reno addresses the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers in Washington DC. Remarks focus on juvenile justice.
- HHS -- Secretary Shalala addresses the Alzheimer's Association's 7th annual policy forum in Washington, DC.

Tuesday, April 11

- DOI -- Secretary Babbitt tours Lake Powell in UT.

Wednesday, April 12

- HHS -- Social Security Administration: Independence event on April 12 to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of FDR's death.
- VA -- Secretary Brown visits VA Medical Centers with Sen. Daschle in Fort Meade and Hot Springs, SD.

Thursday, April 13

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- OMB -- Director Rivlin addresses the Citizen's Committee for Children of New York Forum in New York, NY.

Friday, April 14

- HHS/OMB -- Secretary Shalala and Director Rivlin participate in NYT Editorial Board Meeting in New York, NY.

Saturday, April 15

- DoD -- Spirit of South Carolina and Spirit of Kansas: On April 15, the Air Force will honor the next operational B-2 stealth bomber with the name Spirit of South Carolina during a ceremony at the Columbia Metropolitan Airport in Columbia, South Carolina. On May 20, the Spirit of Kansas will be named in a ceremony at McConnell AFB, Kansas.