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Schedule Proposal

WASHINGTON

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TO: Billy Webster
Director of Scheduling and Advance

FROM: Anthony Lake
Alex ~~g~~ Herman

REQUEST: Meeting with William Gray, President of the United Negro College Fund and former Special Adviser on Haiti.

PURPOSE: To discuss Haiti and the United Negro College Fund.

BACKGROUND: When the President met with Mr. Gray in October as Mr. Gray ended his service as Special Adviser for Haiti, the President invited Mr. Gray to be in touch from time to time to exchange views on Haiti. Mr. Gray wishes to meet with the President to do so and also to discuss the activities of the UNCF.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The President's last meeting with Mr. Gray was on October 16, following the return of President Aristide to Haiti.

DATE AND TIME: OPEN

DURATION: 30 minutes

LOCATION: TBD

PARTICIPANTS: The President
William Gray
Others TBD

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Meeting with Mr. Gray. Possible photo opportunity.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Briefing material will be provided by NSC and Office of Public Liaison

MEDIA COVERAGE: Possible photo op

cc: Stephanie Streett

FIRST LADY'S ATTENDANCE: N/A

VICE PRESIDENT'S ATTENDANCE: N/A

SECOND LADY'S ATTENDANCE: N/A

RECOMMENDED BY: NSC and Office of Public Liaison

CONTACT: Lawrence Rossin, NSC, x 6-9369

*Benjamins
Gibbons
AMH - call*



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Requested info
on Science
grants*

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F A C S I M I L E

TO: *Alfred Hermon*
FROM: *William Gray*
DATE: *1-11-95*
COMMENTS: _____

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Ruby —
Jack gibbons should
go on AMH call
Sheet re: UNCF Science
grants. *Thanks,*
Dubbi

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THREE UNCF-SPONSORED REQUESTS TO NSF'S AMP PROGRAM

UNCF has just sponsored three proposals to the National Science Foundation's Alliances for Minority Participation (AMP) Program. These proposals would create three alliances, totalling 36 of UNCF's 41 member colleges and universities, to create and enhance programs to significantly increase the number of African American and other minority baccalaureates in the sciences, mathematics and engineering. They are the first proposals submitted to the Program for alliances entirely composed of independent historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs). Their participation in the AMP program is overdue.

- ◆ Only 3 of the 20 functioning AMPs are led by black universities (Howard, Jackson State, and Chicago State Universities). None are led by private HBCUs.
- ◆ In 1993, only 1.02% of NSF funding for higher education went to HBCUs, and of this the lion's share supported public, not private HBCUs.

Statistics and long experience have demonstrated the disproportionately large impact of UNCF member colleges and universities in nurturing and graduating minority students in science and technology -- and getting them successfully into professional and other advanced degree programs.

- ◆ UNCF institutions enroll only 7% of all African Americans attending 4-year colleges and universities, but they account for the following percentage of degrees earned by African Americans: 10.2% in computer science, 15.7% in the life sciences, 18% in mathematics, and 25.9% in the physical sciences.
- ◆ While only 3% of U. S. higher education institutions are HBCUs, over 1/3 of all African Americans graduate from HBCUs; 43% of all African Americans who earn Ph.D.s graduate from HBCUs. Of all UNCF alumni, 75% have gone to graduate school, and 55% have earned advanced degrees.

All three UNCF AMP proposals, submitted by Clark Atlanta, Tuskegee, and Xavier Universities, deserve the Administration's support. Composed of equally outstanding groups of private HBCUs, these alliances will be able to share their expertise and experience to greatly increase African American graduates in science and technology -- making the AMP program a far more representative and resounding success.

The remarkable absence of independent HBCUs from an otherwise successful federal program has been due to the perceived disadvantage of private versus state-run institutions in meeting federal matching requirements. (The same factor has kept independent HBCUs from applying to many other federal programs.) This year they have attempted the rigors of planning and proposal development because of UNCF's commitment of coordination and support.

In 1994, UNCF obtained a planning grant from NSF to convene a planning conference to determine program needs and strengths in the sciences, mathematics and engineering, organizing its member colleges and universities into regional groups to apply for membership in NSF's AMP program. UNCF has guaranteed that it will produce or help raise the matching funds necessary for its member colleges and universities to successfully carry out all the programs proposed in the three AMP proposals now under review by the NSF. It is hoped that this guarantee and commitment will make Clark Atlanta, Tuskegee, and Xavier Universities' AMP proposals more competitive in the application process.

Nevertheless, given the historical and contemporary issues cited above, UNCF urges the endorsement and backing of the Clinton Administration so that all three of its member institutions' AMP proposals receive support in a strongly contested field.