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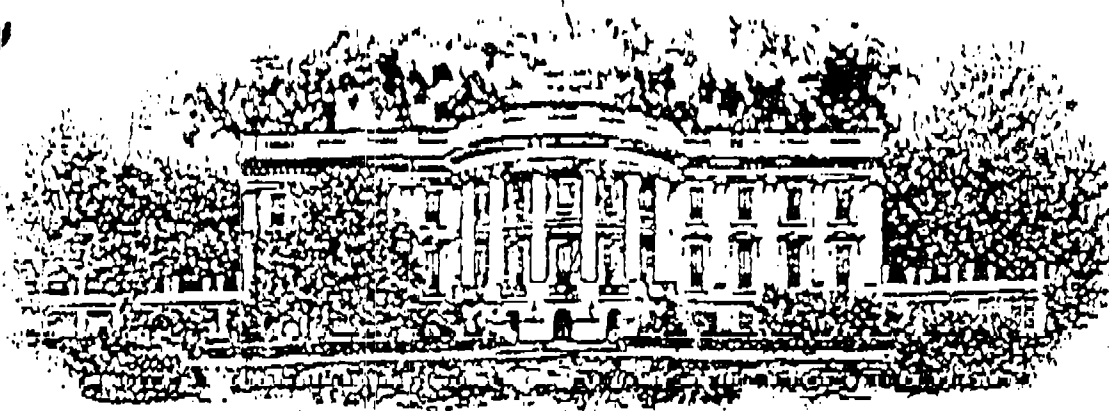
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Town Meeting Schedule for State Department

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COMMENTS:

Alexis:

Attached please find the town meeting schedule for the State Department. Please
review and comment if you have any questions. Thanks!

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TOWN MEETINGS
(February-September 30, 1995)
(arranged by date)

New Orleans, LA

Estimated Cost: \$2000

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with World Trade Center
Date: March 30
Speakers: TBD (Under Secretary Spero and Assistant Secretaries Pelletreau and Watson will be invited)
Add-ons: TIMES PICAYUNE, local universities and business groups, radio
Topics: Economic issues, Middle East, Latin America (NAFTA)
Comments: It is a chance for mutually beneficial dialogue on topics that directly affect the international trade community in New Orleans.

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Pittsburgh, PA

Estimated Cost: \$1500

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with World Affairs Council
Date: April 5
Speakers: TBD
Topics: East Asia, Russia, Middle East Peace Process
Add-ons: Local universities, World Trade Center, PITTSBURGH POST, radio
Comments: Pittsburgh would provide a cross-section of the Western Pennsylvania population. Cooperating organizations would include The Ridgway Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Duquesne, Carnegie-Mellon, the Jewish and Eastern European communities, Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs. Business participation would include Westinghouse, Smith-Klein Beecham, Scott Paper, the World Trade Center, and the greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

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Hartford, CT

Estimated Cost: \$1500

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with World Affairs Council
Date: early June
Speakers: TBD
Add-ons: HARTFORD COURANT, Yale, University of Connecticut, radio and TV
Topics: TBD
Comments: With participation by major corporations (United Technologies and General Electric) and the academic community (Yale and the University of Connecticut), Hartford would provide a solid venue for an international trade Town Meeting. Cooperation would be sought from the large Hungarian and Russian community, Rotary Club, Foreign Policy Association, and the Council on Foreign Relations in New York.

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Seattle, WA

Estimated Cost: \$2000

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with World Trade Center
Date: early September
Speakers: TBD
Add-ons: SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER, Seattle Port Commission, radio
Topics: Economic Issues, Pacific Rim
Comments: Large corporations (Weyerhaeuser, Microsoft, and Boeing), the Tacoma, Olympia, and Seattle World Affairs Councils, the League of Women Voters, Seattle Port Commission and Trade Development Alliance of greater Seattle would provide a diverse regional mix for a Town Meeting. It would also be an opportunity for solid follow-up on APEC.

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Buffalo, NY

Estimated Cost: \$2500

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with Buffalo World Affairs Council
Date: mid-September
Speakers: TBD
Add-ons: TBD
Topics: United Nations 50th Anniversary, Central Europe, Asia/Pacific, Nuclear Non-proliferation, Human Rights
Comments: This is a blue-collar region we have not reached except for infrequent speaking engagements. There is a large Polish population and local universities host many foreign students, particularly Asians.

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Milwaukee, WI

Estimated Cost: \$3000

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with the Institute of World Affairs
Date: September 22, 23 or 30
Speakers: TBD
Add-ons: MILWAUKEE JOURNAL, MILWAUKEE SENTINEL, Chamber of Commerce, University of Wisconsin, Marquette University, WQFM-FM, WNOV-AM, WLZR-AM/FM, WISN-AM
Topics: Middle East, Economic Issues, East Asia, NIS, and one other TBD
Comments: The Institute of World Affairs is a prestigious midwestern organization. It would draw a broad audience from all segments of the Milwaukee community (their spring forum attracts 1100+). Milwaukee's port is a focal point for shipping to the NIS, Mideast, Africa and the Indian Ocean, and Central and South America.

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Two other possible town meetings include:

San Jose, CA

Estimated Cost: \$3000

Sponsor: TOWN MEETING with the World Forum of Silicon Valley
Date: late September
Speakers: TBD
Add-ons: TBD
Topics: Economic Security, Immigration
Comments: The World Forum of Silicon Valley would be a "new" sponsor for a Town Meeting. Participants would include most of the high-tech companies from the Silicon Valley as well as the academic community. It would provide access to major media in San Francisco, as well as potential participation and support from the SAN JOSE MERCURY-NEWS. However, this would be the second Town Meeting in northern California in 1995.

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Phoenix, AZ**Estimated Cost: \$2000**

Sponsors: TOWN MEETING with Thunderbird University and Committee on Foreign Relations
Date: TBD. We may wait until fall/winter (FY96 funds)
Add-ons: Phoenix media, possible outreach to Tucson and Flagstaff
Topics: TBD
Comments: This is an opportunity for significant outreach in the southwest. The American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird) would serve as the co-sponsor. It has a solid reputation as being a pacesetter in educating our future leaders in national and international affairs. We would bring in local organizations such as the Retired Foreign Service Officers Association, the Committee on Foreign Relations (Tucson and Phoenix), among others.

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ADD-ON: Albuquerque/Santa Fe, NM**Estimated Cost: included w/Phoenix****Comments:**

This could be a stopover speaking program for one or more of the speakers or a "mini-town meeting" before/after the Town Meeting proposed for Phoenix. New Mexico is an area with close ties to Mexico and has the most to gain from NAFTA. They're most active in Western Europe, Canada and Latin America. The military bases, defense contractors and research centers in the state generate interest in defense and nuclear issues. Albuquerque has a large Hispanic population.

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