

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

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DOCUMENT NO. AND TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE	DATE	RESTRICTION
001. email	Wjantholis@aol.com to Todd Stern at 08:57:55.00. Subject: welcome back!! (1 page)	02/05/1999	b(6)

COLLECTION:

Clinton Presidential Records
Automated Records Management System [Email]
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FOLDER TITLE:

[02/05/1999] [1]

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RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

- P1** National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
- P2** Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
- P3** Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
- P4** Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
- P5** Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
- P6** Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

PRM. Personal record misfile defined in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2201(3).

RR. Document will be reviewed upon request.

Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

- b(1)** National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
- b(2)** Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
- b(3)** Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
- b(4)** Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
- b(6)** Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
- b(7)** Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
- b(8)** Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- b(9)** Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

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PRESIDENT CLINTON NAMES BETSY LEVITT COHN, CYNTHIA FRIEDMAN, ALICE KANDELL,
HILARY ROSEN AND HOWARD A. TULLMAN AS MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENT!,S
COMMITTEE ON
THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

The President today announced his intent to appoint Betsy Levitt Cohn,
Cynthia
Friedman, Alice Kandell, Hilary Rosen and Howard A. Tullman as Members of
the
President!,s Committee on the Arts and the Humanities.

Ms. Betsy Levitt Cohn, of New York City, New York, is a retired executive
from
the advertising and entertainment fields. Originally employed in 1959 as a
secretary at Kenyon & Eckhardt Advertising, she rose into the management
ranks,
first as Head of Casting and then as Director of Public Relations. In
1975,
Ms. Cohn joined Paramount Pictures as Director of Marketing
(Non-Theatrical),

then became a Consultant for Showtime from 1977 through 1982, and was Director of Pay TV MGM/UA from 1982 until her retirement in 1986. In the non-profit sector, Ms. Cohn has served in a number of leadership roles, including the Volunteer Council of the New York Philharmonic, where she oversaw the Philharmonic in Central Park program, and she serves on the Board of Directors of New Dramatists, the Lincoln Center Theater Patron Committee and Co-Chaired the Lincoln Center Jazz Benefit. She received her B.S. from Syracuse University.

Ms. Cynthia Friedman, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, is co-owner and member of the Board of Directors of the Union Real Estate Company of Pittsburgh. Previously, she was Vice President of Emglo Products in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Ms. Friedman has also served as National Chair of the Women's Leadership Forum of the Democratic National Committee and on the Boards of Directors of the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art in Pennsylvania and the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra. Both organizations provide a high quality of cultural outreach into smaller communities in Western Pennsylvania. She also provided the leadership to raise the necessary funds and spearhead the restoration of Johnstown's historic railway station. Ms. Friedman also serves on the Board of Directors of Ballet Florida and the Collectors Committee of the National Gallery of Art. She received a B.S. in Psychology, with a Minor in Fine Arts from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Alice Kandell, of New York City, New York, is a child psychologist formerly affiliated with Mt. Sinai Hospital. Additionally, Dr. Kandell is an author and professional photographer, having published books on subjects ranging from Mountaintop Kingdom: Sikkim

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to children's books such as Max the Music Maker and Ben's ABC Day. Dr. Kandell is also Vice President of the Board of the International League for Human Rights and President of the International Vocal Arts Institute, whose faculty is affiliated with the Metropolitan Opera. She also performs in non-singing roles with the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Dr. Kandell was a participant in President Clinton's November 1997 retreat at Amelia Island, discussing children in the arts and is a member of the President's Circle of the National Academy of Sciences. She received her Doctorate in Child

Psychology from Harvard University.

Ms. Hilary B. Rosen, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Recording Industry Association of America, a trade association with more than 350 member companies responsible for creating, manufacturing, or distributing 90 percent of all legitimate sound recordings sold in the U.S. She is also a founder and board member of Rock the Vote, an organization encouraging young people to become more involved in the political process. Ms. Rosen serves on many non-profit boards including LifeBeat, The Human Rights Campaign Foundation, the National Music Council, the National Advisory Council for Artists for a Hate Free America, Y.E.S. to Jobs and the National Cancer Foundation. Previously in her career, she was a Vice-President for the lobbying firm of Liz Robbins Associates, and worked for former Governor Brendan Byrne (D-NJ) and on the transition teams of Senators Bill Bradley (D-NJ) and Feinstein (D-CA). Ms. Rosen studied international business at George Washington University.

Mr. Howard A. Tullman, of Chicago, Illinois, is the Chairman and CEO, and one of the founders of JAMTV Corporation, which operates music mega-sites on the Internet. Previously, Mr. Tullman was President and CEO of Imagination Pilots, Inc., a multimedia software developer specializing in CD-ROM games, including Blown Away, Eraser, Panic in the Park, Where!,s Waldo?, At the World Wide Games, and SNAP!,s Math Parade. Earlier, he founded a number of companies involved in providing computerized services and databases to businesses, educational institutions and consumers. Mr. Tullman also teaches an MBA class called "Start-Ups: Start to Finish" and lectures regularly on venturing and entrepreneurship at the J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University. He is also an active art collector, lender and donor to museums, including the Smart Museum of Art of the University of Chicago, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Chicago Children!,s Museum and the Milwaukee Art Museum. Mr. Tullman received his B.A. from Northwestern University and his J.D. from the same institution!,s School of Law.

The President!,s Committee on the Arts and the Humanities was established in order to advise the President, the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities concerning ways to promote private sector support for the arts and the humanities, especially at the state and local

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PRESIDENT CLINTON: CLOSING THE LOOPHOLE ON GUN SHOWS
February 6, 1999

Today, President Clinton will release a report from Treasury Secretary Rubin and Attorney General Reno, recommending actions the Administration can take to ensure that firearms sold at gun shows are not exempt from federal firearms laws, including the law requiring background checks. The President will accept their recommendations and also announce an increase of nearly \$30 million in his FY 2000 budget to increase investigations and prosecutions of gun law violations, including those occurring at gun shows.

Findings of the Report. In response to a directive by the President last November, the Treasury and Justice Departments reviewed 314 gun show-related

investigations conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), mostly between 1997 and 1998. The investigations involved more than 54,000 firearms and spanned a wide range of federal firearms violations. The review found the following:

Number of gun shows. In 1998, there were an estimated 4,442 gun shows. Most gun shows were sponsored by state and local firearms collectors organizations, though some shows were promoted by individual collectors and business people. Ten states sponsored the most gun shows: TX (472); PA (250); FL (224); IL (203); CA (188); IN (180); NC (170); OR (160); OH (148); and NV (129).

Typical gun show. The typical gun show costs about \$5 to attend and draws an average of between 2,500 and 5,000 people. Vendors rent tables for a fee ranging from \$5 to \$50, and the number of tables varies from as few as 50 to as many as 2,000. Federally-licensed firearms dealers (FFLs) make up about 50 to 75 percent of vendors, with unlicensed gun sellers representing the remaining 25 to 50 percent. Unlicensed gun sellers -- who are assumed to be selling from their personal collections -- are not required to conduct background checks or keep records of gun sales. Large quantities of firearms are also sold in less formal and smaller public markets, such as flea markets.

Guns sold. The firearms sold at gun shows include new and used handguns, semiautomatic assault weapons, shotguns, rifles, and curio and relic firearms (novel and older firearms). Additionally, vendors often sell large capacity magazines, machine gun parts, and a wide variety of other paraphernalia (knives, ammunition, military artifacts, and books).

Forum for illegal sales and trafficking. Gun shows provide a forum for illegal firearms sales and gun trafficking. Of the 314 gun show investigations reviewed, 46 percent involved the purchase or sale of firearms by felons, and 34 percent involved the sale of firearms later used in serious crimes, including homicides. Other gun law violations observed at gun shows included: the sale of firearms without a federal gun license (more than 50 percent of the cases reviewed); the sale of firearms "off the books" -- without conducting a background check or keeping a record (about 20 percent of cases); and the sale or transfer of machine guns in

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violation of federal law (20 percent of cases). More than a third of the investigations involved more than 50 firearms, and at least one investigation involved up to 10,000 firearms.

The Report's Recommendations. To close the gun-show loophole that allows countless firearms to be sold on a "no questions asked" basis, the President will endorse all of the report's recommendations and support legislation, to be introduced by Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) and Representative Rod Blagojevich (D-IL), that will make them the law of the land. These recommendations include:

(1) Requiring Brady background checks on all firearms transferred at gun shows, with the assistance of federally-licensed dealers. Currently, an estimated 25-50 percent of all firearms sold at gun shows are not subject to background checks, because they are sold by an unlicensed seller. The new legislation

will require the participation of licensed dealers in all sales at gun shows, so that all sales will be subject to the Brady background check requirement.

(2) Requiring vendors to report information on firearms sold at gun shows to the ATF. Gun dealers would submit certain information (e.g., manufacturer, model, serial number) on firearms transferred at gun shows to ATF's National Tracing Center and maintain additional information on file to assist in future firearms tracing requests by law enforcement. These requirements would ensure that firearms sold at gun shows cannot (as they so often do now) disappear without a trace.

(3) Requiring gun show promoters to register with the ATF and notify it of all gun shows. Promoters would have to provide the time and location of gun shows and a list of vendors; provide vendors with information about their legal obligations; and require vendors to acknowledge receipt of this information.

(4) Defining gun shows broadly. These requirements would apply to any place where 50 or more firearms are offered for sale by at least two vendors.

(5) Increasing resources to combat the illegal trade of firearms at gun shows.

New Resources for Firearms Enforcement. Consistent with the report's findings and recommendations, the President's FY 2000 budget includes over \$28 million in new funds to enhance the enforcement of federal firearms laws, including:

\$23.8 million for more than 120 new ATF agents to support firearms investigations, arrest violent criminals and gun traffickers, and crack down on illegal gun sales.

\$5 million for more than 40 additional federal prosecutors to conduct intensive firearms prosecution projects targeting violent felons who possess guns, armed drug traffickers, and illegal gun markets.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
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The East Room

2:20 P.M. EST

MRS. CLINTON: Welcome and please be seated. The President and I are delighted to have you all here for the second presentation of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development.

Each of today's awardees is showing the power of microenterprise, the power to transform welfare checks to paychecks, poverty to economic growth and income, despair to hope. Later in the program we'll hear from Carol Willoughby, who will tell us how her life and family was forever changed by microenterprise.

I had the chance to see Carol's work firsthand at a speech I gave last April at a microenterprise meeting. She had made the banners hanging behind the podium -- or, rather, I should say, her company had made them because with opportunity and hard work, that's what she has created, a thriving business. And the name of that company, as you've heard, appropriately enough, is Let The Whole World Know.

Well, when it came time to pick someone to participate in this program, it was a very difficult choice because the stories from all of these award winners are going to really warm your heart and make you understand our commitment to microenterprise. But Let The Whole World Know really sounded a theme that we wanted to make sure could be sounded here.

There are many people in this room who have worked for years to make this day possible, and I want to recognize and thank them, starting with Secretary Rubin, who has led the Treasury in exemplary ways at the micro level, but also understood the importance of the micro, as well as the macro. And so I'm grateful to him and the work that's been done at the Treasury Department.

Senator Don Riegle, I believe is here -- former Senator -- and Don, thank you for the work you did in championing the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund while you were in the Senate. And there are other members of Congress I want to thank: Senator Harkin, Senator Kennedy,

Senator

Wellstone, Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, Congressman Oberstar.

And as well as our officials from the Congress, we also have the Lieutenant Governor of Iowa, Sally Peterson, and a number of the agency heads who are responsible for the government's microenterprise program, starting with USAID Administrator Brian Atwood, as well as the Deputy Administrator, Hattie Babbitt; Small Business Administrator Aida Alvarez; CDFI Director Ellen Lazar; the Director of the National Economic Council, Gene Sperling; Mary Ellen Withrow, the Treasurer of the United States; and a former OMB Director who was on the team for microenterprise, Frank Raines.

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I want to thank all of you, and the people you work with, for the extraordinary job you have done.

You know, many of us have heard about microenterprise over a number of years. Bill and I were trying to determine when we had heard about it -- and as we get older it seems harder to remember. (Laughter.) We think it was somewhere in the early '80s, somewhere between '84 and '86. And we had heard about this because it was an idea that had been transplanted from Bangladesh to the South Shore Bank in Chicago, a place that I am very familiar with. And I was very anxious to learn more about how microenterprise was transforming both rural areas, among some of the poorest people on our planet, and urban areas in our own city.

I have been, now, around our country and around the world, meeting with people who are the recipients of microenterprise awards. And I have been just struck, time and time again, by the heroic stories that they tell. I'll never forget the look of pride on the face of a woman I met from Guatemala, who told me that with the help of a small loan, she had gone from being a mango seller on the streets to owning a market stall, and eventually running a small business with 15 employees. So from the time she had started on the streets selling mangoes, to the age of 12, she had had a long, hard effort of a lot of

work, but
it paid off. And she told me with great pride that she was sending her
son to
college in the United States.

In Western India, I walked into a women's bank, which had only one
room
and the teller's counter was an old kitchen table and bank clerks
transcribed
all of the recorded transactions by hand on yellow sheets of paper. But
while I
was there I met women who walked 12 to 15 hours from remote villages to
take out
loans -- some as small as \$1, to invest in dairy cows, plows or goods to
sell at
market. These women were among some of the poorest and least educated of
all
Indians. But their loan repayment rate was nearly 100 percent, and they
told me
what they had done with their loans and how that had transformed their
lives,
enabling them to give their children better housing, health care and other
opportunities.

I was also very pleased last year in Africa when I accompanied the
President and the President of the Uganda to a microenterprise site in a
village
some distance from the capital of Kampala. I don't think that a head of
state
had ever visited a village site of a microenterprise group, and I know
that two
heads of state at the same time have never done that. (Laughter.) And I
was
delighted that both the President and President Museveni had the same
reaction
that I always have -- a great deal of interest and a great deal of pride
in what
they were hearing on behalf of the people who were telling their stories.

But microenterprise had not only transformed lives abroad, they
are
transforming lives right here at home. I remember visiting the Mi Casa
Microlending Program in Denver and speaking to a group of women who told
me
about how they had had good ideas, but they couldn't get any capital
anywhere.
One woman memorably remarked, you know, a lot of good ideas die in the
parking
lots of banks. (Laughter.) She said, you know, I knew I was a good
baker, I
knew I could open a bakery, I knew I could employ people -- but I didn't
have
any collateral and the amount of money that I wanted was below the lending
limit

of the bank. Well, thanks to microenterprise, she was doing what she had dreamed of.

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The origin of these awards go back to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, when I

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pledged on behalf of the President and the administration a commitment to spread microenterprise and microlending through our nations; and also to have these awards, as well. We've now seen the fruits of that effort, from one end of our country to the other and you're going to hear about some of the exemplary programs in just a few minutes.

I believe that this is part of the President's strong initiative to try to bring free enterprise and capital development to those parts of our country that are still left out. You know, we've done extraordinarily well thanks to the leadership of the President and the Secretary of Treasury and the others in the administration.

But we still have a ways to go in some of our inner- city neighborhoods in some of our rural areas, and in some of our Indian communities, particularly. So what we're trying to do is to say we want a multi-pronged strategy to provide economic opportunity to every American willing to work hard to achieve it on his or her behalf.

And no one understands the importance of the free enterprise system, and the need for us to spread its benefits to every American, than someone who has worked tirelessly over the past years to ensure that every American would have an opportunity to be successful. And it is my great honor and personal privilege to introduce to you the Secretary of the Treasury, Bob Rubin. (Applause.)

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THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Carol, you better watch it, before you know it you'll be running for office. (Laughter.) What a remarkable statement

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thank you so much.

I'd like to take a little -- a few moments more than I normally would by way of introduction today. Hillary and I and Bob Rubin are real happy today, because this is one of the things that I ran for President to do. To see these stories, to see the spirit, and to see the potential.

I want to thank Secretary Rubin. You know, I used to tell a joke about Bob Rubin. He's been here a long time now, and he left this fabulous career on Wall Street. And I used to tell everybody that I asked Bob Rubin to come to Washington in 1993 to help me save the middle class, and by the time he leaves he'll be one of them. (Laughter.)

SECRETARY RUBIN: That always seems a lot funnier to you, Mr. President.
(Laughter.)

THE PRESIDENT: Yes. I don't know how much it's cost him to stay here these six years, but one of the reasons that I really wanted him to come is that when we -- even in the beginning, when we began talking about these matters in '92, he always said, you know, I'd like to get the economy going again and working again, and then we could maybe really do something for poor people in this country. Maybe we could really bring the spirit of enterprise to all these places that have been left behind.

I don't know how many Secretaries of the Treasury in our country's history have ever had that sort of driving passion. But I know we had one, and he's done a magnificent job. And I'm very grateful to him. (Applause.)

I want to thank Senator Harkin, Senator Kennedy, Senator Wellstone, Congressman Oberstar, Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton for supporting this economic vision so strongly. I thank former Senator Riegle, who is here, who was the committee chairman who helped us to make this a critical part, this whole microenterprise, a critical part of our economic strategy way back in 1993.

I welcome Lieutenant Governor Sally Peterson from Iowa; we're delighted to have her here with her honorees. I want to thank our former OMB Director, Frank Raines; Mary Ellen Withrow, our Treasurer; Ellen Lazar and others who have supported our efforts here. A special word of thanks to Aida Alvarez and Betsy Myers and all the other members of her team from SBA who are here. And to Brian Atwood and Hattie Babbitt and the others from AID -- I believe that under our administration we funded 2 million of these small microenterprise loans, from Africa to Asia to Latin America, last year.

There's one group of people who have not been acknowledged -- and Hillary and I were talking about it -- who were out there ahead of the federal government for years, without whom microenterprise never would have really taken off in America, and that's all the members of the foundation community. I'd like to -- all the representatives of the foundations that are here that have supported microenterprise lending, I'd like to ask you to stand, please, and be acknowledged. Thank you. Thank you very much. (Applause.)

And I'll say more about this in a minute, but this whole issue has been a passion for the First Lady for, as she said, about 15 years. We had a friend who was working at the South Shore Bank in Chicago, which had a microenterprise loan program. We went there, we saw what they were doing.

Then in 1984 I was able to meet, here in Washington -- I was here at a governor's meeting, I'll never forget it. I got up early one morning and had breakfast with Muhammad Yunus, who had been trained as an economist in the United States and then gone to Bangladesh and set up the Grameen Bank. Hundreds of thousands of loans had been made -- market interest rates -- very tiny loans, almost all to poor village women. The repayment rate was better than the commercial banks in Bangladesh, and it changed my thinking about this forever.

And then Hillary scrounged up some foundation money, and other money, and I squeezed some out of the Arkansas legislature and we started a development

bank with a microenterprise program in Arkansas. And after I became President, she literally has gone all across the world. She's been in small villages on every continent, where people like her never go.

And I should tell the rest of the story because I don't think President Museveni would object. I have the highest regard for the President of Uganda. He's one of the most intelligent and effective leaders of any developing country anywhere in the world. But when we were walking on this little rocky pathway into this village to see all these village women who now had their own businesses, he looked at me and he said, that's some wife you've got. He said, until you showed up here I didn't even know we had these programs in our country. (Laughter.)

So, without her we probably wouldn't be here today. And I'm very, very grateful for everything that Hillary has done to champion this cause. (Applause.)

I also want to say a word of appreciation to Carol and all the other small business owners here. It takes a lot of courage to run a small business. Hillary and I have talked about this a lot -- she talked to me about one time when she was a high school girl she worked in a small business in her home town, and there were days when no one came in. Every day, if you open a small business, you feel like politicians feel on election day. (Laughter.)

I'll never forget -- I can't remember, one of the great old Hollywood moguls said, you know, if you make a bad movie, the people will stay away and you cannot stop them. (Laughter.) Which I think is a great -- so I want to thank all of you for having the spirit of enterprise and the vision and the courage.

This whole country is basically built by entrepreneurs, whether they're in Silicon Valley or young investment bankers in Manhattan or people running the street-vending operations out here for the tourists in Washington. The genius of actually being able to have an idea and act on it, and having people respond

to it and invest in it and be your customers and, as Carol said, in a way validate your ideas, your character and your hard work, it's the whole secret of America.

And because of the strength of our economy, I believe we have an obligation to give that opportunity to everyone. Just this morning we learned that what is now the longest peacetime expansion in American history has grown longer. Last month our economy created nearly another quarter-million jobs, and unemployment stayed at 4.3 percent. That's the lowest peacetime rate since 1957. Wages now rising at over twice the rate of inflation; again, unemployment rates among Hispanic and African Americans dropped to their lowest recorded levels ever.

Now, if we cannot expand opportunity into every corner of America now, we will never get around to it. We have an obligation now to spread the spirit and the opportunity for enterprise to all the American people. As you've heard from others, we've been working on this for six years now -- working to bring opportunities to some of our most distressed communities, with an agenda of empowerment. That's what we celebrate here. Not a hand out, a hand up. This microenterprise program is the embodiment of empowerment.

We know -- and I was so glad to hear what Carol said about self-esteem, because sometimes a crisis of economic distress is a crisis of the spirit as well; a shortage of confidence that is just as debilitating as a shortage of cash. And these stories today -- I want all of you to imagine not only the economic success, but what it has done to these people's lives. There are stories like this all over America and all over the world.

What does it mean to a single mom's life when she goes to the mailbox in the morning and sees a bank statement instead of a welfare check? What does it mean to a child when he or she can go to school and say, when they ask, "What does your mother do for a living?" -- she owns a beauty shop? What does it mean to a neighborhood when, all of a sudden, an old building that has been vacant for 10 years has a "help wanted" sign out in front of it?

This is about more than economics. And through our network of community development banks -- or CDFIs, as we call them, community development financial institutions -- through the strengthened and streamlined Community Reinvestment Act -- and I will say that even though that act has been on the books for more than 20 years now, 95 percent of all the investment under Community Reinvestment has been done in the last six years, in our administration. And I'm proud of that. (Applause.) And the banks are doing quite well. (Laughter.) They're doing well by doing good. And it's important to remember as the debate develops this year about that. And through these empowerment zones, we've seen the steady expansion of opportunity.

Last month, as the Secretary said, I announced this new markets initiative, to spur even more private investment in under-served areas. And we want to reach -- building a bridge from Wall Street to Harlem to Appalachia, to the Mississippi Delta, to South Texas, to Pine Ridge, South Dakota -- everywhere there are opportunities still untapped.

Today I am proud to announce that, as a part of our budget, we would more than double our support for microenterprise in America. We would continue our -- (applause) -- thank you.

We also want to continue our efforts to promote microenterprise abroad, especially in the nations that have been hardest hit by the global financial crisis, or by our neighbors hit by natural disasters. And I think that is very important, because we are giving courage and awareness to other governments, and other countries, to do more for their own people in this regard.

First, we recognize that, for the vast majority of micro-entrepreneurs, good ideas and credit are just the beginning. A little guidance -- lessons on accounting, billing, planning -- those things are essential for any business to thrive in a complex economy. The budget doubles the Small Business Administration's capacity to provide such training through its micro-loan

program, triples support for SBA's one-stop capital shops, which offer micro-lending advice and other assistance in disadvantaged communities.

I'm also proud to support the bipartisan program for investments in micro-entrepreneurs -- the PRIME Act, sponsored by Senator Kennedy and Senator Domenici from New Mexico, Representatives -- (applause) -- and Representatives Rush, Leach and LaFalce, so that we can expand our technical assistance through the Treasury's CDFI fund.

Second, we want to make even more credit available to low-income Americans with good business ideas. That's why I'm proposing to leverage more than \$75 million in new loans by doubling our support for the SBA's micro-loan program. (Applause.)

Third, we want to keep encouraging Americans to save some of their own hard-earned money, to start or expand businesses. Last year, I was proud to sign new individual development accounts into law, fulfilling a campaign pledge from 1992, and thanks in no small measure to the leadership of Senator Tom Harkin from Iowa and former Senator Dan Coats from Indiana. We thank you very much, Senators, for that. Thank you. (Applause.)

For those of you who don't know, these individual development accounts -- IDAs -- are special accounts that provide federal matching funds to low-income Americans who save money to invest in their business, buy a first home, pay for a college education. I want to double support for these accounts in our budget.

Next, we will continue to lead the world through USAID to promote microenterprise for millions of families to get out of poverty in other countries. The recent local financial crisis and the hurricanes in Central America and the Caribbean have literally upended the lives of tens of thousands, hundreds of thousands of people. As you have heard from the First Lady's account, we have seen firsthand how these loans -- sometimes in other countries loans as small as \$10, \$15, \$25, \$50 can make all the difference in helping families to get back on their feet.

Our balanced budget will target extra microenterprise assistance to the

countries that are in trouble. And to break down the bureaucratic walls that block microenterprise in some developing countries, we'll continue to work with the World Bank and other financial institutions to reform the regulatory structures so we can make more of these loans available. There is a virtually unlimited potential abroad and at home for this, and I keep hoping if we just keep pushing and keep pushing and keep pushing we will reach a critical mass of investment which will explode it and let the whole world know that this works.
(Applause.)

And this ceremony today is a part of letting the whole world know. So we come here not only to honor you with these Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise, but to say to the world that these six organizations whose vision and commitment have made such a profound difference in the lives of the business owners, their employees and their customers are but a small beginning of what we could achieve together in the United States and throughout the world if we work harder to make the economy work for ordinary citizens.

And so this, too, is a part of letting the whole world know. And when you come up here and get your awards I hope that you will not only feel enormous pride, I hope that you will not only feel an enormous sense of rededication to further success, I hope you will feel that you are sending a message to people who will see this all over America, or read about it in their newspapers. And you may be sparking someone else's conviction either that, A, they ought to set up one of these funds, or B, they ought to find one and get a loan.

And I believe that we will continue to see the steady march of progress here. This has the potential to revolutionize not only the lives of ordinary Americans, but the whole way we organize our economy here and around the world.

So, first: For excellence in the category of Access to Capital, the Microcredit Industry Rural Organization. Since 1987, MICRO has provided

some
\$5.5 million in loans to more than 1,000 entrepreneurs living in rural
Arizona's
poorest Hispanic communities. Accepting this award is Executive Director
Frank
Ballesteros, and entrepreneur Maria Jesus Gaxiola, a former migrant farm
worker
who used a \$1,500 loan to build her own cosmetics business -- and I might
say,
she's a remarkable walking advertisement for her success. (Laughter.)
Please
come up here. (Applause.)

Next, for excellence in Developing Entrepreneurial Skills, the
Detroit
Entrepreneurship Institute. Founded at Wayne State University, the
Institute
has worked to teach low-income clients the full range of business skills.
Clients can also take advantage of a free computer center, a tax
preparation
service, and graphic design department to help launch and expand their
businesses. Accepting this award is Cathy McClelland, the President and
CEO;
and Jackie Tucker, who started a successful catering business after
training at
the Institute. I'd like to ask them to come up now. (Applause.)

Also for excellence in Developing Entrepreneurial Skills, the
Northeast
Entrepreneur Fund of Virginia, Minnesota. (Laughter.) In the Iron Range,
north
of Duluth. Serving rural communities throughout a 20,000 square mile
area, the
Fund offers one-on-one counseling to clients, helping them to tailor their
studies to specific needs. Accepting this award is the Fund's President,
Mary
Mathews; and our star speaker today -- (laughter) -- Carol Willoughby.
(Applause.)

For excellence in Poverty Alleviation, the Institute for Social
and
Economic Development of Iowa. One of the earliest statewide
microenterprise
efforts in the nation, the Institute -- listen to this -- has helped 90
percent
of its welfare clients free themselves from lives of dependency through
self-employment.

Accepting this award today is John Else, founder and president;
and
entrepreneur Rhonda Auten, a former welfare recipient who started her own
dance
school with help from ISED. (Applause.)

(The award was presented.)

For excellence in private support for microenterprise development,
the
Corporation for Enterprise Development. For two decades -- through
research,
public advocacy and technical assistance to microenterprise organizations
-- the
Corporation has fostered so much of the progress we see today, including
the
success of three of this year's award winners. We are all -- including
all of
us in this administration -- profoundly indebted to the awardee, the
Corporation, and its founder and chairman, Mr. Robert Friedman.
(Applause.)

(The award was presented.)

For excellence in public support for microenterprise development,
the
Montana Microbusiness Finance Program. As part of the Montana Department
of
Commerce, this program has helped to launch or sustain a dozen
microlending
organizations serving communities throughout that vast and beautiful
state.
Accepting this award are program officer Robyn Hampton and entrepreneurs
Kevin
and Heidi Snyder, who used a microloan to start their racquetball and
fitness
centers. They are two walking advertisements for what they're doing, as
you can
see. (Laughter.) Come on up. (Applause.)

(The award was presented.)

Now, don't you feel better than you did when you got up this
morning?
(Laughter.) Isn't this great?

Henry Ford -- a small entrepreneur -- once said that the best
Americans
were those with "an infinite capacity to not know what can't be done." We
honor
today those kinds of Americans -- testaments to the power of enterprise,
and the
strength of the human spirit.

I ask you to leave here committed to work in the years ahead to
bring
this spirit, and this opportunity, to every corner of every community in
our
land and on our globe.

Thank you very much, and God bless you. (Applause.)

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PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN MICROENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT
February 5, 1999

Today, President Clinton Presents The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development. The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development were created as one of the commitments made by the United States at the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, held in Beijing China in September 1995. The awards reflect an on-going commitment by President Clinton to advance the role that microenterprise development plays in enhancing economic opportunities of all Americans, especially those that lack access to traditional sources of credit such as women, low income people, and minorities. President Clinton directed the Treasury Department to establish the Presidential Awards (which are administered by the Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund) to help bring wider public attention to the important role and successes of microenterprise development in the domestic economy. The first Presidential Awards were made in January 1997 and are made in different categories designed to embrace the diverse goals, purposes and activities of successful microenterprise organizations, and the challenges and opportunities they face.

This Year,s Awardees (And Some of Their Clients, Stories) Are:

The Micro Industry Credit Rural Organization (MICRO), a loan fund of the PPEP Microbusiness and Housing Development Corporation, of Tucson, Arizona. Established in 1987, MICRO is one of the oldest Hispanic development organizations and one of the oldest microenterprise loan funds in the nation. MICRO is recognized as a Presidential Awardee in the Access to Capital award category for its best practices as a high impact, credit-oriented model for promoting micro entrepreneurship in low income, rural Arizona communities.

Client Profile: Maria Jesus "Chuyita" Gaxiola was a migrant farm worker, widowed with two small daughters, barely surviving on her daughters, Social Security income and speaking no English when she first visited MICRO in 1993. She was nevertheless possessed of extraordinary drive and tenacity, and over the next several years participated in a series of programs at MICRO including ESL classes and training in basic business skills. From an initial microenterprise loan of \$1,500, she was able to expand her cosmetics, jewelry and accessories business into a thriving entity which in 1998 brought in \$60,000 with a net profit to Chuyita of \$30,000.

The Detroit Entrepreneurship Institute, Inc. (DEI) of Detroit, Michigan, provides a one-stop shop for aspiring microentrepreneurs. Created in 1990, DEI is recognized as a Presidential Awardee in the Developing Entrepreneurial Skills award category for providing a uniquely comprehensive range of training, technical assistance and business support services targeted to welfare recipients and low income individuals.

Client Profile: Jacqueline Tucker is a divorced mother of three children who started a small catering business after completing her training at DEI. Jacqueline, a divorced mother of three children who was on welfare for 10 years, was determined that there would be no second generation welfare recipients among her children. She was one of DEI's first graduates and borrowers in 1991, and repaid her first \$2,000 loan six months before it was due. Jacqueline's three children have played an active role in her business, with the entire family often helping with food preparation and display, clean up, loading the van, and billing. In addition to learning how to manage a business, Jacqueline now feels more confident as a citizen, mother and woman. She states that, after participating in the DEI program, she began to grow as a person. Jacqueline has now been off welfare for more than five years.

The Northeast Entrepreneur Fund, Inc. (NEF) of Virginia, Minnesota. Created in 1989, NEF is recognized as a Presidential Awardee in the Developing Entrepreneurial Skills award category for its strong commitment to developing and implementing impact measures for assessing the performance of training-based microenterprise programs, as well as providing an effective and flexible model for delivering skill development services to rural entrepreneurs.

Client Profile: Carol Willoughby first became a NEF client in 1991 when she was launching her sign making business, which she began by making wedding and church banners in her living room in order to supplement her family's income. Today, her business provides convention, sporting event, and special promotion signage for the Duluth area and the upper Midwest. Carol no longer paints signs; instead she creates her signs out of vinyl with the aid of two computer systems. During the years she has operated her business, Carol has received training, technical assistance and financing from NEF. Each year, Carol has established and achieved her business and financial goals. The company's sales in 1998 were 20 times what they were in 1991. For Carol, owning her own business "has been a dream come true," and she credits NEF for helping her to make it happen.

The Institute for Social and Economic Development (ISED) of Iowa City, Iowa was founded in 1989 and has proven its long term staying power while maintaining a strong and aggressive commitment to serving its low income clientele. ISED is recognized as a Presidential Awardee in the Poverty Alleviation award category for its success in serving low income clients, its effective program design and its commitment to promote the evolution of the microenterprise field through impact measurement.

Client Profile: Dancing since she was six years old, Rhonda won local and regional dance competitions and always dreamed of owning her own dance studio. By 1990, Rhonda was the assistant gymnastics coach at the local YMCA, as well as a dance coordinator and aerobics instructor. That year,

however Rhonda,s life took a rough turn when her husband went to prison. Rhonda, with an infant son to support, found herself with no health insurance and insufficient income to make ends meet. She was forced to go on welfare. However, Rhonda was determined to get off of welfare and rebuild her life. Rhonda went through ISED,s three-month training program and received technical assistance to obtain financing and get a business started. In June of 1994, ISED helped Rhonda get a \$8,200 loan from a bank, and with it she opened the Showtime Dance School. "The early days and months were rough," said Rhonda. "But, ISED was there to help me get through. They were both my best friend and business consultant." By the following year, Rhonda had made enough money to get off of public assistance. Today, Showtime has 260 enrollments and offers instruction in tap, ballet, jazz, point and lyrical dance for ages three and up. Rhonda paid off her bank loan in full in May 1998. In 1998, Rhonda,s business had approximately \$60,000 in gross income and \$30,000 in net income.

The Corporation for Enterprise Development (CFED) of Washington D.C. and San Francisco, CA. Founded in 1978, CFED has been one of the leading lights in the development of the U.S. microenterprise industry. CFED is recognized in the Public or Private Support for Microenterprise Development award category for its steadfast and long-standing commitment to low income people and its vision, creativity and initiative in moving the microenterprise industry to new heights at every stage of its development.

Client Profile: CFED is a policy and research institute, and as such does not have its own microentrepreneur clients. However, its list of accomplishments is long. This Awardee carries out its mission by: conducting research and program evaluation; pioneering new credit and asset-building strategies tailored to the needs of low-income people; collecting and disseminating information to the field on best practices in microenterprise development; providing training and technical assistance to many leading organizations in the microenterprise field; and serving as a strong and effective voice for the industry. Among many other claims to fame, CFED helped launch several of the industry,s leading microenterprise development organizations including four Presidential Award winners -- three 1998 winners, Detroit Entrepreneurship Institute, Inc., Institute for Social and Economic Development, and Northeast Entrepreneur Fund, Inc. and Women,s Self Employment Program (a 1997 winner).

The Montana Microbusiness Finance Program (MMFP) of Helena, Montana builds the capacity of local organizations to promote community asset-building and microbusiness ownership. Created in 1991, MMFP is recognized in the Public or Private Support for Microenterprise Development award category as a state-sponsored model for creating and growing microenterprises in a rural state.

Client Profile: In 1994, Kevin and Heidi Snyder were seeking to purchase a racquetball club business. Kevin and Heidi had previously managed a health club while he was attending college and studying business management, yet no local bank would lend them the money. The Snyders approached the District VI Human Resource and Development Council, one of the microlenders supported by MMFP, for a loan. After purchasing a building for The Total Body Racquetball and Fitness Center with the loan,

they expanded the weight training equipment, added a tanning bed and started a racquetball league. In 1995, Kevin and Heidi refinanced their first microloan, purchased equipment, and were able to add an aerobic exercise room with a second microloan. They have since added nutrition counseling and a pro shop to their range of services, and plan to build an indoor swimming pool. They have also added to their family, and currently switch off responsibilities for raising three young boys with that of managing the Center. The Snyders were winners of the 1998 Montana Microenterprise of the Year Award. They attribute much of their success to MMFP, for backing them when no one else would, and for the business counseling, training and other assistance that enabled them to go so successfully from launch to thriving business.

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Communications Research Look Ahead: Week of February 8th and Beyond

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Schedule:

Sat.	2/7	VP: House Retreat Dinner	Wed.	2/10	POTUS: Americorps Event
Mon.	2/8	POTUS: Drug Control Strategy Event			VP: Pension Event
		POTUS: Little League World Series Champions Event	Thurs.	2/11	POTUS: Working Visit with Chancellor Schroeder of Germany (T)
Tue.	2/9	POTUS: Address House Democratic Issues Conference	Fri.	2/12	VP: MD Police Corp Graduation (T)

Other Up Coming POTUS/VPOTUS Events:

2/15	POTUS: Travel in Mexico				Chirac of France
2/19	POTUS: Official Working Visit of President		2/19	VP: AFL-CIO Exec. Council Mtg. Miami, FL	

Looking Ahead February:

2/22	POTUS: National Governor's Assoc. Meeting		2/24	POTUS & VP: State Visit of Pres. Rawlings of Ghana
	VP: PCAST Mtg in DC			
2/23	POTUS: Children's Health Event		2/24-25	VP: International Corruption Conf. in DC
	VP: LULAC President's Award Gala Dinner			
	VP: NTEU Leg Conf in DC			

Administration & Other Significant Anniversaries

Sat.	2/6	US annexed Guam, the Phillippines, and Puerto Rico, 1899	Sun.	2/14	First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy takes the American Public on the most extensive tour of the White House on TV, 1962
Sun.	2/7	11th Amendment (judicial powers construed) ratified, 1795			
Mon.	2/8	Telecommunications Bill signed, 1996	Mon.	2/15	President's day
Tue.	2/9	Boeing 747 inaugural flight, 1969	Thurs.	2/18	Jefferson Davis sworn in as 1st President of the Confederate States, 1861
Wed.	2/10	25th Amendment (Presidential disability and succession) ratified, 1967	Fri.	2/19	US Invasion of Iwo Jima began, 1945
Fri.	2/12	Abraham Lincoln born, 1809	Sat.	2/20	John Glenn, 1st American in Orbit, 1962
Sat.	2/13	First public school opened in America, 1635			US Postal Service established, 1792
			Sun.	2/21	Nixon visited China, 1972
			Mon.	2/22	George Washington born, 1732
			Tue.	2/23	US flag raised over Iwo Jima, 1945
			Fri.	2/26	World Trade Center bombed, NYC, 1993

Economic Announcements

Tue.	2/9	Productivity and Costs	Wed.	2/17	Housing Starts and Building Permits
Wed.	2/10	Wholesale Trade			Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization
Thurs.	2/11	Advance Retail Sales			U.S. Import and Export Price Indexes
Fri.	2/12	Manufacturing and Trade: Inventories and Sale	Thurs.	2/18	Producer Price Indexes

[Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Bureau of Economic Analysis]

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Commerce

March 9-10 Secretaries Daley, Albright, Rubin and Slater are expected to participate in the U.S.-Africa Economic Partnership Dialogue with as many as 46 Sub-Saharan African countries being represented.

Education

Early Feb. The National Assessment of Educational Progress results for reading will be released in early February.

Feb. 16 Secretary Riley will deliver his State of Education Address at California State University at Long Beach.

EPA

Early Feb. In early February, EPA will issue a proposed regulation which for the first time ever strengthens tailpipe emission standards for cars and light duty trucks.

Interior

Feb. 10-11 The U.S. Geological Survey will participate in a research symposium resulting from the 1998 Lake Tahoe Presidential Forum. Discussions will cover improving the integration of research, science, and decision-making in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

SBA

March 8-12 Administrator Alvarez will lead 25 new-to-export small businesses on a trade mission to Mexico City and Guadalajara.

SSA

Feb. 9-10 The Social Security Advisory Board will meet in Atlanta, GA.

Mid Feb. GAO will release a draft report in the next several weeks on SSA's Redesign of Disability Claims Process.

CONGRESS

The Senate

On the Floor:

On Saturday, the House managers make their presentations in the impeachment trial. Each side is expected to present their closing arguments on Monday with deliberations following on Tuesday and Wednesday. Final votes are expected occur next Thursday or Friday.

In Committee:

February 9:

Budget -- The Budget Committee will resume hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000; SD-608, 9:30 AM.

Education -- The Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee will hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for elementary and secondary education programs; SD-430, 9:30 AM.

DOD Budget -- The Armed Services Committee will resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the DOD, and the future years defense program; SH-216, 9:30 AM.

Y2K -- The Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee will hold a hearing on S.96, to provide for the orderly resolution of Y2K disputes; SR-253, 9:30 AM.

February 10:

Antitrust -- The Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee will hold hearings to review competition and antitrust issues relating to the Telecom Act; SD-226, 8:30 AM (Postponed).

FAA Budget -- The Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee will markup S.82, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration; SR-253, 9:30 AM.

DOL Budget -- The Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee will hold hearings on Department of Labor budget initiatives; SD-430, 9:30 AM.

February 11:

Y2K -- The Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem will hold hearings to examine information technology as it applies to the food sector in the Year 2000; SD-192, 8:30 AM.

EPA Budget -- The Environment and Public Works Committee will hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000 for the Environmental Protection Agency; SD-406, 9:30 AM.

DOD Budget -- The Armed Services Committee will resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, and the future years defense program; SH-216, 9:30 AM.

Education Budget -- The Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee will hold hearings on the proposed budget request for the Department of Education; SD-430, 9:30 AM.

Budget -- The Budget Committee will resume hearings on the proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000; SD-608, 1 PM.

February 12:

Defense Budget -- The Budget Committee will hold hearings on national defense budget issues; SD-608, 9:30 AM.

The House

On The Floor:

The House will be in pro forma session Monday and will convene Tuesday for votes on three suspensions. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the House will continue debate on the Mandates Information Act, then consider the Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act amendments and legislation establishing a Chief Financial Officer in the Executive Office of the President.

In Committee:

February 10:

Education and Workforce -- The Committee on Education and the Workforce will markup bills including "Committee on Education and the Workforce Funding Request for the 106th Congress: Primary Expense Resolution"; 10:30 AM.

Defense Budget -- The House Armed Services Committee will receive testimony on the fiscal year 2000 National Defense Authorization budget request; 2118 Rayburn, 9:30 AM.

HHS Budget -- The Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Subcommittee will hear testimony from Secretary Shalala; 2358 Rayburn, 10 AM.

HCFA Budget -- The Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the Health Care Financing Administration; 2358 Rayburn, 2 PM.

Agriculture Budget -- The Appropriations Agriculture Subcommittee will hearing testimony from Secretary Glickman; 2362-A Rayburn, 1PM.

European and Central Commands -- The Appropriations Defense Subcommittee will hold closed hearings on the US European and Central Commands, H-140 Capitol, 10 AM, 1:30 PM.

Forest Service Budget -- The Appropriations Interior Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the Forest Service; B-308 Rayburn, 10 AM.

February 11:

Wildlife Conservation -- The Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife & Oceans will hold a hearing on H.R. 39 to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds; 1334 Longworth HOB, 10 AM.

Mining -- The Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources will hold an oversight hearing on "Mining, the American Economy and National Security - The Role of Public Lands in Maintaining a National Asset;" 1334 Longworth HOB, 1:30 PM.

Military Procurement -- The Subcommittee on Military Procurement will receive testimony on protection equipment and countermeasure devices; 2118 Rayburn, 1 PM.

Agribusiness -- The Agriculture Committee will hold a hearing to review agribusiness consolidation; 1300 Longworth, 9:30 AM.

Agriculture Budget -- The Appropriations Agriculture Subcommittee will hold a hearing with the Inspector General

presenting; 2362-A Rayburn, 1 PM.

Export and Trade Budget -- The Appropriations Foreign Operations Subcommittee will hold a hearing on export and trade financing agencies; H-144 Capitol, 10 AM.

Energy Conservation -- The Appropriations Interior Subcommittee will hold a hearing on energy conservation; B-308 Rayburn, 10 AM.

CDC Budget -- The Appropriations Labor-HHS-Education Subcommittee will hold a hearing on centers for disease control and prevention; 2358 Rayburn, 10 AM.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Budget-- The Appropriations Labor-HHS-Education Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; 2358 Rayburn, 2 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY OUTSIDE GROUPS
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- Sat. Feb. 6: **Milton Friedman** - The National Center for Policy Analysis presents its Hatton W. Sumners Distinguished Lecture Series and the Center's 15th Anniversary Dinner Gala featuring keynote speaker Milton Friedman, Nobel Laureate in Economics; Dallas, TX.
- Mon. Feb. 8: **Socialism** - The American Enterprise Institute is sponsoring a lecture titled "The Rise and Fall of Socialism" presented by Joshua Muravchik, resident fellow, AEI; 5:30 PM.
- Tue. Feb. 9: **POTUS Mexico Trip** - The Brookings' Office of Communications presents a press briefing titled "Clinton's Trip to Mexico."
- Tue. Feb. 9: **Clarence Thomas** - The Claremont Institute presents its Third Annual Lincoln Day Colloquium featuring keynote speaker Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas; Mayflower Hotel.
- Tue. Feb. 9-10: **Federal Budget** - The Brookings' Center for Public Policy Education presents the "CPPE Seminar on the Federal Budget;" 8:30AM - 4 PM.
- Wed. Feb. 10: **Health Care** - The CATO Institute presents a policy forum titled "Compare and Contrast: Four Private-Sector Ideas for Health Care Tax Credits;" 4 PM.
- Wed. Feb. 10: **Conservatism** - The Heritage Foundation presents a lecture titled, "Conservative Crossroads: Where Do We Go From Here?" featuring The Hon. David McIntosh, Chairman, Conservative Action Team; Noon.
- Thurs. Feb. 11: **Feminism** - The CATO Institute sponsors a book forum titled "Ceasefire! Why Women and Men Must Join Forces to Achieve True Equality" presented by author Cathy Young, Vice President, Women's Freedom Network; noon-1:30PM.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Designations Under the Iraq Liberation Act
of 1998

Pursuant to the authority vested in me as President of the United States,
including under section 5 of the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Public Law
105-338) (the "Act"), I hereby determine that each of the following groups
is a

democratic opposition organization and that each satisfies the criteria set forth in section 5(c) of the Act: the Iraqi National Accord, the Iraqi National Congress, the Islamic Movement of Iraqi Kurdistan, the Kurdistan Democratic Party, the Movement for Constitutional Monarchy, the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, and the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq.

I hereby designate each of these organizations as eligible to receive assistance under section 4 of the Act.

You are authorized and directed to report this determination and designation to the Congress and arrange for its publication in the Federal Register.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

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Responses to December 15, 1998 Inquiry from Representative Sensenbrenner

Question 1: “Since receiving the November 5 reply, I understand that on November 16, 1998, EPA and the Justice Department entered into another modification agreement with the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) entitled ‘Stipulation for Modification of Settlement Agreement.’ As in the past, the agreement modifies the October 26, 1994 Settlement Agreement that was proposed to be modified on April 15, 1998, and has been the subject of several letters to EPA, beginning with my letter of June 25, 1998. Like the April modification, CO₂ continues to figure prominently as shown in the following ‘WHEREAS’ clauses:

‘WHEREAS, in accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7413(g), notice of proposed modification of the Settlement Agreement was published in the Federal Register on June 2, 1998;’

‘WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) is conducting an analysis of the reduction in emissions of mercury (and the effect on mercury removal costs) that would be achieved through an array of strategies to control the emission of SO₂, NO_x, CO₂ and mercury, and an analysis of the reduction in emissions of SO₂, NO_x, and CO₂ that would be achieved through an array of strategies to control the emission of mercury (the “Co-Benefits Analysis”);’

As I understand the first ‘WHEREAS’ clause, the Parties are asserting to the court that a notice was published last June in the Federal Register pursuant to section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and that it is applicable to this new modification. This new modification is, however, far broader than the April modification which, to my knowledge, has never been finalized and which was the subject of that notice. The new modification:

- includes a new commitment by EPA to sign by December 15, 2000, a ‘determination’ of whether regulation of the electric utility industry under section 112 of the Clean Air Act ‘is appropriate and necessary,’ which is after the next Presidential elections and in the middle of the Presidential transition period. There was no such determination referenced in the April modification or the June 2 Federal Register notice.**
- makes new commitments for a regulatory schedule if that determination is positive. There was no such schedule in the April modification or the June 2 Federal Register notice.**
- provides that if EPA fails to make the above determination, the parties have already agreed to ‘lodge’ with the court a seven-page consent decree with the district court which is attached to the modification for an ‘unreasonable delay’ action. There was no such document attached to the April modification or referenced in the June 2 Federal Register notice.”**

Question 1.1 “Isn't the Court being misled by the first ‘WHEREAS’ clause?”

Answer: No. The Court is not being misled by the first “Whereas” clause. That clause merely informs the Court that EPA, in compliance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, had previously given the public notice of its intention to modify the existing Settlement Agreement. The substance of the November 1998 modification is essentially the same as that of the April 1998 proposed modification of which notice in accordance with section 113(g) was provided in the Federal Register on June 2, 1998. The language in the November 1998 modification was changed somewhat from that contained in the April 1998 proposed modification in response to comments received following publication of the June 2, 1998 notice. The EPA’s intent in changing the language was to make it clear that the primary focus of the Co-Benefits Analysis is to evaluate the reduction in emissions of mercury (and the effect on mercury removal costs) that could be achieved through a variety of strategies to control emissions of the four primary pollutants emitted by fossil-fuel fired electric utility steam generating units (“electric utilities”) and not the development of new strategies for controlling the emission of CO₂.

The proposed April 1998 modification did not include any new commitment to make the determination of whether regulation of the electric utility industry under section 112 of the Clean Air Act “is appropriate and necessary” by a date certain or a regulatory schedule if that determination is positive, because the Settlement Agreement has contained both of those requirements since it was entered into on October 26, 1994. As was the case with a number of previous modifications to the Settlement Agreement, the November 1998 modification merely extends the deadlines by which EPA must comply with those commitments without changing their substance.

The EPA provided the Court with additional details concerning the relationship between the November 1998 modification and the previously proposed April 1998 modification in a pleading titled “Notification of Completion of CAA Section 113(g) Process and EPA’s Opposition to Motion to Strike Portion of Stipulation to Modify Settlement Agreement and for an Order Requiring the Inclusion of API, WFA and NMA in Future Settlement Negotiations” which was filed with the Court on November 27, 1998 (the “November 1998 Notification”). (A copy of the November 1998 Notification was included as an enclosure to the response to your October 20, 1998 inquiry.)

Question 1.2 “Does this modification replace the April modification?”

Answer: Yes.

Question 2. “A review of Mr. Perciasepe's November 5 reply to questions 1.3, 3 and 4 of my August 27, 1998 letter shows that the initial settlement agreement of October 26, 1994 was subjected to section 113(g) ‘with no comments received,’ but that subsequent modifications apparently were not. That 1994 agreement called for completion of the study and report required by section 112(n)(1)(A) of the CAA by November 15, 1995 and the

inclusion in the report of a regulatory determination by November 15, 1995. It also added a regulatory schedule, if the determination was affirmative.

This determination and schedule was apparently added, with EPA agreement, even though neither is required by the CAA. In essence, EPA agreed with NRDC to establish a schedule that Congress never required. Congress merely directed that EPA regulate if EPA 'finds' that regulation is 'appropriate and necessary.' Congress wisely left blank the timetable for regulation because we were sufficiently uncertain in 1990 about what would be the results of the study, if regulation is warranted, and how long it would take to regulate. Apparently in 1994, EPA felt clairvoyant enough to throw caution to the wind and agree to that deadline. However, as we know, EPA had no better knowledge in 1994 about the wisdom of a schedule than Congress did in 1990 because the deadline of November 15, 1995 was extended in March 1996 to December 15, 1996 by another modification. The November 16, 1998 modification appears to be the latest installment.

The reason given for the 1996 extension, according to Mr. Perciasepe, was that EPA felt it 'needed additional time' to complete the section 112(n)(1)(A) report in order to 'complete its analysis of whether integrating all current and future rulemakings under the Act that affect electric utilities offers more benefits over EPA's current approach of regulating rule-by-rule, pollutant-by-pollutant, so that the Regulatory Determination could consider the results of the examination-undertaken in EPA's integrated utility strategy.'

Twice again the determination deadline was extended by modifications to January 15, 1997, and to January 15, 1998, respectively. The reason cited for the 1997 extension by Mr. Perciasepe is that 'EPA felt that it needed additional time,' not only to complete the final report, but to incorporate, apparently for the first time, 'the results of the ongoing mercury study' required, not by section 112(n)(1)(A), but section 112(n)(1)(B) of the CAA, despite the fact that mercury had a separate deadline for a study and separate criteria to consider. Such incorporation of the mercury study into the regulatory determination was a substantive change in the scope of the original modification. Despite that, the modification apparently was not subjected to section 113(g) of the CAA."

Question 2.1 "Am I correct in my understanding that EPA does not believe this modification requires a new section 113(g) publication in the Federal Register? If yes, please explain why."

Answer: Yes. As indicated in response to Question 1.1, above, EPA does not believe that the November 1998 modification differs substantively from the proposed April 1998 modification. The November 1998 modification merely: i) clarifies the focus of the Co-Benefits Analysis in response to public comments received in response to the section 113(g) notice concerning the proposed April 1998 modification; and, ii) extends the deadlines for EPA to comply with commitments contained in the 1994 Settlement Agreement. Under these circumstances, EPA does not believe that it is necessary to publish another section 113(g) notice.

Question 3. "I understand, that on February 17, 1998, the deadline for the report and the

extended regulatory determination was separated. The new report date was established as February 24, 1998, while the date for the expanded regulatory determination was set for April 15, 1998. In reply to my inquiry about the meetings at EPA regarding the April 1998 modification including participation of the Sierra Club, but not the affected industry, Mr. Perciasepe said that the final study report was completed on February 24, 1998 and that it 'identifies mercury' from coal fired utilities as a 'potential concern for public health to merit further research and monitoring.' He said:

'As indicated in response to question 4.2 of your letter of June 25, 1998, EPA will evaluate how much reduction in mercury would result (and at what cost) from various possible scenarios to control mercury. Those model runs would also estimate the reductions in other pollutants (NO_x, SO₂, CO₂) that would result from these possible mercury control scenarios. The analysis will also provide estimates of mercury reductions that would result from possible scenarios that reduce emissions of the other pollutants. This analysis is authorized by the Clean Air Act and the information it generates will be considered in making decisions regarding the possible regulation of mercury emissions of electric utility steam generating units under section 112 of the Act. We did not include NO_x, SO₂ and CO₂ in this analysis "for regulatory purposes". They are included because it makes sense to include them for analytic purposes because efforts to reduce any one of these pollutants affects the others. EPA does not intend to regulate NO_x, SO₂ or CO₂ under section 112 of the Act.'

The second 'WHEREAS' clause does not explain that EPA did not, in fact, initiate the analysis until after the April 1998 modification that I have questioned since June 25 because of its inclusion of CO₂."

Question 3.1: "Am I to assume that in light of my concerns and others, EPA has decided to abandon the April modification and, in effect, incorporate it in this new modification?"

Answer: As stated in our answer to Question 1, the November modification reflects comments on the April 1998 proposal and supersedes that proposal.

Question 3.2: "How does that approach satisfy the public objections?"

Answer: EPA concluded, after reviewing the comments received, that the primary objection to the proposed April 1998 modification, the inclusion of the Co-Benefits Analysis, was based on a misperception of the nature of EPA's commitment. The commenters apparently surmised that the primary focus of the Co-Benefits Analysis was the development of new strategies for controlling the emission of CO₂. As previously noted in our letters of August 8, 1998, October 2, 1998, November 5, 1998, and December 23, 1998 the primary focus of the Co-Benefits Analysis was, and remains, evaluating the reduction in emissions of mercury (and the effect on mercury removal costs) that could be achieved through a variety of strategies to control emissions of the four primary pollutants emitted by electric utilities. As reflected in your question, EPA has consistently stated that NO_x, SO₂ and CO₂ were not included in the analysis "for regulatory

purposes”, but rather because it makes sense to include them for analytic purposes because efforts to reduce any one of these pollutants affects the others. EPA sought to clarify this point through the November 1998 modification. EPA did not receive any public comments which EPA believes disclose facts or considerations indicating that the Agency’s consent to the November 1998 Modification was inappropriate, improper, inadequate or inconsistent with the requirements of the Clean Air Act.

Question 3.3: Also, please explain the basis for including an analysis of CO₂ in the November modification in light of H.R. 4194--the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999--which the President approved as Public Law 105-276 on October 21, 1998. That Act provides that none of the funds appropriated to EPA by that Act for fiscal year 1999 ‘shall be used to propose or issue rules, regulations, decrees, or orders for the purpose of implementation, or in preparation for implementation, of the Kyoto Protocol. . .’”

Answer: As stated in the response to question 3.2, above, CO₂ is not included in the analysis “for regulatory purposes”. Rather it is included because it makes sense to include CO₂, as well as mercury, NO_x and SO₂, for analytic purposes because efforts to reduce any one of these pollutants affects the others. Further, as stated in response to several of your earlier inquiries (letter from Carol M. Browner to The Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., dated August 8, 1998; letter from Robert Perciasepe to The Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., dated October 2, 1998.), EPA is not attempting in any way to implement the Kyoto Protocol by conducting the Co-Benefits Analysis.

Question 4. “A review of Mr. Perciasepe's response of November 5, 1998 to question 1.3 of my August 27, 1998 letter indicates that in seven of the modifications listed--October 5, 1995; February 6, 1996; March 6, 1996; January 6, 1997; February 24, 1997; February 17, 1998; and April 13, 1998--EPA said that more time was needed to complete the report under section 112(n)(1)(A) of the CAA. The report was ultimately finalized on February 24, 1998. Thus, EPA took nearly eight years after enactment of the 1990 amendments to issue the report. (In the case of section 112(n)(1)(A) and (B), Congress called for two reports. One was due 3 years after enactment of the 1990 amendments to the CAA and the other was due 4 years after enactment.) Prior to enactment, I recall that the House conferees sought from your predecessor information as to the reasonableness of the proposed deadlines in the legislation. In general, EPA informally said they were achievable. Obviously, that was not the case in regards to these reports. Nearly double the time was needed.”

“However, nothing in section 112(n)(1) established a deadline for a regulatory determination, either as part of the 1997 and 1998 reports, or separately, nor did it require any regulatory schedule. Is that your understanding? If no, please explain why not.”

Answer: That is our understanding, but please see our response to Question 5, below.

Question 5: “The regulatory determination dates and schedules apparently were the result of an EPA decision made in 1994 as part of its settlement with the NRDC. Obviously,

the agreed dates proved overly ambitious, if not wrong. As a result, EPA and the NRDC have had to change them -- each time saying more time was needed. Clearly, a new date was required last month because EPA was obviously unable to comply with the November 15, 1998 requirement for a determination. (Of course, EPA probably could have decided that regulation was not appropriate and necessary, based on the record.) The latest agreement of November 16, 1998, sets a new regulatory determination date and schedule, without saying what substances are covered by those dates. What is the statutory authority in section 112(n)(1) for EPA to (a) set and change regulatory determination dates and regulatory schedules for any substance, and (b) do so for mercury, when the reports under section 112(n)(1)(A) and (B) do not justify those or any dates?"

Answer: While section 112(n)(1)(A) does not specify a date for making the regulatory determination or a regulatory schedule in the event that the determination is positive, it also does not preclude EPA from doing so. In the circumstances of the litigation between EPA and NRDC, EPA believed it prudent to agree to the deadline and the schedule in exchange for NRDC's agreement to allow additional time for EPA to complete the study and report to Congress. The potential alternative was that the Court, based on argument by NRDC, could issue an order requiring EPA to complete the study and report on a schedule with which EPA would not have been able to comply. EPA also believed that such an order could be issued in an "unreasonable delay" lawsuit. EPA was able to preserve its ability to continue to negotiate concerning the timing for completing the study and report to Congress by including the deadline and the schedule in the Settlement Agreement. As you suggest, the study and report took considerably longer to complete than EPA initially anticipated, and EPA would have preferred that the Settlement Agreement include a significantly longer extension of the time for completing the study and report to Congress, but NRDC was unwilling to agree to this.

EPA disagrees strongly with the implication in your statement that the section 112(n)(1)(A) and (B) reports establish conclusively that it is not "appropriate and necessary" to regulate emissions from electric utilities under section 112. On the contrary, while EPA has not in any way prejudged the issue, as stated in response to question 4.2 of your August 27, 1998 inquiry, the utility report required by section 112(n)(1)(A) identifies mercury from coal-fired utilities as the hazardous air pollutant of greatest concern and concludes that "the available information, on balance, indicates that utility mercury emissions are of sufficient potential concern for public health to merit further research and monitoring." This conclusion precludes a determination at this time that it is, or is not, appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112. The deadline for making the regulatory determination which EPA agreed to in the November 1998 modification provides time to undertake such research and monitoring prior to making the regulatory determination so that the determination can be made on a more fully informed basis.

Question 6: "As I understand the November 16, 1998 modification, EPA must now make its regulatory determination by the new date of December 15, 2000 which is just after the Presidential elections of 2000 and during the Presidential transition period. It is my recollection that historically during this period, sitting Presidents and their Administration have generally tried to avoid making decisions that were not required by law or other

emergencies that would impose obligations on the new Administration. As I have said, to my knowledge this determination is not required by statute to be made in December 2000 or by any other date. That date apparently is the result of EPA/NRDC negotiations that were required, not by law, but because the Parties have consistently misjudged when such a determination for any substance listed in section 112 for electric utilities could or should be made, if ever, under the statutory criteria.

Question 6.1 “What consideration was given by the Administration to this issue of Presidential transition?”

Answer: The date of December 15, 2000 was set because it would allow the Agency time to review the information related to mercury emissions that the Agency is collecting from coal-fired power plants and to review the results of the review of mercury health research that is being conducted by the National Academy of Sciences (NAS). The Congress, in the Conference Report on HR 4194, expressed its intent that EPA not make a regulatory determination regarding the potential need for controls on utility mercury emissions until the Agency had reviewed the results of that study.

Question 6.2: “Considering EPA's history of needing ‘additional time,’ what is the basis for EPA now deciding that these new deadlines are any better than they were in 1995, 1996, 1997, February 17, 1998, April 13, 1998, and November 15, 1998? What new information does EPA now have to justify these new dates?”

Answer: EPA could not make the regulatory determination prior to transmitting the utility report to Congress on February 24, 1998, given section 112(n)(1)(A)’s explicit direction that EPA consider the results of the study in making the determination. EPA would have preferred additional time beyond that provided by the November 1998 modification in which to make the regulatory determination, but was unable to convince NRDC to agree to that additional time. EPA, nevertheless, believes that its ability to make the regulatory determination on an informed basis will be significantly enhanced by December 15, 2000. This belief is based on a variety of activities designed to gather additional information on the emission of mercury by electric utilities, the identification of feasible technologies for controlling those emissions and the effect of mercury on public health which EPA and others either currently have underway or will undertake in the near future.

In addition and as stated above, the December 2000 deadline for making the regulatory determination comports with Congress’ expressed intent in the Conference Report on H.R. 4194 that EPA not issue any regulatory determination for mercury emissions from utilities until EPA reviews the results of a comprehensive review of mercury health research and recommendations on the appropriate level for a mercury exposure reference dose by the NAS. Consistent with the Conference Report, EPA has contracted with NAS to perform the review and prepare recommendations on an appropriate reference dose. The results of NAS’s efforts are expected to be available in the early summer of 2000. Thus, that information will be available to EPA in making the regulatory determination.

Question 6.3 “Paragraph 2 of the November 16, 1998 modification provides that if EPA ‘has not signed’ a regulatory determination ‘before NRDC and Sierra Club file an unreasonable delay action in the District Court, the parties agree to lodge’ the proposed unsigned consent decree which is attached to the modification. There is no reference in the paragraph to the date of December 15, 2000 and it is my understanding that EPA has until that date to make the regulatory determination.”

Question 6.3.1: “Please explain when, under paragraph 2 of the November 16 modification, the NRDC and the Sierra Club could file an ‘unreasonable delay action.’”

Answer: As provided in section 304(a) of the Clean Air Act, NRDC and the Sierra Club provided EPA with notice of their intent to file an “unreasonable delay action” concerning the utility regulatory determination on March 12 and 13, 1998, respectively. The 180-day waiting period specified by section 304(a) expired for NRDC on September 8, 1998, and for the Sierra Club on September 9, 1998. The NRDC and the Sierra Club are thus free to file the “unreasonable delay action” at any time.

Question 6.3.2: “Could the plaintiffs file before December 15, 2000 and trigger the Consent Decree? If yes, what is the relevance of the date?”

Answer: Yes. They could file before December 15, 2000, however, since the proposed unsigned consent decree contains that same deadline it would not change the schedule.

Question 6.3.3: “Please also explain why, in the light of the long history of EPA being unable to make any regulatory determination pursuant to prior modifications, EPA agreed to paragraph 2 of the November 16 modification.”

Answer: The EPA agreed to paragraph 2 of the November 16 modification in exchange for NRDC agreeing to extend the deadline for making the regulatory determination to December 15, 2000. As indicated in response to question 6.2, above, EPA believes that its ability to make the regulatory determination on an informed basis will be significantly enhanced by December 15, 2000.

Question 6.4: “The original Settlement Agreement of 1994 does not provide for attorney fees. The unsigned consent decree does.”

Question 6.4.1: “Why did EPA agree to such fees and does this include ‘costs of litigation (including attorney’s fees)’ from September 14, 1992 to the present or merely from November 16, 1998?”

Answer: EPA has not agreed to pay any amount for NRDC’s and the Sierra Club’s attorney fees. Rather, paragraph 8 of the unsigned consent decree merely grants NRDC and the Sierra Club additional time beyond that provided by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (FRCP) in which to file a motion seeking an award of their litigation costs, including attorney’s fees. Section 304(d) of the Clean Air Act authorizes the court, in issuing any final order in, among other actions, an

unreasonable delay action, to award costs of litigation (including reasonable attorney and expert witness fees) whenever the court determines that such an award is appropriate. Pursuant to FRCP 54(d), the motion seeking to recover those costs would normally have to be filed with the court no later than 14 days after entry of the consent decree. EPA and the Department of Justice were willing to grant the additional time in order to provide an opportunity for the parties to attempt to negotiate an agreement regarding costs in the event that NRDC and the Sierra Club decide to seek to recover their litigation costs. While such a provision is not included in every consent decree, it is not unusual.

At the present time, EPA does not know what NRDC and the Sierra Club would seek to recover, if anything; however, while the subject matter might be similar to that of the case currently before the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, an unreasonable delay action, in the event one is pursued, would be a new action brought in the United States District Court.

Question 6.4.2: “Did EPA have any estimates of such costs prior to agreeing to this modification?”

Answer: See the response to question 6.4.2, above.

Question 6.4.3: “Please explain when paragraph 2 of the unsigned consent decree could be utilized in light of the provisions of paragraph 1 of that decree.”

Answer: Paragraph 2 of the unsigned consent decree provides the parties with the ability to modify the deadline specified in paragraph 1 either by agreement of the parties or by the Court for good cause shown based on a motion filed by one of the parties to the consent decree.

Question 6.4.4: “If the consent decree is ever triggered, am I correct in my understanding that paragraph 4 of the 1994 settlement agreement may no longer be utilized by the parties?”

Answer: No. Paragraph 4 of the 1994 settlement agreement would continue to govern modifications of that agreement even in the event that the consent decree is entered by the Court.

Question 7: “An article in the December 2, 1998 edition of The Bureau of National Affairs, Inc. (BNA) publication entitled ‘Regulation, Law & Economics’ references the ‘court-ordered deadline’ of December 15, 2000, and states that EPA ‘will make its decision after reviewing certain mercury-related data it is seeking from power plants through an information collection request.’ That request, according to the Clean Air Report of November 26, 1998, was apparently approved by the Office of Management and Budget. The BNA states that ‘EPA will soon begin sending utilities formal information collection requests as required under section 114 of the Clean Air Act, and utilities will be required to begin gathering data for a period of one year beginning in January 1999.’”

Question 7.1: “If this information request is to be the basis for a regulatory determination on mercury in December 2000, why have EPA and the NRDC continued to insist that the

analyses of CO₂ and other substances is necessary for such decision making?”

Answer: Both the Co-Benefits Analysis and the information obtained through the information request will help to inform EPA’s decision whether it is “appropriate and necessary” to regulate electric utilities under section 112 of the Clean Air Act.

Question 7.2: “In Mr. Perciasepe's response of November 5, 1998 to question 6 of my August 27, 1998 letter, he said that it would also take into consideration ‘the results of the workshop’ referenced in that question. Please outline in detail what bodies of evidence, studies, etc., relating to the criteria for the mercury study will be relied upon by EPA in making any regulatory determination in December 2000 or at some later date.”

Answer: Section 112(n)(1)(B) of the Clean Air Act required EPA to study and report to Congress on certain aspects of mercury emissions from a variety of sources. Section 112(n)(1)(A), on the other hand, requires EPA to determine, after considering, among other things, the results of a study of the possible hazards to public health resulting from emissions of hazardous air pollutants by electric utilities, whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112. Thus, while the information contained in the mercury report may be pertinent to the regulatory determination, the criteria for the mercury study do not govern the determination.

In making the regulatory determination, EPA will consider all relevant information then available to it. Among other information, EPA will consider: i) the results of the study required by section 112(n)(1)(A); ii) the mercury report; iii) the information obtained through the information collection request; iv) the results of the workshop to which you refer; v) the results of the Co-Benefits Analysis; and, vi) the information compiled by the National Academy of Sciences.

Question 7.3: “Also, please provide a copy of the information request when it is delivered to utilities.”

Answer: A copy of part 1 of the information collection request is attached. As requested, a copy of part 2 will be provided when it is delivered to the utilities selected to conduct stack testing.

Question 7.4: “Please explain how the data will be collected, analyzed, and reported.”

Answer: There are three components to the information collection. The first component of the information collection, solicited from all coal-fired electric utility steam generating units, is information relating to the type of coal used, the method of firing the coal, the method of sulfur dioxide (SO₂) control, and the method of particulate matter control. Information necessary to identify all coal-fired units is publicly available for facilities owned and operated by publicly-owned utility companies, Federal power agencies, rural electric cooperatives, and investor-owned utility generating companies. However, similar information is not publicly available for nonutility generators (e.g., independent power producers (IPPs), qualifying facilities, and cogenerators) qualifying under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA). This first component will identify all coal-fired electric utility steam generating units in this sector for the

same time period, and confirm information from the other sector.

The second component requires accurate information on the amount of mercury and chlorine contained in the as-fired coal used by each electric utility steam generating unit, as well as accurate information on the total amount of coal burned by each.

The third component will consist of requiring a limited number of units selected at random to conduct, sometime during a 1-year period, in accordance with an EPA-approved protocol, stack testing simultaneously before and after the control device. The testing is to consist of three runs at each sampling location, and is to be in accordance with a specified mercury speciation method. The owner/operator of each selected unit will also be required to collect and analyze, in accordance with an acceptable procedure, three coal samples from the coal fed to the pulverizer during each stack test.

The data will be collected in response to letters sent to the owners or operators of each coal-fired electric utility steam generating unit pursuant to the authority of section 114 of the Clean Air Act. The information collected, along with other information, will be used by the Agency in evaluating whether regulation of electric utilities under section 112 of the Act is appropriate and necessary. Specifically, the data will provide the Agency with updated information on the amount, speciation, and controllability of mercury emitted from electric utilities. The data will be made publicly available through the Agency's Internet web site (and possibly other means). The data will assist the Agency and others in evaluating potential mercury control technologies as the effectiveness of control depends on the amount and species of mercury emitted. The mercury emissions data from each plant and the additional speciation and control effectiveness data will also allow the Agency to conduct further emission modeling, as appropriate, to better evaluate the extent of local mercury deposition versus long-range transport. In the event that the Administrator determines that it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utility HAP emissions under section 112, the data may be used in the development of an emission standard.

A copy of the Supporting Statement submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for the information collection, which describes in detail how the data will be collected, analyzed and reported, is attached.

Question 7.4.1: "Will such actions be done by EPA or by contract?"

Answer: The information will be compiled by an EPA contractor. EPA personnel will analyze the data and develop appropriate recommendations based on that analysis.

Question 7.4.2: "If by contract, please identify the contractor and the costs and please provide a copy of the statement of work."

Answer: The information will be compiled by Research Triangle Institute (RTI). The EPA has budgeted \$247,980 for the work to be performed by RTI. A copy of the statement of work is attached.

Question 7.4.3: “Will the data and analysis be subject to public review before EPA makes this determination, and if not, why not?”

Answer: Yes, the data and analysis will be made available to the public before EPA makes the regulatory determination.

Question 8: “The EPA studies have considered, as required by the statute, the availability of technologies and their costs to control mercury emissions and have found the technologies wanting and too costly. This is confirmed on page A-22 of the December 2, 1998 BNA report by two EPA officials as follows:

‘While EPA has made no decision on whether it will regulate mercury emissions from these sources, agency officials are encouraging utilities to explore options for reducing the pollutant, according to Robert Brenner, acting deputy assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. Agency officials also acknowledge, however, that there are no cost-effective technologies available for controlling mercury emissions from utilities, a factor that could play a key role in EPA's ultimate decision.’

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‘The lack of efficient mercury control technologies for utilities, however, continue to be a significant roadblock to addressing emissions from these sources.’ “At this point, there is a general recognition that there is no cost effective technology for eliminating mercury from utilities,” said Carl Mazza, of EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. “We're just not there yet.”’

Mr. Perciasepe's November 5 letter contends that the EPA study ‘did not’ conclude ‘that regulation of mercury emissions from steam electric utilities is not yet appropriate.’ Yet it seems that that study conclusion was the same as the comments by these EPA officials. I presume he is referring to the 1998 study.”

Question 8.1: “In light of the requirement of section 112(n)(1)(B) regarding technology and costs, please explain how EPA can expect to make the regulatory decision called for in the modification when there ‘are no cost-effective technologies available?’”

Answer: Section 112(n)(1)(A) requires EPA to develop alternative control strategies for emissions from electric utility steam generating units warranting regulation under section 112. (Emphasis added.) Thus, while the availability of one or more cost-effective control technologies will be an important factor in determining whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112, no conclusion has yet been reached by the Agency concerning whether cost-effective control technologies will be available, and in any event this is not the only factor to be considered.

As stated in response to question 7.2 above, section 112(n)(1)(B) required EPA to study and report

to Congress on certain aspects of mercury emissions from a variety of sources. Section 112(n)(1)(A), on the other hand, requires EPA to determine, after considering, among other things, the results of a study of the possible hazards to public health resulting from emissions of hazardous air pollutants by electric utilities, whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112. Thus, while the information contained in the mercury report may be pertinent to the regulatory determination, the criteria for the mercury study do not govern the determination. This conclusion is borne out by the fact that the mercury report was not due until one year after the study and report required by section 112(n)(1)(A).

Question 8.2: “Does EPA anticipate such technology to be available for December 2000? If so, what is the basis for this perspective? What is this technology and what is its status and cost?”

Answer: There are a number of control strategies that hold promise for mercury control. By the end of the year 2000, EPA expects to be able to identify one or more control technologies and strategies that can be reasonably expected to be available by the time regulatory control, if pursued, would be implemented.

Question 8.3: “Could EPA call for regulation based on the data received through the above information request and the analyses if such technology was not available?”

Answer: The data received through the information request will help to inform the regulatory determination. As stated in response to question 8.1, above, section 112(n)(1)(A) requires EPA to develop alternative control strategies for emissions from electric utilities warranting regulation under section 112. Whether any cost-effective control technologies are available will be an important factor in determining whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112. That, however, is not the only factor to be considered.

Question 8.4: “Enclosed is an EPA document, dated February 24, 1998 and entitled ‘Mercury Emissions and Electric Utilities’ from EPA’s web site at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t3/reports/hgl7th.html>. It states on page 2 that ‘[t]here are no control technologies that are commercially viable for utility boilers,’ while noting other strategies to reduce mercury. In particular, it refers to the reduction of greenhouse gases and states that EPA ‘anticipates that as a result of climate change policy and the new air standards, power plants will reduce mercury emissions.’ Please explain that climate change policy and its status.”

Answer: In 1993, the President announced a Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP), which contained dozens of voluntary actions aimed at reducing U.S. greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000. This goal of stabilizing emissions was part of the original Framework Convention on Climate Change, which was signed by President Bush and ratified by the U.S. Senate in 1992. EPA voluntary energy efficiency programs comprised about half of the emission reductions estimated to be achieved under the CCAP. These programs include energy efficient lighting and construction, and recovery of methane from landfills and coal beds. All of these voluntary programs are designed to achieve cost-effective emission reductions; in fact, many of

them result in reduced operating costs for companies and other participants (including state and local governments). Energy efficiency programs lead to a lower demand for electricity, which in turn results in lower emissions from the generation of electricity. Since over 50% of U.S. electricity supply is generated from coal-burning power plants, it is reasonable to assume that mercury emissions from power plants would be reduced from reducing demand for electricity. These programs are continuing today, and the President has sought to increase funding for them in his most recent budget submissions.

Question 8.5: “Also the document on page 2 makes reference to ‘uncertainties’ regarding the contribution of utilities to the concentration of mercury in fish. Please identify those uncertainties and explain why EPA apparently wants to regulate in light of such uncertainties.”

Answer: The overall nature of mercury cycling in the environment is clear: air emissions of mercury are carried in the atmosphere, deposited to land and water locally and at large distances from the source, and accumulate as methylmercury in fish. Mercury deposited to land and water can be reemitted and reenter the global circulation to be deposited elsewhere. This movement of mercury through different environmental media is called the mercury cycle. The amount of mercury in biota is ultimately a function of the over-all mercury burden in the air as well as direct discharges to water and soil. The physical, chemical, and biological processes involved in the mercury cycle are extremely complex and are not understood in sufficient detail to allow precise quantitative estimate of how much mercury levels in fish will be reduced by a given reduction in emissions. However it is clear that reductions in mercury emissions will lead to reductions in mercury levels in fish.

At present, EPA has not determined whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112 of the Clean Air Act.

Question 9: “Am I correct in my understanding that the mercury determination must be made in accordance with the criteria set forth for the mercury study in section 112(n)(1)(B)? What is the applicability of the last sentence of section 112(n)(1)(A) to mercury in light of the specific mercury provisions of section 112(n)(1)(B)?”

Answer: No. As stated in response to question 7.2, above, section 112(n)(1)(B) required EPA to study and report to Congress on certain aspects of mercury emissions from a variety of sources. Section 112(n)(1)(A), on the other hand, requires EPA to determine, after considering, among other things, the results of a study of the possible hazards to public health resulting from emissions of hazardous air pollutants by electric utility steam generating units, whether it is appropriate and necessary to regulate electric utilities under section 112. Thus, while the information contained in the mercury report may be pertinent to the regulatory determination, the criteria for the mercury study do not govern the determination. This conclusion is borne out by the fact that the mercury report was not due until one year after the study and report required by section 112(n)(1)(A).

Question 10: “In Mr. Perciasepe’s response of November 5, 1998 to question 5.3 of my August 27, 1998 letter, he said that EPA is currently developing the hypothetical emission

limitations for mercury, CO₂, NO_x and SO₂ that ‘EPA will use’ in the analysis subject to the November 16 modification. In light of the completion date for the analysis of early 1999, what are those limitations? Please provide them and explain how they are being utilized.”

Answer: EPA will use the following hypothetical emissions limits for the multiple pollutant analysis. For mercury, we will look at a hypothetical MACT standard that achieves between 65 percent and 90 percent reductions of the mercury concentrations at units greater than 25 MW. We will tailor the requirements within this range to the different types of boilers, pollution controls already in place, and types of coal throughout the country. For NO_x we will consider the level of control expected to result from implementation of the Ozone Transport Rule, or 63 percent reduction of summertime emissions in the electric power industry of NO_x beginning in the year 2003. For CO₂, we will consider carbon emissions caps of 567 million metric tons and 515 million metric tons in the year 2010. Finally for SO₂, we will look at a 50 percent reduction by 2010 below what is projected to occur under the Title IV program for acid rain. We will do a sensitivity analysis around this cap to account for uncertainty as to how great a reduction in SO₂ we will require to address fine particles attributable to the electric power industry.

Question 11: “Mr. Perciasepe's reply to question 5.3 also said that EPA ‘decided’ to examine control programs, as part of the analyses, ‘based on emission cap-and-trade programs’ and it explains how each cap will be set.”

Question 11.1: “What is EPA's current authority for such mercury and NO_x programs and what is their status?”

Answer: As stated in the April 10, 1998 Memorandum from EPA’s then General Counsel, Jonathan Z. Cannon, to Administrator Browner titled “EPA’s Authority to Regulate Pollutants Emitted by Electric Power Generation Sources”, EPA currently regulates the emission of mercury and NO_x based on determinations by EPA or Congress that these substances have negative effects on public health, welfare or the environment. (A copy of the Memorandum is attached.) As explained in the Memorandum, however, the authorities potentially available for controlling these pollutants from electric power generating sources do not easily lend themselves to establishing federal market-based national or regional cap and trade programs. It is, nevertheless, prudent for EPA to evaluate the potential impact of cap-and-trade programs as part of the Co-Benefits Analysis since it is one potential approach that might be taken to control these pollutants.

With regard to NO_x specifically, we are encouraging states to consider a cap and trade program for complying with the Ozone Transport Rule.

Question 11.2: “In the case of CO₂, the letter explains that ‘EPA is considering an emission cap that could be set for this sector in the future.’ To my knowledge, EPA has no authority to set such a cap or establish such a program under the CAA at any time and, even if the Kyoto Protocol is ratified, EPA may not be the implementing agency. What is the cap, what is the basis for this consideration, and how is it to be determined if EPA has no intention to regulate CO₂?”

Answer: As stated in the answer to Question 10 above, the hypothetical caps on carbon that are being used in the analysis are 567 million metric tons and 515 million metric tons from electric power generators by the year 2010. These levels were chosen as hypothetical levels for the electric power industry to see what their impact would be on mercury emissions. The analysis will be used to help inform a decision regarding the regulation of mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Question 11.3: “A second enclosed EPA document entitled ‘Mercury Study Report to Congress: White Paper’ states (p. 3) that ‘EPA is developing a draft Action Plan for mercury pollution’ which will be ‘available to the public early in 1998.’ Please provide that draft and explain what efforts have been made for public input. Also, what is its status?”

Answer: The Draft Mercury Action Plan was made available to the public for comment in November 1998. A notice of public availability was published in the *Federal Register* on November 17, 1998. It asked for comments by February 16, 1999. A copy of the Draft is attached.

Question 11.4: “This document also states (p. 4):

‘Actions to control air emissions of other pollutants will also reduce mercury emissions. With implementation of the new National Ambient Air Quality Standards for fine particulate matter and ozone, and the second phase of the acid rain program EPA expects to see a reduction of mercury emissions from utility boilers. Actions to reduce emissions of the greenhouse gases that are responsible for climate change, could also reduce mercury emissions from utilities and other industrial boilers.’”

Question 11.4.1: “What are the ‘actions’ to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that ‘could also reduce mercury emissions from utilities and other industrial boilers’ and what is the authority for those actions?”

Answer: There are a number of actions that power plant operators or owners can take to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases. These include actions to improve energy efficiency such as replacing older parts and equipment with those that are more efficient, repowering plants with cleaner fuels, replacing older, more polluting plants with those that use more efficient or cleaner technologies and converting traditional gas or steam turbines used for the generation of electricity to combined heat and power systems which allow for the conversion of wasted heat to useful energy in the form of process steam. Power plants have the authority to pursue such actions to control greenhouse gases within the requirements of the Clean Air Act. In addition, the multiple pollutant analysis which we are performing will look at the mercury emissions reductions that could be expected to occur under a hypothetical cap on CO₂ emissions.

Question 11.4.2: “ Please explain what mercury reductions are expected from ozone and acid rain regulations.”

Answer: We estimate the reductions in mercury that will result from the acid rain and ozone programs by 2010 when they are fully implemented will be three tons a year.

Question 12: “It is my understanding that earlier this year, the EPA headed a delegation with the State and Energy Departments to negotiate several protocols under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution and that these protocols cover heavy metals such as mercury, and NO_x.”

Question 12.1: “Please provide a list of all of the protocols negotiated or under negotiation under this Convention and indicate their status, including whether the U.S. has signed them, submitted them to the Senate for advice and consent to ratification, and ratified them.”

Answer: Seven protocols have been negotiated under the Convention and one draft protocol is currently under negotiation. The individual status of each protocol is summarized below.

1. The 1984 Geneva Protocol on Long-term Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP)

The EMEP Protocol was entered into force in 1988. Thirty-four Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) countries and the European Community are currently Parties to this Protocol. It is an instrument for international cost-sharing of a monitoring program which forms the backbone for review and assessment of relevant air pollution in Europe in light of agreements on emission reduction. EMEP has three main components: collection of emission data for SO₂, NO_x, VOCs and other air pollutants; measurement of air and precipitation quality; and modeling of atmospheric dispersion. At present, about 100 monitoring stations in 24 ECE countries participate in the program. The U.S. is not a signatory to this protocol.

2. 1985 Helsinki Protocol on the Reduction of Sulphur Emissions or their Transboundary Fluxes by at least 30%.

The Protocol adopted in Helsinki on July 8, 1985 and in force since September 2, 1987, has been ratified by 21 Parties. Taken as a whole, the 21 Parties to the 1985 Helsinki Protocol reduced 1980 sulfur emissions by 52% by 1993. The U.S. is not a signatory to this protocol.

3. 1988 Sofia Protocol concerning the Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides or their Transboundary Fluxes.

The Protocol adopted in Sofia on October 31, 1988 and in force since February 14, 1991, has been ratified by 25 Parties. The U.S. has signed and ratified this protocol as an Executive Agreement because its provisions were consistent with existing domestic authority and did not require Senate action.

4. 1991 Geneva Protocol concerning the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds or their Transboundary Fluxes

In November 1991, the Protocol to the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution on the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs, i.e. hydrocarbons) or Their Transboundary Fluxes, the second major air pollutant responsible for the formation of ground level ozone, was adopted. It has entered into force on September 29, 1997. The U.S. has signed but not ratified this protocol and is currently reviewing ratification.

5. 1994 Oslo Protocol on Further Reduction of Sulphur Emissions

The Oslo Sulphur Protocol entered into force on August 5, 1998. Twenty-eight countries have signed this protocol. The U.S. is not a signatory to this protocol.

6. 1998 Aarhus Protocol on Heavy Metals

The Executive Body adopted the Protocol on Heavy Metals on June 24, 1998 in Aarhus (Denmark). It targets three particularly harmful metals: cadmium, lead and mercury. Thirty-four countries have signed this protocol. This protocol has not entered into force. The U.S. has signed but not ratified this protocol.

7. 1998 Aarhus Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants

The Executive Body adopted the Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants on June 24, 1998 in Aarhus (Denmark). It focuses on a list of 16 substances that have been singled out according to agreed risk criteria. The substances comprise eleven pesticides, two industrial chemicals and three by-products/contaminants. Thirty-four countries have signed this protocol. This protocol has not entered into force. The

U.S. has signed but not ratified this protocol.

8. Preliminary Negotiations on Multi-Effect Protocol for Nitrogen

To date, significant technical work and analyses has been performed to support the development of a second protocol for nitrogen oxides. There have been limited negotiations on the structure of this protocol to date. The U.S. has not yet determined whether to participate in further negotiations.

Question 12.2: “Also, indicate which protocols have entered into force. If the U.S. is not a party to any of the protocols, please explain why.”

Answer: The information on entry into force for each protocol is provided above. The U.S. did not sign the EMEP protocol or either of the 1985 and 1994 Sulphur protocols. The EMEP protocol established a funding mechanism for an air pollution monitoring network in Europe. The U.S. did not sign because it was not part of the geographic region covered by the protocol. The U.S. did not sign the two sulphur protocols because they were not consistent with the approach taken in the U.S. to address the emissions and health and environmental effects of sulfur oxides under the Clean Air Act.

Question 12.3: “Please also indicate the extent to which each protocol has been implemented by the U.S., whether implementing legislation is required before implementation, and provide the status of that implementation. Also, what agency has been designated as the implementing agency and state how that designation was made?”

Answer: The U.S. has achieved the goals of the 1988 Nitrogen protocol and the 1991 VOC protocol. No implementing legislation beyond the Clean Air Act was required. The EPA was designated as the implementing agency for the 1988 Nitrogen protocol. Because the VOC, heavy metals, and POP protocols have not been ratified, no agency has been designated as the implementing agency for these protocols.

Question 12.4: “Which protocol applies to mercury emissions?”

Answer: The 1998 Aarhus Protocol on Heavy Metals covers mercury.

Question 12.5: “Please provide a copy of the protocol identified in question 12.4 above and indicate which provisions if any, apply to such emissions from electric utilities and the basis for that view.”

Answer: A copy of the protocol is attached. No provisions directly apply to the emissions of electric utilities. Under Article 3, Basic Obligations, there are requirements for reducing national annual emissions of mercury and applying best available control techniques to new and existing stationary sources. It is possible to meet the national emission levels without reductions in

mercury emissions from electric utilities (see Annex III, paragraph 26).

Question 12.6: “What is the application, if any, of that protocol to the provisions of section 112(n)(1)(A) and (B) and to the November 16 modification?”

Answer: There is no application of that protocol to the provisions of section 112(n)(1)(A) and the November 16 modification.

Question 13: “I am advised that while the U.S. has engaged in preliminary NO_x negotiations with the Convention Parties, those negotiations have not yet progressed beyond the information gathering stage. However, an effort will be made next year to complete the negotiations according to page A-7 of the December 8, 1998 edition of the BNA publication ‘Regulation, Law & Economics,’ which reports that the draft protocol is now being referred to as a ‘multi-pollutant, multi-effects, multi-objective’ protocol that will impose ‘controls’ on emissions of mercury, nitrogen oxide, sulfur, and volatile organic compounds. It is also my understanding that the State Department and the EPA have not reached agreement on a position regarding these negotiations, in part, because the pending text tends more toward European objectives and would, if adopted, likely be inconsistent with the CAA. Presumably, this would require that the U.S. not sign or insist that the protocol include significant exemptions for the U.S., making it inapplicable to the U.S. or require a revision of the CAA. Reportedly, some in and outside the Administration have, for these and other reasons, questioned continued U.S. participation in these negotiations.”

Question 13.1: “Are my understandings correct?”

Answer: There are a number of clarifications to the points in your letter. First, the U.S. has not participated in any negotiations on the new protocol under development. Second, while the draft protocol is intended to be a multi-pollutant protocol, it is not intended to cover mercury emissions. Finally, the U.S. has not made a final decision on whether to participate in future phases of these negotiations. If the U.S. were to decide to participate, an official position would be established at that time on the possible requirements the U.S. could support or not support and whether legislation would be required to implement such requirements.

Question 13.2: “What are the questions raised concerning such participation?”

Answer: Please see our answer to Question 13.1.

Question 13.3: “Why is it in the interest of the U.S. to participate in these negotiations, particularly if the U.S. ultimately cannot sign?”

Answer: There are significant health and environmental effects associated with NO_x emissions and there is a need to address the transboundary nature of the problem. The U.S. could benefit from ensuring that other countries address transboundary impacts on the U.S. and level the playing field for U.S. industries which face the cost of complying with NO_x requirements in the U.S. If the U.S. participated, it would be with the intent of negotiating an agreement that we could sign.

Question 13.4: "What are the resource costs of such participation?"

Answer: If the U.S. were to participate, the U.S. would need to send a delegation to three major negotiating sessions, in order to ensure that the protocol addressed the U.S. concerns and provided individual countries with flexible implementation options. The travel costs for such a delegation are estimated at \$27,000 per meeting. Because similar transboundary issues are being discussed under the U.S./Canada Air Quality Agreement, it is difficult to estimate what additional time would have to be spent in preparation for these meetings though there would need to be significant planning to ensure that the U.S. goals are met.

Question 13.5: "Could the U.S. agree to any protocol that is not fully consistent with U. S. law?"

Answer: It is possible that the U.S. would agree to a protocol that would require the advice and consent of the Senate and implementing legislation.

Question 13.6: "Please provide the pending text and any guidelines applicable to the negotiations."

Answer: A copy of the latest draft of the protocol is attached. Because the U.S. is not participating in the negotiations, there are no applicable guidelines. We attend the negotiations strictly as observers.

Question 13.7: "The U.S. now controls all of these substances except ammonia. Why is this proposed protocol needed for the U.S., particularly if its focus is primarily European? Is the U.S. planning to control ammonia? What are the U.S. sources of ammonia and isn't ammonia used in substantial quantities for NO_x control technologies?"

Answer: As stated above there are transboundary issues associated with the emissions of NO_x such that the U.S. would benefit if they were addressed throughout the ECE region including North America. There are control programs in the U.S. to address ammonia. Federal regulations require that facilities immediately notify the EPA's National Response Center and the State Emergency Response Commission when a "reportable quantity" of a listed hazardous chemical is released to the environment. The reportable quantity for ammonia -- a highly irritating gas capable of causing serious respiratory distress at relatively low concentrations -- is 100 lbs. There are also ambient water quality criteria for ammonia. A table showing the sources of ammonia emissions to the air is attached. Ammonia is used in selective catalytic reduction and selective noncatalytic reduction control techniques which are used to reduce NO_x emissions from stationary sources. There are no other Federal air pollution regulations specifically for ammonia and no such regulations currently are planned. There may be some states, however, with additional controls on ammonia emissions.

Question 14: "Is EPA or any other Executive agency, on behalf of the Administration, negotiating with Canada to address NO_x in both countries as part of any existing agreement

with Canada? If so, what is the status of these negotiations, what is the scope of these negotiations, and what is the relationship to the above protocol?"

Answer: Neither EPA nor any other Executive agency is currently engaged in formal negotiations with Canada to address NO_x in both countries. Since 1991, Canada and the United States have committed to address transboundary air pollution under an Air Quality Agreement signed by Prime Minister Mulroney and President Bush. The initial agreement focused primarily on acid rain and notification and assessment of sources. The acid rain annex included in the 1991 agreement calls for NO_x reductions from both countries over a ten year period. For the U.S., these reductions are identical to those specified in Titles IV and II of the 1990 Clean Air Act; thus this agreement does not commit the U.S. to any controls beyond those already in the existing legislation and regulation.

Under the agreement, the U.S. and Canada hold regular meetings of an Air Quality Committee to discuss transboundary air quality issues. The committee and its subcommittees include representatives from various U.S. Government agencies including EPA, the State Department, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Departments of Interior and Energy. In recent years the issue of transboundary ozone transport in North America - including the importance of NO_x as an ozone precursor - has been examined by the air quality committee and other international groups. Recent reports by the Commission on Environmental Cooperation (CEC) and the International Joint Commission (IJC) have highlighted the significance of transboundary transport of ozone and its precursors to air quality management issues in the U.S. and Canada. Depending on meteorological conditions, this flow can go in either direction, so that, for example, Ontario's emissions can have an impact on New York; or emissions from the Midwestern U.S. can affect ozone levels in Toronto and Montreal. This issue, along with acid rain and inhalable fine particles, is of continuing interest to the Air Quality Committee.

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AND UNDER SECRETARY OF TREASURY FOR ENFORCEMENT JIM JOHNSON

The Briefing Room

4:10 P.M. EST

MS. WEISS: This radio address briefing and the report that is being released, Gun Shows, Brady Checks and Crime Gun Traces -- are both embargoed until 10:06 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, February 6th. With the gun show going on in Atlanta, the President's radio address, the importance of our gun laws with respect to gun shows and potential dangers that exist when those sales are not monitored are very timely.

To talk about the report I'm pleased to introduce Eric Holder, the Deputy Attorney General; and Jim Johnson, the Under Secretary of the Treasury Department.

Again, this is embargoed until tomorrow at 10:06 a.m.

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: This afternoon we are very pleased to brief you on our joint report to the President: Gun Shows, Brady Checks, and Crime Gun Tracing. The report was prepared by the Department of Justice and the Department of Treasury in response to the President's directive that the Attorney General and Secretary Rubin provide recommendations on closing the gun show loophole.

Simply stated, the gun show loophole allows felons and other prohibited persons to buy guns anonymously, without a Brady background check and without leaving any trace of the sale. The Brady Act and important federal record-keeping requirements do not apply to the sale of firearms by gun vendors who are not licensed gun dealers. And these non-licensees make up one-quarter or more of firearm vendors at gun shows.

Criminals have taken advantage of the fact that gun shows are unregulated to get guns for criminal activities and to buy and sell guns illegally.

Our report contains several recommendations, many of which will be carried out through legislation. Under our proposal, Brady background checks would be required for all guns that are sold

at gun shows, even if the gun is sold by a vendor who is not licensed. In addition, strictly limited information about the guns that are sold at gun shows, but not about the buyers or sellers, would be provided to ATF to enable guns sold at gun shows to be traced if they turn up at a crime scene.

Specifically, the seven recommendations are as follows:
One, first, the term "gun show" would be defined to include not only traditional gun shows, but also flea markets and other similar venues where firearms are sold.

Second, ATF would register all persons who promote gun shows. Third, if any part of a firearms transfer, transaction, including the display of a weapon, occurs at a gun show, the firearm could be transferred only by or with the assistance of a federally licensed gun dealer.

Fourth, federally licensed gun dealers would be responsible for submitting strictly limited information concerning all firearms transferred at gun shows, not including information about the buyer or seller, to the National Tracing Center.

Fifth, we will review the definition of "engaged in the business of dealing in firearms" under current law and make recommendations for appropriate legislative or regulatory changes.

Sixth, we're seeking additional resources to combat the illegal trade of firearms at gun shows. And, seventh, we should undertake an educational campaign in conjunction with the firearms industry to encourage firearms owners to sell their guns only to legal purchasers should they choose to sell at all.

Now, before turning to Jim, let me just take a moment to discuss the importance of requiring that a federally licensed gun dealer participate either as a vendor or as a facilitator in every firearm transfer, transaction, at a gun show.

Under our proposal, felons and other prohibited persons would be much less likely to buy firearms at gun shows, knowing that they would be subject to a background check. In the first nine weeks of operation -- that is since the National Instant Check System -- the NICS System -- went into effect on November 30th, 1998, the FBI has denied 16,253 perspective gun transfers based on information received from NICS. This represents about a 2 percent denial rate of 794,259 Brady checks that were handled by the FBI. And states have denied many other sales as well.

A number of the denials under NICS have resulted in the apprehension of wanted criminals who were seeking to purchase firearms. In addition, ATF is currently investigating those

individuals who have received denials to determine whether cases for lying on the Brady Law form should be submitted for prosecution.

One final word on enforcement. We're pleased that the President's fiscal year 2000 budget includes additional funding for intensive firearms prosecution projects by the Department of Justice. Whether or not the gun show loophole is closed -- and it should be -- there will be illegal gun traffickers and purchasers who try to skirt the law. With additional funds for prosecution projects, we're confident that we will continue this administration's remarkable success in reducing violent crime.

As you all know, the nation's violent crime rate is down nearly 20 percent since 1992, and the number of violent crimes committed with firearms has dropped 27 percent. Closing the gun show loophole will enable us to do more to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and make our streets and communities safer.

On that note, I'll turn it over to Jim. Thank you.

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: Good afternoon. My name is Jim Johnson. I'm the Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement. I'd like to place the gun show report in a larger firearms enforcement context and provide further details on the report's findings.

This gun show report and recommendations are part of the administration's ongoing effort to reduce illegal access to

firearms by criminals and minors. Criminals will commit crimes to obtain guns -- there's no question about that. But there must be effective gun market rules and enforcement policies that stop criminals, juveniles and other prohibited persons from buying guns on the legal market. We must make it harder for them to buy guns illegally, and we must effectively punish and deter illegal firearms possessors, buyers, and users.

The Deputy Attorney General has described the loophole permitting sales at gun shows to occur without Brady checks and without transaction records being maintained. Some vendors at gun shows do not have to perform Brady checks or keep transaction records. This fact enables transfers that put guns in the hands of felons and unauthorized juveniles. Gun shows and similar venues offer access to firearms to felons who have been denied firearms purchases by licensed gun dealers conducting Brady checks.

The situation is also potentially unfair to sellers who do obtain federal licenses, who pay the federal licensing fee, who perform the Brady background checks, and who keep the records that assist law enforcement officials in tracing crime guns. The problem of crime associated with gun shows is real and it's significant. ATF

surveyed its field divisions to learn about recent investigations involving gun shows. The field reported back on over 300 investigations that involved gun shows. These investigations involved over 54,000 firearms -- 54,000 firearms.

The investigations indicated a wide range of criminal activity associated with gun shows, including transferring firearms to persons prohibited from possession of firearms. Felons and minors have been able to purchase firearms at gun shows. In more than a third of the investigations, the firearms involved were known to have been used in subsequent crimes. These crimes included drug offenses, felons in possession of a firearm, assault, robbery, burglary, and homicide.

It only takes a few individuals to transfer large numbers of firearms into dangerous hands. More than a third of the investigations involved more than 50 firearms. The recommendations in the report are simple and fair. They do not affect unlicensed persons who buy or sell a single firearm outside a gun show from another unlicensed person.

I would like to underscore the importance of our commitment to additional law enforcement at gun shows. Our review shows that there is illegal activity at gun shows by both licensed and unlicensed gun sellers, as well as convicted felons. More enforcement resources at this time are critical. This is why the President's fiscal year 2000 budget includes \$23.8 million for additional enforcement. That translates into, among other things, 120 new ATF agents to support investigations at gun shows; more enforcement activity to arrest violent criminals and other prohibited persons who unlawfully attempt to purchase a firearm, but fail a Brady background check; more agents to support local intensive firearms prosecution projects and to arrest gun traffickers who are illegally supplying guns to criminals and juveniles.

And that \$23.8 million only refers to what has been provided to the ATF; the total package is on the order of \$30 million -- somewhat less than that.

Gun traffickers may be licenses or unlicensed sellers. They may be selling from stores or gun shows. They may be straw purchasers working alone or with other traffickers. Or they may be felons or fences selling stolen firearms. Whoever they are, it's our goal to identify them and investigate those, as appropriate.

By building upon existing systems -- the gun dealer licensing system, the National Instant Check System, and crime gun tracing systems -- these are systems already in place and we're building on them today. These recommendations help to achieve the goals of preventing sales to prohibited persons and assisting law enforcement to identify illegal traffickers. The recommendations will help break the chain of illegal gun supply and advance the goal of effectively denying criminals and juveniles illegal access to

firearms.

Thank you.

Q Do you have to have a new law for this, and NRA is obviously going to oppose it, right?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: New legislation is required for many of the recommendations set forth in the report.

Q On loopholes at gun shows?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: That's correct.

Q How many gun shows are there in the country?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: Approximately 4,400 per year.

Q All over the country?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: That's all over the country.

Q What portion of gun sales -- do you have any idea?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: Because gun shows are largely unregulated, we don't have a clear fix on the number of guns sales. But as I indicated just on the investigations that the ATF ran, there were some 50,000 involved in just 300 investigations.

At many gun shows you may find as many as thousands of guns for sale, some of them from licensed gun dealers; some of them from vendors that are at tables; and some of them simply from people walking around with single or just a handful of guns to sell.

Q They can just sell at any -- without any check?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: The licensed dealers have to conduct a Brady check. The unlicensed sellers do not need to conduct a Brady background check.

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: The effect of that means that a person who is a fugitive, a person who is a felon, a person who has been convicted of domestic violence, a person with a mental problem can go to a gun show and buy a gun from an unlicensed dealer. That is a loophole that just must be closed.

Q How do you police against flea markets? Flea markets aren't put together like a gun show is. How would you do that?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: Well, one of the recommendations would require anyone essentially that is engaged in a gun show, and what we do in the recommendation is broaden the definition of gun show. So that you have your traditional gun show,

but the definition is broad enough to include those events where two or more people are engaged in a sale of at least 50 firearms.

The system that we would propose to put in place would require even the flea market promoter to notify the ATF of the potential for these sales to take place. And then the additional requirements of requiring all the sales of guns at the flea market would involve Brady checks for all of the sales.

Q But don't you think that the flea market situation isn't going to work, for the fact that a lot of these flea markets are put together by community groups, neighborhoods, who are really oblivious to this kind of information?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: One of the things that we want to do is get this information out so we don't have people that are oblivious to this information.

Q Do you think Congress will be receptive to this?

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: I'd certainly hope that they would be. I mean, I think we have shown, through the comprehensive program that the President has used over the last six years, that it has resulted in very significant crime drops. One of the main components of the comprehensive program has been regulating the sale of firearms. This is, it seems to me, just part and parcel of that which has proven to be effective. And if we are to continue to be effective and not be complacent, we have to have, I think, this legislation.

Q Isn't the Brady law running out? Or is it still in effect?

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: No. We have the National Instant Check System now. The President has proposed, however, that we go back to -- that we have a waiting period for guns, that you could go to apply for a gun and that there would be a waiting period. I think that is also something that we also have a proposal to extend the time in which the FBI and state authorities would have, in which to run the checks. It's now three days and we think that should be increased to five days. The President has proposed that there be a three-day waiting period for anybody who wants to buy a gun.

Q Since this is such a wide-ranging problem, you said earlier, why now? Why all of a sudden deal with this issue now, and not before?

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: Well, I mean, it's clearly a problem -- it was identified by the President as a loophole that existed in the law that had been passed, and that is why the President directed the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General to close that loophole. We think we have come up with a program that will effectively close that loophole, and ultimately

make the streets of our country a lot safer.

Q Is the NRA opposition waning a bit to all of this?

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: I wouldn't want to be a spokesman for the NRA, I simply don't know what their position would be on this. But it would seem to me that any reasonable person who would look at what are very reasonable --

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Q We're not talking about reasonable people. We're talking about the NRA.

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: Well, that was your characterization. (Laughter.)

Q You're not afraid of irritating them, are you?

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HOLDER: Well, no, no, no. But I would say any reasonable person looking at these proposals would see that we have identified a problem and have taken an approach that is, in fact, reasonable. It is not over-regulation. It looks at people who are selling guns out of their private collections, for instance, to other collectors, and does not deal with them.

We're really trying to get at people who are criminals, or people who should simply not be in possession of guns. I don't think there's any principled basis for opposition to this proposal.

Q Can you name the top states for where these types of sales take place?

UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON: We have that in our report, and I can, hopefully, turn, flip the directory quickly to the page -- maybe not so quickly -- page four of the report. And those states would be Texas, Pennsylvania, Florida, Illinois, California, Indiana, North Carolina, Oregon, Ohio and Nevada. And that would be page four of this report.

Q Thank you.

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Depoliticize Emissions Issue

Last fall the Clinton administration and
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take to encourage development of ene
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power plants and other means to reduce fossil fuel
emissions. The
conflict flared in November, when the administration

signed a global warming treaty, the Kyoto Protocol, which Republicans vowed never to discuss, much less vote to ratify.

Next week, John H. Chafee (R-R.I.), chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, hopes to introduce compromise legislation that could lift the fossil fuel debate above partisan mudslinging. His bill would reward U.S. companies that voluntarily agree to reduce fossil fuel emissions and would allocate credits to companies reducing them now.

Unfortunately, some environmental groups, taking a stand as irrationally hard-line as the one the Republicans took with the Kyoto Protocol, seek to defeat Chafee's bill. The measure, they say, is "all carrot, no stick." But their proposal to stiffly penalize fossil fuel emissions won't fly in Washington.

Chafee's bill is a first step toward encouraging companies--from coal plants to auto manufacturers--to reduce their fossil fuel emissions. Environmentalists ought to support it as a good start and lobby elsewhere for additional fossil fuel reductions. Congress should use the budget to reward forward-looking, low-polluting technologies.

But prospects are dim. The Clinton administration itself has asked Congress to deliver big subsidies to wealthy fossil fuel companies.

Like many conflicts in Washington, this one has less to do with the purported policy objective--encouraging smart energy use--than with politics. Vice President Al Gore, for instance, has identified fossil fuel reduction as one of his top priorities as a presidential candidate, which makes it a hard issue for Republicans to support.

Wise legislators like Chafee know there is no national interest in turning emissions reductions into a partisan issue. All Americans will lose if the United States fails to emulate its competitors, from Britain to Japan, who are using tax dollars to encourage

spending on
energy-efficient technologies.

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