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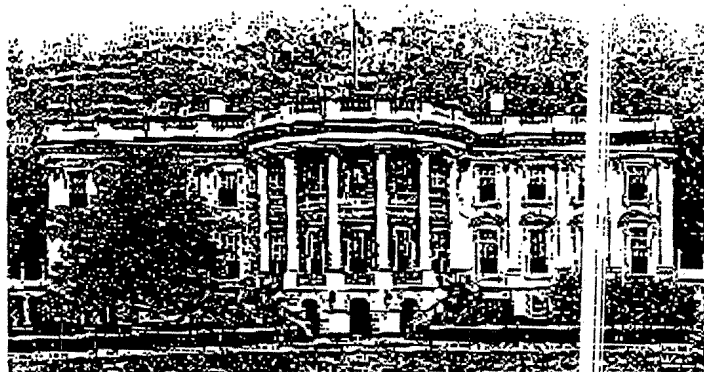
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TPS for address to Dem. Committee staff attached.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cynthia Jasso-Rotunno

FR: Rob Engel

RE: Talking Points for the January 8 DNC Presidential Visit

DT: January 4, 2001

We are thrilled to have the President stop by the DNC on Monday, January 8. It will be a great motivator for all staff following a very long election contest. Staff from the Democratic National Committee, the Democratic Governors Association, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and the Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee will be in attendance.

Our recommendation on talking points are very basic:

(1) A thank you for efforts on behalf of the entire party for their hard work during the 2000 election. Though the election did not turn out the way we had hoped, we have a foundation to build on in the Congress, Senate, Governorships and Legislative bodies in the 2002 elections.

(2) A thank you to the party apparatus for helping the success of his Presidency over the last eight years. (A review of the successes would be worthwhile)

(3) Ask all staff to stay focused on the 2002 elections and summon everyone to fight for the foundation of what the Democratic party believes in: healthcare for all, an education system that is second to none, etc., and that these issues and this fight lives with the standing in this room today.

Let me know if there is any further information he may need.

4) How much party has changed? No

arr 7:00 pm

7:04-7:35 remarks

Joel: make sure we stay away from process stuff: ie., 2002

- Do what we've done
- Fight is not over — just got harder — accomplishable if...
 - redouble our efforts
 - fiscal discipline
 - etc.
- staff are more important than ever

Ack:

DNC
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DCA

talk to Joel

- what's strong

past
present
future- credit
successes
- same together
as partycontinuing
fight
for what
we believe
in +
fight for

Revised Final 01/08/01 4:15pm
Jeff Shesol

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
TALKING POINTS FOR VISIT WITH
DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE STAFF
WASHINGTON, DC
January 8, 2001**

Acknowledgments: Joe Andrew; Ed Rendell; Rep. Sanchez & Mayor Archer, DNC Co-Chairs; Sen. Torricelli (DSCC); Reps. Kennedy (DCCC) & Frost (Impact 2000); Gov. Patton (DGA); State Sen. Mike Miller (DLCC); and all the staff members who are here from every one of these groups.

Before I begin, I want to express my sorrow on the death this morning of Albert Suggs. As many of you know, he was a longtime employee of the DNC and a longtime member of the UAW. I want to join you all in offering my condolences to the Suggs family, as well as to his extended family right here at the DNC.

I'm here tonight to thank you for all your hard work during the 2000 elections. We came together as a party, and built a record of success we can all be proud of. From the states to the House to the Senate, you scored an impressive string of victories. They're our foundation for the future. On a personal note, I want to give special thanks for your support of Senator Clinton.

I also want to thank you for the hard work you've done, day in and day out for eight years now, to make our administration a success. You never lost sight of the fact that we're working not just for a particular candidate, or even for our party, but for a better future for all the American people.

Working together, we have built the longest economic expansion in history – with more than 22 million new jobs, the lowest unemployment in 30 years, the lowest Hispanic and African-American unemployment on record, and the highest homeownership ever. We have mended our nation's social fabric; and come closer than ever to building the One America of our Founders' dreams. These, too, are achievements we can all be proud of – and ones we're going to build on.

The fight for progress is about to get tougher. The presidential election didn't turn out as it should have. But if we redouble our efforts, we can still accomplish our goals. We're going to keep up the fight for what we believe, and for the priorities of the American people. We've got to maintain our fiscal discipline and keep paying down the debt. We've got to invest more in education. We've got to raise the minimum wage... pass a Patient's Bill of Rights... and add a voluntary prescription drug benefit to Medicare.

In these efforts, we're going to call upon your dedication and drive more than ever. Your Members of Congress, your Senators, your Governors can't do it alone. They need the

shared strength of this remarkable staff. And if you keep giving it everything you've got, then we're going to win this fight, and we're going to keep building a better America. Thank you.

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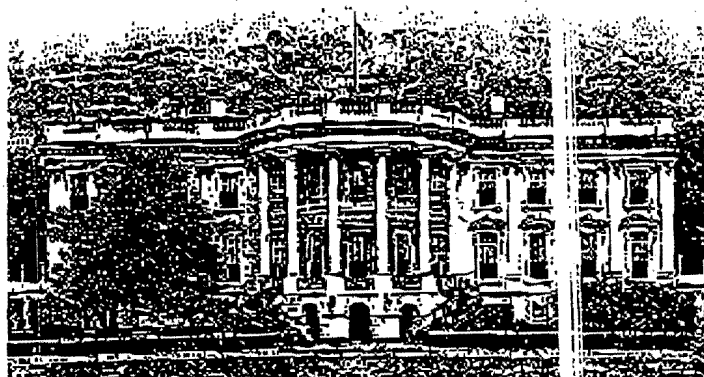
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Cynthia Rosso- (pol.)

Rob Engel (DCCC/DNC) is sending
something

These folks are the most liberal
Don't overdo 3rd way stuff
"we changed the party"

After file
pep rally

Talking pr.

Sonya will get logistics ←

(tell her)

mtg. Friday Am