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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 28, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT



From: Bob J. Nash, Assistant to the President and
Director of Presidential Personnel

RE: MEMBERS
ADVISORY BOARD FOR CUBA BROADCASTING (PA)

I. BACKGROUND

In 1983, Congress enacted the Radio Broadcasting to Cuba Act for the stated purpose of supporting the right of the people of Cuba to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas through the media, regardless of frontiers, and in accordance with Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Consistent with this policy, the Act noted that radio broadcasting to Cuba may be effective to further the communication of accurate information and ideas to the people of Cuba. Thus, they created Radio Marti and the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba. The Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting replaced this in 1990, after the creation of Television Marti. The Advisory Board meets bi-monthly to review the effectiveness of the United States Information Agency's Radio Marti and TV Marti operations and make recommendations to the President and USIA Broadcasting Board of Governors.

II. DISCUSSION

The Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting is bipartisan and consists of two ex-officio members and nine members appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. Members serve three-year terms. The President designates one of the members to serve as Chair. Of the five Democrats on the Board, three have cleared vetting and will be nominated soon. You previously approved Annie Betancourt and Elena Amos for the other two Democratic vacancies on this board, but both were withdrawn during the process. This memorandum recommends two Democrats and two Republicans to fill vacancies and one Republican re-appointment.

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III. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that you approve the following individuals:

JEROLD L. ZARO, Democrat of New Jersey, to serve as a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. Vice: Annie Betancourt. President and managing partner of the Ocean Township, New Jersey law firm of Ansell Zaro Grimm & Aaron, comprised of twenty-one lawyers. Mr. Zaro is a member of the Monmouth county, New Jersey, and New York Bar Associations. Mr. Zaro received a B.A. in History from Boston University and a J.D. from Boston College School of Law.

Sponsor: Senator Robert Torricelli (D-NJ)

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

JORGE L. ARRIZURIETA, Republican of Florida, to serve as a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. Vice: Jose Costa. Mr. Arrizurieta is currently the Director of Public Affairs at Huizenga Holdings. In addition, he is a sitting member on the Board of Directors for the International Finance Bank; the American Red Cross-Broward County; and the Board of Trustees for Florida TaxWatch.

Sponsor: Senator Trent Lott (R-MS)

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

CHRISTOPHER D. COURSEN, Republican of District of Columbia, to serve as a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. Vice: reappointment. Founder of the Coursen Group, Mr. Coursen provides strategic planning, policy, analysis, consultation, and representation to executives in private industry in the areas of telecommunications and government affairs. Mr. Coursen was appointed by President Bush to the President's Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting and by President Reagan to the President's Commission on White House Fellowships. He received a B.A. from Washington & Lee University and a J.D. from The National Law Center, at George Washington University.

Sponsor: Senator Trent Lott (R-MS)

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

CLARA MARIA DEL VALLE, Republican of Florida, to serve as a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. Vice: Joseph Glennon. Great-granddaughter of the famous Cuban patriot Emilio Bacardi, Clara Maria Del Valle was involved since its inception with the Cuban American National Foundation's Exodus Program; an initiative that reunified more than 10,000 Cuban refugees stranded in third countries with family members in the United States at no cost to the U.S. taxpayer. She then became a member

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of the Board of Directors of the Cuban American National Foundation.

Sponsor: Senator Trent Lott (R-MS)

Approve ✓

Disapprove _____

C. CARROLL LARKIN, Democrat of New York, to serve as a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. Vice: Elena Diaz-Verson Amos. Currently, Mr. Larkin serves as Senior Vice President for the Spanish Broadcasting System, Inc. Prior, he worked for WAAL, WKOP, WINR, WBNX, WEW, WSID, and WCAO radio stations. In addition, Mr. Hutton served as Executive Vice President for the United Broadcasting Company. He attended University of Baltimore, St. Martins, and St. Bernadines R.C. Schools.

Sponsor: Congressman Robert Menendez (D-NJ)

Approve: ✓

Disapprove: _____

IV. OTHERS CONSIDERED

None

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 27, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BOB J. NASH,



Assistant to the President and
Director of Presidential Personnel

RE: ANNIE BETANCOURT
CHAIR AND MEMBER
ADVISORY BOARD FOR CUBA BROADCASTING (PAS)

I. BACKGROUND

In 1983, Congress enacted the Radio Broadcasting to Cuba Act for the stated purpose of supporting the right of the people of Cuba to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas through and media, regardless of frontiers, and in accordance with Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Consistent with this policy, the Act noted that radio broadcasting to Cuba may be effective in furthering the open communication of accurate information and ideas to the people of Cuba. Thus, Radio Marti and the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba was created. This was replaced by the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting in 1990, after the creation of Television Marti. The Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting reviews the effectiveness of the United States Information Agency's Radio and Television Marti operations.

II. DISCUSSION

The Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting is a biartisan board with nine members appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. The members meet bimonthly and report their recommendations to the President and USIA's Broadcasting Board of Governors. The Chair is designated by the President.

III. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that you approve the following individual:

ANNIE BETANCOURT, Democrat of Florida, to serve as member and chair of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting;. Vice: Elena Diaz-Verson Amos. Ms. Betancourt is currently a Democratic Representative in the Florida House of Representatives. She is also the Director of the Center for Professional Development and Corporate Training at the Miami-Dade Community College. Ms. Betancourt has been an employee of the Metropolitan Dade County government in various positions ranging

from Administrative Assistant to Executive Director of Dade County Legislation. She is also very involved in Affirmative Action and Minority programs having been the Coordinator of the Affirmative Action Program (1979-1985) and Director for Hispanic Affairs at the Jackson Memorial Hospital. Ms. Betancourt is affiliated with several boards and organizations having served as member to: the Cuban American Council, the Florida Cancer Control, the National Hispana Leadership Institute, and the Republic National Bank. She is the 1994 recipient of the Woman of the Year Award from the Coalition of Hispanic American Women and Dynamic Women from the American Cancer Society. Ms. Betancourt has a B.A. from the University of Miami and Executive Training from the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Sponsor(s): Sen. Torricelli (D-NJ), Sen. Graham (D-FL), USIA, Lula Rodriguez.

Approve: _____

Disapprove: _____

IV. OTHERS CONSIDERED

None.

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