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Subject: Education's Weekly Report for March 30-April 6

March 26, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR ERSKINE BOWLES, THE WHITE HOUSE

FROM: Richard W. Riley

SUBJECT: Weekly Report for March 30-April 5

KEY DEPARTMENT NEWS

CA/TX Affirmative Action Issues: The New York Times reported
March 26 on a series of letters from Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

Norma Cantelmo to Texas officials regarding the impact of the Fifth Circuit decision in *Texas v. Hopwood* on affirmative action programs at state universities. The Assistant Secretary stated that the Department's position, contrary to that of Texas Attorney General Morales, is that *Hopwood* is limited to its facts; that the 1978 *Bakke* decision, which allows schools to consider diversity in admissions and other programs, remains the controlling authority regarding affirmative action policies; and that failure to remedy the effects of past discrimination could result in the loss of access to Department funds by state universities. DOEd is also currently mailing letters dealing with similar issues from Secretary Riley to school districts and college presidents in CA regarding the impact of the California Civil Rights Initiative (CCRI) on their responsibilities under educational programs and civil rights laws administered by DOEd.

Central State University: DOEd's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) notified Governor Voinovich by letter that it is resuming its investigation of Central State due to the state's failure to submit a proposed remedial plan to OCR. OCR has a long-standing civil rights case involving Central State, Ohio's only historically black public university, focusing on funding disparities between Central State and Ohio's other public universities.

Special Education for Disciplined Students: The AZ U.S. District Court held on March 14 that a school district must provide educational services to students who are expelled for reasons unrelated to their disabilities, agreeing with the interpretation of DOEd. The judge

specifically rejected the analysis of the recent en banc opinion of the Fourth Circuit in *Virginia v. Riley*.

Direct Loan Program Scrutiny: The Office of Inspector General expects to release on April 4 draft results of its audits of 16 randomly selected Direct Loan schools throughout the country. The objective of the national audit is to determine whether schools have properly administered the program, and have accounted for and spent federal funds in accordance with applicable requirements. We have not yet been informed of the results of the audits, but the draft will be circulated internally before public release. Also, GAO wrote on March 19 to inform DOEd that, pursuant to a Congressional request, the GAO will review DOEd's implementation of the income contingent repayment (ICR) option available to borrowers under the program. GAO expects to issue a report by September 1997. On March 25, several members of Congress also requested information on the ICR option and on the program generally.

Meeting with Gov. Thompson: Secretary Riley is scheduled to meet with Governor Tommy Thompson in DC on March 27 to discuss the new organization Achieve, which will provide technical assistance to states developing academic standards. The Secretary will also discuss his letter to the Governor responding to the Governor's recent New York Times op-ed piece opposing your testing initiative.

Shanker Memorial: Secretary Riley will make remarks at an April 9 DC memorial service for AFT President Al Shanker.

Employers for Learning: Secretary Riley will discuss your education initiatives with the Steering Committee of this group, which includes representatives from IBM, GTE, Marriott, and other major corporations, on April 7.

Magic School Bus: Secretary Riley will tour the Magic School Bus, a mobile science lab for K-4 children associated with a popular science education television program, with a group of DC elementary school students on April 8. The event is sponsored by the Math, Science and Technology Initiative, a coalition of DC-based federal, public and private organizations dedicated to improving science education in the District.

NY Principal for a Day: Secretary Riley will participate in an April 10 New York City event organized by Public Education Needs Civic Involvement in Learning (PENCIL) which will include several school visits and a town meeting moderated by Jane Pauley and attended by the Secretary, Chancellor Crew and several local principals.

MO TIMSS Event: Secretary Riley will participate in an April 11 Kansas City event with Governor Carnahan highlighting plans to administer the Third International Math and Science Study test (TIMSS) to MO students. Missouri is among the first states to announce they will measure their performance against international standards by administering the TIMSS test.

Teacher of the Year Events: The State Teachers of the Year chosen by the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) will be in

Washington during the week of April 13 for several events, including the National Teacher of the Year ceremony with you at the White House on the afternoon of April 18. Secretary Riley will speak at the April 16 CCSSO Teacher of the Year dinner, and the teachers will participate in a forum on teacher preparation and attracting qualified individuals to teaching, which will also include a downlink to sites throughout the country. The First Lady is scheduled to address the teachers on the morning of April 18.

Speeches by Secretary Riley: The Secretary will address the University of South Carolina Law School in Columbia on April 4.

AGENCY WORK ON PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES

Goals 2000: Secretary Riley will travel to Vermont April 14 where he will participate in a celebration of Goals 2000 with Senator Jeffords, Governor Dean and other Vermont political and education leaders. The event will include a panel discussion on how local, state and national government organizations can work together to improve student learning.

Charter Schools: On April 15, Secretary Riley is tentatively scheduled to announce the results of a DOEd-funded study of charter schools identifying start-up funding as the top obstacle to the establishment of charter schools and reporting various facts and figures about the charter school movement. The event may also include an announcement regarding DC charter schools. The April Satellite Town Meeting, also on the 15th, will focus on charter schools and magnet

schools. Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education Gerry Tirozzi is scheduled to testify at a charter schools hearing of the House Education and Workforce Committee on April 9.

America Reads Challenge: Carol Rasco and other DOEd staff were scheduled to meet with staff for Chairman Goodling of the House Education and Workforce Committee to discuss the initiative on March 26. Representatives from Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Los Angeles, Miami, Kansas City (MO), Houston and Starlight, PA will meet with DOEd staff in DC on April 7 to discuss plans to coordinate Title I and empowerment zone efforts through the America Reads program.

NOTABLE CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Appropriations Hearings: Acting Deputy Secretary Smith will testify at an April 9 House Appropriations Subcommittee hearing on Department management and the 1998 Salaries and Expenses budget request. Secretary Riley will testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee on April 16.

SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE

Please see attachment.

PRESS/MEDIA INQUIRIES

Department Officials Interviewed: The Secretary ,s March 20 Hope
Scholarship press conference with Secretary Rubin was covered by local and
national media. A NC television station is scheduled to interview
Secretary Riley on April 1.

FOIA REQUESTS

Wall Street Journal Request: DOEd is preparing a response to a March 13
request for documents related to contacts with the Democratic National
Committee.

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Secretary Richard Riley April 16, 2018 [autodate]

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Jau Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	Edward Prewitt	MC Gumbleton	Jau Blanchard
6 Daylight Savings Time (Spring Ahead) DO NOT SCHEDULE	7 1:00-1:30pm Mtg. w/ Employers for Learning Steering Committee PerVosburgh	8 12:00-1:30pm Magic School Bus Tour w/DC Kids REMARKS 7:00-10:00pm Canadian State Dinner	9 9:30-11:00a Al Shanker Memorial Service @ Lisner REMARKS TENTATIVE 7:00-9:00 Dinner w/Dem Members	10 NYC 11:00-12:02 Flu to LaGuardia 1:00-2:30 Principal for a Day REMARKS 4:00-6:00p Principal for a Day Town Meeting REMARKS 7:00-9:00p Principal for a Day Dinner	11 KANSAS CITY, MO 9:25-11:36 Flu to KC from Newark 1:00-2:00 Lunch Meeting w/Gov. Mel Carnahan 2:00-3:00 TIMSS Event w/Gov Mel Carnahan REMARKS	12

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13	14 BURLINGTON, VT TBD Goals 2000 Celebration w/Sen Jeffords REMARKS Advance: Maru Clare	15 TBD (Tentative) Charter Schools Event PerMorton/Schn ur 2:00-4:00 Briefing for Specter Hearing 6:00-9:00pm STM re: Charter/ Magnet Schools REMARKS	16 2:00-5:00 Specter Hearing TESTIMONY 6:00-8:00 CSSO Teacher of the Year Dinner SPEECH	17 TBD WH Zero-to-Three Conf REMARKS 1:00-2:00pm Interview w/ WYFF S.C. 3:00-3:15pm Drop-By Mtg. w/ Bill Youngblood & Trish McNeil 8:00-9:00 Dept of Ed Teachers Forum Downlink REMARKS	18 9:00-10:00 Dept of Ed Teachers Forum INTRO HRC 2:00-3:00 WH Teacher of the Year Event REMARKS 7:30pm State Dept Dinner	19 DO NOT SCHEDULE
Jau Blanchard	Jau Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	Edward Prewitt	Jau Blanchard
20 DO NOT SCHEDULE 6:00 Kennedy Center Gala	21 Passover Begins DO NOT SCHEDULE	22 Earth Day TENTATIVE 7:00-9:00 Dem Members Dinner	23 BALTIMORE, MD 7:00-9:00p Tow n Hall Mtg w/Rep Ben	24 5:00pm DNS	25 8:30-9:30a Meet w/Assist Secs and Hispanic Higher Ed Commission	26 7:00-10:00p WH Correspondents' Dinner

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		TALKING POINTS	Cardin TALKING POINTS		Exec Committee TALKING POINTS 5:00pm DNS	
Jay Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	MC Gumbleton	Edward Prewitt			
27	28 TENTATIVE PHILADELPHIA 10:00-4:00 WH Citizens' Service Summit REMARKS	29 TENTATIVE 9:00-5:00 PCSD TENTATIVE PHILADELPHIA WH Citizens' Service Summit REMARKS 12:00-1:00p Cable TV Assn SPEECH (WDC)	30 NEW YORK ALBANY 1:00-2:00pm STARS Conf. SPEECH			

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						1 6:00pm Kennedy Center Millennium Stage Dedication
	Edward Prewitt	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	Shawn Polk	Jau Blanchard
2 4:00pm-6:00pm WH Celebration of Ford's Theater. Black Tie. 7:00pm Ford's Theatre Event @ Ford's Theatre	3 9:00-10:00am Direct Lending Conference 11:30-12:15pm WH PSA Release 12:30-1:00pm DNS Drop-By SC Interns PerHolleman 1:30-2:30pm Briefing for Goodling Hearing 2:30-3:00pm Mtg. w/ NASDC Principals REMARKS 3:00-3:30pm Briefing for Drug-Free America	4 9:00-9:45am Meet w/House Dems TALKING POINTS 10:00-11:00am School Visit w/ FLOTUS and Bob Rubin @ Ketcham Elementary 11:15-12:15pm Partnership for Drug Free America Press Conf. REMARKS 12:30-2:30pm Briefing for Goodling Hearing 2:30-3:00pm Mtg. w/ Stan	5 8:30-8:45pm Pre-Briefing for Goodling Hearing 9:00-11:00am Goodling Hearing Ed Agenda TESTIMONY 11:45-12:00pm Mtg. w/ Marvin Carmichael and Dallas Martin 1:10-2:10pm WH Meeting on Standards w/ POTUS 3:15-3:45pm AASCU SPEECH 4:15-5:15pm Mtg. w/ Judy Winston and	6 LANSING, MI 8:50am Wheels Up AF1 @ Andrews TBD POTUS Address to State Legislature 3:00pm Wheels Down AF1 @ Andrews 6:30-8:00pm Nat'l Christian Schools	7 ORLANDO, FLORIDA 12:15-2:32pm Fly to Orlando. FL 3:15-4:15pm Press Avail 4:00-5:30pm NASSP SPEECH Advance: MC Gumbleton 5:15-7:23pm Fly to WDC	8

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Press Conf. 3:30-4:00pm Briefing for School Visit w/ FLOTUS 4:00-4:30 Briefin g for Coverdell Mtg 5:00-6:00 Mtg w/ Paul Coverdell, et al TALKING POINTS	Ikenberry 3:00-3:30pm Briefing for AASCU Speech 3:30-5:00 Briefing for Goodling Hearing 7:00-9:00 Dinner for Swiss Amb	Senior Staff 5:30-6:00pm Briefing for MI Trip 6:45-7:15pm AASCU Recpt.	Assoc SPEECH		
Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	Jau Blanchard	Kittu Sians	Kittu Sians	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton
9	10 NEW YORK CITY 7:30-8:30am Fly to NY 9:00-10:00am Brkfst. w/ Business and Education Leaders 10:15-10:45am Press Avail 10:45-12:00pm School-to-Work event @ Central Park East H.S.	11 10:00-12:00pm Porter Hearing TESTIMONY 12:00-1:00 CAPE Leg Conf SPEECH 2:00-3:00pm Mtg. w/ Rep. Tim Roemer 3:30-4:00pm Hold for Calls to Hill on E-Rate 4:00-4:30pm Briefing for PTA	12 9:30-10:00am Briefing for Mtg. w/ Sen. Ted Kennedy 10:00-10:15am Mtg. w/ Largo H.S. Students 10:30-11:00am Mtg. w/ Dr. Eric Smith 11:00-12:00pm Mtg. w/ Mario Moreno and Senior Staff 12:30-1:30pm	13 RALEIGH, NC 9:10-10:05am Fly to NC AF1 11:00-12:00pm POTUS Address to State Legislature 1:00-2:00 Event TBD 3:04-3:59 Fly to WDG Advance: MC Gumbleton	14 9:00-9:30am Mg. w/ Dr. John Kelly 9:30-10:00am Briefing on School Construction 10:00-11:30p m Press Briefing PerSFrost Noon-1:00 NASBE Leg Conf SPEECH 2:00-2:15pm	15 12:00-2:00pm Gannett Recpt. 2:50-3:20pm "Do Something" Event w/Andrew Shue REMARKS Advance: Leslie Thornton 3:30-3:40pm Intvw w/ Channel 8 7:00pm Gridiron Dinner 10:00pm

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	1:30-2:30pm Fly to WDC Advance: Shawn 3:00-3:30pm Briefing for HRC Briefing 3:45-5:00 Press Briefing w/HRC @ WH REMARKS 5:15pm Briefing for Porter Hearing on 3/11	Teleconference 4:30-5:00pm Mtg. w/ Dr. Amos Brown 5:00-5:30pm Phone Call to Hill 6:00-7:00 PTA Teleconference Dinner 7:00-8:00pm Teleconference Prep 8:00-8:45pm PTA Teleconference REMARKS	Lunch w/ Roger Kennedy 1:30-2:00pm Mtg. w/ Rosanne White, Tim Dyer and Tom Koerner 2:30-3:30pm Mtg w/ Sen. Ted Kennedy and Cmte. Dems. 4:00-4:45 Live Satellite to NC Ed Conf. REMARKS TBD POTUS Town Hall Mtg. w/ Kids @ WH	8:00-9:00 Music Educators Dinner SPEECH	Courtesy Call w/ Marvin Charmicael and Dallas Martin 2:30-3:30pm Mtg. w/ Kay Casstevens and Senior Staff	Gridiron Recpt.
Jau Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton	Shawn Polk
16 Noon-1:00p Great City Schools Leg Conf SPEECH	17 St. Patrick's Day 9:00-9:30a Consortium of School Networking Conference SPEECH 10:15-11:15am CSSO Leg. Conf. REMARKS & TALKING	18 10:00-10:30 Mtg. w/ Brian Atwood 10:30-11:00 Briefing for STM 11:00-11:30 Call w/Rep. Carolyn McCarthy 11:30-12:00 Mtg w/Oakland	19 8:00-9:00 Cap Hill Wednesday Group Bkfst. REMARKS 9:30-10:30 Mtg. w/ Elem/Sec Ed Execs REMARKS 10:30-11:00 Museum of	20 First Day of Spring 9:15-10:00pm Hope Scholarship Event w/VP @ Wash/Lee HS Arlington REMARKS 10:15-10:45 Hope Press Briefing w/Bob	21 Congressional Recess (3/21-4/8) 9:00-10:00am American Assoc. Of Publishers SPEECH 10:15-11:00a Natl Institute of Literacy Event REMARKS	22

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	POINTS 12:00-1:00pm Mtg. w/ POTUS and CSSO's @ WH 2:00-3:00pm Meeting w/ Frank H. @ WH 3:30-4:00pm Mtg. w/ Arthur Levine 4:00-5:00pm Mtg. w/ Delaine Eastin 5:00-7:00 WH Irish Party 8:00pm Dinner @ Irish Embassy	School Super Carolyn Getridge 1:00-2:00 Mtg. w/ Norma Cantu and Senior Staff 2:00-3:00 Mtg. w/ Judy Heumann and Senior Staff 3:00-3:30 Courtesy Call w/ UCLA Reps 5:30-6:00 Briefing for Mtg. w/Elem. and Sec. Ecexs. 6:00-9:00pm STM re: School-to-Work REMARKS	Aviation Mtg w/Colleen Nunn 12:00-1:00pm Senior Staff Lunch 1:15-2:00pm Mtg. w/ Delia Pompa and Senior Staff 3:30-3:45pm Photo-Op w/ Elks Pres. 4:00-4:30pm Briefing on NAGB 5:30 DNS 7:00pm PBS Dinner	Rubin STATEMENT 12:00-1:00 Vernon Jordan lunch 1:50-2:00pm Drop-By Mtg. w/ George Scalise PerLRoberts 2:00-3:00pm Mtg. w/ Linda Roberts and Senior Staff 7:30pm DNS	11:15-11:30am Photo-Op w/Hand Middle School students 11:30-11:45am Drop-by Archer interns per SFleming 1:00-2:00pm Mtg w/ Trish McNeil and Senior Staff 2:15-3:15pm Mtgw/Gerry Tirozzi and Senior Staff 4:30-5:00pm Mtg. w/ Eugene Lang 6:00-8:00pm Recpt. @ State Dept.	
Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	Kittu Sians	Shawn Polk	MC Gumbleton	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians
23	24 WEST VIRGINIA Martinsburg, WV 8:00-8:45a Flu to WVA 9:00-10:00 Martinsburg North Middle School w/Jau	25 11:00-11:15am WH Phone Call Per Miller 2:00-3:30 Rural Education Conference SPEECH	26 10:00-11:00am Mtg. w/ Netherlands Education Minister 12:45-1:45pm Mtg. w/ David	27 11:00-12:00 Mtg w/CEF Officers 1:00-2:00 Annenberg PSA taping 3:30-4:30 Mtg w/Gov Tommu	28 Good Friday	29

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	Rockefeller REMARKS Charleston, WV 12:00-1:30pm Lunch w/ Educators TALKING POINTS 2:00-3:00 John Adams Junior High w/Sen Rockefeller REMARKS 3:30-4:30 Recpt w/ Rockefeller 5:00pm Fly to WDC 7:00 Dinner @ Embassu Netherlands	5:00pm DNS	Longanecker and Senior Staff 2:00-3:00pm CFC Awards PerLonganecker 3:30-4:00 Mtg w/U of AK Chancellor Lee Gorsuch 6:00 Picasso Exhibit Event @ National Gallery	Thompson 6:30-7:30 PBS Recpt. 7:30-10:00 PBS Board Dinner		

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ED Initiatives...

A biweekly look at progress on the Secretary's priorities

March 26, 1997

CHALLENGING STANDARDS FOR ALL STUDENTS

----- On March 14, Governor Jim Hunt announced that students in North Carolina will be taking the new voluntary national tests in 4th-grade reading and 8th-grade mathematics. This makes North Carolina the 3rd state to commit to taking these tests (joining Maryland & Michigan), which will be available in the spring of 1999. The Department of Defense also announced this month that the 115,000 American students attending its 233 schools at bases here & around the world will participate in the voluntary national tests. For more information on these tests, please see: <http://www.ed.gov/nationaltests/>

NEW URBAN HIGH SCHOOLS

----- Earlier this month, 5 high schools were recognized as "New Urban High Schools" for their efforts to restructure what & how they teach, so that learning is relevant & all students are prepared for college & career opportunities.

One of the schools, Chicago Vocational Essential High School, has transformed itself over the past 5 years into 8 "schools within a school." Each of these smaller "schools" is organized around a broad career cluster, and vocational & academic teachers in each school meet regularly to plan integrated units of study. More than 2,700 students attend

Chicago Vocational, which has been recognized locally & nationally for its achievements in personalizing education in a large urban site. A second school, the St. Louis Career Academy, offers computer-assisted instruction, project-based learning, and small-group work to its 240 students. Juniors & seniors participate in workplace internships in the life sciences, and they demonstrate what they're learning in portfolios & exhibitions. The Academy is a pilot program for the new St. Louis Career Education District, which will operate 4 such academies, each serving 450 students from the city & the surrounding county.

For more information on this new project, "Changing the Subject: The New Urban High School," please see:
<http://www.ed.gov/PressReleases/03-1997/urb-hs.html>

TECHNOLOGY LITERACY CHALLENGE FUND

----- Last week Secretary Riley announced Technology Literacy Challenge Fund (TLCF) awards to Alabama, Hawaii, Maryland, & Vermont, bringing to 16 the number of states that have received grants under this program.

Alabama will use its \$3.5 million grant to create a statewide Intranet connecting every school, school system central office, public library, and the State Department of

Education (via fiber optics) to each other & to the Internet. In Hawaii, where nearly every school is already connected to a Wide Area Network, the state will use its \$1 million grant to align the use of technology with other aspects of education. Maryland's \$2.4 million grant will support its efforts to support technology through contributions from various sources -- free e-mail for all Maryland teachers, from the University of Maryland; surveys on technology use, by the Johns Hopkins Center for Technology in Education; teacher preparation that incorporates the use of technology, at Towson State University; and public access to the Internet & low-cost connections for school systems, from Maryland's Public Library system. Vermont's \$1 million grant will help poor & needy school districts purchase hardware, software, networking links, Internet access, and professional development -- all in support of individual school district plans to use technology in helping students reach state academic standards.

The TLCF is designed to help advance the President's four technology goals: training & support (in technology) for all teachers, access to modern computers for all students & teachers, connections to the Information Superhighway for all classrooms & schools, and high quality software & online resources as part of the curriculum in every school. The TLCF benefits students in both public & non-profit private

schools. For more information, please see the full text of the press releases at: <http://www.ed.gov/news.html#pr>

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

----- On March 14, Secretary Riley sent a bill to Congress that would offer federal assistance to help local communities & states rebuild their schools. The "Partnership to Rebuild America's Schools Act of 1997" would provide \$5 billion over the next 4 years to help upgrade old schools & build new schools. It would spur \$20 billion in investments for school modernization by states, localities, and the private sector. The bill has been introduced in the House and Senate as H.R. 1104 and S. 456. For a summary, fact sheet, the methodology of allocating funds, estimated allocations to 100 high-poverty districts & to states, case studies, and questions & answers on the initiative, please see: <http://www.ed.gov/SchoolConstruction/>

OPENING THE DOORS OF COLLEGE TO MORE AMERICANS

----- On March 20, the President sent to Congress, as part of his 5-year balanced budget, "The Hope & Opportunity for Postsecondary Education (HOPE) Act of 1997." The bill, known as The HOPE Act, includes a \$10,000 tuition tax deduction, a \$1,500 Hope Scholarship tax credit, a substantial Pell Grant expansion &

increase, a cut in student loan fees, new tax incentives for educational assistance from employers, and other provisions.

It would provide...

- * \$38.4 billion over 5 years in tax relief for middle-income families struggling to pay for college.
- * At least \$40 billion in Pell Grants over 5 years to provide more tuition assistance to low- & moderate-income families, the largest increase in 2 decades.
- * \$2.6 billion in savings over 5 years in reduced loan fees for student loan borrowers -- putting more money into the hands of students when they pay tuition bills & other college expenses.
- * Financial support for worker training through the tuition deduction and the extension of the tax-free treatment of up to \$5,250 per employee in employer-provided educational assistance.

More than 250 college presidents have expressed support for initiatives in The Hope Act. For more information, please see: <http://www.ed.gov/HOPE/>

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR FAMILY INVOLVEMENT AWARDS

----- The Apple

PIE awards program is seeking nominations for individuals, businesses, schools & community organizations that have developed partnerships to increase parent & family involvement in children's education. The program -- formerly known as the Golden Apple Awards and sponsored by "Working Mother" magazine, Teachers College (Columbia University) & the Partnership for Family Involvement in Education -- is particularly interested in partnerships that focus on...

providing school-age child care, increasing communication between home & school, using technology to increase parent involvement, establishing programs that promote flextime & parent leave to support education, academic programs that encourage parent involvement in science & mathematics, literacy volunteer programs, and mentoring programs.

The deadline for nominations is April 14, 1997. Awards will be made in 3 categories: individuals, businesses, and schools & community organizations. Last year's winners include...

- * BE&K Engineering & Construction Company (Birmingham, AL), which sponsors of an Adopt-a-School program & whose employees remodeled a school's library.

- * Barbara Taibi (Montclair, NJ), who created the Winter Indoor Recess Program at her son's school, where parent-volunteers initiate lunchtime activities such as dancing & storytelling.
- * The Allen County (IN) MegaSkills Program, which offers workshops to parents on how to help their children develop confidence, responsibility & teamwork skills.
- * Family Involvement Programs developed at Rutgers University (New Brunswick, NJ), which provides after-school training sessions in math, science & technology to children & parents.

For more information, please call Catherine Cartwright (212-445-6143) or Kalia Doner (212-580-0181) or send an e-mail message to Kalia Doner at: Kalia@interport.net

CALL FOR REVIEWERS

----- The Department's National Institute on Student Achievement, Curriculum & Assessment is seeking "peer reviewers" -- qualified researchers, experienced teachers & other practitioners, and policy makers -- to review competitive program applications & recommend which applications should be funded. These reviews, scheduled for

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<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/1997-1/031397b.html>

"The Regulation of Private Schools in America: A State-by-State Analysis" summarizes state laws affecting private schools. Regulations for each state are presented under 5 categories: record-keeping & reports, licensing/registration/accreditation, health & safety, curriculum, and public funding.

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/RegPrivSchl/>

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<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/SDFS/>

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April 23, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR ERSKINE BOWLES, THE WHITE HOUSE

FROM: Richard W. Riley

SUBJECT: Weekly Report for April 27-May 3

KEY DEPARTMENT NEWS

Athletics Gender Discrimination Case: The Supreme Court on April 21 declined to hear Brown University's appeal in Cohen v. Brown University, a collegiate athletics case under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The First Circuit on November 21 upheld DOEd's three-part test to determine whether a school is providing nondiscriminatory athletic opportunities for men and women. The First Circuit found that the test does not rely entirely on statistical balancing of men's and women's participation but involves other factors as well, and thus is not an unconstitutional quota system. DOEd was not a party in the case. The Supreme Court's decision is being widely reported in local and national media.

CA IDEA Issues: Governor Wilson wrote Secretary Riley on April 18 to ask that he promulgate regulations to eliminate the requirement under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act that states provide a free appropriate education to students with disabilities who are detained in adult prisons. DOEd's position is that the requirement is statutory and cannot be waived by regulation. CA could lose a large sum of federal funding if it fails to comply with the requirement. DOEd will be holding a public hearing on a proposed compliance plan in Sacramento on May 12 and 13.

CA Proprietary Schools: Representative Waters wrote to Secretary Riley on April 15 regarding the impending expiration of a CA law regulating the state's proprietary postsecondary institutions. Representative Waters is concerned that the expiration may lead to renewed fraudulent activity by CA trade schools that would be costly to consumers and federal student aid programs. She asks the Secretary to support efforts to renew the law by indicating what impact its lapse could have on eligibility of proprietary schools for federal student aid funds.

Title I Funding Reallocations: During the week of April 20, DOEd released publicly, to Congress and to the Chief State School Officers, Secretary Riley's decision with Secretary Daley on the use of updated poverty concentration data in allocation of Title I remedial instruction funds. The decision will affect some states, federal aid under the program by tens of millions of dollars. Until now, Title I funds have been allocated based on poverty concentration data obtained from the most

recent decennial census, in this case the 1990 census. In 1994 Congress required that DOEd use updated poverty concentration estimates in allocating the funds unless the estimates are determined to be inappropriate or unreliable. Under a Congressionally mandated process, the National Academy of Sciences found that the estimates are a significant step toward the provision of more up-to-date estimates, but that they have not been sufficiently evaluated to serve as the sole basis for allocating Title I funds. Secretaries Riley and Daley accepted the Academy's recommendation to apply an average of the 1990 and 1994 poverty rates to the 1994 school age population. A chart showing the changes in states' allocations is attached. The overall increase in Title I appropriations reduced the impact of the change in some instances.

CA Legislators Meeting: Secretary Riley will brief a bipartisan group of CA legislators on your education agenda at the White House on April 30.

ND Flooding: DOEd staff are exploring ways the Department might help the communities that have been affected by the flooding.

MD Partnership Event: Secretary Riley is scheduled to participate in a May 5 event with Governor Glendening at which state leaders will express support for your education agenda and announce new efforts to promote business, community and family involvement in MD schools.

Read*Write*Now! Events: Secretary Riley will appear at events across the country starting in May to launch DOEd's annual summer reading

program. Events are scheduled for DC, May 14; Boston, May 15; New York City, May 19; and Denver, May 29.

Title I Recognition Schools: Secretary Riley will speak at a May 6 event honoring the schools that were selected for having exemplary programs that serve students in high-poverty areas under the Title I program.

Education and the Economy: Secretary Riley will hold a press conference on April 24 to release *Education and the Economy: An Indicators Report* prepared by the National Center for Education Statistics. The report will examine a variety of statistics regarding the impact of education and vocational training on worker productivity.

NAEP Science Report: Secretary Riley will announce the release May 2 of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) report on student performance in science. The NAEP Science test has not been administered before, so no historical data will be announced.

Awards to Secretary Riley: The Secretary will be honored with the John Dewey Award of the United Federation of Teachers in New York City on May 17 and with a New York Academy of Public Education award in New York City on May 8.

Speeches by Secretary Riley: Secretary Riley is scheduled to address the Cable Television Association on April 29 in Philadelphia; the

NY State Standards and Technology Conference in Albany on April 30; the International Reading Association in Atlanta on May 6; the Boston Globe Symposium on Literacy in Boston on May 12; the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Community Education and the Business Coalition Partnership Conference in Boston on May 15; the Providence Math/Science Coalition (with Senator Reed) in RI on May 15; and the Lawyers for Civil Justice in DC on May 16.

AGENCY WORK ON PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES

School Construction: DOEd, White House and Treasury officials met with staff for Congressman Obey regarding the initiative April 22. Secretary Riley is scheduled to participate in a school construction event in Boston with Congressman Markey on May 12.

America Reads Challenge: Staff are working to clear the final version of the America Reads Challenge legislation internally and with OMB, and hope to transmit the legislation to Congress early in the week of April 27. Staff are working with Senator Kennedy and Congressman Clay to introduce the bill. Carol Rasco briefed Senator Jeffords and Congressman Riggs on the legislation during the week of April 20. The May 20 Satellite Town Meeting will focus on America Reads.

Presidential Honors Scholarship: Senator Biden's draft bill establishing the Scholarship is circulating within DOEd and at OMB for comments. Senator Biden may introduce the bill during the week of April 27.

Adult Education: During the week of April 20, the Secretary transmitted to Congress the proposed &Adult Basic Education and Literacy for the Twenty-First Century Act, consolidating and restructuring federal adult education, vocational education and job training programs.

NOTABLE CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Appropriations Hearings: Secretary Riley testified before the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, HHS and Education on April 16. The members were fairly receptive to your early childhood, elementary and secondary education initiatives, but expressed concerns about the HOPE Scholarship proposal.

IDEA Reauthorization: DOEd staff have been meeting with Congressional leadership staff to craft a consensus on reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Secretary Riley will meet with disability and education groups on the outcome of negotiations on May 1.

SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE

Please see attachment.

PRESS/MEDIA INQUIRIES

Department Officials Interviewed: Two SC radio stations interviewed the Secretary, on April 17 and April 22.

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				Jau Blanchard	Kittu Sians	Jau Blanchard
				1 National Day of Prayer 100th Anniversary of Library of Congress 10:00-11:00am 4 Freedoms Award to K Graham 11:30-11:45am Meet/Greet w/ Students PerQuinn 1:00-2:00pm Meet w/ IDEA group1 2:00-2:30 Briefing re NAEP Report 3:00-4:00pm Meet w/ IDEA group2 6:00-9:00pm DNC Gala	2 9:30-10:30 Dedication of FDR & Fala Memorial 11:00-11:30a NAEP Science Report @ Ed Writers' Conf SPEECH 12:00-12:30 Read*Write*Now Awards @ DoED 1:00-1:30pm Mtg. w/ Maine State Legislators/Furm an 1:30-2:00pm HOLD for Burnette (Linda Finch) 2:00-3:00 Briefing re MD/GA 3:00-4:00pm Mtg. w/ Brazilian Ed Minister	3
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4	5 Cinco de Mayo May Day BALTIMORE, MD 9:30-12:00 Partnership Sign-on w/GovParris Glendening REMARKS Advance: MC Gumbleton WDC 2:00-2:30 Mta Cona Fred Upton's Office TALKING POINTS 8:00-9:45 Flu to Atlanta	6 ATLANTA 9:00-11:45 Int'l Reading Assoc Convention SPEECH 12:00-1:00 Title I National Recognition Luncheon SPEECH Advance: Kitty 4:25-6:01 Flu to Washington	7 9:30-10:30am HOLD for Mtg. w/George Starke PerHutchinson 2:00-2:30 Briefing re NYC 2:30-3:00 Briefing re Boston 3:00-5:00pm HOLD for DFrank	8 1:00-1:15pm Issues Forum w/ Rep. Martu Meehan TALKING POINTS 2168 Rayburn NYC 5:30-9:00 NY Academy of Public Ed Award SPEECH Advance: Shawn	9 DO NOT SCHEDULE	10 DO NOT SCHEDULE
JB	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	Jau Blanchard	Edward Prewitt
11 Mother's Day	12 7:00-8:30am Fly to Boston 9:00-10:00am School Construction Event w/ Rep. Ed Markey REMARKS 10:00-11:00 Drive to	13	14 8:00-9:00am Mtg. w/Sen. Bob Graham 10:00-11:00 Read*Write*Now DC Kick-Off REMARKS 11:30-12:30pm Senior Staff Lunch	15 BOSTON 9:30-10:30am Read*Write*Now Boston Kick-off REMARKS 11:00-11:30 Blue Ribbon Task Force on Community Education	16 9:00-9:30 Lawyers for Civil Justice REMARKS (5 min) 3:00-3:30 Briefing re NYC 3:30-4:00 Briefing re STM PM DNS	17 Fly to NYC NYC 1:00-2:00 UFT Ed Conf John Dewey Award REMARKS Advance: Shawn Polk RON NYC

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	TAUNTON 11:00-1:00 Taunton Insurance Tour SPEECH 1:00-2:00 Drive to Boston BOSTON 2:30-3:30 Boston Globe Symposium on Literacy KEYNOTE 5:00-6:30pm Fly to WDC Advance: Kittu Signs		2:00-2:15pm Drop-by Mtg. w/ Bill Modzeleski 3:00-3:30 Briefing re MA/RI 6:00-9:00 Gore Dinner re June Family Conference TALKING POINTS	REMARKS 12:00-1:45 Business Coalition Partnership Conference SPEECH Advance: MC Gumbleton 2:30-3:30 Drive to Providence PROVIDENCE RI 4:00-5:00 Providence Math/Science Business Coalition w/Sen Jack Reed REMARKS Advance: Edward Prewitt 5:42-7:05 Flu to DCA		
Jau Blanchard	Shawn Polk	MC Gumbleton	Edward Prewitt	JB	JB	JB
18 NEW YORK	19 NEW YORK 11:00-12:00 Read*Write*Now Local Event w/ Spiderman PS 100 Bronx REMARKS 1:00-2:00	20 NEW YORK 9:00-11:00 Wall Street/School Construction Event w/Rep Nita Lowen REMARKS 11:30-12:30 NYT Ed Board	21 7:30-10:45 WH ONDCP Roundtable w/Mayors REMARKS 1:30-2:30pm Mtg. w/ Singapore Ed Minister	22 DO NOT SCHEDULE	23 DO NOT SCHEDULE	24 DO NOT SCHEDULE

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Read*Write*Now National Kick-Off @NYC Library SPEECH Advance: MC Gumbleton	TALKING POINTS 4:00-5:00 Columbia Teacher's College SPEECH Advance: Shawn Polk 6:00-7:00 Flu to DCA 7:30-8:00pm STM re America Reads REMARKS	3:00-3:30pm Mtg. w/ Regan Burke 5:15-5:30 Drop-By FL Student Groups on Hill 5:30-6:30 Ed Tech Fair on Hill TALKING POINTS			
JB	JB	Edward Prewitt	Jau Blancard	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	Kittu Sians
25 DO NOT SCHEDULE	26 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY	27 TENTATIVE TBD Blue Ribbon School Event en route from SC REMARKS	28 11:00-1:00pm Geography Bee 2:00-3:00 Briefing re CA 3:00-3:30 Briefing re Seattle	29 11:00-1:00 Hold for Governor's Meetings per JDavis TALKING POINTS 3:00-5:30 Flu to San Francisco RON San Francisco	30 SAN FRANCISCO 9:30-11:30 Teacher Preparation Meeting w/Barru Munitz et al TALKING POINTS 12:00-2:00 Luncheon WGoast College Presidents SPEECH re Administration Ed Agenda Advance: Shawn TURLOCK CA	31 TURLOCK CA 7:30-10:30 CS Stanislaus Commencement SPEECH 10:30-12:00 Commencement Luncheon 1:00-3:00 Drive to San Francisco Advance: Edward RON San Francisco

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					3:00-5:00 Drive to Modesto 6:00-8:00 UCS President's Dinner RON Modesto Advance: Edward	

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		Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	MC Gumbleton	Edward Prewitt	Jau Blanchard
Mar 30 EASTER	Mar 31 <i>Goals 2000 Anniv</i> WH Easter Egg Roll 10:15-11:15a South Lawn	1 <i>Opening Day Baseball</i> 10:00-10:30a John Spratt Cable Show REMARKS 11:00-12:00 Interview w/NC TV Station per Miller TALKING POINTS 1:00-3:00pm Mtg. w/ OERI and Senior Staff 3:30-4:00pm Mtg w/ Dr Constantine Curris, Clemson 4:00-4:30 Briefing re WH/CA Event PM DNS	2 10:00-11:30a Congressional Videos per SFleming REMARKS 11:45-2:00pm Hold for Lunch Per Sandy 2:00-2:30 WH Roundtable w/CA Educators TALKING POINTS 2:30-3:30 WH Mtg w/POTUS/VPOT US TALKING POINTS 3:45-4:15 Mtg w/Ricardo Gloria, Ed Sec for Philippines 4:15-4:45 Mtg w Russian Ed Minister PM DNS	3 DO NOT SCHEDULE	4 COLUMBIA, SC 11:00-12:00 State Paper Ed Board TALKING POINTS 12:00-1:00 SC Dem Partu FR Luncheon REMARKS 5:30-9:00 US Carolina Law School SPEECH	5 DO NOT SCHEDULE
Jau Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	Jau Blanchard	Shawn Polk	MC Gumbleton	Jau Blanchard
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Daylight Savings Time (Spring Ahead) DO NOT SCHEDULE	9:15-10:00a Center of Reform Judaism SPEECH 10:00-10:30am mtg W/Tom Bloom 10:30-11:30am Briefing on Florida & Ohio Deseg. Issues 11:30-12:00 Speech prep re Rebuild America 1:00-1:30pm Mtg w/ Employers for Learning Steering Committee TALKING POINTS PerVosburgh 2:00-2:30 Videotaping for SC State Museum per AERdreich SCRIPT 3:00-4:00pm Mtg. W/ Tom Bloom & S.S. 4:45-5:15pm Briefing for MagicBus 8:15-8:45pm USSA Conference	8:30-9:00 Rebuild America Conf SPEECH re const 10:00-10:30am Mtg. w/ Children's TV Workshop 10:30-11:00am Mtg. w/ Dr. Alan Merten 12:00-1:00pm Magic School Bus on the Mall w/DC Kids REMARKS 3:00-3:15 INTERVIEW per Miller 4:00-4:30 Mtg w/American Friends of Lubavitch 4:30-5:00pm Mtg. w/ Center for Civic Ed. 5:00-5:10pm Photo-Op w/ Edelsteins per Fritz 7:00-10:00pm Canadian State Dinner	9:30-11:00a Al Shanker Memorial Service @ Lisner REMARKS 1:00-1:30 NYC Briefing 1:30-2:00 KC Briefing 2:00-3:00 VT/NAEP Briefing 3:00-3:30 Mtg re Ohio BEST 4:00-4:30pm Briefing on Ohio 9th grade testing 5:30-7:30 Jean Cretien Reception @ Canadian Embassy	NYC 11:00-12:02 Flu to LaGuardia 1:00-2:00 Seth Low Intermd School Principal for a Day REMARKS 2:45-3:15 Manhattan Day & Night School Principal for a Day PhotoOp 3:45-5:15pm LaGuardia H.S. Principal for a Day Town Meeting REMARKS 5:45-6:30pm Charlie Rose Show tapina INTERVIEW 6:45-8:00p Principal for a Day Dinner Advance: Shawn RON NYC	KANSAS CITY, MO 9:25-11:36 Flu to KC from Newark 12:30-1:00 Lunch Meeting w/Gov. Mel Carnahan 2:00-3:00 TIMSS Event w/Gov Mel Carnahan REMARKS Advance: Kitty 4:46-8:05 Flu to BWI	

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	REMARKS					
Jau Blanchard	Jau Blanchard	Shawn Polk	MC Gumbleton	Edward Prewitt	Kittu Sians	Jau Blanchard
13	14 BURLINGTON, VT 7:00-8:50a flight from Dulles 9:00-10:00a Panel re Goals 2000 w/ Jim Jeffords & Gov Howard Dean TALKING POINTS 10:15-10:45am Mta. w/ Gov Howard Dean and CSSO Advance: Regan 10:45-10:55am Press Avail 11:00-11:30am School Presentations ESSEX JUNCTION 12:00-1:00 Visit Tech Center REMARKS 1:15-2:00 Lunch w/ Goals Panel and BOE Advance: McClare	15 8:30-9:00am AAUP Conference PerRasco REMARKS 10:00-10:15 Briefing re Kennelly Mtg 10:15-11:00 Briefing re America Reads mtg 11:00-12:00 Mtg re America Reads w/K-12 Groups TALKING POINTS 12:00-1:15 Lunch w/Havard & Yale TALKING POINTS 1:30-2:00 Mtg w/Rep Barbara Kennelly 2:00-4:00 Briefing for Specter Hearing	16 9:00-1:00 Briefing re Specter Hearing 12:00-1:00pm Senior Staff Lunch 2:00-5:00 Specter Hearing TESTIMONY 6:00-8:00 CSSO Teacher of the Year Dinner SPEECH	17 9:00-9:30a Briefing re WH O-3 Conf 10:00-12:00 WH Zero-to-Three Conf REMARKS 12:00-12:45pm Luncheon @ WH 1:00-2:00pm SC WYFF Radio INTERVIEW 2:00-2:30 Briefing re Livingston/Jeffer son Mtg 3:00-3:15pm Drop-By Mtg. w/ Bill Youngblood & Trish McNeil 3:30-4:00 Reception at Supreme Court for Peace Foundation 4:00-4:30 Bob Livingston/Bill Jefferson Mta	18 11:00-11:30 Teacher Forum REMARKS 1:30-2:15 WH Teacher of the Year Event REMARKS 5:30-6:00 NASBE opening REMARKS per LThornton 7:30pm State Dept Black Tie Dinner for John Quincy Adams	19 DO NOT SCHEDULE (NET DAY)

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	2:30-4:20 Flight to Dulles	4:30-5:00pm Briefing for STM 6:00-9:00pm STM re: Charter/ Magnet Schools REMARKS		TALKING POINTS 5:00-5:30 Briefing re Teacher Forum 8:00-9:00 Dept of Ed Forum on Teacher Prep Downlink REMARKS		
Jau Blanchard	Jau Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Shawn Polk	Kittu Sians	Edward Prewitt	Jau Blanchard
20 DO NOT SCHEDULE 3:30-5:30pm WH Recpt. For Ken. Center 6:00 Kennedy Center Gala	21 Passover Begins 1:30-2:00pm Mtg. w/ Lois Rice (Brookings)	22 Earth Day 9:00-9:30am WCTG-Radio S.C. PerMiller INTERVIEW 10:00am-12:00 pm Mtg. W/ Longanecker and Senior staff 1:00-1:30pm mtg. W/ Betty Bell 3:00-4:00pm Amplification Radio PerMiller	23 9:30-10:00am Briefing for Intvw. 10:00-10:15am Intvw. PerMiller 11:00-11:15am Photo-Op w/ Interns 12:00-12:30pm SSL 12:45-1:45pm Taping w/ Rep. Loretta Sanchez on Hill PerFleming 2:45-4:00pm RIF Event @ WH w/ FLOTUS	24 Take Daughters to Work Day 9:15-10:00am Briefing on NCES Report 10:00-11:00am NCES Report Release per PForgione STATEMENT 11:30-11:45am Drop-by Software Reps. PerRoberts 12:00-1:00pm Briefing for Hearing on 4/29 1:00-1:30pm Mtg. w/ Sanford	25 8:30-9:30a Meet w/Assist Secs and Hispanic Higher Ed Commission Exec Committee per CGuzman TALKING POINTS 9:30-10:30 Mtg w/Dr. Alan Hale TALKING POINTS 12:00- DO NOT SCHEDULE	26 TENTATIVE POTUS Radio Address re Reading Initiative @WH 6:00-7:30 Newsweek Reception 7:00-10:00p WH Correspondents' Dinner

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			4:00-4:30 Briefing re Town Hall Mtg COLUMBIA, MD 7:00-9:00p Tow n Hall w/Rep Ben Cardin per SFleming TALKING POINTS Staff: Kay Casstevens Advance:	McDonnell Re: Character ED 1:30-2:00 Briefing for Mtg.w/Alan Hale 2:00-3:00pm Briefing re Citizens Service Summit 3:30-4:30pm Amplification Satellite Tour per Miller 4:30p DNS		
Jay Blanchard	MC Gumbleton	Kittu Sians	Edward Prewitt			
27 DO NOT SCHEDULE	28 6:59-7:59 Flu to Philadelphia PHILADELPHIA 9:00-11:00am President's Summit for America's Future Opening Ceremony 11:30-1:30pm Summit Brunch w/ CEO's and State Delegations 1:30-3:00pm	29 8:00-9:00pm HOLD for Hearing Briefing 9:30-12:00pm Goodling Hearing TESTIMONY TBD Briefing for Intvw. KIDS INTERVIEW 12:00-1:00p Cable TV Assn	30 NEW YORK ALBANY 8:00-9:00am Briefing for CA State Legislators @ WH per Jdavis REMARKS 10:08-11:21 Flu to Albany from DCA 12:15-2:00p NY State Ed Dept Standards Technology Conf.			

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	Break-Out Sessions TALKING POINTS 4:15-5:25pm Fly to WDC 6:00-7:00pm HOLD for Testimony Briefing	SPEECH 2:00-2:30pm Briefing for WH CA State Legislators 2:30-3:00 Briefing for Albany 3:00-4:00pm Briefing for IDEA Group meetings per CFraas	SPEECH Advance: Kitty 2:25-4:06 Fly to Dulles 6:30-9:00 Library of Congress Am Treasures Exhibit			

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Best,

Lowell

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

AT PORT HURON COMMUNITY COLLEGE (FICTITIOUS)

PORT HURON, MICHIGAN

Almost exactly four years ago, during my first term in office, I
gave the commencement address at a community college in New Hampshire with
an educational mission very similar to yours. Although I did not realize
it at the time, we created a little history that day. It seems an American

President had never spoken at the graduation ceremonies of a two-year college. I'm glad we put an end to that. I'm pleased we acknowledged the vital role community colleges play in preparing students for the challenges of a changing economy. It was about time we gave community colleges the full credit they deserve.

I understand that you are celebrating your 50th anniversary here at PHCC. As you probably know, it is no coincidence that this institution started up when it did. As World War II neared its end in Europe and the Pacific, the nation faced a dilemma here at home. We had tens of thousands of young soldiers returning from war, and there weren't enough jobs for all of them to fill. Even here in Michigan, where the Big Three were building new plants, veterans greatly outnumbered jobs. We desperately needed to find a way to harness all of that great human potential.

America chose to make an historic investment. We created the G. I. Bill and provided the funds for our returning veterans to attend two- and four-year colleges.

Our investment paid off in spades. It opened the door to higher education for more than 20 million Americans. It built a stepladder of opportunity more solid than any the world had ever seen. It created a great American middle class. It helped usher in three decades of unparalleled prosperity.

Today, we are at the verge of another great era of possibility. The Cold War is over. We face no imminent threat from abroad. With four

years of growth and stability, we have restored the basic strength of our economy. We have the lowest combined rate of unemployment and inflation in a generation. And as Michigan knows well, we're the number one auto producer in the world once again.

We find great promise, too, in the achievements of science and technology. The Information Age is creating high-wage industries we never imagined. Our laboratories and hospitals are developing miraculous life-extending therapies. The Internet is broadening the world's horizons. Our challenge is to seize this decisive moment in history. Our challenge is to shape our own future.

At the dawn of this new era, my very first priority is to rededicate the nation to the spirit of education and opportunity embodied in the G.I. Bill. There is no greater prerequisite to our prosperity than the education of our work force. Today, more than ever before in the history of the United States, education is the fault line between those who will prosper and those who will not in the new economy. In this economy, what we earn depends on what we learn.

My plan for education involves an unprecedented mobilization of effort. But at its core, the plan is simple: We will ensure that every 8-year-old can read, every 12-year-old can log onto the Internet, every 18-year-old can go to college, and every adult can continue learning for a lifetime.

Right now, 40 percent of our 8-year-olds cannot read on their own.

This we cannot tolerate. And I believe we have a solution. Last year, in Michigan, I announced an initiative called America Reads. We are mobilizing a citizen army of one million volunteer tutors to ensure that all our children can read independently by the end of 3rd grade. At least 100,000 college students will join in the effort. If any of you are interested, we'd love your help. You can even sign up on the White House Web site.

Another crucial way we can help our children nail down their fundamentals is to develop and adopt tough national educational standards. Let me be clear: I am not talking about federal government standards, but national standards, representing the basic skills our students will need to master to succeed in the 21st century. We simply must set the bar higher and provide the resources for our children, teachers, and administrators to rise to the challenge.

Next, the Internet. The Vice President and I have challenged the nation to connect every school -- rural, suburban, and inner-city -- to the Information Superhighway by the year 2000. And thanks to tens of thousands of volunteers coast to coast, we are going to make our goal. In this country, we will not have a digital divide.

And now, I want to focus on higher education. It used to be that a high school diploma was enough to secure a good job for life. Not anymore. As you well know, employers increasingly need workers who not only can think but also make the most of computers, robots, and other high-tech equipment. In fact, nearly 90 percent of the new jobs America is

creating require more than high school levels of literacy and math skills.

We have seen a dramatic widening of the income gap between those whose education stops at high school and those who go beyond.

Therefore, we need to make the 13th and 14th years of schooling just as universal as high school is today. To do that, I have proposed a nationwide HOPE Scholarship, based on Georgia's pioneering program. Every student who wants to go to college will get a scholarship worth \$1,500 a year for two years, enough to pay for tuition here at PHCC and most other community colleges around the nation. I have also proposed a tax deduction of up to \$10,000 a year for higher-education expenses; an expanded IRA you can withdraw from, tax free, to pay for education; and the largest increase in Pell Grants in two decades. We want every student to have the opportunity to prepare for the 21st century as well as you are here in Port Huron.

We also need to swing open the doors of community college to workers who need more training. I have proposed a G. I. Bill for America's workers that will combine a confusing tangle of federal training programs into simple skill grants that can be used right here at PHCC and other accredited schools and training centers nationwide. We must give more of our workers the ability to learn and to earn for a lifetime.

These initiatives are not cheap. The budget I submitted to Congress calls for \$51 billion of federal support next year alone. But if the G.I. Bill is any guide, expanding educational opportunity is not only the right thing to do; it is the smart thing to do.

We have learned that education is the very best investment we can make. It is the swiftest way to raise the nation's per capita income and narrow the income gap between groups. It is the only way to maintain our position as a world leader for peace and freedom. It is the very best way to seize this historical moment and spark the promise of a new century.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE

THE PRESIDENT: I'm glad to have this opportunity to express the gratitude of our entire nation to the members of the National Guard and the Reserve. America's citizen soldiers make a tremendous contribution to our national security, and they form an essential part of our total force. As Commander in Chief I know that I can rely on you whenever we face a challenge abroad or an emergency that requires instant action here at home.

Time and again the men and women of the Guard and Reserve answer the call of duty without a second's thought or hesitation. That kind of performance demands real sacrifice. Because you keep your commitment to America, I am determined that America keep faith with you -- by giving you the means to prevail in battle and the quality of life you deserve.

That's why I was pleased to sign legislation strengthening your right to return to your civilian job after serving our nation without losing seniority, status or pay. Your professionalism and dedication are a vital reason why, as we approach

the 21st century, America is the strongest force in the world for peace and freedom, security and democracy.

I salute you for your service and I am deeply proud of all you have done to preserve our liberties and to keep our nation safe. Thank you. God bless you and God bless America.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
FOR SUSAN G. KOMEN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION
RACE FOR THE CURE NIGHT AT CAMDEN YARDS

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. Although I can't be with you tonight, I am pleased to have this chance to welcome you to the Race for the Cure Night at Camden Yards.

Breast cancer is a terrible disease that has touched nearly every family. We've done what we can to fight it -- speeding the approval of drugs, increasing funding for research by \$400 million, stopping insurance companies from denying health care coverage to people with preexisting conditions and making mammograms available to more women.

Some of the most important work to fight breast cancer, however, can be done by all of you. For the past 15 years the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation has helped in the fight against this terrible disease. Under the leadership of Nancy Brinker, a breast cancer survivor herself, the foundation has supported research, education, screening and treatment.

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The National Race for the Cure plays an important role in this battle. This year, Vice President and Mrs. Gore will not only serve as honorary co-chairs, they'll also join tens of thousands of others to run in the race on June 7th. I encourage all of you to follow their lead by signing up, and lining up, that morning in Washington.

This evening is especially important to me. Tonight the National Race for the Cure is announcing the Virginia Kelley Grant for Breast Cancer Survivor Programs, in memory of my mother, to help the survivors of breast cancer. I know my mother would be deeply

honored, and so am I.

I thank each of you here tonight for stepping up to the plate to fight breast cancer, and for participating in this very special night at Camden Yards.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO THE INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF AMERICA

THE PRESIDENT: Good morning. While I can't be there with you in person, I didn't want to miss this opportunity to thank you for all you're doing to guarantee security for America's working families, while helping us to build a strong economy.

For more than a hundred years the members of the "Big I" have helped give our people peace of mind about the things they treasure most -- their families, their home and their health. Your visit to the White House last year to endorse the Kennedy-Kassebaum Health Care Bill helped us to win passage of that historic legislation, and I thank you again for that support. That victory is part of our overall commitment to strengthen working families and to help them succeed on the job and at home.

The cornerstone of that commitment is a strong economy. With four years of growth, America's economy is once again the most competitive in the world. Our strategy of investing in our people, reducing the deficit and expanding trade is working. Our country has produced nearly 12 million jobs since January of 1993. Unemployment is low and wages are rising. The deficit has been cut by 63 percent, and America's businesses are booming.

Small businesses employ more than half the private work force. That is why we've worked so hard to make sure you can thrive, from increasing the amount of capital a small business man can expense every year, to making it easier for small businesses to start pension plans, to simplifying the loan process. We've doubled the number of small business loans since 1992 from the SBA and tripled the number of loans to women and minorities. And we have a record number of new small businesses to show for all of our efforts -- yours and ours.

We've come a long way together, but our work is not yet done. Our most pressing task is to finish the job of balancing the budget. Business owners understand better than anyone how critical a balanced budget is to our economy. My balanced budget plan proves that we can keep our economy growing, balance the budget and still protect our values. It makes tough cuts, but it secures Medicare and Medicaid, expands our investments in education and protects the environment.

A balanced budget is the best insurance we can give to our children. With your continued support and the bipartisan cooperation of Congress, I am confident we will make history and give that balanced budget to the American people.

Thank you, and have a great conference.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER MUSEUM OF TOLERANCE

TRIBUTE TO JACKIE ROBINSON

THE PRESIDENT: I'm honored to join the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of Tolerance in this tribute to an outstanding athlete and an American hero.

Like millions of Americans, I grew up admiring Jackie Robinson and cheering his accomplishments on and off the field. In many ways, he was the embodiment of the American Dream -- the idea that if you work hard you can succeed in our country.

But like too many Americans from that time, Jackie had to do a lot more than work hard to succeed. He had to overcome what was then an almost insurmountable obstacle -- racism. He did it and he did it with profound dignity, but he never forgot it. And he devoted his life to breaking down the barriers of race, religion and ethnicity for all who followed him -- not only in sports, but in every aspect of American life.

We know that some of those same barriers still remain today. This exhibit is a reminder to all of us to follow Jackie Robinson's example and to break down those barriers wherever we may find them -- in our institutions, our businesses and in our hearts.

I thank the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of
Tolerance for helping us to reach across the lines that still divide
us and come together as one America. Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO THE

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES ANNUAL CONVENTION

THE PRESIDENT: I want to say hello to all of you
gathered in Anaheim. Although I can't be with you today as I was in
Minneapolis a couple of years ago, it's a tremendous honor for me to
receive your Harry S. Truman Award, and to talk about the things we
must do together to sustain and build on President Truman's legacy.

The Presidential Commission on Higher Education,

appointed in 1946 by President Truman, helped to spark the growth of community colleges all across America. Since then, community colleges have made a remarkable contribution to American education. But today we need them to play an even more significant role. In the knowledge economy of the 21st century, as we prepare for unimagined new work and careers, a high school education is simply not enough.

That is why expanding access to higher education is one of my top priorities. In the past four years we've already expanded scholarships and student loans. My reformed college loan program has allowed 10 million students to borrow for college at a lower cost, and then gives them the option to pay their loans back as a percentage of their incomes. But I'm committed to opening the doors of college even wider by making the first two years of college -- a basic community college education -- as universal as high school is today.

Community colleges have always been accessible to nearly every American family. That's why my higher education plan is built around them. It starts with a HOPE Scholarship tax credit of \$1,500 for the first two years of college -- enough to pay for tuition at a typical community college in our country. It includes a \$10,000 tax deduction for all college costs. And it includes the largest increase in the maximum Pell Grant funding in two decades. It expands IRAs so parents can save for college without being taxed on that hard earned money.

My education plan is about more than dollars and cents,
as well. It's about opportunity, about giving all our children the
chance to succeed, about completing the mission of America's
community colleges -- to educate and to prepare the workforce of
tomorrow, to ensure that all Americans have the tools and skills to
make the most of their own lives.

I can't think of a better tribute to President Truman.
And I can't think of a better, more committed group of educators to
help me get the job done. So I thank you for this honor, for all you
have done for generations of Americans. And I ask you now to keep
working with me to build an even better future for ourselves and for
our children in a new century.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS CONVENTION

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon. Although I can't be with you today, I'm pleased to have this chance to thank you for the outstanding work you do for America's children, and to talk about my number one priority as President: making sure all Americans have the best education in the world.

As America's principals know so well, there has never been a more challenging time to meet this goal. Enrollments are rising, reaching an all-time record this school year. We need to rebuild and to modernize our schools. We need to make sure they're safe and drug-free. We need to connect every classroom and school library to the Internet. We need tax cuts to make the first two years of college as universal as high school is today. That is why I have an aggressive education plan to help us do all these things.

But if we truly want to prepare our children for the knowledge economy of the next century, nothing -- nothing -- is more important than the things our children learn in school each day. We will never get the highest performance from our children until we set the highest standards for them, for our schools and ourselves. That's why I've challenged every state in our country to adopt high national standards in the basics and, by 1999, to test every 4th grader in reading and every 8th grader in math to make sure that

these standards are, in fact, being met.

Just last week, California's educational leadership and hundreds of high tech industry leaders endorsed my call for standards -- joining with Maryland, Michigan, North Carolina and the hundreds of schools run by the Department of Defense. I urge you to do everything you can to encourage your own states to join in this crusade for standards. By challenging our children to meet national standards we can inspire them to new heights of excellence and truly give them the tools to make the most of their own God-given potential.

I urge you also to take a strong leadership role in my America Reads challenge, which will build a citizen army of a million volunteer tutors to make sure every child can read independently by the end of the 3rd grade. You know and I know that these volunteer tutors can work very well with our outstanding teachers and principals to make a real difference for our children.

In closing, I want to thank Sam Sava, Carole Kennedy, your Board of Directors and each and every one of you for your partnership, your leadership and your dedication. I urge every principal to work together with your communities to answer my call to action for American education. That is the only way we can make sure our children get the very best education in the world and make the most of America's future in a new century.

Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TRIBUTE TO GENE SARAZEN

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. I wish I could be there with you tonight as you pay tribute to golf's greatest living legend, Gene Sarazen. But I'm honored to offer my best wishes on the occasion of his 95th birthday.

In the history of golf there have been few like Gene. Your extraordinary accomplishments are legendary: the first and one of only four golfers to complete the modern Grand Slam; your record-breaking victory at the 1932 British Open; your celebrated

double-eagle at the 1935 Masters. I wonder how many other people like myself were first exposed to the joys of golfing through watching the show you hosted for so many years.

You've also been a great ambassador of the game, competing or giving exhibitions in more than 50 countries all around the world. But you've given us much more than golfing thrills. Your generosity of spirit has enriched the lives of many through the scholarships and through the humanitarian causes you have championed over the years. By reaching out to others in need you've hit a hole in one for the American ideal and proving yourself truly worthy of your title, "The Squire."

I commend the World Golf Foundation for honoring you tonight, Gene. To a great golfer and a great American, I say, happy birthday and God bless you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO THE ARKANSAS STATE YOUNG DEMOCRATS CONVENTION

THE PRESIDENT: I'm honored to address the opening session of the 5th Arkansas State Young Democrats Convention. It goes without saying that this organization holds a special place in my heart and I wish I could be with all of you, especially since you're meeting in Jonesboro.

I'm proud to say that every day I'm surrounded by former Arkansas young democrats. My counselor, Mack McLarty, got his start as a young democrat. Craig Smith, the head of the White House Department of Political Affairs, was once head of your organization. My Director of Scheduling, Stephanie Streett, and my Deputy Director of Presidential Personnel, Patsy Thomasson, and along with seven other staff members were also once young dems. So you never know where this association may take you -- the State House, the United States House of Representatives or the White House.

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I've enjoyed watching you make quite a name for yourselves. You've boosted your membership to more than a thousand

people, established more than 30 statewide chapters and made this convention your biggest one ever. You've played an important role in both statewide and national politics by sponsoring the only Arkansas state senatorial debate last year, working in conjunction with the Democratic Leadership Conference and helping to elect two of your members to the Arkansas House of Representatives.

I'd like to thank in particular the 30 young democrats who traveled on my behalf in 1992. All of your work means a great deal to me and to the democratic state officeholders. We wouldn't be where we are without your support.

Like many of you, I got started in politics when I was young. And I am proud that throughout my career young people have always played a major role in my campaigns and my administrations. I've fought to make the issues that young people care about -- quality education, college loans, job opportunity, teen smoking, AIDS awareness and substance abuse, education, the environment -- my top priorities. And I've fought to give you a good, strong economy for the future.

You know better than anyone how important it is to keep our party energized and progressive. We need to not only plow the fields for our candidates, but to reach out to schools and encourage other young people -- even those who are not yet of voting age -- to become part of the political process. Our government and our democracy thrive on the new ideas, new energy and the vitality that

only young people can bring. So keep up the good work, hold true to your ideals, continue to move our party and our country forward.

Thank you for being my friends. Thank you for your support. And keep fighting for the future.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEO REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

TO THE

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES NATIONAL CONFERENCE

THE PRESIDENT: Although I cannot be with you today, I didn't want to miss this opportunity to thank the men and women of the Building and Construction trades for your support and salute you for the outstanding work you do.

For nearly a hundred years, the building and construction trades have literally built the America of the 20th century. From towering office buildings to transportation systems, from shopping malls to sports complexes, you have shaped America. And you have helped to build a solid middle class as well, families with solid values.

Working together over the past four years, we've turned the economy around and strengthened America's working families. There are nearly 12 million new jobs -- more than one million new construction jobs. Unemployment is down to 5.2 percent. Wages are finally rising again. More than 4 million Americans own their own homes now, and more than 10 million more have refinanced their mortgages at new, lower rates. Our economy is clearly on the right track. Now we've got to do everything we can to make sure that every American can take advantage of that strong economy.

As I have said before, our administration is pro-family, pro-union and pro-worker. In the last four years, we have defeated attempts to repeal prevailing wage laws, to bring back company unions, and to weaken occupational safety and health laws. We fought to protect your pension funds and to make pensions more portable. We finally convinced Congress to do the right thing and raise the minimum wage. We enacted historic legislation to make sure that workers won't lose their health insurance if they change or if they lose their jobs. We are taking steps to ensure that every company

that contracts with the government maintains excellent labor relations and employment practices. And I'll soon issue an Executive Order that will encourage federal agencies to consider using Project Labor agreements for any construction contracts they manage. These agreements are good for workers, good for unions, and good for taxpayers.

Since I took office, I have vetoed every piece of anti-worker legislation that has crossed my desk, and I will continue to use my veto pen to protect America's working families and the unions that represent them -- that includes standing by the Davis-Bacon Act and the Service Contract Act, standing against the TEAM Act and any attempt to undermine workplace safety.

Finally, the most important thing we can do for American workers and their families is invest in education and training. My balanced budget plan includes an unprecedented \$51 billion to achieve these national goals -- every 8-year-old will be able to be able to read, every 12-year-old will be able to log on to the Internet, every 18-year-old will be able to go on to college, and every American will be able to get the education and training that he or she needs throughout a lifetime. My GI Bill for America's workers will simplify existing federal training programs to make it easier for

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unemployed and underemployed workers to get the training they need for the jobs of the future.

The men and women of the building trades helped to shape 20th century America. And you will be a dominant force as we go forward into the 21st century. I look forward to working with you in the months and years ahead as we continue to fight for better jobs, stronger unions, higher wages and more justice.

Thank you. God bless you and God bless America.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE CORPORATE COUNCIL ON AFRICA GALA DINNER

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening and welcome to Washington.

I want to thank and to congratulate the Corporate Council on Africa for your dedicated work in building strong economic ties between our continents. I salute Lou Noto, Don Fites and Doug Ivester; as well as Ambassadors David Miller and Andrew Young, C. Payne Lucas and Percy Wilson, who took the visionary idea of a Corporate Council on Africa and turned it into reality.

When I think about Africa, I can't help but think of my friend Ron Brown. Ron loved Africa and he firmly believed that a thriving private sector is the key to unlocking Africa's promise.

Ron understood, as do all of you, that as African economies expand and prosper, they will raise living standards and help the people of Africa achieve their full potential.

But in order for the private sector to flourish, governments must also do their part -- reforming policies, reducing deficits and rooting out corruption. These steps are difficult, but they're the only path to sustained economic growth.

Tonight, the Corporate Council on Africa is honoring five countries for making real progress. In recent years, Cote d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Mozambique, South Africa and Uganda have done an inspiring job of opening their economies to the world. Like so many Africa nations, they are struggling -- and succeeding -- in becoming places where children can grow up to be whatever they dare to dream.

I hope these awards will help all of America recognize the strides that Africa is making -- as democracy takes hold across the continent, as nations become more stable and opportunities grow. America's trade with Africa already exceeds our trade with the former Soviet Union by 20 percent. And the potential is still largely untapped.

My administration is committed to expanding our partnership with Africa. We have an interest in working with Africa to tackle global problems like drugs and crime, to prevent and resolve conflicts, to realize the promise of prosperity. I'm

committed to working with Congress and our partners at the Denver Summit on joint initiatives to help integrate Africa more fully into the global economy.

In closing, let me thank our African guests who traveled so far to be here. I look forward to following the First Lady's footsteps with a visit to the continent you can proudly call home. I thank you all for the wonderful reception that she received when she was in Africa. And I can tell you that both of us are committed to seeing the United States continue to be Africa's good and true friend.

My best wishes to all of you. God bless America, and
God bless Africa

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
FOR PONCHO'S 35TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. I am delighted to have this opportunity to help you celebrate PONCHO's 35th Annual Auction. For more than three decades, PONCHO has supported the arts and enriched the lives of thousands of people throughout the Puget Sound region. I thank all of you for your hard work, and I especially want to thank this year's Chair, my friend Gary Gayton, for the outstanding job he has done with PONCHO and for making this evening a success.

At a time when so many forces threaten to divide us, the arts unite us as a people in all of our rich diversity. They give voice to our collective experience, deepen our understanding of one another and of ourselves. That is why in my State of the Union address, I challenged all Americans -- especially those in the arts and humanities -- to make the year 2000 a national celebration of the American spirit in every community.

PONCHO is already meeting that challenge every day, and all of you here tonight are helping to preserve the rich tradition of the American arts well into the 21st century. I commend you for your

dedication. And I thank you for your contribution to American life.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

FOR TRIBUTE TO BISHOP MELVIN E. CLERK, SR. AND MRS. CLARK

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. Although I can't be there with you tonight at the Church in the Round, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate my friend, Bishop Melvin Clark, for 37 years of dedicated service to the American people.

Scripture says that all good gifts are sent from above, and to the congregations you have served, you must have indeed been heaven-sent. For nearly four decades, you have enriched the lives and nurtured the souls of countless families. You have helped to strengthen your community by fostering an atmosphere of compassion

and fellowship and tolerance. You have housed the homeless, fed the hungry, tended to the sick. And by emphasizing the importance of education and higher learning, you have helped hundreds of young people to make the most of their God-given potential.

I will never forget an evening we spent together last year in Washington, when you prayed that I would be "fortified" in the coming days, so that I could better serve the people of this country. Well, Bishop Clark, I have been fortified, not only by God, but also by your belief in me. And I pray that God will continue to strengthen the work of your hands, because the American people need more leaders like you.

Hillary joins me in extending our warmest congratulations and our fondest wishes to you and your lovely wife, "Little Mama." God bless you both and all the members of your Church.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN MESSAGE TO
NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THE PRESIDENT: Good morning. Although I can't be with you today, I am pleased to have this chance to thank you for the outstanding work our nation's school boards do for America's children, and to talk about my number one priority as President: Making sure that all Americans have the best education in the world.

As the members of our nation's school boards, you understand better than anyone that there has never been a more challenging time to meet this critical goal. Enrollments are rising, reaching an all-time record this school year. We need to rebuild and modernize our schools. We need to make sure they're safe and drug-free. We need to connect every classroom and school library to the Internet. We should have tax cuts to make the first two years of college as universal as high school is today. That is why I have an aggressive education plan that will help us to do all of these things..

But if we truly want to prepare our children for the knowledge economy of the 21st century, nothing is more important than the things our children learn in school each day, and the standards

we set for them. Not long ago, a woman told me that in her 30 years of teaching, she had learned one thing about children -- that they rise or fall to the level of our expectations. And she hoped that high standards would once again be the unquestioned principle of education, as they were when she was in school.

I am committed to making sure that they are. that is why I have challenged every state in America to adopt high national standards in the basics, and by 1999, to test every 4th grader in reading and every 8th grader in math on a national exam, to make sure these standards are met. By challenging our children to meet national standards we can inspire them to new heights of excellence, and truly give them the tools to make the most of their God-given potentials.

This month, California's educational leadership and hundreds of high-tech industry leaders endorsed my call for standards -- joining Maryland, Michigan, North Carolina, and the hundreds of schools run by the Department of Defense. I urge you to do everything you can to encourage your own states to join in this crusade.

In closing, I thank Anne Bryant, your Executive Director, Sammy Quintana, your President, and each and every one of you for your leadership and for your dedicated service to our nation's children. Working together, we can make sure that they receive the best education in the world. Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN MESSAGE FOR 18TH HEMISPHERIC CONGRESS
OF LATIN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

THE PRESIDENT: My greetings to all of you gathered for the 18th Hemispheric Congress of Latin Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

As the blocks and barriers that once divided the world fall away, we must shape a new, open trading system for the 21st century that works for all our people. The Hemispheric Congress is playing a vital role in this effort. Throughout the Americas, the growth of our economies and the quantity and quality of the jobs they

produce will be strengthened by our ability to trade and invest beyond our borders. Each of you works on the front lines of the global economy -- I applaud you for your vision and your efforts to extend the reach of free enterprise in the Americas and beyond.

This is a moment of remarkable promise for our shared hemisphere. The trend toward democracy, open markets and regional cooperation is stronger than it has ever been -- and it is making a real difference in the lives of our people. I am determined that the United States will continue to play a lead role in advancing and strengthening this trend. That is why we gathered leaders from throughout the America's in Miami three years ago. And that is why, beginning with my visits to Mexico, Costa Rica and Barbados next month, I will travel to Latin America three times during the next year. We have an opportunity to strengthen democracy, increase economic integration and spread the benefits of prosperity to all of the Americas.

To succeed, we need your support, your energy and your vision. So I want to take this occasion to thank you for all that you do every day to bring our hemisphere closer together and to send you best wishes for a very successful conference. Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN MESSAGE FOR NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY

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THE PRESIDENT: Hello and greetings from the White House. I am honored to take part in this celebration of life on National Cancer Survivors Day.

As you may know, both the Vice President and I have lost loved ones to cancer, and nearly every American family has been affected by this devastating disease. In the last four years we have done what we can do to fight cancer: speeding the approval of drugs, increasing funding for critical research by over \$400 million, and stopping insurance companies from denying health care coverage to people with preexisting conditions. Today, thanks to the efforts of so many people, millions of Americans have survived a diagnosis of cancer and are leading hopeful, productive lives.

This day is a tribute to the courage each of you has

shown in your fight against cancer. Today is also a tribute to the families and friends who have supported and cared for you, to the medical community for the crucial role it plays in that fight. Together, you renew our faith in the generosity and triumph of the human spirit.

Hillary joins me in expressing our gratitude to all the men and women whose dedication is bringing us closer and closer to a cure. Thank you, and God bless you all.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
FOR MADD'S NATIONAL YOUTH SUMMIT

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon and welcome to Washington for the MADD National Youth Summit. Although I can't be with you

today, I am proud that so many of you have come to our nation's capitol to address one of our most serious problems -- underage drinking.

Every year, too many young people between the ages of 15 and 20 lose their lives in alcohol-related car crashes -- more than 2,000 last year alone. They were your brothers and sisters, your teammates and your friends. And every year thousands more are physically and emotionally damaged, often for life, by the abuse of alcohol.

We must reverse this terrible trend. That is why I fought to make it illegal for anyone under 21 to drive with alcohol in their blood -- and this "zero tolerance" policy is now the law in 34 states. Just this month, I called upon liquor manufacturers to continue to do the right thing by keeping hard liquor advertisements off television, where they can tempt young people to do the wrong thing. And I will continue to do everything I can to keep alcohol out of young people's lives.

But laws alone will not stop underage drinking and driving. Each of us must take responsibility for our own lives. Just by being here today you are helping to solve this problem and making an important statement. Now you must take a simple message back home to your classmates and friends: drinking and driving is wrong, it is illegal and it is deadly.

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Working together, we can save young lives and put an end to underage drinking and driving. And I thank you so much for doing your part.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
FOR TRIBUTE TO DOC TOLAND

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. I'm delighted to join the family, friends and many admirers of Doc Toland to congratulate him on his retirement.

Ever since his days picking cotton in the fields of Columbia County, Doc knew he wanted to own a grocery store or two.

Well, Doc, I'd say you overshot your goal by just a little bit. With determination and vision and plain old hard work, you turned a local company of four employees and a truck into an industry force with over 1,000 employees, 377 stores and 17 subsidiary companies. Your leadership has transformed Arkansas' food industry and benefitted thousands of families throughout our state.

Now, after 50 years, you are handing over the reins of Affiliated Foods. You will be sorely missed, but the legacy of your accomplishments will continue to drive your company forward into the 21st century.

Doc, you have proven that you can succeed in business and still find the time to give back to your community. Over the years, you and Oretha have devoted yourselves to helping others through your work with the Union Rescue Mission, the Dorcas House, Central Baptist College and Temple Baptist Church. I know you will continue to serve others in the service of your faith. And I hope you'll find time to relax after such a long time of hard work -- I can only imagine how your golf game will improve.

Hillary and I send you our very best, to you and to Oretha. We thank you again for your lifetime of service and success and hard work, and God bless you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

VIDEOTAPED REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

ACCEPTING THE 1997 ELLIS ISLAND MEDAL OF HONOR

THE PRESIDENT: Good evening. I'm sorry I can't be with you tonight in person, but I am truly honored to accept the National Ethnic Coalition of Organization's 1997 Ellis Island Medal of Honor. I want to commend NECO for your unstinting efforts to promote unity in our nation. Congratulations also to all the other honorees. You are living proof that diversity is America's greatest strength. This award will always occupy a special place in my home and in my heart. It recognizes that America's enduring strength is rooted in the great diversity that makes us unique among all nations.

America has always been a nation of immigrants and Ellis Island is one of our nation's most enduring symbols. From the start, a steady stream of people in search of freedom and opportunity have left their own lands to make this land their home. Over the years we have grown into an experiment in democratic diversity, fueled by people from every part of the globe, drawn to the openness and the

promise of America.

All over the world, people are being torn apart, often violently, by racial, ethnic and religious conflicts. As the world's most diverse democracy, the world looks to us to show that it is possible to live and advance together across those kinds of differences. But here at home we know, too, we've still got more work to do. Legal immigrants must always feel welcome and at home in America. People who come to our country legally, who work hard, pay taxes and obey the law should share in the protections that are the right of citizens. That is why I am urging the Congress to act in a bipartisan spirit to restore the basic health and disability benefits that were taken away from legal immigrants last year.

America is far more than a place. It is an idea, the most powerful idea in the history of nations. Our commitment to immigration and diversity will be a Godsend in the 21st century. It will enhance our ability to compete in the new global economy. It will continue to bring new life and strong values to towns and cities all across America. It will help us to make families and communities closer together -- if we have the right spirit.

Tonight, as we celebrate our great immigrant heritage, it is my greatest hope that all Americans will continue to find strength in our diversity, and that the world will always be able to look to us as a champion of racial and ethnic and religious liberty, that we will have the wisdom to heal our divisions and walk together

into a land of new promise.

Thank you and God bless you all.

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President Delivers First Balanced Budget Agreement
in a Generation
Historic Agreement Promotes the Country,s Values and Priorities
May 16, 1997

President Clinton has achieved a balanced budget agreement that promotes our values, providing critical funding for education, health care, and the environment while strengthening and modernizing Medicare and Medicaid. We have

cut the deficit by 77%, from \$290 billion in 1992 to roughly \$67 billion this

year. This historic achievement will finish the job, while meeting the President,s goals.

GOAL: To achieve the first balanced budget in a generation.
Budget balances by 2002 -- for the first time since 1969.
Saves over \$200 billion over five years and over \$900 billion over ten years.

GOAL: To ensure that every 8 year-old can read, every 12 year-old can log on to the Internet, and every 18 year-old can go to college.

A child literacy initiative consistent with the President,s America Reads challenge to help children learn to read well and independently by the end of the third grade.

Expands Head Start to 1998 level in the President,s budget, which assumes

path to one million kids in 2002.

Fully funds Technology Literacy Challenge Fund with at least \$425 million in

FY 98.

Largest single increase in higher education since the G.I. Bill in 1945.

Provides largest Pell Grant increase in two decades -- four million students

could receive a

grant of up to \$3,000, an increase of \$300 in the maximum grant.

\$35 billion of tax cuts targeted to higher education to make college more affordable for America's families, consistent with the President's HOPE Scholarship and tuition tax deduction.

Adopts President's full training and employment budget, including Job Corps.

GOAL: Expand health coverage for as many as 5 million uninsured children.

Provides \$16 billion for children's health care, including Medicaid improvements and investments, and/or a new capped mandatory grant program that

supplements states' efforts to cover uninsured children in working families.

GOAL: Secure and strengthen Medicare and Medicaid.

Extends the Medicare Trust Fund at least a decade through long overdue structural reforms.

Expands coverage of critical preventive treatments of diseases such as diabetes and helps detect breast cancer and colon cancer earlier.

Preserves the federal Medicaid guarantee of coverage to our nation's most vulnerable people.

GOAL: Strengthen environmental protection and enforcement.

Provides \$3.4 billion in 1998 -- a 9% increase over 1997 -- for EPA operations, research, and enforcement programs to protect public health from environmental threats.

Provides funding to cover the expansion of the Brownfield Redevelopment Initiative to help communities cleanup and redevelop contaminated areas.

Likely to double the pace of Superfund cleanups -- 500 additional sites cleaned up by the end of 2000.

GOAL: Move people from welfare to work and treat legal immigrants fairly.

A Welfare-to-Work tax credit to help long-term welfare recipients to get jobs.

Provides funding to preserve food stamp benefits for people willing to work.

Provides \$3 billion to states and localities to move recipients in disadvantaged areas into jobs.

Restores \$10 billion in disability and health benefits for legal immigrants.

GOAL: Cut taxes for America's hard working families.

A Child Tax Credit to make it easier for families to raise their kids.

\$35 billion of tax cuts targeted to higher education to make college more affordable

A Welfare-to-Work tax credit to help long-term welfare recipients get jobs.

Establishes additional Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

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FACT SHEET ON THE BUDGET AGREEMENT

May 16, 1997

DEFICIT REDUCTION

First balanced budget in a generation. Budget balances by 2002 -- for the first time since 1969.

Finishes the job. The 1993 Economic Plan has already reduced the deficit 77%, from \$290 billion in 1992 to an expected \$67 billion this year. This budget agreement finishes the job, balancing the budget by 2002 -- with \$204 billion

in net budget savings over the next 5 years.

Keeps budget balanced through 2007. The agreement will maintain budget balance until 2007, and save \$906 billion over the next 10 years.

CONSERVATIVE ASSUMPTIONS

Proven record on forecasts. For four years in a row, growth has been higher and the deficit has been lower than predicted. For example, CBO predicted growth for 1996 of 2.0 percent and the Administration predicted 2.2 percent.

Actual growth was 2.4 percent. CBO forecast a deficit of \$197 billion, and the

Administration forecast a deficit of \$211 billion. The actual deficit was \$107 billion.

Conservative assumptions. The assumptions used in this agreement are similarly conservative. The real growth assumption over the next 5 years (2.2 percent per year), for example, is lower than the Blue Chip private sector consensus (2.3 percent). It is intended to reflect average growth over different stages of the business cycle. Since 1973, over several business cycles, growth has averaged 2.6 percent per year.

80% of the \$225 billion in additional CBO revenue either already assumed or used for deficit reduction. The majority of the \$225 billion adjustment had already been assumed in the budget negotiations.

DISCRETIONARY SPENDING

Budget agreement achieves 99% of the President Bush's budget for non-defense discretionary spending over the next 5 years. \$61 billion of savings in non-defense discretionary outlays over the next 5 years -- a 10% real cut by 2002. \$77 billion of savings in defense spending over the next 5 years -- an 11% real cut by 2002.

TAX CUTS

\$85 billion in net tax cuts. \$85 billion in net tax cuts over the next 5 years and \$250 billion in net tax cuts over the next 10 years.

\$35 billion for the President Bush's education tax proposals. The agreement includes a commitment to provide roughly \$35 billion over 5 years for post-secondary education, including a deduction and tax credit.

Other commitments. The agreement commits the House and Senate Leadership to seek approval of various proposals, including:

- \$500 per child tax credit
- The welfare-to-work tax credit
- Capital gains tax relief for home sales
- The Administration's EZ/EC proposals
- Tax relief for brownfields legislation
- Tax relief for FSC software
- Tax incentives to spur DC growth

ENTITLEMENT SAVINGS

Extends life of Medicare Trust Fund for more than a decade. Contains Medicare savings of \$115 billion over 5 years including payment reductions and long overdue structural reforms, extending the life of the Trust Fund for at least a decade. Helps protect the Medicare Part A Trust Fund by reallocating a portion of home health care costs to Part B and phasing in these costs over 7 years into the Part B premium.

Modernizes Medicare. Modernizes Medicare by:

- Increasing the number of health plan options such as preferred provider organizations and provider sponsored organizations;
- Implementing a new prospective payment system for skilled nursing home facilities, home health, and hospital outpatient departments; and
- Increasing financial incentives for managed care plans in rural communities.

New Medicare improvements. Establishing new benefits including: helping detect breast cancer, colon cancer, and helping manage diabetes; and reducing excessively high outpatient hospital coinsurance.

Reforms Medicaid while maintaining Federal guarantee. Medicaid savings of \$13.6 billion through reductions in DSH payments and increased state flexibility, while maintaining the Federal guarantee. Setting aside \$1.5 billion for low-income protections to help ease the impact of Medicare premiums.

CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE

Invests \$16 billion to expand health care coverage to as many as 5 million children through one or both of the following: expanding Medicaid coverage by improving outreach initiatives and adding new options for coverage and/or a

capped mandatory grant program.

EDUCATION

Largest increase in education investment in 30 years.

Fully Funds Education and Training. Adopts the President Clinton's FY 1998 request

for discretionary education and training programs.

Higher Education Tax Cuts. Provides roughly \$35 billion over five years for postsecondary education tax cuts consistent with the President Clinton's HOPE Scholarship and tax deduction proposals.

Largest Pell Grant Expansion in Two Decades. Increases the maximum Pell Grant for low-income college students to \$3,000 -- the largest increase in two decades. Provides a \$1.7 billion increase in funding -- a 25% increase in FY 1998.

America Reads Challenge. Adopts the President Clinton's budget request to launch a child literacy initiative consistent with his America Reads program.

WELFARE TO WORK

Fully funds the President's welfare-to-work jobs initiative. Adds \$3 billion, the full amount requested by the President for the

Welfare-to-Work

Jobs Challenge, to the TANF block grant to fund welfare-to-work efforts in high-poverty, high-unemployment areas. A share of the funding will go to cities and counties with large numbers of people in poverty.

Preserves food stamps for people willing to work. Provides \$750 million to

create additional work slots for able-bodied unemployed childless adults subject to the time limit on food stamps. Also allows States to exempt a limited number of persons falling into this category who are willing to work

but would otherwise be ineligible for food stamps.

Welfare-to-work tax credit. The President and the Congressional leadership

have agreed to seek a welfare to work tax credit to encourage employers to give

welfare recipients the chance to work.

RESTORING BENEFITS TO LEGAL IMMIGRANTS

Benefits for legal immigrants. Restores full SSI and Medicaid benefits for disabled legal immigrants currently receiving assistance; and for legal immigrants in the country prior to August 23, 1996 who are not now receiving benefits but subsequently become disabled.

ENVIRONMENT

EPA operations, enforcement, and research. Provides a 9 percent increase, to \$3.4 billion, for EPA's operating program -- which finances most of EPA's research, enforcement, and regulatory programs.

Doubles the pace of Superfund cleanups. Pending agreement on detailed policies, adopts the President's proposals for Superfund cleanups of an additional 500 sites by the end of the year 2000.

Brownfields initiative. Boosts funding by \$75 million in 1998 to provide grants to communities for site assessment and development planning and to leverage state, local, and private funds to foster redevelopment.

National Parks. Provides a 6 percent increase for operation of the National Parks, and an 89 percent increase (\$234 million) for Everglades

Restoration.

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FACT SHEET ON THE BUDGET AGREEMENT

May 16, 1997

DEFICIT REDUCTION

First balanced budget in a generation. Budget balances by 2002 -- for the first time since 1969.

Finishes the job. The 1993 Economic Plan has already reduced the deficit 77%, from \$290 billion in 1992 to an expected \$67 billion this year. This budget agreement finishes the job, balancing the budget by 2002 -- with \$204 billion in net budget savings over the next 5 years.

Keeps budget balanced through 2007. The agreement will maintain budget balance until 2007, and save \$906 billion over the next 10 years.

CONSERVATIVE ASSUMPTIONS

Proven record on forecasts. For four years in a row, growth has been higher and the deficit has been lower than predicted. For example, CBO predicted growth for 1996 of 2.0 percent and the Administration predicted 2.2 percent.

Actual growth was 2.4 percent. CBO forecast a deficit of \$197 billion, and the

Administration forecast a deficit of \$211 billion. The actual deficit was \$107 billion.

Conservative assumptions. The assumptions used in this agreement are similarly conservative. The real growth assumption over the next 5 years (2.2 percent per year), for example, is lower than the Blue Chip private sector consensus (2.3 percent). It is intended to reflect average growth over different stages of the business cycle. Since 1973, over several business cycles, growth has averaged 2.6 percent per year.

80% of the \$225 billion in additional CBO revenue either already assumed or used for deficit reduction. The majority of the \$225 billion adjustment had already been assumed in the budget negotiations.

DISCRETIONARY SPENDING

Budget agreement achieves 99% of the President's budget for non-defense discretionary spending over the next 5 years. \$61 billion of savings in non-defense discretionary outlays over the next 5 years -- a 10% real cut by 2002. \$77 billion of savings in defense spending over the next 5 years -- an 11% real cut by 2002.

TAX CUTS

\$85 billion in net tax cuts. \$85 billion in net tax cuts over the next 5 years and \$250 billion in net tax cuts over the next 10 years.

\$35 billion for the President's education tax proposals. The agreement includes a commitment to provide roughly \$35 billion over 5 years for post-secondary education, including a deduction and tax credit.

Other commitments. The agreement commits the House and Senate Leadership to seek approval of various proposals, including:

- \$500 per child tax credit
- The welfare-to-work tax credit
- Capital gains tax relief for home sales
- The Administration's EZ/EC proposals
- Tax relief for brownfields legislation
- Tax relief for FSC software
- Tax incentives to spur DC growth

ENTITLEMENT SAVINGS

Extends life of Medicare Trust Fund for more than a decade. Contains Medicare

savings of \$115 billion over 5 years including payment reductions and long overdue structural reforms, extending the life of the Trust Fund for at least a

decade. Helps protect the Medicare Part A Trust Fund by reallocating a portion of home health care costs to Part B and phasing in these costs over 7 years into the Part B premium.

Modernizes Medicare. Modernizes Medicare by:

- Increasing the number of health plan options such as preferred provider organizations and provider sponsored organizations;
- Implementing a new prospective payment system for skilled nursing home facilities, home health, and hospital outpatient departments; and
- Increasing financial incentives for managed care plans in rural communities

New Medicare improvements. Establishing new benefits including: helping detect breast cancer, colon cancer, and helping manage diabetes; and reducing excessively high outpatient hospital coinsurance.

Reforms Medicaid while maintaining Federal guarantee. Medicaid savings of \$13.6 billion through reductions in DSH payments and increased state flexibility, while maintaining the Federal guarantee. Setting aside \$1.5 billion for low-income protections to help ease the impact of Medicare premiums.

CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE

Invests \$16 billion to expand health care coverage to as many as 5 million children through one or both of the following: expanding Medicaid coverage by improving outreach initiatives and adding new options for coverage and/or a capped mandatory grant program.

EDUCATION

Largest increase in education investment in 30 years.

Fully Funds Education and Training. Adopts the President's FY 1998 request for discretionary education and training programs.

Higher Education Tax Cuts. Provides roughly \$35 billion over five years for postsecondary education tax cuts consistent with the President's HOPE Scholarship and tax deduction proposals.

Largest Pell Grant Expansion in Two Decades. Increases the maximum Pell Grant for low-income college students to \$3,000 -- the largest increase in two decades. Provides a \$1.7 billion increase in funding -- a 25% increase in FY

1998.

America Reads Challenge. Adopts the President,s budget request to launch a child literacy initiative consistent with his America Reads program.

WELFARE TO WORK

Fully funds the President,s welfare-to-work jobs initiative. Adds \$3 billion, the full amount requested by the President for the Welfare-to-Work Jobs Challenge, to the TANF block grant to fund welfare-to-work efforts in high-poverty, high-unemployment areas. A share of the funding will go to cities and counties with large numbers of people in poverty.

Preserves food stamps for people willing to work. Provides \$750 million to create additional work slots for able-bodied unemployed childless adults subject to the time limit on food stamps. Also allows States to exempt a limited number of persons falling into this category who are willing to work but would otherwise be ineligible for food stamps.

Welfare-to-work tax credit. The President and the Congressional leadership have agreed to seek a welfare to work tax credit to encourage employers to give welfare recipients the chance to work.

RESTORING BENEFITS TO LEGAL IMMIGRANTS

Benefits for legal immigrants. Restores full SSI and Medicaid benefits for disabled legal immigrants currently receiving assistance; and for legal immigrants in the country prior to August 23, 1996 who are not now receiving benefits but subsequently become disabled.

ENVIRONMENT

EPA operations, enforcement, and research. Provides a 9 percent increase, to \$3.4 billion, for EPA,s operating program -- which finances most of EPA,s research, enforcement, and regulatory programs.

Doubles the pace of Superfund cleanups. Pending agreement on detailed policies, adopts the President,s proposals for Superfund cleanups of an additional 500 sites by the end of the year 2000.

Brownfields initiative. Boosts funding by \$75 million in 1998 to provide grants to communities for site assessment and development planning and to leverage state, local, and private funds to foster redevelopment.

National Parks. Provides a 6 percent increase for operation of the National Parks, and an 89 percent increase (\$234 million) for Everglades Restoration.

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President Delivers First Balanced Budget Agreement

in a Generation

Historic Agreement Promotes the Country's Values and Priorities

May 16, 1997

President Clinton has achieved a balanced budget agreement that promotes

our

values, providing critical funding for education, health care, and the

environment while strengthening and modernizing Medicare and Medicaid. We

have

cut the deficit by 77%, from \$290 billion in 1992 to roughly \$67 billion

this

year. This historic achievement will finish the job, while meeting the

President's goals.

GOAL: To achieve the first balanced budget in a generation.

Budget balances by 2002 -- for the first time since 1969.

Saves over \$200 billion over five years and over \$900 billion over ten years.

GOAL: To ensure that every 8 year-old can read, every 12 year-old can log on to the Internet, and every 18 year-old can go to college.

A child literacy initiative consistent with the President Bush's America Reads challenge to help children learn to read well and independently by the end of the third grade.

Expands Head Start to 1998 level in the President Bush's budget, which assumes path to one million kids in 2002.

Fully funds Technology Literacy Challenge Fund with at least \$425 million in FY 98.

Largest single increase in higher education since the G.I. Bill in 1945.

Provides largest Pell Grant increase in two decades -- four million students could receive a

grant of up to \$3,000, an increase of \$300 in the maximum grant.

\$35 billion of tax cuts targeted to higher education to make college more

affordable for America's families, consistent with the President Bush's HOPE Scholarship and tuition tax deduction.

Adopts President Clinton's full training and employment budget, including Job Corps.

GOAL: Expand health coverage for as many as 5 million uninsured children.

Provides \$16 billion for children Clinton's health care, including Medicaid improvements and investments, and/or a new capped mandatory grant program that supplements states Clinton's efforts to cover uninsured children in working families.

GOAL: Secure and strengthen Medicare and Medicaid.

Extends the Medicare Trust Fund at least a decade through long overdue structural reforms.

Expands coverage of critical preventive treatments of diseases such as diabetes and helps detect breast cancer and colon cancer earlier.

Preserves the federal Medicaid guarantee of coverage to our nation Clinton's most vulnerable people.

GOAL: Strengthen environmental protection and enforcement.

Provides \$3.4 billion in 1998 -- a 9% increase over 1997 -- for EPA operations, research, and enforcement programs to protect public health from environmental threats.

Provides funding to cover the expansion of the Brownfield Redevelopment Initiative to help communities cleanup and redevelop contaminated areas.

Likely to double the pace of Superfund cleanups -- 500 additional sites

cleaned up by the end of 2000.

GOAL: Move people from welfare to work and treat legal immigrants fairly.

A Welfare-to-Work tax credit to help long-term welfare recipients to get jobs.

Provides funding to preserve food stamp benefits for people willing to work.

Provides \$3 billion to states and localities to move recipients in disadvantaged areas into jobs.

Restores \$10 billion in disability and health benefits for legal immigrants.

GOAL: Cut taxes for America's hard working families.

A Child Tax Credit to make it easier for families to raise their kids.

\$35 billion of tax cuts targeted to higher education to make college more affordable

A Welfare-to-Work tax credit to help long-term welfare recipients get jobs.

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FROM THE WHITE HOUSE: President Clinton's Weekly

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PRESS RELEASE: DNC Welcomes Debra Mazarelli to the

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On the Web: Take a Stand For Healthy Children!

On the Web: Ohio Democrats Launch Web Site!

RADIO ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE NATION

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1997

THE PRESIDENT: This morning, I want to talk about our new balanced budget agreement, and the way it expands opportunity through education so that we can keep the American Dream alive for all our children.

When I took office four and a half years ago, America faced growing deficits as far as the eye could see. It was a time of economic stagnation and rising unemployment. We moved quickly to put in place a policy of invest and grow -- cutting the deficit, investing in our people and opening new markets around the world through tough trade agreements. And the results of that strategy are now clear: 12 million new jobs, the highest economic growth in a decade, the lowest unemployment in 24 years, the lowest inflation of any administration in 30 years, the largest decline in income inequality since the 1960s.

We proved that we make the tough decisions to put our fiscal house in order,

while still protecting America's values, especially through education. Even while we were cutting the deficit by 77 percent, we were expanding Head Start, increasing scholarships and student loans, and lowering the cost of paying back those loans.

To keep our economy strong we must keep that strategy in place. That is why I am so proud that we have reached a bipartisan agreement to balance the federal budget for the first time since President Johnson was in the White House. It brings the deficit down to zero over the next five years, but it also reflects our values -- preserving and protecting Medicare and Medicaid, expanding health coverage to five million uninsured children, protecting the environment, and helping move people from welfare to work, providing tax relief for families.

All of those values are important. But, to me, the very heart of this balanced budget agreement is its historic investment in education. This agreement includes the most significant increase in education funding in 30 years. Even more important, it provides the single largest increase in higher education since the G.I. Bill in 1945, the landmark legislation that gave opportunity to millions of Americans and gave birth to our great middle class. That was my goal for this budget -- to dramatically expand opportunity through education, to give all our children the tools to succeed.

Education has always been the heart of opportunity in this country. And it is the embodiment of everything we must do to prepare for the 21st century. Nothing will do more to open the doors of opportunity to every American and prepare them for unimagined new work and careers. Nothing will do more to instill a sense of responsibility in every American as they work to make the most of their education. And nothing will do more to build a strong, united community of all Americans -- for if we all have the tools to succeed, we can move forward together, as one America.

That is why I insisted that America's balanced budget also be an education budget. I am pleased to say that it meets that test. While it puts our fiscal house in order, this agreement opens the schoolhouse door wider than ever before. If Congress holds firm to the basic agreement we have reached -- the details of which are already moving through Congress at an expedited pace -- we will go a long way toward preparing our children for the 21st century.

The balanced budget agreement will fund our America Reads challenge, which will mobilize one million volunteer reading tutors to ensure that every 8-year-old can pick up a book and say, "I can read it myself." It includes our Technology Literacy Initiative, which will help us finish the job of wiring every classroom and school library to the Internet by the year 2000, so that children in the poorest inner-city school districts and in the most remote rural schools have access to the same vast store of knowledge.

It includes \$35 billion in tax relief for higher education -- including our HOPE Scholarship tuition tax credit and our \$10,000 education tax deduction.

It includes the largest increase in Pell Grant scholarships for deserving students in three decades. At the same time, it expands Head Start, increases job training, and preserves our commitment to school-to-work initiatives, to help give young people the skills they need to succeed when they finish school.

The bipartisan agreement we have reached not only gives us the first balanced budget in a generation, it also helps millions of children learn to read; it gives millions of American tax cuts to pay for college; it gives hundreds of thousands more students Pell Grant scholarships, and it helps tens of thousands of schools wire their classrooms to the Internet.

Now I urge Congress: pass the biggest and best education bill in America's history; pass the balanced budget. If both parties stay true to this historic agreement -- if we have the courage to eliminate the deficit, while significantly expanding education -- we will enter the 21st century stronger, and better-prepared for the challenges that lie ahead.

For the first time in decades, we are strong enough to truly prepare ourselves for the 21st century -- to help our children achieve the full promise of the global economy, the Information Age, and life-enhancing new

technology.

The key is education, and this balanced budget agreement provides it. Now let's seize this historic opportunity, and shape the future we deserve.

Thanks for listening.

WELCOME TO THE WEB!

Check out the Ohio Democratic Party's new Web site!

<http://www.ohiodems.org/>

DNC WELCOMES DEBRA MAZZARELLI TO DEMOCRATIC PARTY

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- Democratic National Committee (DNC) National Chair Steve Grossman and DNC General Chair Roy Romer welcomed Assemblywoman Debra Mazzarelli of New York to the Democratic Party.

"I am delighted and honored that Debra Mazzarelli has decided to join the Democratic Party," Grossman said. "Her decision demonstrates that women in politics throughout the country have no confidence in the Republican Party,

its leadership and the ideas and values that it stands for."

At a news conference at the New York State Capitol yesterday, Mazzarelli said that she had decided to switch to the Democratic Party because she felt that the Republican Party "didn't want to do that much for women." She said that the GOP "paid little more than lip service to the concerns that we brought to them."

"Mazzarelli's decision further demonstrates the GOP's gender problem,"

Romer

added. "For too long, Republicans have turned a deaf ear towards women and their priorities, and now they are paying the price."

Mazzarelli is in her second term in the New York State Assembly. She decided to switch her party affiliation on Mother's Day.

TAKE A STAND FOR HEALTHY CHILDREN!

President Clinton and Congressional Democrats are leading the effort to address the problem of children without health insurance. While Medicaid helps the poorest children, millions of working parents are trapped in the middle, unable to afford health insurance for their kids

You can join the Children's Defense Fund's "Stand for Healthy Children" by participating in local events to draw attention to the need for health insurance for kids. These events will take place nationwide on June 1.

For more information, visit the "Stand For Children" Web site:

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SUBJECT: Feedback on AIDS vaccine Goals

TO: Daniel C. Montoya (Daniel C. Montoya@EOP [UNKNOWN])

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TEXT:

Dear Dan,

Feedback you requested. From an MD former smallpox
eradicator with WHO, former professor of epidemiology at Michigan,
internet pioneer, and now SF bay area venture capitalist who has
investigated with biotech companies and other venture capitalists their
obstacles and reasons for staying out of or leaving the AIDS vaccine
field.

Bruce

From: Larry Brilliant

To: Weniger, Bruce

Subject: Re: President Clinton's AIDS Vaccine Statement (A-E)

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 1997 1:29PM

Dear Bruce,

Pessimism has never been one of my characteristics, fortunately. But I am
pissed none-the-less. Kennedy-esque goals are laudable, and appropriate in
the context of the quest for a vaccine, but unless the engine of
entrepreneurship and capitalism (lamentable though it may be) is unleashed,

we go into battle with our strongest arm tied back. Without incentives for industry, venture capitalists will pour all their money into yet one more internet start up. That money, that energy---ambivalent as I am---is better spent on an AIDS vaccine and it will not be so directed without a program from Clinton that gives those folks what they need to spend other peoples money on the project....

Thanks for your note, however. Nice to hear from you..

larry

At 10:33 AM 5/21/97 EST, you wrote:

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>Dear L:arry,

> Sure you can give my name, but don't be so pessimistic

>about the announcement. The longest journey starts with the initial step.

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> Setting a goal is certainly more symbolic than substantive at this

>point. But such a goal is a first step towards twisting the arms of the

>bureaucracies so as eventually to start asking them "What is CDC doing

>to apply its institutional experience and capabilities and budgetary

>discretion to further the goal in time? What is NIH doing to double and

>redouble again its current 9% efforts of its current AIDS research budget?

>Why has the military's AIDS vaccine research budget been cut in recent

>years?" etc., etc.

>

> But the AIDS vaccine advocates need to keep up the pressure

>to deliver within an existing system in which accountability and

>responsibility is avoided by distributing it among committees and study

>sections, with no one whose job is on the line if measurable milestones

>are not met by target deadlines.

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> Regards,

> Bruce

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>From: Larry Brilliant

>To: Weniger, Bruce

>Subject: Re: President Clinton's AIDS Vaccine Statement (A-E)

>Date: Tuesday, May 20, 1997 9:49AM

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>Bruce,

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>I was more than a little unhappy, of course, with the President's tepid,

>empty "Manhattan Project". I've had a brief exchange with the NY Times

>about it. I think they may be doing a more critical look at how under

>whelming this plan is; may I give them your name as someone to speak with

>if they get into it more?

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>larry

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>At 01:35 AM 5/19/97 EST, you wrote:

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>>FYI,

>> In President Clinton's speech below are some comments

>>on AIDS vaccine development.

>> Regards,

>> Bruce

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>> COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

>> AT MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

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>> Edward P. Hurt Gymnasium

>> Baltimore, Maryland

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>>10:30 A.M. EDT

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>> THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Dr. Richardson,

>>Judge Cole, Governor Glendenning, Lieutenant Governor

>>Kennedy-Townsend, Mr. Mayor, City Council President,

>>other elected officials, Mr. Speaker, Senator Miller,

>>Senator Sarbanes, Congressman Cardin and Congressman

>>Cummings, my great partners, to the Board of Regents, to

>>faculty, staff, to distinguished alumni, to the magnificent

>>band and choir. I thought it was a great day when I got here,

>>but I know it is now. Thank you very much. (Applause.)

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>> To the members of the class of 1997, your family

>>and your friends -- (applause) -- congratulations on this

>>important day in your lives, the lives of your nation, and the

>>life of this great institution.

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>> Your diploma reflects a level of knowledge that will
>>give you the chance to make the most of the rapidly unfolding
>>new reality of the 21st century. It gives your country a better
>>chance to lead the world toward a better place, and it reaffirms
>>the historic mission of Morgan State and the other historically
>>black colleges and universities of our great land.

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>> When the doors of college were closed to all but white
>>students, Morgan State and the nation's other historically black
>>institutions of higher education gave young African Americans
>>the education they deserved and the pride they needed to rise
>>above cruelty and bigotry.

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>> Today, these institutions still produce the lion's share
>>of our black doctors and judges and business people, and
>>Morgan State graduates most of the black engineers and
>>scientists in the great state of Maryland. (Applause.)

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>> I am here today not because Morgan State is just a
>>great historically black university, it is a great American university.
>>(Applause.) You have produced some of our nation's finest
>>leaders. Your grads like Parren Mitchell, Kweisi Mfume and Earl
>>Graves. (Applause.) Judicial leaders like Judge Bell and Judge
>>Cole; public servants like State Treasurer Dixon and on a very
>>personal note, my fine assistant, Terry Edmonds, Class of 1972,
>>the first African American ever to serve as a speechwriter for the
>>President of the United States. (Applause.) There he is.

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>> Now, you're getting too much applause now, Terry.

>>(Laughter.)

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>> You graduate today into a world brimming with promise,

>>enriched with opportunity. Our economy is the strongest in a

>>generation, our unemployment the lowest in 24 years, with the

>>largest decline in income inequality since the 1960s.

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>> On Friday we finalized the details of an historic

>>agreement with the leaders of Congress to balance the federal

>>budget for the first time in nearly three decades, in a way that will

>>keep our economy going and in balance with our values, caring for

>>those in need, extending health care to 5 million more children,

>>cleaning and preserving and restoring our environment, helping

>>people to move from welfare to work, and, most important,

>>funding the largest investment in education in a generation and

>>the largest increase in higher education since the G.I. bill in 1945,

>>more than 50 years ago. (Applause.)

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>> It will open the doors of college to all, with the

>>largest increase in Pell Grant scholarships in three decades,

>>\$35 billion in tax relief to help families pay for higher education,

>>including tax deductions for the cost of all education after high

>>school, and our HOPE Scholarship tuition tax credits to make

>>the first two years of college as universal by the year 2000 as

>>a high school diploma is today. (Applause.)

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>> And this agreement contains a major investment in
>>science and technology, inspired in our administration by the
>>leadership of Vice President Gore, to keep America on the cutting
>>edge of positive change, to create the best jobs of tomorrow, to
>>advance the quality of life of all Americans.

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>> This is a magic moment, but like all moments it will not
>>last forever. We must make the most of it. In commencement
>>addresses across the nation this year, I will focus our attention on
>>what we must do to prepare our nation for the next century,
>>including how we can make sure that our rich diversity brings us
>>together rather than driving us apart, and how we must meet our
>>continuing obligation to lead the world away from the wars and
>>Cold War of the 20th century through the present threats of
>>terrorism and ethnic hatred, weapons proliferation and drug
>>smuggling, to a more peaceful and free and prosperous 21st
>>century.

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>> But today here, I ask you simply to imagine that new
>>century, full of its promise, molded by science, shaped by
>>technology, powered by knowledge. These potent transforming
>>forces can give us lives fuller and richer than we have ever known.
>>They can be used for good or ill.

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>> If we are to make the most of this new century, we --
>>all of us, each and every one of us, regardless of our background

>> --must work to master these forces with vision and wisdom and
>>determination. The past half-century has seen mankind split the
>>atom, splice genes, create the microchip, explore the heavens.
>>We enter the next century propelled by new and stunning
>>developments.

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>> Just in the past year we saw the cloning of Dolly the
>>sheep, the Hubble telescope bringing into focus dark corners of
>>the cosmos never seen before, innovations in computer
>>technology and communications, creating what Bill Gates calls
>>"the world's new digital nervous system," and now cures for our
>>most dreaded diseases -- diabetes, cystic fibrosis, repair for
>>spinal cord injuries. These miracles actually seem within reach.

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>> The sweep of it is truly humbling. Why, just last week
>>we saw a computer named Deep Blue defeat the world's reigning
>>chess champion. I really think there ought to be a limit to this.
>>No computer should be allowed to learn to play golf. (Laughter.)
>>But, seriously, my friends, in science, if the last 50 years were
>>the age of physics, the next 50 years will be the age of biology.
>>(Applause.)

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>> We are now embarking on our most daring explorations,
>>unraveling the mysteries of our inner world and charting new
>>routes to the conquest of disease. We have not and we must
>>not shrink from exploring the frontiers of science. But as we
>>consider how to use the fruits of discovery, we must also

>>never retreat from our commitment to human values, the good
>>of society, our basic sense of right and wrong.

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>> Science must continue to serve humanity, never the
>>other way around. The stakes are very high. America's future
>> -- indeed, the world's future -- will be more powerfully influenced
>>by science and technology than ever before. Where once
>>nations measured their strength by the size of their armies and
>>arsenals, in the world of the future knowledge will matter most.
>>Fully half the growth in economic productivity over the last
>>half-century can be traced to research and technology.

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>> But science is about more than material wealth or the
>>acquisition of knowledge. Fundamentally, it is about our
>>dreams. America is a nation always becoming, always defined
>>by the great goals we set, the great dreams we dream. We are
>>restless, questing people. We have always believed, with
>>President Thomas Jefferson, that "freedom is the first born
>>daughter of science." With that belief and with willpower,
>>resources and great national effort, we have always reached
>>our far horizons and set out for new ones.

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>> Thirty-six years ago, President Kennedy looked to the
>>heavens and proclaimed that the flag of peace and democracy,
>>not war and tyranny, must be the first to be planted on the moon.
>>He gave us a goal of reaching the moon, and we achieved it --
>>ahead of time.

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>> Today, let us look within and step up to the challenge
>>of our time, a challenge with consequences far more immediate
>>for the life and death of millions around the world. AIDS will soon
>>overtake tuberculosis and malaria as the leading infectious killer in
>>the world. More than 29 million people have been infected, 3
>>million in the last year alone, 95 percent of them in the poorest
>>parts of our globe.

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>> Here at home, we are grateful that new and effective
>>anti-HIV strategies are available and bringing longer and better
>>lives to those who are infected, but we dare not be complacent.
>>HIV is capable of mutating and becoming resistant to therapies,
>>and could well become even more dangerous. Only a truly
>>effective, preventive HIV vaccine can limit and eventually
>>eliminate the threat of AIDS.

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>> This year's budget contains increased funding of a third
>>over two years ago to search for this vaccine. In the first four
>>years, we have increased funding for AIDS research, prevention
>>and care by 50 percent, but it is not enough. So let us today set
>>a new national goal for science in the age of biology. Today, let
>>us commit ourselves to developing an AIDS vaccine within the
>>next decade. (Applause.) There are no guarantees. It will take
>>energy and focus and demand great effort from our greatest
>>minds. But with the strides of recent years it is not longer a
>>question of whether we can develop an AIDS vaccine, it is

>>simply a question of when. And it cannot come a day too soon.

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>> If America commits to find an AIDS vaccine and we

>>enlist others in our cause, we will do it. I am prepared to do

>>all I can to make it happen. Our scientists at the National

>>Institutes of Health and our research universities have been at

>>the forefront of this battle.

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>> Today, I'm pleased to announce the National Institutes

>>of Health will establish a new AIDS vaccine research center

>>dedicated to this crusade. And next month at the Summit of

>>the Industrialized Nations in Denver, I will enlist other nations

>>to join us in a worldwide effort to find a vaccine to stop one

>>of the world's greatest killers. We will challenge America's

>>pharmaceutical industry, which leads the world in innovative

>>research and development to work with us and to make the

>>successful development of an AIDS vaccine part of its

>>basic mission.

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>> My fellow Americans, if the 21st century is to be the

>>century of biology, let us make an AIDS vaccine its first great

>>triumph. (Applause.)

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>> Let us resolve further to work with other nations to

>>deal with great problems like global climate change, to break our

>>reliance on energy use destructive of our environment, to make

>>giant strides to free ourselves and future generations from the

>>tyranny of disease and hunger and ignorance that today still
>>enslaves too many millions around the world. And let us also
>>pledge to redouble our vigilance to make sure that the
>>knowledge of the 21st century serves our most enduring
>>human values.

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>> Science often moves faster than our ability to
>>understand its implications, leaving a maze of moral and
>>ethical questions in its wake. The Internet can be a new town
>>square or a new Tower of Babel. The same computer that can
>>put the Library of Congress at our fingertips can also be used
>>by purveyors of hate to spread blueprints for bombs. The
>>same knowledge that is developing new life-saving drugs can
>>be used to create poisons of mass destruction. Science can
>>enable us to feed billions more people in comfort, in safety,
>>and in harmony with our earth; or it can spark a war with
>>weapons of mass destruction rooted in primitive hatreds.

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>> Science has no soul of its own. It is up to us to
>>determine whether it will be used as a force for good or evil.
>>We must do nothing to stifle our basic quest for knowledge.
>>After all, it has propelled from field to factory to cyberspace.
>>But how we use the fruits of science and how we apply it to
>>human endeavors is not properly the domain of science alone
>>or of scientists alone. The answers to these questions require
>>the application of ethical and moral principles that have guided
>>our great democracy toward a more perfect union for more

>>than 200 years now. As such, they are the province of every
>>American citizen.

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>> We must decide together how to apply these principles
>>to the dazzling new discoveries of science. Here are four
>>guideposts. First, science and its benefits must be directed
>>toward making life better for all Americans -- never just a
>>privileged few. Their opportunities and benefits should be
>>available to all. Science must not create a new line of
>>separation between the haves and the have-nots, those with
>>and those without the tools and understanding to learn and
>>use technology.

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>> In the 21st century a child in a school that does not
>>have a link to the Internet or the student who does not have
>>access to a computer will be like the 19th century child without
>>school books. That is why we are ensuring that every child in
>>every school, not matter how rich or poor, will have access to
>>the same technology by connecting every classroom and
>>library to the Internet by the year 2000. (Applause.)

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>> Science must always respect the dignity of every
>>American. Here at one of America's great black universities let
>>me underscore something I said just a few days ago at the
>>White House. We must never allow our citizens to be
>>unwitting guinea pigs in scientific experiments that put them
>>at risk without their consent and full knowledge. (Applause.)

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>> Whether it is withholding a syphilis treatment from the
>>black men of Tuskegee or the Cold War experiments that
>>subjected some of our citizens to dangerous doses of
>>radiation, we must never go back to those awful days in
>>modern disguise. We have now apologized for the mistakes
>>of the past; we must not repeat them -- never again.

>>(Applause.)

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>> Second, none of our discoveries should be used to
>>label or discriminate against any group or individual.
>>Increasing knowledge about the great diversity within the
>>human species must not change the basic belief upon which
>>our ethics, our government, our society are founded. All of
>>us are created equal, entitled to equal treatment under the
>>law. (Applause.)

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>> With stunning speed, scientists are now moving to
>>unlock the secrets of our genetic code. Genetic testing has
>>the potential to identify hidden inherited tendencies toward
>>disease and spur early treatment. But that information could
>>also be used, for example, by insurance companies and
>>others to discriminate against and stigmatize people.

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>> We know that in the 1970s, some African Americans
>>were denied health care coverage by insurers and jobs by
>>employers because they were identified as sickle cell anemia

>>carriers. We also know that one of the main reasons women
>>refuse genetic testing for susceptibility to breast cancer is
>>their fear that the insurance companies may either deny them
>>coverage or raise their rates to unaffordable levels. No
>>insurer should be able to use genetic data to underwrite or
>>discriminate against any American seeking health
>>insurance. This should not simply be a matter of principle, but
>>a matter of law, period. (Applause.)

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>> To that end, I urge the Congress to pass bipartisan
>>legislation to prohibit insurance companies from using genetic
>>screening information to determine the premium rates or
>>eligibility of Americans for health insurance.

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>> Third, technology should not be used to break down the
>>wall of privacy and autonomy free citizens are guaranteed in a
>>free society. The right to privacy is one of our most cherished
>>freedoms. As society has grown more complex and people
>>have become more interconnected in every way, we have had
>>to work even harder to respect the privacy, the dignity, the
>>autonomy of each individual.

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>> Today, when marketers can follow every aspect of our
>>lives, from the first phone call we make in the morning to the time
>>our security system says we have left the house, to the video
>>camera at the toll booth and the charge slip we have for lunch,
>>we cannot afford to forget this most basic lesson.

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>> As the Internet reaches to touch every business and
>>every household and we face the frightening prospect that private
>>information -- even medical records -- could be made instantly
>>available to the world, we must develop new protections for
>>privacy in the face of new technological reality. (Applause.)

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>> Fourth, we must always remember that science is not God.
>>(Applause.) Our deepest truths remain outside the realm of science.
>>We must temper our euphoria over the recent breakthrough in
>>animal cloning with sobering attention to our most cherished
>>concepts of humanity and faith.

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>> My own view is that each human life is unique, born of a
>>miracle that reaches beyond laboratory science. I believe we
>>should respect this profound gift. I believe we should resist the
>>temptation to replicate ourselves. But this is a decision no
>>President should make alone. No President is qualified to
>>understand all of the implications.

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>> That is why I have asked our distinguished National
>>Bioethics Advisory Commission, headed by President Harold
>>Shapiro of Princeton, to conduct a thorough review of the legal
>>and ethical issues raised by this new cloning discovery. They
>>will give me their first recommendations within the next few
>>weeks, and I can hardly wait.

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>> These, then, are four guideposts, rooted in our
>>traditional principles of ethics and morals, that must guide us if
>>we are to master the powerful forces of change in the new
>>century. One, science that produces a better life for all and not
>>the few. Two, science that honors our tradition of equal
>>treatment under the law. Three, science that respects the
>>privacy and autonomy of the individual. Four, science that
>>never confuses faith in technology with faith in God.

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>> If we hold fast to these principles, we can make this
>>time of change a moment of dazzling opportunity for all
>>Americans.

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>> Finally, let me say again: Science can serve the
>>values and interests of all Americans, but only if all
>>Americans are given a chance to participate in science. We
>>cannot move forward without the voices and talents of
>>everyone in this stadium, and especially those of you who
>>are going on to pursue a career in science and technology.

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>> African Americans have always been at the forefront
>>of American science. This is nothing new. Nothing -- not
>>slavery, not discrimination, not poverty -- nothing has ever
>>been able to hold back their scientific urge or creative
>>genius. (Applause.)

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>> Benjamin Banneker was a self-taught mathematician,

>>surveyor, astronomer, who published an annual almanac and
>>helped to design the city of Washington. George Washington
>>Carver was born a slave, but went on to become one of our
>>nation's greatest agricultural scientists. Ernest Everett Just
>>of Charleston, South Carolina, is recognized as one of our
>>greatest biologists. Charles Drew lived through the darkest
>>days of segregation to become a pioneer in blood
>>preservation. And today you honor an African American
>>doctor at Johns Hopkins University who is truly one of the
>>outstanding physicians of our time. (Applause.)

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>> All these people show us that we don't have a person
>>to waste and our diversity is our greatest strength in the world
>>of today and tomorrow. Now, members of the class of 1997,
>>it is your time. It is up to you to honor their legacy, to live
>>their dreams, to be the investigators, the doctors, and the
>>scholars who will make and apply the discoveries of tomorrow,
>>who will keep our science rooted in our values, who will fashion
>>America's greatest days.

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>> You can do it. Dream large. Work hard. And listen to

>>your soul. Thank you and God bless you all. ===== ATTACHMENT 1

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