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SUBJECT: Legislative Update

TO: Lee Ann Brackett (Lee Ann Brackett [UNKNOWN])

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TO: NPR Staff

FROM: Jill Abelson, Legislative Team

DATE: June 22, 1995

Subject: NPR - Capitol Hill Notes

Welcome to the first edition of our informative, up-to-the-minute, basically reliable weekly update of Hill activities related to NPR. The format and content will change as more folks report what they're interested in and as my creative genius develops. Thanks for letting me know what interests you.

o NPR Oversight

The House Governmental Reform Committee/Subcommittee on Government Management holds two NPR oversight hearings this week on Streamlining Federal Field Structures - Part II (June 19 in Chicago) and Performance Measures and Benchmarking (June 20 in D.C.). We will have summaries and

testimony from both hearings. We have summaries from last week's hearing on Streamlining Federal Field Structures - Part I, held on June 13, where Miami Customs and Houston's General Store were highlighted. The next hearing will address GPRA Implementation, on June 27.

o Corrections Resolution

On June 20 the House easily passed by a 271-146 vote a GOP leadership proposal (H. Res 168) creating a "Corrections Day," aimed at giving lawmakers the opportunity to expeditiously eliminate unnecessary or "dumb" laws, Federal regulations, or spending projects. Under the procedure, Committees with jurisdiction would report the corrections bills, which the Speaker would then clear for placement on a new House "Corrections Calendar." Bills would be considered on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, debatable for one hour under a closed rule (no amendments), and would require a 3/5 vote for passage. The Speaker would set up a three Members Advisory to recommend corrections bills for House consideration. Rules Committee Democrat Anthony Bielson spoke out against the resolution, saying that Dems had largely been left out of the process. In a concession to Democrats, Republicans included a provision allowing the minority party to call for a vote to recommit any bills to Committee. The Speaker called the vote "a good first start."

Democrats testifying at a Corrections Day hearing on May 14 said that House Suspension Calendar procedures already exist to eliminate "purely stupid, ridiculous" laws and regulations. Opposition also emphasized:

1) any bill could be considered under the new procedure
2) the procedure puts too much power in the Speaker's hands 3) role of the Advisory Panel is not clearly defined and its Membership is limited to Republicans 4) the one hour debate limit will result in uninformed votes.

o Agency Reorg/Elimination

DoE reorg was the subject of a House Commerce Committee/Energy & Power Subcommittee hearing June 21. Witnesses included Cong. Todd Tiahrt (R-KS), Freshman sponsor of "The Department of Energy Abolishment Act", DoE Secy. Hazel O'Leary, GAO and DOD. Even to this veretan Hill watcher, this hearing was amazing. It really came down to a passionate debate over eliminating government at all costs, or making government better by finetuning agency functions and redefining agency missions.

The hearing centered on Tiahrt's bill, O'Leary's management improvements and internal reforms, and GAO's review of the beleaguered agency. Highlights included Q&A between Cong. Ed Markey's (D-MA) and Tiahrt, when Markey criticized Tiahrt's bill for eliminating Yucca Mountain as an option for permanent nuclear waste disposal; and Q&A between Cong. Tom Coburn(R-OK) and O'Leary, when the Secretary told the Congressman, "I am neither close to two hundred pounds nor am I am a man" when he compared her agency to an obese male patient. O'Leary defended her management improvements at DoE and her plans to pare the agency's budget by \$14

billion.

Testimony and summaries of the hearing will be available to everyone interested.

DoED reorg will be the topic of House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee hearings June 29 and July 11.

- o Privatization

Items to note: Legislation to privatize AMTRAK derailed last week over amendments protecting Amtrak workers during the railway's transformation.

Next step is uncertain. Privatization of Sallie Mae is the topic of a Senate hearing on June 20.

- o Civil Service Reform

Federal Training Programs and Productivity will be addressed at a hearing today before House Gov Reform/Civil Services Subcomm. The hearing will examine "whether different kinds of employee training, such as training on HIV and AIDS issues, are related to productivity and effectiveness of Federal employees." (Cong. Monitor) No mention of employee health...

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CREATOR: Ida Ghaffari (CN=Ida Ghaffari/OU=EDUC/O=GOV [UNKNOWN])

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!September 14, 1995

MEMORANDUM FOR LEON PANETTA, THE WHITE HOUSE

FROM: ` ` Richard W. Riley(#`

SUBJECT: ` ` Weekly Report for September 17 23(#`

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x! KEY DEPARTMENT NEWS

America Goes Back To School. This week, I and several of the Department's seni

or officers are visiting schools around the country to highlight the Department

's effort to encourage

community members and parents to participate in the scho

ols. I

have visited schools in South Carolina, Missouri, Tennessee, and Ohio.

Assistant Secretary Norma Cantu traveled to Atlanta, and

Acting Inspector Gene

ral John Higgins visited New Jersey.

Special advisor Terry Dozier visited seve

ral schools in Florida.

Bilingual Education Director Gene Garcia and Congressma

n Xavier
 Becerra visited an Arlington, VA elementary school. Assistant
 Secreta
 ry David Longanecker spoke at the University of Colorado
 at Boulder, where he a
 lso hosted the communications downlink of
 President Clinton's September 11 spee
 ch at Southern Illinois
 University. Assistant Secretary Rod McCowan traveled t
 o his high
 school in Oklahoma, and acting Assistant Secretary Trish McNeil
 visi
 ted schooltowork sites in Hawaii and Colorado. Assistant
 Secretary Mario Moren
 o visited over a dozen schools in New Mexico
 and Texas, including the Universit
 y of Houston, where he was
 accompanied by Congressman Gene Green. Assistant Se
 cretary
 Payzant spoke with students, staff, and PTA leaders in New York
 City, A
 ssistant Secretary Sharon Robinson traveled to several
 schools throughout Minne
 sota, and General Counsel Judy Winston
 visited her former middle school in Penn
 sylvania. During the
 coming week, Deputy Secretary Kunin will be visiting scho
 ols in
 Washington State.

FY 1996 Appropriations. The Senate Appropriations Subcommittee
 marked up the D
 epartment's 1996 appropriations legislation on
 September 13. The Subcommittee
 bill would provide \$28.6 billion
 for the Department over the next year an incr
 ease over the
 House bill of \$1.5 billion, but a drop of \$2.2 billion from the
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 995 level and \$3.8 billion from the President's request. The
 Subcommittee allo
 tted \$6.02 billion for Title I Grants to Local
 Educational Agencies, an increas
 e over the House amount by
 \$464 million, but \$980 million less than the President's request.
 The House ha
 d eliminated FY 96 funding for Goals 2000, while the
 Senate Subcommittee would
 restore \$310 million, or less than half
 the President's request of \$750 million
 . For Safe and DrugFree
 Schools programs, the Subcommittee maintained the Hous
 e level of
 \$200 million for Department of Education programs, compared with0* +

+ +the President's request of \$500 million; however, the Senate Subcommittee also approved an additional \$200 million to be transferred to HHS under this authority. The full Senate Appropriations Committee is marking up the bill today, and Senate Floor action is expected the week of September 25.

Department Shutdown. In response to OMB's request, the Department has prepared a draft plan for shutting down operations in the event of a lapse in appropriations. The Direct Loans expenses are covered by a permanent appropriation, and the National Institute for Literacy has a multiyear account, so staff members from these two programs will continue working. Other than that, only the 16 Presidential appointees and one assistant for each will continue working during a shutdown.

Hispanic DropOut Project. I will hold a press conference September 18, with Senator Jeff Bingaman, to announce the Department's new effort to examine the issue of the high dropout rate among Hispanics.

ABA Speech. I will speak at the American Bar Association Constitution Day, on September 18.

AFT Luncheon. On September 18 I will address the American Federation of Teachers.

Committee for Education Funding. I will address a dinner meeting of the Committee for Education Funding on September 18.

Satellite Town Meeting. The next Satellite Town Meeting will originate in Seattle on September 19. The topic is "Educational Technology: Linking Schools to the Future."

Georgetown University. Congressman Bill Goodling and I will speak on September 20 at the Georgetown University Student Aid Forum.

Chicago Trip. I will travel to Chicago September 2021 and am scheduled to meet with Hispanic leaders, have lunch with Mayor Daley, speak at the KohlMcCormick Early Childhood Teaching Awards, and attend the Goals 2000 Conference dinner.

AASA Speech. On September 22 I will speak to the American Association of School Administrators.

U.S.Mexico. I will participate in the U.S.Mexico conference October 56.

Higher Education Conference. October 8 and 9 I will participate in a national conference the Department is organizing on higher education funding. Senator Kassebaum and Congressman Goodling are expected to attend.

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AGENCY WORK ON PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES

SchooltoWork Grants. On September 18, Secretary Reich and I will participate in a satellite tour with TV stations in cities receiving SchooltoWork funds.

New Hampshire Trip. At the request of the White House, I will speak at the Manchester High School Anniversary Banquet on September 23. While in New Hampshire I will also attend a reception sponsored by the Hillsboro Democrats in Merrimack, and will be interviewed by WMURTV in Manchester.

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Budget Reconciliation. The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee plans to mark up the budget reconciliation package during the week of September 18. The Committee is expected to recommend eliminating or capping the Direct Loans program, as well as reducing Federal Family Education Loan subsidies for lenders and implementing other measures that will affect guarantors, secondary markets, parents, and students. The full House is expected to consider the budget reconciliation legislation during the week of September 25. On

September 20, the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee is scheduled to mark up its budget reconciliation recommendations.

Upcoming Education Legislation. During September the House may consider the CAREERS bill, which consolidates job training programs, and legislation to privatize Sallie Mae and Connie Lee. This legislation may be attached to the budget reconciliation legislation.

Congressional Meetings. This afternoon, I will be meeting with Senator Tom Daschle to discuss education issues and legislation. I will also meet with Congressman Bill Richardson. On September 22, I plan to meet with Congressman Jack Reed.

Congressional Black Caucus. I will appear September 22 at an Issues Forum sponsored by the Congressional Black Caucus.

?@ " REGULATORY ACTION

? There is nothing new to report this week.*

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CNN Event. On September 15 I will participate in the announcement introducing CNN Newsroom's World View, a broadcast news service that will be provided to classrooms free of charge.

Interviews. I was interviewed about "America Goes Back to School" and about budget cuts by NBC News, ABC News, CBS Radio, WBIG Radio, and media in Florida, South Carolina, Missouri, Ohio, (+) and Tennessee. My speech to the National Press Club was covered

? by CSPAN, CNN, ABC, USA Today, and numerous regional reporters.

Under Secretary Smith was interviewed by the America's Talking network regarding "America Goes Back to School" and the budget cuts.

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SCHEDULE FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY MADELEINE KUNIN

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SEPTEMBER 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 CHINA Beijing FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN	4 CHINA LABOR DAY HOLIDAY	5 CHINA	6 CHINA	7 CHINA	8 CHINA	9 CHINA
10 CHINA DOED'S "AMERICA GOES BACK TO SCHOOL" WEEK	11 CHINA	12 CHINA NATIONAL FAMILY PARTNERSHIP DAY 9:55am- 7:10pm United Flight to Washington Dulles	13 1:00-1:30 Mtg w/ Michele Cavataio 1:30-1:45 Interview w/ Chronicle of Higher ED 1:45-2:00 Interview w/ ED Daily	14 10:00-11:30 EMC 11:30-12:00 Weekly w/ David Longanecker 12:15-1:15 Lunch (personal) 1:30-2:00	15 10:00-10:30 Weekly w/ Frank Holleman 10:30-11:00 Mtg w/ Sally Christensen & Tom Skelly 11:30-12:30 Weekly w/ Rod McCowan	16

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SEPTEMBER 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			2:00-2:30 Scheduling Mtg 3:00-3:30 Farewell Party for Gene Garcia	Update Mtg w/ Kay Casstevens 2:30-3:00 Weekly Mtg w/ Mike Smith	3:30-4:00 Budget Mtg w/ RWR	

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17	18 NEW YORK 8:30-9:30 Senior Officers c:Eunice 9:30-11:00 RCC c:Steve 12:00-1:00 Lunch w/ RWR 1:00-2:00 ODS Staff Mtg. 3:30-4:30 Delta Flight to New York (Laguardia) 6:00-7:30 Worldesign Foundatn NEArts/DoEd Forum @ Sony Plaza "SPEECH"	19 WASHINGTON Seattle 10:00-2:24 Flight to Seattle from Laguardia 3:30-4:30 Studio Prep 5:30-6:30 Satellite Town Meeting: Ed Tech 7:30-9:00 Dinner w/ STM Guests adv: Fundy	20 WASHINGTON Spokane 8am Flight to Spokane 10:00-11:00 School Visit 11:30-1:00 Washington Water Power Luncheon "SPEECH" 1:30-2:30 Roundtable Discussion: STW PM Flight to Seattle PM Kids radio interv. adv: Karen	21 WASHINGTON Seattle 8:45-9:30 SPEECH Region X Conference c: Carla Nuxoll TENTATIVE: Tacoma School Visit 1:00-8:40 United Flight to Dulles adv: Fundy	22 9:00-9:30 Weekly w/ Frank Holleman 9:30-10:00 Mtg w/ Sally Christensen & Tom Skelly 10:00-10:30 Briefing for DC101 Interview 10:30-11:00 DC101 Interview 11:00-11:30 Mtg w/ Carole Wacey re: PCSD 2:00-3:00 Mtg on Clinton Scholars @ WH c:Margarita Colmenares	23 VERMONT

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	ROSH HASHANAH	TENTATIVE: Burlington Elem/Middle School visit 6:15am- 9:33am Flight from Burlington to DC 4:00-5:00 Budget Mtg re: S&E '96 & '97 5:30-7:30 Farewell Party for Tom Payzant	9:00-9:30 OCFO Grants & Contracts Awards Ceremony 10:00-11:30 EMC Mtg 11:30-12:00 Laura Johns CET Briefing 12:00-1:00 Senior Staff Lunch c: Regan TENTATIVE: 2:00-4:00 Hispanic Heritage Month Panel Discussion c:Nhora Serrano 6:00-7:30 McGraw Hill Education Awards Dinner	9:00-11:00 Writing Time 11:00-11:45 Briefing for Assoc. Pres Mtg 1:00-1:30 Opening of ED Employee Training & Devel Center 2:00-3:00 Assoc Pres Mtg w/ RWR 3:00-4:00 Briefing on Coop. Audit Resolution & Oversight w/ Mike Smith	Williston 9:00-10:30 CET Quarterly Mtg c: Laura Johns 10:30-11:00 Briefing on ED Tech Nat'l Plan w/ RWR TENTATIVE: Direct Student Loan Student Forum 12:30-4:15 Cont. Flight to VT 5:00- 7:00 Stern Ctr Opening Ceremony "SPEECH" c: Arthur Kreizel	

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OCTOBER 1995

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	8:30-9:30 Senior Officers c:Eunice 9:30-11:00 RCC c:Steve 12:00-1:00 Lunch w/ RWR 1:00-2:00 ODS Leadership Mtg 5:30-6:30 DPC Mtg 7:00 World Resources Institute Dinner	8:30-9:15 Mtg w/ Leo Kornfeld 9:15-9:45 Mtg w/ Frank Holleman 10:00-10:30 Weekly w/ Mike Smith TENTATIVE: 12:00-1:00 DoED Brown Bag w/ Judy Heumann re: Beijing Debriefing 3pm YOM KIPPUR	YOM KIPPUR DO NOT SCHEDULE	TENTATIVE: Mexico Minister of Education c: Stu Tinsman 12:00 White House Nat'l Medal of Arts Ceremony		

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY	8:30-9:15 Mtg w/ Leo Kornfeld 9:15-9:45 Mtg w/ Frank Holleman 2:00- Woodrow Wilson Board Mtg	9:00-10:00 Weekly w/ Rod McCowan 10:00-11:30 EMC 12:00-1:00 Senior Staff Lunch c: Regan Burke TENTATIVE: Democrats for Maine Luncheon SPEECH	9:00-12:00 Writing Time 12:00-1:15 Lunch w/ Emerson Elliott	NEW YORK Rochester 9:30-10:42 USAir Flight to Rochester TENTATIVE: Visit Direct Student Loan School 2:00-4:00 Univ. of Rochester/75 th Anniv. Women's Suffrage Symposium "SPEECH" 7:00 Event w/ Cong. Louise Slaughter	NEW YORK Seneca Falls 10:30 Drive to Seneca Falls 12:00-2:00 Luncheon: Women's Hall of Fame "REMARKS" 4:25-5:30 USAir Flight to DC from Syracuse

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15	16 RELEASE OF ED TECH NAT'L PLAN 8:30-9:30 Senior Officers c:Eunice 9:30-11:00 RCC c:Steve Moore 12:00-1:00 Lunch w/ RWR 1:00-2:00 ODS Staff Mtg 5:30-6:30 DPC Mtg	17 8:30-9:15 Mtg w/ Leo Kornfeld 9:15-9:45 Mtg w/ Frank Holleman 10:00-11:00 CFC Kickoff w/ RWR 5:30-9:00 SATELLITE TOWN MEETING "Creative Business- Education Partnerships "	18 9:00-10:00 Weekly w/ Rod McCowan 10:00-11:30 EMC 12:00-1:00 Senior Staff Lunch c: Regan Burke	19 TENTATIVE: NEW HAMPSHIRE	20 TENTATIVE: NEW HAMPSHIRE	21
22	23 8:30-9:30 Senior Officers c:Eunice 9:30-11:00 RCC c:Steve 12:00-1:00 Lunch w/ RWR 1:00-2:00 ODS	24 8:30-9:15 Mtg w/ Leo Kornfeld 9:15-9:45 Mtg w/ Frank Holleman 10:00-10:30 Weekly w/ Mike Smith PM Ctr to	25 9:00-10:00 Weekly w/ Rod McCowan 10:00-11:30 EMC 12:00-1:00 Senior Staff Lunch c: Regan Burke 6:00-7:00	26 MASSACHUSETT S Springfield 9:00-12:00 Writing Time 5:00-6:00 Five College Women's Studies	27 9:00-9:30 Weekly w/ Frank Holleman	28

	Leadership	Prevent Handgun Violence Benefit Dinner	Radio Interview w/ Empowered Learning re: Parental Involvement	Research Center "SPEECH" 7:00-9:00 Mass Career Development Institute 25th Anniv. Gala/Dinner "SPEECH"		
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Blue Ribbon Schools						
1 10:00 am Red Mass	2 5:30-6:30 Domestic Policy Council mtg. @/ W.H. 7:00pm NASSP Dinner TBA Sen. Kennedy FR in McLean	3 (Yom Kippur)	4 9:00-9:15 Mtg w/Community College Presidents per Trish McNeil 12:00-1:00 Weekly Senior Staff Lunch 1:00-1:30 Briefing re Mexicans (Pope in NJ)	5 9:00-10:00 US- Mexican Conf Opening Ceremonies REMARKS 10:00-10:45Mtg w/ Mexican Ed minister 6:00-8:00 Dinner w/Mexican Ministers	6 11:00-12:00 Scheduling meeting 12:00-2:00 US- Mexican Conf Lunch	7 CHICAGO Noon-1:00 Midwest Voter Registration Project SPEECH
8 SOUTH CAROLINA CHARLESTON Higher Education Conference w/Kassebaum	9 COLUMBUS DAY SOUTH CAROLINA CHARLESTON Higher Education Conference w/Kassebaum	10 9:30-10:30 Mtg w/Senior Officers re Public Agenda Report per Kay Kahler	11 12:00-12:30 Weekly Senior Staff Lunch	12 COLUMBIA, SC 2:30-5:00 U of SC Law School (personal)	13 11:00-12:00 Scheduling meeting 7:00-8:30 National Assoc of Elem School Principals Dinner SPEECH	14
15	16 TBA V.P.'s Educ. Technology Plan Announcement per: Linda 9:15-9:45 Satellite Feed to Conf on FL/OCR Partnership	17 10:00-11:00 CFC Kick-off 5:00 -9:00 Satellite	18 MISSISSIPPI JACKSON 6:59-9:50 Fly to Jackson 10:00-11:00 School Visit	19 TENNESSEE CHATANOOGA 9:00-10:00 Cleveland/Bradley TN Partnership	20 12:00-1:00 NBTS/Washington w/Gov. Hunt REMARKS 6:00-9:00 Dinner	21 CALIFORNIA 6:50-11:04 Fly to San Francisco SAN JOSE 1:00-4:00 CA State

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	5:30-6:30 Domestic Policy Council mtg. @ W.H.	Town Meeting (Educ- Business Partnerships)	11:30-1:00 MS Early Childhood Asso Lunch 1:30-2:00 Early Childhood Ed-Conf SPEECH 6:05-9:35 Fly to Chattanooga Advance: Fundy	Conference SPEECH 10:00-11:00 School Visit REMARKS 12:00-1:00 Luncheon UT/Chatanooga 1:00-2:00 Student Forum UT /Chattanooga REMARKS 5:00-7:39 Fly to WDC Advance:	Washington Hebrew Temple Children's Sabbath REMARKS	Wide ED Summit PACT/Zoe Loigren, Delaine Easton 6:00-8:00 CA DNC FR Advance: Fundy

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22 CALIFORNIA San Francisco 12:00-2:00 Chinese Community Education Forum Adv. Fundy	23 TEXAS HOUSTON 8:00 am George R. Sanchez School Visit w/Congressman Gene Green 9:00 Aldine HS 10:00 Travis Elementary 11:30 FR for Gene Green REMARKS 1:15-5:08 Fly to DCI	24 BOSTON? Don Davies Event per Sandy	25 NEW YORK 11:00-12:00 Tour NYU Medical Center NOON NYU Lunch w/Trustees 2:00-3:00 Student Forum at NYU/Washington Square REMARKS 6:00pm Woodrow Wilson Foundation Anniversary SPEECH per Kahler pm Shuttle to D.C.	26 9:30-10:00 Mtg APEC Ed Officials per Regan 10:30-11:00 Video Taping for Nat'l School Supply REMARKS 1:00-3:00 Mtg w/Higher Ed re Gatekeeping REMARKS	27 12:00 Depart Office	28
29	30 5:30-6:30 Domestic Policy Council mtg. @ WH.	31	Nov. 1 TBD DSCC Dinner			

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3	4 LABOR DAY FEDERAL HOLIDAY	5 7:55 U.S.Air flight 8:37 Arrives Indy INDIANAPOLIS 10:30-11:30a American Legion Convention keynote: SPEECH TERRE HAUTE 1:00-2:00 Sarah Scott Middle School Visit REMARKS 6:05 ->8:28 flight back to D.C. Advance: Kitty Signs	6 tent. FOX Morning News-LIVE interview per: Kerri 9:00-10:00 Briefing for House Ed Committee Meeting 10:15-10:45 Tech Speeches prep mtg. 11:00-11:30 Radio Interview per: Kerri 12:00-1:30 Briefing Re: Spector Senate Approps Testimony c: Sally C 1:45-2:00 Briefing @ W.H. for CEOs mtg 2:00-2:30 Mtg. w/ POTUS & CEOs @ WH per Mike Cohen TBD Mtg. w/ U.S. Conf. of Mayors reps. per: Frank 3:00-5:00 Speech Prep	7 8:00-10:00 Meeting w/ House Ed Committee Majority Members REMARKS per Cassevans 10:00-11:00 Speech Prep 11:30-2:30 Press Club Back-to-School SPEECH per Kahler 2:45-3:00 Video Taping for NAESP per: Kerri 3:00-5:00 '97 Budget Meeting per Christiansen	8 8:00-9:00a WH Prayer Breakfast per Regan BALTIMORE 10:00-11:00 SciTec Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony w/Mayor Columbus Center per Leslie SPEECH AdvanceMike Ratzlaf 1:00-2:00 Scheduling Meeting per Regan 2:00-2:30 Briefing Re: FL & SC trips 2:30-4:00 Briefing Re Spector Senate Approps Testimony c Sally Christensen TBD Press calls to SC 7:00 Flight to Orlando	9 FLORIDA ORLANDO 10:00-10:30 Briefing at Disney 10:30 -10:45 Disney Back-to-School Kick- off @ Epcot Center REMARKS per Kay Kahler 10:50-11:00 Tour "Innoventions" Tech Center @ Epcot w/Teachers & Kids 12:00-12:15 Press Interviews 12:30-1:30 Luncheon 2:00-3:00 Teacher Forum 4:00-4:30 America On-Line 4:00-5:00 Optional "Honey I Shrunk the Audience" and/or "Living w/th the Land" Boat Ride Advance: Karen Burchard

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10 8:00-8:15am Live Interview WBIG-D.C. Radio by phone re Back to School per Kay Kahler 1:00-3:30p Fly to Greenville	11 SOUTH CAROLINA GREENVILLE 6:30 a Live Interview Local CBS TV 7:30-9:30a Breakfast and Tour Augusta Circle School REMARKS 10:00-11:00 Visit Greenville High REMARKS Advance: John 1:45-4:24 Fly to DC 5:30-6:30 Domestic Policy Council mtg. @ W.H.	12 MISSOURI 9:30-10:30 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Hearing re Goals 2000 TESTIMONY 10:30-11:20 Trips Briefing-MO,TN,OH 11:30-12:00 Press Conf w/Sen Kennedy re Goals 2000 1:30-2:15 Conf Call w/POTUS & Superintendents @ Oval Office REMARKS 4:24-7:05 Fly to COLUMBIA, MO 7:30-8:30p Student Forum MissU REMARKS Advance MO: Jill Riemer	13 MISSOURI TENNESSEE OHIO 10:10-12:47 Fly to Memphis 1:30-2:30 Visit Craigmont HS Memphis REMARKS 5:59-8:17 Fly to Cincinnati Advance TN: Kitty Signs CINCINNATI Advance OH: Jim Kohlmoos	14 OHIO CINCINNATI 8:00-9:00 Breakfast and Tour Mayerson Academy w/P&G 9:30-11:00 School Visit Vine Elementary w/P&G REMARKS 12:51-2:10 Fly to WDC 8:00-4:00 Cabinet Briefing 4:30-5:00 Mtg. w/ Sen. Tom Daschle @ Capitol per Kay C 6:15-6:45 Mtg w/Cong Bill Richardson	15 9:00-9:30 Mtg w/George Chu per Sandy 10:00-10:15 Tape Greeting for Alliance for Education (Dayton) REMARKS per Regan 10:15-10:30 Tape Greeting for Congresswoman Eva Clayton per Fleming TENTATIVE 12:00-2:00 CNN World View per Kerri 2:00-2:15 Photo w/ DoEd Softball team 2:30-3:00 Scheduling Meeting per Regan 3:00-3:30 Meeting re 9/18 speeches	16

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24	25 Rosh Hashanah 3:00-3:45 Tea w/Minister of Welfare of India	26 9:30-10:00 Briefing re:HBCU mtg 10:00-11:00 Meeting w/ HBCU Presidents per Catherine LeBlanc 11:00-11:30 Speech Prep for McGraw-Hill 2:00-3:00 Meeting re Conference of Ed Administrators Serving the Deaf 7:00 pm Dinner per Frank	27 12:00-1:00 Senior Staff Lunch 6:00-7:30p McGraw- Hill Educational Dinner SPEECH 8:00-9:00 Gala Congressional Hispanic Caucus	28 9:00-10:00 Minority Recruitment Conf REMARKS per Dozier 10:30-11:00 Mtg w/Thai Ed Minister 11:00-11:45 Briefing for Assoc. Pres. Mtg 2:00-3:00 Mtg. w/ Assoc Pres. per:Susan REMARKS	29 10:30-11:00 Briefing re Educ Tech Plan per Linda Roberts 11:00-12:00 Scheduling Meeting 6:00-7:30 Nat'l Black Child Development Institute per Leslie SPPECH	30 Oct. 1 10:00 St. Matthew's Red Mass

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 R 2425, passed by the House on 10/19 {"J"&by a vote of 231-201.
 HR 2425 was incorporated into the House {"J"&budget reconcili
 ation bill, which was passed on 10/26 by a vote {"J"&of 227-203
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Protection{\$ {" - HR|H |M925 and S|H |M605 [Item {"|J{Ö} |J
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106]|J|J{#{%*Federal{\$ \$ %Aviation{\$ \$ %Administration{\$ \$ %Revit
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t{\$ {" , HR 4, HR 1997, and S 904 [Items #201, {"|J{&301, & 310]|
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tion bill|J{#{{"|J{#{%Transfer{\$ \$ %BLM{\$ \$ %Lands{\$ \$ %to{\$ \$ %State
s{\$ {" - HR 2032 [Item #210]|J|J{#{%Strongly{\$ \$ %Oppose{\$ {"|J{#{
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R 1185 [Item #401]|J{#{{"|J{#{%Highway{\$ \$ %Off-Budget{\$ {" - HR 84
2 and HR 2274 [Item #13]|J|J{#{%HUD{\$ \$ %Elimination{\$ \$ %Act{\$ {"
- S 435 [Item #11]|J|J{#{%Legal{\$ \$ %Aid{\$ \$ %Reform{\$ \$ %Act{\$ {" -
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852 and HR 1713 [Item #209]|J{#{%National{\$ \$ %Highway{\$ \$ %Syste
m{\$ \$ %Designation{\$ \$ %Act{\$ \$ %of{\$ \$ %1995{\$ {" - S 440 and HR {"|
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tem #212]|J|J{#{%Telecommunications{\$ {" - S 652 [Item #9]|J|J|J|
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461 [Item #15]|J|J{#{%*Regulatory{\$ \$ %Sunset{\$ \$ %and{\$ \$ %Review
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T 12_POINT_ROMAN|J{+|L{*#{%Securities{\$ \$ %Litigation{\$ \$ %Reform
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 {&#{"House completed action on HConRes 67 on 5/18, passing
 the {"|J{&{' {&Kasich budget plan 238-193. Senate completed
 action on {"|J{&{' {&5/25, passing the Domenici budget 57-4
 2. Budget {"|J{&{' {&Resolution conference agreement passed
 the House on 6/29 {"|J{&{' {&by a vote of 239-194, and pass
 ed the Senate the same day {"|J{&{' {&by a vote of 54-46 (pa
 rty line).|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|L{#2.
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 enhanced rescission) on February 6, {"|J{&{' {&(294-134). {\$ %
 Senate{\$ passed S 4 (separate enrollment) on {"|J{&{' {&Marc
 h 23, (69-29). {\$ %Conference{\$: Next meeting of conferees {"|J{&{'
 {&is tentatively scheduled for November 8th.|J|N@1D6C;C10
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 d HR 1215 on April 5, (246-188) including tax {"|J{&{' {&cut
 s (child credit, IRAs, repeal taxes on soc.sec., {"|J{&{' {&
 neutral cost recovery, corporate AMT, cap gains, {"|J{&{' {&
 expensing, adoptions, marriage penalty credit, long-term {"|J{&{'
 {&care incentives); raise soc. sec. earnings limit; {"|J{&{'
 {&spending caps; Medicare extenders; spectrum extender; {"|J{&{'
 {&uranium enrichment; Federal retirement reforms; an
 d {"|J{&{' {&automatic sequester of amounts taxpayers dedica
 te to debt {"|J{&{' {&reduction. SAP-- "If...presented ...i
 n its current form, {"|J{&{' {&the Secretary of the Treasury
 and the Director of OMB {"|J{&{' {&would recommend a veto."
 {\$ %Senate{\$ is handling tax cuts in {"|J{&{' {&the context
 of reconciliation. {\$ %Basis{\$ %for{\$ %opposition{\$: {"|J{&{'
 {&Bill is fiscally irresponsible and would provide {"|J{&{'
 {&disproportionate tax benefits to the wealthy at the {"|J{
 &{' {&expense of programs for average Americans.|J|N@1D6C;C1
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 {\$ %{\$ %House{\$ split their original crime bill into 7 s
 maller {"|J{&{' {&pieces and passed 6 of them--|J|N@6D;C10C1
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 stitution{\$ %for{\$ %victims{\$ of federal {"|J{&{' {&crimes
 , passed February 7 (431-0); SAP--"supports {"|J{&{' {&pass
 age."|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C1
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al prosecutors to use {%improperly{\$ {"J}&{' {&{%obtained{\$
 {%evidence{\$ if police officers acted in "good {"J}&{' {&f
 aith"; would apply with and w/o warrants. Passed {"J}&{' {"L}&{'
 {&February 8, (289- 142). SAP-support only if amended to {"J
 J}&{' {&apply only where warrants have been obtained. |J|N@1D
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 9C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&? HR 729, containing reforms affecti
 ng federal {%habeas{\$ {"J}&{' {&{%corpus{\$ review of state
 criminal judgments and collateral {"J}&{' {&review of feder
 al judgements, and requiring federal {"J}&{' {&juries to im
 pose death sentences in certain cases. Passed {"J}&{' {&Feb
 ruary 8 (297-132). SAP--support {"if{" DOJ concerns {"J}&{'
 {&addressed. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@
 6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&? HR 667, would
 replace the {%prison{\$ {%funding{\$ program {"J}&{' {&enacte
 d in '94 Act with allocations based on sentencing {"J}&{' {
 &criteria; and would limit prisoner litigation. Passed {"J}&{'
 {&February 10, (265-156). SAP--oppose unless amended. {"J
 &{' {&{%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: Proposed distribut
 ion of prison {"J}&{' {&grants is inferior to current progr
 am; drug court program {"J}&{' {&would be repealed. |J|N@1D6
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 on{\$ {%of{\$ {%aliens{\$ who {"J}&{' {&commit serious crimes
 and reimburse states for {"J}&{' {&incarceration of crimina
 l aliens. Passed February 10, {"J}&{' {&(380-20). SAP-- su
 pport if amended to offset the {"J}&{' {&increased direct s
 pending (\$600m/yr). |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|
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 combining last year's grants for {%100,000{\$ {%cops{\$ {"J}&{'
 {&and crime prevention into block grants. Passed February {"J
 J}&{' {&14, (238-192). SAP--Presidential veto threat. {%Ba
 sis{\$ {%for{\$ {"J}&{' {&{%opposition{\$: Bill repeals polic
 e grants program, which {"J}&{' {&provides for 100,000 cops
 . It also eliminates many crime {"J}&{' {&prevention progr
 ams. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|I{' {&|J|N
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 on on crime legislation not yet scheduled. {"J}&{' {&Howev
 er, {%habeas{\$ {%corpus{\$ provisions related to those in HR {"J
 &{' {&729 are included in the Senate-passed anti-terrorism
 bill {"J}&{' {&(S 735, discussed below). |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:
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 um/Waiting{\$ {"Period{\$ {"": (J. Weinberg, x53457) |J|N@6D;C10C15C1
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 Feb. 24 by 276-146. The bill would {"J}&{' {&establish a "m
 oratorium period" -- Nov. 20, 1994 through {"J}&{' {&Dec. 3
 1, 1995 or enactment of reg reform, whichever is {"J}&{' {&
 earlier -- during which a Federal agency may not take any {"J}&
 {' {&"regulatory rulemaking action" unless it falls within a
 {"J}&{' {&specified emergency exception (i.e. military or
 foreign {"J}&{' {&affairs functions, international trade ag
 reements, agency {"J}&{' {&management, certain banking regu
 latory matters, {"J}&{' {&implementation of the internal re
 venue laws; matters {"J}&{' {&relating to loans, grants, be

nefits, or contracts). Also {"J}&{" {&exempted: regs determined by OIRA to be necessary {"J}&{" {&because of an imminent threat to health or safety or {"J}&{" {&other emergency or necessary for the enforcement of {"J}&{" {&criminal laws. SAP--"The President has stated that a {"J}&{" {&moratorium on regulations, as provided for in H.R. 450, {"J}&{"

{&is not acceptable....the Secretaries of Agriculture, {"J}&{" {&Energy, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban {"J}&{" {&Development, the Interior, Labor, Transportation, and the {"J}&{" {&Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of {"J}&{" {&the Environmental Protection Agency would recommend that {"J}&{" {&it be vetoed." (In addition, POTUS said on 4/7/95, "if {"J}&{" {&Republicans send me a bill that would let unsafe planes {"J}&{" {&fly or contaminated water continue to find itself into {"J}&{" {&city water systems, I will veto it." Veto threat {"J}&{"

{&reiterated in Earth Day speech, 4/21/95.) {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {"J}&{" {&{%opposition{\$: Would prevent the issuance of meritorious {"J}&{" {&rules.J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{" {&{%Senate{\$ passed S. 219 on March 29 by 100-0; under the {"J}&{" {&Senate version, regs would not go into effect for 45 {"J}&{" {&days, during which time Congress could enact a {"J}&{" {&disapproval resolution. A March 29 statement by the {"J}&{" {&President called the 45-day review period "the right way {"J}&{" {&to reform regulation." |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{" {&{%Conference{\$: On June 16, the Senate requested a {"J}&{" {&conference and appointed conferees. Press reports {"J}&{" {&indicate that the House may seek to attach its regulatory {"J}&{" {&sunset legislation (HR 994, described below) to S 219.J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{" {&{%Product{\$ {%Liability/Civil{\$ {%Litigation/Medical{\$ {%Malpractice{\$ {"J}&{" {&I. Schroeder, x53883){#{"J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{" {&#{{"House{\$ passed HR 956 on March 10 (265-161). It would cap {"J}&{" {&punitive damages in all civil cases and would cap non- {"J}&{"

{&economic (pain and suffering) damages in suits against {"J}&{" {&health providers and insurers. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: {"J}&{" {&Product liability reform should generally be left to the {"J}&{" {&States; punitive damages shouldn't be arbitrarily capped; {"J}&{" {&and differential treatment of "economic" and {"J}&{" {&"noneconomic" (e.g., "pain and suffering") damages is {"J}&{" {&inappropriate. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{" {&{%Senate{\$ passed HR 956 on May 10 (61-37). It would cap {"J}&{" {&punitive damage awards by juries in product liability {"J}&{" {&cases at \$250,000 or twice compensatory damages (economic {"J}&{" {&and non-economic damages), whichever is greater. Judges {"J}&{" {&could override those limits in "egregious" cases. {"J}&{" {&Punitive damage awards in product liability cases could {"J}&{" {&exceed \$250,000 for small businesses. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {"J}&{" {&{%opp

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osition{\$: A May 10th White House statement said the {'J&{'
{&Senate-passed liability bill "in its present form does {'J
{&{' {¬ go far enough toward balancing the interests of {
'J&{' {&consumers with those of manufacturers and sellers.
" The {'J&{' {&statement also stated the Administration's
concerns {'J&{' {&arding the limits on punitive damage
s adopted by the {'J&{' {&Senate and reiterated the Admini
stration's opposition to {'J&{' {&provisions which would a
bolish joint and several {'J&{' {&liability. (A provision
limiting punitive damage awards {'J&{' {&in {%all{\$ civil
lawsuits, which was the subject of a May 4th {'J&{'L&{'
{&Presidential veto threat, was later limited to product {'J&
' {&liability cases only.)J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C3
3C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{'
{&Medical malpractice/liability reform was added to the {'J&{'

{&Reconciliation bill.J|N{' {&{%Conference{\$: Media repo
rts indicate that House leaders may {'J&{' {&appoint confe
rees in early November.J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C
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ation{\$": (I. Schroeder, x53883)J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C3
3C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&{%House{\$ passed HR 988 on March 7 (232-19
3). {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'J&{' {&{%opposition{\$: The bill,
which would affect only Federal {'J&{' {&civil suits invol
ving parties from different States, {'J&{' {&would impose
a modified "loser pays" rule, intended to {'J&{' {&encoura
ge parties to settle out of court. The President {'J&{' {
&said on 4/7/95 that he "will veto any bill with a 'loser {'J&
' {&pay' requirement such as that was in the House bill."
In {'J&{' {&the{%{\$ {%Senate{\$, provisions similar to thos
e of HR 988 were {'J&{' {&added to -- and subsequently del
eted from -- the product {'J&{' {&liability bill (HR 956)
on the Senate floor. J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3
>G|O|J|J{#8. {%Shareholder{\$ {%Suits{\$": (I. Schroeder, x53883
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passed HR 1058 on March 8 (325-99). {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'J&{'
{&{%opposition{\$: Could lead to inadequate deterrence again
st {'J&{' {&financial fraud. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter
)J|N{' {&{%Senate{\$ passed HR 1058 on 6/28/95 (69-30). SAP
sent to {'J&{' {&Senate on 6/23/95 states that the Senate
version {'J&{' {&(previously S. 240) "is now a substantial
improvement on {'J&{' {&[the House version of] H.R. 1058,
which the {'J&{' {&Administration could not support." Th
e statement {'J&{' {&recommended amendments to: (1) clari
fy that safe harbors {'J&{' {&should not protect purposefu
lly misleading statements; {'J&{' {&(2) restore liability
for aiding and abetting in private {'J&{' {&action that fo
llow a SEC action; and (3) extend the {'J&{' {&statute of
limitations for private securities fraud {'J&{' {&actions
to five years after a violation occurs. The SAP {'J&{' {&
opposed a provision in the bill that would establish {'J&{'
{&proportionate liability for reckless defendants and {'J&{'
{&recommends replacing it with an amendment that would {'J
{&{' {&require culpable solvent defendants to pay up to two
{&{' {&× their proportionate share of the damages, w

hen a {"J}&{" {&portion of the award is uncollectible. {"J'
 {"&{"\$J{" {&{"%Conference{"\$: House appointed conferees
 on 10/24/95. {"J}&{" {&Senate has not appointed conferees
 yet. Media reports {"J}&{" {&indicate that a compromise ha
 s been worked out which {"J}&{" {&would basically adopt th
 e Senate bill with modifications {"J}&{" {&to the safe harb
 or provisions. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J
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 mpetition and weaken benefits to {"J}&{" {&the public.|J|N@
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 on June 15th, 81-18. SAP strongly {"J}&{" {&opposed Comme
 rce Committee-reported bill. White House {"J}&{" {&Press O
 ffice issued an Administration statement on Senate {"J}&{"
 {"&passage of S 652 on June 16: "The Administration's {"J}&{"
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 {"' {&extent to which the Administration's concerns have been
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 e entire {"J}&{" {&legislative process." VP said on April
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 ill, and on April 4 the VP {"J}&{" {&clarified in a letter,
 "I did not say that the President {"J}&{" {&would veto the
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 ns: that neither {"J}&{" {&bill provides a meaningful role
 for the Justice {"J}&{" {&Department in safeguarding compet
 ition before local {"J}&{" {&telephone companies enter new
 markets; the bills allow {"J}&{" {&too much concentration w
 ithin the mass media and in {"J}&{" {&individual markets; t
 he provisions allowing mergers of {"J}&{" {&cable and telep
 hone companies are overly broad; and ?I {"J}&{" {&oppose de
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 nt rates before cable operators face real {"J}&{" {&competi
 tion.? Conferees met for the first time on {"J}&{" {&10/25
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 {"&1062 on May 18. This bill would permit banks and {"J}&{"
 {"&securities firms to affiliate, allowing banks to {"J}&{"
 {"&underwrite securities and permitting securities firms to {"
 {"J}&{" {&own banks. HR 1062 was reported by the {"%House{"\$ {
 {"%Commerce{"\$ {"J}&{" {&{"%Committee{"\$ on June 22. A new bill
 (HR 2520) combining {"J}&{" {&aspects of HR 1062 and HR 18

58 (discussed below) was introduced on Oct. 24. (See below for discussion of HR 1858 - Banking De regulation.)

1. HUD's Elimination Act: (A. Briatico, x57887) Although no specific hearings have been held on S. 435, a number of Senate hearings have been held on "reinventing" HUD. HUD, Justice, and OMB have sent letters to the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee strongly opposing Title II of S. 435. Title II would transfer to Justice all of the responsibilities currently assigned to HUD under the Fair Housing Act. The Senate-passed VA/HUD Appropriations Bill (H.R. 2099) also would transfer all Fair Housing Act responsibilities from HUD to Justice. The Administration strongly opposed this transfer in the SAP on H.R. 2099 sent on September 25th.

The administration's opposition: The administration of these authorities is best accomplished by HUD, which has the infrastructure to handle these responsibilities.

2. National Highway System: (J. Brown, x53473) The Senate bill (S. 440) passed the Senate on June 22nd. It would designate routes for the new National Highway System (NHS). Absent designation of the NHS, DOT is unable to obligate \$5.2 billion in highway funding in FY 1996.

3. Basis for opposition: Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motor cycle helmet requirements. (SAP to Senate, 6/15/95. A provision repealing Davis-Bacon-type labor protections, which was the subject of a Secretary of Labor veto threat in the SAP, was deleted on the Senate floor.)

4. House bill (H.R. 2274) passed the House on September 20th.

5. Basis for opposition: Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motorcycle helmet requirements; could provide for up to \$2.2 billion more in highway spending than contemplated by current law; requires congressional approval for all changes to NHS; rescinds funding for congestion pricing program; and restricts the Federal Transit Administration's authority to enter into full funding agreements.

6. Conference: Press reports suggest that conferees are close to finishing their work.

7. Highway Trust Fund Off-Budget Bill: (J. Brown, x53473) The House bill (HR 842 and HR 2274). HR 842 was ordered reported by House Transport. Cte. on May 3. Subsequently incorporated in HR 2274, the National Highway System Designation Act of 1995"

in a House Transport. {J&' {&Subcommittee markup on September 7th. Removed from HR {J&' {&2274 prior to floor action in return for a commitment {J&' {&from the Speaker for floor consideration of HR 842. {J&' {&{&Basis{\$ {&for{\$ {&opposition{\$: Bill removes four trust funds from {J&' {&the Budget -- inconsistent with unified budget. (Rivl in {J&' {&letter to Chairman Shuster, 3/27/95.) {&Senate{\$ bill (S. {J&' {&729) was introduced on April 27 by Sens. Baucus and Lott.|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#14. {&Banking{\$ {&Deregulation{\${"": (R. Jones, x53473) {&{\$|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&{&House{\$ {&Banking{\$ {&Committee{\$ reported Chairman Leach's HR 1858 {J&' {&(successor to HR 1362) on July 18. A new bill (HR 2520), {J&' {&combining aspects of HR 1858 and HR 1062 (described {J&' {&above) was introduced on Oct. 20. {&Basis{\$ {&for{\$ {&opposition{\$: {J&' {&Weakens important safeguards for assuring the safety and {J&' {&soundness of FDIC-insured depository institutions and {J&' {&would eviscerate the Community Reinvestment Act. {J&' {&(Secretary Rubin issued a veto threat in a 6/29/95 letter {J&' {&to Chairman Leach. Under Secretary Hawke, in an 10/29/95 {J&' {&L&' {&letter to the Banking Committee, restated the Treasury {J&' {&{&veto{\$ recommendation on a component of the new bill and {J&' {&added, "Despite some modest improvements in that {J&' {&component...the bill remains deeply flawed. . . .?) {J&' {&{&Senate{\$ bill (S 650) was ordered reported by the Senate {J&' {&Banking Committee on September 27th. The Senate bill {J&' {&contains some, but not all, of the troublesome {J&' {&provisions. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#15. {&Lorton{\$ {&Closure{\${"": (M. Cook, x53924)|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&The House Government Reform and Oversight D.C. {J&' {&Subcommittee has held a couple of hearings this year on {J&' {&HR 461, the "Lorton Correctional Complex Closure Act." At {J&' {&these hearings, no Administration witnesses were asked to {J&' {&testify. Justice, however, expects Administration {J&' {&witnesses to be invited to testify at future Subcommittee {J&' {&hearings on this matter. On 3/16/95, Justice sent a {J&' {&letter to this Subcommittee opposing HR 461. {&Basis{\$ {&for{\$ {J&' {&{&opposition{\$: The approach of HR 461 is "seriously flawed" {J&' {&but alternatives, which will be discussed with the {J&' {&Congress, exist to remedy the Lorton issue.|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#16. {&Housing{\$ {&for{\$ {&Older{\$ {&Persons{\$ {&Act{\${"": (A. Bratico, x57887) |J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&On April 6, 1995, HR 660 passed the {&House{\$ by a vote of {J&' {&424 to 5. The Administration sent a SAP on 4/6/95 {J&' {&opposing H.R. 660. The Senate Subcommittee on the {J&' {&Constitution, Federalism and Property approved HR 660 by {J&' {&voice vote on August 2nd with an amendment that would {J&' {&require senior citizen housing to have at least 80 {J&' {&percent {&actual{\$ occupancy by seniors to qualify for the {J&' {&exemption from the Fa

ir Housing Act. Justice sent a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee opposing this bill on 9/20/95. The Committee approved H.R. 660 on 10/26/95. Basis for opposition: Amends the Fair Housing Act in a way that would loosen the standards used to determine what housing qualifies for the "housing for older persons" exemption, potentially increasing discrimination against families. Therefore, the Administration prefers administrative action to clarify the application of the "housing for older persons" exemption. NOTE: The bill's provisions are similar to those of Title IV of HR 8, the "Senior Citizens' Equity Act," a Contract with America bill.

Counterterrorism: (R. Jones, x53386)

Senate passed S 735 on June 7 (81-8) The bill includes many proposals similar or identical to Presidential proposals (e.g., establishes Federal jurisdiction for terrorist acts, expedites removal of alien terrorists from the U.S., implements the international agreement on marking plastic explosives, etc.). Does not include the Administration's language for funding compliance with the 1994 digital telephony legislation. Includes habeas corpus reforms similar to that passed the House as a free standing bill (H.R. 729, listed under crime heading above). House Judiciary Committee ordered H.R. 1710 reprinted on June 20 (23-12). The House bill also includes many of the President's proposals, including a funding mechanism for digital telephony. Opposition from conservative Republicans has delayed further action on the bill. The Committee will not issue the report until they believe they have enough votes for it to pass. No further action is expected until after appropriations and reconciliation action is completed. Rep. Schumer has begun circulating a discharge petition to move the bill to the House Floor.

Regulatory and Sunset and Review: (J. Gibbons, x57593)

House bill (HR 994) was approved by a Gov. Reform & Oversight Cte. on 7/18/95 with significant amendments by a vote of 39-7. On 10/31/95 House Judiciary Committee marked up HR 994 and ordered it reported, as amended, by a voice vote. Basis for opposition: Open-ended in scope, excessively rigid, and contradictory criteria for review of regulations; paperwork requirements are unworkable. (Katzen testimony of 3/28/95 before House Gov. Reform.) Senate action not scheduled. Press reports indicate the House may attach HR 994 to S 219 as passed by the Senate (described above).

Pipeline Safety

y{\$": (J. Brown, x53473)|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&{%House{\$ bill (HR 1323) has been reported by Transportation {'J{&{' {&and Commerce Ctes. A SAP strongly opposing the bill was {'J{&{' {&sent to the House on September 20th. The bill was {'J{&{' {&subsequently removed from the House floor schedule. {'J{&{' {&{%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: (1) Authorizes less than 44 {'J{&{' {&percent of the FY 1996 Budget request for pipeline safety {'J{&{' {&activities; and (2) imposes burdensome and costly risk {'J{&{' {&assessment procedures on the pipeline safety rulemaking {'J{&{' {&process. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#20". {#{\$Dismantling{\$ {%Commerce{\$ {%Department{\$": (J. Weinberg, x53457)|J|I{' {&{%House{\$ bill (HR 1756) hearing was held by two House {'J{&Commerce |I|I{' {&Subcommittees on 7/24/95 at which Secretary {'J{&Brown announced |I{' {&that the President will veto any {'J{&legislation to dismantle|J|N@24D29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&the Commerce Department. {'J{&{'

{&Multiple House Committees {'J{&{' {&have approved conflicting {'J{&{' {&versions of HR 1756. {'J{&{' {&Compromise version included {'J{&{' {&in House reconciliation {'J{&{' {&bill. {%Senate{\$ bill (S 929) {'J{&{' {&hearing was held by Senate {'J{&{' {&Governmental Affairs on {'J{&{' {&7/25/95 at which Secretary {'J{&{'|L{&{' {&Brown repeated Presidential {'J{&{' {&veto statement. On 9/7/95 {'J{&{' {&Senate Governmental Affairs {'J{&{' {&Committee marked up S. 929

{'J{&{' {&and ordered it reported by {'J{&{' {&a vote of 5 to 3.|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&{%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: Commerce Department is working {'J{&{' {&effectively to promote economic growth.|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#21.{'|I{' {&#{\$Legal{\$ {%Aid{\$ {%Act{\$ {%of{\$ {%1995:{\$" (A. Briatico, x57887)|J|I{' {&{%House{\$ bill (HR 2277) to abolish the Legal Services |I{' {&{'J{&Corporation and replace it with a block grant program was |I{'J{&marked up by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/95. |I{' {&{'J{&Justice and White House Counsel sent a letter to the |I{' {&|I{' {&{'J{&Committee ?vigorously opposing ? the bill. The {%New{\$ {%York{\$ {%{\$ {%\$|I{' {&{'J{&{%Times{\$ {%{\$reported on 9/13/95 and 9/14/95 that the Clinton |I{' {&{'J{&Administration/President would veto the bill. (The {%Times{\$|I{' {&did not provide an information source regarding the veto {'J{&|I{' {&|I{' {&|I{' {&|I{' {&threat.) The Administration has not taken {'J{&a formal position|J|I{' {&on a related {%Senate{\$ bill,(S 958) which would also abolish {'J{&|I{' {&|I{' {&the LSC. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: Eliminating the LSC {'J{&would |I{' {&|I{' {&|I{' {&result in the loss of effective, {'J{&community-based legal

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2276 was ordered reported by {'J{'&' {&House Transport. Ct
e. On November 1. In separate letters {'J{'&' {&dated Octob
er 31 to the Committee, the Departments of {'J{'&' {&Transp
ortation and Justice stated that they would {'J{'&' {&recom
mend veto of H.R. 2276. {%Basis{\$ %for{\$ %opposition{\$: Bill
{'J{'&' {&removes FAA from the Department of Transportatio
n and {'J{'&' {&establishes it as an independent establishm
ent in the {'J{'&' {&Executive branch, eroding accountabili
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e of proposed governing {'J{'&' {&board poses constitutiona
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181) (star wars {'J{'&' {&was deleted on the Floor but many
objectionable {'J{'&' {&provisions remain which would infr
inge upon the authority {'J{'&' {&of the President to respo
nd to international crises and {'J{'&' {&conflicts; remove
UN peacekeeping as an option for {'J{'&' {&burdensharing; e
stablish an unnecessary Nat'l Security {'J{'&' {&Commission
; and mandate policies on NATO membership). {'J{'&' {&(HR
872 was amended on the House floor and passed as HR {'J{'&'L{&
' {&7) On 4/7/95, POTUS said that he would refuse to appro
ve {'J{'&' {&the peacekeeping legislation passed by the Hou
se. SAP {'J{'&' {&(Feb. 13th)-- State, Defense, and the U.
S. Ambassador to {'J{'&' {&the UN would recommend a veto.
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{&%Senate{\$ Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) began hearing
s {'J{'&' {&on March 21st on S 5, Peacekeeping Powers Act (
introduced {'J{'&' {&by Dole) and HR 7. Aspects of S|H |M
5 were considered on May {'J{'&' {&17th as part of the SFRC
markup of Foreign Affairs {'J{'&' {&Authorization and Cons
olidation proposal (S 908) and {'J{'&' {&deleted from the b
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may be considered separately by the {'J{'&' {&Committee at
a later date.J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|
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{&(A. Rooney, x57300)|J{' {&%House{\$ passed HR 1561 on Jun
e 8th (222 - 192). On {'J{'&' {&September 27th, the H. Int

ernational Relations Cmt. voted {J&{' (21-12) to include, by reference, the House passed {J&{' consolidation provisions of HR 1561 in its recommendation {J&{' for Reconciliation. On May 23rd, the President expressed {J&{' serious concerns regarding congressional legislation that {J&{' would "place new restrictions on how America conducts its {J&{' foreign policy and slash our budget in foreign affairs." {J&{' Further, the President advised that if HR/H |M1561 passed in {J&{' its present form, he would veto it. SAP (May 22nd) -- {J&{' State, DOD, Treasury, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, {J&{' USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of HR/H |M1561. In an {J&{'

{J&{' October 18th letter to Chairman Kasich, OMB reiterated {J&{' the Administration's serious objections to the foreign {J&{' affairs consolidation provisions (Division A of {J&{' H.R./H |M1561) contained in the House International {J&{' Relations reconciliation language. {Basis { \$ {for{ \$ {opposition{ \$: {J&{' Imposes numerous, far-reaching restrictions on the {J&{' conduct of American foreign policy; inappropriately {J&{' consolidates three foreign affairs agencies (AID; ACDA; {J&{' USIA) into a "super" State Department; and significantly {J&{' reduces appropriation authorizations for international {J&{'

{J&{' affairs programs. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {J&{' { \$ Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) ordered {J&{' reported Senator Helms' foreign relations authorization {J&{'

{J&{' and consolidation proposal (S/H |M908) on May 17th by a vote {J&{' of 10- 8. On June 7th, SFRC ordered reported Senator {J&{' Helms' Foreign Aid Reduction Act (S 961) by a vote of {J&{' 10-8. On July 26th, the President stated that S./H |M908 {J&{' would undermine the President's authority to conduct our {J&{' nation's foreign policy and deny us the resources we need {J&{' to lead in the world.? (The statement also cited S. 961 {J&{' as contributing to the "dangerous and shortsighted" cuts {J&{' in {J&{' L&{' the international affairs budget .) The President {J&{' concluded that he would veto this legislation in its {J&{' present form. On August 1st, the Senate failed twice to {J&{' invoke cloture on S./H |M908 on identical votes of 55-45. On {J&{' September 29th, a unanimous-consent time agreement was {J&{' reached providing for Senate consideration of S. 908 {J&{'

{J&{' (i.e., 4 hours of debate on the bill and an Helms-Kerry {J&{' to be agreed-upon ?managers? amendment?). SAP (June {J&{' 28th) -- State, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, {J&{' and ACDA would recommend a veto of S/H |M908. {Basis{ \$ {for{ \$ {J&{' {J&{' opposition{ \$: Same as opposition to House bill. SAP on {J&{' S./H |M961 (July 27th) -- State, Defense, U.S. Ambassador to {J&{' the UN, and AID would recommend a veto. { \$ {Basis{ \$ {for{ \$ {J&{' {J&{' opposition{ \$: unwise restrictions on Presidential {J&{' authority, congressional micro-management, and inadequate {J&{' appropriations authorizations. Fur

ther Senate {"J&{' {&consideration of S. 961 is uncertain.
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assed HR|H |M1530 (300-126) on June 15th. Sec.|H |MPerry, {'
J&{' {&in a June|H |M20th|H |Mletter to Sen.|H |MThurmon
d, stated that {"J&{' {&"[m]any of the provisions|H |M.|H
|M.|H |M. are totally unacceptable. {"J&{' {&Unless th
ey are eliminated or radically modified, they {"J&{' {&thr
eaten the prospects for the bill itself." SAP on {"J&{' {
&HR|H |M1530 (6/13/95)--strongly opposes. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'
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concerns.J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;
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1026, the companion bill, on September {"J&{' {&6th (64-3
4). The National Security Adviser, in an {"J&{' {&August|
H |M4th letter to Sen.|H |MDaschle, stated that "unless {"J&
' {&the unacceptable missile defense provisions are deleted
{"J&{' {&or revised and other changes are made to the bil
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isors will recommend that he veto the {"J&{' {&bill." SAP
on S 1026 (7/31/95)--"The President will not {"J&{' {&su
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losed session on September 28th, but {"J&{' {&did not comp
lete action; it is not clear when this {"J&{' {&conference
will conclude. J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>
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24th, the Senate and House passed S 1322, an {"J&{' {&amen
ded version of the S770/HR 1595, by votes of 93-5 and {"J&{'
{&374-37, respectively. Following congressional approval {"
J&{' {&of S. 1322, the White House Press Office announced t
hat {"J&{' {&the bill would become law without the Preside
nt?s {"J&{' {&signature. S|H |M770/HR|H |M1595 would req
uire the United States {"J&{' {&to move its embassy to Jer
usalem. On June 20th, {"J&{' {&Secretary Christopher sent
a letter to Senator Dole and {"J&{' {&Speaker Gingrich st
ating that he would recommend a veto {"J&{'|L&{' {&of the
legislation. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: Potentially {"
J&{' {&very damaging to the success of the Middle East peac
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tutional {"J&{' {&prerogatives in foreign policy. J|N@1D6
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Rooney, x57300)J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{'
{&On August 11th, the President vetoed S. 21. {"J&{' {
&Congressional action to override the President?s veto is {"J&
' {&unlikely at this time. In July 25th letters to Senator
s {"J&{' {&Dole and Daschle, the President expressed stron
g {"J&{' {&opposition to S. 21, the Bosnia and Herzegovina

{ 'J { & { ' { & Self-Defense Act. The President concluded that he would { 'J { & { ' { & veto any resolution or bill that "may require the United { 'J { & { ' { & States to lift unilaterally the arms embargo." A similar { 'J { & { ' { & provision was added to H.R. |H |M1561 during House { 'J { & { ' { & consideration. (See above for status of H.R. 1561). The { 'J { & { ' { & Senate passed S. |H |M21, by 69-29 on July 26th and the House, { 'J { & { ' { & by a vote of 298 to 128, passed and cleared the bill for { 'J { & { ' { & the President on August 1st. { %Basis { \$ { %for { \$ { %opposition { \$: { 'J { & { ' { & Undermine efforts to achieve a negotiated settlement in { 'J { & { ' { & Bosnia and could lead to an escalation of the conflict { 'J { & { ' { & there, including the possible Americanization of the { 'J { & { ' { & conflict. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|#106. { %Cuban { \$ { %Liberty { \$ { %and { \$ { %Democratic { \$ { %Solidarity { \$ { %Act { \$ { " : |J|I { ' { & (A. Roonery, x57300) |J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O { ' { & { %House { \$ passed H.R. |H |M927 by vote of 294-130 on September { 'J { & { ' { & 21st. Sec. Christopher letter (9/20) to Speaker prior to { 'J { & { ' { & House floor action stating that he would recommend a veto { 'J { & { ' { & of H.R. |H |M927 because it would damage prospects for a { 'J { & { ' { & peaceful transition in Cuba and jeopardize a number of { 'J { & { ' { & U.S. interests around the world.? SAP on H.R. |H |M927 { 'J { & { ' { & (9/20/95) -- President's senior advisors would recommend { 'J { & { ' { & a veto. { %Basis { \$ { %for { \$ { %opposition { \$: Would not advance U.S. { 'J { & { ' { & interests in Cuba and would damage other U.S. interests. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O { ' { & The { %Senate { \$ passed H.R. 927, as amended, by a vote of { 'J { & { ' { & 74-24 on October 19th. After two failed attempts to { 'J { & { ' { & invoke cloture, the Dole/Helms substitute was amended to { 'J { & { ' { & delete Title III, which would have allowed a private { 'J { & { ' { & right of action for Cuban-Americans whose property had { 'J { & { ' { & been confiscated by the Cuban government. SAP on { 'J { & { ' { & H.R. |H |M927 (10/11/95) -- President's senior advisors would { 'J { & { ' { & recommend a veto. { %Basis { \$ { %for { \$ { %opposition { \$: Would not { 'J { & { ' { & advance U.S. interests in Cuba and would damage other { 'J { & { ' { & U.S. interests. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|J|# { %NATURAL { \$ { %RESOURCES, { \$ { %ENERGY { \$ { %& { \$ { %SCIENCE { \$ { " |J|J|#201. { %Farm { \$ { %Bill { \$ { " : (A. Perkins, x53857) |J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O { ' { & Traditionally a 5-year measure, this legislation will { 'J { & { ' { & L { & { & reauthorize a slew of farm, nutrition, rural development, { 'J { & { ' { & and other USDA programs. The Administration's Farm Bill { 'J { & { ' { & guidance assumes savings in farm programs of \$4.2 billion { 'J { & { ' { & over 7 years. Most action on farm programs currently { 'J { & { ' { & involves reconciliation, with instructions requiring cuts { 'J { & { ' { & of \$13.4 billion over 7 years. In the { %House { \$, serious { 'J { & { ' { & divisions between Republicans prevented the Agriculture { 'J { & { ' { & Committee from approving reconciliation legislation. { 'J { & { ' { & Chairman Roberts was unable to convince some southern { 'J { & { ' { & Republicans to support his ?Freedom to Farm? proposal (HR { 'J { & { ' { & 2195) to decouple far

m payments from production levels {"J}&{" {&and increase pl
 anting flexibility. However, the House {"J}&{" {&Rules Com
 mittee included the Roberts? bill in its rule {"J}&{" {&for
 reconciliation and the House passed it (HR 2491) on {"J}&{"
 {&October 26th by 227-203. In an October 18th letter to {"J}&{"
 {&Chairman Kasich and an October 23rd letter to Chairman
 {"J}&{" {&Domenici, OMB expressed the Administration?s ser
 ious {"J}&{" {&concern with the deep level of cuts proposed
 for {"J}&{" {&Agriculture by the reconciliation instructio
 ns. The {"J}&{" {&letter to Kasich also noted ?serious co
 ncerns with the {"J}&{" {&House Republican leadership?s ?Fr
 eedom to Farm? proposal {"J}&{" {&to reach the savings targ
 et, particularly its effect on {"J}&{" {&the federal safety
 net for family-sized farms. ?J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C
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 In the {%Senate{\$, the Agriculture Committee passed Chairman {"J}&{"
 {&Lugar?s mark on 9/28/95 by a 9-8-1, with Sen. Santor
 um {"J}&{" {&(R- PA) voting present. (Santorum had previou
 sly opposed {"J}&{" {&the mark because it protected sugar a
 nd peanut programs {"J}&{" {&from significant budget cuts).
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 assed HR 961 on May 16th, by a vote of 240-185. {"J}&{" {&
 The bill would ease, overhaul, or revoke a number of {"J}&{"
 {&ot law's anti-pollution requirements, allow States {"J}&{"
 {&{" {&to continue to rely on voluntary measures to deal wit
 h {"J}&{" {&ertain water pollution problems, and restrict
 the {"J}&{" {&ability of Federal agencies to declare wetlan
 ds off {"J}&{" {&limits to development. On May 30, 1995, P
 OTUS stated {"J}&{" {&that the House-passed bill "will not
 get past my desk." {"J}&{" {&SAP, sent on May 9, 1995, con
 tained multiple agency veto {"J}&{" {&threat (OMB, Justice,
 EPA, Interior). {%{\$ {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {"J}&{" {&{%opposit
 ion{\$: The bill would reduce water quality {"J}&{" {&prote
 ction; eliminate fundamental wetlands protections; {"J}&{"
 {&create enormous new costs (the bill includes a "mandatory {"J}&{"
 {&{" {&compensation" takings provision similar to that conta
 ined {"J}&{" {&in HR 925); fail to address effectively non-
 point source {"J}&{" {&pollution; and paralyze the Federal
 Government's ability {"J}&{" {&to issue regulations and gui
 dance to protect the Nation's {"J}&{" {&waters. {%Senate{\$
 Environment Chairman Chafee has indicated {"J}&{" {&that C
 lean Water Act reauthorization is not one of his {"J}&{" {&
 top priorities. J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J
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 d 20th oversight hearings before the {"J}&{" {&{%Senate{\$ {
 {%Environment{\$ {%and{\$ {%Public{\$ {%Works{\$ {%Committee{\$, the {
 {"J}&{" {&Departments of Commerce and the Interior testified
 on the {"J}&{" {&Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Committ
 ee may hold {"J}&{" {&additional oversight hearings. On 10
 /26/95, Sen. {"J}&{" {&Kempthorne (R-ID) introduced legiati
 on to revise the ESA. {"J}&{" {&The bill would direct the

manner in which Interior {'J{'&' {'&manages endangered species, end automatic protection for {'J{'&' {'&certain subspecies, and redefine endangered species as {'J{'&' {'&those likely to become extinct within 40 years. CEQ {'J{'&' {'&advisees that Sen. |H |MReid|H |M(D-NV) may also introduce a bill {'J{'&' {'&to reauthorize the ESA. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{'

{&On May 25th, the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, {'J{'&' {'&and the Interior testified before the {%House{\$ {%Endangered{\$ {'J{'&' {'&{%Species{\$ {%Task{\$ {%Force{\$ on possible changes to the ESA. The {'J{'&' {'&bill would: (1)|H |Mprovide financial compensation for use or {'J{'&' {'&takings of private property under ESA; (2)|H |Mmodify ESA {'J{'&' {'&enforcement, conservation management, and listing {'J{'&' {'&procedures; (3)|H |Mredefine the role and authorities of {'J{'&' {'&other Federal agencies; (4)|H |Mcurtail habitat protection {'J{'&' {'&activities; and (5)|H |Mprescribe State authority to protect {'J{'&' {'&endangered species. At the September|H |M20th {%House{\$ {'J{'&' {'&{%Resources{\$ {%Committee{\$ hearing on HR|H |M2275, the {%Task{\$ {%Force{\$ {'J{'&' {'&bill, the Department of the Interior (Frampton) advised {'J{'&' {'&that ?the Secretary of the Interior would recommend that {'J{'&' {'&the President veto the bill if it is presented to him in {'J{'&' {'&its current form.? Justice (Fois), in an 10/12/95 report {'J{'&' {'&to Rep. Young, advised that ?[i]f H.R.|H |M2275 were {'J{'&' {'&presented to the President, the Attorney General would {'J{'&' {'&recommend that he veto the bill?. On October 12th, the {'J{'&' {'&House Resources Committee ordered H.R.|H |M2275, as amended, {'J{'&' {'&reported (27-17). In a 10/18/95 letter to Chairman {'J{'&' {'&Kasich, OMB expressed the Administration?s strong {'J{'&' {'&objection to language in the House reconciliation bill {'J{'&' {'&that would exempt a broad list of agency actions from ESA {'J{'&' {'&requirements. (On 10/26/95, the House passed its {'J{'&' {'&reconciliation bill by a vote of 27-203.) {%{\$ {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'J{'&' {'&{%opposition{\$: would undermine the scientific foundation of {'J{'&' {'&the Endangered Species Act; would impose costly, {'J{'&' {'&bureaucratic processes; would unfairly compensate certain {'J{'&' {'&property owners if regulatory actions taken under the ESA {'J{'&' {'&cause a decrease of 20 percent or more in the fair market {'J{'&' {'&value of any portion of the landowner?s property; depart {'J{'&' {'&from 200 years of constitutional jurisprudence; prevent {'J{'&' {'&enforcement of national and international wildlife laws; {'J{'&' {'&and would provide virtually no protection for wildlife. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{'

{&Reauthorization of the 1974 law designed to keep {'J{'&' {'&contaminants out of the nation's water supply. State and {'J{'&' {'&local officials want a State revolving loan fund for {'J{'&' {'&water supply projects and relief from testing {'J{'&' {'&requirements. {%{\$ {%House{\$ Commerce Committee staff is working {'J{'&' {'&on legislation. {%{\$ {%Sena

te{\$. S. 1316, the Safe Drinking {'J{&' {&Water Act Amend
 ments of 1995 (Kempthorne) was introduced {'J{&' {&on 10/1
 2/95. The Environment and Public Works Committee {'J{&' {
 &ordered the bill reported on 10/19/95. EPA Administrator {'J{
 &' {&Browner generally supports the bill which would: {'J{
 &' {&capitalize State Revolving Funds, increase flexibilit
 y in {'J{&' {&standard setting and monitoring, and provide
 technical {'J{&' {&assistance to small systems. |J|N@1D6
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 8C3=C3>G|O{' {&{%Senate{\$ passed S 534 on May 16th, by a vot
 e of 94-6. S. {'J{&' {&534 would give states more power t
 o restrict both intra {'J{&' {&and interstate garbage dump
 ing. {%House{\$ Commerce {'J{&' {&subcommittee marked up a
 n unnumbered subcommittee print {'J{&' {&on May 18, 1995.
 Timing of full Committee action is {'J{&' {&uncertain. |J
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 2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O{' {&The taxes which fund the hazardous was
 te clean-up program {'J{&' {&expire at the end of 1995. T
 here is support among some {'J{&' {&Republicans to scale b
 ack retroactive liability (which {'J{&' {&would shift much
 of the costs to the government). {%Senate{\$ {'J{&' {&Env
 ironment Subcommittee Chair Bob Smith introduced {'J{&' {&
 S.|H |M1285, the accelerated Cleanup and Environmental {'J{&' {
 &Restoration Act of 1995 on 9/29/95. EPA Administrator {'
 |J{&' {&Browner issued a statement on 9/29/95 saying that t
 he {'J{&' {&Smith proposal would delay cleanup and fail to
 promote {'J{&' {&complete cleanup. A 10/12/95 hearing on
 S. 1285 was {'J{&' {&abruptly cancelled due to Sen. Major
 ity Leader Dole's {'J{&' {&opposition to a key provision a
 uthorizing a 50 percent {'J{&' {&tax credit to companies t
 hat expeditiously cleanup their {'J{&' {&share of a superf
 und site. The future of Superfund {'J{&' {&legislation in
 the Senate is unclear. {%House{\$ On October {'J{&' {&18,
 1995, Congressmen Oxley introduced H.R. 2500, Reform {'J{&' {
 &of Superfund Act of 1995. At a October 26, 1995 House {'J
 &' {&Commerce Subcommittee hearing EPA, Justice, Defense,
 HHS {'J{&' {&(ATSDR), and Commerce (NOAA) testified in opp
 osition to {'J{&' {&the bill. EPA stated that H.R. 2500 w
 ould not: protect {'J{&' {&human health and the environmen
 t, complete cleanups {'J{&' {&faster and at lower cost, re
 duce litigation, reform the {'J{&' {&liability scheme, or
 appropriately involve the community {'J{&' {&in decisionma
 king. House Commerce Subcommittee on {'J{&' {&Commerce Tra
 de, and Hazardous Materials began markup of {'J{&' {&H.R.
 2500 on 11/1/95. {#{|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3
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 {\$ Energy and Natural Resources Committee has {'J{&' {&pos
 tponed indefinitely its markup of legislation (S 506) {'J{&' {
 &on hardrock mining on Federal lands, but included {'J{&' {
 &similar provisions in its 9/21/95 markup of {'J{&' {
 &reconciliation legislation. In a 9/20/95 letter to {'J{&' {

Chairman Murkowski, Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with the mining law provisions proposed for reconciliation. (The Secretary had previously indicated in a 5/25/95 letter on S 506 that he would recommend a veto of S 506.) In a 10/18/95 letter to Rep. Mike Kasich and a 10/23/95 letter to Sen. Domenici, OMB expressed the Administration's concern that the House and Senate reconciliation provisions to reform the 1872 hardrock mining law would, in fact, leave it largely intact. Basis for opposition: S 506 does not provide for a meaningful reform. It would (1) H M grant rights to purchase valuable Federal mineral lands at bargain-basement prices; (2) H M deprive Federal land managers of authority to protect the environment; and (3) result in little or no return to Federal taxpayers for use of publicly-owned mineral deposits. Justice also strongly opposed S 506 in a 6/12/95 letter because it would increase litigation over public liability for cleanup. The House Resources Committee included in its 9/19/95 reconciliation markup a number of provisions similar to S. 506 on mining patents, royalties, and maintenance fees. Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with these provisions in a 9/19/95 letter to Chairman Young. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J#208. { %Utah { \$ %Wilderness { \$: " (C. Crutchfield, x53857) JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J { & { %House { \$ Resources Committee on 8/2/95 ordered reported HR 1745, designating certain Federal lands in Utah as wilderness. Interior testified 6/29/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of HR 1745. Basis for opposition: The bill would (1) H M fail to designate enough land as wilderness; (2) open up for development too much land currently protected as wilderness study areas; and (3) allow road construction and other activities that are incompatible with wilderness designation. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has begun consideration of identical legislation (S H M884) introduced by Sens. Hatch and Bennett. Interior testified on 7/13/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of S 884. Basis for opposition: Same as House. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J#209. { %Livestock { \$ %Grazing { \$: " (C. Crutchfield, x53857) JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J { & { %Senate { \$ Energy and Natural Resources Committee reported S H M852 on 7/28/95, but further action on the bill is on hold until the bill's sponsor (Domenici, R-NM) can forge a compromise that can pass the Senate. Interior hopes the delay will give time for its new grazing regulations, which took effect on August 21st, to become more firmly established. However, some Western Democrats w

ould like to reach a legislative compromise to make the issue go away. Interior strongly opposed S 852 in testimony before the Senate on 6/22/95, and USDA Forest Service objected in a 7/18/95 letter to provisions in the reported bill that apply to National Forest System lands. Basis for opposition: S/H M852 would (1) establish grazing as a dominant use for public lands over recreation, wildlife protection, and other concerns; (2) limit public involvement in the management of public lands; and (3) restrict land managers ability to enforce environmental and other applicable statutes. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O| The House Resources Committee included a number of provisions similar to S 852 in its 9/19/95 reconciliation markup. Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with these provisions in a 9/19/95 letter to Chairman Young. In an October 18th letter to Chairman Kasich, OMB stated that the Congress should not "use the budget process in an effort to stop the (grazing) reforms" as proposed in the House Resources reconciliation language. (On 10/26/95, the House passed its reconciliation bill by a vote of 227-203.) If these provisions are dropped by the reconciliation conferees, the Committee is expected to consider stand-alone legislation (HR 1713) that was approved in subcommittee on 9/12/95. Interior opposed HR 1713 in 7/11/95 testimony. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|JN@210. "Transfer of BLM Lands to States": (C. Crutchfield, x53857) JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O| Interior testified before the House National Parks Subcommittee on 8/01/95 that the Secretary would recommend veto of HR 2032. Basis for opposition: HR 2032 would "transfer tremendous national assets and revenues to a small number of fortunate States. The bill is fiscally irresponsible and would squander much of our national heritage." No bill introduced in the Senate. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O| "Arctic National Wildlife Refuge": (M. Goad, x57301) JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O| On 08/01/95, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee held an oversight hearing on oil and gas exploration on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Interior Secretary Babbitt, in a statement presented before the Committee, stated that he would "recommend to the President that he veto any legislation" that would allow for such activity in the Refuge. On 08/03/95, Secretary Babbitt reiterated the veto threat before the House Committee on Resources. In a 09/19/95 letter to Rep. Young and a 09/20/95 letter to Sen. Murkowski, Secretary Babbitt stated restated his

{' {&?intent to recommend to the President that he veto {'J {&' {& legislation opening the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge {'J{&' {&to oil and gas development? and advised that he ?would {'J{&' {&also recommend to the President that he veto a {'J{&' {&reconciliation bill containing any such provision.? In {'J{&' {&09/21/95 letters to Reps. Young and Miller and Sens. {'J{&' {&Murkowski and Johnston, OMB Director Rivlin stated that, {'J{&' {&if the reconciliation bill ?includes language to open the {'J{&' {&coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge {'J{&' {&(ANWR) to oil and gas drilling, [the President] will veto {'J{&' {'L{&' {&the bill.? In a 10/18/95 letter to Rep. Kasich and a {'J{&' {&10/23/95 letter to Sen. Domenici, OMB advised that ?the {'J{&' {&President will veto any reconciliation bill that opens {'J{&' {&ANWR to oil and gas drilling.? {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: {'J{&' {&Such legislation would allow industrial development in, {'J{&' {&thus placing at risk the wildlife resources of, the only {'J{&' {&area along on the Alaskan arctic coast that is dedicated {'J{&' {&to the protection of wildlife and wilderness resources. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J|J{#212. {%Reg{\$ {%Reform/Risk{\$ {%Assessment{\$": (H. Fitter, x53233)|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{ {&{%House{\$ passed HR 1022, Risk Benefit and Cost Benefit Act {'J{&' {&of 1995 on February 28th (286-141), requiring Federal {'J{&' {&agencies to perform highly detailed analyses of the risks {'J{&' {&that proposed health, safety and environmental {'J{&' {&ulations seek to address. SAP sent to the House on {'J{&' {&February 27, 1995, strongly oppose HR 1022. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'J{&' {&{%opposition{\$: HR 1022 would impose overly broad, {'J{&' {&prescriptive, and costly analytical requirements on the {'J{&' {&ulatory process, encourage excessive litigation, and {'J{&' {&supersede the substantive requirements of many existing {'J{&' {&health, safety, and environmental laws (i.e., the {'J{&' {&so-called supermandate). |J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J{#213. {%Private{\$ {%Property{\$ {%Rights/Takings{\$": (M. Goad, x57301)|J|N@6D;C10C1

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e{\$ passed HR|H |M925 (277-148), {'|J{&{' {&subsequently in
corporated the bill into HR|H |M9, and then {'|J{&{' {&pass
ed HR|H |M9 (277-141). HR|H |M925 would require certain {'|J{
&{' {&Federal agencies to compensate financially landowners
if {'|J{&{' {&Regulatory actions (taken under Endangered Spe
cies Act, {'|J{&{' {&and wetlands, farm, and water rights la
ws) cause a {'|J{&{' {&decrease of at least 20 percent in th
e fair market value {'|J{&{' {&of any portion of the landown
ers' properties. The {'|J{&{' {&agencies would be required
to offer to purchase the {'|J{&{' {&property if the regulato
ry action causes a decrease of {'|J{&{' {&more than 50 perce
nt in the property's value. SAP on {'|J{&{' {&HR|H |M925--
strongly oppose (3/1/95). On April 7th, POTUS {'|J{&{'|L{&{'
{&said, "I will also veto the House-passed requirement that {'
|J{&{' {&government pay property owners billions of dollars
every {'|J{&{' {&time we act to defend our national heritage
of seashores {'|J{&{' {&or wetlands or open spaces." {%{\$ {
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ring {'|J{&{' {&on S|H |M605 (Dole/ Hatch). (S|H |M605 ha
s a 33 percent {'|J{&{' {&threshold, and would apply to all
Federal agencies.) In {'|J{&{' {&testimony presented at the
hearing, Justice threatened {'|J{&{' {&veto. In separate l
etters sent to Sen. Hatch in May and {'|J{&{' {&June, Agricu
lture, Army-Civil Works, Defense, EPA, GSA, {'|J{&{' {&HHS,
Interior, Justice, Transportation, and Treasury {'|J{&{' {&a
dvised that they would recommend veto. In a June 7th {'|J{&{'
{&letter to Sens. Hatch, Biden, Dole, and Daschle, OMB {'|J{&
{&Director Rivlin advised that, due to the significant {'
|J{&{' {&increase in Federal spending that would result if S
|H |M605 {'|J{&{' {&were enacted, she would recommend veto.

Interior, in an {'|J{&{' {&October 18th statement presente
d before the Judiciary {'|J{&{' {&Committee, reiterated the
multiple agency veto threat. {'|J{&{' {&The {%Senate{\$ {%En
vironment{\$ {%and{\$ {%Public{\$ {%Works{\$ {%EPW}{\$ {%Committee{\$
{&held a June|H |M27th hearing at which Interior
and Justice {'|J{&{' {&advised that they would recommend vet
o of S|H |M605 and {'|J{&{' {&HR|H |M925. In an additiona
l EPW hearing on July 12th, EPA, {'|J{&{' {&Army (Corps), an
d OMB advised that they would recommend a {'|J{&{' {&veto of
S.605 or similar legislation. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'|J{&{' {
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lian Science {"J}&{" {&Authorization Act, on October 12th b
 y a vote of 248-161. {"J}&{" {&SAP sent on October 11th: v
 eto threat by Secretaries of {"J}&{" {&Commerce and Energy,
 EPA Administrator, OMB Director, and {"J}&{" {&Science Adv
 iser. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {%opposition{\$: Unacceptably {"J}&{"
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 said "I'd be happy to veto". {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {"J}&{" {&
 {%opposition{\$: denial of cash benefits to unwed parents {"J}&
 {' {&under age 18; funding cuts to Food Stamp and other {"J
 &{' {&nutrition programs; funding cuts and removal of Feder
 al {"J}&{' {&oversight of State child protection systems; i
 nadequate {"J}&{'L&{' {&resources and requirements for St
 ates to move people from {"J}&{' {&welfare to work; and ina
 dequate resources for States in {"J}&{' {&x of recessio
 n.J{' {&{%House{\$ passed H.R. 4 on March 23 (234-199) which
 would {"J}&{' {&replace current welfare programs with 5 bl
 ock grants to {"J}&{' {&States (cash welfare; child welfare
 ; child care; school {"J}&{' {&meals; family nutrition). H
 ouse SAP opposed H.R.H |M4 {"J}&{' {&because it would: f
 ail to reform welfare by moving {"J}&{' {&people from welfa
 re to work; reduce Federal funding in {"J}&{' {&ways that w
 ould impair the health and nutrition of {"J}&{' {&children
 and families; and is not tough enough on parents {"J}&{' {&
 who owe child support, and too tough on innocent {"J}&{' {&
 children. |J{' {&{%Senate{\$ {%Finance{\$ {%Committee{\$ repor
 ted its version of H.R. 4 {"J}&{' {&on June 9. The bill wo
 uld block grant AFDC; impose a {"J}&{' {&five- year time li
 mit on benefits; tighten eligibility {"J}&{' {&for SSI; and
 strengthen child support enforcement. HHS {"J}&{' {&cited
 concerns with the bill in a May 24 letter to the {"J}&{' {
 &Committee. On August 3, 1995, Senator Dole introduced S. {"J{
 &{' {&1120, a ?perfecting amendment.? S. 1120 is based on t
 he {"J}&{' {&S. Finance Committee?s H.R. 4, but also includ
 es {"J}&{' {&provisions: reauthorizing the Child Care Devel
 opment {"J}&{' {&Block Grant; consolidating training progra
 ms (based on S. {"J}&{' {&143, Kassebaum's Workforce Develo
 pment Act); and allowing {"J}&{' {&States the option of rec
 eiving their Food Stamp revenue {"J}&{' {&in the form of a
 block grant|J{' {&{%Senate{\$ incorporated the text of S. 112
 0, as amended, into {"J}&{' {&H.R. 4, and passed it on Sept
 ember 19 (87-12). Senate SAP {"J}&{' {&opposed S. 1120 and
 supported S. 1117, the Democratic {"J}&{' {&leadership alte
 rnative. On September 19, the President {"J}&{' {&signaled
 support for the Senate-passed H.R. 4. He {"J}&{' {&stated,
 ?If welfare reform remains a bipartisan effort to {"J}&{' {
 &promote work, protect children and collect child support {"J}&
 {' {&from people who ought to pay it, we will have welfare {
 'J}&{' {&reform this year, and it will be a great thing...B

ut, if the Congress gives in to extremist pressure and walks away from this bipartisan American common ground, they will kill welfare reform. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|I' {House\$ and {Senate\$ {conferees\$ have been named. On October 8th, Director Rivlin sent a letter to the House and Senate leadership and the welfare reform conferees stating the

{Administration's views on the the House- and Senate-passed bills. {Conference\$ {Committee\$ began meeting Tuesday, October 24. {On {October 26, HHS Secretary Shalala and SSA {Commissioner {Chater sent their agencies views letters on the House- and {Senate-

passed welfare reform bills to the House and Senate leadership and to the welfare reform conferees. J#302. {Social\$ {Security\$ {Earnings\$ {Test\$": (M. Cook, x53924)JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|I'

{House--A proposed increase in earnings limit from \$11,280 to \$30,000 (over 5 years) was included in HR 1215, which passed on April 5, (246-188). On January 9, 1995, Social Security Commissioner Chater testified that the {Administration would support, in principle, a moderate increase in the retirement earnings test exempt amount for beneficiaries who have reached the age of 65, as long as the costs of the increase were fully offset. When pressed to define "moderate", the Commissioner used \$1,000 as an example of a possible moderate increase. Both the House and Senate have expressed their intention to pass legislation by the end of 1995 that would increase the retirement earnings test exempt amount. JN@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|J#303. {Davis-Bacon\$ {Repeal\$": (A. Briatico, x57887)JN@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|I' {H.R. 500 and S. 141 would

repeal the Davis-Bacon Act of 1931. The act requires Federal contractors working on jobs valued at more than \$2000 to pay their workers the "local prevailing wage," which is often the union rate. {A {House\$ {Economic\$ {Education\$ {Opportunities\$ Subcommittee {referred H.R. 500 to full committee on March 2. {Senate\$ {Labor\$ {Human\$ {Resources\$ {Committee\$ reported S. 141 on May 12. A provision to repeal Davis-Bacon coverage of

{Federal Highway projects was dropped from S. H M440, the {National Highway bill (see entry above). S. 1120 (Work {Opportunity Act of 1995) would modify Davis-Bacon labor standards protections for tenants of public housing. The {Administration's SAP on S. 1120 (dated August 5, 1995) recommended deleting this provision from the bill and indicated that Davis-Bacon reform would be the appropriate avenue for making changes Davis-Bacon requirements. (The text of S. 1120 passed the Senate as {H.R. 4.)

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&{' {&requirements would depress workers' wages. President
 {'J&{' {"ed on 4/6/95 as saying he would veto S. 141;
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 Also Reich {'J&{' {&letter and Senate SAP on S. 440 stated
 Labor would {'J&{' {&recommend veto. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:
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 2/20/95 that {'J&{' {&President would veto such legislati
 on. {%Basis{\$ {%for{\$ {'J&{' {&{%opposition{\$: repeal of
 Service Contract Act would depress {'J&{' {&workers' wage
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 President transmitted to Congress a proposal {'J&{' {&to
 raise the minimum wage in two 45 cent steps -- raising {'J&{'
 {&the rate to \$4.70 per hour on July 4, 1995 and to \$5.15 '
 |J&{' {&per hour on July 4, 1996. President's proposal {'
 J&{' {&introduced as S. 413 and H.R. 940. Senator Kassebau
 m {'J&{' {&indicated on April 21 that the {%Senate{\$ {%Lab
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 \$ will hold hearings on increasing the {'J&{' {&minimum wa
 ge. No date has been set.|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C
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 ci, x54871)|J|N@6D;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C3=C3>G|O|{' {&
 On 3/8/95, President issued an Executive Order to deny {'J&{'
 {&Federal contracts to employers that permanently replace {'
 |J&{' {&striking workers. H.R.|H |M1176 and S. 603 would
 nullify the {'J&{' {&Executive Order. The {%House{\$ {%Eco
 nomic{\$ {%and{\$ {%Educational{\$ {'J&{' {&{%Opportunities{\$
 {%Committee{\$ reported H.R. 1176 on June 27. {'J&{' {&Th
 e House-passed Labor/HHS Appropriations bill (H.R. {'J&{'
 {&2127) contains a provision prohibiting the use of funds {'J&
 {' {&to enforce the President's Executive Order as does the
 {'J&{' {&Senate version of the bill, which is awaiting fl
 oor {'J&{' {&action.|J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C24C29C2>C33C38C
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 95. (SAP on 9/27/95 stated that if H.R. 743 {'J&{' {&were
 presented to the President, the Secretary of Labor {'J&{'
 {&would recommend that it be vetoed. Reich letter: {'J&{'
 {&recommend veto, 3/6/95, 6/21/95, and 9/26/95; 9/26/95 {'J
 &{' {&letter noted that the President stated before the UAW
 on {'J&{' {&June 12th, that he would veto any effort to w
 eaken {'J&{' {&§ion 8 (a)(2) of the National Labor Rela
 tions Act; {'J&{' {&press reported that VP said on 02/20/9
 5 that President {'J&{' {&would veto such legislation.) {
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 loyers to establish company unions where {'J&{' {&no union
 currently exists or alternative, {'J&{' {&company-dominat
 ed organizations where employees are in {'J&{' {&the proce
 ss of determining whether to be represented by a {'J&{' {&

labor organization. On 9/27/95, the House passed HR 743 by a vote of 221-202. No action has been taken to date.

On June 27, 1995, a Senate Finance Subcommittee hearing on the solvency of the Social Security system. To date, the Administration has not taken a position on S. 825. No comparable bill has been introduced in the House.

Both the Senate and House have acted on bills that would consolidate numerous Federal education and job training programs grants for youth development and career preparation, adult training, adult education and literacy, and vocational rehabilitation. These bills differ significantly from the President's proposal to restructure education and job training programs (the G.I. Bill for America's Workers), and they reduce substantially Federal resources for these functions.

The House passed H.R. 1617 (The Consolidated and Reformed Education, Employment and Rehabilitation Systems, or 'CAREERS' Act) on September 19, 1995 (345-79). It incorporates the text of H.R. 1720 (Privatization Act of 1995), which was reported by the House EEO Committee on June 22, 1995. H.R. 1720 would privatize Sallie Mae and Connie Lee and eliminate numerous higher education programs. The Administration proposes to privatize these GSEs and eliminate the higher education programs, but its privatization initiatives differ in certain respects from H.R. 1720. A September 19, 1995, Statement of Administration Policy stated that the Admini

nistration {"J}&{" {&supports H.R. 1617 for purposes of Hou
 se passage, but {"J}&{" {&will work to address significant
 concerns. {"Basis{"\$ {"for{"\$ {"J}&{" {&{"Concerns{"\$: i
 nadequate authority to continue the current {"J}&{" {&Schoo
 l-to-Work Opportunities Act, restrictions on {"J}&{" {&gove
 rnors in the use of vocational rehabilitation service {"J}&{"
 {&delivery systems, insufficient funding, failure to {"J}&{"
 {&provide sub-State allocation formulas to target funds to
 {"J}&{" {&those most in need, and shortcomings in the autho
 rities {"J}&{" {&to privatize the higher education GSEs. {
 %Senate{"\$ passed {"S.{"\$ {"J}&{" {&{"%143{"\$ (Workforce Develo
 pment Act) on October 11, 1995 {"J}&{" {&(95-2). The provi
 sions of S. 143 were at one time {"J}&{" {&incorporated in
 large part into S. 1120, the Republican {"J}&{" {&leadershi
 p welfare reform bill. The August 5th Statement {"J}&{" {&
 of Administration Policy on S. 1120 expressed concerns {"J}&{"
 {&with a variety of these provisions and stated that the {"
 J}&{" {&inclusion of the provisions in S. 1120 was {"J}&{"
 {&?inappropriate?. In a September 12th letter to the {"J}&
 {" {&Senate, Secretary Reich cited serious concerns with the
 {"J}&{" {&bill. An amendment was adopted by the Senate to
 delete {"J}&{" {&the job training provisions from S. 1120.
 SAP on S. 143 {"J}&{" {&sent to Senate on October 10, 199
 5. It stated that the {"J}&{" {&Administration supports S.
 143 for the purpose of Senate {"J}&{" {&passage (and it en
 umerates key features the {"J}&{" {&Administration supports
), but has significant concerns it {"J}&{" {&will work to a
 ddress during conference. {"Basis{"\$ {"for{"\$ {"J}&{" {&{"%Con
 cerns{"\$: insufficient empowerment of adult trainees {"J}&{"L}&
 {" {&through Skill Grants, insufficient funding, inadequate
 {"J}&{" {&accountability for Federal funds -- including an
 unwieldy {"J}&{" {&new bureaucratic structure that may pose
 Appointments {"J}&{" {&Clause problems, downsizing and eli
 mination of Jobs Corps {"J}&{" {&as a national program, and
 elimination of Trade {"J}&{" {&Adjustment Assistance retra
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 ood stamps and that the {"J}&{" {&President has indicated h
 is intention to veto such {"J}&{" {&legislation. {"Basis{"\$
 {"for{"\$ {"opposition{"\$: would jeopardize the {"J}&{" {&he
 alth and nutrition of low-income families. |J{" {&Any change
 s made to the Food Stamp program are expected {"J}&{" {&to
 be done within the context of Welfare Reform (H.R. 4). {"J}&{"
 {&The Senate-passed version of H.R. 4 provides States the {"
 J}&{" {&option of receiving their Food Stamp revenue as a b
 lock {"J}&{" {&grant. House-passed HR 4 (the welfare refor
 m bill) and {"J}&{" {&HR 1997 (the food and nutrition title
 of the Farm Bill), {"J}&{" {&as approved by a H. Agricultu
 re Subcommittee on 7/11/95, {"J}&{" {&do not contain provis
 ions that would block grant Food {"J}&{" {&Stamps. Accordin
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 xpected to take up HR 1997 in September. |J|N@1D6C;C10C15C1:C1?C

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{&The House Economic and Educational Opportunities {'J{&{'
{&Committee, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, held a {'J
{&{' {&hearing June 28, 1995, on H.R. 1834 (Ballenger), the
{'J{&{' {&"Safety and Health Improvement and Regulatory Ref
orm Act {'J{&{' {&of 1995." Labor testified against H.R. 18
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ect funding away from enforcement {'J{&{' {&activities, jeo
pardize the health and safety of American {'J{&{' {&workers
by weakening enforcement and regulatory {'J{&{' {&authorit
y, and particularly threaten miners by revising {'J{&{' {&
Federal mine safety and enforcement. On July 12, 1995, {'J{&{'
{&Secretary Reich held a press conference on the House {'J
{&{' {&appropriation subcommittee actions affecting the {'J
{&{' {&Department of Labor. In response to a question, {'J
{&{' {&Secretary Reich stated that he "will strongly recomme
nd a {'J{&{' {&veto of the Ballenger bill . . . [which] amo
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etirement {'J{&{' {&reform provisions. The Administration'
s position on such {'J{&{' {&reforms has been articulated i
n the President's 4/5/95 {'J{&{' {&letter on HR 1215 to Spe
aker Gingrich and in OMB's {'J{&{' {&3/15/95 letter on HR 1
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osition{\$: Reduces retirement benefits of Federal {'J{&{'L{&{
' {&employees to finance a tax cut for the wealthy.J{'
{&On 3/15/95, the full H. Government Reform and Oversight {'J{&
{' {&Committee began consideration of HR 1185. It, however
, {'J{&{' {&recessed before taking action on the bill. NOT
E: Title {'J{&{' {&IV of HR 1215, as passed by the House o
n 4/5/95 {'J{&{' {&(246-188), contains provisions similar t
o those of HR {'J{&{' {&1185. To date, the Senate has take
n no action on a {'J{&{' {&stand-alone retirement bill. On
June 19, 1995, however, {'J{&{' {&the FBI and DEA testifie
d before a S. Governmental {'J{&{' {&Affairs subcommittee o
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l employees. Modifications to Federal {'J{&{' {&retirement
programs have been included in both the House {'J{&{' {&an
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resident {'J{&signed 3/22/95.|J? Defense Supplemental Appropria
tions (PL 104-6). President {'J{&signed 4/10/95.|J? Permanentl
y Extend the Tax Deductibility for Health {'J{&Insurance Costs
for Self-Employed Individuals (PL 104-7). {'J{&President signe
d 4/11/95. |J? HR 1345, DC Financial Responsibility and Manageme

nt {"J{"&Assistance Act of 1995 (PL 104-8). President signed 4/1
7/95.{"J? Paperwork Reduction (PL 104-13). President signed 5/22
/95.{"J? Medicare SELECT (PL 104-18). President signed 7/7/95.{"J
? Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Additional {"J{"&Dis
aster Assistance, for Anti-terrorism Initiatives, for {"J{"&Assi
stance in the Recovery from the Tragedy that Occurred at {"J{"&O
klahoma City, and Rescissions Act, 1995 (PL 104-19). {"J{"&Pres
ident signed 7/27/95.{"J{"J{"#|G{"
===== END ATTACHMENT 4 =====

November 3, 1995 7:00 pm

TO: ALICE RIVLIN
FROM: LISA KOUNTOUPES
SUBJECT: DAILY LEGISLATIVE REPORT

CONGRESS TODAY:

The Senate conducted no legislative business.

The House was not in session.

SENATE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

Monday, November 6 and the Balance of the Week: (tentative)

- S 908, State Department Authorization
[SAP sent 6/28: multiple agency veto recommendation; POTUS statement 7/26:
"I will veto it"]
- HR 1833, Partial-Birth Abortion
[SAP being developed]

The Majority Leader announced that the Senate will recess from November 17 - 27.

**Tape Restoration Project
Hex-Dump Conversion**

HOUSE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

Monday, November 6:

- No votes.

Tuesday, November 7:

Suspensions: (12 bills)

- H J Res 69, Appointment to the Smithsonian Board of Regents
- H J Res 110, Appointment to the Smithsonian Board of Regents
- H J Res 111, Appointment to the Smithsonian Board of Regents
- H J Res 112, Appointment to the Smithsonian Board of Regents
- HR 2527, Electronic Filing and Preservation of Federal Election Commission Reports
- HR 238, Free-Roaming Horses in the Ozark National Scenic Riverways

[SAP being developed]

- HR 207, Cleveland National Forest Land Exchange
- HR 2437, Exchange of Certain Lands in Colorado

[SAP being developed]

- HR 1838, Exchange of Certain Lands in Utah

[SAP being developed]

- HR 1585, Modoc National Forest Boundary Adjustment
- HR 1581, Land Conveyance, Oregon
- HR 1163, Exchange of Certain Lands at Fire Island National Seashore

- HR 1977, Interior Appropriations Conference Report

Wednesday & Thursday, November 8 & 9:

- S 395, Alaska Power Administration Sale Conference Report
- HR 1058, Securities Litigation Reform Conference Report
- H J Res --, Continuing Resolution for FY 1996

Friday, November 10:

- Not in session.

POTENTIAL FLOOR ACTION THROUGH NOVEMBER:

- Appropriations conference reports (Nov.)
- Glass/Steagall & Bank Reg. Reform (Nov.)
- Anti-Terrorism (Nov.)
- Debt Limit (Nov.)
- Endangered Species Act

(If you have questions about the House or Senate legislative schedules, contact Lydia Muniz at OMB Legislative Affairs, 54790.)

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APPROPRIATIONS -- SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

The President has signed the Mil Con bill (HR 1817) and the Ag. Bill (HR 1976), and vetoed Leg. Branch (HR 1854). Veto recommendations indicated by asterisk.

***Agriculture (HR 1976)**

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/18: Agriculture/OMB veto recommendation.
- House passed--OMB letter 8/11: Ag/OMB veto recommendation.
- Senate Committee reported--Floor SAP 9/18: Administration could support if concerns addressed.
- House & Senate passed--OMB letter 9/27: Administration could support if concerns addressed.
- POTUS signed 10/21.

***C/J/S (HR 2076)**

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/18: Attorney General/Commerce/OMB veto recommendation.
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 7/20: Attorney General/Commerce/OMB veto recommendation.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/24: Attorney General/Commerce/OMB veto recommendation.
- House committee reported--POTUS letter 7/25: "I would veto it because it would eliminate the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program."
- House passed--OMB letter 8/12: Commerce/OMB veto recommendation.
- Senate subcommittee reported--OMB letter 9/12: President would veto.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 9/14: President would veto.

***Defense (HR 2126/S 1087)**

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/20: Administration does not support.
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 7/27: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/31: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 8/10: senior advisers would recommend veto if bill presented in current form.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 9/7: senior advisers would recommend veto if bill presented in current form.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 9/18: senior advisers would recommend veto if bill presented in current form.
- Conference Report--OMB letter 9/29: President will veto.

***DC (HR 2546)**

- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 9/21: Administration is pleased with funding level, but strongly opposed to provision.
- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 10/24: Administration strongly objects to funding cuts
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 10/30: senior advisers would recommend veto.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 11/1: President would veto.

Energy/Water (HR 1905)

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 6/20: strongly opposed.
- House passed--OMB letter 7/20: strongly opposed.
- Senate committee reported--Senate SAP 7/31: strongly opposed.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 10/13: senior advisors would recommend veto based on potential conference changes.

***Foreign Ops (HR 1868)**

- House committee reported--Floor SAP 6/22: difficulty supporting if improvements are not made.
- Senate subcommittee reported--OMB letter 9/14: raising concerns.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 9/20: serious concerns.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 10/19: State & Treasury veto recommendation if low House funding & Senate earmarks are not corrected.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 10/31: Secretary of State would recommend veto.

***Interior (HR 1977)**

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/12: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.
- House passed--OMB letter 7/25: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.
- House passed--Senate Floor SAP 8/4: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 9/18: OMB and Interior veto recommendation.
- Conference committee--Vice Presidential Statement 9/22: "If Congress send the President the fiscal 1996 Interior Appropriations Bill as approved by the conference committee, he will veto it."
- Conference report--OMB letter 10/19: "Vice President stated on September 22nd that if Congress sent the POTUS the FY 1996 Interior Appropriations Bill as approved by the conference committee, the President would veto it."

***Labor/HHS/Ed (HR 2127)**

- Panetta, 7/11: if subcommittee. chairman's mark reaches the President's desk in its current form, "he will veto."
- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/19: President would veto.
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 7/27: President would veto.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 8/2: President would veto.
- House passed--OMB letter 8/12: President would veto.
- Senate subcommittee reported--OMB letter 9/14: President would veto.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 9/26: President would veto.

***Leg Branch (HR 1854)**

- Conference report--POTUS said on 8/1: "If the congressional leadership follows through on its plan to send me its own funding bill before it finishes work on the rest of the budget, I will be compelled to veto it."
- Rivlin letter 9/6: "To avoid a veto, Congress should first make substantial progress in presenting other appropriations bills that the President can sign..."
- POTUS veto 10/3: will not sign Leg. Branch Appropriations until Congress completes action on remaining FY 1996 Appropriations bills

Mil Con (HR 1817)

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 6/13: would support if modified.
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 6/15: would support if modified.

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- House-passed--OMB letter 7/18: strongly objects to certain provisions.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 7/20: strongly objects to certain provisions.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 9/14: serious objections, position to be determined
- POTUS signed 10/3: disappointed that Act provides \$70 million for unneeded projects... would have used line-item veto authority had Congress completed action on line-item veto legislation.

Transportation (HR 2002)

- House committee reported--Rules SAP 7/19: serious objections.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/21: serious objections.
- House passed--OMB letter 8/1: serious objections.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 8/9: appreciate that several concerns are addressed, but have some remaining concerns.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 9/13: outlines several remaining concerns.

***Treasury/Postal (HR 2020)**

- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/10: serious objections.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/17: OMB/Sr.WH officials/OPM veto recommendation.
- House-passed--OMB letter 7/24: OMB/Sr.WH officials/Treasury/OPM veto recommendation.
- Senate subcommittee reported--POTUS STATEMENT on ONDCP 7/26: As this bill is now constructed, I will not sign it.
- Senate subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/27: Treasury veto recommendation.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 8/3: President has stated he would not sign due to elimination of ONDCP; Treasury veto recommendation due to other concerns.
- House and Senate passed--OMB letter 9/12: OMB, Treasury, OPM veto threat on House and Senate bills.

***VA/HUD/Independent Agencies (HR 2099)**

- House subcommittee reported--Panetta statement 7/11: President will veto.
- House subcommittee reported--OMB letter 7/17: senior advisors veto recommendation.
- House committee reported--Rules SAP 7/24: President would veto bill.
- House committee reported--Floor SAP 7/26: President would veto bill.
- House-passed--POTUS said on 8/1: "The minute this polluter's protection act hits my desk, I will veto it."
- House-passed--OMB letter 8/12: President would veto bill.
- Senate subcommittee reported--OMB letter 9/13: President would veto bill.
- Senate committee reported--Floor SAP 9/25: President would veto bill.

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SUMMARY of ADMINISTRATION OPPOSITION
[Prepared by OMB/LRD and OMB/LA]
(NON-APPROPRIATIONS)

(Note: For details on the legislation listed below, including the basis for opposition, see the "STATUS OF MAJOR LEGISLATION" List that follows - note the item #; for appropriations items, see the "APPROPRIATIONS -- SUPPORT/OPPOSITION" file, above.)

Changes from previous day indicated by asterisk (*).

Vetoes:

Rescissions/Supplemental - HR 1158

Bosnia - S. 21 [Item 105]

Legislative Branch Appropriations - HR 1854

Presidential Veto Threats:

Americans with Disabilities Act Revisions - July 26, POTUS said he would veto "any substantive change to the ADA."

Arctic National Wildlife Refuge - [Item #211]

Assault Weapons Ban

Clean Water Amendments of 1995 - HR 961 [Item # 202]

Crime/100,000 cops - HR 728, Law Enforcement Block Grants [Item #4]

Davis-Bacon - S 141 [Item #303]

Dismantling Commerce Department - HR 1756 and S 929 [Item #20]

Foreign Affairs Authorization/Merge AID, ACDA, USIA into State - HR 1561, S. 908, S. 961 [Item #102]

Loser Pays - Civil Litigation - HR 988 [Item #7]

Medicare Preservation Act - HR 2425, passed by the House on 10/19 by a vote of 231-201. HR 2425 was incorporated into the House budget reconciliation bill, which was passed on 10/26 by a vote of 227-203.

National Defense Authorization Act - S 1026 [Item #103]

National Security Bill - HR 872 [Item #101]

Product Liability/Civil Litigation - HR 956 [Item #6]

Student Loans

Takings/Private Property Protection - HR 925 and S 605 [Item #213]

Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act - HR 1215 [Item #3]

Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act - HR 743 (Item #307)

Telecommunications Amendments - H.R. 1555 [Item #9]

Welfare Reform - HR 4 [Item #301]

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Multiple Agency Veto Threats:

Comprehensive Regulatory Reform Act of 1995 - S 343 [Item #212]

Regulatory Moratorium - HR 450 [Item #5]

Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act - HR 927 [Item # 106]

***Federal Aviation Administration Revitalization Act of 1995** - HR 2276
[Item #22]

Science Authorizations - HR 2405 [Item #214]

Single Agency Veto Threats

Endangered Species Conservation and Management Act - HR 2275 [Item #203]

Financial Institutions Regulatory Relief Act of 1995 - HR 1858 [Item #14]

Food Stamps - Block Grant, HR 4, HR 1997, and S 904 [Items #201, 301, & 310]

Jerusalem Embassy - S 1322, S 770 and HR 1595 [Item #104]

Mining Law - S 506 [Item #207]

National Defense Authorization Act - HR 1530 [Item #103]

National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 [Item #12]

Utah Wilderness - HR 1745 and S 884 [Item #208]

OSHA Reform - HR 1834 [Item #311]

Student Loan Provisions - in Senate reconciliation bill

Transfer BLM Lands to States - HR 2032 [Item #210]

Strongly Oppose:

Federal Retirement Reform - HR 1215 and HR 1185 [Item #401]

Highway Off-Budget - HR 842 and HR 2274 [Item #13]

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HUD Elimination Act - S 435 [Item #11]

Legal Aid Reform Act - HR 2277 [Item #21]

Livestock Grazing Act - S 852 and HR 1713 [Item #209]

National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 and HR 2274
[Item #12]

Pipeline Safety Act - HR 1323 [Item #19]

Risk Assessment - HR 1022 [Item #212]

Telecommunications - S 652 [Item #9]

Oppose

*Housing for Older Persons Act - HR 660 [Item #16]

Lorton Closure - HR 461 [Item #15]

*Regulatory Sunset and Review Act of 1995 - HR 994 [Item #18]

Service Contract Repeal Act - HR 246 [Item #304]

Oppose Unless Amended:

Securities Litigation Reform - HR 1058 [Item #8]

Violent Criminal Incarceration - HR 667 [Item #4]

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STATUS OF MAJOR (Non-Appropriations) LEGISLATION

[Prepared by OMB/LRD]

(Note: Parentheticals indicate who is tracking; bills
grouped by RMO)

[Changes from previous day indicated by asterisk (*)]

GENERAL GOVERNMENT & FINANCE:

1. Budget Resolution: (Konigsberg)

House completed action on HConRes 67 on 5/18, passing the Kasich budget plan 238-193. Senate completed action on 5/25, passing the Domenici budget 57-42. Budget Resolution conference agreement passed the House on 6/29 by a vote of 239-194, and passed the Senate the same day by a vote of 54-46 (party line).

*2. Item Veto: (Konigsberg/J. Gibbons, x57593)

House passed HR 2 (enhanced rescission) on February 6, (294-134). Senate passed S 4 (separate enrollment) on March 23, (69-29). Conference: Next meeting of conferees is tentatively scheduled for November 8th.

3. Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act: (R. Jones, x53386)

House passed HR 1215 on April 5, (246-188) including tax cuts (child credit, IRAs, repeal taxes on soc.sec., neutral cost recovery, corporate AMT, cap gains, expensing, adoptions, marriage penalty credit, long-term care incentives); raise soc. sec. earnings limit; spending caps; Medicare extenders; spectrum extender; uranium enrichment; Federal retirement reforms; and automatic sequester of amounts taxpayers dedicate to debt reduction. SAP--"If...presented ...in its current form, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of OMB would recommend a veto." Senate is handling tax cuts in the context of reconciliation. Basis for opposition: Bill is fiscally irresponsible and would provide disproportionate tax benefits to the wealthy at the expense of programs for average Americans.

4. Crime Bills: (R. Jones, x53386)

House split their original crime bill into 7 smaller pieces and passed 6 of them--

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- HR 665, requiring restitution for victims of federal crimes, passed February 7 (431-0); SAP--"supports passage."
- HR 666, allowing federal prosecutors to use improperly obtained evidence if police officers acted in "good faith"; would apply with and w/o warrants. Passed February 8, (289-142). SAP-support only if amended to apply only where warrants have been obtained.
- HR 729, containing reforms affecting federal habeas corpus review of state criminal judgments and collateral review of federal judgments, and requiring federal juries to impose death sentences in certain cases. Passed February 8 (297-132). SAP--support **if** DOJ concerns addressed.
- HR 667, would replace the prison funding program enacted in '94 Act with allocations based on sentencing criteria; and would limit prisoner litigation. Passed February 10, (265-156). SAP--oppose unless amended. Basis for opposition: Proposed distribution of prison grants is inferior to current program; drug court program would be repealed.
- HR 668, to expedite the deportation of aliens who commit serious crimes and reimburse states for incarceration of criminal aliens. Passed February 10, (380-20). SAP--support if amended to offset the increased direct spending (\$600m/yr).
- HR 728, combining last year's grants for 100,000 cops and crime prevention into block grants. Passed February 14, (238-192). SAP--Presidential veto threat. Basis for opposition: Bill repeals police grants program, which provides for 100,000 cops. It also eliminates many crime prevention programs.

Senate action on crime legislation not yet scheduled. However, habeas corpus provisions related to those in HR 729 are included in the Senate-passed anti-terrorism bill (S 735, discussed below).

5. Reg Moratorium/Waiting Period: (J. Weinberg, x53457)

House passed HR 450 on Feb. 24 by 276-146. The bill would establish a "moratorium period" -- Nov. 20, 1994 through Dec. 31, 1995 or enactment of reg reform, whichever is earlier -- during which a Federal agency may not take any "regulatory rulemaking action" unless it falls within a specified emergency exception (i.e. military or foreign affairs functions, international trade agreements, agency management, certain banking regulatory matters, implementation of the internal revenue laws; matters

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relating to loans, grants, benefits, or contracts). Also exempted: regs determined by OIRA to be necessary because of an imminent threat to health or safety or other emergency or necessary for the enforcement of criminal laws. SAP--"The President has stated that a moratorium on regulations, as provided for in H.R. 450, is not acceptable....the Secretaries of Agriculture, Energy, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, Labor, Transportation, and the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency would recommend that it be vetoed." (In addition, POTUS said on 4/7/95, "if Republicans send me a bill that would let unsafe planes fly or contaminated water continue to find itself into city water systems, I will veto it." Veto threat reiterated in Earth Day speech, 4/21/95.)
Basis for opposition: Would prevent the issuance of meritorious rules.

Senate passed S. 219 on March 29 by 100-0; under the Senate version, regs would not go into effect for 45 days, during which time Congress could enact a disapproval resolution. A March 29 statement by the President called the 45-day review period "the right way to reform regulation."

Conference: On June 16, the Senate requested a conference and appointed conferees. Press reports indicate that the House may seek to attach its regulatory sunset legislation (HR 994, described below) to S 219.

6. Product Liability/Civil Litigation/Medical Malpractice:

(I. Schroeder, x53883)

House passed HR 956 on March 10 (265-161). It would cap punitive damages in all civil cases and would cap non-economic (pain and suffering) damages in suits against health providers and insurers. Basis for opposition: Product liability reform should generally be left to the States; punitive damages shouldn't be arbitrarily capped; and differential treatment of "economic" and "noneconomic" (e.g., "pain and suffering") damages is inappropriate. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 956 on May 10 (61-37). It would cap punitive damage awards by juries in product liability cases at \$250,000 or twice compensatory damages (economic and non-economic damages), whichever is greater. Judges could override those limits in "egregious" cases. Punitive damage awards in product liability cases could not exceed \$250,000 for small businesses. Basis for opposition: A May 10th White House statement said the Senate-passed liability bill "in its present form does not go far enough toward balancing the interests of consumers with those of manufacturers and sellers." The statement also stated the Administration's

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concerns regarding the limits on punitive damages adopted by the Senate and reiterated the Administration's opposition to provisions which would abolish joint and several liability. (A provision limiting punitive damage awards in all civil lawsuits, which was the subject of a May 4th Presidential veto threat, was later limited to product liability cases only.)

Medical malpractice/liability reform was added to the Reconciliation bill.

Conference: Media reports indicate that House leaders may appoint conferees in early November.

7. Loser Pays - Civil Litigation: (I. Schroeder, x53883)

House passed HR 988 on March 7 (232-193). Basis for opposition: The bill, which would affect only Federal civil suits involving parties from different States, would impose a modified "loser pays" rule, intended to encourage parties to settle out of court. The President said on 4/7/95 that he "will veto any bill with a 'loser pay' requirement such as that was in the House bill." In the Senate, provisions similar to those of HR 988 were added to -- and subsequently deleted from -- the product liability bill (HR 956) on the Senate floor.

8. Shareholder Suits: (I. Schroeder, x53883)

House passed HR 1058 on March 8 (325-99). Basis for opposition: Could lead to inadequate deterrence against financial fraud. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 1058 on 6/28/95 (69-30). SAP sent to Senate on 6/23/95 states that the Senate version (previously S. 240) "is now a substantial improvement on [the House version of] H.R. 1058, which the Administration could not support."

The statement recommended amendments to: (1) clarify that safe harbors should not protect purposefully misleading statements; (2) restore liability for aiding and abetting in private action that follow a SEC action; and (3) extend the statute of limitations for private securities fraud actions to five years after a violation occurs. The SAP opposed a provision in the bill that would establish proportionate liability for reckless defendants and recommends replacing it with an amendment that would require culpable solvent defendants to pay up to two times their proportionate share of the damages, when a portion of the award is uncollectible.

Conference: House appointed conferees on 10/24/95. Senate has not appointed conferees yet. Media reports indicate that a compromise has been worked out which would basically adopt the Senate bill with modifications to the safe harbor provisions.

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9. Telecommunications Amendments: (J. Weinberg, x53457)

House passed HR 1555, amended, on August 4th, 305-117. Statement by the President on August 1st threatening to veto HR 1555 with the managers' amendments. Basis for opposition: Would harm competition and weaken benefits to the public.

Senate passed S. 652 on June 15th, 81-18. SAP strongly opposed Commerce Committee-reported bill. White House Press Office issued an Administration statement on Senate passage of S 652 on June 16: "The Administration's position on the final legislation will depend on the extent to which the Administration's concerns have been addressed satisfactorily during the course of the entire legislative process." VP said on April 3 that he opposes the Senate Commerce Committee bill, and on April 4 the VP clarified in a letter, "I did not say that the President would veto the bill, since it is too early for such a decision...."

Basis for opposition: Would result in higher phone and cable bills and decrease competition for phone and cable services.

Conference: President sent a letter to Senator Hollings on 10/26/95 stating the following concerns: that neither bill provides a meaningful role for the Justice Department in safeguarding competition before local telephone companies enter new markets; the bills allow too much concentration within the mass media and in individual markets; the provisions allowing mergers of cable and telephone companies are overly broad; and "I oppose deregulating cable programming services and equipment rates before cable operators face real competition." Conferees met for the first time on 10/25/95.

10. Banking and Insurance Reform: (R. Jones, x53386)

House Banking Committee marked up Chairman Leach's HR 1062 on May 18. This bill would permit banks and securities firms to affiliate, allowing banks to underwrite securities and permitting securities firms to own banks. HR 1062 was reported by the House Commerce Committee on June 22. A new bill (HR 2520) combining aspects of HR 1062 and HR 1858 (discussed below) was introduced on Oct. 24. (See below for discussion of HR 1858 - Banking Deregulation.)

11. HUD Elimination Act: (A. Briatico, x57887)

Although no specific hearings have been held on S. 435, a number of Senate hearings have been held on "reinventing" HUD. HUD, Justice, and OMB have sent letters to the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee strongly opposing Title II of S. 435. Title II would transfer to Justice all of the responsibilities currently assigned to

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HUD under the Fair Housing Act. The Senate-passed VA/HUD Appropriations Bill (H.R. 2099) also would transfer all Fair Housing Act responsibilities from HUD to Justice. The Administration strongly opposed this transfer in the SAP on H.R. 2099 sent on September 25th. Basis for opposition: The administration of these authorities is best accomplished by HUD, which has the infrastructure to handle these responsibilities.

12. National Highway System: (J. Brown, x53473)

Senate bill (S. 440) passed the Senate on June 22nd. It would designate routes for the new National Highway System (NHS). Absent designation of the NHS, DOT is unable to obligate \$5.2 billion in highway funding in FY 1996. Basis for opposition: Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motorcycle helmet requirements. (SAP to Senate, 6/15/95. A provision repealing Davis-Bacon-type labor protections, which was the subject of a Secretary of Labor veto threat in the SAP, was deleted on the Senate floor.)

House bill (H.R. 2274) passed the House on September 20th. Basis for opposition. Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motorcycle helmet requirements; could provide for up to \$2.2 billion more in highway spending than contemplated by current law; requires congressional approval for all changes to NHS; rescinds funding for congestion pricing program; and restricts the Federal Transit Administration's authority to enter into full funding agreements.

Conference: Press reports suggest that conferees are close to finishing their work.

13. Highway Trust Fund Off-Budget Bill: (J. Brown, x53473)

House bill (HR 842 and HR 2274). HR 842 was ordered reported by House Transport. Cte. on May 3. Subsequently incorporated in HR 2274, the "National Highway System Designation Act of 1995" in a House Transport. Subcommittee markup on September 7th. Removed from HR 2274 prior to floor action in return for a commitment from the Speaker for floor consideration of HR 842. Basis for opposition: Bill removes four trust funds from the Budget -- inconsistent with unified budget. (Rivlin letter to Chairman Shuster, 3/27/95.) Senate bill (S. 729) was introduced on April 27 by Sens. Baucus and Lott.

14. Banking Deregulation: (R. Jones, x53473)

House Banking Committee reported Chairman Leach's HR 1858 (successor to HR 1362) on July 18. A new bill (HR 2520), combining aspects of HR 1858 and HR 1062 (described above) was introduced on Oct. 20. Basis for opposition: Weakens important safeguards for assuring the safety and soundness

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of FDIC-insured depository institutions and would eviscerate the Community Reinvestment Act. (Secretary Rubin issued a veto threat in a 6/29/95 letter to Chairman Leach. Under Secretary Hawke, in an 10/29/95 letter to the Banking Committee, restated the Treasury veto recommendation on a component of the new bill and added, ``Despite some modest improvements in that component...the bill remains deeply flawed. . . .'') Senate bill (S 650) was ordered reported by the Senate Banking Committee on September 27th. The Senate bill contains some, but not all, of the troublesome provisions.

15. Lorton Closure: (M. Cook, x53924)

The House Government Reform and Oversight D.C. Subcommittee has held a couple of hearings this year on HR 461, the "Lorton Correctional Complex Closure Act." At these hearings, no Administration witnesses were asked to testify. Justice, however, expects Administration witnesses to be invited to testify at future Subcommittee hearings on this matter. On 3/16/95, Justice sent a letter to this Subcommittee opposing HR 461. Basis for opposition: The approach of HR 461 is "seriously flawed" but alternatives, which will be discussed with the Congress, exist to remedy the Lorton issue.

***16. Housing for Older Persons Act:** (A. Briatico, x57887)

On April 6, 1995, HR 660 passed the House by a vote of 424 to 5. The Administration sent a SAP on 4/6/95 opposing H.R. 660. The Senate Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism and Property approved HR 660 by voice vote on August 2nd with an amendment that would require senior citizen housing to have at least 80 percent actual occupancy by seniors to qualify for the exemption from the Fair Housing Act. Justice sent a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee opposing this bill on 9/20/95. The Committee approved H.R. 660 on 10/26/95. Basis for opposition: Amends the Fair Housing Act in a way that would loosen the standards used to determine what housing qualifies for the "housing for older persons" exemption, potentially increasing discrimination against families. Therefore, the Administration prefers administrative action to clarify the application of the "housing for older persons" exemption.

NOTE: The bill's provisions are similar to those of Title IV of HR 8, the "Senior Citizens' Equity Act," a Contract with America bill.

17. Counterterrorism: (R. Jones, x53386)

Senate passed S 735 on June 7 (81-8) The bill includes many proposals similar or identical to Presidential proposals (e.g., establishes Federal jurisdiction for terrorist acts, expedites removal of alien terrorists from the U.S.,

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implements the international agreement on marking plastic explosives, etc.). Does not include the Administration's language for funding compliance with the 1994 digital telephony legislation. Includes habeas corpus reforms similar to that passed the House as a free standing bill (H.R. 729, listed under crime heading above). House Judiciary Committee ordered H.R. 1710 reported on June 20 (23-12). The House bill also includes many of the President's proposals, including a funding mechanism for digital telephony. Opposition from conservative Republicans has delayed further action on the bill. The Committee will not issue the report until they believe they have enough votes for it to pass. No further action is expected until after appropriations and reconciliation action is completed. Rep. Schumer has begun circulating a discharge petition to move the bill to the House Floor.

***18. Regulatory Sunset and Review:** (J. Gibbons, x57593)

House bill (HR 994) was approved by a Gov. Reform & Oversight Cte. on 7/18/95 with significant amendments by a vote of 39-7. On 10/31/95 House Judiciary Cte. marked up HR 994 and ordered it reported, as amended, by a voice vote. Basis for opposition: Open-ended in scope, excessively rigid, and contradictory criteria for review of regulations; paperwork requirements are unworkable. (Katzen testimony of 3/28/95 before House Gov. Reform.) Senate action not scheduled. Press reports indicate the the House may attach HR 994 to S 219 as passed by the Senate (described above).

19. Pipeline Safety: (J. Brown, x53473)

House bill (HR 1323) has been reported by Transportation and Commerce Ctes. A SAP strongly opposing the bill was sent to the House on September 20th. The bill was subsequently removed from the House floor schedule. Basis for opposition: (1) Authorizes less than 44 percent of the FY 1996 Budget request for pipeline safety activities; and (2) imposes burdensome and costly risk assessment procedures on the pipeline safety rulemaking process.

20. Dismantling Commerce Department: (J. Weinberg, x53457)

House bill (HR 1756) hearing was held by two House Commerce Subcommittees on 7/24/95 at which Secretary Brown announced that the President will veto any legislation to dismantle the Commerce Department. Multiple House Committees have approved conflicting versions of HR 1756. Compromise version included in House reconciliation bill. Senate bill (S 929) hearing was held by Senate Governmental Affairs on 7/25/95 at which Secretary Brown repeated Presidential veto statement. On 9/7/95 Senate Governmental Affairs Committee marked up S. 929 and ordered it reported by a vote of 5 to 3.

Basis for opposition: Commerce Department is working effectively to promote economic growth.

21. **Legal Aid Act of 1995:** (A. Briatico, x57887)
House bill (HR 2277) to abolish the Legal Services Corporation and replace it with a block grant program was marked up by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/95. Justice and White House Counsel sent a letter to the Committee "vigorously opposing" the bill. The New York Times reported on 9/13/95 and 9/14/95 that the Clinton Administration/President would veto the bill. (The Times did not provide an information source regarding the veto threat.) The Administration has not taken a formal position on a related Senate bill, (S 958) which would also abolish the LSC. Basis for opposition: Eliminating the LSC would result in the loss of effective, community-based legal services for millions of poor and low-income individuals.

- *22. **Federal Aviation Administration Revitalization Act of 1995.:**
(J. Brown, x53473)
House bill (HR 2276). HR 2276 was ordered reported by House Transport. Cte. On November 1. In separate letters dated October 31 to the Committee, the Departments of Transportation and Justice stated that they would recommend veto of H.R. 2276. Basis for opposition: Bill removes FAA from the Department of Transportation and establishes it as an independent establishment in the Executive branch, eroding accountability and creating Constitutional concerns; structure of proposed governing board poses constitutional concerns; removes Airport and Airways Trust Fund from the Budget -- inconsistent with unified budget. Senate bill (S. 1239) was introduced on September 13 by Sen. McCain.

NATIONAL SECURITY & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS:

101. **National Security:** (A. Rooney, x57300)
House passed HR 7 on February 16th (241-181) (star wars was deleted on the Floor but many objectionable provisions remain which would infringe upon the authority of the President to respond to international crises and conflicts; remove UN peacekeeping as an option for burdensharing; establish an unnecessary Nat'l Security Commission; and mandate policies on NATO membership). (HR 872 was amended on the House floor and passed as HR 7) On 4/7/95, POTUS said that he would refuse to approve the peacekeeping legislation passed by the House. SAP (Feb. 13th)-- State, Defense, and the U.S. Ambassador to the UN would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: Infringes on President's constitutional authorities as Commander in Chief; and virtually eliminates U.S. participation in UN peacekeeping efforts.

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Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) began hearings on March 21st on S 5, Peacekeeping Powers Act (introduced by Dole) and HR 7. Aspects of S 5 were considered on May 17th as part of the SFRC markup of Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation proposal (S 908) and deleted from the bill as reported. State advises that peacekeeping may be considered separately by the Committee at a later date.

102. Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation:

(A. Rooney, x57300)

House passed HR 1561 on June 8th (222 - 192). On September 27th, the H. International Relations Cmt. voted (21-12) to include, by reference, the House passed consolidation provisions of HR 1561 in its recommendation for Reconciliation. On May 23rd, the President expressed serious concerns regarding congressional legislation that would "place new restrictions on how America conducts its foreign policy and slash our budget in foreign affairs." Further, the President advised that if HR 1561 passed in its present form, he would veto it. SAP (May 22nd) -- State, DOD, Treasury, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of HR 1561. In an October 18th letter to Chairman Kasich, OMB reiterated the Administration's serious objections to the foreign affairs consolidation provisions (Division A of H.R. 1561) contained in the House International Relations reconciliation language. Basis for opposition: Imposes numerous, far-reaching restrictions on the conduct of American foreign policy; inappropriately consolidates three foreign affairs agencies (AID; ACDA; USIA) into a "super" State Department; and significantly reduces appropriation authorizations for international affairs programs.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) ordered reported Senator Helms' foreign relations authorization and consolidation proposal (S 908) on May 17th by a vote of 10-8. On June 7th, SFRC ordered reported Senator Helms' Foreign Aid Reduction Act (S 961) by a vote of 10-8. On July 26th, the President stated that S. 908 "would undermine the President's authority to conduct our nation's foreign policy and deny us the resources we need to lead in the world." (The statement also cited S. 961 as contributing to the "dangerous and shortsighted" cuts in the international affairs budget.) The President concluded that he would veto this legislation in its present form. On August 1st, the Senate failed twice to invoke cloture on S. 908 on identical votes of 55-45. On September 29th, a unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for Senate consideration of S. 908 (i.e., 4 hours of debate on the bill and an Helms-Kerry to be agreed-upon "managers' amendment"). SAP (June 28th) -- State, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID,

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USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of S 908. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill. SAP on S. 961 (July 27th) -- State, Defense, U.S. Ambassador to the UN, and AID would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: unwise restrictions on Presidential authority, congressional micro-management, and inadequate appropriations authorizations. Further Senate consideration of S. 961 is uncertain.

103. **National Defense Authorization Act:** (R. Nassif, x57896)
House passed HR 1530 (300-126) on June 15th. Sec. Perry, in a June 20th letter to Sen. Thurmond, stated that "[m]any of the provisions . . . are totally unacceptable. Unless they are eliminated or radically modified, they threaten the prospects for the bill itself." SAP on HR 1530 (6/13/95)--strongly opposes. Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, personnel, and management concerns.

Senate passed S 1026, the companion bill, on September 6th (64-34). The National Security Adviser, in an August 4th letter to Sen. Daschle, stated that "unless the unacceptable missile defense provisions are deleted or revised and other changes are made to the bill . . . the President's advisors will recommend that he veto the bill." SAP on S 1026 (7/31/95)--"The President will not support the bill unless these concerns are addressed." Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, and management concerns.

Conferees met in closed session on September 28th, but did not complete action; it is not clear when this conference will conclude.

104. **Jerusalem Embassy:** (A. Rooney, x57300)
On October 24th, the Senate and House passed S 1322, an amended version of the S770/HR 1595, by votes of 93-5 and 374-37, respectively. Following congressional approval of S. 1322, the White House Press Office announced that the bill would become law without the President's signature. S 770/HR 1595 would require the United States to move its embassy to Jerusalem. On June 20th, Secretary Christopher sent a letter to Senator Dole and Speaker Gingrich stating that he would recommend a veto of the legislation. Basis for opposition: Potentially very damaging to the success of the Middle East peace process and infringes on the President's constitutional prerogatives in foreign policy.

105. **Bosnia:** (A. Rooney, x57300)
On August 11th, the President vetoed S. 21. Congressional action to override the President's veto is unlikely at this time. In July 25th letters to Senators Dole and Daschle,

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the President expressed strong opposition to S. 21, the Bosnia and Herzegovina Self-Defense Act. The President concluded that he would veto any resolution or bill that "may require the United States to lift unilaterally the arms embargo." A similar provision was added to H.R. 1561 during House consideration. (See above for status of H.R. 1561).

The Senate passed S. 21, by 69-29 on July 26th and the House, by a vote of 298 to 128, passed and cleared the bill for the President on August 1st. Basis for opposition: Undermine efforts to achieve a negotiated settlement in Bosnia and could lead to an escalation of the conflict there, including the possible Americanization of the conflict.

106. Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act:

(A. Rooney, x57300)

House passed H.R. 927 by vote of 294-130 on September 21st. Sec. Christopher letter (9/20) to Speaker prior to House floor action stating that he would recommend a veto of H.R. 927 because it "would damage prospects for a peaceful transition in Cuba and jeopardize a number of U.S. interests around the world." SAP on H.R. 927 (9/20/95) -- President's senior advisors would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: Would not advance U.S. interests in Cuba and would damage other U.S. interests.

The Senate passed H.R. 927, as amended, by a vote of 74-24 on October 19th. After two failed attempts to invoke cloture, the Dole/Helms substitute was amended to delete Title III, which would have allowed a private right of action for Cuban-Americans whose property had been confiscated by the Cuban government. SAP on H.R. 927 (10/11/95) -- President's senior advisors would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: Would not advance U.S. interests in Cuba and would damage other U.S. interests.

NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY & SCIENCE

201. Farm Bill: (A. Perkins, x53857)

Traditionally a 5-year measure, this legislation will reauthorize a slew of farm, nutrition, rural development, and other USDA programs. The Administration's Farm Bill guidance assumes savings in farm programs of \$4.2 billion over 7 years. Most action on farm programs currently involves reconciliation, with instructions requiring cuts of \$13.4 billion over 7 years. In the House, serious divisions between Republicans prevented the Agriculture Committee from approving reconciliation legislation. Chairman Roberts was unable to convince some southern Republicans to support his "Freedom to Farm" proposal (HR 2195) to decouple farm payments from production levels and increase planting flexibility. However, the House Rules

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Committee included the Roberts' bill in its rule for reconciliation and the House passed it (HR 2491) on October 26th by 227-203. In an October 18th letter to Chairman Kasich and an October 23rd letter to Chairman Domenici, OMB expressed the Administration's serious concern with the deep level of cuts proposed for Agriculture by the reconciliation instructions. The letter to Kasich also noted "serious concerns with the House Republican leadership's 'Freedom to Farm' proposal to reach the savings target, particularly its effect on the federal safety net for family-sized farms."

In the Senate, the Agriculture Committee passed Chairman Lugar's mark on 9/28/95 by a 9-8-1, with Sen. Santorum (R-PA) voting present. (Santorum had previously opposed the mark because it protected sugar and peanut programs from significant budget cuts).

202. Clean Water Amendments of 1995: (H. Fitter, x53233)

House passed HR 961 on May 16th, by a vote of 240-185. The bill would ease, overhaul, or revoke a number of current law's anti-pollution requirements, allow States to continue to rely on voluntary measures to deal with certain water pollution problems, and restrict the ability of Federal agencies to declare wetlands off limits to development. On May 30, 1995, POTUS stated that the House-passed bill "will not get past my desk." SAP, sent on May 9, 1995, contained multiple agency veto threat (OMB, Justice, EPA, Interior). Basis for opposition: The bill would reduce water quality protection; eliminate fundamental wetlands protections; create enormous new costs (the bill includes a "mandatory compensation" takings provision similar to that contained in HR 925); fail to address effectively non-point source pollution; and paralyze the Federal Government's ability to issue regulations and guidance to protect the Nation's waters. Senate Environment Chairman Chafee has indicated that Clean Water Act reauthorization is not one of his top priorities.

203. Endangered Species: (M. Goad, x57301)

At July 13th and 20th oversight hearings before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, the Departments of Commerce and the Interior testified on the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Committee may hold additional oversight hearings. On 10/26/95, Sen. Kempthorne (R-ID) introduced legislation to revise the ESA. The bill would direct the manner in which Interior manages endangered species, end automatic protection for certain subspecies, and redefine endangered species as those likely to become extinct within 40 years. CEQ advises that Sen. Reid (D-NV) may also introduce a bill to reauthorize the ESA.

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On May 25th, the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior testified before the House Endangered Species Task Force on possible changes to the ESA. The bill would: (1) provide financial compensation for use or takings of private property under ESA; (2) modify ESA enforcement, conservation management, and listing procedures; (3) redefine the role and authorities of other Federal agencies; (4) curtail habitat protection activities; and (5) prescribe State authority to protect endangered species.

At the September 20th House Resources Committee hearing on HR 2275, the Task Force bill, the Department of the Interior (Frampton) advised that "the Secretary of the Interior would recommend that the President veto the bill if it is presented to him in its current form." Justice (Fois), in an 10/12/95 report to Rep. Young, advised that "[i]f H.R. 2275 were presented to the President, the Attorney General would recommend that he veto the bill". On October 12th, the House Resources Committee ordered H.R. 2275, as amended, reported (27-17). In a 10/18/95 letter to Chairman Kasich, OMB expressed the Administration's strong objection to language in the House reconciliation bill that would exempt a broad list of agency actions from ESA requirements.

(On 10/26/95, the House passed its reconciliation bill by a vote of 227-203.) Basis for opposition: would undermine the scientific foundation of the Endangered Species Act; would impose costly, bureaucratic processes; would unfairly compensate certain property owners if regulatory actions taken under the ESA cause a decrease of 20 percent or more in the fair market value of any portion of the landowner's property; depart from 200 years of constitutional jurisprudence; prevent enforcement of national and international wildlife laws; and would provide virtually no protection for wildlife.

204. Safe Drinking Water: (H. Fitter, x53233)

Reauthorization of the 1974 law designed to keep contaminants out of the nation's water supply. State and local officials want a State revolving loan fund for water supply projects and relief from testing requirements. House Commerce Committee staff is working on legislation. Senate. S. 1316, the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1995 (Kempthorne) was introduced on 10/12/95. The Environment and Public Works Committee ordered the bill reported on 10/19/95. EPA Administrator Browner generally supports the bill which would: capitalize State Revolving Funds, increase flexibility in standard setting and monitoring, and provide technical assistance to small systems.

205. Interstate Waste: (H. Fitter, x53233)

Senate passed S 534 on May 16th, by a vote of 94-6. S. 534 would give states more power to restrict both intra and interstate garbage dumping. House Commerce subcommittee

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marked up an unnumbered subcommittee print on May 18, 1995.
Timing of full Committee action is uncertain.

***206. Superfund Reform:** (H. Fitter, x53233)

The taxes which fund the hazardous waste clean-up program expire at the end of 1995. There is support among some Republicans to scale back retroactive liability (which would shift much of the costs to the government). Senate Environment Subcommittee Chair Bob Smith introduced S. 1285, the accelerated Cleanup and Environmental Restoration Act of 1995 on 9/29/95. EPA Administrator Browner issued a statement on 9/29/95 saying that the Smith proposal would delay cleanup and fail to promote complete cleanup. A 10/12/95 hearing on S. 1285 was abruptly cancelled due to Sen. Majority Leader Dole's opposition to a key provision authorizing a 50 percent tax credit to companies that expeditiously cleanup their share of a superfund site. The future of Superfund legislation in the Senate is unclear.

House On October 18, 1995, Congressmen Oxley introduced H.R. 2500, Reform of Superfund Act of 1995. At a October 26, 1995 House Commerce Subcommittee hearing EPA, Justice, Defense, HHS (ATSDR), and Commerce (NOAA) testified in opposition to the bill. EPA stated that H.R. 2500 would not: protect human health and the environment, complete cleanups faster and at lower cost, reduce litigation, reform the liability scheme, or appropriately involve the community in decisionmaking. House Commerce Subcommittee on Commerce Trade, and Hazardous Materials began markup of H.R. 2500 on 11/1/95.

207. Mining Law: (C. Crutchfield, x53857)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has postponed indefinitely its markup of legislation (S 506) on hardrock mining on Federal lands, but included similar provisions in its 9/21/95 markup of reconciliation legislation. In a 9/20/95 letter to Chairman Murkowski, Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with the mining law provisions proposed for reconciliation. (The Secretary had previously indicated in a 5/25/95 letter on S 506 that he would recommend a veto of S 506.) In a 10/18/95 letter to Rep. Kasich and a 10/23/95 letter to Sen. Domenici, OMB expressed the Administration's concern that the House and Senate reconciliation provisions to reform the 1872 hardrock mining law would, in fact, leave it largely intact. Basis for opposition: S 506 does not provide for meaningful reform.

It would (1) grant rights to purchase valuable Federal mineral lands at bargain-basement prices; (2) deprive Federal land managers of authority to protect the environment; and (3) result in little or no return to Federal taxpayers for use of publicly-owned mineral deposits. Justice also strongly opposed S 506 in a 6/12/95 letter because it would increase litigation over public liability

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for cleanup. The House Resources Committee included in its 9/19/95 reconciliation markup a number of provisions similar to S. 506 on mining patents, royalties, and maintenance fees.

Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with these provisions in a 9/19/95 letter to Chairman Young.

208. Utah Wilderness: (C. Crutchfield, x53857)

House Resources Committee on 8/2/95 ordered reported HR 1745, designating certain Federal lands in Utah as wilderness. Interior testified 6/29/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of HR 1745. Basis for opposition: The bill would (1) fail to designate enough land as wilderness; (2) open up for development too much land currently protected as wilderness study areas; and (3) allow road construction and other activities that are incompatible with wilderness designation. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has begun consideration of identical legislation (S 884) introduced by Sens. Hatch and Bennett.

Interior testified on 7/13/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of S 884. Basis for opposition: Same as House.

209. Livestock Grazing: (C. Crutchfield, x53857)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee reported S 852 on 7/28/95, but further action on the bill is on hold until the bill's sponsor (Domenici, R-NM) can forge a compromise that can pass the Senate. Interior hopes the delay will give time for its new grazing regulations, which took effect on August 21st, to become more firmly established. However, some Western Democrats would like to reach a legislative compromise to make the issue go away. Interior strongly opposed S 852 in testimony before the Senate on 6/22/95, and USDA Forest Service objected in a 7/18/95 letter to provisions in the reported bill that apply to National Forest System lands. Basis for opposition: S 852 would (1) establish grazing as a dominant use for public lands over recreation, wildlife protection, and other concerns; (2) limit public involvement in the management of public lands; and (3) restrict land managers ability to enforce environmental and other applicable statutes.

The House Resources Committee included a number of provisions similar to S 852 in its 9/19/95 reconciliation markup. Secretary Babbitt cited serious concerns with these provisions in a 9/19/95 letter to Chairman Young. In an October 18th letter to Chairman Kasich, OMB stated that the Congress should not "use the budget process in an effort to stop the (grazing) reforms" as proposed in the House Resources reconciliation language. (On 10/26/95, the House passed its reconciliation bill by a vote of 227-203.) If these provisions are dropped by the reconciliation conferees, the Committee is expected to consider stand-alone

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legislation (HR 1713) that was approved in subcommittee on 9/12/95. Interior opposed HR 1713 in 7/11/95 testimony.

210. **Transfer BLM Lands to States:** (C. Crutchfield, x53857)
Interior testified before the House National Parks Subcommittee on 8/01/95 that the Secretary would recommend veto of HR 2032. Basis for opposition: HR 2032 would "transfer tremendous national assets and revenues to a small number of fortunate States. The bill is fiscally irresponsible and would squander much of our national heritage." No bill introduced in the Senate.
211. **Arctic National Wildlife Refuge:** (M. Goad, x57301)
On 08/01/95, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee held an oversight hearing on oil and gas exploration on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Interior Secretary Babbitt, in a statement presented before the Committee, stated that he would "recommend to the President that he veto any legislation" that would allow for such activity in the Refuge. On 08/03/95, Secretary Babbitt reiterated the veto threat before the House Committee on Resources. In a 09/19/95 letter to Rep. Young and a 09/20/95 letter to Sen. Murkowski, Secretary Babbitt stated restated his "intent to recommend to the President that he veto legislation opening the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil and gas development" and advised that he "would also recommend to the President that he veto a reconciliation bill containing any such provision."
In 09/21/95 letters to Reps. Young and Miller and Sens. Murkowski and Johnston, OMB Director Rivlin stated that, if the reconciliation bill "includes language to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) to oil and gas drilling, [the President] will veto the bill."
In a 10/18/95 letter to Rep. Kasich and a 10/23/95 letter to Sen. Domenici, OMB advised that "the President will veto any reconciliation bill that opens ANWR to oil and gas drilling." Basis for opposition: Such legislation would allow industrial development in, thus placing at risk the wildlife resources of, the only area along on the Alaskan arctic coast that is dedicated to the protection of wildlife and wilderness resources.
212. **Reg Reform/Risk Assessment:** (H. Fitter, x53233)
House passed HR 1022, Risk Benefit and Cost Benefit Act of 1995 on February 28th (286-141), requiring Federal agencies to perform highly detailed analyses of the risks that proposed health, safety and environmental regulations seek to address. SAP sent to the House on February 27, 1995, strongly oppose HR 1022. Basis for opposition: HR 1022 would impose overly broad, prescriptive, and costly analytical requirements on the regulatory process, encourage

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excessive litigation, and supersede the substantive requirements of many existing health, safety, and environmental laws (i.e., the so-called supermandate). Senate - Senate Floor action on S 343 began on 6/28. A 7/17/95 cloture vote failed (48-46); a second cloture vote on 7/18/95 also failed (53-47); a third cloture vote failed (58-40) on 7/20/95. A SAP was transmitted on 7/10/95: veto threat by Secretaries of Labor, Agriculture, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Transportation, the Treasury, and the Interior, the Administrator of EPA, and the Director of OMB. In addition, in a 6/23/95 letter to Senators Dole and Daschle, OMB OIRA Administrator Katzen stated "we continue to have serious concerns with S 343, and I would recommend that the President veto it if it were presented to him in its current form." Basis for opposition: Would impair rather than improve the regulatory process by generating additional costs, paperwork, litigation, and delay.

213. Private Property Rights/Takings: (M. Goad, x57301)

On March 3rd, the House passed HR 925 (277-148), subsequently incorporated the bill into HR 9, and then passed HR 9 (277-141). HR 925 would require certain Federal agencies to compensate financially landowners if regulatory actions (taken under Endangered Species Act, and wetlands, farm, and water rights laws) cause a decrease of at least 20 percent in the fair market value of any portion of the landowners' properties. The agencies would be required to offer to purchase the property if the regulatory action causes a decrease of more than 50 percent in the property's value.

SAP on HR 925--strongly oppose (3/1/95). On April 7th, POTUS said, "I will also veto the House-passed requirement that government pay property owners billions of dollars every time we act to defend our national heritage of seashores or wetlands or open spaces." Basis for opposition: Undermines Federal authority to protect the general welfare; expands the traditional concept of Fifth Amendment "takings"; creates new direct spending; and imposes an unlimited fiscal burden in the form of an arbitrary, automatic compensation requirement for reductions in property values that are attributable to Federal actions.

The Senate Judiciary Committee held an April 6th hearing on S 605 (Dole/ Hatch). (S 605 has a 33 percent threshold, and would apply to all Federal agencies.) In testimony presented at the hearing, Justice threatened veto. In separate letters sent to Sen. Hatch in May and June, Agriculture, Army-Civil Works, Defense, EPA, GSA, HHS, Interior, Justice, Transportation, and Treasury advised that they would recommend veto. In a June 7th letter to Sens. Hatch, Biden, Dole, and Daschle, OMB Director Rivlin advised that, due to the significant increase in Federal spending

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that would result if S 605 were enacted, she would recommend veto. Interior, in an October 18th statement presented before the Judiciary Committee, reiterated the multiple agency veto threat. The Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee held a June 27th hearing at which Interior and Justice advised that they would recommend veto of S 605 and HR 925. In an additional EPW hearing on July 12th, EPA, Army (Corps), and OMB advised that they would recommend a veto of S.605 or similar legislation. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill.

- 214. Science Authorizations:** (J. Weinberg, x53457)
House passed HR 2405, the Omnibus Civilian Science Authorization Act, on October 12th by a vote of 248-161. SAP sent on October 11th: veto threat by Secretaries of Commerce and Energy, EPA Administrator, OMB Director, and Science Adviser. Basis for opposition: Unacceptably deep reductions in and terminations of Federal investments in science and technology. Senate action on an omnibus bill appears unlikely.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- * **301. Welfare Reform:** (M. Haskins, x53923)
HR 4 SAP, 3/21/95 said oppose, but in a 4/13/95 CNN interview, POTUS said "I'd be happy to veto". Basis for opposition: denial of cash benefits to unwed parents under age 18; funding cuts to Food Stamp and other nutrition programs; funding cuts and removal of Federal oversight of State child protection systems; inadequate resources and requirements for States to move people from welfare to work; and inadequate resources for States in times of recession.
House passed H.R. 4 on March 23 (234-199) which would replace current welfare programs with 5 block grants to States (cash welfare; child welfare; child care; school meals; family nutrition). House SAP opposed H.R. 4 because it would: fail to reform welfare by moving people from welfare to work; reduce Federal funding in ways that would impair the health and nutrition of children and families; and is not tough enough on parents who owe child support, and too tough on innocent children.
Senate Finance Committee reported its version of H.R. 4 on June 9. The bill would block grant AFDC; impose a five-year time limit on benefits; tighten eligibility for SSI; and strengthen child support enforcement. HHS cited concerns with the bill in a May 24 letter to the Committee. On August 3, 1995, Senator Dole introduced S. 1120, a "perfecting amendment." S. 1120 is based on the S. Finance Committee's H.R. 4, but also includes provisions: reauthorizing the Child Care Development Block Grant; consolidating training programs (based on S. 143, Kassebaum's Workforce Development

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Act); and allowing States the option of receiving their Food Stamp revenue in the form of a block grant

Senate incorporated the text of S. 1120, as amended, into H.R. 4, and passed it on September 19 (87-12). Senate SAP opposed S. 1120 and supported S. 1117, the Democratic leadership alternative. On September 19, the President signaled support for the Senate-passed H.R. 4. He stated, "If welfare reform remains a bipartisan effort to promote work, protect children and collect child support from people who ought to pay it, we will have welfare reform this year, and it will be a great thing...But, if the Congress gives in to extremist pressure and walks away from this bipartisan American common ground, they will kill welfare reform."

House and Senate conferees have been named. On October 18th, Director Rivlin sent a letter to the House and Senate leadership and the welfare reform conferees stating the Administration's views on the the House- and Senate-passed bills.

Conference Committee began meeting Tuesday, October 24. On October 26, HHS Secretary Shalala and SSA Commissioner Chater sent their agencies' views letters on the House- and Senate- passed welfare reform bills to the House and Senate leadership and to the welfare reform conferees.

***302. Social Security Earnings Test:** (M. Cook, x53924)

House--A proposed increase in earnings limit from \$11,280 to \$30,000 (over 5 years) was included in HR 1215, which passed on April 5, (246-188). On January 9, 1995, Social Security Commissioner Chater testified that the "Administration would support, in principle, a moderate increase in the retirement earnings test exempt amount for beneficiaries who have reached the age of 65", as long as the costs of the increase were fully offset. When pressed to define "moderate", the Commissioner used \$1,000 as an example of a possible moderate increase. Both the House and Senate have expressed their intention to pass legislation by the end of 1995 that would increase the retirement earnings test exempt amount.

303. Davis-Bacon Repeal: (A. Briatico, x57887)

H.R. 500 and S. 141 would repeal the Davis-Bacon Act of 1931.

The act requires Federal contractors working on jobs valued at more than \$2000 to pay their workers the "local prevailing wage," which is often the union rate. A House Economic & Education Opportunities Subcommittee referred H.R. 500 to full committee on March 2. Senate Labor & Human Resources Committee reported S. 141 on May 12. A provision to repeal Davis-Bacon coverage of Federal Highway projects was dropped from S. 440, the National Highway bill (see entry above).

S.1120 (Work Opportunity Act of 1995) would modify Davis-Bacon labor standards protections for tenants of public housing. The Administration's SAP on S.1120 (dated

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August 5, 1995) recommended deleting this provision from the bill and indicated that Davis-Bacon reform would be the appropriate avenue for making changes Davis-Bacon requirements. (The text of S. 1120 passed the Senate as H.R. 4.) Basis for opposition: repeal of Davis-Bacon requirements would depress workers' wages. President quoted on 4/6/95 as saying he would veto S. 141; Reich letter -- would recommend veto 3/18/95. (Also Reich letter and Senate SAP on S. 440 stated Labor would recommend veto.

304. Service Contract Repeal Act: (A. Briatico, x57887)

Press reported that VP indicated on 2/20/95 that President would veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: repeal of Service Contract Act would depress workers' wages. HR 246 was marked up by a House EEO subcommittee on 3/03/95.

305. Minimum Wage Increase: (A. Briatico, x57887)

On 2/13/95, President transmitted to Congress a proposal to raise the minimum wage in two 45 cent steps -- raising the rate to \$4.70 per hour on July 4, 1995 and to \$5.15 per hour on July 4, 1996. President's proposal introduced as S. 413 and H.R. 940. Senator Kassebaum indicated on April 21 that the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee will hold hearings on increasing the minimum wage. No date has been set.

306. Striker Replacement: (B. Pellicci, x54871)

On 3/8/95, President issued an Executive Order to deny Federal contracts to employers that permanently replace striking workers. H.R. 1176 and S. 603 would nullify the Executive Order. The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee reported H.R. 1176 on June 27. The House-passed Labor/HHS Appropriations bill (H.R. 2127) contains a provision prohibiting the use of funds to enforce the President's Executive Order as does the Senate version of the bill, which is awaiting floor action.

307. Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act: (B. Pellicci, x54871)

HR 743 and S295. (SAP on 9/27/95 stated that if H.R. 743 were presented to the President, the Secretary of Labor would recommend that it be vetoed. Reich letter: recommend veto, 3/6/95, 6/21/95, and 9/26/95; 9/26/95 letter noted that the President stated before the UAW on June 12th, that he would veto any effort to weaken section 8 (a)(2) of the National Labor Relations Act; press reported that VP said on 02/20/95 that President would veto such legislation.)

Basis for opposition: would allow employers to establish company unions where no union currently exists or alternative, company-dominated organizations where employees are in the process of determining whether to be

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represented by a labor organization. On 9/27/95, the House passed HR 743 by a vote of 221-202. No action has been taken to date on S295.

308. Social Security Solvency: (M. Cook, x53924)

The "Strengthening Social Security Act of 1995" (S. 825), one of the "Simpson/Kerrey" bills, is designed to secure the long-term solvency of the Social Security program. It would: (1) accelerate the currently scheduled increase of the normal retirement age; (2) limit COLAs to certain Social Security beneficiaries; (3) adjust, for a limited period, Social Security COLA estimates based on CPI; (4) modify the formula for determining the primary insurance amount (the basic monthly benefit payable to a worker) to make it more progressive; (5) allow future beneficiaries to divert up to 2 percentage points of their payroll taxes to place in their own personal investment plan; (6) reduce gradually spousal benefits starting in 2000; (7) redirect revenue obtained through the taxation of Social Security benefits from the HI Trust Fund to the OASDI Trust Fund; and (8) invest a portion of the OASDI Trust Fund assets in a stock fund index. On June 27, 1995, a Senate Finance Subcommittee held a hearing on the solvency of the Social Security system. To date, the Administration has not taken a position on S. 825. No comparable bill has been introduced in the House.

309. Employment, Training, and Retraining: (C. Bowers, x53803)

Both the Senate and House have acted on bills that would consolidate numerous Federal education and job training programs grants for youth development and career preparation, adult training, adult education and literacy, and vocational rehabilitation. These bills differ significantly from the President's proposal to restructure education and job training programs (the G.I. Bill for America's Workers), and they reduce substantially Federal resources for these functions. House passed H.R. 1617 (The Consolidated and Reformed Education, Employment and Rehabilitation Systems, or 'CAREERS' Act) on September 19, 1995 (345-79). It incorporates the text of H.R. 1720 (Privatization Act of 1995), which was reported by the House EEO Committee on June 22, 1995. H.R. 1720 would privatize Sallie Mae and Connie Lee and eliminate numerous higher education programs. The Administration proposes to privatize these GSEs and eliminate the higher education programs, but its privatization initiatives differ in certain respects from H.R. 1720. A September 19, 1995, Statement of Administration Policy stated that the Administration supports H.R. 1617 for purposes of House passage, but will work to address significant concerns.

Basis for Concerns: inadequate authority to continue the

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current School-to-Work Opportunities Act, restrictions on governors in the use of vocational rehabilitation service delivery systems, insufficient funding, failure to provide sub-State allocation formulas to target funds to those most in need, and shortcomings in the authorities to privatize the higher education GSEs. Senate passed S. 143 (Workforce Development Act) on October 11, 1995 (95-2). The provisions of S. 143 were at one time incorporated in large part into S. 1120, the Republican leadership welfare reform bill. The August 5th Statement of Administration Policy on S. 1120 expressed concerns with a variety of these provisions and stated that the inclusion of the provisions in S. 1120 was "inappropriate". In a September 12th letter to the Senate, Secretary Reich cited serious concerns with the bill. An amendment was adopted by the Senate to delete the job training provisions from S. 1120. SAP on S. 143 sent to Senate on October 10, 1995. It stated that the Administration supports S. 143 for the purpose of Senate passage (and it enumerates key features the Administration supports), but has significant concerns it will work to address during conference. Basis for Concerns: insufficient empowerment of adult trainees through Skill Grants, insufficient funding, inadequate accountability for Federal funds -- including an unwieldy new bureaucratic structure that may pose Appointments Clause problems, downsizing and elimination of Jobs Corps as a national program, and elimination of Trade Adjustment Assistance retraining services.

310. Food Stamps - Block Grant: (M. Haskins, x53923)
Sec. Glickman stated before S. Ag. Cte., 5/23/95, that he strongly opposes block granting food stamps and that the President has indicated his intention to veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: would jeopardize the health and nutrition of low-income families.
Any changes made to the Food Stamp program are expected to be done within the context of Welfare Reform (H.R. 4). The Senate-passed version of H.R. 4 provides States the option of receiving their Food Stamp revenue as a block grant. House-passed HR 4 (the welfare reform bill) and HR 1997 (the food and nutrition title of the Farm Bill), as approved by a H. Agriculture Subcommittee on 7/11/95, do not contain provisions that would block grant Food Stamps. According to USDA, the Full H. Agriculture Committee is expected to take up HR 1997 in September.
311. OSHA Reform: (C. Bowers, x53803)
The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, held a hearing June 28, 1995, on H.R. 1834 (Ballenger), the "Safety and Health Improvement and Regulatory Reform Act of 1995." Labor testified against H.R. 1834. Basis for Opposition: Would

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redirect funding away from enforcement activities, jeopardize the health and safety of American workers by weakening enforcement and regulatory authority, and particularly threaten miners by revising Federal mine safety and enforcement. On July 12, 1995, Secretary Reich held a press conference on the House appropriation subcommittee actions affecting the Department of Labor. In response to a question, Secretary Reich stated that he "will strongly recommend a veto of the Ballenger bill . . . [which] amounts to a wrecking ball rather than reform." H.R. 1834 is pending in the subcommittee.

HEALTH & PERSONNEL

***401. Federal Retirement Reform Act:** (M. Cook, x53924)

HR 1215 and HR 1185 both include Federal retirement reform provisions. The Administration's position on such reforms has been articulated in the President's 4/5/95 letter on HR 1215 to Speaker Gingrich and in OMB's 3/15/95 letter on HR 1185 to Speaker Gingrich. Basis for opposition: Reduces retirement benefits of Federal employees to finance a tax cut for the wealthy.

On 3/15/95, the full H. Government Reform and Oversight Committee began consideration of HR 1185. It, however, recessed before taking action on the bill. NOTE: Title IV of HR 1215, as passed by the House on 4/5/95 (246-188), contains provisions similar to those of HR 1185. To date, the Senate has taken no action on a stand-alone retirement bill. On June 19, 1995, however, the FBI and DEA testified before a S. Governmental Affairs subcommittee opposing changes in retirement benefits for Federal employees. Modifications to Federal retirement programs have been included in both the House and Senate reconciliation bills.

MAJOR LEGISLATION ENACTED

- Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (PL 104-4). President signed 3/22/95.
- Defense Supplemental Appropriations (PL 104-6). President signed 4/10/95.
- Permanently Extend the Tax Deductibility for Health Insurance Costs for Self-Employed Individuals (PL 104-7). President signed 4/11/95.
- HR 1345, DC Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995 (PL 104-8). President signed 4/17/95.
- Paperwork Reduction (PL 104-13). President signed 5/22/95.
- Medicare SELECT (PL 104-18). President signed 7/7/95.
- Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Additional Disaster Assistance, for Anti-terrorism Initiatives, for Assistance in

the Recovery from the Tragedy that Occurred at Oklahoma City,
and Rescissions Act, 1995 (PL 104-19). President signed 7/27/95.

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CREATOR: Michael J. Discenza, Jr (Michael J. Discenza, Jr (DISCENZA_M) [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-JAN-1996 21:59:00.00

SUBJECT: Ira Magaziner meeting on possible trade initiative

TO: Gordon Adams (Gordon Adams (ADAMS_G) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Michael Casella (Michael Casella (CASELLA_M) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: V. Allan Villabroza (V. Allan Villabroza (VILLABROZA_V) [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:

In attendance: Magaziner (WH), Lader (SBA), Kamarck (Exim), Barreta

(Treasury),

Barum ? (Commerce), Frame (TDA), Brainard (NEC), as well as several others

I did

not know from State, OPIC, and Treasury.

Magaziner laid out 3 issues/problems he sees, based on months of

interviews with

exporters and bankers:

1.) Shortage of trade finance & pre-export/working capital finance -

especially

for small/med business (90% of the discussion was on this):

* "with world imports expected to grow 15% every year for the next decade, the US must examine all possible ways for US exporters to maintain (and for small/med size firms, even increase) their share of this business - these are high paying jobs - this may be the only way to non-inflationary GNP growth"

* why isn't the market providing this? 'perceived high risk' and 'administrative costs too high', 'process not standardized'

* Exim and SBA are doing some of this lending, but they feel there is huge and surging demand for this sector that they cannot meet as currently structured (i.e. analyzing every single transaction, etc.)

* look at GSEs/Fannie Mae/Sallie Mae as transitional model (this is something I've been thinking about) - USG encourages a secondary market and participates in some risk sharing; perhaps use credit scoring models; actuarial/statistical perspective vs. transaction by transaction - would reduce admin costs - I don't think the GSEs are under credit reform at all, either

* if you can standardize it, you can securitize it, then you (the

private market) can trade it - but what are the proper incentives and how do you deal with the sunk cost of standardization?

- * Magaziner - currently Exim is 'giving away \$200-\$300M in subsidy per year in interest differentials to commercial banks - maybe use this in a different way"

- * Magaziner kept using European banks/export credit agencies as an example, but there are structural differences, especially that those economies

are much more dependent on trade as a % of GNP than the US

- * plan to meet in the coming weeks with senior people from big, mid and small commercial banks/investment banks to bounce these ideas around and try to get at specific steps the USG might take

2.) Tied Aid (especially on large projects in places like China and Indonesia):

- * anecdotally, the Chinese and Indonesians are 'unhappy' with Exim's policy of only matching tied aid, rather than initiating

- * the group will try to answer two questions:

a) Are US exporters really losing potential sales because of this policy?

b) If so, are we willing to provide more of these subsidies? (Obviously, this would be a very expensive use of Exim's budget)

3.) Evidence of increased European/Japanese use of 'untied' aid:

- * Where the US philosophy on aid has traditionally been that of a 'giveaway,' the Europeans and Japanese are expanding their use of 'untied aid' - providing concessional financing to exporters not necessarily (but often) from the country extending the financing.

- * Alternatively, countries provide funds to do feasibility studies or develop standards, that effectively ensure award of the follow-on contract to exporters in their country.

- * In the context of OECD tied aid negotiations, there are very subtle differences between official tied and untied aid. Details are very sketchy on these points, but all seemed to agree this is an effective, if expensive, practice (i.e. several billion \$ from Japan alone).

Magaziner's plan over the next six weeks is to thoroughly study these issues to inform a joint NEC-NSC report with recommendations to the President. Depending

on the outcome, a few major trade initiatives could be included in the

FY97

Budget.

We should probably stay on top of this. I'll talk with Magaziner's office

to

ensure that OMB is invited to as many of these meetings as possible.===== ATTACHMENT 1

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CREATOR: Michael Casella (Michael Casella (CASELLA_M)
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CC: V. Allan Villabroza (V. Allan Villabroza (VILLABROZA_V) [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:
The Magaziner meeting sounds really interesting and, at least regarding
the

first item you reported, to have made a real effort to go beyond the
traditional

"spend more on export financing" question to look at structural
questions. I

have a few preliminary thoughts:

1) The idea of significantly changing the nature of U.S. export
financing,
possibly through creating secondary market mechanisms like Fannie Mae or
Sallie
Mae, is intriguing. A few possible pros and cons:

Pros -

a) The approach would almost certainly be more efficient, and lead to more risk sharing and more market based behavior, than Eximbank does now. In fact, if it were structured like Fannie Mae, this would finally allow (force?) Eximbank to act more like a bank by putting it in a much more truly commercial environment.

b) This would provide a hard-to-object-to way to reduce Eximbank's subsidy dependence, by forcing it to conduct transactions on a more market-oriented basis (assuming that .

Cons -

a) The standardization that we are talking about runs exactly opposite to what Eximbank has been telling us for the past few years: that more and more of their business is going in the direction of project or other "boutique" type lending, which would not lend itself to this.

b) It's not clear how you would apply credit reform to this. To

some

extent, it depends on how the risk sharing is done. If there is

significant

risk sharing, then it might be possible to base subsidies at least partly

on the

creditworthiness of the institution doing the lending, rather than solely

on the

borrower, and base your subsidy largely on the record that the lending

institution had built up regarding its due diligence and other lending

practices. If this were possible, it might be more of a pro than a con,

since

it would shift the case by case analysis to the private sector, who is

probably

better at doing it anyway. Again, the place this would be most difficult

would

be for unique non-sovereign transactions, which would make it impossible

to

achieve the standardization you're looking for.

c) One thing to keep in mind is that the other programs you

mentioned are

(I think) all entitlement programs, and going to a Sallie Mae type

secondary

market approach would make it much harder, if not impossible, to press for

the
case by case additionality analyses that we've asked for (admittedly
without
much success) in the past. Of course, if we buy the argument of most of
the
rest of this Admin. that for small business, there is inherent
additionality,
based on the assumption of across the board market failure, and if we
restricted
this approach to smaller businesses, which it sounds like was the
direction of
the discussion, than this problem goes away.

2) The discussion of tied aid sounds exactly the same as it did a
year and
a half ago. As far as I'm concerned, the fact that the Chinese and
Indonesians
are complaining about our non-initiation policy is a sign that it's
working,
since they are masters at playing the western donors/exporters against
each
other in order to get the best deal possible. I'll bet that it will be
hard to
come up with real examples of places where Eximbank aggressively matched a
tied
aid offer, where the U.S. bid was otherwise very competitive, and where
the U.S.

still lost the bid just because we failed to initiate. In fact, the anecdotal evidence in the past was that, where we matched, we more likely won because the initial U.S. bids were usually made without an assumption of tied aid and therefore often were more competitive than those of their European competitors, who assumed the tied aid up front.

Of course, some exporters might be arguing that tied aid should be used in order to make their bids competitive where they otherwise would not be. This would be the opening shot in a new tied aid war, and, as you correctly point out, would have huge implications for Eximbank's budget (in fact, for 150 generally, since Eximbank's budget won't be nearly enough to fund a full-blown tied aid war).

3) Exporters have been citing untied aid as the new "bogeyman" ever since their tied aid argument has become harder to make (due largely to the OECD arrangement, which does not get enough credit for its success), as well as to the tied aid matching policy which, despite our and Treasury's initial dubiousness, I think Exim deserves a lot of credit for using judiciously.

The

problem on untied aid is that everyone, including me, agrees that there's probably some truth to the charges that untied aid is sometimes used as an underhanded way to promote exports, but I also think that the private sector (and, at least under Brody, Eximbank) has exaggerated its use and effectiveness.

One point you made that is very true is that untied aid is an expensive way to promote exports, probably more than tied aid, since untied aid at best only tilts the playing field, rather than ensuring an export for the aid giver. This is an area where I think we would all agree that more research needs to be done, but it would probably be a mistake to rush into a major policy initiative based on the existing level of evidence.

Let me know if you want to discuss any of this.===== ATTACHMENT 1

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CREATOR: Patricia A. Smith (Patricia A. Smith (Office of Mgmt and Budget, HRD) [UNKNOWN])

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SUBJECT: a-11

TO: FAX (FAX (94010220,William Graham) [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kim H. Burke (Kim H. Burke [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Attached is Lisa's request for my input.

On one hand, I feel bad about not trying to improve things. On the other hand, I feel like the odd man out. ED spends hours trying to resolve endless error messages in the financing acct. so that at the last minute they can be suppressed. There is no way I can see from reading a-11 to understand how to "classify" FFEL or DL data, particularly in the financing accts, except for trial and error. [Aside from that it is a great system.] And what William had to go thru to stuff SLMA into max this year was ridiculous.

The unfortunate thing is that we crash around at the last minute stuffing that data into max and being terrorized by error messages that eventually get suppressed without having time to look at what the numbers mean or whether we have boo-boos that common sense would tell us if we had time to read them.

All this boils down to -- is it worth trying to have a concerted credit input as opposed to isolated ones of us commenting and

being ignored?

ATTACHED MESSAGES

To: Mary Cassell, Patricia A. Smith, Leslie S. mustain, S.

Aromie Noe, Janet Looney, Kathy Stack, Naomi M. Tinklepaugh, Lisa A. Sales

From: Lisa B. Fairhall (Office of Mgmt and Budget, HRD)

Date: 03/28/96 11:35am

Subject: ideas for revisions to A-11

Any ideas? Everything is fair game here -- so if you had any problems interpreting or implementing A-11, this is your chance to get it straightened out for next year. Pat -- anything particularly (or even a little) irksome about the credit instructions? All contributions are welcome.

The drill is, we come up with ideas, and send them down to the 6th floor. They may or may not include them in the package they circulate for comment. We then get to raise our proposals again, in addition to commenting on other recommendations. Our comments may or may not get taken, and then they come out with a revised A-11 that may or may not be better than this year's.

So, take every opportunity to improve it, please.

Kathy -- could you coordinate for the branch, and also ask Therese and Susan Weiner if they have any suggestions? In the past, we don't get their input until so late in the process that it has

little effect. Getting their comments, and incorporating them into our own, if we agree, would be nice.

Thanks.

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To: David E. Tornquist, Larry R. Matlack, Gary L. Bennethum, Jack D. Fellows, Richard A. Mertens, Timothy B. Hill, Richard J. Turman, Keith J. Fontenot, Louisa Koch, Edward Brigham, Francis S. Redburn, Harry G. Meyers, David J. Haun, Mark E. Miller, Toni S. Hustead, Robert B. Rideout, Lisa B. Fairhall, Rodney G. Bent, Bruce K. Sasser, Bryan R. Smith, Robert S. Dotson, David Morrison, Robert S. Fairweather, Bruce D. Beard, Mark A. Weatherly, Wendy B. Zenker, Jefferson B. Hill, John F. Morrall, III, Bruce W. McConnell, Katherine K. Wallman, John B. Arthur, Kenneth S. Apfel, Teresa L. Collins, Robert E. Barker, G. Edward DeSeve, Sarah G. Horrigan, James J. Jukes, John A. Koskinen, Bernard H. Martin, Bruce W. McConnell, LaVonne D. Sampson, Arthur W. Stigile, Phebe N. Vickers

CC: Edward M. Rea, Beverly B. Thierwechter

From: Gail S. Zimmerman (Office of Mgmt and Budget, BRCD)

Date: 03/27/96 05:23pm

Subject: Annual Revision of OMB Circular No. A-11

We are beginning the annual update of OMB Circular No. A-11 and are interested in your recommendations for revising and improving the Circular.

Please provide any recommendations for inclusion in the annual update no later than MONDAY, APRIL 15, 1996. The proposals should include concise, specific descriptions of any suggested changes and the reasons for them. Where significant revisions of, or additions to, existing text are proposed, please provide the revised text in word perfect format. Minor revisions can be marked on existing A-11 pages.

It is critical that agencies have sufficient lead time to revise their automated systems to reflect A-11 changes and to issue their own internal instructions. To meet these needs, the Circular was published about a month earlier than usual last year. This year, because of the delayed submission of the 1997 Budget, the A-11 revision process is beginning about a month later than usual. It is imperative that the deadline for comments is met so that we can publish on an expedited basis again this year. As a result, any suggestions received after April 15th may not receive full consideration until next year's revision.

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SUBJECT: Exim fyi

TO: Rodney G. Bent (Rodney G. Bent (BENT_R) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Jozelyn R. Davis (Jozelyn R. Davis (DAVIS_J) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Michael Casella (Michael Casella (CASELLA_M) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: V. Allan Villabroza (V. Allan Villabroza (VILLABROZA_V) [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:

Exim had their first meeting with the new Advisory Group today. This is a

group

that meets quarterly with Exim senior management. It is composed of

people from

the private sector (representing finance, small business, environment,

labor,

etc.) - membership changes every few years.

The new incarnation is chaired by Paula Stern, former chairwoman of ITC,

and has

other notable members: 2 former Congressmen (James Bilbray, D-Nev and the

Administration's pointman on reinventing government in the 103rd Congress;

and

Jim Courter, R-NJ and former chairman of the Base Closure and Realignment

Commission from 1991-1994); Richard Feinberg, NSC 1993-4 and ex-State and

Treasury; and Gareth Chang, President of Hughes International.

Perhaps most interesting is Charles Atkins from Morgan Stanley - he has
conducted feasibility studies of Sallie Mae's privatization, and today
expressed
interest in studying Eximbank privatization. Apparently this subject got
a fair

amount of discussion - unfortunately nobody told me about the meeting.===== ATTACHMENT
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Subj: Exim fyi

To: Rodney G. Bent (BENT_R)

CC: V. Allan Villabroza (VILLABROZA_V)
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CREATOR: Kim H. Burke (Kim H. Burke (BURKE_K)
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SUBJECT: LRM 4641-Sallie Mae privatization

TO: Constance J. Bowers (Constance J. Bowers (BOWERS_C) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Arthur W. Stigile (Arthur W. Stigile (STIGILE_A) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Patricia A. Smith (Patricia A. Smith (SMITH_P) [UNKNOWN])
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CC: Winifred Y. Chang (Winifred Y. Chang (CHANG_W) [UNKNOWN])
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TEXT:
Title VI (Sallie Mae privatization): No comment.

Note to Connie: I have spoken with Pat Smith. We agree that this
is virtually the same as the last time around, only with dates
certain for the actual SLMA sunset (good). Good luck getting this
piece through the political barbed wire in the whole CAREERS bill!

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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September 20, 1996

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE PORTLAND AREA

Lownsdale Square
Portland, Oregon

10:10 A.M. PDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Good morning, Portland. (Applause.) Mayor Katz, Congresswoman Furse, Tom Bruggere, Darlene Hooley, Mike Dugan. Thank you all for being here with us Madame Mayor and Congresswoman Furse, thank you for making us feel so welcome in Portland again. Maybe I come back here so often because I like it. (Applause.) I must say, I have to hand it to the Vice President. I didn't think anyone could keep a secret in Washington. Al Gore cut a book deal with a book full of secrets. It never leaked. Now he's telling it all, and he wrote the book under his own name.

Al Gore is doing for the federal government what he did for the Macarena. (Applause.) He is removing all the unnecessary steps. (Laughter.) Now, he's got some funny names here. He calls for performance-based organizations -- that's sort of a boring title. I think we ought to scrap that title and substitute something more exciting, like "Trailblazers." Would you like that? (Applause.)

I want to thank Tipper Gore and the First Lady, too, for some things they've already talked about. You know, we've worked very hard to improve the health care of the American people. That's a big part of moving into the 21st century, to immunize more children, to increase medical research, to speed the movement of drugs to market. In only four years, we've more than doubled the life expectancy of people with HIV -- in only four years we've more than doubled the life expectancy of people with HIV and AIDS in just four years, as an example. (Applause.)

Finally, we got the Congress to pass the Kennedy-Kassebaum bill that says to 25 million Americans, you can't lose your health insurance or have it taken away anymore just because someone in your family gets sick or because you change jobs. (Applause.)

And yesterday we had three big victories. Congress did, as Hillary said, answer our call to tell the insurance companies that newborns and their mothers deserve at least 48 hours in the hospital. They can't be kicked out eight hours after delivery anymore. (Applause.)

Congress responded to the work that Tipper Gore has been doing for years and years and years, in a bipartisan fashion that also included Senator Domenici from New Mexico in saying that it is time to ensure that people who need treatment for mental illness get the treatment they need also and without discrimination. (Applause.)

And finally, I want to say a special word of thanks to the work that the Congress did in our continuing efforts to be fair to veterans and their families who have served us in foreign theatres and may have been exposed to dangerous chemicals when they provided health benefits to veterans whose children are born with spina bifida. Those were three great things to do for America yesterday and I thank the

Congress for doing it. (Applause.)

I'm happy to back in Portland. I'll never forget what I saw here last spring when I visited during the floods -- the true spirit of America, the pioneering spirit is alive and well in Oregon. But I was glad to hear the Mayor remind me that you have ten bridges here, and in Oregon you want to build a bridge to the 21st century. (Applause.)

In 1992, the people of Oregon supported the Vice President and me when we came here and asked you to help us to put people first and to change the direction of our country, to put America on the right track and to change the way government works, to make sure that when we enter the 21st century, as I look out at this sea of people, that every one of you will enter a century with the American Dream alive and well for every person who is willing to work for it, that we will enter a century in which America is coming together and embracing its diversity, not being torn apart by it as so many other nations are all around the world -- (applause) -- and that we would not run away from our responsibilities to be the strongest force for peace and freedom and security in the world.

The best days of this country are still ahead of us if we build the right bridge to 21st century. Now, in this election season, you will hear a lot of rhetoric back and forth and maybe a lot of characterizations of people's motives. I've tried to stay away from that. I don't want to demean anybody. I want this to be an election season of ideas, not insults. I want to ask, what are we going to do, not who can we blame. (Applause.) How are we going to build this country and move it together.

But I must say, there are some facts that you can't get around. It is a fact that we have 10.5 million new jobs, the lowest unemployment rate in seven and a half years, almost 4.5 million new home owners, the deficit going down for all four years of an administration for the first time since before the Civil War in the 1840s, a record number of exports, record small businesses. On October 1st ten million hard-working Americans will get an increase in their minimum wage. (Applause.)

Every small business in the country has been made eligible for a tax cut when they buy health insurance or if they invest more money in their business to hire more people and grow and help America grow. The welfare rolls are down by 1.8 million. Child support collections are up by 40 percent -- \$3 billion. (Applause.)

The drinking water is safer. The air is purer. Our food standards are much higher. As the Vice President said, just in the last week we have reached an agreement to restore the salmon on the Columbia River -- (applause) -- and an agreement to protect the old growth forest in Oregon and Washington. (Applause.)

Just a couple of days ago I was honored to proclaim a 1.7-million-acre national monument, the Grand Staircase-Escalante Monument in southern Utah. We are moving this country in the right

direction. (Applause.)

And now we have to continue to build that bridge to the future, a bridge where there is opportunity for all, starting with the best education for every single American. We ought to be lifting our teachers and our students up, not running our teachers down, as some are doing in this election season. (Applause.)

I ask you to join me in helping every classroom to be connected to the Information Superhighway by the year 2000. If every classroom is tied into the Internet and the World Wide Web, we can make sure for the first time in history that every child in America, in the poorest rural district, in the most devastated economic areas of the country, in isolated inner-city districts, in middle-class and wealthy districts -- that altogether, at the same time, have access to the same information in the same way. It's never happened before. Will you help us make it happen in the future? (Applause.)

I ask you to help me in opening the doors of college education to all Americans who want to go. (Applause.) In the past four years, we passed the AmeriCorps program and 50,000 young Americans have built communities like Portland and earned their way through college.

We've revolutionized the Student Loan Program to lower the cost and improve the repayment terms so that anybody could borrow the money and know they wouldn't go broke trying to pay it back. (Applause.) But now we have to do more. I propose to make a college education universal by doing three things. Number one, saying you can save in an IRA for years and years, and then withdraw from that IRA tax-free if you're using it to pay for a college education or a health emergency, or buying a first home. (Applause.)

Number two, saying we're going to make a community college education, at least two years of education after high school, just as common and universal in four years as a high school diploma is today. We need that to start the new century. (Applause.) And here's how we're going to do it. We're going to say to Americans, if you want to go to community college for two years, all you have to do is work hard, make your grades. You can take off your taxes, dollar for dollar, the tuition cost at the typical community college in the United States. (Applause.)

And, number three, we want to say to all students of whatever age in whatever college in America, undergraduate and graduate, you ought to be able to deduct from your taxes the cost of college tuition up to \$10,000 a year. (Applause.)

I want to build a bridge to the 21st century that keeps this economy going strong. That means we have to pay for those tax cuts and the tax cuts for child-rearing, and for buying and selling your home in the context of a balanced budget that continues to invest in education, in the environment, in research, in technology, and protects our obligations through Medicare and Medicaid. We can do that if you

will help us build that bridge to the 21st century. (Applause.)

The crime rate has come down for four years in a row, the juvenile crime rate is starting to drop, the juvenile murder rate has come way down. We are moving in the right direction, but I want to keep going. I want to rebuff those in the Congress who are trying to stop us from putting 100,000 police on the street; we're halfway home -- I want to finish the job. (Applause.)

I want to see us -- we passed the Brady Bill. Now, we ought to extend the Brady Bill. Sixty thousand felons, fugitives and stalkers have not gotten handguns because of the Brady Bill. I think we ought to extend it to people who beat up their spouses and their children. They shouldn't have handguns, either. (Applause.)

I want to build a bridge to the 21st century where we have a stronger American community. I am very proud that the first bill I signed after becoming President was the Family and Medical Leave Law. Over the strong opposition of the leaders of the other party, we passed it. They said it would hurt the economy. They said it would weaken business. They said it would burden small business.

Well, four years later, we have 10.5 million new jobs, record numbers of new small businesses, record numbers of new businesses owned by women and minorities, and 12 million families have taken advantage of the Family and Medical Leave law, to have a child born, to tend to a sick parent, a sick child, a sick spouse. I'm telling you, we're stronger because we did that. (Applause.) And I want to see us expand that.

I believe we ought to expand the Family and Medical Leave Law to say that parents should be able to go see their children's teachers on a regular basis and be able to take their kids and their folks to the doctor without losing their jobs. It won't hurt the economy, we'll have a stronger economy when people can care for their family members. (Applause.)

And, finally, we have a lot of work to do in the environment to build the strong American community. Let me just mention one thing. We have 10 million children still living within four miles of a toxic waste site, even though we've cleaned up more of them in three years than were cleaned up in the 12 years before we took office. If you will give us four more years, we'll clean up 500 more, so we can say our children are growing up next to parks not poison. Will you help us build that bridge to the 21st century? (Applause.)

Now, let me tell you the reason we decided to do this reinventing government announcement here is because Oregon and particularly the city of Portland have led the way in proving you can have a government that actually works for people, that inspires confidence, that gets results.

When we took office, the deficit was \$290 billion a year and going higher. We had the slowest job growth rate since the Great

Depression. You have cheered for the achievements of the administration. You have cheered for the things we want to do. We cannot do these things, and we could not have achieved what has been done in the last four years had it not been for the leadership of the Vice President and our determination to give you a government that costs less and does more. That's what reinventing government does. It makes it possible for us to do the other things that you have cheered for, that you are working for here today. (Applause.)

And so I say to you, this book the Vice President gives me today is a book that Americans ought to be interested in. It says we're bringing common sense to government. In everything from hiring people to buying things, we've eliminated double talk and bureaucracy.

Do you know when I became President, if you wanted to buy -- if a government agency wanted to buy a \$4 stapler, they had to do \$50 worth of paper work. Now we can buy a \$4 stapler for \$4. That's \$46 we can spend on Head Start programs, on environmental protection, on investing in medical research. (Applause.)

The second thing we're doing is serving people better. We have ended the era when people could run for office, desperate to be in government, by just bad-mouthing government. A lot of our friends on the other side have amazed me; they bad-mouth and bad-mouth and bad-mouth the government, but they can't bear to live outside of it.

We have proved that you can make government work. One woman from Sacramento was so overwhelmed by the fast and friendly service she got from the Social Security office she wrote to tell us it left her -- and I quote -- "dazed and confused." (Applause.) She could not believe that her government would do anything that well.

Well, we're doing a lot of things that well. The direct student loan program cuts the cost of college loans, but improves the repayment terms; says you can only be required to pay it back as a percentage of your income. So go on and borrow the money and go to college and give yourself a better life.

The SBA loan program, which has helped us to start a record number of small businesses, has been cut down to one page. And we have dramatically increased loans to women and minority business owners without undermining the quality. We've proved that we can diversify educational opportunities and economic opportunities and achieve excellence in both.

At the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Henry Cisneros has managed to cut about \$1,000 off the closing costs for the average first-time home buyers and, in a time of budget cuts, to initiate programs that decrease homelessness in communities all across America. We can make this government work for you and we're determined to do it. (Applause.)

Wherever they have been willing to do it, we've used businesses as partners. After all, what we want is cleaner air, cleaner

water, safer food. We don't want punishment. If government and business can work as partners, we want to do it.

And we want to be partners with communities. That's what Oregon is all about. Let me tell you, as you think about welfare reform, the partnership that the United States has had with Oregon and with the city of Portland can be a model for how we can make welfare reform work. I signed that bill because it has a new bargain for people on welfare. It says, we'll continue to have a national guarantee for health care, for nutrition for children. If you go to work, we'll spend more than ever on child care. But we're going to give the money that used to be in the welfare check to the states so they can develop community-based systems, not only to give income to people but to move able-bodied people into the work force.

The only way that can be done is if there is a community-based system where people are committed to going out and challenging employers and saying, okay, we'll give you some help to do it, but you've been cussing the welfare system all these years, now hire these people, give them a job. We'll support them with child care and education. That has to happen in the communities of America, and we trust Portland to do it. We trust Oregon to do it. You can lead America's way in doing it. (Applause.)

So, yes, reinventing government means doing more efficient things --

So yes, Reinventing Government means doing more efficient things. It means doing better things. It means doing with less. It also means improvements in Medicare and Medicaid, in our educational programs, in our support for small business, in our environmental protection. It means improvements in our national parks -- not selling them off -- and it means help in emergencies.

I want to say that one of my proudest achievements as President is reforming the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It had become such a disaster itself that Congress even considered abolishing it. But as Portland, as Oregon, as Washington State saw during the flood -- as California saw in earthquakes and fires and floods -- as we saw in Middle West where they had a 500 year flood and in the hurricanes along the eastern coasts of America, we have an Emergency Management Agency today that works with people on the ground and helps people and helps communities to rebuild their lives. (Applause.) That is something that is worth fighting for.

So, I want to ask you to support us in this effort. I want you to know that when we balance the budget in 2002, we're still going to be spending more money on education and research and protecting the environment. So we're going to have to have a smaller and more productive government. We're going to have to privatize organizations that can now work better in the private sector, like Sallie Mae. We've got the Direct Student Loan Program. They need to be able to do some

other things as well.

We want hundreds of organizations to become performance-based, to be trailblazers in increasing productivity and making their customers happy. I don't want people to be dazed and confused if they're well-served by the government, like that lady in Sacramento was.

Let me give you one example -- very important in Oregon and every state with a high-tech base. We want the patent office to become performance-based. Today when an inventor applies for a patent, it takes almost 600 days for the inventor to get it. When we get done, we'll be able to give them those patents in 60 days -- one-tenth of the time. (Applause.) That means more progress for America, more new jobs, more advances in high technology.

And finally, we want to use technology to open government to people more. Today, I want to announce that the White House Home Page, which many of you have already used on the Internet -- see that sign "Portland wants Socks" -- even my cat has a place on our home page. (Laughter.) Now, we're going to make it a one-stop gateway to government service. From now on, you can use the home page at the White House to apply for a passport, ask about veterans' benefits, even to buy postage stamps. Transactions, forms, information -- it's all there. And it won't be like waiting in a line. There are no lines on-line.

This is an example of what we can do to save money, serve you better, and free up money not only to balance the budget but to invest in our children's future.

If you want to build a bridge to the 21st century with a strong economy, good schools, safe streets, a clean environment, healthy children, successful families and communities. You must join us in this commitment to say we can make our government work for all the people. Will you help us build that bridge in the next six weeks and four days? (Applause.)

Thank you and God bless you all. (Applause.)

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1997

HOT ISSUES

Inflation-Indexed Securities Auction

Balanced Budget Amendment

MicroCredit Summit

Presidents Budget

G-7 Finance Ministers Meeting

Airport and Airway Trust Fund

KEY NEWS

Inflation-Indexed Securities: On January 29, the first auction of
inflation-indexed notes was held and widely oversubscribed. With \$35
billion in bids, Treasury sold \$7.3 billion 10-year inflation-indexed

notes at 3.449 percent. In the coming weeks, Treasury staff will be briefing the House Ways & Means and Senate Finance Committee staffs, and the marketing presentations will continue.

Balanced Budget Amendment Testimony: On February 3, Secretary Rubin will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on the Balanced Budget Amendment. During the week of January 26, he met with Senator Landrieu, Senator Torricelli, Senator Johnson, and Senator Cleland regarding the Balanced Budget Amendment.

Microcredit: From February 2 through 4, a Non-Governmental Organization-arranged "Microcredit Summit" will take place in Washington. On February 3, the First Lady is an honorary co-chair and will address to the conference. Secretary Rubin and AID Administrator Atwood will also address the conference that morning. Also on February 3, Secretary Rubin will chair a round table of finance ministers and representatives of multilateral development banks to discuss their perspectives on microenterprise lending. Other participants will include the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, the Presidents of Mali and Uganda, the Queen of Spain, World Bank President Wolfensohn, members of the U.S. Congress, representatives of UN agencies, bankers, businessmen, and microfinance practitioners from around the world. A total attendance of about 2000 is expected. The purpose of the conference is to share experiences in the area of microenterprise development, and to discuss ways of meeting the Summit's goal of providing microfinance to 100 million of the world's poorest families by the year 2005.

Presidents Budget: During this past week and next week, Secretary Rubin is meeting with various Congressional leaders on the budget, including Senator Roth, Minority Leader Gephardt, and Rep. Kasich. Secretary Rubin is scheduled to appear before the Senate Budget Committee on February 10, the House Ways and Means Committee on February 11, and the Senate Finance Committee on February 12.

G-7 Finance Ministerial: On February 8, G-7 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors will meet in Berlin. In addition to reviewing the global economy, topics will include European Monetary Union, IMF and World Bank issues, and preparations for the June Denver Summit on G-7 efforts to increase the stability of financial markets. Russia will also be discussed, but Russian officials will not be in attendance.

Airport and Airway Trust Fund: On February 4, the Senate Finance Committee will hold a hearing on Airport and Airway Trust Fund taxes. Assistant Secretary Lubick will be presenting the views of the Treasury Department on the measures necessary to assure the continued solvency of the fund through this summer. Treasury supports reinstatement of the recently-expired aviation excise taxes in order to keep the fund solvent.

Buy-out Plans: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) received approval of its buy-out plan by OMB and is currently accepting buy-out requests. Approximately 2,200 applications have been received. However, not all of them are expected to be approved. It is too early to provide an accurate estimate of the total number that will be granted, but the buy-outs may

lessen the number of involuntary separations planned under the upcoming IRSs Reduction In Workforce. Also, four other Treasury offices and bureaus have plans that are being considered.

Privatization: On January 24, the Sallie Mae Board of Directors formally approved the Sallie Mae privatization plan. Sallie Mae management expects the shareholders will vote for privatization at their meeting in May. During this transition, Treasury will continue its oversight of the Sallie Mae.

Financial Modernization: On January 27, Secretary Rubin met with House Banking Committee Chairman Leach to discuss Treasurys financial modernization proposal. Chairman Leach stressed his strong support for preserving the current prohibition against combining commerce and banking.

On January 27, Secretary Rubin, Deputy Secretary Summers, Under Secretary Hawke and Assistant Secretary Carnell met with John Hilley to discuss the legislative prospects of the financial modernization proposal. Also during the week of January 20, Under Secretary Hawke and Assistant Secretary Carnell met with Senator Paul Sarbanes staff to give them an update on our on-going financial modernization project. Senator Sarbanes staff made clear that they would oppose any financial modernization effort, and also made clear that any provisions to provide a merger of commerce and banking are unacceptable. Treasury staff will continue to resolve the open issues in the financial modernization proposal.

Under Secretary Shafer: On January 28, Secretary Rubin awarded Jeffrey Shafer Treasurys highest honor, the Alexander Hamilton Award, for his four

years of distinguished service as Assistant Secretary and Under Secretary for International Affairs and for his more than thirty years of public service. Under Secretary Shafer will leave the Treasury on January 31.

His work on the Mexican support program, his advocacy for NAFTA and leadership in the creation of the NADBank, and his work for financial services liberalization, stronger links with emerging markets, and reform of the international financial institutions have been critical elements of Treasurys support for the President's international economic agenda.

WORK ON PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES

Collecting Delinquent Child Support: As part of the implementation of Executive Order 13019, the joint Health and Human Services - Treasury implementation team is contacting each state this week to determine their interest in participating in the offset program. The calls are intended to identify the states that are ready to participate initially and to assess what concerns states may have about participation.

District of Columbia (DC): Treasury continues to work with OMB on draft legislation including: 1) language to permit Treasury to provide intermediate term financing of the Districts accumulated deficit; 2) provisions establishing a DC economic development corporation, and 3) a new law permitting the IRS to collect personal income taxes for DC residents.

White House Commission on Aviation and Security: On January 27 and 28, Under Secretary Kelly and the other members of the White House Commission

on Aviation Safety and Security met to discuss final recommendations for improvements in airline and airport operations that affect the safety and security of air travel. It is anticipated that the Commissioners will issue its final recommendations and report in mid-February.

Federal Firearms Licensing: Secretary Rubin sent a report to the President on two elements of the Administration strategy to suppress illegal gun availability: 1) strengthening the licensing requirements for Federal Firearms Licensees (FFLs); and 2) increasing law enforcement efforts against gun traffickers. In less than three years, the number of FFLs has fallen by more than half, from 236,500 in 1993 to 124,286 -- a 56% reduction.

Church Fires: The Congress of National Black Churches, with the help of private charity, launched a three-year, \$12 million dollar plan to rebuild burned churches and prevent arson. The initiative will be implemented in thirteen southern states where fifty churches will be rebuilt.

Administration Gang/Gun Legislation: Treasury and Justice Department staff are meeting to develop of an Administration proposal for gang and gun legislation.

CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Speaker Gingrich: On January 24, Deputy Secretary Summers briefed Speaker

Gingrich regarding the upcoming World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland which Deputy Secretary Summers will attend and which runs from January 29 through February 2. The Forum brings together public and private leaders for a dialogue on key economic, business, political and social issues. In the context of their discussions, the Speaker raised a number of issues including the Administrations trade agenda, the prospects for fast track authority, and the possibility of a free trade agreement with Europe, which he noted that he supports. Other topics he raised included Africa, possible mechanisms to promote Israeli-Palestinian joint ventures, and the enterprise funds in Eastern Europe. During the discussion, the Speaker made clear that passing our legislative agenda for the MDBs and IMF would be very hard and will require the Administration making it a top priority.

Crane Paper: On February 4, Rep. Kennedy will meet with Treasury officials on his concerns about the proposed open bidding for the paper that is used by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) to print currency. For over 100 years, the Crane Company of Dalton, MA exclusively has provided the paper to BEP. Many Members of the Massachusetts delegation have written Secretary Rubin about this issue. Deputy Secretary Summers will be calling Senator Kennedy on this matter.

IMF: On January 29, Budget Chairman Kasich, Reps. Royce and Andrews and a consortium of consumer advocacy group representatives, including Ralph Nader, held a press conference at which they attacked corporate welfare programs. Among those programs are the IMF and Enhance Structural Adjustment Facility. Rep. Kasich noted that he would oppose these programs through the appropriations and authorizing committees.

Function 150 Account: On January 22, Treasury officials met with State Department officials to devise a strategy for securing adequate funding for the Function 150 Account - the appropriations for international financial institutions. Among others things, Treasury and State Department officials plan to: 1) meet weekly for the next couple of months; 2) make efforts to conduct joint briefings for Members of Congress; 3) coordinate public outreach; and 4) address the issue in conjunction with U.N. arrears.

New Arrangements to Borrow (NAB): On January 27, the IMF Executive Board Meeting adopted the draft text of the IMF's NAB initiative. On January 28, Treasury staff briefed Senate Banking Committee staff on the boards approval of NAB.

Financial Crime: On Friday, January 31, Treasury staff including FinCEN, IRS, Customs and Secret Service officials will meet with Rep. Velazquez staff to brief them on financial crimes enforcement. The Congresswoman plans to introduce anti-money laundering legislation this year.

Anti-Counterfeiting: On February 13, Treasury staff, including Secret Service and Bureau of Printing and Engraving officials, will brief freshmen Members of the House Banking Committee on anti-counterfeiting measures.

Budget Scoring: On January 17, the Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) held a symposium, Modeling the Macroeconomic Consequences of Tax Policy, at

which a number of nationally recognized economic modelers presented their results in simulating the economic effects of several major tax reform proposals. The models represented a broad cross-section of the types of models used in government, the private sector, and academia over the past several decades. The JCT's efforts were not intended to quantify the impact of the tax reforms on the economy, but to identify issues important for integrating macroeconomic effects into revenue estimates and differences in modeling approaches on the economic effects predicted by the models. A panel of reviewers, including former CBO Director Robert Reishauer and former Chair of the Council of Economic Advisors Michael Boskin, recognized that the models would need very substantial improvement (perhaps taking many years) and that, in their current form, could at best provide only qualitative information on the likely impact of tax reform on the economy. Most of the modelers and reviewers indicated that the models could not, in their current form, be directly integrated into revenue estimates.

Roth-Breaux IRA legislation: On January 22, Senators Roth and Breaux reintroduced a bill to expand tax-deductible contributions to individual retirement accounts (IRAs) and penalty-free withdrawals. The Senate Republican tax cut package, the "American Family Tax Relief Act," includes similar easing of the IRA rules.

Tax-Exempt Financing for Professional Sports Facilities and Section 501(c)(3) Organizations: In 1986, Congress amended the tax-exempt bond rules to disallow the use of private activity bond proceeds for professional sports facilities. On January 21, Senator Moynihan

reintroduced legislation that would prohibit issuance of public-purpose bonds as well for such facilities. First introduced in the last Congress, Senator Moynihan stated that the measure was designed to stop public funding of "bidding wars among cities" offering an increasing array of incentives to professional sports teams to relocate. This proposal also serves as a revenue offset for a provision that would remove the \$150 million limit on the amount of bonds that Section 501(c)(3) organizations, e.g., private colleges and universities, may have outstanding at any time.

PRESS ACTIVITY

Economic Policy: On January 28, Deputy Secretary Summers spoke with Tom Friedman of The New York Times on international economic engagement, and he spoke with Paul Blustein of The Washington Post on the IMF's ESAF and NAB being on Rep. Kasich's "corporate welfare" list.

International: On January 25, Deputy Secretary Summers spoke with Tom Plate, a columnist for The Los Angeles Times on the Japanese economy.

Domestic Finance: On January 29, Deputy Secretary Summers spoke to Clay Chandler of The Washington Post on the President's education tax credits.

On January 23, Under Secretary Hawke met with Ron Brownstein of The Los Angeles Times to discuss financial modernization and the Community Reinvestment Act. Treasury staff worked with Greg Zuckerman of The Wall Street Journal for a story on foreign ownership of U.S. securities. On January 23, Deputy Secretary Summers did an interview with The Nightly Business Report. Also, he spoke with Anne Willette of USA Today and with

Peter Passell of The New York Times on inflation-indexed securities. On January 24, Deputy Secretary Summers spoke to Al Crenshaw of The Washington Post regarding inflation-indexed securities. On January 28, Deputy Secretary Summers did a live interview with CNN Today.

Enforcement: On January 27, Assistant Secretary Johnson was interviewed live on MSNBC regarding church arson task force where he highlighted the interim report submitted to the President earlier this month. Also, Assistant Secretary Johnson taped an interview with Hearst Broadcasting on the report and investigation. The story will run on stations in Baltimore, Boston, Dayton, Milwaukee, and Pittsburgh, and on New England Cable News. On January 29, Under Secretary Kelly held a press roundtable on the Federal Firearms Licensing report.

SECRETARYS SCHEDULE

The Week in Review:

Monday, January 27

Interviewed by Mike McNamee of Business Week magazine regarding general economic issues

Met with the Vietnamese Finance Minister Hung

Met with Rep. Leach regarding banking and financial modernization issues

Met with USAID Director Atwood

Met with John Hilley regarding financial modernization

Tuesday, January 28

Met with Sir Leon Brittan of the European Union

Met with Senator Landrieu regarding the balanced budget amendment

Wednesday, January 29

Met with separately Rep. Kolbe and Senator Campbell regarding Treasury appropriations

Met with Senator Johnson regarding the balanced budget amendment

Met with Rep. Gephardt regarding budget issues

Met with Secretary Albright

Met with Chairman Greenspan

Thursday, January 30

Participated in a press roundtable with the First Lady and Atwood re Micro Enterprise Awards

Addressed at the MicroEnterprise Awards ceremony.

Met separately with Senator Roth and Rep. Gephardt regarding budget issues

Met with Senator Cleland regarding the balanced budget amendment

Friday, January 31

No external meetings scheduled at this time

The Week Ahead:

Monday, February 3

Address the MicroCredit Summit

Chair a roundtable discussion with other Finance Ministers as part of the

MicroCredit Summit

Testify before the House Judiciary Committee regarding the Balanced Budget

Amendment

Tuesday, February 4

Attend the Senate Democratic Caucus Luncheon

Meet with Rep. Archer regarding the Balanced Budget Amendment

Meet with Rep. Kaisch regarding budget issues

Attend a reception of the Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee

Attend the Presidents State of the Union address

Wednesday, February 5

Meet with Gene Sperling and members of the Business Roundtable

Meet with Mr. Ochi, member of the Japanese Diet

Thursday, February 6

Meet with Chairman Greenspan

Hold a pre G-7 Finance Ministers meeting press conference

Attend House Democratic Caucus Retreat

Participate in meetings with the Vice President and Russian Prime Minister

Chernomyrdin

Friday, February 7

Depart for Berlin

Saturday, February 8

Attend the G-7 Finance Ministers meeting in Berlin