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Location: Department of State
Time: Open (11am-2pm) Duration is 30 minutes.
Participants: Secretary Albright will be out of country
Children from McKinney House, an AIDS housing project in D.C.
Washington local childrens choir
Precious Thomas
Notes: 10/26-Graham has requested that VPOTUS and MEG host the program. The program planning is on hold until they hear from us-keeping the time flexible.

10/30-Spoke to MB about preliminary plan. Conference call scheduled for today to finalize. Spoke to Sue Wolitsky (647-8156) at DOS regarding flexibility of event.

10/31-MB vetting with PD.

UN Ambassador

Bill Richardson

- APC on Board

- Foundation for Children Affected by AIDS on Board

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

WORLD AIDS DAY 1997

Children Living in a World with AIDS

1:00 -2:00 pm

Loy Henderson Conference Room

Reception to follow in the Delegates' Lounge

U.S. Department of State

World AIDS Day is a day for commemoration and education. It is a time to recognize those who are struggling against HIV/AIDS and those who have lost their fight with the disease. It is a time to recognize how we are fighting the disease, who is fighting, and how we can do more. For the foreign affairs community, *World AIDS Day* is a time not only to reflect on efforts within the borders of the United States, but what we are attempting and accomplishing around the globe. We have partnered with organizations from the HIV/AIDS community to bridge the gap between the foreign and domestic efforts. In this way, we have a chance to educate each other about our respective activities toward a common goal. Internally, the messages will go far to educate and sensitize a workforce that represents the United States Government overseas, in every country, on this important issue.

Participating organizations are:

U.S. Department of State

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

U.S. Information Agency (USIA)

Whitman-Walker Clinic, Inc. is the largest provider of HIV/AIDS services in the Washington metropolitan area, touching the lives of two out of three persons living with HIV/AIDS in the area.

AIDS Policy Center for Children, Youth and Families represents 35,000 infected and affected children, youth, women and families with HIV and AIDS who are served through 350 affiliate health care projects funded under Title IV of the Ryan White CARE Act. The Center conducts advocacy, policy research and public education.

The Children Affected By AIDS Foundation (CAAF) was established in 1993, for the sole purpose of addressing the needs of children touched by HIV/AIDS throughout the nation. CAAF provides nationwide funding and support to non-profit organizations that supply direct care, assistance and services to children affected by the disease.

Metro Teen AIDS

National Association of People With AIDS (NAPWA) is a national coalition of people with AIDS and serves as a resources and voice for the needs and concerns of all people infected and affected by HIV.

Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Jesse James
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Department of State

1:00 Mr. James welcomes folks to event and introduces
*UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE BONNIE COHEN

Under Secretary Cohen welcomes folks to State and speaks, including reading
SecState's statement

1:05 Mr. James introduces
JIM GRAHAM, Executive Director, Whitman-Walker Clinic and
Chairman of the Board of the National Association of People With AIDS

Mr. Graham welcomes folks on behalf of foundation co-sponsors

1:10 Mr. James welcomes and introduces
*MUSICIANS

Musical selection

1:15 Mr. James thanks students and introduces
DAVID HARVEY, Executive Director of the AIDS Policy Center
for Children, Youth and Families

Mr. Harvey speaks

1:18 Mr. James introduces
JOE CRISTINA, Chairman of the Board of Directors and
Founder of The Children Affected By AIDS Foundation

Mr. Cristina speaks, including announcement of \$500,000 of grants

1:21 Mr. James introduces
BILL BARNES, former Hill staffer

Mr. Barnes speaks about his experiences as a teen affected by HIV

1:26 Mr. James introduces musicians

*Musical Selection #2

1:31 Mr. James introduces
AMBASSADOR SALLY SHELTON-COLBY, Assistant Administrator
Bureau of Global Programs, Field Support, and Research
U.S. Agency for International Development

Ambassador Shelton speaks, especially about new USAID study predicting the millions of children who will be orphaned by AIDS by 2010

1:41 Mr. James introduces
KEVIN NEILL of Metro Teen AIDS

Mr. Neill introduces
SANDRA THURMAN, Special Assistant to the President and
Director of the Office of National AIDS Policy

Ms. Thurman speaks and introduces
KATE SHINDLE, Miss America

Ms. Shindle speaks about her work this year as Miss America on the issue of AIDS
and announces the Ryan White Youth Service Award recipients

After the event, all adult guests from outside the Department plus senior officials from participating offices are invited to a reception in the Delegates Lounge.

Portions of the AIDS QUILT will be on display in the Loy Henderson and Delegates Lounge.

ALL ATTENDEES WILL GET A WORLD AIDS DAY PIN.

ALL SPEAKERS SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE 23rd Street entrance of the State Department. Any outside guests over age 16 need to send their name, date of birth and social security number in advance for clearance into the building.

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TO: Sandra Thurman, Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
FROM: Jim Graham, Executive Director *Ji*
DATE: October 8, 1997
RE: World AIDS Day Observance

As we discussed last night, we are in the process of shaping our World AIDS Day observance. We have been in contact with the State Department in an effort to organize a brief ceremony there to commemorate the day. We were hopeful that Secretary Albright would be available, but it appears she will be out of town.

You had mentioned that Vice President and Mrs. Gore are looking for ways in which they can observe World AIDS Day and it's theme focusing on children. I'm wondering if it might be possible to have the Vice President participate in a World AIDS Day program at the State Department, to which we would bring children who live in our McKinney House, and children from other housing programs for children who are living with AIDS.

Further, we would invite Precious Thomas, a bright young girl who is living with AIDS, to speak. Both Vice President and Mrs. Gore have met Precious, and know of her brave fight against AIDS. Additionally, we recently announced the naming of a foundation in honor of Precious, which we formed in partnership with Bell Atlantic. The Precious Thomas Foundation of Whitman-Walker Clinic will provide direct financial assistance to children who are living with HIV and AIDS.

A nice touch might also be to invite a local children's choir to perform for the Vice President and Mrs. Gore.

This kind of World AIDS Day observance at the State Department — especially involving the Vice President and Mrs. Gore — would truly be appropriate. It would tie together nicely and focus much needed attention on local, national and international AIDS issues, particularly as they pertain to women and children.

I have attached a draft outline for a World AIDS Day program at the State Department. I would appreciate your thoughts on this idea. Please feel free to contact me directly at 202.797.3511. Thanks!

Draft Outline of World AIDS Day 1997 Program
The United States Department of State
December 1, 1997

Concept: A World AIDS Day observance at the U.S. Department of State focusing attention on the local, national and international effects of AIDS as they pertain to mothers and their children.

Participants: ■ Vice President and Mrs. Gore
■ U.S. State Department representatives
■ Jim Graham, Executive Director, Whitman-Walker Clinic
■ Representatives from other providers
■ Precious Thomas, a five-year-old girl living with AIDS
■ Children and mothers from Whitman-Walker's Stewart B. McKinney House and elsewhere
■ A local children's choir

Location: The U.S. Department of State

Time: Noon, followed by a lunch reception.