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FROM:

Sharon Maeda, Dep. Asst. Sec.

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COMMENTS:

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level of indignation when talking to the
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November 4, 1992

Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
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FAX MEMORANDUM

TO: Lisa Shochet, Democratic National Committee 202/863-8140
FROM: Anna Rhee, Executive Secretary for Public Policy
202/488-5660 (phone); 202/488-4681 (fax)
DATE: January 7, 1994
RE: Invitation to Mrs. Clinton

Anna

Thank you for your prompt response to my telephone call yesterday! I appreciated the opportunity to talk with you before coming to New York for a planning meeting for our 1994 Assembly. I was able to share the points from our conversation with my co-workers and put some hope into the possibility that Mrs. Clinton will accept our invitation.

Following are three letters we've sent inviting Mrs. Clinton to address our Assembly of 12,000 United Methodist Women in Cincinnati in April. Women from all around the US will be in attendance and our satellite downlink to at least one site in each state on Saturday evening will greatly multiply the impact of her message.

I think the details we spoke about yesterday are included in these letters. At this point we are really only interested in one hour of her time to videotape a 5 minute message that would be aired during the Assembly (see October 8 letter). Would you review what I'm sending you and let me know if there's something more I need to do? If you think you have enough information and detail, please contact those you think would help get this invitation to Mrs. Clinton and let me know how it goes.

Since Mrs. Clinton is herself a United Methodist and because United Methodist Women are explicitly focusing on health care reform this year, we believe she would accept our invitation if she were made aware of it.

So far we've received negative responses to these letters. I'm very hopeful your efforts will yield a positive one. If for some reason they do not, we would appreciate more than a form letter rejection. THANKS!

(I'm in New York at 212/870-3734 until 4:30 this afternoon. You can call me here or leave a message for me at my office 202/488-5660 or at home 301/622-3478.)

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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET

Facsimile No. 202/488-5681

DATE: April 6FAX NO: 456-2317TO: Patti Solis
White HouseNO. OF PAGES: 6
(including cover sheet)FROM: Anna Rhee

SUBJECT: _____

MESSAGE

Can we do it by Thursday am?
We need to do this video.
Patti

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MEMORANDUM

April 6, 1994

To: Patti Solis, White House Office of Scheduling

From: Anna Rhee, Executive Secretary for Public Policy *Anna*

Re: Talking Points for Mrs. Clinton's Videotape Greeting to the United Methodist Women's Assembly

Following are some talking points to assist Mrs. Clinton's preparations for her greeting to the United Methodist Women's Assembly.

I have included a suggested outline for the flow of her greeting and some specific details about the Assembly and the organization of United Methodist Women.

In reading over the short biography of Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes (last page of this fax) I was struck by the many similarities between her and Mrs. Clinton. I urge you to encourage Mrs. Clinton to read over Mrs. Hayes' brief bio in preparation for the taping.

I bring to your attention several important facts about Mrs. Hayes. She was a strong *the last Methodist First Lady?* Methodist woman who influenced her husband's social views, was well educated (a college education) and was involved in the policy discussions of the time.

After leaving the White House, Mrs. Webb became the first president of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Women's Home Missionary Society is a predecessor of the organization of United Methodist Women.

At the time of the taping we would very much like to present Mrs. Clinton with a special mission recognition pin and certificate from the organization. Please let me know if this is possible.

Also, let me know if Mrs. Clinton needs more background or information for preparation.

Thank you again for working with us on this. I will phone you to find out when the taping will take place and let you know who from our office will be there.

cc: Flo McAfee

Talking Points for Mrs. Clinton's Video Message to the Assembly of United Methodist Women

Suggested outline:

- Express greetings to the Assembly and congratulations to the organization of United Methodist Women for its work in the mission of the church.
- Make connections as the first (United) Methodist First Lady since Lucy Ware Webb Hayes. (see attached bio)
- Offer a personal statement of faith that emphasizes faith that leads to action.
- Urge United Methodist Women to continue their work on health care reform. Focus on women, children and youth and on the vision of universal coverage, comprehensive benefits (including women's health care needs) and affordability.

The Assembly

Location and date: Cincinnati, OH April 28-May 1, 1994

(This is the 14th Assembly. The first was held in 1942.)

Participants: We anticipate almost 12,000 from around the US with about 100 international guests

Purpose: "The purpose of the Assembly shall be to bring together members of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN from all areas of the church and society; to confront them with areas of critical need and concern; to challenge them to responsible action; and to help achieve a sense of unity in worship and in mission."

Theme: Count Me In!

Focus statement: "The Assembly calls us together to celebrate our life in mission and to say, "Count Me In!" as we commit ourselves anew to Jesus Christ. We are women of many races and nations, old and young, from many experiences of life.

Rooted in our common past of concern for mission with women, children, and youth, we have received the vision from those who have gone before.

United Methodist Women

- Purpose:** The organized unit of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
- Membership:** We are a lay women's organization rooted in mission with over 1 million members in 30,000 local units. Local units give in excess of \$20 million annually to fund programs at the local, national and international levels
- History:** The roots of the organization begin in the mid-19th century when women formed their own "missionary societies" in order to help women and children who were hungry, poor, without education, needing doctors, etc. Through the latter half of the 19th century and into the 20th these missionary societies grew and expanded. Women were recruited as missionaries and deaconesses and sent to serve in mission projects in the US and around the world. Women at home met to pray, to study about far-off places and to raise money to support the women they had recruited and sent.
- Today:** United Methodist Women support the mission work of the entire church through appropriated funds to the World and National Divisions of the General Board of Global Ministries. United Methodist Women is the single largest source of funds for mission in The United Methodist Church.
- The Women's Division develops and administers the programs and resources of United Methodist Women. These emphasize spiritual growth, education, leadership development, Christian social involvement and advocacy of and by the membership.

April 5, 1994

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To: Patti

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March 30, 1994

TO: Patti Solis, White House Office of Scheduling

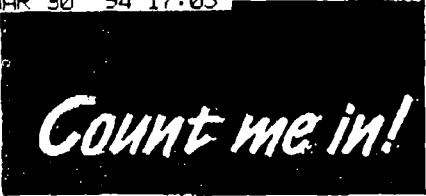
FROM: Anna Rhee, Executive Secretary for Public Policy *Anna*

Thank you again for your phone call confirming the willingness of the White House to produce a video message from Mrs. Clinton to our Assembly of United Methodist Women.

After consultation with our New York office it appears an interactive session with Mrs. Clinton via satellite is not possible due to scheduling constraints.

Following are the initial letters we sent requesting time with Mrs. Clinton. They contain much information about United Methodist Women and the Assembly. I will send talking points for this message to you next week and will call to confirm who from our office will attend the taping session.

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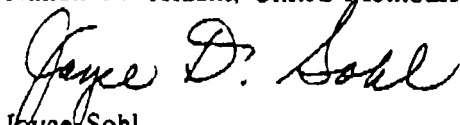


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CC: Ms. Carol Rasco

JS/gmg

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