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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Hillary Rodham Clinton
FROM: Chris Jennings, Steve Edelstein
RE: Lists of Congressional Meetings - REVISED

May 6, 1993

Per your request, attached please find lists of your meetings on the Hill. There are four lists: Meetings with Senate Democrats, Meetings with Senate Republicans, Meetings with House Democrats and Meetings with House Republicans. At the top of each list is the number of total meetings with that group, the number of meetings you have attended with that group, as well as the number out of the total that have met with representatives of the Task Force.

In terms of overall numbers, by the end of this week you personally will have conducted 71 congressional meetings:

BY CHAMBER:

28 Senate Meetings
32 House Meetings
11 Meetings with representatives of both Houses

BY PARTY:

6 Republican-Only Meetings
45 Democrat-Only Meetings
10 Bipartisan Meetings

You have met with all but eight Senators, three Democrats and five Republicans. The eight remaining are:

Joseph Biden (D-DE)
Robert Byrd (D-WV)
Richard Shelby (D-AL)

Hank Brown (R-CO)
Alphonse D'Amato (R-NY)
Trent Lott (R-MS)
John McCain (R-AZ)
John Warner (R-VA)

In addition, you or your designees have met with 28 of 175 House Republicans and 131 of 255 House Democrats.

SENATE DEMOCRAT MEETINGS

Number of Meetings (HRC or her designees) - 38 as of 5/6/93

Number of Senators Met With - 54 as of 5/6/93

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
2/4	MITCHELL	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL
2/4	SENATE DEMOCRATS Mitchell Baucus Bingamen Boxer Breaux Conrad Daschle Feingold Bumpers Harkin Kennedy Kerrey Leahy Lieberman Metzenbaum Mikulski Moseley-Braun Moynihan Pell Pryor Riegle Rockefeller Robb Wellstone Wofford	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL
2/10	ROCKEFELLER	HRC	GENERAL
2/11	Health Reform Conference WOFFORD	HRC	Event in Pennsylvania
2/11	Mitchell's Office	IM	GENERAL
2/25	SASSER/REIGLE and Mrs. Reigle	HRC	Pregnant women and children -UAW retirees

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
3/2	Congressional Black Caucus MOSELEY-BRAUN	HRC	GENERAL
3/2	WELLSTONE	HRC	Affordable Health Care
3/4	BREAUX/JOHNSTON	HRC	Health event in Louisiana

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
3/4	Democratic Policy Committee Mitchell Daschle Akaka Baucus Bingaman Boxer Bryan Campbell Conrad Dodd Exon Feingold Feinstein Graham Hollings Kennedy Kerrey Kerry Lautenberg Leahy Lieberman Levin Matthews Metzenbaum Mikulski Moynihan Pell Pryor Reigle Rockefeller Sarbanes Sasser Simon Wellstone Wofford	IM/JF	
3/6	FEINSTEIN	IM	
3/11	KENNEDY	IM	

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
3/11	Senate Woman's Caucus Milulski Boxer Feinstein Murray Moseley-Braun	HRC	Women's Health Issues Overall Reform
3/11	ROCKEFELLER	HRC	Veteran's Issues
3/11	MOYNIHAN	HRC	
3/12	RWJ Forum GRAHAM	HRC	Florida Health Event
3/15	RWJ Forum HARKIN	HRC	Iowa Health Event
3/15	Finance Committee Staff Staff Director- Lawrence O'Donnell	CJ/KP/SR	
3/17	Indian Health Meeting Inouye	HRC	
3/18	KERREY	HRC	
3/22	RWJ Forum RIEGLE and Mrs. Riegle DINGELL and Mrs. Dingell LEVIN	MEG/CR/DS	Michigan Health Event
3/23	DPC Staff	Begala/BB/CJ	Communications Strategy

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
3/24	Democratic Policy Committee Mitchell Akaka Baucus Bingaman Boxer Bryan Conrad Daschle DeConcini Dodd Feingold Glenn Graham Hollings Johnston Kennedy Kerry Leahy Levin Matthews Moseley-Braun Reid Wellstone Wofford	IM/JF	
4/16	KERREY	HRC	Nebraska Field Event
4/17	BAUCUS	HRC	Montana Field Event
4/20	Baucus Bradley Boren Riegle Breaux Daschle Conrad Moynihan	IM/HRC	GENERAL

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
4/20	Senate Finance Committee- (Bipartisan) Baucus Boren Bradley Mitchell Pryor Riegle Rockefeller Daschle Breau Conrad	HRC	GENERAL
4/21	Rockefeller	HRC	GENERAL
4/22	Pryor	CJ	GENERAL

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
4/23	Senate Conference Jamestown Akaka Baucus Bingaman Boxer Bradley Breaux Bumpers Conrad Daschle DeConcini Dodd Dorgan Exon Feingold Ford Glenn Graham Harkin Heflin Hollings Johnston Kennedy Kerrey Kerry Lautenberg Leahy Levin Lieberman Mathews Metzenbaum Mikulski Mitchell Moseley-Braun Moynihan Murray Nunn Pell Pryor Reid Riegle Robb Rockefeller Sarbanes Simon	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
4/23	Senate Conference at Jamestown (Cont.) Wellstone Wofford	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL
4/26	Congressional Democratic Leadership MITCHELL	HRC/BC	
4/27	Senate Staff	IM/JF	GENERAL
4/30	Senate (Bipartisan meeting) Akaka Baucus Bingaman Bryan Conrad Daschle Dorgan Feingold Feinstein Graham (FL) Heflin Kennedy Kerrey Kerry Leahy Levin Lieberman Metzenbaum Mitchell Nunn Pell Pryor Riegle Robb Rockefeller Simon Wellstone Wofford	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL

DATE	MEMBERS	MET WITH	SUBJECT
4/30	Mental Health Briefing WELLSTONE	MEG	Cost effectiveness and efficacy of mental health treatments
5/4	Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee (Bipartisan Meeting)	HRC	
5/5	Senate Leadership Mitchell Ford Pryor Daschle Moynihan Kennedy Rockefeller Riegle BreauX Mikulski	HRC/BC	Status of reform -- Consultation
5/6	Single Payer Advocates Wellstone Inouye Simon	HRC	Single Payer Concerns
5/6	Senate Aging Committee Pryor Glenn BreauX Reid Graham Feingold Krueger Kohl	HRC	Individual Responsibility and Prevention Issues

SENATE REPUBLICAN MEETINGS

Number of Meetings - 19 as of 5/6/93

Number of Senators Met With - 38 of 43 as of 5/6/93

DATE	MEMBER(S)	MET WITH	SUBJECT
2/4	DOLE/CHAFEE	HRC, ICM, JF	process, general discussion
2/23	DURENBERGER	HRC, ICM	
3/10	Senate Republican Members Dole Chafee Bennett Bond Burns Coats Cochran Cohen Coverdell Craig Danforth Domenici Durenberger Faircloth Gregg Hatch Helms Jeffords Kassebaum Kempthorne Lugar Mack McCain McConnell Murkowski Nickles Packwood Roth Simpson Specter Stevens	HRC	general discussions about process and about directions for/components of reform
3/10	JEFFORDS	ICM	
3/11	KASSEBAUM (as part of Women Senators meeting)	HRC	Health Reform Issues of special interest to women
3/12	Senate Republican Staff	ICM	

3/23	Senate Republican Staff	Walter Zellman Rick Kronick Lois Quam	New System Development Governance
4/1	Senate Republican Staff Sheila Burke Christy Ferguson Ed Mihulski	ICM	short-term controls
4/17	Health Forum Burns	HRC	Montana Field Event
4/19	Senate Republican staff	Gary Claxton	Insurance Reform
4/20	DURENBERGER	ICM	Overall Reform
4/20	Senate Finance Committee: (Bipartisan Meeting) Chafee Packwood Danforth Roth Grassley Hatch Wallop	HRC, ICM, JF	Overall reform, costs, financing
4/29	Senate Republican Staff	Lois Quam	Rural Health Care

4/30	Entire Senate Bennett Bond Burns Chafee Coats Cochran Cohen Coverdell Danforth Dole Domenici Durenberger Gorton Gramm Grassley Gregg Hatch Hatfield Jeffords Kempthorne Murkowski Pressler Simpson Smith Specter Stevens Thurmond	HRC, ICM, JF	
4/30	Congressional Mental Health Briefing Domenici	MEG	Cost effectiveness and efficacy of mental health treatments
5/4	Senator Chafee	IM	
5/4	Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee (Bipartisan Meeting) Kassebaum Thurmond Gregg Durenberger Jeffords Coats Hatch	HRC, ICM, JF	Overall Reform

5/6	Senate and House Republican Leadership Dole Chafee Kassebaum Durenberger Danforth Packwood Jeffords Cohen Hatch	HRC, BC	Status of Reform -- Consultation
5/6	Senate Aging Committee Bipartisan Cohen Pressler Simpson Durenberger Craig Burns Grassley	HRC	Individual Responsibility and Prevention issues

HOUSE DEMOCRAT MEETINGS

Number of Meetings - 52 as of 5/6/93

Number of Members Met With - 131 out of 255 as of 5/7/93

DATE	MEMBER	MET WITH	SUBJECT
2/3	GEPHARDT	HRC	
2/4	STARK	IM/HP	
2/15	McDERMOTT	IM	
2/16	HOUSE DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP Foley Gephardt	HRC/IM/JF	
2/16	HOUSE DEMOCRATS Andrews Bonior Cardin C. Collins Cooper Conyers de la Graza Derrick Fazio Ford Hoyer E.B. Johnson Johnston Levin Lewis Matsui McDermott Meek Obey Richardson Rose Rostenkowski Slattery Slaughter Stark Stenholm Strickland Synar Waxman Williams Wyden	HRC/IM/JF	

2/18	ROSTENKOWSKI	HRC	
2/18	FORD	HRC	
2/18	DINGELL	HRC	
2/23	Congressional Women's Caucus Schroeder Furse Kaptur Lambert Lowey Maloney Mink Slaughter Waters	HRC	
2/23	STARK	HRC	
2/23	WAXMAN	HRC	
2/23	WILLIAMS	HRC	
2/24	House Democratic Leadership and Committee Chairs Gephardt Lewis Richardson Rostenkowski Stark Dingell Waxman Ford Williams	HRC/IM/JF	

3/2	Congressional Black Caucus Clayton Collins Conyers Flake McKinney Meek Mfume Norton Rangel Stokes Waters Watt	HRC	
3/2	Congressional Hispanic Caucus Serrano Roybal-Allard Pastor de la Garza de Lugo Ortiz Richardson Torres Becerra Gutierrez Mendez Romero-Barcelo Tejeda Velazquez Underwood	HRC	
3/4	JEFFERSON	HRC	
3/9	CONYERS	HRC	
3/9	McDERMOTT	HRC	

3/9	Energy and Commerce Committee Dingell, Chairman S. Brown Hall Kreidler Lambert Lehman Margolies-Mevzinski Markey Pallone Richardson Schenk Slattery Studds Tauzin Towns Waxman	HRC	
3/11	WYDEN	HRC	
3/11	MONTGOMERY/ROWLAND	HRC	Veteran's Issues
3/11	Gephardt Rostenkowski Stark Dingell Waxman Ford Williams	IM/JF	
3/12	RWJ Forum GIBBONS	HRC	
3/15	RWJ Forum NEAL SMITH	HRC	

3/17	Democratic Ways and Means Committee Members Rostenkowski Andrews Cardin Gibbons Hoagland Jefferson Kennelly Kopetski Levin Lewis Matsui McDermott McNulty Neal Payne Reynolds	HRC	
3/17	JACK BROOKS	HRC	
3/18	Andrews Cooper Stenholm L. Payne	HRC	
3/18	REYNOLDS	HRC	

3/25	Democratic Committee Members of: Education and Labor Ways and Means Energy and Commerce Andrews Cooper Engel Cardin Lambert Levin McDermott Synar Tauzin Pallone Woolsey Slattery Rostenkowski Dingell Waxman Richardson Markey Hall Studds Margolies-Mezvinski Kennelly Hoyer Fazio Kreidler Bryant Klink Sawyer	IM	
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3/30	Mainstream Forum McCurdy Bacchus Browder Carr Danner Glickman Geren Green Moran Payne Penny Peterson Price Orton Rowland Slattery Spratt Tanner	IM	
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3/31	House Democratic Caucus	IM/JF	
	Barlow Cooper DeLauro Derrick Dingell Durbin Filner Gephardt Geren Gordon Hamilton Hochbrueckner Hoyer Hughes Inslee D. Johnson E.B. Johnson Kaptur Kennelly Lancaster Levin Lewis Lloyd Lowey McDermott Moran Obey Olver Pomeroy Richardson Romero-Barcelo Sawyer Shepard Sisisky Skaggs Smith Stark Stupak Synar Thurman Velazquez Volkmer Wise Woolsey		

3/31	Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health Stark Levin Cardin McDermott Andrews Klezka	IM/JF	
4/8	House Leadership	IM	
4/14	Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health Stark Cardin Levin Andrews McDermott	HRC/IM	
4/15	VA Meeting Rockefeller Brown Montgomery	HRC	
4/15	House Leadership Staff Meeting	IM/Roz Lasker/Ken Thorpe	
4/16	CBO Meeting House and Senate Leadership Staff Energy and Commerce Staff Finance Staff Labor and Human Resources Staff	IM/Ken Thorpe/Rick Kronick	
4/16	HOAGLAND	HRC	NEBRASKA EVENT
4/17	WILLIAMS	HRC	MONTANA EVENT
4/20	Chairman Moakley	HRC	

4/20	Valentine	CJ	
4/26	Congressional Democratic Leadership FOLEY/GEPHARDT	HRC/BC	
4/27	DINGELL	HRC	
4/27	BONIOR	HRC	
4/27	House Democratic Leadership Foley Gephardt Rostenkowski Stark Dingell Waxman Ford Williams Bonior Kennelly	HRC/BC	
4/27	Congressional Hispanic Caucus	IM	
4/28	Congressional Border Caucus Coleman	JF/Richard Veloz	
4/29	Town Meeting VALENTINE	HRC	Health Care Reform Teleconference
4/29	Jim McDermott	HRC	Single Payer Concerns

4/30	Mental Health Briefing Lowey Kopetski Markey Mazzoli Romero-Barcelo Strickland Wise	MEG	
5/5	Democratic Caucus	Ken Thorpe	Current Status of Employer/ Employee Health Insurance
5/6	McCurdy	HRC, IM	BasiCare provisions

HOUSE REPUBLICAN MEETINGS

Total Number of Meetings - 15 as of 5/6/93

Total Number of Members Met With - 28 out of 175 as of 5/6/93

2/16	House Republican Leadership Michel Gingrich Hastert	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL
2/16	House Republicans Bilirakis Bliley Goodling Goss Grandy Gunderson Hoke N. Johnson Kasich McCrery Moorhead McMillan Roberts Roukema Thomas Walker	HRC/IM/JF	GENERAL
2/23	Congressional Women's Caucus Snowe Morella	HRC	GENERAL
3/2	Congressional Black Caucus Franks	HRC	GENERAL
3/2	Congressional Hispanic Caucus Ros-Lehtinen Bonilla Diaz-Balart	HRC	GENERAL

3/11	House Republicans Bliley Gingrich Goss Hastert Johnson Thomas	IM	GENERAL
3/18	House Republicans Bliley Goss Grandy Hastert N. Johnson McMillan Thomas	IM	MALPRACTICE
3/25	House Republicans Bliley Goss Grandy Hastert N. Johnson McMillan Thomas	IM	GLOBAL BUDGETS
4/1	House Republicans Bliley Goss Grandy Gunderson Hastert N. Johnson McMillan Roberts Thomas	Lois Quam	RURAL HEALTH CARE
4/21	House Republicans	IM/JF/Robyn Stone	OVERALL REFORM LONG TERM CARE
4/27	Congressional Hispanic Caucus (Bipartisan) ROS-LEHTINEN	IM	ISSUES OF CONCERN

4/28	Congressional Border Caucus Kolbe	JF	ISSUES OF CONCERN
4/29	House Republicans	IM	OVERALL REFORM FINACING
5/6	Senate and House Republican Leaders Lunch Michel Gingrich N. Johnson B. Thomas Bliley Moorhead Roukema	HRC/BC	STATUS OF REFORM -- CONSULATION
5/6	House Republicans	Gary Claxton	Insurance Reform

DETERMINED TO BE AN ADMINISTRATIVE
MARKING Per E.O. 13526Sec. 3.2(C) Initials: JGP Date: 1/29/90
2018-0141-F**PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM**

TO: Hillary Rodham Clinton
FR: Chris Jennings, Steve Edelstein
RE: House and Senate "Message" meeting
cc: Melanne, Steve, Lorraine, Jeff, Ira, Distribution

June 21, 1993

Tomorrow evening you are scheduled to meet with House and Senate members to discuss plans for "selling" the health care reform plan. Congressmen Gephardt and Bonior will be attending from the House. Senate attendees will include Senators Mitchell, Daschle, Pryor, Kennedy, Rockefeller, Riegle, Kerrey, Wofford. Senator Reid will probably attend. Also invited were Senators Moynihan and Boxer but their attendance was not confirmed.

BACKGROUND

Both Senator Daschle and Congressman Gephardt feel very strongly about the importance of the message piece for the success of our legislative strategy. This meeting is primarily an opportunity for these Members to lay out their priorities on what needs to be done before the launch of the bill. And an opportunity for us to share with them where we are in developing our communications plan.

The Senate Democratic Policy Committee in consultation with the House Leadership has prepared a "to do" list. That list (attached for your review) will serve as a the basis for discussion at tomorrow's meeting. While this list was not available in time to attach to this memo, we will make sure you receive a copy for your review first thing tomorrow.

Jeff Eller has recommended that you highlight the planned war room and the fact that it will serve as a resource for both the Administration and for Congress. You may also wish to mention that we plan on learning from our mistakes with the economic plan and will invest a great deal of resources into close coordination with the Hill on the health care communication strategy. Lastly, you could also discuss how much we appreciate all the hard work that all of them have put into the development of a message strategy, and how much we look forward to working closely with them during the upcoming weeks and months. Since Jeff will be attending the meeting, you may wish to recognize him and call on him to answer specific questions and suggestions that are made by the Members.

**PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Hillary Rodham Clinton
FR: Chris Jennings
RE: Meeting With Representative Andrews
cc: Distribution

June 21, 1993

DETERMINED TO BE AN ADMINISTRATIVE
MARKING Per E.O. 13526

Sec. 3.2(C) Initials: JGP

Date: 1/29/18

2018-044-F

Tomorrow you are scheduled to meet with Representative Mike Andrews and a group of physicians he asked you to speak with.

Background

Andrews is, as you know, an important member of the House Ways and Means Committee for a number of reasons: 1) he is a co-sponsor of the Cooper managed competition bill; 2) he helps us with the conservative Democrats; 3) he is an influential voice in the Texas Delegation; and 4) he is more pragmatic regarding health care reform than is Cooper.

As a reminder, he supports a tax cap on benefits and the use of sin taxes -- particularly cigarette taxes -- to fund reform. He is nervous about cost controls, particularly with how they would stall delivery system changes and competitive positioning so important to the managed competition approach.

Agenda

Andrews will open the meeting and introduce you. You will then say a few words about the status of health reform and the importance of input from the health care provider community. Following this brief statement, you will introduce Ira and Phil Lee, and explain that while you will have to leave during the meeting, Phil will stay to continue the discussion. The group will then make brief presentations. After roughly 30 minutes, you and Ira will leave and Phil Lee will continue the discussion. The list of attendees and the focus of their remarks is attached.

While the doctors will address a number of areas concerning physicians, this group of Texans is primarily concerned with how health reform will affect academic health centers. It is important to stress that the Administration recognizes the unique and important role that these institutions fill in our society, and that we plan to preserve their role in our reform. They have also submitted a list of questions. Attached are draft responses.

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ MEMORANDUM

TO: Hillary Rodham Clinton
FR: Chris Jennings
RE: Health Care/Reconciliation Senate Member Meeting
cc: Melanne, Steve, Jerry, Karen, Distribution

June 21, 1993

DETERMINED TO BE AN ADMINISTRATIVE
MARKING Per E.O. 13526

Sec. 3.2(C) Initials: JGF Date: 1/29/18
2018-0141-F

Tomorrow afternoon you are scheduled to participate in a meeting with Senators Kennedy, Rockefeller, Wofford, Dodd, Harkin, Metzenbaum, and Wellstone. As you know, you are attending this meeting in response to a request from Majority Leader Mitchell.

BACKGROUND

Last week, the Senate Finance Committee marked up its version of the reconciliation bill. Within the package was an additional \$19 billion in Medicare cuts. These cuts have not been well received by the more liberal element of the Democratic party and a number of Members have openly suggested that they will try to reduce the cuts, through amendment, on the Senate floor.

Senator Mitchell feels very strongly that the bill passed by the Finance Committee is the only compromise legislation that can attract a sufficient number of Democratic votes for passage. He is extremely concerned about amendments to reduce the Medicare cuts because he thinks their inclusion severely threatens his ability to pass the reconciliation legislation out of the Senate.

The liberals in the Senate, however, believe they are all too often counted on as sure votes because they "have no where else to go." They feel they are being taken for granted and seem to be flexing their muscles to get more serious attention focused on them.

Senator Metzenbaum, in particular, has drafted an amendment to eliminate the additional \$19 billion in cuts and substitute an increase in the corporate tax from 35 to 36. (An increase in the corporate tax by one percent produces an additional \$16 billion.) Joining him in at least talking about offering such an amendment are Senators Harkin, Wellstone, Simon, and probably others.

Senator Mitchell views any such Medicare cut reduction amendment as a "killer" amendment because its inclusion would likely chase away too many moderate to conservative Democrats. He is hoping you and Senators Kennedy, Rockefeller, and Wofford can make progress to convincing Senator Metzenbaum and the others that, blemishes and all, the Finance-passed bill is probably the best we can get until we get to the joint House-Senate conference.

Although the meeting will take place in Senator Metzenbaum's office, he views Senator Kennedy as the host. (Senator Kennedy called his office up and suggested the meeting, with the blessings of Senator Mitchell's staff.) As you know, Senator Rockefeller's office was thinking about hosting this meeting, but Senator Kennedy suggested that it might be better to hold the meeting in a non-Finance Committee Member's office.

In this meeting, Senator Mitchell (who will not be in attendance) expects that Senators Kennedy, Rockefeller, and Wofford will take positions that argue against any amendments to reduce the additional \$19 billion in Medicare cuts. Of all the Members present, Senator Rockefeller will no doubt be the strongest in advocating for no amendments to the reconciliation bill. (Please see attached comments he made before the Democratic Caucus.) All three, however, believe that you should stick primarily to the general issue of health reform and talk about reconciliation bill to the extent it inter-relates with health reform.

POSSIBLE POINTS TO HIT:

- * We will never get health care unless we pass reconciliation.
- * The Medicare cuts are difficult and they make this a very tough vote, but they are necessary to allow us to move on to health reform this year.
- * Although the Medicare cuts are not insignificant, I believe we can reduce them in the joint Senate/House conference.

Health Fil

PRIVILEGED AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ MEMORANDUM

TO: Hillary Rodham Clinton
FR: Chris Jennings, Steve Edelstein
RE: House Single-Payer Meeting

June 22, 1993

DETERMINED TO BE AN ADMINISTRATIVE

MARKING Per E.O. 13526

Sec. 3.2(C) Initials:

Date:

JGP **1/29/18**
2016-0141-F

Tomorrow you are scheduled to host a meeting of the House cosponsors of the McDermott/Conyers single-payer bill (H.R. 1200). Congressman McDermott requested this meeting to give his **83** cosponsors the opportunity to hear your explanation as to why the President's bill is very similar to H.R. 1200, (as well as to, no doubt, illustrate to you what a big block of supporters he has for his legislation).

Many of the hard core supporters of a single payer plan appreciate the similarities between the President's approach and their bill. However, they perceive that the President's plan does not go far enough in their direction -- that it is overly complex and does not take advantage of the administrative simplicities that would be realized by a single-payer approach. They also believe that the President should start with as comprehensive and expansive a proposal as possible so as to energize the rank and file single-payer advocates. They believe that such an approach would protect the final package as much as possible from the inevitable watering down that goes along with the Congressional process.

From all reports, your meeting with Senator Wellstone's group of single-payer supporters went very well. A repeat performance, perhaps with a more political spin, should be very well received.

FORMAT

According to Congressman McDermott's office, he wants this meeting to be as much a "working" discussion as possible. McDermott would like to lead off with a few introductory comments of appreciation for the meeting. Then he will introduce you. At that point, you may wish to recognize the work that he and Congressman Conyers have done in pushing their legislation. (If Pete Stark is in the room, you may wish to acknowledge him as well.)

As with most Members, they will want to know about the status of the policy development and the likely timing for the unveiling. Then, it might be advisable to very briefly illustrate how our proposal meets the health reform principles (attached again for your review/use) advocated by Congressman McDermott and his cosponsors. The Members would then like to throw it open to questions/comments and have a healthy give and take. As of this morning, it was very unclear how many of the 83 Members will be in attendance. McDermott's office expects a much smaller crowd and hopes there will be few enough to arrange the seating in a less formal manner. (It remains very unclear if this can happen if more than 35 Members show up.)

All in all, the single-payer Members will be a generally receptive audience. Some recent articles/news stories about how the delay in introduction has given some special interests the opportunity to water down the provisions of our proposal (a ridiculous perception, of course) are making some Members anxious. Similarly frustrating to many of these Members is the perception that the White House is turning more towards the right wing of the Party and potentially setting up an environment in which the Administration believes it is in its political interest to either reject or take for granted the left wing of the Party. As a result, some of the meeting participants may be "feeling their oats" and making a stronger push than they otherwise would. I believe, however, that some reassuring comments from you will be more than adequate for all or most of these Members. The bottom line is that most of them truly want some form of comprehensive health reform, and most of them will be with you when it is really needed. (They just don't want to be ignored; they want to be viewed as a formidable and substantive group that should be taken seriously.)

The cosponsors of the McDermott/Conyers bill are notable for both their numbers and their Committee assignments. The following gives you a quick break down of just who these Members are and how we currently view them as potential supporters.

The 83 cosponsors represent over one-third of the total number of votes needed for passage in the House. **There are 25 cosponsors who sit on the three primary House committees of jurisdiction: 4 on Ways and Means, 7 on Energy and Commerce, and 14 on Education and Labor.**

Half the cosponsors (41 in all) are members of House caucuses -- 29 members of the Congressional Black Caucus, 8 members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and 13 members of the Congressional Caucus on Women's Issues (some are members of more than one caucus). In addition, 20 are Members serving their first term in Congress.

Attached is a list of the cosponsors, their party affiliation, home state, committee assignments and caucus memberships. Freshman Members are also indicated. The list is broken into three categories based on our targeting lists -- Reliable, More Inclined, Need Work.

- (1) Reliable – **19 cosponsors** who the House leadership believes we can count on as "reliable" votes for the Administration's plan.
- (2) More Inclined – **52 members** are categorized as "more inclined," those who are likely to vote with us in the end but cannot be taken for granted.
- (3) Need Work – **11 cosponsors** are listed as "need work." These Members will be the most difficult to get on board and will need significant attention to get their support.

RELIABLE:

Abercrombie	(D-HI)	-Armed Services; Natural Resources
Ackerman	(D-NY)	-Foreign Affairs; Merchant Marine and Fisheries; Post Office & Civil Service
Clyburn	(D-SC)	-Public Works and Transportation; Veterans Affairs; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
C. Collins	(D-IL)	- Energy and Commerce ; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>
Engel	(D-NY)	- Education and Labor ; Foreign Affairs
Evans	(D-IL)	-Armed Services; Natural Resources; Veterans' Affairs
Frank	(D-MA)	-Budget; Public Works and Transportation
Gejdenson	(D-CT)	-Foreign Affairs; House Administration; Natural Resources
Kennedy	(D-MA)	-Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; Veterans' Affairs
Lewis	(D-GA)	-District of Columbia; Ways & Means; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Manton	(D-NY)	- Energy & Commerce ; House Administration; Merchant Marine & Fisheries
Markey	(D-MA)	- Energy & Commerce ; Natural Resources
Moakley	(D-MA)	-Rules (chairman)
Pelosi	(D-CA)	-Appropriations; Select Intelligence; Standards of Official Conduct; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>
Sabo	(D-MN)	-Appropriations; Budget (chairman)
Schumer	(D-NY)	-Banking; Finance & Urban Affairs; Foreign Affairs; Judiciary
Scott	(D-VA)	- Education & Labor ; Judiciary; Science, Space & Technology; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman

Studds	(D-MA)	- Energy & Commerce ; Merchant Marine & Fisheries (chairman)
Swift	(D-WA)	- Energy and Commerce ; House Administration

MORE INCLINED:

Andrews	(D-ME)	-Armed Services; Merchant Marine and Fisheries; Small Business
Becerra	(D-CA)	- Education and Labor ; Judiciary; Science Space and Technology; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Beilenson	(D-CA)	-Budget; Rules
Berman	(D-CA)	-Budget; Foreign Affairs; Judiciary; Natural Resources
Blackwell	(D-PA)	-Budget; Public Works and Transportation; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Borski	(D-PA)	-Foreign Affairs; Public Works and Transportation; Standards of Official Conduct
Brown	(D-CA)	-Agriculture; Science, Space & Technology (chair)
Clayton	(D-NC)	-Agriculture; Small Business; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
B.R. Collins	(D-MI)	-Government Operations; Post Office and Civil Service; Public Works and Transportation; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>
Coyne	(D-PA)	-Budget; Ways and Means
Dellums	(D-CA)	-Armed Services (Chair); <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
de Lugo	(D-VI)	- Education and Labor ; Natural Resources; Public Works and Transportation
Dixon	(D-CA)	-Appropriations; Select Intelligence; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Edwards	(D-CA)	-Foreign Affairs; Judiciary; Veterans' Affairs
Faleomavaega	(D-AS)	- Education and Labor ; Foreign Affairs; Natural Resources
Flake	(D-NY)	-Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs; Government Operations; Small Business; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>

Furse	(D-OR)	-Armed Services; Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs; Merchant Marine & Fisheries; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
Gutierrez	(D-IL)	-Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; Veterans' Affairs; Freshman
Hamburg	(D-CA)	-Merchant Marine and Fisheries; Public Works and Transportation; Freshman
Hilliard	(D-AL)	-Agriculture; Small Business; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Hochbrueckner	(D-NY)	-Armed Services; Merchant Marine & Fisheries
Lantos	(D-CA)	-Foreign Affairs; Government Operations
Martinez	(D-CA)	- Education & Labor ; Foreign Affairs; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i>
McCloskey	(D-IN)	-Armed Services; Foreign Affairs; Post Office & Civil Service
McDermott	(D-WA)	- Ways & Means ; District of Columbia; Standards of Official Conduct (chairman)
McKinney	(D-GA)	-Agriculture; Foreign Affairs; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
Meek	(D-FL)	-Appropriations; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Miller	(D-CA)	- Education & Labor ; Natural Resources (chairman)
Mink	(D-HI)	- Education & Labor ; Budget; Natural Resources
Murphy	(D-PA)	- Education & Labor ; Natural Resources
Norton	(D-DC)	-District of Columbia; Post Office & Civil Service; Public Works & Transportation; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>
Oberstar	(D-MN)	-Foreign Affairs; Public Works & Transportation
Olver	(D-MA)	-Appropriations

Owens	(D-NY)	- Education & Labor ; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Rangel	(D-NY)	-Ways & Means; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Romero-Barcelo	(D-PR)	- Education and Labor ; Natural Resources; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Roybal-Allard	(D-CA)	-Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs; Small Business; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
Reynolds	(D-IL)	- Ways & Means ; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Rush	(D-IL)	-Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Stark	(D-CA)	- Ways & Means ; District of Columbia (chairman); Joint Economic
Stokes	(D-OH)	-Appropriations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Thompson	(D-MS)	- <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Torres	(D-CA)	-Appropriations; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i>
Towns	(D-NY)	- Energy & Commerce ; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Tucker	(D-CA)	-Public Works & Transportation; Small Business; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Underwood	(D-GU)	-Armed Services; Natural Resources; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Velazquez	(D-NY)	-Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs; Small Business; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
Vento	(D-MN)	-Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs; Natural Resources
Washington	(D-TX)	- Energy & Commerce ; Government Operations; Judiciary
Watt	(D-NC)	-Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; Judiciary; Post Office and

		Civil Service; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; Freshman
Woolsey	(D-CA)	- Education & Labor ; Budget; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>
Yates	(D-IL)	-Appropriations

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Clay	(D-MO)	- Education and Labor ; House Administration; Post Office and Civil Service (Chair); <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Conyers	(D-MI)	-Government Operations (Chair); Judiciary; Small Business; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Gibbons	(D-FL)	- Ways & Means ; Joint Taxation
Hinchey	(D-NY)	-Banking; Finance & Urban Affairs; Natural Resources; Freshman
LaFalce	(D-NY)	-Banking; Finance & Urban Affairs; Small Business (chairman)
Maloney	(D-NY)	-Banking; Finance & Urban Affairs; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i> ; Freshman
Mfume	(D-MD)	-Banking; Finance & Urban Affairs; Joint Economic; Small Business; Standards of Official Conduct; <i>Congressional Black Caucus (Chair)</i>
Nadler	(D-NY)	-Judiciary; Public Works & Transportation; Freshman
Payne	(D-NJ)	- Education & Labor ; Foreign Affairs; Government Operations; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i>
Serrano	(D-NY)	-Appropriations; <i>Congressional Hispanic Caucus (Chair)</i>
Waters	(D-CA)	-Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs; Small Business; Veterans' Affairs; <i>Congressional Black Caucus</i> ; <i>Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues</i>