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November 11, 2000



President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500-2000

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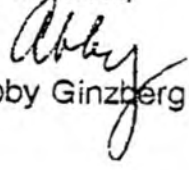
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All my best,


Abby Ginsberg

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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November 28, 2000

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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: STEPHANIE STREETT *SS*
CAROLINE SELF *CS*

SUBJECT: DEC. 1 INVITATIONS

You have received the following invitations for events on December 1st:

Pat and Liz Moynihan have invited you and Mrs. Clinton to a dinner in honor of Lynn Forrester and Sir Evelyn de Rothschild on December 1st at the Capitol in Room S-145. Lynn told Betty that there would be an announcement at the dinner. It is black tie and the guest list includes Larry Summers and Alan Greenspan. Mrs. Clinton will be attending this from 7:30-9pm.

☒ Attend ☐ Regret ☐ Option

*Summers
Cullen*
Mr. Martin Cullen, the Minister of State at the Department of Finance of Ireland, has invited you to a celebratory dinner with An Taoiseach (Prime Minister) Mr. Bertie Ahern at the Waldorf-Astoria on December 1st with dinner starting at 7:15pm. We have regretted this event.

This week, Ann Stock has invited you to be the guest of Leonard and Linda Slatkin at the National Symphony Orchestra Ball on December 1st. Maestro Slatkin spoke to you about this at a recent radio address and Mrs. Slatkin spoke with you at the 200th Anniversary dinner. The ball is at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel with dinner starting at 8:30pm. The dress is white tie.

☒ We are planning on regretting this today if okay with you.

☐ Yes, please regret
☐ No, let's discuss

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Dear George:



University of Arkansas

October 16, 200

President Bill C
1600 Pennsylv
Washington, DC

Re: University

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We appreciate your efforts on our behalf and thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ann Price, Instructor
Division of Communication

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did you ever hear
back from
Kris B.
on this?

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any extra
information
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11-29-00: Kris Baldwin
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*Good
Thurs 10/19/00
Ann Price*

University of Arkansas Community College at Hope

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October 16, 2000

President Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20505

*✓ 10/17 CC: Kins Balderston
please advise*

Re: University of Arkansas Community College at Hope

Dear President Clinton,

I was authorized to hand-deliver the attached memo to you Friday evening at the Mike Ross Fund Raiser in Little Rock; however, I understand you were unable to attend the event due to the situation in the Middle East. It turned out to be a very successful event in any case, and I appreciate your calling and encouraging Mike. It is going to be a close race, but I believe we can win back this seat. I only hate that it was not Democratic during your terms in office.

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University of Arkansas Community College at Hope

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DATE: Friday, October 13, 2000

TO: President Bill Clinton, Senator Blanche Lambert Lincoln, Representative
Vic Snyder, Representative Marion Berry, and Mike Ross

The University of Arkansas Community College at Hope has been declared in default by the U. S. Department of Education on loans made for the years 1996, 1997, and 1998. We have a new chief administrator who came into this situation without knowing it existed. Our new administrator has a doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin, which included Leadership Training in Community Colleges. As soon as he learned of the default rate, he called it to the attention of Dr. Alan Sugg, President of the University of Arkansas System. Steps were begun immediately to try to remedy the problem. A default management plan was put in place, and the appeal process began.

POINTS TO CONSIDER

- First, we request that the Department of Education look kindly at our request for reconsideration keeping in mind the changes we are making.
- The college receives Student Status Confirmation Report rosters (SSCR) every two months; they must be turned around within thirty days. The National Student Loan Data System office indicates the college has an excellent record of transmitting data.
- Our documentation does not agree with that of the loan-servicing agency. If institutional documentation is considered, all thirteen (13) changes we have submitted would be allowed. Institutional records show the college's default rate is below twenty-five percent.
- Once this matter was called to the attention of the new administration at the college (January 2000), everything possible has been done and is being done to limit loans and defaults.
- We are willing to forego the loan program if we could keep the Pell Grants.
- Last, but not least, we believe it is a shame to let one or two students out of hundreds keep other students from receiving the much-needed Pell Grants, especially in this part of Arkansas.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Assistant to the President and
Staff Secretary

11-29-07

Delia / Lori -

Questions re: Bushonill memo

- ① What's our goal? what do POTUS / FLOTUS want arrangement to be.
- ② What has past practice been?
- ③ For gifts they've accepted personally - not on behalf of the government - but that are in NARA's control, do they have ability to "recall" there, or only "borrow"?
- ④ Pls. discuss w/ Ann, once we've sketched out answers to the above. Seems to me we may be talking about 2 documents →

1) memo to POTUS/FLOTUS
re: what the rules are
what they need to
know in case they
want to keep some gifts

2) what arrangement we
want w/ NARA + how to
nail down. Need guidance
from counsel's office,
based on past practice
+ Clintons' desire.

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Q: To what extent do POTUS + FLOTUS
have access - to borrow or retain - gifts
from library?

DRAFT - 10/25/00

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lori Krause
Director, White House Gifts Unit

FROM: Ann Bushmiller
Associate Counsel to the President

RE: Access by Former President and First Lady to Gifts Received During the
Administration

DATE: October __, 2000

what does this mean exactly?

This memorandum provides guidelines regarding the ability of President Clinton and First Lady to access gifts given to them in the course of the Administration after the end of the Administration on January 20, 2001.

Background

The President and the First Lady receive two basic kinds of gifts: domestic and official foreign gifts.¹ They are allowed to accept domestic gifts for personal use. They may keep gifts valued at less than \$2⁶⁰~~50~~ without reporting obligations. If they choose to keep domestic gifts valued at more than \$2⁶⁰~~50~~, however, the items must be reported to the Office of Government Ethics, ~~and the appraised value paid.~~² As an alternative, the Clintons may accept the gift on behalf of the United States, in which case it becomes government property ~~immediately~~. The gift may then be deposited with the National Archives and Records Administration ("NARA") *

¹ Domestic gifts are those given by a citizen of the United States or a private citizen of another country. See the Ethics in Government Act, 5 U.S.C. 102. Official foreign gifts are those given by a foreign nation or organization, or one of its representatives. See the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, 5 U.S.C. 7342.

² The President and the First Lady may keep official foreign gifts of minimal value (currently \$260) if given and received as "a souvenir or a mark of courtesy." They have no discretion regarding official foreign gifts valued at more than the minimal value; such gifts are automatically deemed property of the United States. 5 U.S.C. 7342 (2)(B).

transferred to

for courtesy storage, or it may be accepted and ~~used~~ by another branch of the government. For example, the National Park Service may accept a gift of furnishings for use in the White House. Because the volume of gifts received by the Clintons is large, most gifts -- even those under the threshold amount -- are in the physical custody of NARA. During the Administration, the Clintons have on occasion recalled gifts from NARA. [L. Krause -- question. Only below *Both* threshold amount, or above as well? It bears on tradition/expectations.]

Access to Gifts

yes or no?

It does not appear, however, that the Clintons can expect to recall gifts originally accepted on behalf of the government and redesignate them as personal property after the Administration is completed. Archivists could only recall one instance in recent memory where this happened. Mrs. Reagan was allowed to purchase a pearl necklace from the government that had been given to her during the Administration, but only after establishing that it had been given by a friend and that Mrs. Reagan had made a mistake in not accepting ~~and purchasing~~ it at the time it was given to her.³

The Clintons may wish to borrow some of the gifts given to them during the Administration after January 2001, although they would not own them. Relevant laws do not speak directly to this issue. However, tradition and precedent suggest that NARA personnel and the Clintons may arrive at a mutually agreeable understanding whereby the Clintons are permitted to borrow certain gifts from NARA for use in their living areas and offices following the end of the Administration.

³ NARA is legally empowered to dispose of gifts deposited there under certain specified conditions. See discussion in text below. There should be no impediment to the Clinton's purchase of a gift that the Archives had decided to sell under that statutory provision.

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Presumably gifts they've accepted personally, whether or not above or below \$260. or only those accepted as legally sent.

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Relevant laws. NARA accepts gifts originally given to the President and First Lady under its authority to accept "historical materials" and "Presidential records" for deposit in the President's Library. "Historical materials" are defined to include books, works of art, models, pictures, photographs and other "objects or materials having historical or commemorative value." See the Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act, 44 U.S.C. 2101(2). The term "Presidential records" also includes books, works of art, models, pictures and photographs, but only when they "relate to or have an effect upon" the carrying out of the President's official duties. See Presidential Records Act, 44 U.S.C. 2201. Most gifts would be considered to be historical materials.

The Archivist possesses a certain amount of discretion with regard to the appropriate treatment of Presidential gifts once they have been deposited with NARA. For example, the Archivist has the discretion to dispose of a gift by "sale, exchange or otherwise" when he determines that the gift has "no permanent value or historical interest or to be surplus" to the needs of the Archives. 44 U.S.C. 2112(c). The Archivist is also authorized to negotiate terms regarding the donation of gifts to a Presidential depository, including the acceptance of restrictions the donors may place on the availability and use of the gifts. *Id.*⁴ This kind of statutory discretion should be ample support for the practice of lending certain artifacts to President and Mrs. Clinton after the end of his Administration.

Tradition. Indeed, former Presidents and NARA have reached agreements whereby they have been permitted to borrow certain gifts originally given to them during their Administrations, occasionally for extended periods of time. There are no written guidelines

⁴ There are still gifts the Clintons have yet to decide whether to keep personally or donate to NARA. This provision indicates that they will want to add a restriction to any donation agreement with NARA expressing their intent to reserve the right to borrow some of the donated gifts in the future. This provision probably affects only those gifts

governing NARA's handling of these requests, though certain NARA staff members are familiar with the practice. [N. Smith -- If there are curator's guidelines that bear on the question, I would like to introduce them and attach them to this memorandum.]

Understanding

NARA and President and Mrs. Clinton understand that NARA has loaned to prior Presidents, upon their request, certain gifts given to them during the course of their Administrations following the end of those Administrations. Both NARA and the Clintons expect this practice will continue following the end of the Clinton Administration. Thus, from time to time, President and Mrs. Clinton expect to request to borrow items of decoration [L. Krause -- other kinds of items?] from among those items originally given to them during President Clinton's administration. Unless there is a specific reason why a request cannot be accommodated, NARA expects to be able to fulfill these requests. Some items may be loaned for an extended period of time. President and Mrs. Clinton and NARA understand that NARA is simply lending such items to the Clintons. The loaned items will continue to belong to NARA. A loaned item may be recalled by NARA, subject to giving President and Mrs. Clinton reasonable notice of NARA's intent to take the item back for use in the Library. [L. Krause -- do you want to specify a particular amount of time, e.g. 60 days?] Good.

This memorandum has been reviewed and concurred in by the Office of the General Counsel of NARA and the Director of NARA's Presidential Materials Staff.

worth less than the reporting level. The Clintons never owned those gifts worth more than that amount and which were not kept, thus they are not able to donate them to the Archives.

Not correct.
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

1. - Not quite right. Aggregation
\$100 or more.
2. - Did the ~~Pres~~ Reagan
designate a list of friends?
3. - Most of the items yet
to be decided on, are
over value. For domestic
gifts, they have accepted
"owned" all of them
until Jan. 20, 2001.

THE OTHER SIDE HAS SEEN
11-29-00

Sandy/Gru

we need a
strong answer
to Net - perhaps
a synopsis of Sandy's
Foreign Affairs article
& ask for a response

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Clinton's Foreign Policy Blunders Need Correction

The unsuccessful efforts of Vice President Gore to reverse the election results in Florida through creative vote counting made America a butt of jokes around the world. Laughter over sly doings is not something the U.S. needs right now. The Clinton-Gore conduct of U.S. foreign policy has weakened America's international in-

Global View

By George Melloan

fluence and the need for a new team that can command greater respect is urgent.

A survey of the world scene spotlights U.S. policy failures in almost every corner of the globe. U.S. ambiguity about the future of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization has left the French free to pursue their efforts to reduce the U.S. to a passive role in the alliance. The European rapid reaction force of 60,000 troops pushed by France and Germany will almost surely reduce the capabilities of NATO, since there are no signs that Europe is willing to spend the money necessary to build an entirely new army.

Not surprisingly, Russia is delighted at this prospect. Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov told European Union representatives Saturday that "we consider it completely natural" for Europe to provide for its own security and that Russia is ready for "constructive cooperation." In other words, we are for anything that deals the Americans out of Europe.

This came on the heels of a revelation from the White House that Russia had reneged on its agreement to limit arms sales to Iran. The administration got the word on this before the election but chose not to announce it, no doubt because Al Gore was the guy who negotiated this flimsy deal in

the first place. And we learn from the "East of the Oder" column by Vladimir Socor in The Wall Street Journal Europe that the Russian air force is becoming engaged in Afghanistan once more, without protest from the Clinton administration. In short, Russian imperialism is once more on the march under Vladimir Putin.

In the Far East, the administration's courtship of China continues to bear strange fruit. A mere pledge by China that it would not help Iran and Pakistan develop ballistic missiles was enough to cause the administration to waive all sanctions on Chinese companies accused of sales of missile technology to those countries. Thus the way is cleared for the resumption of cooperation between the U.S. and China on space launches, which in the past has raised issues in Congress about illegal transfers of strategically useful technology to China. So after getting word that Russia has broken its weapons sales pledge, the administration immediately accepts a pledge from China. None of this has softened China's attitude toward Taiwan; it still threatens to defy the U.S. by using force against the island nation.

Then of course, there is Japan. Although it is America's principal ally in Asia, about the only thing it gets from the U.S. is bad advice. Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori, despite popularity ratings dropping toward single digits, continues the losing Keynesian game of trying to spend the country rich with taxpayer money. The result: continued economic stagnation, a rapidly mounting debt burden and instability in the banking sector. Japan or Indonesia or South Korea can hardly be strong friends of the U.S. in Asia while they are preoccupied just with keeping themselves afloat economically and often going about it in unproductive ways.

In Latin America, a U.S. policy of funneling vast sums into Colombia for the

"war on drugs" is mainly serving to further alienate the peasantry and build support for the guerrillas and paramilitaries that now rule large regions of the country at gunpoint. Oil-rich Venezuela's populist president, Hugo Chavez, is rapidly building a base for dictatorship, using Fidel Castro's Cuba as a model. Argentina is once again flirting with bankruptcy as a result of a failure to cut its bloated government bureaucracy. A greater Clinton effort to extend free trade to South America could have headed off some of these problems. Haiti, a Clinton-Gore experiment in

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nation-building, will soon have a rigged election proving that nothing much has changed since the days of Papa Doc.

In the Balkans, Slobodan Milosevic, the greatest living example of Clinton-Gore appeasement turned sour, demonstrated last week that he is still among the undead by again winning control of the Serbian Socialist Party. He and his followers will continue to blast the U.S. and court Russia in their efforts to defeat the reformist forces of Vojislav Kostunica. Saddam Hussein, also undead, is slowly climbing his way back into regional respectability, no doubt with future new military adventures in mind.

And finally, there is Israel. Thanks to Clinton entreaties to trust Yasser Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak is in a terrible mess. He now has to contend with armed Palestinians in the territory he has turned over to Arafat's little internationally sponsored dictatorship, the Palestinian Authority. So Israeli soldiers face some-

thing they haven't experienced before, unfriendly fire in areas where the Oslo treaty says the Palestinian police are supposed to participate with them in security patrols. Their responses, also with live bullets, all too often have killed Palestinian youngsters that Arafat has employed in his new Intifada—designed to win yet more sympathy from the outside world and more concessions from Israel with the blood of martyred children. Having walked into the Oslo treaty trap set by Arafat with Clinton's help, the Israelis have no easy way out. The most likely prospect is still more bloodshed, with still more casualties among Palestinian youths and members of the Israeli Defense Forces.

In the face of all this disarray, Mr. Clinton has been strangely quiet. His trip to Vietnam, the country he supported 30 years ago in its war against the U.S., did nothing to provide him with the "legacy" he has been so actively seeking as his time in office runs out. Photographs of him addressing a crowd with a huge blown-up picture of Ho Chi Minh in the background only served to remind the world of his determined naivete about communist regimes. The Vietnamese government let him know that they have no intention of serious reform, which means continued pauperdom for the Vietnamese people.

George W. Bush survived the creative vote-counting ordeal in Florida and surely will be the next U.S. president. He has a good foreign policy team with such stalwarts as Richard Cheney and Condoleezza Rice. He also has a good set of policies designed to restore respect for the U.S. among allies and rivals for power. He will need all the political skill he can muster for the conduct of these foreign relationships, however. The world bequeathed to him by Bill Clinton is one made more dangerous because of opportunities missed since George W.'s father relinquished the presidency in 1993.

11-29-00

Ben Johnson
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to this — for

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Muslims See New Clouds Of Suspicion

Mideast Backlash Cited As Ramadan Fasts Begin

By CARYLE MURPHY
Washington Post Staff Writer

Muslims in the Washington area and across the country begin observing the holy month of Ramadan today amid signs of Islam's growing acceptance in the United States—but also persistent examples of how Muslims here sometimes face mistrust and unusual legal problems because of suspicions about their Mideast ties.

Muslim chaplains now serve in the U.S. armed forces and on many college campuses, and women in head scarves are not an unusual sight in the workplace. The Clinton White House has hosted Muslims on several Islamic holidays, and for the first time, a Muslim gave the benediction at the opening session of this year's Republican Party convention.

In public schools, rooms have been set aside during Ramadan for fasting Muslim students to study while their non-Muslim peers eat lunch. The U.S. Postal Service is releasing a stamp next year that commemorates the two most important Islamic holidays. And banks are creating new kinds of transactions for Muslims, whose religion forbids

them from accepting interest on deposits.

But when violence flares in the Middle East or when Islamic extremists target Americans, as in the recent USS Cole attack, Muslims here say they face increased scrutiny by U.S. law enforcement agencies, suspicions about their faith and accusations that they support terrorism.

"There is a growing recognition of the role of Muslims as a positive factor in the building of American society's fabric," said Aly R. Abuzaakouk, director of the D.C.-based American Muslim Council. But events in the Middle East, he said, can "put a damper on our image as family-oriented, value-oriented, hardworking members of society."

For the next month, Washington area Muslims, who number between 100,000 and 200,000, will observe Ramadan, abstaining from food, drink and other sensual pleasures during the day to learn discipline, self-restraint and generosity. They make up a racially diverse community that includes people of Arab descent, American-born converts, Pakistanis, Afghans, Indians and Africans, and they worship in nearly 40 sites and support five Islamic schools. In 1996, the country's first school for training imams, or prayer leaders, opened in Leesburg.

Local politicians are noticing...

Virginia Reps. James P. Moran Jr. (D) and Thomas M. Davis III (R) regularly visit Dar Al Hijra, a mosque in Falls Church, members said. And Fairfax County Supervisor Penelope A. Gross (D-Mason) helped Afghan Muslims overcome neighborhood opposition when building their Annandale mosque, Mustafa Center.

"The Muslim community, both men and women, are anxious to participate in our American way of life," Gross said. But "there is still a great deal of misperception among longtime residents about just what Muslims believe, and that is going to mean continuing outreach to educate non-Muslims."

Muslims also have tossed aside an earlier generation's reluctance to be politically active, forming several organizations to promote their interests and starting voter registration drives. For the first time, Muslim advocacy groups endorsed a U.S. presidential candidate, backing Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

These efforts to form what they call "a Muslim voting bloc" have begun to bear fruit, activists said. The D.C.-based Council on American-Islamic Relations sent a post-election questionnaire to mosques across the country. Of the 1,774 respondents—10 percent of whom live in Virginia—72 percent reported voting for Bush. Of those, 85 percent said their decision was influenced by the endorsement of the Muslim groups.

Yet despite efforts to move into mainstream America, Muslims say violence overseas often leads to a backlash. "There are still some impediments and hardships caused by elements in American society that

do not welcome us," said Abuzaakouk, who cited the case of Alexandria resident Abdelhaleem Ashqar.

Ashqar arrived in the United States from Gaza in 1989 on a U.S.-financed Thomas Jefferson Fellowship to get his doctorate in business. But in February 1998 he was jailed for civil contempt after refusing to testify before a New York grand jury investigating the Islamic Resistance Movement, also known as Hamas.

Calling the probe a "witch hunt" against Palestinian political activists, Ashqar told a judge that testifying would violate his religious, political and personal beliefs and betray friends, relatives and colleagues in the Palestinian liberation movement.

"I would rather die," he said.

In jail, Ashqar began a hunger strike, and a federal judge ordered that he be force-fed. After Ashqar went from 180 pounds to 120 pounds during his six-month confinement, the judge concluded that Ashqar would never testify and ordered him released.

"It was actually the worst experience of my life," said Ashqar, 42, who is a college teacher and a

board member at Dar Al Hijra Mosque.

A former spokesman for Islamic University of Gaza, Ashqar said he has been an activist since college and is "sympathetic to the Islamic movement in general." But, he said, he was never a member of Hamas and deplores terrorism.

"I'm against killing civilians period, both sides . . . Palestinians and Israelis," he said.

Hamas, an Islamic movement seeking Palestinian independence,

has a charitable wing, which operates a network of schools and hospitals in Gaza, and a military wing, which has carried out suicide bombings and other attacks on Israeli civilians. In 1997, the U.S. government declared Hamas a terrorist organization.

In other examples of what they say is guilt by association, Muslims here have complained about being unfairly singled out by airport security officers using racial profiling. And they object to a 1996 anti-terrorist law that permits immigrants to be deported on classified evidence that is withheld from the immigrants and their attorneys.

Critics say that such "secret evidence" has been used disproportionately against Muslims and Arabs, some of whom have been jailed for years while they seek access to the evidence in order to refute it. In at least three cases, Muslim immigrants held for more than a year were released after courts let them see and challenge such evidence.

"I think it's fair to say that in the last four to five years, virtually all the immigrants who've had secret evidence used against them have been Arab or Muslim," said David Cole, a professor of constitutional law at Georgetown University Law Center who was involved in several cases.

"The United States will say that's because that's where the terrorist threat comes from. But I'm not satisfied with that response," he said. "There seems to be a presumption among [federal law enforcement authorities] that anyone associated with these groups must be a terrorist."

Muslims also say that outspoken critics of Israel and its policies toward Palestinians are sometimes accused of supporting terrorism. Last year, the nomination of a prominent Muslim activist to the advisory National Commission on Terrorism was rescinded after Jewish leaders complained that the nominee had said Israeli policies helped cause Palestinian terrorism.

Last month, Sen.-elect Hillary Rodham Clinton returned \$50,000 to the American Muslim Alliance after New York newspapers reported that the group supports the use of force by Palestinians in their battle with Israel.

The alliance countered that it is a "mainstream" organization that "unequivocally denounces terrorism by both sides: Israeli as well as Palestinian."

Ashqar said his troubles with U.S. law enforcement agencies began when he was studying business management at the University of Mississippi.

In 1991, he said, the FBI office in

Oxford, Miss., started asking questions about him at the university. In June 1996, people he believed were law enforcement agents began following him, he said. In September 1996, he said he was asked to meet with John R. Hailman, chief of the criminal division in the U.S. attorney's office for northern Mississippi, and several FBI agents, whose names and business cards Ashqar provided to The Washington Post.

During that meeting, Ashqar said he was asked to help "incriminate some people" who were Hamas activists. He said he declined offers of money, U.S. citizenship and jobs for himself and his wife in exchange for his cooperation.

Reached by phone, Hailman said, "The only thing I can say is that I can't comment."

Ashqar said he spoke to Muslim student groups across the country and raised money for schools in Gaza. But he said he never raised money for Hamas. And the Israelis, he argued, would not have let him come to this country if he had been involved in terrorist activities.

According to news reports, the New York grand jury that subpoenaed Ashqar was probing the activities of Mohammed Abu Marzook, a Hamas leader and former Fairfax County resident. Marzook was jailed for 22 months by U.S. authorities and deported to Jordan in 1997 after Israel dropped its request for his extradition. He was at the Islamic University of Gaza when Ashqar was its spokesman.

Ashqar, who moved to Northern Virginia after obtaining his doctorate in 1997, said he went on a hunger strike because "I'd been through too much harassment, and this was one way to express my anger and frustration and end this campaign against Muslims. We cannot give up our beliefs for money and stand in court as collaborators and traitors against each other."

He was pained, he said, by "the feeling that justice was not being served. If you have anything against me, please go ahead and press charges and give me a fair trial."

Ashqar—who has never been charged with a crime—still faces an uncertain future. He was arrested once by the Israelis before coming to the United States and fears persecution if he returns to his homeland. He has applied for political asylum.

If it is granted, he said, he wants to become a U.S. citizen. "Why not?" he said. "It's a country of immigrants. I'll work as a civil rights advocate."

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I look forward to being able to discuss this idea with you.

Sincerely,



Raymond D. Nasher
Chairman
The Nasher Company

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To Scheduling?

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cc: Dr. John Brademas, Chairman,
President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities
Melanne Verveer, Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady
Ellen M. Lovell, Deputy Assistant to the President
Advisor to the First Lady for the Millennium Program

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November 16, 2000

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President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

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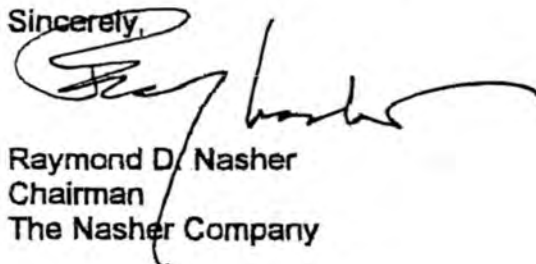
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WHITE HOUSE MILLENNIUM COUNCIL

PHONE: 202/456-2000

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TO: Nancy BernbachFAX: 6.2883

PHONE: _____

FROM: Ellen LovellDATE: 11/16/00Number of Pages (Including Cover): 2

MESSAGE:

Nancy -

This is the Ray Nasher request
we discussed.

WHITE HOUSE MILLENNIUM COUNCIL
708 JACKSON PLACE, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20503

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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

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TO: Stephanie Streett
Assistant to the President and
Director of Presidential Scheduling

FROM: Ellen Lovell
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Advisor to the First Lady on the Millennium

REQUEST: Pull Aside/Photo-op with Raymond Nasher, member of the
President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities

PURPOSE: Raymond Nasher would like to discuss with the President
his proposal for a National Arts and Humanities Day.

BACKGROUND: Mr. Nasher was appointed to the President's Committee on
the Arts and the Humanities by the President in July, 1999.

*** He has proposed supporting a National Arts and
Humanities Day through the President's Committee on the
Arts and the Humanities to bring more attention to
America's rich cultural life. He is seeking the President's
personal approval before he supports this project. The
President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities
would like the President's and Mr. Nasher's backing. The
new day can be announced at the National Medals for the
arts and the Humanities on December 20, 2000.

Mr. Nasher, of Dallas, Texas, is Chairman of The Nasher
Company, a real estate development company and also is
Chairman of the Board of Comerica Bank-Texas. He was
one of the first real estate developers in the United States to
place art, primarily sculpture, in commercial and real estate
complexes.

Mr. Nasher has served as Chairman of the National
Commission on Urban Development and Executive
Director of the White House Conference on International
Cooperation.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 28, 2000, during the White House
Conference on Culture and Diplomacy

BRIEFING TIME:

none

DURATION:

5 minutes

LOCATION:

TBD

PARTICIPANTS:

The President
Raymond Nasher, member of the President's Committee on
the Arts and the Humanities and Chairman of The Nasher
Company (a real estate development company)

OUTLINE OF EVENTS:

N/A

REMARKS REQUIRED:

N/A

MEDIA COVERAGE:

White House Photo

CONTACT:

Ellen Lovell, Deputy Assistant to the President and
Advisor to the First Lady on the Millennium
202-456-2000 OR 202-456-2411

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WHITE HOUSE MILLENNIUM COUNCIL

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TO: NANCY HERNREICHFAX: 6.2 883FROM: ELLEN LOVELL

PHONE: _____

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MESSAGE:

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Yes ☒ No ☐

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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

November 28, 2000

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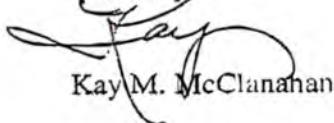
First, I want to say congratulations to your whole family for Hillary's exciting success. Everywhere I go people are thrilled that she will be in the Senate - not just for New York's sake, but for the good of the country.

Second, I wanted to call to your attention a project that has been proposed for a Food and Beverage Trade Show in Cuba. Secretary Glickman and the Foreign Agricultural Service positively and enthusiastically received the idea. Soon thereafter, you signed into law the new legislation that allows food sales (under certain conditions) to Cuba. The original proposal was submitted by Carlos Alamilla of Miami - a Cuban refugee at age nine who came to the U.S. on one of the Peter Pan flights of the '60s. He has been in the food export business for many years and has recently organized a number of charitable flights of food and medicine for Cuba. Mr. Alamilla also coordinated a Pharmaceutical Fair in Cuba last January that was very successful.

In spite of the fact that a fair to promote U.S. food products in Cuba would appear to be in keeping with the policies of the Clinton Administration, progress on carrying out the event has been stalled at Treasury. The persons responsible for making the decision on whether to approve the Food Show are Clara David and Steven Pinter in the Office of Foreign Assets Control at the Department of Treasury (202-622-1621). The License Application number is FAC#CU-186474.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help expedite this process. I am currently in Miami working on a World Trade Center Hemispheric Project with USDA (and helping out in Dade County whenever I can).

Sincerely,


Kay M. McClanahan

P.S. The name of Mr. Alamilla's organization
is AVATAR Foundation.





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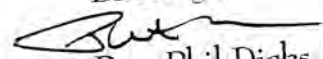
November 8, 2000

You will note my request for a small note addressed to my son and signed by you (his political idol)....being the same impact as your momentous meeting with President Kennedy.

Ben Johnson
Public Liaison
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave
Washington, DC 20500

I would like to present this to him at Christmas.
His name is Joshua.

Blessings,


Rev. Phil Dicks, Chaplain

Dear Mr. Johnson,

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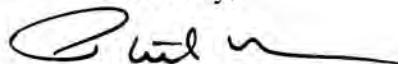
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Sincerely,



Rev. Philip Dicks
Chaplain, YMCA of the ROCKIES

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Dear Mr. President,

My son sees you as his idol...his political idol.

That is a great statement for my son to make about you. In college, he excelled in his political science major...he desires to attend law school and to go into politics...because of lots of influences...due in part...a great part to you and your virtues.

My son has met you on several occasions...on the town square in Jackson Hole, Wyoming (quite by accident when he was a young man in high school...along with your daughter Chelsea) and once he came to talk to you at a dinner held in Iowa. He called me that night to talk about such an opportunity to be invited to the dinner and to talk to Bill Clinton.

In fact, he had in mind that photograph of you on the White House Lawn with President Kennedy...as you will remember...in 1962, when you were a senior in high school, and selected to go to Washington, D.C., to be a part of the Boys Nation special youth leadership conference. That event was one of the most memorable, important experiences of your youth. And after that, you knew that you wanted to make a difference in the lives of the people of America by becoming President.

My son feels the same way about you. He wants to make a difference through politics...because of you he sees it as a great calling...because you have made it that way for him...

As his father, I want you to know about that "calling" in his heart and the desire to follow after you...in your steps...wherever it takes him in the future.

Last week, I e-mailed my son and asked him who he felt was the greatest person (president) that he knew. My hope was to try to find some memorabilia from that president and offer it to him as a memento and reminder of his "calling."

I want you to hear what he wrote...

...it is about you...and his feelings about you...

" Clinton ... my idol. Without a doubt, the greatest "Campaigner" of all time! Fixed a Bush-Reagan ruined economy, maintained peace, landslide victories, closed gender gap in both of his elections, tough on tobacco, uninfluenced but still respected by special interest, Genius, Highest overall public approval of any president in history! Something else... he got a lot of people interested in politics because he was serious but kept it entertaining! I could go on for days but just know I feel he is greater than the second greatest, FDR, and much better than the third greatest, JFK. He should be prez for 16+ years! Probably would be too."

These are great words, Mr. President...about you.

And I thank you for your influence and your ability to give my son a vision for his future.

I believe, Mr. President, that my son will achieve his goals and visions one day...and that day is coming soon. One day, he can refer to a time, a moment and memento that will fuel his passion.

Therefore, Mr. President, as you come (sadly) to the end of your presidential tenure, my son is seeking to embark upon his future. And I would like to ask your help...in a simple way.

Mr. President, I would like to present my son with a gift this Christmas which will be one of the greatest gift of his life....and will remind and point him to his future...

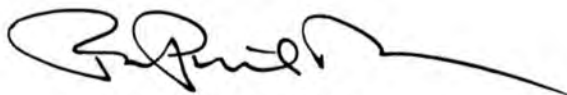
I would like to ask as his father (one idol to another) that you might write a small note to my son to encourage him. Simply a word or few lines...that will mean the world to him...and a memento that years from now he can share with the world on the occasion of his winning each new political office. As your Kennedy photo...

His name is Joshua.

Politics...democratic politics is his "game." Thanks to you.

So, from this father, I say thank you...for your time and your willingness to plant these seeds, which will yield a great harvest...

In highest esteem,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip Dicks', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Rev. Philip D. Dicks
Chaplain - YMCA of the ROCKIES

My Address:
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November 11, 2000

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Over 53 years ago, I was the Chief Prosecutor in a trial brought by the United States in Nuremberg against 22 SS leaders who were convicted of murdering over a million people in cold blood. I fought in every campaign in Europe in World War II and gathered evidence in Nazi death camps. Since then, my life has been dedicated to making this a more humane and peaceful world. On this Veteran's Day, I appeal to you as President and Commander-in-Chief, to exercise your constitutional authority by signing the Rome Treaty for the creation of an International Criminal Court (ICC).

I recall how thousands cheered at the Dodd Center in Connecticut in 1995, when you said: "Nuremberg was a crucial first step... Now it falls to our generation to make good on its promise... we have to do it... we must do it... We have an obligation to carry forward the lessons of Nuremberg." When you addressed the General Assembly of the United Nations on Sept. 22, 1997, you told the world, "before the century ends, we should establish a permanent international court to prosecute the most serious violations of humanitarian law."

After you sign the treaty, it will be up to your successor to determine whether further measures may be warranted before submission of the treaty to the Senate for its consent before it can be ratified. There will be ample time to debate the details. Your signing now will be an important affirmation that you have not abandoned the principles which you have so eloquently enunciated. It will help allay fears of small States that feel threatened by misguided Congressional proposals to impose sanctions against any nation that dares to support the ICC. It will uphold the integrity and reputation of our government as a leading champion of the rule of law.

I am mindful and respectful of objections raised by some members of Congress and the Pentagon. As a 1943 Harvard law graduate and author of countless books and articles on this subject (see my website), it is my considered judgment that such fears are exaggerated and misplaced. The treaty has been found acceptable by many of our staunchest allies. A comprehensive American Academy of Arts and Sciences study, including leading U.S. military and academic experts, recently concluded that failure to sign now "will miss an opportunity of serious dimensions. And the loss will have an impact on U.S. national interests far beyond the work of prosecuting war crimes."

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Ben

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KATHIE BERLIN

November 21, 2000

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President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I am attaching a letter from Marlo Thomas, written in 1997, as well as copies of an Act of Congress that has been sent to your office. The Act has been signed by the Speaker of the House and the Vice President for your signature.

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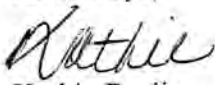
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This family will never be a burden to this country. That is a pledge that Marlo and Phil Donahue have made.

We would be very grateful if you would sign the appropriate papers, which we are told are in your office.

As Always,


Kathie Berlin

MARLO THOMAS

May 1, 1997

President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500
Attn: Nancy Hernreich/Special Assistant to the President

Dear Mr. President,

A few months ago, you sent me a very kind and concerned note about my involvement with a Bolivian child, Gabriela Salinas. Gabriela had been brought to America because no one knew what was wrong with her except that she couldn't walk. A New York hospital correctly diagnosed her with cancer but would not take her in because of her inability to pay. We brought her to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis and rejoiced when, after treatment, her cancer went into remission. She has been recovering very well... But now tragedy has struck again.

On April 14, Gabriela and her family were traveling back to Memphis from Washington, where they had attended to some official visa/passport matters. They were involved in a terrible accident. Gabriela's father Captain Omar Salinas of the Bolivian Air Force was killed. So was her four year old sister. Her mother Jacqueline - who is four months pregnant - suffered injuries that left her paralyzed from the waist down.

Mrs. Salinas has already undergone surgery and will need much therapy and rehabilitation. Gabriela requires several more years of treatment. She and the two other children who survived the accident and the unborn baby - who still miraculously thrives - desperately need their mother to recover, to love them and raise them and support them. Jacqueline is one of the most determined, courageous people I have ever met. When I visited her in Memphis last week, she told me: "I don't need my legs to hug my children."

I will do everything I can to help this family. But for two things, I ask the assistance of our government.

Both Omar and Jacqueline Salinas had diplomatic status. Jacqueline now needs a renewable long term visa for at least five years that will enable her and her

children to remain in this country while she and Gabriela continue medical treatment.

In addition, it would help enormously if our government could communicate with the Bolivian authorities to make sure that Captain Salinas' military pension and other benefits due to his widow are sent directly to the family in Memphis. In a situation where every minute is critical, the family has been coming up against a stone wall of red tape. And these desperately needed arrangements are just not being made in an expeditious manner.

Please, Mr. President, forward these requests to those in our government who can quickly fulfill them. This is a family which has had too much hard luck and really deserves a break.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mario Thomas", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Mario Thomas

S. 1518

One Hundred Sixth Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Began and held at the City of Washington on Monday,
the twenty-fourth day of January, two thousand*

An Act

For the relief of Jacqueline Salinas and her children Gabriela Salinas, Alejandro Salinas, and Omar Salinas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENCE.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.), Jacqueline Salinas and her children Gabriela Salinas, Alejandro Salinas, and Omar Salinas, shall be held and considered to have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence as of the date of enactment of this Act upon payment of the required visa fees.

SEC. 2. REDUCTION OF NUMBER OF VISAS.

Upon the granting of permanent residence to Jacqueline Salinas and her children Gabriela Salinas, Alejandro Salinas, and Omar Salinas, as provided in this Act, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper officer to reduce by the appropriate number during the current fiscal year the total number of immigrant visas available to natives of the country of the aliens' birth under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)).

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

VII

Private Calendar No. 25

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 1513**

[Report No. 106-962]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2000

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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FRED THOMPSON
U.S. SENATOR

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TO:

Deirdre Malone

FAX:

901-495-3103

FROM:

Harvey Valentine

DATE:

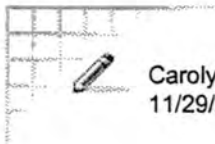
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COMMENTS:

No word on when President
will sign the bill. I have attached
a copy.

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Carolyn E. Cleveland
11/29/2000 02:56:51 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Sherman A. Williams/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: Debra D. Bird/WHO/EOP@EOP
Subject: One Red Line for S. 1865

Justin asked that a get one red line for S. 1865 to go with a letter I have over here in staff sec.

Thanks.

debbie for carol

To
Debra for reply
w/ Redline



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to send w/ letter

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Staff Secretary

Mary Morrisson

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Danielle Han
U. S. Department of Ed

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Message:

10-31-00

*Many
Can you please
include the judge at
the signing of the Mental
Health bill? She is a big
advocate for mental health.
Thanks,
Danielle*

How should we handle?

Debbie - Carl

*Could you get a
redline from Sherman
& send to Della for reply*

OCT-26-00 14:15

FROM-COURT ADMINISTRATION

T-153 P.01/01 P-620

GINGER LERNER-WREN
COUNTY JUDGE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA



BROWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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(954) 831-7240

October 25, 2000

Ms. Jan Paschal
U.S. Department of Education
Region 1, J.W. McCormack Courthouse
Room 514
Boston, MA 002109

Dear Jan,

It gives me great pride to report to you that Federal Legislation dedicated to the creation of specialized mental health courts, more specifically entitled "America's Law Enforcement and Mental Health Project, S. 1865" has passed Congress.

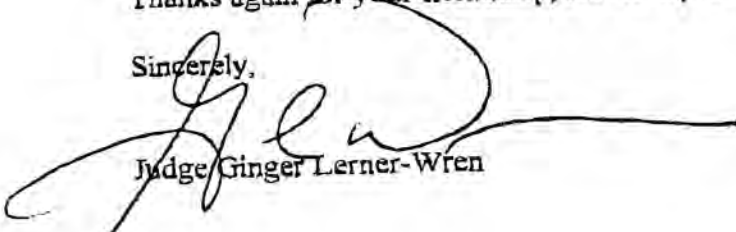
I wish I had the words to adequately express my gratitude for all your support and assistance in helping to make Broward's Mental Health Court the national model for this legislation. With this legislation hope exists for families and persons entangled in the criminal justice system that courts will be enabled to facilitate access to meaningful mental health and substance abuse treatment in the community while also providing for the safety of the public.

Not only will this important legislation help break the endless cycle of persons revolving through our nation's jails and hospitals, but it will promote peace and justice for all citizens.

Any assistance you can provide to see this important legislation is signed by the President is appreciated. I will request that both you and I be present at the signing.

Thanks again for your friendship, leadership and courage. Congratulations!

Sincerely,


Judge Ginger Lerner-Wren

One Hundred Sixth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday,
the twenty-fourth day of January, two thousand*

An Act

To provide grants to establish demonstration mental health courts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "America's Law Enforcement and Mental Health Project".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) fully 16 percent of all inmates in State prisons and local jails suffer from mental illness, according to a July, 1999 report, conducted by the Bureau of Justice Statistics;

(2) between 600,000 and 700,000 mentally ill persons are annually booked in jail alone, according to the American Jail Association;

(3) estimates say 25 to 40 percent of America's mentally ill will come into contact with the criminal justice system, according to National Alliance for the Mentally Ill;

(4) 75 percent of mentally ill inmates have been sentenced to time in prison or jail or probation at least once prior to their current sentence, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics in July, 1999; and

(5) Broward County, Florida and King County, Washington, have created separate Mental Health Courts to place nonviolent mentally ill offenders into judicially monitored inpatient and outpatient mental health treatment programs, where appropriate, with positive results.

SEC. 3. MENTAL HEALTH COURTS.

(a) AMENDMENT.—Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 is amended by inserting after part U (42 U.S.C. 3796hh et seq.) the following:

"PART V—MENTAL HEALTH COURTS

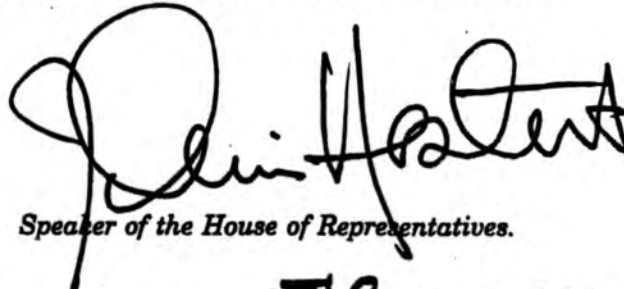
"SEC. 2201. GRANT AUTHORITY.

"The Attorney General shall make grants to States, State courts, local courts, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments, acting directly or through agreements with other public or nonprofit entities, for not more than 100 programs that involve—

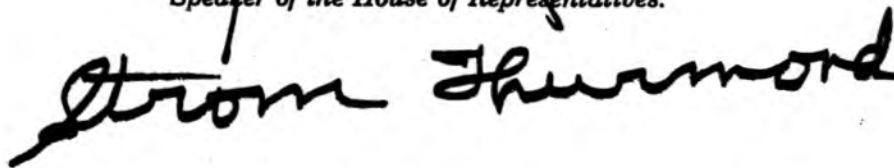
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(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 1001(a) of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3793(a)) is amended by inserting after paragraph (19) the following:

"(20) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part V, \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2004."



Speaker of the House of Representatives.



*~~Vice President of the United States and~~
President of the Senate pro Tempore*

APPROVED
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