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# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-3-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ACTION            |
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| 1. <u>Schedule</u> : Announcement of MX Commission will be made today; Scowcroft meeting will probably be scheduled at 11:45 or 1:15. A photo opportunity will be held in connection with this, and a statement will be released.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Deaver<br>Clark   |
| 2. <u>Handicapped Telecommunications Act</u> : If this has not yet been signed, WH photo should be taken during signing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Dole              |
| 3. <u>Cabinet</u> : CCHR will meet with the President on health issues on Tuesday at 12:00. CCEA will meet with the President regarding employment initiatives on Thursday at 2:00.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Fuller            |
| 4. <u>Economic Figures</u> : The unemployment rate will be released this Friday.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Feldstein         |
| 5. <u>Congress</u> : The 98th Congress convenes today. The House will be working on administrative business this week. Also, it was mentioned that HR 1 in the House will be a reintroduction of the ERA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Duberstein        |
| 6. <u>CBI</u> : Possibility will be explored of getting the CBI reintroduced this week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Duberstein        |
| 7. <u>Louisiana Flooding</u> : FEMA is now on top of this, though it cannot evaluate damage until the water recedes. It was noted, however, that the President has already agreed to honor the region's disaster request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Jenkins<br>Fuller |
| 8. <u>Legislation Awaiting Presidential Action</u> : Action on the Orphan Drug bill is due tomorrow and opinion remains split.<br><br>The crime bill has not yet been received, though a draft veto statement is being reviewed.<br><br>A private relief bill for silver dealers is due tomorrow; Fielding will review the bill and the veto recommendations already received.<br><br>CFTC reauthorization bill has not been received; opinion on this is split mainly due to the contract sanctity provision.<br><br>An updated list of all "high profile" bills (such as those listed above) will be compiled along with the issues and views involved in each. Also, signings should be coordinated for those bills we wish to draw public attention to, including the highway bill, the Social Security Disability bill, and the Migrant Workers Protection bill. | Darman            |
| 9. <u>Independent Truckers</u> : They would like to schedule a meeting with DOT to discuss some of their problems with the highway bill.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Fuller            |

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ACTION |
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| 10. <u>Social Security</u> : Guidance should still be no comment regarding stories on the President's willingness to consider a tax increase. We still prefer such issues be worked out in the context of the Commission, though we are not denying that some private conversations have taken place. Overall, staff comments on this issue should be avoided. | Gergen |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-4-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : There will be no photo op today. The press conference will be announced today at noon. During the President's press conference briefing time today, domestic issues will be discussed in the first hour and foreign affairs in the second hour.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Gergen               |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : A press conference is scheduled for tomorrow evening. Also, there will be a photo op during the Navon meeting and press coverage of his departure.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>CCHR</u> : The luncheon today will discuss health care proposals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Fuller               |
| 4. <u>Pay Raise</u> : Except for Executive Level II equivalents, pay increase funds will be distributed by each manager as he or she feels appropriate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Darman               |
| 5. <u>Orphan Drugs Bill</u> : A Presidential decision is due on this today. New information has been compiled by OSTP which suggests a way the bill can be signed with minimal adverse effect on the government's legal position in nuclear radiation lawsuits. A signing statement has been prepared that embraces the orphan drugs portion of the bill; appropriate language re the radiation provisions will be added. There will be lead-time to allow for congressional consultations prior to any announcement. Guidance for now is that the President has not yet made a decision on the bill. | Darman<br>Duberstein |
| 6. <u>CFTC/Contract Sanctity</u> : A decision is due on the bill by January 14. It was noted that the President is speaking to the American Farm Bureau Federation on January 11, and the timing of any announcement should be handled accordingly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Darman               |
| 7. <u>EPA</u> : Fielding will check into story re EPA hiring of outside counsel to assist in the Gorsuch contempt case.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Fielding             |
| 8. <u>Gramm</u> : Guidance re possible party switch is that we would welcome him should he decide to do so.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Speakes              |
| 9. <u>Controversial Legislation</u> : A status list of such bills awaiting Presidential action has been compiled by OMB and was distributed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                      |
| 10. <u>Mary McGrory Article re Women's Issues</u> : Duberstein has not yet seen the memo from Bob McConnell (DOJ) which was referred to in the article. On the subject itself, both Jim Baker and Ed Meese will meet with representatives of women's groups in the near future.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Duberstein<br>Dole   |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-5-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ACTION            |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Navon meeting and departure will be photo ops. The press conference briefing will cover foreign affairs at 1:45 and domestic issues at 2:45. An opening statement is being prepared. | Gergen<br>Speakes |
| 2. <u>NY Diplomatic Protection Bill</u> : This was probably signed by the President last night.                                                                                                                   | Darman            |
| 3. <u>Orphan Drug Act</u> : It was mentioned that the President's decision to sign this bill received favorable coverage and avoided very critical interviews that were being prepared by the network news.       |                   |
| 4. <u>TV Story of Loan Foreclosures</u> : This story was incorrect because it implied that USDA was responsible for foreclosure on a farmer's land; instead, a private entity was responsible.                    | Gergen            |
| 5. <u>Social Security</u> : It was noted that there are several news stories about the large number of state and local governments who are opting out of the system.                                              |                   |
| 6. <u>Budget</u> : A concern was expressed regarding unauthorized comments that have the effect of placing the President in a difficult position before final decisions have even been made.                      |                   |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-6-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ACTION                            |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Signing of highway bill will be photo op; a fact sheet on the bill will be ready for distribution.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Speakes<br>Darman                 |
| 2. <u>CCEA:</u> Will meet with the President at 2:15 re un-employment initiatives.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Fuller                            |
| 3. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Signing of nuclear waste bill will probably be a photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Speakes                           |
| 4. <u>Crime Bill:</u> A meeting with Senator Specter is set for tomorrow to discuss this; the AG will be asked to attend and Regan may also be invited. A meeting will be held next week on the bill with DeConcini, Hughes and Sawyer. It was mentioned that Governor Bruce Babbitt has offered to line up some Demo support for a veto. | Meese<br>Duberstein<br>Williamson |
| 5. <u>Dioxin:</u> The Corps of Engineers, EPA, FEMA, and the Center for Disease Control are all working on current problems with this in Missouri. Coordination efforts on this will be low-key.                                                                                                                                          | Fuller                            |
| 6. <u>Budget:</u> It was noted that the "Bipartisan Coalition" being formed to advocate deficit reduction measures consists largely of the Pete Peterson group and other individuals. There is no real involvement by organizations.                                                                                                      | Dole                              |
| 7. <u>Elizabeth Dole:</u> Will begin courtesy calls on the Hill today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                   |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-7-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | ACTION                    |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Possibility of having a photo op with Vogel will be considered; question will be resolved as to whether bulk of NSC time will be used for this. Signing of nuclear waste bill and Lebanon relief committee meeting will also be photo ops.              | Speakes<br>Clark<br>Allin |
| 2. <u>Monday's Schedule:</u> At this point, there is no photo op on Monday.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                           |
| 3. <u>Crime Bill:</u> Meeting will be held this morning with Specter, Thurmond, DeConcini, the AG, Regan, and others to discuss whether to sign or veto this bill. Presidential action is due on it by January 14.                                                                  | Duberstein                |
| 4. <u>Unemployment:</u> Figures will be released today. They will show that the rate rose 0.1%, but due to the seasonal adjustment the overall rate of unemployment will remain at 10.8%. Guidance re our position is that the rate is level, and that claims have been going down. | Gergen                    |
| 5. <u>Independent Truckers:</u> Possibility exists that there will be a nationwide strike by this group. Guidance on this is no comment except to indicate our hope that a strike will not occur.                                                                                   | Gergen                    |
| 6. <u>President's Letter to Jack Kemp:</u> This letter from the President regarding arms control has not yet been received by Kemp, although it was quoted in a <u>Post</u> story today.                                                                                            |                           |
| 7. <u>Social Security:</u> It was mentioned that the Democrats have just sent out a fund-raising letter containing extremely irresponsible distortions on the social security issue. Reportedly, some Democrats on the Hill are upset about the letter.                             | Duberstein                |
| 8. <u>Gallup Poll:</u> Regarding test races for President in a recent poll, comparisons with similar polls in the past (such as Muskie in 1971) will be developed for guidance purposes.                                                                                            | Gergen                    |
| 9. <u>Dioxin:</u> Meeting has been set up in order that the agencies concerned can brief WH staff on the problem. It is hoped that one agency will be designated to coordinate government efforts.                                                                                  | Fuller                    |
| 10. <u>Legal Services:</u> OMB report on the recent controversy is due today. It was also mentioned that a Washington prosecutor is supposedly investigating the question of fees paid to board members.                                                                            | Meese<br>Fielding         |
| 11. <u>Story of HUD Travel Expenses:</u> Fielding will check into this matter and then provide guidance to the press office.                                                                                                                                                        | Fielding                  |
| 12. <u>Spirt Case:</u> This case, involving pension rights for women, will be discussed in a meeting at 10:00 in JAB's office.                                                                                                                                                      | Harper                    |
| 13. <u>1983 Economic Forecast:</u> A question was raised as to whether we should acknowledge growth figures for this year. Feldstein will discuss the matter with Gergen and Speakes.                                                                                               | Feldstein                 |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ACTION |
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| 14. <u>Health Care Initiatives</u> : A memo has been prepared for the President on this subject. Staff comments should be forwarded today in order that the President can review the matter over the weekend. | Darman |
| 15. <u>Budget Appeals</u> : There are still a few relatively small items that have not been resolved by the BRB. One of these involves the proposed budget level for EEOC.                                    | Fuller |
| 16. <u>Radio Speech</u> : Revised draft (on a different subject) will be ready today.                                                                                                                         |        |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-10-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ACTION           |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Photo op will be held during Habib meeting; Habib will probably make some remarks afterward. Meeting with Governor Kean is a courtesy call in which he will probably mention his infrastructure bank proposal.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes<br>Allin |
| 2. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> CCEA will meet tomorrow on unemployment, capital formation, and Individual Education Accounts; subjects will then be discussed with the President on Thursday. Also, a full Cabinet meeting will be held Wednesday.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Fuller           |
| 3. <u>Legal Services:</u> OMB report is in; press office will handle questions on content of the report, but it is felt unnecessary to release it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Meese<br>Speakes |
| 4. <u>Budget:</u> The Business Roundtable's policy group will be meeting and may look at possible repeal of the 3d year of the tax cut. A message will be conveyed that we do not feel that is helpful.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Dole             |
| The Pete Peterson group has prepared an ad on their position that will be published before the President's budget is submitted. This is not an anti-Reagan group, though such an ad will be interpreted that way; the timing is unfortunate and the proposal will be portrayed as an appeal to change course.                                                                                                                                                                          | Harper           |
| 5. <u>Social Security:</u> There are now stories about Republicans attempting to mobilize business groups to oppose any tax increase. Press guidance is that there is no agreement on the subject; the President has not agreed to anything, and nothing has been taken up with him; we are still hoping for a consensus from the commission. Business groups should be told privately, though, that it is naive to expect to solve the problem without some sort of balanced package. | Gergen<br>Dole   |
| 6. <u>Independent Truckers:</u> A strike has been set for January 31; this could be very disruptive. The truckers have asked for a WH meeting, but we should keep communications at DOT for now. DOT will continue the dialogue and try to defuse the situation. We should try to help the truckers out if at all possible, even if it means considering some changes in the law.                                                                                                      | Fuller<br>Dole   |
| 7. <u>Legislation Awaiting Action:</u> New status list of controversial bills will be distributed today. Also, it was noted that the President signed 19 non-controversial bills over the weekend.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Darman           |
| 8. <u>State of the Union:</u> A draft is now being prepared. We need to work on those parts of speech dealing with policy decisions that are not yet finalized.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Gergen           |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (10-11-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION                |
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| 1. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : Photo opportunity may be scheduled with Senator Byrd in late morning. Byrd is concerned about several bills, including a particular wilderness bill. Duberstein will discuss the subject with Secretary Watt in advance of the meeting. | Speakes<br>Duberstein |
| 2. <u>Press Guidance</u> : Senior staff members will discuss implementation with Gergen this morning. It was emphasized that failure to adhere to the guidelines could damage the President's credibility.                                                              | Gergen                |
| 3. <u>Howard Baker</u> : He has not yet made a decision on whether to seek reelection; however, he clearly would not run against the President and has encouraged the President to seek reelection.                                                                     |                       |
| 4. <u>Business Roundtable</u> : The policy group will meet tonight and may discuss possible repeal of the 3d year of the tax cut. EM will try to contact several BRT leaders before the meeting.                                                                        | Meese<br>Dole         |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-12-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | ACTION                     |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Meeting with Byrd is not on the public schedule and will not be a photo op. Today's Cabinet lunch will discuss unemployment proposals and education savings incentives.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes<br>Fuller          |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> A photo op is probable during meeting with Chirac.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Speakes                    |
| 3. <u>Defense Cuts:</u> Guidance will be formulated today to make certain that story is presented in a uniform manner. Preliminary guidance is that the cuts represent a significant reduction in the defense budget, that they constitute our bottom-line position, and that this was a Weinberger initiative. Clark will discuss this guidance with Secretary Weinberger. It was also noted that details on the savings will be contained in our budget; decisions on the out-years are still being worked on and, when complete, will be held as part of the overall budget. | Clark<br>Gergen<br>Wright. |
| 4. <u>Pension Benefits:</u> Story re our Supreme Court filing on the side of women's groups is playing well. Guidance is that this was done in consultation with, and with full approval of, the White House.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Speakes<br>Dole            |
| 5. <u>HHS:</u> WH has confirmed Secretary Schweiker's resignation. Margaret Heckler will be announced as the new Secretary of HHS at 10:00 in the East Room. Staff is encouraged to attend.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Fuller<br>von Damm         |
| 6. <u>Disability Benefits:</u> The President will sign a bill restoring these benefits which were inadvertently cut off by earlier legislation. There will not be a signing ceremony, though a statement will be released tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Darman                     |
| 7. <u>Education Consolidation Improvement Act:</u> It has been recommended that the President veto this bill.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Darman                     |
| 8. <u>Business Roundtable:</u> Policy meeting last night went well from our standpoint. The BRT has indicated that it does not wish to harm our efforts, though there is a potential problem with the group on social security. It was suggested that the group be brought in next week for consultation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Dole                       |
| 9. <u>Wilderness Bills:</u> Consultations have been taking place, and some compromise is possible.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Duberstein                 |
| 10. <u>Press Guidelines:</u> Gergen reported that there was good cooperation yesterday with the new guidelines. He requested that approved conversations with the press be logged by each staff member and turned in daily to the Communications office.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                            |
| 11. <u>West Virginia Judgeship Bill:</u> This bill creates a new judgeship in West Virginia. Our decision on it has been delayed at Senator Thurmond's request, though it is now clear that we will sign the bill.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Duberstein                 |

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| 12. <u>Civil Rights Commission</u> : It was mentioned that Pendleton's letter went in to the President today.               | Darman<br>Fuller |
| 13. <u>Dioxin</u> : At this point, indications are that the dioxin problem in Times Beach, Missouri, is being handled well. | Fuller           |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-13-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | ACTION                     |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Chirac meeting will be a photo op. The President will meet with Italian Christian Democratic leaders during NSC time this morning; WH photo will be taken during this meeting. Today's Cabinet meeting has been postponed until next week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Speakes<br>Allin<br>Fuller |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Meeting with Perez de Cuellar will be tomorrow's photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Speakes                    |
| 3. <u>Budget-Related News Stories:</u> Guidance remains the same, i.e., there will be no comment until the President announces his decisions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Speakes                    |
| 4. <u>Press Guidelines:</u> A concern was raised that the various departments and agencies are not following the same guidelines as the WH. Ed Meese and Craig Fuller will discuss the problem further.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Fuller                     |
| 5. <u>Rostow/ACDA:</u> Guidance is that this was a management decision by the President, and was not a matter of philosophy. It was noted that both Nitze and Rowny will be returning to the Geneva negotiations on February 1.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Allin                      |
| 6. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Retail sales figures released yesterday afternoon are down 0.4% for December; this was mainly due to a drop in auto sales, but it also indicates that there was not a sales surge after Christmas. Industrial production figures and the PPI will be released tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                                                          | Feldstein                  |
| 7. <u>Wilderness Bills:</u> It will be recommended that the President sign the Monongahela Wilderness bill since previously expressed concerns have now been worked out. However, a veto will be recommended regarding the Osceola Wilderness bill; we intend to address the main purpose of this bill through administrative actions which will be mentioned in a Presidential statement. Legislative Affairs will need some time to make calls re the Osceola bill before action is taken. | Darman<br>Duberstein       |
| 8. <u>Crime Bill:</u> Despite suggested ways in which the bill could be signed, a veto will still be recommended. A decision may be announced tomorrow on this; any necessary documents should thus be prepared today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Darman                     |
| 9. <u>Briefing Material for the President:</u> Staff were reminded that briefing material should be submitted to Darman's office by 3:00 in order that it can go to the President in a single package by 5:00. If material is not submitted on time, meetings will be subject to cancellation.                                                                                                                                                                                               |                            |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-14-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Meeting with Perez de Cuellar will be a photo opportunity.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>Monday's Schedule</u> : Air and Space event will be discussed with regard to invitees and other aspects. This will be a possible photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Deaver<br>Fuller     |
| 3. <u>Radio Talk</u> : Draft talk regarding Martin Luther King, Jr. was circulated last night.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Gergen               |
| 4. <u>Crime Bill</u> : President will pocket veto this bill today. President will finalize his statement on this at 10:00, therefore comments on the subject should be submitted prior to that. Ed Schmults will conduct a briefing at DOJ on this decision.                                                                                                                                                      | Darman<br>Fuller     |
| 5. <u>Wilderness Bills</u> : Monongahela bill was signed yesterday. Regarding the Osceola bill, most agencies have requested a veto, though Duberstein will need some advance notice in order to make some congressional calls. Press questions should be referred to Interior.                                                                                                                                   | Darman<br>Duberstein |
| 6. <u>Economic Figures</u> : The Producer Price Index rose at an annualized rate of under 1% in December; the year-over-year figures should be obtained and used by the press office. Industrial Production was down 0.1%, the smallest decline since July; however, revised figures for October-November are worse than the original figures.                                                                    |                      |
| 7. <u>Press Guidelines</u> : New WH guidelines appear to be working well. There is a problem, however, regarding leaks from various departments about the budget. Meese, Fuller, Gergen and Speakes will meet to discuss the adoption of similar guidelines by all government agencies; subject may also be raised at the next Cabinet meeting.                                                                   | Gergen<br>Fuller     |
| 8. <u>Stories re Military Pay Freeze</u> : Questions on this should be referred to DOD.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Speakes              |
| 9. <u>Arms Control</u> : Clark, Meese and Gergen will discuss communications aspects of this sometime today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Clark                |
| 10. <u>Social Security</u> : Guidance for now continues to be "no comment." Question will be discussed of how to handle this subject tomorrow (the Commission's last day).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Gergen               |
| 11. <u>Budget</u> : One way of responding to inaccurate stories about "disarray" in the Administration might be to give a more thorough explanation of this year's budget process, which has been characterized as one of the most orderly in recent memory. Guidance will be formulated regarding how the process will wind up; also, George Schultz may be encouraged to author an op-ed peice on this process. | Gergen               |

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Agencies will be reminded that there is a freeze on their briefing the Congress about the budget.

Wright

12. Briefing Material for the President: It was mentioned that there has been improved staff cooperation with the deadlines for submission of briefing material.

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | ACTION                                    |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Meeting with Brock will not be a photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                           |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Meeting with Nakasone will be tomorrow's photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Speakes                                   |
| 3. <u>Cabinet:</u> The full Cabinet will meet tomorrow for a briefing on the budget and the social security compromise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Fuller                                    |
| 4. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Housing starts, durable goods, and 4th quarter GNP will all be out this week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Feldstein                                 |
| 5. <u>Social Security:</u> Guidance is that we are pleased with the Commission's efforts and the bipartisan support for its recommended solution. It is considered important to stress the entire package, not particular portions of it. In this regard, it may be mentioned that both the COLA adjustment and the tax acceleration will bring an equal amount of revenue into the trust fund (\$40B each). This agreement also makes possible significant gains in other parts of the budget. It will be introduced in the Congress by a bipartisan group, and Greenspan will be the first witness before the Ways and Means Committee; a similar bipartisan coalition of outside support should also be formed. A fact sheet, talking points, and Tip O'Neill's statement will be circulated to WH senior staff. | Gergen<br>Duberstein<br>Darman<br>Cavaney |
| 6. <u>DOD Document Leak:</u> This is largely a rehash of a leak which occurred months ago, though it is now out in more detail. NSC will work with DOD to formulate new guidance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Clark                                     |
| 7. <u>Tuition Tax Credits:</u> This proposal will be resubmitted to the Congress. Substantive work has been completed, with the new version largely based on the bill passed last year by the Senate Finance Committee. Ed Meese mentioned his concurrence with suggestions from OPL on how the issue might be handled.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Harper<br>Dole                            |
| 8. <u>Harold Brown:</u> A waiver has been prepared in connection with his service on the MX panel, though some legal questions remain. Such questions will be discussed later today between Fielding, Baker, and Clark.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Fielding                                  |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-18-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION            |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Photo ops will be held during Nakasone meeting and departure statements.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Speakes           |
| 2. <u>Cabinet Meeting:</u> This will discuss personnel matters, budgetary questions, and social security. Guidance is that the meeting is an opportunity for the President to hear from his Cabinet before making his final decisions on the budget. Fuller will be designated to handle press inquiries.                                                               | Fuller            |
| 3. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> President will travel to Chicago tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                   |
| 4. <u>Senior Staff Meeting:</u> The meeting scheduled for this Thursday will begin at 9:00 a.m. instead of 8:00 a.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |
| 5. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Revised GNP figures will be available tomorrow, and CPI will be out on Friday.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Feldstein         |
| 6. <u>COLAs:</u> Guidance is that we should deal with stories on this in the same way as other budget stories, i.e., no comment until final decisions are announced.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Gergen            |
| 7. <u>Nitze:</u> Regarding stories that Nitze has asked to be given more flexibility in the Geneva talks, guidance remains the same. It was noted that both Nitze and Rowny will be in to see the President within the next 10 days.                                                                                                                                    | Allin             |
| 8. <u>Federal Grants:</u> It was mentioned that new regulations designed to depoliticize the grant process will be published for comment in the <u>Federal Register</u> .                                                                                                                                                                                               | Harper            |
| 9. <u>School Prayer:</u> Any comments concerning a recent federal court decision in Alabama should be handled by DOJ.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Gergen            |
| 10. <u>Two-Year Report on the Reagan Presidency:</u> This report, drafted by Baroody, is going to the printer and will be available to the press on Thursday.                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Gergen            |
| 11. <u>Executive Forum:</u> This event, for Administration appointees, is scheduled for Thursday, January 20.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |
| 12. <u>Business Groups:</u> NAM, ABC, and NFIB plan to hold a joint press conference to encourage further spending cuts. This is designed to preempt the Peterson group, which advocates tax increases. The President will probably not meet with the Peterson group, though a briefing for them and others may be scheduled after the President's budget is submitted. | Cavaney<br>Harper |
| 13. <u>Social Security:</u> Meeting was held yesterday with various business leaders at which they agreed to withhold any criticism for now.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Cavaney           |
| 14. <u>Viguerie:</u> Regarding story that, unless changes are made, Viguerie and Phillips may encourage a challenge to the President's reelection, guidance is no comment. If pushed, however, it can be noted that Viguerie did not support Reagan in 1976 or 1980.                                                                                                    | Gergen            |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-19-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION                     |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Departure statement by Nakasone will be significant and will be covered by the press. Also, the President may make a statement prior to his departure for Chicago.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Gergen<br>Speakes          |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> International Youth Exchange Event will receive pool coverage tomorrow. The Executive Forum will have full press coverage.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Speakes                    |
| 3. <u>GNP:</u> Figures for December were down at a -2.5% annualized rate. The earlier "flash" figures had been -2.2%. Final figures for the year 1982 will be provided to senior staff today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Feldstein                  |
| 4. <u>Indians:</u> Regarding remarks by Secretary Watt, he has made clear that he did not call for the abolition of Indian reservations; this was a misunderstanding caused by the way in which Viguerie's firm characterized the interview. Watt was instead urging correction of abuses that have gone on for many years. Decision was made to promptly release the Indian policy statement which has been circulated previously, and which is very positive in tone. | Darman<br>Fuller<br>Harper |
| 5. <u>Chicago Trip:</u> Speakes will obtain a copy of the Urban League's statement which is critical of the Administration's treatment of blacks. A rebuttal will be prepared based on information supplied by Baroody, which can be used by the President if questioned about the report while in Chicago.                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes                    |
| 6. <u>Peterson Group:</u> Problem has been caused by the media's insistence on portraying this group's efforts as anti-Administration. It was mentioned that the group's proposals are nothing new, and that they were featured in the press last year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Harper                     |
| 7. <u>Two-Year Anniversary:</u> A presentation regarding our accomplishments after two years will be held tomorrow. Some briefings will also be held. Clark and Gergen will discuss national security aspects of presentation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Gergen                     |
| 8. <u>State of the Union:</u> It was noted that foreign policy sections of the speech will be beefed up in the latest draft.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Gergen                     |
| 9. <u>Arms Control:</u> It was mentioned that a meeting will be held at 9 a.m. at the State Department to discuss the public affairs handling of arms reduction issues. The WH should be represented at the meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Gergen                     |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-20-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                | ACTION             |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> International Youth Exchange event and Executive Forum will both be covered by the press. A fact sheet has been prepared on the former.                  | Speakes            |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> There will be a photo op during the meeting with Nitze and Rowny; the two will then brief the press.                                                  | Speakes            |
| 3. <u>State of the Union:</u> A new draft went to the President last night.                                                                                                          | Gergen             |
| 4. <u>Hoffman story on State of the Union:</u> Guidance is no comment.                                                                                                               | Speakes            |
| 5. <u>Peterson Group:</u> Leaders of this group may be brought in for a budget briefing after it is submitted to Congress. Guidance is that we do not view their efforts as hostile. | Cavaney<br>Speakes |
| 6. <u>NFIB:</u> It was mentioned that the organization has called for a \$25B cut in domestic spending (this corrects information conveyed yesterday).                               |                    |
| 7. <u>Indian Policy:</u> Decision is to draw press attention to our policy statement, and specifically to its commitment to strengthen tribal governments.                           | Speakes<br>Fuller  |
| 8. <u>Congress:</u> A question was raised as to whether other members were coming to the White House today regarding tax policy.                                                     | Duberstein         |
| 9. <u>Savas:</u> Fielding is looking closely at this matter, especially in light of recent allegations.                                                                              | Fielding           |
| 10. <u>Social Security:</u> The Commission will release its final report today.                                                                                                      |                    |

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SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-21-83)

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1. Today's Schedule: A photo op will be held during the meeting with Nitze and Rowny; the two will then hold a briefing, followed by release of a presidential statement. Speakes
  2. Arms Control: It is important to refrain from loose talk about arms control; this can raise expectations to unrealistic levels, lending support to those who seek agreement at any cost.
  3. CCEA: Meeting with the President at 11:00 today will discuss educational savings incentives. Fuller
  4. Radio Talk: The President will speak on "family values"; the talk will be broad-based, and will mention tuition tax credits, school prayer, and right-to-life. The draft will go to the President at noon today. Gergen
- Jim Baker also mentioned the need to strengthen the talking points for today's meeting with pro-life groups (urging unity behind one approach, etc.).
5. Monday's Schedule: Meeting with the Economic Policy Advisory Board will be considered for a photo op. Speakes
  6. CPI: This was down - 0.3% in December. For the year 1982, the CPI was up only 3.9%, the lowest increase since 1972.
  7. Fair Housing: Language regarding this has been suggested by the AG for inclusion in the State of the Union. It is important that the President be out in front on this issue. The intention is to propose legislation, which will be formulated by OPD on a "fast track" basis. Gergen  
Harper  
Fuller
  8. Designated Briefers: It was suggested that briefers be designated for particular issues every day in senior staff. Gergen

NOON WIRES UPDATE

SENATOR BAKER (UPI) — Howard Baker will hold a news conference at 4 p.m. today in Knoxville, Tennessee to announce he will not run for re-election in 1984.

STOCKS (AP) — Stock market headed lower today as interest rates rose in the credit markets. Dow fell 5.97 in first half hour to 1,064.85.

VOLCKER (AP) — Fed Chairman Volcker says the fear of continuing big deficits is keeping interest rates abnormally high, a situation which could abort a long-term economic recovery. He urged Congress and the Administration to work now, "with energy and force," to bring the deficits down.

SOCIAL SECURITY (AP) — Congressional leaders say they want to pass an overhaul of the Social Security System by early May.

ARMS CONTROL (AP - Gerstenzang) — RR conferred for nearly an hour with Edward Rowny, Paul Nitze, Kenneth Adelman, VP Bush, Sec. Shultz, Sec. Weinberger, and William Clark. President declared his determination "to explore every possibility...to reduce the arsenals and the risks of war."

(UPI - Helen Thomas) — RR today sent his chief negotiators back to Europe for an important new round of disarmament talks with the Soviet Union.

SOVIET SATELLITE (AP) — The hulk of the Soviet spy satellite tumbled to within 109 miles from Earth today as it headed for what U.S. officials hope will be a flaming disintegration, probably late Sunday.

JAPAN — Toyota and Nissan Motors said today that production and exports fell last year as a result of growing protectionism in their major foreign markets.

CONSUMERS (AP) — A coalition of consumer groups says that President Reagan continued his efforts to reduce consumer protection at home, in the market place and at the office in 1982. "In its...economic policies and in the equally important decisions affecting the quality of daily life in America, the Administration has demonstrated its lack of concern," the report said.

NICARAGUA (AP) — Congressmen James Leach, (R.-Iowa), and Stephen Solarz, (D-NY) said today there is a "potential basis" for a dialogue between the U.S. and Nicaragua to reduce tensions in Central America. The congressmen said that tension in Central America "has reached a critical point at which the situation in the region could worsen drastically or be resolved."

EL SALVADOR (AP) — Administration prepared today to certify that El Salvador is curbing violations and deserves continued U.S. support.

PERSHING II (AP) — Third test firing of Pershing 2 at Cape Canaveral. The missile is expected to replace the 14-year old Pershing IA throughout Western Europe. The U.S. plans to deploy 464 nuclear-tipped Cruise missiles in five NATO nations and 108 Pershing 2 missiles in West Germany.

FLAG (AP) — The official presidential flag that vanished after RR attended a fund-raiser in Chicago was found undamaged in a downtown mailbox.

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-24-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | ACTION           |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> A photo op (stills only) will be held during the President's State of the Union preparation around 2:30.                                                                                                             | Speakes          |
| 2. <u>Economic Policy Advisory Board:</u> This is a normal quarterly meeting. A suggestion was made that names of the Board members not be released today. A decision will be made after the meeting re how to handle press aspects.             | Harper<br>Gergen |
| 3. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Congressional time will be used to brief the Republican leadership on the State of the Union speech.                                                                                                              | Duberstein       |
| 4. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> As of now, no Cabinet meetings have been scheduled with the President this week.                                                                                                                                     | Fuller           |
| 5. <u>State of the Union:</u> The President is still working on the latest draft; after his review, another meeting will be held to discuss it. An integrated fact sheet on the contents of the speech will be prepared.                         | Gergen           |
| 6. <u>Economic Figures:</u> The Index of Leading Indicators will be released on Friday.                                                                                                                                                          | Feldstein        |
| 7. <u>Budget:</u> Regarding Howard Baker's comments on new taxes, guidance is that we expect the leadership will support the vast majority of proposals the President sends up, but we have never expected that they would accept every feature. | Speakes          |
| 8. <u>Lebanon:</u> Re stories of Marine confrontations, guidance is the same as last week. A statement proposed by Secretary Weinberger will be reviewed today.                                                                                  | Clark<br>Allin   |
| 9. <u>Defense Supplemental:</u> Wilson story on this is only partially accurate. Plan was to state it as an "allowance" for FY '83. Now, though, the entire issue may be put on hold. Response to questions should be coordinated with NSC.      | Speakes<br>Allin |
| 10. <u>Enterprise Zones:</u> Package should be ready for submission to the Hill later this week.                                                                                                                                                 | Harper           |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-25-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>State of the Union:</u> Congressional meeting today will be a photo op; Duberstein will decide after the meeting who will talk to the press. Howard Baker and Bob Michel will come in early and visit privately with JAB.                                                                                                                                                            | Duberstein           |
| Network news anchors will be briefed at lunch today. A background briefing for the WH press corps will be held later today, and an embargoed fact sheet will be distributed. At 6 p.m., embargoed copies of the speech itself will be distributed.                                                                                                                                         | Gergen               |
| We will brief Administration spokesmen at 6 p.m., and at 6:30 individual supporters from the private sector will be briefed. Administration officials are scheduled for the talk shows tomorrow, and actualities featuring Cabinet members are being distributed. Efforts will also be made to forward speech materials to individuals who will be interviewed by the TV networks tonight. | Gergen<br>Cavaney    |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> There will be full press coverage of the Boston trip, and a photo op during the meeting with Genscher.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>Polls:</u> Two major polls show the President with a 42% job approval rating. Guidance is that this is natural in a period of high unemployment; it also shows that despite 10.8% unemployment, the President is maintaining a solid base of support; also, the President's personal popularity remains high.                                                                        | Speakes              |
| 4. <u>Busing Decision:</u> Guidance is that the Supreme Court has simply followed its pattern of not taking busing cases; we will continue to express our views in such cases as they arise. Fielding will look into a recent study which reportedly analyzed "resegregation" of schools, white flight, etc., since it may be helpful to our arguments.                                    | Fielding             |
| 5. <u>U.S.-Israeli Relations:</u> There has been no change in guidance concerning aid to Israel.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Allin                |
| 6. <u>OPEC:</u> Regarding reports on recent meeting, no comment is necessary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Speakes              |
| 7. <u>Presidential Line of Succession:</u> It was noted that one Cabinet officer will not attend the President's SOTU speech tonight for succession reasons.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                      |
| 8. <u>Boston Trip:</u> A question was raised as to whether CETA funds are involved in a job training center which the President may visit. It was also noted that Governor Dukakis is seeking to take the President to other sites during the trip.                                                                                                                                        | Fuller<br>Williamson |
| 9. <u>FCC Decision on Syndication Rights:</u> DeMuth has suggested a letter of support on this proposed policy change be sent to Mark Fowler. WH views are split on whether this should be done. Decision is to put a hold on the letter and to discuss the issue in CCCT.                                                                                                                 | Fuller<br>Wright     |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-26-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ACTION                     |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> A photo op will be held during Genscher meeting. Regarding the Boston trip, a fact sheet has been prepared on the funding status of projects the President will visit. Also, it was noted that CCCT will discuss the FCC syndication rights issue at its 8:45 meeting today.                                                                                                                                       | Speakes<br>Fuller          |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Photo ops will be held tomorrow during Oval Office meeting with Mubarak and on departure. Congressional meetings will be with sponsors of tuition tax credits and enterprise zones legislation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Speakes<br>Duberstein      |
| 3. <u>State of the Union:</u> As of 11 p.m. last night, phone calls and telegrams on the speech were heavily favorable; more comments will be available today. It seems clear that the speech has improved the President's political position. We should concentrate today on setting the proper tone, avoiding any overt partisanship. OMB will shortly circulate talking points on the spending freeze.                                      |                            |
| Regarding the Democratic proposals offered last night, we should avoid any strong counterattack. Most of their alternatives can be easily dismissed or ignored. For example, the Bradley-Gephardt bill (which involves taxing unemployment benefits), has little chance of serious consideration. OPD will analyze the Democratic proposals for total cost and impact on the deficit in case we decide to respond on this general point alone. | Gergen<br>Harper           |
| 4. <u>Congressional Activity:</u> Regan will be testifying before the Joint Economic Committee. Also, Weinberger will be testifying on the Hill re defense spending, and Stockman will be testifying on the Social Security recommendations. Hearings will begin today on Elizabeth Dole's nomination, and confirmation is expected next week.                                                                                                 | Duberstein                 |
| 5. <u>Mayors and Governors:</u> Both groups will be meeting in Washington this week. Regarding the former, EPA will be asked to announce its plans on clean air sanctions after this week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Williamson<br>Fuller       |
| 6. <u>Budget:</u> Various sections of the budget, which have been circulated for comment, are being finalized for printing today. Senior staff were urged to carefully review those sections as soon as possible today. Also, it was agreed that DOD and HHS can provide an advance press briefing on their budgets on Sunday afternoon due to the complex impact of the proposals on their departments; all materials will be embargoed.      | Wright<br>Darman<br>Gergen |
| 7. <u>Nancy Hanks Center:</u> Proposed legislation was circulated for comment on a quick turnaround basis. Consensus seems to support submission of the bill.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Darman                     |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-27-83)

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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Photo ops will be held during Mubarak meeting and on departure. It was also noted that the press will cover both the Richards reception and the National Gallery dinner.                                                                                                                 | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Photo op will be held during POW/MIA families event.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>Remarks on Corporate Income Tax:</u> Guidance is that the President has expressed this view before, and is not proposing it now; no one has been told to look at the idea, it is not under consideration, nor is it part of any ongoing study.                                                                 | Gergen<br>Speakes    |
| 4. <u>FCC Syndication Rights Issue:</u> DOC and DOJ have both communicated their position on this to the FCC. CCCT discussed the issue yesterday, and will reconvene in 2-3 weeks for a more detailed discussion of the policy questions involved; OMB will hold any letter on the subject until after that meeting. | Fuller<br>Wright     |
| 5. <u>INF:</u> Negotiations resume today in Geneva, and should receive ample press attention. Adelman will be on the Hill today, and the VP will be holding a press conference on the subject.                                                                                                                       | Clark                |
| 6. <u>Tuition Tax Credits:</u> This legislation is ready to go, though there is a question of timing. It could be submitted shortly after Monday.                                                                                                                                                                    | Duberstein<br>Harper |
| 7. <u>Enterprise Zones:</u> Though there had been problems in obtaining agreement on legislation, it now appears that differences have been resolved.                                                                                                                                                                | Darman<br>Harper     |
| 8. <u>SOTU Follow-Up:</u> It was suggested that there is a need to get some supportive voices before the news cameras. The Saturday radio talk may also be used to lay the groundwork for the budget message.                                                                                                        | Gergen               |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-28-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ACTION                                   |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A photo op will be held with the President, the VP, and Secretary Shultz on the steps in the Rose Garden at 9:30. Schedule should not be regarded as "open time": it is important time for the President.                                                                                                                                                                            | Speakes                                  |
| 2. <u>Business Week Interview</u> : Purpose is to discuss the Reagan Presidency at mid-term, but it will also include international trade topics. A briefing will be held for the President at 2:00, which NSC will also attend.                                                                                                                                                                                  | Gergen                                   |
| 3. <u>Monday's Schedule</u> : The President's speech to the Religious Broadcasters will be covered by the press.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Gergen                                   |
| 4. <u>Radio Talk</u> : Topic will be the budget. A draft has been circulated for comment, and will shortly be forwarded to the President.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Gergen<br>Darman                         |
| 5. <u>Economic Figures</u> : The Leading Indicators were up 1.5% in December, the 8th increase in the last 9 months. This figure, combined with lower unemployment claims and news that GM is recalling large numbers of laid-off workers, represents good overall economic news.                                                                                                                                 | Gergen<br>Speakes<br>Feldstein           |
| 6. <u>Jobs Bills</u> : Such legislation is gaining momentum on the Hill. Quayle and Hatch filed a \$2B jobs bill yesterday after giving some advance notice to DOL. Duberstein will take further congressional readings on this overall subject. The press office should handle any inquiries. There was some question as to whether DOL will have legislation ready by February 3 re our unemployment proposals. | Duberstein<br>Fuller<br>Harper<br>Gergen |
| 7. <u>Adelman Nomination</u> : Some problems occurred during Adelman's confirmation hearing; another hearing will be held next Thursday (Rostow will appear before the committee in advance). Pam Turner is coordinating with Ken Dam and Powell Moore at State re this confirmation. State will review whether a further briefing is necessary before the Thursday hearing.                                      | Duberstein<br>Clark                      |
| 8. <u>Military Pay Freeze</u> : NSC will formulate guidance regarding General Barrow's reported remarks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Clark                                    |
| 9. <u>Corporate Income Tax</u> : This story seems to have died; no further comments are necessary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                          |
| 10. <u>Vice President</u> : Departs for Europe on Sunday morning.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                          |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (1-31-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION                |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> WH photo will be taken during 10:15 congressional meeting. Departure after second congressional meeting will be through the Diplomatic Entrance; no photo op will be held. There will be full press coverage of the speech to the Religious Broadcasters.                                                                                   | Speakes<br>Duberstein |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> The President will travel to St. Louis tomorrow. During the trip, he will be near the site of dioxin dumping; on this subject, the Administration can take credit for the speed with which the problem was brought under control.                                                                                                        | Gergen<br>Fuller      |
| 3. <u>Budget:</u> The President's budget will be submitted today. Feldstein, Stockman and Regan will brief the press on its contents this morning. Gergen will work with OBB to prepare talking points to rebut criticism from various groups about the budget.                                                                                                         | Gergen<br>Wright      |
| It was also mentioned that the <u>New York Times</u> story on the budget (by Steve Weisman) inaccurately attributed certain comments and actions to Secretary Shultz.                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                       |
| 4. <u>Truckers Strike:</u> Questions on this subject should be referred to DOT. It was also noted that Drew Lewis' resignation will not be effective until Elizabeth Dole is sworn in. The Senate will vote on Dole's nomination tomorrow at 4:00.                                                                                                                      | Speakes               |
| 5. <u>Cabinet:</u> Full Cabinet will meet with the President on Wednesday to discuss agricultural credit, commodity distribution, the Davis-Bacon Act, and the Combined Federal Campaign. Papers on the meeting will be circulated today.                                                                                                                               | Fuller                |
| 6. <u>Washington Redskins:</u> Consideration will be given to some sort of action in recognition of the team's Super Bowl victory.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                       |
| 7. <u>Congressional Activity:</u> Appropriations Committee hearings on the budget are due to begin this week; the second hearing on Adelman's nomination will take place on Thursday; Rostenkowsky will hold a hearing on social security tomorrow; and Weinberger will testify in the House on the defense budget.                                                     | Duberstein            |
| 8. <u>Unemployment:</u> Figures for January will be out on Friday.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Feldstein             |
| 9. <u>Clean Air Act:</u> EPA will hold a briefing this morning regarding the imposition of sanctions against those localities which are not in compliance with air standards. This action is required by law. Some criticism can be expected, though it should be noted that this is not the start of sanctions, but instead begins a notice and public comment period. | Fuller                |
| 10. <u>Rural Policy Report:</u> This report by USDA, which is required by law, will be circulated to WH staff for comment in advance of issuance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Fuller                |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ACTION               |
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| 11. <u>Health Care Initiatives:</u> Regarding news story on the taxing of health benefits, it should be made clear that this is limited to benefits over a certain amount. It should also be stressed that changes in medicare benefits are balanced by the provision of catastrophic coverage.                                                                             | Gergen<br>Harper     |
| 12. <u>Adelman Nomination:</u> It should be stressed that Adelman is the right man for the job, and attempts to turn his nomination hearings into a forum for criticism of our arms control policy can be disruptive to the Geneva talks and could adversely affect public opinion in Europe. Pam Turner will continue to coordinate preparations for the Thursday hearing. | Duberstein<br>Clark  |
| 13. <u>Margaret Heckler:</u> Hearings on her nomination will begin after the congressional recess. It was noted that HHS will, for a short period, be headed by an acting secretary.                                                                                                                                                                                        | Duberstein<br>Fuller |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-1-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ACTION           |
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| 1. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : There will be no photo op tomorrow. It was also noted that the meeting of Jewish leaders will not be open to the press.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                  |
| 2. <u>Truckers' Strike</u> : We should continue to refer questions to DOT.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Speakes          |
| 3. <u>Cabinet</u> : The Davis-Bacon Act will not be discussed in tomorrow's meeting; a management item will be substituted on the agenda.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Fuller           |
| 4. <u>Post/ABC News Poll</u> : Guidance will be formulated on this.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Gergen           |
| 5. <u>Congressional Activity</u> : Written questions will be submitted to Don Dotson in lieu of a formal hearing; Secretary Weinberger will testify today; Regan, Stockman and Feldstein will all appear before the Appropriations Committee; and Secretary Hodel will testify today on the DOE budget.                                                                                                                                       | Duberstein       |
| 6. <u>Adelman Nomination</u> : Senator Percy has submitted eight questions for Adelman and, depending on his answers, will probably vote to confirm. Ambassador Kirkpatrick is also helping on the Hill today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Duberstein       |
| 7. <u>President's Open Letter on Arms Control</u> : The major news story today will probably be Andropov's reaction to this. The President offered to meet with Andropov for the purpose of signing an agreement as described in the letter. Re any questions on a general summit, previously approved guidance should be followed. A question-and-answer paper has been prepared; further press inquiries on this should be referred to NSC. | Gergen<br>Allin  |
| 8. <u>Budget</u> : All information should be pulled together re fairness of the budget. Representative Jim Jones will hold a hearing today at which he will release a document criticizing the budget as unfair.                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Gergen<br>Wright |
| 9. <u>Unemployment Package</u> : A Legislative Strategy meeting will be held at 5:30 to discuss this. Guidance is that we will be forwarding legislation to the Hill within a week to ten days.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Darman<br>Gergen |
| 10. <u>St. Louis Trip</u> : President's interview with St. Louis paper will include questions about the dioxin controversy; he should have time to review the briefing paper on this subject in advance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Fuller<br>Gergen |
| 11. <u>Rural Policy Report</u> : This report, drafted by USDA, has been circulated for comment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Darman           |
| 12. <u>Gorsuch</u> : Regarding the lawsuit on her contempt citation, a hearing will be held today at 10:00 a.m. on a congressional motion to dismiss.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Fielding         |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-2-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ACTION            |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> A photo op will be held during the Afghan meeting. A small meeting with four Jewish leaders will be held in the Oval Office at 9:45 (WH photo); the meeting with Don Kendall has been shifted to 10:15.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Speakes<br>Clark  |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> The Prayer Breakfast and the Kreisky meeting will be photo ops tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Speakes           |
| 3. <u>Truckers' Strike:</u> Comments should be left at DOT. The Teamsters have issued a statement opposing the strike. Also, it was noted that Secretary Lewis will remain on the job until Monday, when Elizabeth Dole is expected to be sworn in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Speakes<br>Fuller |
| 4. <u>Redskins:</u> Two hours leave has been approved for federal employees to attend the welcoming parade.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |
| 5. <u>Congressional Activity:</u> Regan, Stockman, and Feldstein will again be testifying (today before the House Budget Committee); a hearing will be held on the human rights certification for El Salvador; the Senate Finance Committee will hold a hearing on Medicare prospective payment; and Ways and Means will continue its hearings on Social Security. Also, it was noted that Perle will not testify re Garn's bill to create an "Office of Strategic Trade." | Duberstein        |
| 6. <u>Adelman Nomination:</u> Prospects for confirmation have reportedly improved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Duberstein        |
| 7. <u>Unemployment Legislation:</u> We will not be submitting legislation on Thursday. A revised version of the unemployment fact sheet circulated yesterday will be available for Larry Speakes to refer to in today's briefing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Gergen            |
| 8. <u>Economic Report:</u> Feldstein and Gergen will discuss guidance re questions about whether the recovery has begun.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Feldstein         |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-7-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION                       |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Dole swearing in and Air and Space event are today's photo ops. A WH photo will be taken at the GOP freshmen breakfast and with the Louisiana flood victims (local media will also be allowed on the latter). Also, a pool camera will be present during the briefing for local TV anchors. | Speakes                      |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> The African Development Bank event will be a photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Speakes                      |
| 3. <u>Cabinet:</u> Will meet tomorrow on natural gas (this is not a decision meeting), and Thursday on pension equity for women.                                                                                                                                                                                        | Fuller                       |
| 4. <u>Gorsuch:</u> Regarding Rita Lavelle, there is no firm guidance yet; Ed Meese will be consulted before any guidance is formulated. Regarding the court case, DOJ is to come up with recommendations on how to proceed, though guidance is still no comment.                                                        | Gergen<br>Fuller<br>Fielding |
| 5. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> Only real activity this week includes continued hearings on Social Security, and further testimony by Secretary Weinberger.                                                                                                                                                             | Duberstein                   |
| 6. <u>Remarks by the Chief Justice:</u> Remarks re the Supreme Court's work overload should be checked into; issue can then be discussed in CCLP.                                                                                                                                                                       | Harper                       |
| 7. <u>Truckers' Strike:</u> Information is that the violence has diminished, and more trucks are expected to begin moving.                                                                                                                                                                                              | Fuller                       |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-9-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> WH photo will be taken during meeting with MX Commission. It was also noted that cameras will be present during the session with regional editors and broadcasters.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Cabinet will meet to discuss Davis-Bacon Act. It was also noted that both the Vice President and Secretary Shultz will return to Washington tomorrow; a tentative photo op will be held with the President and Vice President on the colonnade. Both the Vice President and Shultz will come in to brief the President on Friday, with a statement to be released afterward. | Fuller<br>Speakes    |
| 3. <u>MX Commission:</u> Regarding whether the life of the Commission will be extended, guidance for now is no comment. In addition, it was noted that we have received no request from the Commission to extend its term.                                                                                                                                                                                  | Speakes              |
| 4. <u>Rostenkowski's Tax Freeze Proposal:</u> Guidance from Treasury is that, while we commend the bipartisan spirit in which he presented his proposal, we oppose it since the effect would be to unfreeze taxes. Further guidance will be formulated.                                                                                                                                                     | Gergen<br>Duberstein |
| 5. <u>Statements by the Federal Reserve:</u> Harper and Hemel will formulate guidance regarding the Fed's statements yesterday on monetary policy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Harper<br>Hemel      |
| 6. <u>Rita Lavelle:</u> Fielding, Fuller and Darman will discuss this with JAB after senior staff.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Fielding<br>Fuller   |
| 7. <u>DOD Shelter Program:</u> Only information on this is that the DOD wants to work with mayors in helping to shelter the homeless in various localities. Fuller, Williamson and Coyne will discuss this matter.                                                                                                                                                                                          | Fuller               |
| 8. <u>Natural Gas:</u> Comments on this should be referred to the press office, Hodel, or Fuller. Guidance is that no decision has been made and that the President has taken the matter under advisement.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Speakes              |
| 9. <u>Candidate Fundraisers:</u> Story re commitment to raise funds for all 19 GOP Senators up for reelection next year is totally inaccurate. Both the Senatorial Campaign Committee and Laxalt will be consulted before any such decisions are made.                                                                                                                                                      | Rollins              |
| 10. <u>Truckers' Strike:</u> Violence continues to diminish. Secretary Dole has said she is willing to meet with the various organizations to discuss the issue, though there is no move on our part to change the legislation that has been passed.                                                                                                                                                        | Fuller               |
| 11. <u>Budget Freeze Group:</u> This group will be in for a meeting tomorrow, with the President scheduled to do a drop-by.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Harper               |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                 | ACTION  |
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| 12. <u>Construction Speedup</u> : Guidance remains the same--OMB is still looking into the matter, but no decision has yet been made. | Wright  |
| 13. <u>Beirut Massacre Inquiry</u> : Guidance on this should be a flat no comment.                                                    | Speakes |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-10-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ACTION                      |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> There will not be a photo op today. CCEA will meet with the President to discuss the lawsuit against our Davis-Bacon regulations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Speakes<br>Fuller           |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> The VP and Shultz will brief the President on their trips; this will be a photo op. A WH photo will be taken during the IMF meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Clark<br>Speakes            |
| 3. <u>EPA:</u> Guidance is that we will be talking with Levitas and others on the Hill to try to reach a settlement of the contempt charge. Personnel will expedite their search for Lavelle's replacement.                                                                                                                                                                            | Speakes<br>von Damm         |
| 4. <u>Social Security:</u> Guidance re possible deficit is that the problem, as defined by the Commission, has been taken care of; as requested by the Commission, actuaries are now preparing revised estimates, though we are confident that the solution agreed on will still address the main problem.                                                                             | Speakes<br>Darman           |
| 5. <u>Natural Gas:</u> Secretary Hodel has begun consultations with the Hill on ways to address problems caused by the NGPA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Fuller<br>Speakes           |
| 6. <u>SBA:</u> The Administration will be attacked today for pushing 21 minority-owned firms out of one of their programs. SBA will hold a press conference to properly explain the situation.                                                                                                                                                                                         | Cavaney<br>Fuller           |
| 7. <u>El Salvador:</u> Guidance re Enders' statements on the subject is that there is no proposal, and that Enders' remarks have no standing as policy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Allin                       |
| 8. <u>OMB's Proposed A-122 Regulations:</u> Protest is mounting regarding the OMB proposals on use of federal funds for political advocacy. Our business support coalition is very upset, and may mention the subject when they see the President this afternoon. The comment period on the regulations extends to March 10. A copy of the regulations will be circulated to WH staff. | Cavaney<br>Darman<br>Wright |
| 9. <u>Infanticide:</u> It was mentioned that a pending TV news segment on this may cause the President to be questioned.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Harper                      |
| 10. <u>Human Events Interview:</u> Q&A material is being circulated in advance. It was mentioned that an approach should be devised for handling several events next week involving conservative groups.                                                                                                                                                                               | Gergen                      |
| 11. <u>UI Trust Fund Debts:</u> Regarding state UI debts, forgiveness is not being considered. Problems have been caused by a DOL statement on the issue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Harper                      |
| 12. <u>Foreign Policy Speech:</u> A draft was received by Gergen last night which will be circulated for comment. An appropriate forum must also be determined.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Gergen<br>Darman            |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-11-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : The President will accompany both the VP and Secretary Shultz to the press briefing room at 11:45 for photos and questions. Also, a WH photo will be taken during the IMF meeting.       | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>Monday's Schedule</u> : The teleconference will be covered by the press.                                                                                                                                        | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>Radio Speech</u> : A draft has been circulated which will go to the President this morning.                                                                                                                     | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 4. <u>Producer Price Index</u> : The PPI declined nearly 1% in January, the largest monthly decline since the measurement started.                                                                                    |                      |
| 5. <u>EPA</u> : Guidance is that DOJ will be talking with Levitas today; no further comment is necessary.                                                                                                             | Speakes<br>Fielding  |
| 6. <u>Sharon Resignation</u> : Guidance remains the same, i.e., that it is an internal matter and we will not comment further. It was also noted that a <u>New York Post</u> editorial on this subject is inaccurate. | Gergen<br>Speakes    |
| 7. <u>Foreign Policy Speech</u> : The speech is now being redrafted, with a target date of next Thursday.                                                                                                             | Gergen<br>Clark      |
| 8. <u>Jobs Bill</u> : Guidance is that we have been meeting with Hill leaders to explore what common ground there may be on this subject; no further comment is necessary.                                            | Darman<br>Duberstein |
| 9. <u>Watt</u> : It was pointed out that there is no truth to rumors that Secretary Watt will resign.                                                                                                                 |                      |
| 10. <u>Enterprise Zones</u> : This legislation will be submitted in conjunction with the Employment Act of 1983 (though as a separate bill).                                                                          | Duberstein           |
| 11. <u>CBI</u> : Meetings are scheduled to discuss this, with a tentative decision to forward legislation next Wednesday or Thursday.                                                                                 | Duberstein           |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-14-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION                |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : YPO teleconference will be covered by the press.                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Speakes               |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : There may be a photo op during the GOP leadership meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                              | Speakes<br>Duberstein |
| 3. <u>Jobs Bill</u> : Guidance is that the Democratic leadership in the House is considering a proposal, and will be discussing it with their members; we will not comment on any details at this time. The press office should handle all questions.                                   | Duberstein<br>Speakes |
| Also, it was noted that Senator Hatfield plans to introduce his own jobs bill soon.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                       |
| 4. <u>Cabinet Activity</u> : CCEA will meet today on pension legislation and productivity; CCCT will discuss DISC and the FCC syndication rule on Wednesday; and on Thursday CCEA will discuss oil decontrol and the thrift industry.                                                   | Fuller                |
| 5. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : The Senate will convene at noon, and could consider either the Burt or McCormick nominations.                                                                                                                                                          | Duberstein            |
| 6. <u>EPA</u> : Fielding and others met with Levitas on Saturday to convey a proposal; we are now awaiting a response. It was also noted that the House will hold a hearing tomorrow on the shredding allegations. Any questions on the general subject should be referred to Fielding. | Fielding              |
| 7. <u>Gramm</u> : Congressman Phil Gramm won reelection Saturday as a Republican, receiving 56% of the vote against 10 opponents. Some sort of event should be worked out with the leadership in recognition of his joining the party.                                                  | Rollins<br>Duberstein |
| 8. <u>HHS Parental Notification Rule</u> : This rule will soon take effect. Heckler may put out a statement underlining her support for the rule and her intent to enforce it; Fuller will discuss this matter with her before any statement is issued.                                 | Fuller                |
| 9. <u>Tuition Tax Credits</u> : We will meet with a bipartisan group of legislators on Wednesday to discuss the bill; legislation may be forwarded the same day.                                                                                                                        | Duberstein            |
| 10. <u>CBI</u> : The plan is to forward legislation this week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Duberstein            |
| 11. <u>Social Safety Net</u> : The Joint Economic Committee has scheduled hearings regarding whether this is still intact. Legislative Affairs will make a recommendation on how to handle this within a day or so; a presentation on "fairness" may be prepared for the Committee.     | Duberstein            |
| 12. <u>Foreign Policy Speech</u> : A new draft has been worked out which the President has not yet seen. We are still aiming for a speech on Thursday, and will need to decide on a forum.                                                                                              | Gergen<br>Clark       |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-15-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | ACTION                |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : There will not be a Cabinet meeting at 1:00 today. Also, there will be no photo op. During the GOP Leadership Meeting, the VP and Shultz will brief on their trips, and Khedouri will brief on jobs proposals.                                         | Duberstein            |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : A news conference will be held tomorrow night, and will be announced today. Guidance re Tower visit is that he will discuss defense in general, and also the Munich conference.                                                                     | Gergen                |
| 3. <u>Economic Figures</u> : Industrial production figures will be released tomorrow; housing starts and personal income will be out on Friday. It was also noted that inventory figures have dropped recently.                                                                     | Feldstein             |
| 4. <u>EPA</u> : Two separate hearings will be held today at which Gorsuch, Perry, and perhaps Daniel will testify. Guidance will be formulated re allegations by Kaufman.                                                                                                           |                       |
| Regarding network news story on Missouri dioxin problem, comments will be left with FEMA and EPA. It is important to note that we will continue to take all necessary precautions to protect public health.                                                                         | Speakes               |
| 5. <u>Jobs Bill</u> : We will probably not receive a formal response from House Democrats until tomorrow, and should not comment on details.                                                                                                                                        | Speakes<br>Duberstein |
| 6. <u>Social Security</u> : Greenspan is testifying on this in the Senate today; no problems are anticipated.                                                                                                                                                                       | Duberstein            |
| 7. <u>HHS Parental Notification Rule</u> : HHS and DOJ are working on guidance regarding court order enjoining enforcement of the rule. We should be sure to stress the family responsibility aspects of the rule in any comments.                                                  | Fuller<br>Speakes     |
| 8. <u>Rail Strike</u> : An executive order was signed last night halting the strike for at least 60 days.                                                                                                                                                                           | Darman<br>Fuller      |
| 9. <u>Foreign Policy Speech</u> : A second draft is now being discussed. The speech is tentatively set for February 22 before the American Legion.                                                                                                                                  | Gergen<br>Clark       |
| 10. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : It was noted that Alice Rivlin will testify today before the Senate Budget Committee; Secretary Shultz will testify regarding the world economic situation; and Feldstein and Regan will both testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee. | Duberstein            |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2/16/83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ACTION                     |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Congressional meetings this afternoon will discuss CBI and tuition tax credits. On CBI, we are releasing a statement saying that legislation will follow (probably tomorrow); Enders will be available for questions. On tuition tax credits, a statement will be released and the bill will be forwarded today; Gary Jones will be available for questions. Also, the support coalition on tuition tax credits will be in at 3:00 for a meeting (the President will not attend). | Duberstein                 |
| 2. <u>Press Conference:</u> Guidance on EPA was circulated for comment last night; prompt response is requested. Guidance is still needed on the Hatfield proposal and elements of our jobs bill.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Gergen<br>Darman<br>Wright |
| 3. <u>Arms Control:</u> With regard to the story by Michael Getler, it was reiterated that there is no recommendation from the VP awaiting decision by the President. Also, while the West German elections are a factor in our thinking, they are not a determinant.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Allin                      |
| 4. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> The President's lunch with the VP is a tentative photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Speakes                    |
| 5. <u>Adelman Nomination:</u> The vote will probably be held at 12:45 today. The committee will also consider the nominations of Burt and McCormick today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Duberstein                 |
| 6. <u>EPA:</u> Carol Dinkins has forwarded some information on Superfund which may be helpful in handling questions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Fuller                     |
| 7. <u>Senator Dole's Plan to Distribute Surplus Food:</u> Fuller will check into this with a view toward a possible Administration position.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Fuller                     |
| 8. <u>Industrial Production:</u> Figures are up 0.9%, the most significant increase since February of 1982. The President will probably mention this fact tonight. It was also noted that housing starts will be released this afternoon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                            |
| 9. <u>Cruise Missile:</u> Allin is checking with DOD regarding news stories on this.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Allin                      |

# SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-17-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> There will not be a photo op today.                                                                                                                                                                                               |                      |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Photo op will be held during meeting with PM Willoch and during departure. The ACU dinner speech will also be covered by the press.                                                                                            | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>Maritime Administration:</u> DOT will take the lead in testimony before Thurmond's committee tomorrow. DOT statement will be cleared with OMB in advance.                                                                                               | Fuller<br>Wright     |
| 4. <u>CBI:</u> Package was sent to OMB for clearance today. Legislation will be submitted today or tomorrow. It was also noted that Bermuda is not included in CBI, nor will it be included in separate legislation.                                          | Duberstein<br>Clark  |
| 5. <u>Jobs Bill:</u> Employment Act of 1983 and enterprise zones will be submitted at same time, though as separate bills. It was also noted that our position on UI is for a 6-month extension; we could accept 9 months only as part of an overall package. | Duberstein<br>Gergen |
| 6. <u>USDA Civil Rights Memo:</u> Fuller will check into this matter, which was mentioned in last night's news conference; guidance will then be forwarded to Larry Speakes.                                                                                  | Fuller               |
| 7. <u>EPA Executive Privilege Question:</u> Guidance is that, as the President said, executive privilege will not be used to cover up allegations of wrongdoing; we will continue to work with the Hill on a compromise as recommended by one district court. | Speakes              |
| Regarding the question of relocating residents of Times Beach, Missouri, we have no comment at this time.                                                                                                                                                     | Speakes              |
| 8. <u>Libya/Sudan:</u> Guidance will be formulated after NSC has checked the various statements already made on the matter of ship movements and AWACS deployments; this should be forwarded by noon.                                                         | Clark<br>Allin       |
| 9. <u>Williamsburg Summit:</u> Shultz will discuss this issue only in the briefing room at 3:00 today.                                                                                                                                                        | Speakes              |
| 10. <u>ACU Speech:</u> This speech, which may need to be shortened, is in circulation. Comments are needed a.s.a.p. so that the President can work on it tonight.                                                                                             | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 11. <u>Foreign Policy Speech:</u> The latest draft is now back at NSC; speech is still set for Tuesday.                                                                                                                                                       | Clark                |
| 12. <u>Radio Talk:</u> A draft needs to be worked up on this.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Gergen               |
| 13. <u>HHS Parental Notification Rule:</u> Decision is that fact sheet on this should be put out by HHS; there should be no reference to alternatives considered.                                                                                             | Harper<br>Fuller     |

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | ACTION     |
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| 14. <u>Infanticide</u> : Information is that regulations are being drafted on this subject.                                                                                                                                                                          | Fuller     |
| 15. <u>PIK Program</u> : Fuller will check on possible adverse affects an IRS ruling could have on this.                                                                                                                                                             | Fuller     |
| 16. <u>Withholding on Interest and Dividends</u> : Bankers' groups are fighting to repeal this. Senator Dole has suggested a clear veto signal; this will be drafted by Duberstein. It was also mentioned that no vote on this issue is possible on the House floor. | Duberstein |
| 17. <u>Social Security</u> : Darman will check into recent statement by Pepper that inclusion of new federal employees in system may be delayed a year.                                                                                                              | Darman     |

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-18-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Photo ops will be held during Willoch meeting and departure. Also, the ACU speech will be covered by the press.                                                                                                                                                  | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>USDA Civil Rights Memo:</u> Fuller has received a report from USDA; the agency is looking into the matter further.                                                                                                                                                                     | Fuller               |
| 3. <u>ACU Speech:</u> Draft has been reviewed by the President, and his changes are now being made in the speech. It was suggested that senior staff closely review the speech. It was also noted that Shultz, Weinberger, Hodel and Regan will all be speaking to ACU before the President. | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 4. <u>Radio Speech:</u> A draft (on the defense budget) has already gone in to the President                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 5. <u>Senior Staff:</u> There will be no senior staff meeting on Monday, February 21, due to the federal holiday.                                                                                                                                                                            |                      |
| 6. <u>Tuesday's Schedule:</u> A photo op will probably be held during the meeting with PM Seaga, and the speech to the American Legion will receive press coverage.                                                                                                                          | Speakes              |
| 7. <u>Libya/Sudan:</u> NSC has provided guidance to the press office on this; no remarks that go beyond the guidance should be made unless first cleared by the NSC. It was also stressed that the President's comments on this subject at his press conference were completely accurate.    | Speakes<br>Allin     |
| 8. <u>EPA Documents:</u> A meeting with Congress has been set up for today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Fielding             |
| 9. <u>School Prayer:</u> A decision should be made on when the package is sent to the Hill.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Duberstein<br>Porter |
| 10. <u>Personal Income:</u> Figures were flat in January; this is difficult to analyze without looking at the January CPI figures.                                                                                                                                                           | Feldstein            |
| 11. <u>Adelman Nomination:</u> An all-out effort will be made. This will be coordinated by Duberstein, who will work with Ken Dam and Powell Moore.                                                                                                                                          | Duberstein           |
| 12. <u>Foreign Policy Speech:</u> This needs to be circulated quickly, and then will be forwarded to the President today or tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                        | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 13. <u>Federalism:</u> OMB is attempting to resolve some agency concerns on this package, which will then be circulated for comment.                                                                                                                                                         | Wright<br>Williamson |
| 14. <u>Health Care Initiatives:</u> OMB is discussing this package with HHS and should be finished today. There is a need to transmit this to the Hill quickly; decision is to aim for next Tuesday.                                                                                         | Duberstein<br>Wright |
| 15. <u>CBI:</u> It was noted that the decision has now been made to include Bermuda in the CBI legislation.                                                                                                                                                                                  | Clark<br>Duberstein  |

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16. Joint Economic Committee: Has scheduled hearings for March 3 and 4 on the social safety net. We have received indications that the committee will accommodate us if there are witnesses we wish to have testify. Duberstein  
Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (2-22-83)

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ACTION                           |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Seaga event in East Room will be a photo op. Also, the foreign policy speech will be covered by the press.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Speakes                          |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule:</u> Medal of Freedom event will be a photo op.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes                          |
| 3. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> CCCT will meet with the President today on trade reorganization; Cabinet time is on hold for Thursday. Meetings without the President include CCCT on Wednesday re Japanese trade; CCFA on Wednesday re agricultural exports; and CCEA today on the thrift industry and oil decontrol.                                                                                                                                                    | Fuller                           |
| 4. <u>U.S. Wheat Sale to Egypt:</u> A meeting will be held today at 10:45 on the question of whether the cargo preference laws apply to this transaction.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Fuller                           |
| 5. <u>Congressional Activity:</u> Hearings will continue this week on the Social Security compromise; the House Appropriations Committee will mark-up a jobs supplemental by Thursday; CBI has been transmitted and we are now working on sponsors. It was also noted that Radio Marti will be transmitted this afternoon by State.                                                                                                                                   | Duberstein                       |
| 6. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Revised GNP figures will be out today. CPI will be out this week; Leading Indicators and unemployment will be out next week.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Feldstein                        |
| 7. <u>EPA:</u> It was noted that Dingell's committee will meet in closed session today at 1:00 on agency problems. Also, Lavelle will testify on the Hill tomorrow. There is still no agreement with other committees regarding documents, but the model has been set through the agreement with Levitas. Duberstein will track who is testifying on this subject and for what purpose. It was also mentioned that Anne Gorsuch will give several speeches this week. | Duberstein<br>Fielding<br>Fuller |
| Regarding the dioxin situation in Times Beach, CDC tests indicate higher than expected levels of the toxin. A team from FEMA, EPA, and CDC are going down to Times Beach; Anne Gorsuch will also visit the town. A permanent buy-out and relocation arrangement will be implemented; the details will be circulated in advance.                                                                                                                                       | Fuller                           |
| 8. <u>Joint Economic Committee:</u> Duberstein is compiling a roster of potential witnesses for the March 3-4 hearings on the social safety net.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Duberstein                       |
| 9. <u>Heckler:</u> Nomination has been sent up; confirmation hearing is set for Friday.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Duberstein                       |
| 10. <u>Sperling Breakfast:</u> This will be held tomorrow at 9:00; the President will be briefed today.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Gergen                           |
| 11. <u>Oil Prices:</u> Guidance on this will be provided by Treasury with input from NSC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes                          |
| 12. <u>Kidney Dialysis:</u> Information on these regulatory proposals will be funnelled through CCHR.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Fuller                           |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ACTION               |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A WH photo will be taken during meeting with Arens; a full photo op will be held during meeting with Soares and during Medal of Freedom event.                                                                                            | Speakes              |
| 2. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : Briefing for state and local officials will be a photo op.                                                                                                                                                                             | Speakes              |
| 3. <u>EPA</u> : Rita Lavelle will testify today at 10:00 before a Senate committee. Also, the implications of O'Neill's suggestion for coordinating committee investigations of EPA will be considered.                                                                | Duberstein           |
| 4. <u>Social Security</u> : The House Ways and Means subcommittee will finish mark-up on this today.                                                                                                                                                                   | Duberstein           |
| 5. <u>Adelman Nomination</u> : Another hearing will be held at 10:00 tomorrow; the committee will then vote between 11:00 and 12:00.                                                                                                                                   | Duberstein           |
| 6. <u>PIK</u> : Regarding IRS ruling that has adversely impacted this program, Treasury indicates that their hands are tied administratively; they will, however, support legislation to address the problem.                                                          | Fuller               |
| 7. <u>Economic Figures</u> : Revised GNP for the 4th Quarter was down at a 1.9% annualized rate; this is a less severe drop than originally estimated. It was also noted that figures on durable goods orders will be out this afternoon and should be quite positive. | Feldstein            |
| 8. <u>Health Care Initiatives</u> : Part of this package went to the Hill yesterday; the remainder will be ready to go shortly.                                                                                                                                        | Duberstein<br>Harper |
| 9. <u>Education Initiatives</u> : This package is on hold until next month.                                                                                                                                                                                            | Harper               |
| 10. <u>Federalism</u> : This package is set to go shortly.                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Williamson           |
| 11. <u>Unemployment Package</u> : There is no decision yet on when this can be transmitted. It was noted, though, that this Saturday's radio speech will probably discuss the jobs issue.                                                                              | Duberstein<br>Gergen |
| 12. <u>Newsweek Speech</u> : A draft has been circulated for comment.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Gergen<br>Darman     |
| 13. <u>National Governor's Association</u> : The governors are trying to agree on a resolution regarding the federal budget. We should decide on our posture before a delegation of governors meets with the President next Monday.                                    | Williamson           |
| 14. <u>Foreign Policy Speech</u> : Reaction in the print media has been good, although the TV network coverage was negative.                                                                                                                                           |                      |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ACTION                   |
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| 15. <u>Sperling Breakfast</u> : The President will be briefed this morning regarding some late-breaking items, including guidance on Secretary Weinberger's request for an extra \$60M in aid to El Salvador.                                                      | Baker<br>Clark<br>Gergen |
| 16. <u>Pension Equity for Women</u> : It was noted that legislation is being prepared on this for introduction in early March.                                                                                                                                     | Harper                   |
| 17. <u>A-122 Regulations</u> : It was noted that these proposed regulations will be revised and that the comment deadline will probably be extended. Joe Wright will coordinate the effort on this with a view toward blunting criticism the proposals have drawn. | Wright                   |
| 18. <u>Ed Gray</u> : It was noted that Ed Gray's confirmation hearing for chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board will be held today.                                                                                                                         | Duberstein               |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ACTION                         |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : The President will attend the briefing for state and local officials between 11:40 and 11:50; this will be covered by the press.                                                                                                              | Williamson<br>Speakes          |
| 2. <u>CCNRE</u> : Will meet with the President at 2:00 today on natural gas legislation. This is not a decision meeting.                                                                                                                                                   | Fuller                         |
| 3. <u>Phil Gramm</u> : Photo op (wires only) will be held during his meeting with the President at 4:30.                                                                                                                                                                   | Speakes                        |
| 4. <u>Tomorrow's Schedule</u> : There will probably not be a photo op tomorrow.                                                                                                                                                                                            | Speakes                        |
| 5. <u>Saturday Radio Speech</u> : Topic will be either jobs or natural gas; a draft has been circulated on the former.                                                                                                                                                     | Gergen                         |
| 6. <u>EPA</u> : Additional actions regarding the agency will be announced this morning. Fuller will also check into allegations that EPA has allowed use of a herbicide which contains high levels of dioxin.                                                              | Fuller<br>von Damm<br>Fielding |
| 7. <u>Adelman Nomination</u> : Guidance will be prepared to cover all eventualities regarding today's vote.                                                                                                                                                                | Gergen<br>Duberstein           |
| 8. <u>A-122 Regulations</u> : Joe Wright has been meeting with various groups on this issue. It was also mentioned that congressional hearings have been set. OMB will prepare a standard response letter which can be sent to all groups inquiring about the regulations. | Wright                         |
| 9. <u>School Prayer</u> : This package has been circulated, though there is not yet a target date for transmittal.                                                                                                                                                         | Duberstein                     |
| 10. <u>Crime Package</u> : It was mentioned that time should be set aside on March 7 or 8 for the crime message.                                                                                                                                                           | Deaver                         |
| 11. <u>Conservation Corps Legislation</u> : Legislative Affairs will recommend a strategy on this bill, which is moving toward passage in the House.                                                                                                                       | Duberstein                     |
| 12. <u>Federalism Proposal</u> : A meeting will be held at 8:30 today to resolve problems various agencies have. Once agreement is reached, the package can be transmitted soon thereafter.                                                                                | Williamson<br>Duberstein       |
| 13. <u>Shipping Act</u> : Our position on this legislation has been made clear by DOT; a new message (with additional language) is not necessary.                                                                                                                          | Fuller<br>Duberstein           |

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| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ACTION             |
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| 1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> A WH photo will be released re the Student TV show; also, the President's tapings may be moved up to 1:30.                                                                                                                  | Speakes<br>Deaver  |
| 2. <u>Saturday Radio Talk:</u> A draft on natural gas has been circulated, and has now gone to the President.                                                                                                                                           | Gergen             |
| 3. <u>Monday's Schedule:</u> A WH photo will be taken at the meeting with former President Carter. Also, the President's meeting with the NGA will be covered by the press.                                                                             | Speakes            |
| 4. <u>California Trip:</u> In terms of staff paperwork, it was noted that Craig Fuller will be with the President, while Dick Darman will be here at the WH. It was also mentioned that the only senior staff meeting next week will be held on Monday. | Fuller<br>Darman   |
| 5. <u>Jobs Package:</u> It was noted that yesterday's statement was well-received. Meanwhile, the Democrats' proposal is being marked-up today in the House Appropriations Committee, and could reach the floor by next Wednesday.                      | Duberstein         |
| 6. <u>CPI:</u> Figures for January (computed in a new fashion) were up 0.2%, an annualized rate of 2.1%.                                                                                                                                                |                    |
| 7. <u>EPA:</u> It was pointed out that the review being undertaken by Fred Fielding is purely internal, and the result of a routine request by JAB for information on staff contacts with EPA.                                                          | Speakes            |
| 8. <u>Adelman Nomination:</u> This was reported unfavorably yesterday. We feel chances of confirmation are better on the floor, though Tsongas has said he will filibuster it. It should reach the floor in mid-March.                                  | Duberstein         |
| 9. <u>Private Sector Survey:</u> A district court ruled yesterday that the Survey's staffs are not separate advisory committees and thus are not covered by the Advisory Committee Act.                                                                 | Fielding<br>Fuller |
| 10. <u>Health Care Initiatives:</u> Our Medicare cost control proposals will probably come out of Ways and Means Committee next week.                                                                                                                   | Duberstein         |
| 11. <u>Handicapped Regulations:</u> Fuller and Wright will check into these proposals by the Education Department, which are being heavily criticized by Congress.                                                                                      | Fuller<br>Wright   |
| 12. <u>Heckler:</u> She is testifying before the Finance Committee today; we are hoping for confirmation next week.                                                                                                                                     | Duberstein         |
| 13. <u>Infanticide:</u> A notice will be released by HHS next week regarding proposed regulations on this.                                                                                                                                              | Harper<br>Fuller   |

| ITEMS                                                                                                                                                                                         | ACTION               |
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| 14. <u>Trade Speech to the Commonwealth Club</u> : This is in circulation now, though there are some problems, especially how to treat recent unresolved discussions on trade reorganization. | Gergen<br>Fuller     |
| 15. <u>Crime Package</u> : A decision will be made regarding the timing of this message.                                                                                                      | Fuller<br>Duberstein |
| 16. <u>A-122 Regulations</u> : It was noted that a statement will be released by OMB announcing the extension of the comment deadline and a relaxation of some provisions.                    | Wright               |