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SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/28/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A photo op will be held during the meeting with Harry Schlaudeman, is in connection with his imminent departure for Central America. A White House photo will be taken during the meeting with Ambassador Hartman, with the photo being released to the press.	Speakes
2. <u>Saturday Radio Talk</u> : No topic has been selected for this week's talk. Suggestions should be forwarded to Darman.	Darman
3. <u>Central American Aid Request</u> : The Senate is continuing work on the PL 480 supplemental. The oil merger amendment is pending and we hope debate on it will be concluded by tomorrow, after which we expect a floor vote on our aid request. It was noted that the President has been making calls in anticipation of the Senate vote. In addition, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is completing work on the entire foreign assistance package; we may bring some senators to the White House in connection with this bill. In the House, Secretary Shultz will discuss our aid request with the Republican Conference tomorrow. It is expected that the House Rules Committee will allow the Republicans to offer a floor substitute. When we are near the point of introducing such a substitute, selected House members may be brought to the White House for a Presidential meeting.	Oglesby
4. <u>Deficit Reduction</u> : In the Senate, it appears that we may have an agreement to start floor consideration of the GOP package this week. In the House, various alternative proposals are being presented to the Democratic caucus. Representative Jones hopes to have a package reported out of committee and to the floor by next week.	Oglesby
5. <u>Product Liability</u> : It was noted that this legislation passed the Senate Commerce Committee yesterday by a vote of 11 to 5.	Oglesby
6. <u>Social Security Disability</u> : Yesterday, the House passed overwhelmingly a revision of eligibility rules. It now appears that our effort to push a moratorium as an alternative is dead in the Senate. Therefore, legislation on this will almost certainly reach the President's desk.	Oglesby
7. <u>Trade Deficits</u> : Hearings on this subject will begin today, with Feldstein scheduled to testify tomorrow.	Feldstein Oglesby

8. Auto Imports: Secretary Baldrige has recently been quoted to the effect that voluntary restraints on Japanese imports should not be continued after this year. It was suggested, however, that current trade negotiations with Japan be concluded before the voluntary restraint issue is considered; at that time, the matter should be pursued in private. Further public comments on this subject should be avoided. Fuller
Svahn
9. EPA: A report has been issued which lays out environmental arguments for removing all remaining lead from gasoline. OMB has not yet taken a position on the report, though initial review indicates there may be no serious objection. EPA will also issue a rule this week regarding the offshore dumping of sludge. Wright
10. Truth in Lending Act: Legislation has been proposed that would prohibit credit card issuers from banning surcharges on card use at the retail level. We have been asked for our views by Thursday; however, the Administration may take no position on the issue. Wright
11. REA Bailout Legislation: The Administration continues to strongly oppose this bill, which has already passed the House. It is now in the Senate Agriculture Committee, where there is pressure for an early mark-up. Oglesby
Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/27/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : The President's speech to the Insurance Agents will be covered by the press. Wire photos will be taken during the dropby with Hispanic Medal of Honor winners. Press coverage for the signing of H.J. Resolution 454 will be further discussed.	Speakes
2. <u>Attorney General</u> : Regarding inquiries about Attorney General Smith's departure date and a possible "caretaker" appointment, we should continue to have no comment and refer inquiries to Justice.	Speakes
3. <u>Deficit Reduction</u> : The House Democratic Caucus will meet today to discuss their deficit reduction proposals. In the Senate, Howard Baker will meet with committee chairmen regarding the Republican deficit reduction package.	Oglesby
4. <u>Women's Issues</u> : Legislation on pension equity and non-discrimination in insurance will be considered in committee this week.	Oglesby
5. <u>Central American Aid Request</u> : We expect that the Senate will vote on adding our request to the PL 480 supplemental by late Wednesday or Thursday. A conference committee is not expected before next week. Pickering and others will be going to the Hill to brief members of Congress on the situation in El Salvador.	Oglesby McFarlane
6. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : Discussion is now turning to the inclusion of language reversing the <u>Bildisco</u> decision, especially since there is a possibility of the bill not going to conference. OPD is studying the issue, and it was noted that Senator Thurmond is also looking at the possibility of toning down the <u>Bildisco</u> language in the House version. Current guidance is that we do not support or oppose the <u>Bildisco</u> reversal, but feel that the issue is of sufficient importance to warrant hearings.	Oglesby Fielding Svahn
7. <u>Product Liability</u> : We are working with the Commerce Department regarding the scheduled mark-up of this legislation.	Oglesby

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/26/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The Medal of Freedom luncheon will be covered by the press. Regarding the dropby with the Council of 100, it was noted that the President's limited time in the event will probably prevent answering questions, although the Dade County set-aside case is expected to come up in the course of the meeting.	Speakes Svahn
2. <u>CCNRE:</u> Today's meeting with the President will hear a briefing on national energy policy. This is not a decision meeting.	Fuller
3. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> The House is expected to take up target price freeze legislation, and will then move to the NASA authorization bill. The Senate will take up PL 480 legislation; several amendments are expected, with a floor vote on our Central American aid request likely on Wednesday. We expect a conference report this week on the Defense Production Act, and the first official conference committee meeting on the Export Administration Act will also occur this week. In addition, it was noted that the House and the Senate will probably begin mark-up this week on foreign assistance authorization bills, which will include money for Central America.	Oglesby
4. <u>Salvadoran Elections:</u> It was mentioned that press coverage of the elections has been very negative, and has failed to point out the positive aspect of being able to conduct an election with over 70% participation in the midst of a war.	Speakes
5. <u>Social Security Disability:</u> It was noted that a proposal has been put together on this subject, and that Stockman has discussed it with Dole, Heinz, and Cohen. A separate piece of legislation on eligibility is expected to pass the House overwhelmingly tomorrow.	Svahn Oglesby

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/22/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Photo ops will be held during Mitterrand's arrival, and during a walk along the colonnade. Wire photos will be taken during the meeting with Costa Rican businessmen.	Speakes
2. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : This legislation has now passed the House and goes to a conference committee. Republican members prevailed on their judgeships amendment.	Oglesby Fielding
3. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : The House is expected to decide on a rule for considering disability legislation, and will likely vote to override the President's veto of the Water Resources Bill.	Oglesby
The Senate will continue debate on the target price freeze, and will probably file for cloture if they are unable to move to a vote. By early afternoon we expect the PL 480 legislation to come up, and it is likely that the Democrats will attempt to filibuster Central American aid provisions. Senator Johnston may also seek to attach his oil merger amendment.	
4. <u>Oil Merger Legislation</u> : This amendment by Senator Johnston was offered on the target price freeze bill yesterday, but was then pulled down with an announcement that it would only apply prospectively. We continue to oppose this amendment, though it may become more difficult to defeat in light of such changes. An alternative being considered is a nonbinding resolution asking that the issue be studied with a report due by the end of the year.	Oglesby
5. <u>Export Administration Act</u> : Differences on this legislation have not yet been resolved by the conference committee.	Oglesby
6. <u>Durable Goods</u> : This economic figure declined in February by 1.2%, though it is still up 1.5% when combined with January's figure. It was stressed that this statistic is quite volatile.	Feldstein

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/20/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : There will be photo and writing pool coverage of both the breakfast and the Agriculture Day ceremony. Also, there will be wire coverage of the Shipping Act signing ceremony. A special effort will be made to secure coverage of both the Agriculture Day and Shipping Act events in local and specialized media.	Speakes McManus
2. <u>School Prayer</u> : The Senate will vote on this amendment today, and it appears that we may be short of the needed two-thirds. Debate will begin at 2:00, with the vote scheduled for 3:00.	Oglesby
3. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : We hope to get an indication from the House today on the type of rule which will be applied to this legislation.	Oglesby Fielding
4. <u>Target Price Freeze</u> : The Senate is expected to take up this bill following the vote on school prayer.	Oglesby
5. <u>GNP</u> : The 1st quarter flash figure will be released at 8:30 today. It indicates growth of 7.2%, with inflation at a rate of 4.4%. Revisions in the 4th quarter figure were negligible.	Feldstein

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A photo op will be held during the presentation of the Small Business Report, and wire photos will be taken during the Cuban-American event. At 10:45, the President will be briefed on the state of small business by Jim Sanders.	Speakes
2. <u>Cabinet Activity</u> : On Thursday, CCNRE will meet with the President regarding national energy policy.	Fuller
3. <u>Personal Income</u> : The January figure has been revised upward to 1.5%. The personal income figure for February increased 0.7%.	Feldstein
4. <u>Meese Nomination</u> : It was noted that Senator Thurmond has agreed to postpone further hearings in the Judiciary Committee. Larry Speakes has been given guidance regarding the Justice Department's decision to conduct a preliminary investigation.	Speakes
5. <u>School Prayer</u> : A vote on the President's amendment has been scheduled for Tuesday at 3:00 pm. At this point, we are short of the required two-thirds, though the President and all White House offices continue to work to secure the necessary votes. A delegation of supporters will visit the White House, and will be presented with a letter signed by the President.	Oglesby Whittlesey
6. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : The Senate is expected to take up the target price freeze after it votes on school prayer. A veto override attempt on the Water Resources Bill will likely occur this week. In the House, we are hopeful for action on bankruptcy legislation.	Oglesby
7. <u>Cuban-American Event</u> : NSC has suggested a revision in the Radio Marti portion of the President's remarks for today's event. The changes will be forwarded to Darman.	McFarlane Darman
8. <u>Central America</u> : Our aid request will likely be taken up in the Senate later this week in conjunction with the food assistance bill. We are continuing efforts to develop support in the House, and several meetings have been set up to discuss the matter.	Oglesby McFarlane
9. <u>Arms Sale to Jordan</u> : We are working to obtain Hill approval for this sale, though portions of it remain controversial.	Oglesby McFarlane
10. <u>Export Administration Act</u> : A conference committee will begin work this week on the House and Senate versions of this bill.	Oglesby McFarlane
11. <u>Shipping Act</u> : A signing ceremony will be held on this legislation tomorrow at 1:45.	Oglesby

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The President's remarks at the Puerto Rican briefing will be covered by the press.	Speakes
2. <u>Saturday Radio Speech:</u> The topic for this week's speech will be St. Patrick's Day.	Darman
3. <u>School Prayer:</u> There may be a tabling vote today on Sen. Dixon's silent prayer proposal. We will continue working with Senator Baker toward an up-or-down vote on the President's amendment. Also, it was noted that Legislative Affairs has forwarded to OPL a list of undecided senators.	Oglesby Whittlesey
4. <u>Central America:</u> Our aid request was helped by yesterday's successful vote in the Senate Appropriations Committee. Also, we are continuing discussions with Rep. Fascell in hopes of reaching an accomodation in the House.	Oglesby
5. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> Prime Minister Fitzgerald of Ireland will be received today by the House and Senate.	
6. <u>Water Resources Bill:</u> The veto override attempt on this legislation has been postponed until next week.	Oglesby
7. <u>Balanced Budget Amendment:</u> This measure has now been moved out of the Senate Judiciary Committee.	Oglesby
8. <u>Target Price Freeze:</u> We are still hoping for a vote before next week on this legislation.	Oglesby
9. <u>Cheney State University:</u> This black college in Philadelphia received a commitment of federal funds last year. No money has yet been received, primarily because the school has failed to follow the appropriate procedure. Secretary Bell has the lead on this matter, and is consulting with Senator Specter. Inquiries should be referred to Craig Fuller or Joe Wright.	Fuller Wright
10. <u>Oil Company Mergers:</u> This legislation is now moving in the Senate. A Legislative Strategy meeting will be held to discuss how it should be handled.	Fuller
11. <u>Immigrant Education Program:</u> It was noted that Secretary Bell is under criticism from Rep. Jim Wright and others regarding this program. Problems stem from the fact that money has been appropriated for the program without passage of an authorization bill.	Wright
12. <u>Low Income Energy Assistance:</u> In answer to a question raised previously, it was noted that Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts would be in danger of running out of funds unless this supplemental is passed expeditiously. The bill, however, is now moving through Congress.	Wright
13. <u>Industrial Production:</u> Figures for February will be released today, and are expected to be very good.	Feldstein

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/13/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : There will be press coverage of the President's UJA speech, and of the Walsh family. Wire photos will be taken during Maureen Corcoran's swearing in, and a White House photo will be taken during the meeting with the Algerian Commerce Minister.	Speakes
2. <u>School Prayer</u> : Howard Baker is attempting to bring about votes on the issue this week. The initial vote will likely be on the equal access issue, where we expect to be successful. Negotiations on the prayer language itself are continuing.	Oglesby
3. <u>Bankruptcy</u> : After a series of negotiations, this legislation has finally begun to move in the House. At DOJ's request, a White House meeting may be held to discuss the issue; a DOJ paper will be prepared and circulated in advance of such a meeting.	Fielding Oglesby Darman
4. <u>Central America</u> : We are continuing to work with the leadership toward mark-up on our aid requests in both Hatfield's and Fascell's committees. Presidential calls will be made on this issue. Also, private groups will begin contacting individual members of Congress who will be involved in floor action on these requests.	Oglesby Whittlesey
5. <u>CCCT</u> : A meeting will be held without the President at 3:30 on Friday to discuss the implications of steel mergers.	Fuller
6. <u>Retail Sales</u> : The figure for February is down 0.2%, though the final figure for January was higher than reported initially.	Feldstein

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/12/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The visit to Congress Heights school and the lunch with GOP women elected officials will be covered by the press. The 9:15 congressional meeting is for the purpose of discussing the budget with House GOP leaders. Also, the foreign ministers of Honduras and Costa Rica will meet briefly with the President at 10:00, and a White House photo will be taken.	Speakes Oglesby McFarlane
2. <u>School Prayer:</u> The Senate will continue its debate on this issue, which could go to a vote this week. Howard Baker will provide suggestions for phone calls and White House meetings prior to any such vote. Whittlesey and Oglesby will discuss whether a group of senators should be invited in for a meeting with the President within the next few days.	Oglesby Whittlesey
3. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> The Senate will probably vote this week on the target price freeze. A vote is also expected Thursday on Ed Meese's nomination.	Oglesby
4. <u>Central America:</u> Committee action will continue this week in both the House and the Senate on our aid requests. Also, a reference to Central America will be added to the President's luncheon remarks today.	Oglesby McFarlane Darman
5. <u>Export Administration Act:</u> A decision memo has been sent to the President outlining the two issues on which there is still departmental disagreement.	Darman McFarlane
6. <u>United Jewish Appeal:</u> Baker and McFarlane will discuss whether certain subjects should be referenced in tomorrow's speech.	Baker McFarlane Darman

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/08/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Senator Tower will meet with the President to brief him on his trip to the Middle East. Wire photos will be taken during the Red Cross Month signing, and the meeting with Timmy Diakis.	Speakes
2. <u>CCEA</u> : At today's meeting, the President will hear a briefing by the Commerce Department on the economic impact of demographic changes.	Fuller
3. <u>School Prayer</u> : A vote will not be held on the amendment until next week. Guidance regarding language is that Howard Baker is floating several versions, and we should avoid negative reactions at this time. The school prayer coalition will meet at 8:30 this morning for a briefing on the current legislative situation. Also, an effort is being made to place Administration spokesmen on the weekend news shows.	Oglesby Whittlesey Speakes
4. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : The House will take up the vocational education bill, and will then consider SBA legislation.	Oglesby
5. <u>Central America</u> : The Senate Appropriations Committee will hold a mark-up on supplementals for famine relief and low income energy assistance. We will attempt to attach money for covert assistance to the former, and funds for El Salvador to the latter. Close votes are expected.	Oglesby McFarlane
6. <u>Minority Business</u> : Svahn, Fielding, and Fuller will inquire into the facts of a case in which the Justice Department is seeking to overturn a Miami "set-aside" program for minority business. They will also report on whether our position in the case is consistent with the Administration policy regarding set-aside programs on the state and federal level.	Svahn Fielding Fuller
7. <u>Hispanic Appointments</u> : It was mentioned that four significant Hispanic appointments have been approved. Herrington and Speakes will work out the method and timing of an announcement.	Herrington Speakes

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(03/02/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The President's luncheon remarks and tonight's CPAC speech will be covered by the press.	Speakes
2. <u>Nominations:</u> It was reported that Ed Meese's confirmation hearing went well yesterday. Also, Bill Wilson will likely be confirmed by Monday as Ambassador to the Vatican.	Oglesby
3. <u>Export Administration Act:</u> This passed yesterday by voice vote, and will probably go to conference next week. A Legislative Strategy meeting will be scheduled on Monday to discuss the bill's various provisions, including differences between the House and Senate versions.	Oglesby Darman
4. <u>Central America:</u> The House subcommittee has reported out an altered version of our aid package, which will be taken up by the full committee next week. We are negotiating with Fascell and others on the legislation.	Oglesby McFarlane
Regarding funds to provide weapons for El Salvador, a Legislative Strategy meeting will be scheduled on Monday to further discuss the matter.	Darman
5. <u>Weapons Sale to Jordan:</u> A Legislative Strategy meeting will be set up to discuss the sale of Stingers to Jordan.	Darman
6. <u>Congressional Hearings:</u> A Senate hearing will be held today on the EPA budget. Also, the House Agriculture Task Force will hold its first hearing today, in Chicago, on hunger in America.	Oglesby
7. <u>National League of Cities:</u> This group will be meeting in Washington for the next several days, and deficits are expected to be a subject of concern. The President will speak to them on Monday.	Verstandig
8. <u>Oil Overcharge Restitution:</u> OMB will draft talking points regarding our position on this issue in order to help explain it to state attorneys general and other state officials. The OMB draft will then be reviewed by IGA.	Wright Verstandig
9. <u>Deficits:</u> Tentative guidance regarding yesterday's action by the Ways and Means Committee is that we support those elements of the package that correspond to our budget; however, we look forward to reviewing the spending cuts which we expect to be part of any such proposal.	Wright Speakes
10. <u>Machine Tools Issue:</u> DOC has forwarded a recommendation on this, which is now being reviewed by NSC and others. There is apparently a question regarding whether the issue can be decided prior to completion of a national mobilization requirements study.	McFarlane Fuller

11. MX Missile: NSC will arrange for Representative Dicks to again be briefed on Administration arms control efforts. McFarlane
12. Housing Sales: The figure for January is 688,000 units. This is down 8% from the December figure; however, it still represents a sizeable monthly increase. Feldstein

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (02/29/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Photo Opportunity</u> : Olympics event at 2:00 p.m. WH photo to be released for Dutch Foreign Minister.	McManus McFarlane
2. <u>Schedules Changes</u> : None	
3. <u>Hill Report</u> : Export Administration - 30-day extension granted. Dole continues mark-up. REA - House debate begins. Grove City legislation - guidance needed. We will hold comment until legislation reviewed.	Oglesby
4. <u>Governors Conference</u> : 3 defectors on deficit resolution: Snelling/Jankelow/Kane. Deukmejian very strong supporter.	Verstandig
5. <u>Economic Numbers</u> : Leading indicators up 1.1%; 6 out of 10 up. Coincident indicators up 1%. \$9.5 billion trade deficit - reward high. Big jump in imports.	Fitzwater
6. <u>Disaster Request</u> : Spellman request for disaster assistance being turned down.	Jenkins
7. <u>Down Payment on the Deficit</u> : No future meetings scheduled. There will probably be future meetings. Legislative process going forward on the Hill.	Darman

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/22/84)

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1. Congressional Activities: The Senate will vote on the death penalty bill today. Senate Foreign Relations will vote on Bill Wilson this morning. Oglesby
 2. CBO Reestimates: CBO reestimates of the current services budget show a deficit very close to the Administration figures for the first two years. CBO reestimates show a much larger deficit for 1989, primarily because of different interest rate assumptions. Speakes
 3. Budget Talks Guidance: The WH should discount claims by Rostenkowski that we are cooperating on his package. The WH is focussing on the Thursday meeting. Senator Baker is meeting this morning with Senate fiscal leaders to urge them to stay together pending the Thursday meeting. Speakes
 4. Steel Industry: The CCCT meeting on the steel industry problems has been postponed until next week. Fuller
 5. Radio Speech: The Radio speech this weekend will be on school prayer. Darman
 6. Press Conference: The opening statement will be ready this morning.

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/21/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Water Resources Bill</u> : This bill will be presented to the President for signature or veto today.	Darman
2. <u>Cabinet Activities</u> : The CCCT is scheduled to consider steel industry problems this week. There should be no discussion on the merits of specific anti-trust cases. The meeting may be moved to next week.	Fuller
3. <u>Congressional Leadership Meeting</u> : The two main topics will be Lebanon and the Budget, but the meeting will be open to other matters raised by the Congressmen.	Oglesby
4. <u>Press Conference</u> : The President's press conference will be announced today.	Speakes
5. <u>Congressional Activities</u> : We will receive budget reestimates from CBO today. The Senate will hold hearings on Bill Wilson today. A vote is expected tomorrow in the Senate on the death penalty bill. The House will be working on the foreign assistance package.	Oglesby
6. <u>Wheat Sign-Up Extension</u> : Craig Fuller will check out USDA's announcement yesterday that the wheat sign-up will be extended for three weeks.	Fuller

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/16/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> A photo op will be held during the President's lunch with the Vice President. Also, wire photos will be taken during the meeting with Simon Wiesenthal.	Speakes
2. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Personal income figures are up slightly, and housing starts were up 15% over December levels. The housing figure is considered to be particularly good, and is the highest increase since 1978.	Feldstein
3. <u>Lebanon:</u> The report is that Beirut was fairly quiet last night. If both Gemayel and Syria accept the Saudi plan, the U.S. may soon face a decision regarding its acceptance.	McFarlane
4. <u>News Media:</u> Mike McManus will check regarding whether television news correspondents are using a signoff from the White House which mentions "the Reagan campaign."	McManus

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The Sperling breakfast and the Crime Prevention ceremony will be covered by the press. Wire photos will be taken during the United Way event, and there will be open coverage of the Susan B. Anthony event this evening.	Speakes
2. <u>Central America:</u> We hope to have an agreement on this legislative package today in order to forward it to the Hill this week.	Oglesby McFarlane
3. <u>Lebanon:</u> The War Powers report has been forwarded to the Hill. It notes that Marines will be redeployed as soon as feasible, with a tentative goal of 30 days for completion.	Oglesby McFarlane
4. <u>Vice President:</u> The Vice President is scheduled to return from Moscow tomorrow. A photo op will be held during his lunch with the President.	Murphy Speakes
5. <u>Presidential Campaign:</u> It was noted that the Citizens for America is not considered to be an independent expenditure organization within the context of a memorandum circulated earlier by Fred Fielding. Also, a memorandum will be circulated which warns that it may be illegal for any federal employee to contribute to the Reagan/Bush campaign.	Fielding
6. <u>Industrial Production:</u> Figures for January are up 1.1%, which is considered a healthy increase. The President will make reference to this figure and the latest retail sales figure at the beginning of this morning's Sperling breakfast.	Darman
7. <u>Press Guidance:</u> Guidance will be formulated regarding the Regan-Volcker story, and also on reports that Senator Dole is planning to form his own deficit reduction package.	Speakes

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/14/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Photo ops will be held when the President walks to the residence with Mubarak and Hussein at 12:30, and also during the departure statements. Wire photos will be taken during the President's meeting with the Easter Seal poster child.	Speakes
2. <u>CCLP</u> : Today's meeting with the President will discuss the 4th quarterly report of the Task Force on Women's Equity, victims of crime legislation, and family violence. No decisions will be made in today's meeting.	Fuller
3. <u>Lebanon</u> : The Pentagon will provide guidance to Speakes regarding today's <u>Post</u> story that Secretary Weinberger was "surprised" by the extent of last week's naval gunfire. Also, the War Powers report is now in circulation; the section of the report dealing with the redeployment timetable may still need clarification, however.	McFarlane Darman Speakes
4. <u>Health Care</u> : OPD and OMB are currently analyzing Medicare legislation introduced yesterday by Senator Kennedy and Representative Gephardt.	Svahn Wright
5. <u>Central America</u> : Legislation to implement the Commission report has still not been cleared by the State Department. However, we expect to have an agreement soon, allowing the package to be forwarded to the Hill this week.	McFarlane Oglesby
6. <u>Rehabilitation Act</u> : It was mentioned that the Department of Education is urging a veto of this legislation. OMB and OPD will examine the issues involved. The last day for action on this bill is February 27.	Wright Svahn

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/13/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The 11:30 meeting with King Hussein and the departure statement will be covered by the press. The Knight-Ridder interview this afternoon is considered important because it is the President's first press interview since the Lebanon announcement and Andropov's death.	Speakes
2. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> On Tuesday, CCLP will meet with the President regarding the Legal Equity report, victims of crime legislation, and the report of the task force on family violence. CCCT and CCFA will meet with the President on Thursday regarding the poultry and egg industry and the Wine Equity Act. It was noted that we are looking at a concerted way of dealing with protectionist measures such as the Wine Equity Act; thus, a separate Cabinet Council discussion may be held prior to the Thursday meeting with the President.	Fuller Svahn
3. <u>Legislative Activity:</u> The War Powers report will be sent to the Hill today. This will include a discussion of the timing of the Marine redeployment.	Oglesby Fielding McFarlane
4. <u>Central America:</u> This legislation has not yet been transmitted to the Hill. Plans are to send it up today or tomorrow after the Justice Department's concerns have been resolved.	McFarlane Oglesby Fielding
5. <u>Export Administration Act:</u> Secretary Baldrige and Secretary Weinberger will discuss this subject within the next day or so in an attempt to resolve differences. Separate meetings may be held to discuss the Alaskan oil and civilian manning questions, which have now become involved in the reauthorization debate. The Act officially expires on February 29 since Congress has not yet passed an extension.	McFarlane Oglesby Fuller

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS

(02/10/84)

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1. Lebanon: The President will receive a report this morning from DOD regarding plans for redeployment of the Marines. We will attempt to secure a decision on this as soon as possible in order to provide more precise guidance on the redeployment question. It was noted that the Vice President has postponed his departure for now due to the current situation. Also, it was noted that Fielding and the State Department are working to clarify guidance regarding the War Powers resolution on the MNF. McFarlane
Fielding
2. Producer Price Index: The figures released today indicate that the PPI rose 0.6% in January. Feldstein
3. Crime Package: The Senate voted cloture yesterday on the death penalty bill, and will take it up as soon as they return from their recess. Thus, the Senate is expected to pass our entire crime package; the only difficulty has arisen on the "drug czar" legislation. Oglesby
4. School Prayer: It was reported that a version of Howard Baker's amendment will be reported out of committee without the word "non-denominational." Legislative Affairs will provide a copy of the legislation to OPL. Jim Baker has been asked to appear on a religious broadcast to discuss this issue, and should be briefed on the legal and legislative situation in advance. Oglesby
Whittlesey
Fielding
5. Central America: A legislative package was finally agreed upon last night, and will be sent to the Hill today. A letter or memo will be included which notes the Justice Department's reservations regarding the compatibility of certain CADO provisions with the Constitution; however, we will also note our willingness to work with the Congress to resolve any such problem. McFarlane
Oglesby
Darman
6. Interstate Commerce Commission: Senator Packwood has indicated that he will not begin confirmation hearings on our ICC nominees until he receives a substantive from the White House regarding further trucking deregulation legislation. A meeting will be held to discuss the content of our response. Darman
Oglesby
Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (02/08/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Lebanon</u> : For now, press guidance should track the President's statement released yesterday. In the face of criticism of our policy in Lebanon, we should be prepared to point out accomplishments (e.g. departure of the PLO). Congressional reaction to the announcement has been generally supportive. Regarding the re-deployment itself, we expect 500 Marines to be out by the end of this month, with the rest departing in phases over the next several months depending on the situation.	McFarlane Roussel
2. <u>Deficit Negotiations</u> : The first meeting will be held at 10:00 am today, with Jim Baker serving as the White House representative. Guidance is that we are looking for a constructive session. It was noted, though, that we do not expect the first session will provide a good picture of whether an agreement can be reached.	Darman Oglesby
3. <u>Crime Package</u> : We are hoping for cloture on the death penalty bill by tomorrow. The "drug czar" proposal has passed the Senate, and we are assessing the language in the bill. This Saturday's radio talk will discuss the crime proposals as a package without reference to the "drug czar" bill.	Oglesby Darman
4. <u>Legislative Activity</u> : Peter Grace will testify in the Senate today, and Henry Kissinger will testify in the House. Also, it was noted that we may need to conduct an additional briefing on Lebanon before Congress recesses.	Oglesby
5. <u>Inspectors General</u> : This legislation, creating IG's within both Treasury and the Justice Department, has passed the House; no action has yet been scheduled in the Senate. Despite news reports that we favored the bill, the Administration remains opposed to it.	Oglesby Wright
6. <u>Human Rights Certification</u> : This legislation passed the House on a voice vote, and was a major subject of discussion during Kissinger's Hill visits yesterday. Our objective is to deal with this issue in conjunction with the Kissinger package.	Oglesby McFarlane
7. <u>The Vice President</u> : The Vice President has delayed his trip until 9:30 am Friday, and will return to Washington Monday evening.	Murphy
8. <u>Supplemental</u> : Additional 1984 appropriations requests have been prepared by OMB. These include \$90 M in food assistance for Africa, and \$200 M for low-income energy assistance. This supplemental has not yet been forwarded to the Hill.	Wright Darman

9. Gas Tax: It was noted that Secretary Dole plans to request changes in the gas tax, in part to avoid less desirable legislation now being considered on the Hill. OMB and Treasury feel that the proposed changes are revenue neutral. OPD will analyze the issue, and a decision will then be made on whether a Cabinet meeting is necessary. We intend to move quickly on this issue with a minimum of publicity. Wright
Svahn
10. Export Administration Act: Certain issues on which the departments still disagree will be laid out in a decision memorandum for the President by early next week. Views of the Legislative Affairs office will also be included in the memo. If the departments request an opportunity to argue their position before the President, an NSC meeting may be scheduled. McFarlane
Svahn
Fuller
Oglesby
11. Commercialization of Space: OPD will talk with NASA Commerce, and Treasury in order to prepare a background analysis on the various issues involved. Meetings to settle the issues may be scheduled subsequently. Svahn
12. U.S. Customs Service: It was mentioned that the Administration is being criticized in Florida for the 1985 cuts in the Customs budget. OMB has prepared a paper on the issue which will be analyzed. Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (02/07/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Lebanon</u> : A Presidential statement on the situation was released yesterday, and we should not go beyond it. Also, it was reported that the House will not vote on a withdrawal resolution this week.	Roussel
2. <u>Paul Volcker</u> : It was mentioned that Chairman Volcker will be testifying today on the Hill regarding the deficit and other issues. Regan, Feldstein, and Stockman will also testify today and may be asked their views on Volcker's testimony. An attempt may be made to coordinate their response.	Moran Roussel
3. <u>Hunger</u> : Questions regarding the recent Harvard report on hunger should be referred to the agencies. In this regard, it was noted that USDA issued a statement yesterday. Also, Clayton LaForce will be testifying on the Hill today and may be asked about this subject.	Roussel
4. <u>Inspectors General</u> : Legislation affecting the inspectors general has passed by voice vote despite Administration opposition. We have been concerned that this bill could allow political considerations to influence criminal investigations by Treasury and DOJ.	Oglesby
5. <u>Saturday Radio Speech</u> : A draft speech on crime will be circulated tomorrow.	Darman
6. <u>Legislative Calendar</u> : The habeas corpus bill has passed and the Senate is now debating exclusionary rule legislation. It was noted that there has been some progress on the "drug czar" proposal. The certification bill is expected to pass this week, and debate on acid rain is also expected.	Oglesby
7. <u>School Prayer</u> : A meeting will be held this afternoon with outside interest groups to discuss their efforts in support of a school prayer amendment. Rep. Gingrich will also be meeting today with many of the same people. Howard Baker is currently working on language which can secure the votes necessary for passage. Our position at this point is that we continue to support the President's proposal; however, since Baker's proposal is still in flux, we should not commit regarding specific language. Outside groups will be asked to lend their support to the President's proposal for voluntary, oral school prayer, and to oppose silent prayer proposals.	Oglesby Whittlesey

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 6, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR STAFF

FROM: JAMES W. CICCONI *JWC*
SUBJECT: Senior Staff Meeting Schedule (Revised)

Please note that the regular Senior Staff meeting will be held every day this week, despite an earlier memo to the contrary.

Ed Meese will chair the meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Thank you.

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (02/06/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The President will travel to Illinois today for events in Dixon and Eureka College.	
2. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> Secretary Weinberger and Martin Feldstein will testify today regarding the budget. Regarding Lebanon, we are continuing efforts to delay a House vote this week on a withdrawal resolution. The "drug czar" legislation will probably be voted on this week, and a 15-day extension of the Export Administration Act is likely. Regarding the Vatican, it was noted that the President has talked with Senator Helms, who indicated that the Wilson nomination will be held until after the Congressional recess; however, Helms said that he will not oppose it at that time. Also, regarding Central America, negotiations are continuing with Kirkland on CADO and with Barnes on conditionality.	Oglesby
3. <u>Senior Staff Meetings:</u> It was decided that meetings will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, which Ed Meese will chair (meetings on these days had previously been cancelled).	

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/31/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The Chicago trip will be covered by the press. No photo op will be held during today's Congressional meeting.	Speakes
2. <u>Economic Figures:</u> Leading indicators were up 0.6% in December; this is an increase of 15.6% from the December 1982 level. New home sales were up 28% in December (seasonally adjusted); this is the largest monthly sales increase since April 1963. These economic figures have been added to the President's Chicago speech.	Feldstein Darman
3. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> The Senate continues to work on the crime package and should conclude this week. Lebanon will be a major source of Congressional activity this week, with much of the discussion centering on the proposed House resolution and whether it will contain a date certain for withdrawal of the Marines.	Oglesby
4. <u>Agent Orange:</u> This compensation bill passed the House yesterday by voice vote. The Toxic Torts Working Group is devising alternative language, and is discussing the matter with Senator Simpson. We are working toward a Cabinet Council meeting in the near future to review the Administration's position.	Wright Oglesby Fuller
5. <u>Budget:</u> FY85 budget materials have been printed and are in the process of being delivered.	Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/30/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The President's speech to the Religious Broadcaster will be covered by the press. It was suggested that the staff especially note the section of those remarks dealing with the Nebraska school situation. Also, a photo will be taken of the President walking to the residence.	Speakes
2. <u>Underground Nuclear Testing:</u> NSC will make certain that the proper guidance has been made available on the question of announcing all significant underground tests.	Sims
3. <u>Legislative Calendar:</u> The crime package will be debated this week in the Senate, and an unfavorable vote is expected in the House on the Agent Orange issue. No significant hearings are scheduled for today.	Oglesby
4. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> Ed Rollins will brief the Cabinet on Wednesday. Also, a CCFA meeting with the President may be scheduled Wednesday afternoon to discuss IFAD.	Fuller
5. <u>Chicago Trip:</u> Any suggestions for newsworthy announcements should be forwarded to Darman for possible inclusion in the President's Chicago remarks. One option may be to include a reference to economic figures which will be released tomorrow.	Darman Feldstein
6. <u>Budget:</u> All budget documents are now considered closed. Also, it was mentioned that disagreements regarding the Economic Report of the President are being resolved.	Wright Feldstein
7. <u>Deficit "Down Payment":</u> Plans for follow-up on this proposal will be discussed.	Darman
8. <u>Export Administration Act:</u> This issue will probably come up before Congress recesses. Although the Administration had settled on a position, disagreements apparently persist between Defense, Commerce, and Treasury. An attempt will be made to work out these differences.	McFarlane Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/25/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A photo op will be held during the meeting with the bipartisan congressional leadership. The meeting will focus primarily on Central America and Lebanon. We will ask that Howard Baker be available to the press after the meeting.	Speakes Oglesby
2. <u>State of the Union</u> : Mike McManus reviewed the various briefings which have been scheduled today for media and government officials. The preliminary fact sheet should not be distributed before 4:00 today. Copies of the speech, embargoed until 9:00 pm, will be made available to the wires, the <u>Post</u> , and the <u>Times</u> around 6:30 with the rest of the press receiving copies subsequently. In addition, certain authorized quotes will be made available to the network news programs. Also, the VOA will receive advance copies of the speech in order to allow time for translations. Dick Darman will set up a meeting for those members of the staff who are conducting briefings today. Finally, it was noted that the State of the Union speech and fact sheet are both considered to be closed: no further changes will be made.	McManus Darman Speakes
3. <u>Telephone Access Charges</u> : We do not expect any action on this legislation before tomorrow.	Oglesby
4. <u>U.S. Conference of Mayors</u> : A White House briefing will be held today for GOP mayors in order to provide them with facts on Administration policies and positions. Republican mayors should then be better prepared to rebut the criticism expected from the predominately Democratic conference.	Verstandig
5. <u>Danford Sawyer</u> : Guidance regarding his remarks is that we never discuss the appointments process until decisions have actually been announced.	Speakes
6. <u>Immigration</u> : OMB is preparing information regarding estimated cost of the various proposals, along with a draft Administration position statement. This will be forwarded for circulation shortly.	Wright
7. <u>Budget Process Reforms</u> : A decision memo on these recommendations, which included line item veto and enhanced rescission authority, is still in the President's hands. Thus, guidance is that the details of these proposals have not yet been decided.	Darman Fuller
8. <u>Deficits</u> : It was noted that Senator Mattingly has introduced a resolution to create a "National Bipartisan Commission on Spending Reform." Staff should be cautious about reacting to this proposal.	Speakes Wright

9. Water Projects: The letter on this subject, which was recently signed by the President, is simply a refinement of our position. The Administration continues to support the concept of cost sharing, and the letter emphasizes that we will attempt to judge each proposed project on its individual merits. Speakes
10. Public Liaison: It was mentioned that 80 Protestant leaders and clergymen will meet today with Bill Wilson regarding the decision to establish diplomatic relations with the Vatican. Also, Sen. Denton will speak to the Central America outreach group today. Whittlesey

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/18/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : A photo op will be held with Prime Minister Mahathir. Also, a statement will be drafted regarding the murder of the head of American University in Beirut.	Speakes Sims
2. <u>Housing Starts</u> : Figures for December will be released today at 8:30.	Feldstein
3. <u>Saturday Radio Speech</u> : A decision will be made today regarding the topic for this Saturday's talk.	Darman
4. <u>Soviet Treaty Compliance</u> : A report on this subject will be forwarded to the Hill on Friday. Also, NSC will provide press guidance regarding news stories about an alleged Soviet ABM system.	McFarlane Sims
5. <u>Financial Deregulation</u> : The Vice President's task force on this subject will meet again today at 4:00. The group is reportedly close to an agreement on a plan, which will then be forwarded to CCEA.	

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/17/84)

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1. Today's Schedule: A photo op will be held during the President's meeting with Paul Nitze, though there will be no remarks at that time. Nitze will answer press questions before he departs. Speakes
2. Environmental Initiatives: CCNRE will brief the President today on a series of environmental options, including acid rain proposals. No decisions will be made in the meeting; any decisions made subsequently will be reflected in the budget. It was also mentioned that the President will meet with a group of governors this Friday to hear their views on acid rain. Fuller
Verstandig
3. Civil Rights Commission: We will check into a news story which implied that the Commission will conduct a study on the effectiveness of equal pay laws. It was noted that the news reports may have confused equal pay with the issue of comparable worth. Cribb
4. Railroad Retirement Board: It was mentioned that the chairman sent copies of his Budget Review Board appeal memo to the Speaker and other members of Congress. Wright
5. Pesticides: We should continue to leave resolution of this dispute with EPA and USDA. Whittlesey
6. Morton Blackwell: It was noted that Morton Blackwell has resigned in order to pursue a private business opportunity. Speakes

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/16/84)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> The President's meeting with the Grace Commission in the East Room will be covered by the press.	Speakes
2. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> CCNRE will meet with the President tomorrow to discuss environmental initiatives. CCEA and CCLP will meet with the President Thursday to hear a brief overview of the legal equity report, and to discuss options regarding budgetary reform and employment programs.	Fuller
3. <u>Arab-Americans:</u> The President will meet this afternoon with members of the National Association of Arab-Americans to hear their concerns.	McFarlane
4. <u>Brokered Funds:</u> It was noted that the FDIC and the Federal Home Loan Bank Board will meet regarding brokered funds, and the question of whether they should be insured. Treasury opposes the proposed rule-making which is being considered on this subject.	Wright

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/13/84)

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ACTION

1. Today's Schedule: A photo op will be held during the lunch with GOP women elected officials. Also, a White House photo will be taken during the President's brief meeting with Andreotti. Speakes
2. Nebraska Christian School Case: Guidance regarding visit by the Civil Rights Commission is that it was done in the normal course of the agency's business, and has occurred without White House involvement. Speakes
3. Grace Commission: A summary of the recommendations has been circulated to the staff. Also, OMB has prepared Q & A regarding the budgetary implications. Grace and his commission will meet with the President on Monday at 1:30. Fuller
4. Saturday Radio Speech: A draft on the Kissinger Commission report has gone in to the President. Questions which have been raised about the draft will be resolved before it is finalized. With regard to Martin Luther King's birthday, it was suggested that the President call Secretary Pierce to congratulate him on receiving the special award from the King Center. Gergen
Fuller
5. Economic Figures: The producer price index will be released today. The figure is up only 0.6% year-over-year, which is the smallest increase in 19 years. The President will make reference to this figure in his luncheon remarks today. Also, retail sales for December were up only 0.1%. Feldstein
Gergen
6. Speech on U.S. Soviet Relations: One television network has indicated that they will cover the speech live, and we expect to hear from another network later today. Invitations to attend the speech will be coordinated between McFarlane, Fuller, and Whittlesey. Gergen
McFarlane
Fuller
Whittlesey
7. Soviet Compliance with Arms Control Treaties: Kenneth Adelman will brief several senators today on this subject. The Administration's report on compliance will be transmitted to the Hill on Friday, January 20. McFarlane

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/11/84)

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1. Commission on Central America: The President's meeting with the Commission on Central America will be a photo-op; the President will deliver remarks on camera, which will be drafted by NSC and the speechwriters. Henry Kissinger will conduct an on-camera briefing at 12:30, and Secretary Shultz plans a press conference tomorrow. Speakes
McFarlane
Gergen
2. Diplomatic Relations with the Vatican: Congressional reaction has been as we expected, with no major opposition developing. Senator Percy remains committed to move the nomination of Wilson. McFarlane has agreed to brief religious groups on this decision in the near future. Also, we will explore the possibility of bringing in Wilson and the papal envoy for a picture with the President. Oglesby
3. Grace Commission: This group's final set of reports, including an overall compendium of their recommendations, will be released tomorrow. They project potential savings of \$400 billion over three years. Grace and his executive committee will meet with the President in the East Room on Monday to discuss their conclusions. Guidance for now is that we are encouraged by the report, which promises significant savings, and are in the process of reviewing the specific recommendations. We should be prepared to answer questions about which recommendations are already included in our budget.
4. Task Force on Food Assistance: This group's final report will be released next week. We will look closely at the food assistance and nutrition portion of our budget with a view toward incorporating the Task Force's recommendations. Fuller
Wright
5. Suggestion for Korean Diplomatic Talks: Guidance will be forwarded to the Press office regarding the President's remarks on this subject at last night's state dinner. We will also discuss the problem presented by reporters asking such questions during such social events. McFarlane
6. Product Liability: It was noted that we support changes in product liability law which are being sought by a coalition of business groups. Legislative Affairs will check further on prospects for Senate passage. Oglesby
7. Specialty Steel: It was mentioned that, in the wake of the U.S. decision on this subject, the EC has been taking a more protectionist stance in other trade areas.

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/10/83)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Photo ops will be held during the state visit of Premier Zhao. Also, Senators Tower and Warner will report to the President on their Middle East trip, and will be supportive of our policies in subsequent press comments; a White House photo will be taken during the meeting.	Speakes McFarlane
2. <u>Task Force on Food Assistance:</u> A Cabinet Affairs briefing on this report will be held at 1:30 today. The Task Force will hold a press briefing, and is expected to have its final report printed within 10 days. It was noted that the President's budget submission will not reflect the group's recommendations. A draft Presidential statement has been circulated for comment. Guidance for now is that we will not comment until the President has seen the actual report.	Fuller Speakes
3. <u>Diplomatic Relations with the Vatican:</u> At 10:00 am the State Department will announce the establishment of diplomatic relations, and the White House will announce the nomination of William Wilson as U.S. ambassador to the Vatican. If questions arise, it should be noted that 107 nations now have such ties, including Great Britain, which established relations last year.	McFarlane Speakes
4. <u>Central America:</u> It was mentioned that members of the House Intelligence Committee are planning a trip to Central America. Also, guidance has been formulated regarding the Central America Commission's report, and Henry Kissinger will brief columnists and others this afternoon in Room 208. Official reactions should be withheld until the President's Saturday radio speech.	McFarlane Speakes Gergen

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/09/83)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> There will be no photo opportunity today. Secretary Bell will brief at 10:00 on the school discipline report, and Paul Wolfowitz will brief on China at 11:00.	Speakes
2. <u>Grace Commission:</u> The final installment of this report will probably be received on Thursday. The Commission is tentatively scheduled to present its full report to the President next week.	Fuller
3. <u>Cabinet Activity:</u> CCEA will meet with the President on Thursday regarding federal credit policy and the federal budget process.	Fuller
4. <u>Task Force on Food Assistance:</u> A group will meet this morning after Senior Staff to discuss the handling of this report.	Deaver
5. <u>Telephone Access Charges:</u> OMB has transmitted to the Hill our opposition to the Wirth and Packwood bills.	

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/05/83)

ITEM

ACTION

1. Today's Schedule: As of now, no photo op is planned for today.
2. Budget: A group will meet to discuss strategy for briefing Congress and others on the FY85 budget. Fuller Darman
3. School Discipline Report: It was noted that this report will be released soon, and that Secretary Bell has scheduled a press conference on the subject. The Department of Education is planning a series of steps which should be taken as a result of the report. Also, the President may discuss school discipline in a Saturday radio speech, and perhaps in his State of the Union address. Fuller
4. Saturday Radio Speech: A decision will be made regarding the topic of this week's speech. Though NSC has suggested a talk on Lebanon, the school discipline report may be discussed instead. Gergen
5. Task Force on Food Assistance: A draft of the task force's report is being circulated among its membership. Copies of the draft have not been forwarded to the White House, though a finalized version should be received shortly. The White House should have no comment on the report until that time. Media requests for interviews will probably be handled by the chairman of the task force. Jenkins

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/04/83)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule:</u> Jesse Jackson will meet today with the President at 10:30 followed by the Goodman family at 10:45. The President, Jackson, and Goodman will go to the Rose Garden at 10:55 for statements and a photo op. It was noted that Rev. Jackson will need to be informed that the Oval Office meeting cannot be expanded to include additional people.	Speakes McFarlane
2. <u>Pocket Veto:</u> It was noted that a group of Democratic congressmen will file suit challenging the constitutionality of the President's pocket veto of the bill linking further aid to El Salvador with human rights progress.	Fielding
3. <u>Saturday Radio Speech:</u> A decision will be made today regarding the topic of this week's speech. Subjects being considered are Lebanon and the Kissinger Commission's report on Central America.	Gergen McFarlane
4. <u>Lebanon:</u> It was mentioned that Secretary Shultz will be calling Sen. Percy regarding his announcement that the Foreign Relations Committee will begin hearings January 11 on the Marine presence in Beirut.	McFarlane Oglesby

SENIOR STAFF MEETING ACTION ITEMS (01/03/83)

ITEM	ACTION
1. <u>Today's Schedule</u> : Ambassador Rumsfeld will be brought in for a photo op with the President prior to this morning's NSPG meeting. Also, it was suggested that we mention to the press that the 3:00 meeting with Congressional members will discuss the budget.	Speakes
2. <u>Cabinet Activity</u> : CCHR will meet with the President today to discuss liver transplants and to receive the report of the working group on school discipline. A briefing may be held on the latter after decisions have been made. Also, the President will meet with the CCMA on Thursday.	Fuller
3. <u>Trade with China</u> : It was noted that a story in the <u>Post</u> contains a number of details about a supposed agreement with China that will be announced during Premier Zhao's visit. Guidance is that no such agreement has yet been reached.	Speakes
4. <u>Disaster Assistance</u> : The governor of Texas is requesting Federal disaster assistance for farm workers as a result of the weather damage caused to the citrus crop in that state. For now, press questions should be referred to FEMA.	Fuller Speakes