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July 20, 1987
6:00 p.m.



PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
PANEL DISCUSSION ON AIDS
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1987

Thank you. As you know, generally, when I talk to a group like this, I open with a joke or two -- to put all of us at ease, get things rolling. I hope you'll forgive me if I skip that today. I've just come from the ward you have here for children who have AIDS. Let me just make a promise to those children and all others who have contracted this disease. We will -- I will -- do all that God gives us the power to do to ~~find a cure~~ ^{eliminate} ~~for~~ AIDS. We will not stop, we will not rest, until we have sent AIDS the way of smallpox ~~and polio.~~ ^{HHS}

Those are words of resolve. Now I'd like to add a few words of ~~hope.~~ ^{encouragement} One of the amazing stories of modern medicine is the progress that we've already made ^{in understanding} ~~against~~ AIDS. I know this is old news to you in this room. So many of the breakthroughs were achieved right here in this building. But, for our friends in the press, I thought I should put the speed of progress in perspective. Just think that the day I was sworn in as President, we didn't even know that AIDS existed. It wasn't until 5 months later that the disease was discovered. But only 3 years after that, in a laboratory on this campus, Dr. Robert Gallo isolated the AIDS virus. This was, of course, at about the same time, as is often the case, similar work was being done by Dr. Luc Montaignier at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. Within a year, a blood test was available. And now a treatment drug,

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That's why it is so important that we stop the spread of this disease. Men and women continue to become infected and in doing so their lives are at risk. For those who are already infected with the virus, it is important to continue our efforts to develop treatments to keep the virus from doing harm. And our ultimate goal is to develop a vaccine which will give full protection from this scourge. It is my hope that you will be successful in your research and that your success will come soon.

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM: ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

Original Signed by ABC

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: National Institute
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
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~~WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 1987~~
Thursday, July 23

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RESPONSE:

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 22, 1987

VISIT TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Date: July 23, 1987
Location: National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, Maryland
Time: 12:50 p.m.
(1 hour and 55 minutes, portal to portal)
From: Nancy J. Risque 

I. Purpose

To focus attention on your Commission on the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic and on the Federal Government's continuing commitment to progress against AIDS and AIDS-related diseases.

II. Background

You will meet the members of the Commission, visit a laboratory involved in research and development of AIDS-treatment drugs, visit with children in an experimental treatment program, and be briefed with the Commission members on the current progress in the battle against AIDS and AIDS-related diseases.

Commission: On June 24, 1987, you signed an executive order creating the Presidential Commission on the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic. The Commission is charged with recommending measures that government at all levels should take to protect the public from infection, assist in finding a cure for AIDS, and care for those who already have AIDS.

Broder Laboratory: Dr. Samuel Broder, Associate Director for Clinical Oncology at the National Cancer Institute, heads the laboratory where the first work was done on the use of AZT as a treatment for AIDS. At this time there is no drug that can eradicate the virus in someone who is already infected. However, Dr. Broder's group evaluates drugs that may combat the disease and has had some success with drugs that limit the growth of the number of viruses in people who are already infected. AZT, or Retrovir, which is its trade name, is one of these drugs and is currently being prescribed for nearly half of the victims of AIDS.

Pediatric Ward: The research that led to Retrovir being prescribed for many AIDS patients proved the drug is effective for some adults. Now Dr. Philip Pizzo is working to determine whether Retrovir can combat HIV infection in children and is currently treating 14 children with the drug in an experimental treatment program. They come to NIH biweekly at first, and then monthly once the drug's effect has plateaued. While adults take Retrovir in pill form, the children receive it in liquid form, administered continuously through a semi-permanent catheter. Dr. Pizzo will introduce you to some of these children and their parents.

Briefing: Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, will brief you and the members of your Commission on the current state of the science in the fight against AIDS and the current challenges facing doctors and researchers. Dr. Fauci has previously briefed you and the Domestic Policy Council on AIDS.

III. Participants

Secretary Bowen; Dr. James B. Wyngaarden, Director, National Institutes of Health; Dr. Eugene Mayberry, Chairman of the Commission; Dr. Samuel Broder; Dr. Philip Pizzo; Members of the Commission; and approximately 110 invited guests from the National Institutes of Health and the Department of Health and Human Services.

IV. Press Plan

Full Press

V. Sequence of Events

To be provided by Presidential Advance.

Attachments: Remarks by Speechwriters
List of Commission Members

LIST OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

William Eugene Mayberry, M.D., CHAIRMAN (Minnesota)

- Chief Executive of the Mayo Clinic
- You designated him chairman on June 15, 1987, and met with him at that time

Colleen Conway-Welch, Ph.D. (Tennessee)

- Dean of the College of Nursing at Vanderbilt University
- Representative of the Nursing Community

John J. Creedon (New York)

- Chief Executive Officer, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
- Chairman, Business Roundtable's Task Force on Health and Welfare Benefit Plans
- LL.B. and LL.M., New York University
- Representative of the Insurance and Business Community and the Legal Community

Theresa L. Crenshaw, M.D. (California)

- Director of the Crenshaw Clinic that specializes in the evaluation and treatment of sexual dysfunction, sexual medicine and human relations
- Representative of the Medical Community

Richard M. DeVos (Michigan)

- Co-founder and President of Amway Corporation
- Representative of the Business Community

Burton James Lee III, M.D. (New York)

- Physician, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
- Specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of lymphomas, the most common cancers affecting people with AIDS
- Recommended by the Vice President
- Representative of the Community of Practicing Physicians

Frank Lilly, Ph.D. (New York)

- Chairman of the Genetics Department, Albert Einstein Medical Center, New York City
- Representative of the Science Community

Woodrow A. Meyers, Jr., M.D. (Indiana)

- Commissioner of Public Health, State of Indiana
- Representative of the Public Health Community

John Cardinal O'Connor (New York)

- Archbishop of New York
- Representative of the Religious Community

Penny Pullen (Illinois)

- Assistant House Minority Leader, State of Illinois
- Author of a package of AIDS bills (reflecting your thinking on what the states should be doing regarding AIDS)
- Strongly supported by the Conservative community
- Representative of the Community of State and Local Governments

Cory SerVaas, M.D. (Indiana)

- Editor and Publisher of The Saturday Evening Post
- Representative of the Publishing and Medical Communities

William B. Walsh, M.D. (Maryland)

- Founder and President, Project HOPE
- You recently presented him with the Medal of Freedom
- Representative of the International Community

Admiral James D. Watkins (Ret.) (District of Columbia)

- Former Chief of Naval Operations
- Representative of the Military Community

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

7/17/87

MEMORANDUM

TO: DONALD IAN MACDONALD

FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. *FR*

SUBJECT: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

MEETING: Trip to National Institutes of Health

DATE: July 23, 1987

TIME: Depart approximately 1:05 pm

DURATION: Return approximately 2:55 pm

LOCATION: Bethesda, Maryland

BACKUP LOCATION:

REMARKS REQUIRED: Yes

MEDIA COVERAGE: Coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: No

NOTE: PROJECT OFFICER, SEE ATTACHED CHECKLIST

W. Ball
J. Lamb
R. Dawson
J. Courtemanche
M. Coyne
E. Crispen
F. Donatelli
T. Griscom
D. Dellinger
A. Dolan
J. Erkenbeck
L. Faulkner
C. Fuller

W. Henkel
J. Hooley
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J. Kuhn
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 17, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR HOWARD H. BAKER, JR.

THROUGH: WILLIAM HENKEL *JLT FOR*

FROM: JAMES L. HOOLEY *JLT*

SUBJECT: VISIT TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1987

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This memorandum is being forwarded to Rhett Dawson for submission to the President unless otherwise instructed.

- cc: K. Duberstein
- W. Ball
- F. Carlucci
- R. Dawson
- F. Donatelli
- M. Fitzwater
- T. Griscom
- N. Risque
- D. Chew
- J. Courtemanche
- T. Dolan
- M. Maseng
- C. Powell
- R. Riley
- F. Ryan
- J. Kuhn
- M. Weinberg

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

PROPOSED SUMMARY SCHEDULE FOR THE PRESIDENT

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1987

1:05 p.m. MARINE ONE departs the South Lawn en route Bethesda landing zone.

Flight Time: 15 mins.

Nighthawk II and III depart Pentagon landing zone en route Bethesda landing zone.

Nighthawk II and III arrive Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone.

1:20 p.m. MARINE ONE arrives Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone.

THE PRESIDENT deplanes and proceeds to motorcade for boarding.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

1:25 p.m. THE PRESIDENT departs Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone en route the National Institutes of Health.

Drive Time: 5 mins.

1:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT arrives rear entrance of the Warren Grant Magnussen, Clinical Center, Building 10 and proceeds inside to elevators.

THE PRESIDENT arrives 13th floor and proceeds to Broder Laboratory.

Met by:

Dr. Broder

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER ONLY

07/17/87 9:00 a.m.

1:35 p.m. THE PRESIDENT receives briefing on status of AIDS research and treatment from Dr. Broder.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

1:40 p.m. THE PRESIDENT proceeds to Pediatric Ward to meet with patients.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER ONLY

1:50 p.m. THE PRESIDENT concludes patient greeting and proceeds to holding room, via stairs.

THE PRESIDENT arrives holding room.

THE PRESIDENT departs holding room en route off-stage announcement area at 14th floor Auditorium.

1:55 p.m. THE PRESIDENT arrives 14th floor Auditorium off-stage announcement area.

Announcement (off-stage)

THE PRESIDENT proceeds on-stage and takes seat.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

2:00 p.m. Program begins.

NOTE: Format of Program TBD

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

2:25 p.m. Program concludes.

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to holding room.

THE PRESIDENT arrives holding room.

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to motorcade for boarding, via elevator.

2:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT departs NIH, Building 10, en route Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone.

Drive Time: 5 mins.

2:35 p.m. THE PRESIDENT arrives Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone.

THE PRESIDENT proceeds to Marine One for boarding.

2:40 p.m. MARINE ONE departs Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone en route The White House.

Flight Time: 15 mins.

Nighthawk II and III depart Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone en route Pentagon landing zone.

2:55 p.m. MARINE ONE arrives the South Lawn.

THE PRESIDENT deplanes and proceeds to Oval Office.

Nighthawk II and III depart Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone en route Pentagon landing zone.

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WASHINGTON

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* Broder Laboratory Briefing (PRESS POOL)
* Visit to Pediatric Ward (OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER)
* Panel Briefing
- Opening and Closing remarks (OPEN PRESS)
- 2:30 p.m. Depart National Institutes of Health en route Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone.
- 2:40 p.m. MARINE ONE departs Bethesda Naval Hospital landing zone en route The White House.
- 2:55 p.m. MARINE ONE arrives the South Lawn.

07/17/87 10:00 a.m.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 07/16/87 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: c.o.b. July 17th

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH PANEL DISCUSSION ON AIDS
(07/16 6:00 p.m. draft)

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