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MEMORANDUM FOR THE NSC STAFF

FROM:

W. ROBERT PEARSON

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: Executive

Exchange Commission

Attached is a statement by the President today on the Reykjavik meetings with General Secretary Gorbachev. You may find it useful in discussions with other agency counterparts.

Attachments As stated

### DROPBY MEETING OF EXECUTIVE EXCHANGE COMMISSION

I AM DELIGHTED WE COULD MEET TODAY. FIRST, THIS IS A CHANCE TO SAY HELLO TO ALL OF YOU AND COMPLIMENT YOU ON THE WORK YOU'VE BEEN DOING ON DEFENSE AND PEACE RELATED ISSUES. AND SECOND, KNOWING OF YOUR INTEREST IN THIS MATTER, I WANTED TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER A PERSPECTIVE --THE AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE IF YOU WILL --ON THE MEETINGS BETWEEN MR. GORBACHEV AND ME LATER THIS WEEK IN REYKJAVIK, ICELAND. BY THE WAY, SINCE WE AMERICANS HAVE DEVELOPED A REPUTATION FOR BEING UNCOMPLICATED, STRAIGHTFORWARD AND NOT ESPECIALLY LONG-WINDED, I WANT YOU TO KNOW I'LL BE TRYING TO PRACTICE THESE NATIONAL TRAITS --ESPECIALLY THE LAST ONE -- IN MY REMARKS TO YOU TODAY.

RECENTLY, AS YOU KNOW, THERE HAS BEEN SOME SPECULATION THAT THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION ARE ABOUT TO SIGN IMPORTANT NEW ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENTS. NOW THIS SORT OF TALK ISN'T ALL THAT UNEXPECTED; WHENEVER LEADERS OF COUNTRIES ARE ABOUT TO MEET, THERE ARE ALWAYS THOSE WHO PREDICT LANDMARK TREATIES AND HISTORICAL BREAKTHROUGHS.

YET, WHEN I SEE SUCH SPECULATION I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK OF THE FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE POST I HELD. I HOPE YOU'LL FORGIVE ME FOR REMINISCING HERE, BUT AS A UNION PRESIDENT, I SPENT A GOOD DEAL OF TIME AT THE BARGAINING TABLE AND LEARNED ONE VALUABLE LESSON: THAT IT'S THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS -- LAYING THE GROUNDWORK -- SETTING THE AGENDA -- ESTABLISHING AREAS OF AGREEMENT AS WELL AS DISAGREEMENT -- THAT PAYS OFF IN THE FUTURE.

NOW IF THAT'S TRUE OF LABOR AND
MANAGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS HERE, YOU CAN IMAGINE
HOW RELEVANT IT IS TO SOVIET-AMERICAN
BARGAINING SESSIONS; AFTER ALL, WE BOTH HAVE
A LITTLE MORE SEPARATING US THAN, SAY, G.M.
AND THE U.A.W. SO, GROUNDWORK IS ESSENTIAL.

FROM THE BEGINNING WE HAVE TRIED TO MAKE THIS A HALLMARK OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY; WE'VE TRIED TO TAKE A PRUDENT, REALISTIC AND, ABOVE ALL, DELIBERATE APPROACH TOWARD SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS. INSTEAD OF RUSHING UNPREPARED INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS, THE ADMINISTRATION TOOK THE TIME IN ITS EARLIEST DAYS TO MAKE CLEAR THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY: OUR COMMITMENT TO THE TWIN GOALS OF WORLD PEACE AND WORLD FREEDOM, OUR WILLINGNESS TO BE REALISTIC AND CANDID ABOUT THE SOVIETS, TO PUBLICLY DEFINE THE CRUCIAL, MORAL DISTINCTIONS BETWEEN TOTALITARIANISM AND DEMOCRACY, & TO ACTIVELY ASSIST THOSE WHO ARE STRUGGLING FOR THEIR OWN SELF-DETERMINATION.

YET AT THE SAME TIME WE ALSO MADE PLAIN
ANOTHER OF OUR ESSENTIAL OBJECTIVES -OUR DETERMINATION TO SEEK WAYS OF WORKING
WITH THE SOVIETS -- TO PREVENT WAR AND TO
KEEP THE PEACE. IN PURSUING THIS OBJECTIVE,
WE ADOPTED A STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH TOWARDS
SOVIET-AMERICAN NEGOTIATIONS, GRADUALLY
EXPANDING AND INTENSIFYING THE AREAS OF BOTH
BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL DISCUSSION.
AND, AS WE'VE SEEN, EVENTUALLY SUMMIT
MEETINGS THEMSELVES BECAME A CRITICAL PART OF
THAT EFFORT.

NOW THIS WILLINGNESS TO MAKE PAINSTAKING PREPARATIONS WAS WHAT I BELIEVE MADE LAST YEAR'S TALKS IN GENEVA A SUCCESS. EACH SIDE HAD A GOOD IDEA OF WHAT TO EXPECT; THERE WAS AN AGENDA; MR. GORBACHEV AND I COULD BE CANDID WITH EACH OTHER. IN SHORT, WE HAD SOMETHING TO WORK WITH, SOMETHING TO BUILD ON.

AND WE MUST CONTINUE IN THIS SPIRIT.

THAT'S WHY ICELAND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A
SIGNING CEREMONY OR A MEDIA EVENT BUT A
PRE-SUMMIT PLANNING SESSION, A CHANCE TO MAKE
PREPARATIONS FOR THE SERIOUS WORK
MR. GORBACHEV AND I WILL HAVE TO DO WHEN HE
VISITS THE UNITED STATES. ICELAND IS A BASE
CAMP BEFORE THE SUMMIT.

AND YET, WHILE OUR EMPHASIS WILL BE ON PLANNING AND PREPARATION, NOT TREATY PAPERS OR PUBLICITY, PART OF THE EMPHASIS IN ICELAND WILL BE ON THE BROAD-BASED AGENDA WE HAVE AGREED TO: DISCUSSION NOT ONLY OF CRITICAL ARMS REDUCTION PROPOSALS BUT EQUALLY IMPORTANT QUESTIONS SUCH AS SOVIET HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND MILITARY INTERVENTION BY THE SOVIETS AND THEIR PROXIES IN REGIONAL CONFLICTS.

ON THIS POINT OF THE SUMMIT AGENDA, LET ME ADD ANOTHER POINT OF BACKGROUND.

A FEW YEARS AGO IN A SPEECH TO THE UNITED NATIONS I SAID THAT I SHARED THE SENSE OF URGENCY MANY FELT ABOUT ARMS CONTROL ISSUES. BUT I ALSO SUGGESTED THAT PLACING THE ENTIRE BURDEN OF SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS ON ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE DANGEROUS AND COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. I NOTED THAT PROBLEMS IN ARMS NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO THWART OR IMPERIL THE ENTIRE SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIP AND, SIMILARLY, THAT SOMETIMES NEGOTIATIONS IN OTHER AREAS COULD ASSIST IN SPEEDING UP THE ARMS CONTROL PROCESS. IN SHORT -- DOING MORE ABOUT ARMS CONTROL MEANT TALKING ABOUT MORE THAN ARMS CONTROL. AND SO I PROPOSED IN MY 1986 U.N. ADDRESS WHAT I CALLED "UMBRELLA TALKS," NEGOTIATIONS WITH A BROAD-BASED AGENDA.

THE SUMMIT PROCESS HAS REFLECTED THIS. APPROACH AND INCLUDED A BROAD-BASED AGENDA; WE HAVE STRESSED IN ADDITION TO ARMS REDUCTION THREE OTHER AGENDA ITEMS: RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, RESOLVING REGIONAL CONFLICTS, AND IMPROVING BILATERAL CONTACTS BETWEEN THE SOVIETS AND OURSELVES.

NOW THAT FIRST AREA, HUMAN RIGHTS,

TAKES ON -- IN VIEW OF THE RECENT DANILOFF
INCIDENT -- A PARTICULAR RELEVANCE. AS YOU
KNOW, AFTER A SOVIET SPY AT THE U.N. WAS
ARRESTED, THE SOVIETS RETALIATED BY ARRESTING
AN AMERICAN JOURNALIST, NICHOLAS DANILOFF,
ON TRUMPED-UP CHARGES. IT WAS AN ACT THAT
HELD HOSTAGE NOT ONLY AN INNOCENT AMERICAN
JOURNALIST BUT THE FUTURE OF SOVIET-AMERICAN
RELATIONS. (IN ADDITION) THE UNITED STATES
TOOK ACTION IN RESPONSE TO THE USE OF CONTROL
U.N. MINISTERN FOR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES BY
ORDERING THE EXPULSION OF 25 SOVIET PERSONNEL
KNOWN TO BE INVOLVED IN SUCH ACTIVITIES.

THAT THE ARREST OF A SINGLE SPY COULD
LEAD TO SUCH RISK-TAKING BY THE SOVIETS AGAIN
UNDERSCORES THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OUR TWO
SYSTEMS. IT WAS AN EXTREMELY GRAVE STEP BUT
ONE THAT COULD HARDLY SURPRISE US; AFTER ALL,
HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN THE SOVIET BLOC
REMAIN UNCEASING BECAUSE THEY ARE
INSTITUTIONALIZED AND SANCTIONED BY THE STATE
IDEOLOGY.

IT'S WORTH NOTING HERE THAT WE AGREED TO EXCHANGE THE SOVIET SPY IN QUESTION FOR THE NOTED RUSSIAN HUMAN RIGHTS LEADER, YURI ORLOV, AND HIS WIFE. MR. ORLOV'S SERVICE TO HUMANITY -- THE RECORD OF HIS SUFFERINGS -- MAKES HIM A HERO FOR OUR TIME; YET IT IS ALSO WORTH NOTING HE WAS PERSECUTED SIMPLY BECAUSE HE LED AN EFFORT TO GET THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO LIVE UP TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS AGREEMENTS IT SIGNED AT HELSINKI IN 1975.

WHEN THE SOVIET STATE'S IDEOLOGY MAKES IT A CRIME TO ADVOCATE LIVING UP TO INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS, THE REST OF THE WORLD HAS TO TAKE NOTICE; THIS POINT AS WELL AS THE ENTIRE RANGE OF SOVIET HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES MUST BE ADDRESSED AT FUTURE SUMMITS.

SO TOO, THERE IS THE ISSUE OF REGIONAL CONFLICTS. IT WOULD BE SIMPLY UNTHINKABLE FOR WORLD LEADERS TO MEET IN SPLENDID ISOLATION EVEN AS THE PEOPLE OF AFGHANISTAN, CENTRAL AMERICA, AFRICA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA UNDERGO TERRIBLE SUFFERINGS AS A RESULT OF SOVIET INVASION OR MILITARY INTERVENTION. AGAIN OUR PROPOSALS FOR RESOLVING REGIONAL CONFLICTS REMAIN A CRITICAL AGENDA ITEM. AND ON THIS POINT, YOU MAY HAVE READ LAST WEEK THAT THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ACKNOWLEDGED THAT AFGHANISTAN HAS TO BE DISCUSSED IN REYKJAVIK. I WISH WE SAW ANY EVIDENCE THAT THE SOVIETS HAD MADE A DECISION TO GET OUT.

THEY NEED TO SEE THAT THE ONLY SOLUTION THAT CAN LAST IS ONE PROVIDING SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE AFGHAN PEOPLE AND A RAPID, COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET FORCES. SHORT OF THAT, THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WILL STRUGGLE ON, AND LET ME PROMISE YOU, THEY'LL HAVE THE SUPPORT THEY NEED FROM PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD.

FINALLY, THERE IS THE ISSUE OF BROADER CONTACTS BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND AMERICAN PEOPLES, ESPECIALLY YOUNG PEOPLE. WE ALL WELCOMED THE COMMITMENT MADE LAST YEAR IN GENEVA TO INCREASE CONTACTS, NOTABLY IN THE CULTURAL EXCHANGE AREA. THIS WAS THE RESULT OF CAREFUL PRE-SUMMIT PLANNING AND IT IS OUR HOPE THAT OUR WORK IN ICELAND WILL SPEED UP IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROGRAMS AND LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR FURTHER PROGRESS AT FUTURE SUMMITS.

THESE THEN ARE THE DIFFICULT MATTERS ON OUR SUMMIT AGENDA: ARMS REDUCTIONS, HUMAN RIGHTS, REGIONAL CONFLICTS, PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE CONTACTS -- I THINK YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THEN WHEN MR. GORBACHEV EXTENDED HIS INVITATION TO A PRE-SUMMIT DISCUSSION I ACCEPTED.
WITH SUCH GRAVE AND COMPLEX MATTERS, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS TOO MUCH PREPARATION.

SO, I HOPE THAT IN EXPLAINING ALL THIS, I HAVE DONE SOMETHING TO DISPEL SOME OF THE INACCURATE SPECULATION AND FALSE HOPES RAISED ABOUT THE ICELAND TALKS. I EXPECT THESE TALKS TO BE USEFUL AND SUCCESSFUL BUT ONLY AS PREPARATION FOR FUTURE SUMMIT CONFERENCES.

OUR VIEW IS THAT WE WILL PROCEED AS WE HAVE FROM THE START -- STEP-BY-STEP -- CAUTIOUSLY, PRUDENTLY, AND REALISTICALLY.

AND BY THE WAY, I HOPE THIS LAST POINT ABOUT OUR REALISM HELPS TO ANSWER SOME OF THE DOMESTIC CRITICISMS RECENTLY OF THE SUMMIT PROCESS.

ACTUALLY, I'VE GOT TO CONFESS THAT HEARING SUGGESTIONS THAT I'M GETTING SOFT ON COMMUNISM IS FOR ME A NEW -- AND PERHAPS THE WORD IS TITILLATING -- EXPERIENCE.

BUT, SERIOUSLY, I WOULD ASK THOSE OF MY OLD SUPPORTERS WHO MAY HAVE VOICED DOUBTS TO SIMPLY CONSIDER THREE FACTS THAT I THINK MAKE THE CURRENT SUMMIT PROCESS VERY DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF PREVIOUS DECADES. FIRST, THE UNITED STATES HAS MADE IT PLAIN WE ENTER THESE NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT ILLUSIONS; AND THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO BE CANDID ABOUT THE SOVIET UNION, THE MORAL IMPLICATIONS OF ITS IDEOLOGY, THE GRAVE DANGER OF ITS GEOPOLITICAL INTENTIONS.

SECOND, PART OF THIS CANDID APPROACH INCLUDES RESTATEMENT OF WHAT I SAID IN MY 1982 SPEECH AT WESTMINSTER PALACE IN GREAT BRITAIN: THAT THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY IS NOT JUST THE PREVENTION OF WAR BUT THE EXTENSION OF FREEDOM -- TO SEE THAT EVERY NATION, EVERY PEOPLE, EVERY PERSON SOMEDAY ENJOYS THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY. AND FINALLY, I WOULD ASK THAT SOME NOTE BE TAKEN OF THE HISTORICAL TIDES. AMERICA IS NO LONGER UNDER SIEGE; FAR FROM IT. OUR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY POWER IS RESURGENT, THE WESTERN DEMOCRACIES ARE REVITALIZED AND ALL ACROSS THE WORLD NATIONS ARE TURNING TO DEMOCRATIC IDEAS AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE FREE MARKET. IN ALL OF THIS, THE UNITED STATES CONTINUES TO PLAY ITS HISTORICAL ROLE AND ASSIST THOSE WHO STRUGGLE FOR WORLD FREEDOM.

AND WE BELIEVE THE SUMMIT PROCESS CAN BE USEFUL IN PREVENTING WAR AS WE MOVE TOWARDS A WORLD OF EXPANDING PERSONAL FREEDOM AND GROWING RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. WE BELIEVE THE SUMMIT AGENDA REFLECTS THE HELPFUL CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN THE WORLD; WE ARE DISCUSSING NOT JUST ARMS CONTROL, FOR EXAMPLE, BUT ARMS REDUCTIONS AS WELL AS HUMAN RIGHTS AND REGIONAL CONFLICTS.

PROGRESS TOWARDS OUR TWIN GOALS OF PEACE
AND FREEDOM THEN WILL NOT BE EASY;
AS I MENTIONED IN MY SATURDAY RADIO TALK -WE SEEK THE SUPPORT OF ALL AMERICANS.
WE NEED YOUR HELP. AND WE ALSO NEED,
AS I SAID, SOME CAREFUL PREPARATION.
AND THAT IS WHY WE AGREED TO THE TALKS IN
ICELAND AND WILL LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING
MR. GORBACHEV THERE. AND, COME TO THINK OF
\_IT, IT'S ALSO WHY I HAVE TO GET BACK ACROSS
THE STREET TO MY HOMEWORK AND MY BRIEFING
BOOKS.

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# THANKS FOR HAVING ME; AGAIN MY COMPLIMENTS ON YOUR GREAT WORK. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU.

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### THE WHITE HOUSE

October 7, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JACK MATLOCK

FROM:

Larry Speakes

SUBJECT:

Communications Plan for Iceland Meetings

The attached communications plan for press events relative to the Iceland meeting is for your information and implementation as appropriate.

#### COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

MEETINGS BETWEEN
PRESIDENT REAGAN AND GENERAL SECRETARY GORBACHEV
REYKJAVIK, ICELAND

Tuesday, October 7, 1986 to Tuesday, October 14, 1986

#### COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

Meetings Between
President Reagan and General Secretary Gorbachev
Reykjavik, Iceland

#### Pre-Meeting Events

#### Tuesday, October 7, 1986

o Event: Morning News Show:

7:10 a.m. "Today" NBC: Donald T. Regan

ACTION: Denny Brisley

o Event: 8:30 a.m. President meets with Bipartisan Congressional Leadership to discuss Iceland meeting. Old Family Dining Room.

ACTION: Larry Speakes/Will Ball

o Event: 10:30 a.m. WORLDNET Interview - Secretary Shultz.

ACTION: Don Mathes

o Event: 11:15 a.m. Secretary Shultz gives pre-trip briefing in White House Press Briefing Room. (On-the-record, for Camera)

ACTION: Dan Howard

o Event: 12:00 p.m. White House Briefing by Larry Speakes on logistics for trip.

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o NOTE: Press Trip Briefing Books are distributed at this briefing.

ACTION: Roman Popadiuk

#### Tuesday, October 7, 1986 (continued)

3:30 p.m. The President meets with Human Event: 0 Rights Leaders. Cabinet Room. (Writing Pool and Open Photo Coverage).

ACTION: Larry Speakes/Mari Maseng

#### Wednesday, October 8, 1986

NOTE: Presidential Travel Day:

North Carolina

Atlanta

Section of speech devoted to theme of Reagan/Gorbachev meeting.

0 Event: Morning News Shows:

7:10 a.m. "Good Morning America", ABC:

Secretary Shultz

ACTION: Denny Brisley

10:00 a.m. WORLDNET Interview: Assistant Event:

Secretary Rozanne Ridgway.

ACTION: Don Mathes

0 Event: 11:00 a.m. Background briefing by Assistant Secretary Rozanne Ridgway at Foreign Press

Center.

ACTION: Dan Howard

#### Thursday, October 9, 1986

o Event: Morning News Shows:

7:10 a.m. CBS "Morning News": Donald T.

Regan

ACTION: Denny Brisley

o Event: Departure Statement by the President.

South Grounds. 9:25 a.m. (Open Press Coverage)

ACTION: Pat Buchanan

o Event: The President arrives Reykjavik, Keflavik

Airport. No arrival remarks. 7:05 p.m. (L) 3:05 p.m. EDT

(Open White House Press Coverage)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Friday, October 10, 1986

o Event: Morning News Shows

NBC "Today": Secretary Shultz 11:10 a.m. (L) 7:30 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: Daily White House Press Briefing. Hotel

Loftleidir, Press Filing Center. 11:30 a.m. (L) 7:30 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: The President has working lunch with Senior

Staff in preparation for meetings.

12:30 p.m. (L) 8:30 a.m. EDT

(Photo Release)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Friday, October 10, 1986 (continued)

O Event: Background Briefing by Robert Linhard and Jack Matlock of the NSC and Assistant Secretary Rozanne Ridgway.
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
2:30 p.m. (L) 10:30 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Dan Howard

o Event: Assistant Secretary Rozanne Ridgway briefing.
International Press Filing Center.
4:00 p.m. (L) 12:00 p.m. EDT
(On-the-Record, for Camera)

ACTION: Dan Howard

o Event: The President meets with the President, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Iceland.

Location to be determined.

4:30 p.m. (L) 12:30 p.m. EDT (Tight Pool and Photo coverage at beginning)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: Daily White House Press Briefing.
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
6:30 p.m. (L) 2:30 p.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Meeting Days

#### Saturday, October 11, 1986

O Event: The President arrives at Hofdi House for Opening Meeting. Photo with General Secretary Gorbachev.

10:30 a.m. (L) 6:30 a.m. EDT (Expanded Pool Coverage Outside)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Saturday, October 11, 1986 (continued)

o Event: The President holds first meeting with General Secretary Gorbachev. Hofdi House. (Tight Pool Coverage Inside)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

O Event: Daily White House Briefing.
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
11:30 a.m. (L) 7:30 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: Daily White House Briefing.
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
6:30 p.m. (L) 2:30 p.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Sunday, October 12, 1986

O Event: Daily White House Briefing,
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
11:30 a.m. (L) 7:30 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: The President concludes third meeting at Hofdi House and bids farewell to General Secretary Gorbachev. 12:30 p.m. (L) 8:30 a.m. EDT (Tight Pool Coverage Inside)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

O Event: Secretary Shultz Briefing.
Hotel Loftleidir Press Filing Center.
1:30 p.m. (L) 9:30 a.m. EDT
(On-the-Record, for Camera)

ACTION: Dan Howard

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#### Sunday, October 12, 1986 (continued)

o Event: Sunday News Shows:

CBS "Face the Nation": Donald T. Regan

2:30 p.m. (L) 10:30 a.m. EDT

NBC "Meet the Press": Secretary Shultz

3:00 p.m. (L) 11:00 a.m. EDT

ABC "This Week with David Brinkley":

2:30 p.m. (L) 10:30 a.m. EDT

CNN "Newsmaker":

ACTION: Dale Petroskey

o Event: Separate print background briefings scheduled

with key officials:

Secretary Shultz: New York Times

Washington Post Los Angeles Times Wall Street Journal

ACTION: Larry Speakes/Peter Roussel

Donald T. Regan: AP USA Today

UPI N Y Daily News
Reuters Washington Times

AFP Chicago Tribune

ACTION: Peter Roussel

Assistant Secretary

Rozanne Ridgway:

Newhouse

Knight-Ridder

Copley

Scripps-Howard

ACTION: Dan Howard

o Event: Magazines - Final update for Time, Newsweek and U.S. News & World Report by Donald T. Regan and Assistant Secretary Rozanne Ridgway

ACTION: Peter Roussel/Dan Howard

#### Sunday, October 12, 1986 (continued)

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o Event: Departure. President bids farewell to Icelandic officials. Keflavik Airport. 3:30 p.m. (L) 11:30 a.m. EDT (Open White House Press Coverage)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: The President departs.

3:45 p.m. (L) 11:45 a.m. EDT

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: The President arrives at Andrews AFB.

5:50 p.m. EDT

(Open Press Coverage)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

o Event: The President arrives on South Grounds.

6:05 p.m. EDT

(Open Press Coverage)

ACTION: Larry Speakes

#### Post-Meeting Events

#### Monday, October 13, 1986

o Event: Evening Presidential Address to the Nation from the Oval Office.

ACTION: Pat Buchanan/Larry Speakes

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM RGENT

DATE: 10/7/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 9:00 A.M. 10/8/86						
SUBJECT: REMARKS: TOAST FOR SOCIAL EVENT HOSTED BY ICELAND REYKJAVIK, ICELAND (10/7/86 12:30 p.m. draft)						
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**REMARKS:** 

Please give your recommendations to Tony Dolan with an info copy to my office by 9:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

(Rohrabacher)
October 67, 1986
12:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: TOAST FOR SOCIAL EVENT HOSTED BY ICELAND REYKJAVIK, ICELAND FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1986

Madam President, Mr. General Secretary, ladies and gentlemen: I want to thank the people of Iceland, and in particular President Finnbogadottir, for the hospitality they've extended and for the support they've given to make this meeting possible. I am grateful, as is everyone in my traveling party, for the good will and cooperation so evident here.

Iceland, as is clear by the welcome we've received, is a country with which we Americans have ancient ties and a long-standing friendship. On Monday, the people of our country will be celebrating Columbus Day, honoring the man who, with vision and a full complement of tenacity, organized and led the expedition that opened the New World to Western civilization. Yet being here, one cannot help but think of the legend that tells us of an earlier explorer who once sailed from these shores, a Norseman named Leif Ericsson. The politics of those days cannot really be compared to our own, but it's interesting to note that Leif was the son of a fellow called Eric the Red. Hummm.

No political significance, of course, but Leif and other
Norsemen ventured West from Iceland to discover the North
American continent, calling it Vinland. And, Mr. General
Secretary, some historians believe it was another Norseman,
Rurik, who sailed from Scandinavia up the rivers of Russia to
found the first Russian state. A turn of fate then, Mr. General



Secretary, has brought us together in Iceland, as guests of Leif Ericsson's descendants, a people who have historical ties to both our nations. So, we meet geographically halfway but on friendly ground.

Rurik and Leif Ericsson were undoubtedly fierce warriors. Yet, it is noteworthy that they are remembered today for their courage in exploring new lands, a relatively peaceful enterprise for Vikings of their day. Let us hope that we, too, are remembered for conquering new frontiers instead of other nations, for pushing back boundaries, and exploring new avenues that might lead mankind to a new world, a world of freedom and peace, a world that no longer lives in fear of aggression or nuclear holocaust, a world in which tyranny and war are but memories of a distant past.

Unlike the pathfinders who went before us, however, our task is not reaching a new world, but building one. Progress is measured not in miles traveled, but in changes made. We are here as a preparatory step to change and most assuredly to build on the direct dialogue begun in Geneva.

For our part, we seek progress not by glossing over differences, but by facing them; not by ignoring issues, but by recognizing them and putting them on the table. Respect for human rights, arms reduction, the resolution of regional conflict, and the further opening up of contact between our peoples must be part of the same step forward.

Our peoples. A word about them. The love of freedom, the worship of God, the desire for peace, these are unifying forces at the heart of America.

And then there is the Russian people. Who can say enough about them -- their culture; the master works of art and literature and music; their bravery; their nobility. There is a love song from your country, Mr. General Secretary, that says so much: "Happy or sad my beloved, you are beautiful, as beautiful as a Russian song, as beautiful as a Russian soul." We come here as leaders to talk heart to heart. Let us look deep and let us lift our glasses to the souls, to the nobility of our two peoples. There we will find a yearning for peace and for freedom that should guide us in all we do here.

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E. O. 12356: N/A TAGS: PREL, UR, US SUBJECT: SOVIET MEDIA ON REYKJAVIK PREL,

- THE SOVIET MEDIA ON REYKJAVIK HAVE GENERALLY FOLLOWED THE GORBACHEV PRESS CONFERENCE LINE OF REGRET, PLUS WAIT-AND-SEE FOR THE FINAL AMERICAN RESPONSE TO GORBACHEV'S PROPOSALS. SEVERAL ARTICLES IN THE OCTOBER 14 PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA MADE THIS POINT BY COVERING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE U.S. AND EUROPE. THESE ARTICLES:
- CITED WESTERN AND ESPECIALLY AMERICAN MEDIA DISAPPOINTMENT THAT ADMINISTRATION INSISTENCE ON SDI STOOD IN THE WAY OF HISTORIC AGREEMENTS;
- SAID THAT "ULTRA-RIGHTISTS" LIKE CONGRESSMAN JACK KEMP WERE PUSHING THE PRESIDENT TO HANG TOUGH ON SDI;
- CLAIMED THAT EUROPE WAS CONCERNED BY THE SDI-RELATED FAILURE TO ACHIEVE A SUITABLE INF AGREEMENT.
- THE NATIONAL EVENING TV NEWS OCTOBER 13 INCLUDED NUMEROUS INTERVIEWS WITH SOVIETS AND FOREIGN MEDIA EXCERPTS REGRETTING THE U.S. FAILURE TO AGREE ON SDI LIMITS. GORBACHEV'S REYKJAVIK PRESS CONFERENCE, INITIALLY AIRED GORBACHEV' S LIVE LATE THE PREVIOUS EVENING, WAS REPEATED OCTOBER 13 IN PRIME TIME. A LATE WORD: THE SOVIET MFA ADVISES US LATE AFTERNOON OCTOBER 14 THAT GORBACHEV WILL SPEAK ON THE 9: 00 P.M. (LOCAL)
  TV NEWS PROGRAM AND HIS REMARKS WILL "BE OF INTEREST" TO THE U.S. HARTMAN BT

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