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ARRIVAL CEREMONY
PRIME MINISTER CARLSSON OF SWEDEN

IT IS A PLEASURE TO WELCOME PRIME MINISTER CARLSSON AND MRS. CARLSSON TO THE UNITED STATES. I WELCOME YOU, MR. PRIME MINISTER, WITH GREAT WARMTH AND RESPECT, AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF A COUNTRY WITH WHOM AMERICANS SHARE MANY FUNDAMENTAL VALUES. WE ARE BOTH DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE SYSTEM OF DEMOCRACY. WE ARE BOTH COMMITTED TO THE PROTECTION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL. AND WE ARE BOTH COMMITTED TO PURSUING A WORLD THAT IS PROSPEROUS, AND AT PEACE.

OUR SHARED VALUES REFLECT HISTORICAL BONDS AND THE FACT THAT SWEDES AND AMERICANS HAVE MINGLED FOR CENTURIES.

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NEXT YEAR WILL MARK THE THREE-HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING BY YOUR COUNTRYMEN, MR. PRIME MINISTER, OF A SMALL COLONY NAMED NEW SWEDEN NEAR WHAT IS NOW WILMINGTON, DELAWARE. THOSE BRAVE SETTLERS HELPED TURN A WILDERNESS INTO A GREAT NATION. EVEN MORE, THEY BROUGHT WITH THEM THE HARDY VIRTUES AND PIONEER SPIRIT THAT BECAME SO MUCH A PART OF OUR NATIONAL CHARACTER.

THE SWEDISH PIONEERS OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, WERE FOLLOWED BY OVER A MILLION SWEDES WHO CAME HERE BETWEEN THE 1840'S AND 1930'S. TODAY SOME FIVE MILLION AMERICANS PROUDLY CLAIM SWEDISH ORIGINS. HISTORY SUGGESTS OUR COUNTRIES HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CLOSE, POLITICALLY AND ALSO IN SPIRIT. WHEN THIS WAS STILL A VERY NEW NATION, IN 1783, A TREATY OF COMMERCE AND FRIENDSHIP WAS SIGNED WITH SWEDEN.

IT WAS AMONG THE VERY FIRST TREATIES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. OVER THE YEARS SINCE, OUR GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALWAYS REMAINED ON AMICABLE AND COOPERATIVE TERMS AND OUR PEOPLES HAVE DEVELOPED AND MAINTAINED COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS THAT HAVE STRENGTHENED BOTH OUR NATIONS.

ALL THIS REFLECTS A COMMONALITY OF SPIRIT AND A SHARED SENSE OF DECENCY OF WHICH WE CAN TAKE GREAT PRIDE. AMERICANS WILL NEVER FORGET THAT, BY A SPECIAL ACT OF CONGRESS, OUR COUNTRY HAS OFFICIALLY ADOPTED A REMARKABLE SWEDISH HERO OF MORAL AND HUMANE PEOPLE THE WORLD OVER. I REFER TO RAOUL WALLENBERG, THE SWEDISH DIPLOMAT WHO, IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR, SAVED HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS FROM THE NAZI TERROR. THAT WALLENBERG IS NOW A CITIZEN OF BOTH OUR COUNTRIES IS A BOND BETWEEN US AND SHOULD BE AN INSPIRATION TO OUR PEOPLES.

LET US JOIN IN INSISTING THAT, IF THERE IS A NEW OPENNESS IN THE SOVIET UNION, THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP GIVE THE WORLD AN ACCOUNTING OF THIS MORAL GIANT, RAOUL WALLENBERG.

TODAY OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH SWEDEN IS ESPECIALLY VIGOROUS. MANY THOUSANDS OF OUR COUNTRYMEN VISIT BACK AND FORTH EACH YEAR, CONDUCTING BUSINESS, PURSUING THE ARTS, STUDYING AND OFTEN COMPETING SUCCESSFULLY IN SPORTS, AS MR. BORG CAN TESTIFY. THE LATE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE MALCOLM BALDRIGE VISITED SWEDEN IN MAY, WHERE HE ANNOUNCED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS ELIMINATING SOME EXPORT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH-TECHNOLOGY GOODS BOUND FOR SWEDEN. THIS SUMMER, SWEDISH TRADE MINISTER GRADIN CAME TO WASHINGTON FOR A POSITIVE ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS ON GLOBAL AND BILATERAL TRADE ISSUES.

AND IN JUNE / MY WIFE NANCY VISITED
STOCKHOLM / WHERE FOR THREE DAYS SHE
EXCHANGED VIEWS WITH THOSE WHO PLAN AND
RUN SWEDEN'S ENLIGHTENED PROGRAMS TO COMBAT
DRUGS.

YOUR VISIT NOW, MR. PRIME MINISTER, /
RENEWS OUR POLITICAL, BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS
AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. / DIALOGUE BETWEEN OUR
GOVERNMENTS HAS IMPROVED AND DEEPENED IN
RECENT YEARS, / AND WE ARE DETERMINED TO
ENSURE THAT IT CONTINUES TO IMPROVE.

I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING WITH YOU,
MR. PRIME MINISTER, / THE MAJOR ISSUES OF
THE DAY AND EXAMINING HOW, / AS MODERN
INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES, / WE CAN MEET
THE CHALLENGES WE WILL FACE IN THE FUTURE.

SWEDEN AND THE UNITED STATES FACE SIMILAR
CHALLENGES, / THOUGH WE HAVE CHOSEN DIFFERENT
PATHS TO MEET THEM. / YET, AS FRIENDS,
WE VALUE EACH OTHER'S VIEWS, / AND OUR TALKS
TODAY WILL BE OF GREAT VALUE.

I AM PARTICULARLY LOOKING FORWARD TO
OUR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON ISSUES CONCERNING
WORLD PEACE AND NUCLEAR ARMS REDUCTIONS.
THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES MAINTAIN
DEFENSE SPENDING AT LEVELS NECESSARY TO
PRESERVE PEACE AND TO SAFEGUARD FREEDOM
IN THE WORLD. / WE HAVE, (IN RECENT YEARS,) /
TAKEN A DECISIVE LEAD IN SEEKING BALANCED
AND VERIFIABLE ARMS AGREEMENTS WITH THE
SOVIET UNION, / AGREEMENTS THAT WILL REDUCE
BOTH THE LEVEL OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, / AND THE
THREAT OF THEIR USE. / OUR STRENGTH, /
AND OUR DETERMINED SEARCH FOR PEACE, /
GO HAND IN HAND. / MUCH PROGRESS HAS BEEN
MADE AS OF LATE, AND WE REMAIN OPTIMISTIC.

AS A NEUTRAL NATION, SWEDEN IS NOT AN
ALLY OF THE UNITED STATES, / BUT IT IS A
PARTNER IN OUR PURSUIT OF A FREE AND
PEACEFUL WORLD.

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WE RECOGNIZE AND APPRECIATE THAT SWEDEN
PROVIDES AMPLY FOR ITS OWN STRONG DEFENSE/
AND WORKS VIGOROUSLY FOR THE CAUSE OF PEACE.

WE RESPECT THAT, MR. PRIME MINISTER,
EVEN THOUGH ON SOME ISSUES WE MAY DIFFER

IN VIEWS. THE GREAT SWEDISH LEADER AND
A RENOWNED INTERNATIONAL STATESMAN,
DAG HAMMARSKJOLD ONCE SAID /" ONLY HE WHO
KEEPS HIS EYES FIXED ON THE FAR HORIZON WILL
FIND HIS RIGHT ROAD. "

TODAY, THE PEOPLE OF
THE UNITED STATES AND SWEDEN HAVE THEIR EYES
FIXED ON THE FAR HORIZON. WE ARE ON THE
RIGHT PATH FOR A BETTER TOMORROW.

I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR DISCUSSIONS,
MR. PRIME MINISTER. WE APPRECIATE YOUR
VISIT AND BID YOU AND YOUR WIFE
(VAL-KOH-MEN). YOUR VISIT HERE IS MOST
WELCOME.

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STATE DINNER TOAST
PRIME MINISTER CARLSSON OF SWEDEN

PRIME MINISTER CARLSSON, MRS. CARLSSON,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN/WELCOME TO THE WHITE
HOUSE. NANCY TOLD ME MUCH ABOUT THE WARMTH
AND GOODWILL SO EVIDENT IN SWEDEN DURING HER
JUNE VISIT. WE BOTH HAVE LOOKED FORWARD TO
THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS OUR
APPRECIATION/AND TO RETURN THE HOSPITALITY
SO GRACIOUSLY EXTENDED TO HER.

I WELCOME YOU, MR. PRIME MINISTER,
AS LONG OVERDUE FRIENDS. SWEDEN, WHILE
QUITE SOME DISTANCE IN MILES, HAS NEVER
SEEMED VERY FAR AWAY TO ME. AS A BOY IN
NORTHERN ILLINOIS, I HAD NEIGHBORS WITH
NAMES LIKE HANSON AND LUND.

THIS MORNING, IN THE COURSE OF OUR
DISCUSSIONS/I REALIZED ANEW WHAT I HAVE
LONG KNOWN/ THAT SWEDEN AND AMERICA SHARE
THE SAME BASIC VALUES/AND THE SAME HOPES
FOR A MORE PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS WORLD.

WE OFTEN PURSUE OUR SIMILAR GOALS THROUGH
DIFFERENT MEANS/BUT OUR DEMOCRATIC
TRADITIONS HAVE BRED IN US BOTH AN
APPRECIATION FOR DIVERSITY/AND AN
UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS OFTEN MORE
THAN ONE WAY TO ACHIEVE A GOAL.

TODAY, WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS WITH
SPECIAL WARMTH BECAUSE THIS IS NOT MERELY
THE VISIT OF A PRIME MINISTER,/ON AN
OFFICIAL TRIP/BUT ALSO SOMEWHAT OF A
SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY. IN 1960, MR. PRIME
MINISTER, (EARLY IN YOUR MARRIED LIFE,)
YOU WENT TO NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY IN
ILLINOIS/ WHERE YOU ATTENDED GRADUATE
SCHOOL,/AND MRS. CARLSSON WORKED IN THE
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY/-- A HARD-WORKING YOUNG
COUPLE BUILDING A FUTURE TOGETHER.

I AM HAPPY TO NOTE THAT THE STILL YOUNG
CARLSSONS NEXT MONTH WILL CELEBRATE THEIR
THIRTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

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PLEASE ACCEPT THE WARM CONGRATULATIONS
OF BOTH NANCY AND MYSELF. I UNDERSTAND
YOU WILL BE VISITING NORTHWESTERN AGAIN THIS
SATURDAY / AND I WISH YOU A MOST PLEASURABLE
RETURN TO THIS SPECIAL PLACE.

MR. PRIME MINISTER, / OUR COUNTRIES HAVE
BEEN FRIENDS AS LONG AS THE UNITED STATES
HAS BEEN A COUNTRY. TODAY WE HAVE HAD THE
OPPORTUNITY TO REAFFIRM THE BONDS OF
AFFECTION BETWEEN OUR PEOPLES / AND TO TALK
OF THE ISSUES WE, AS THE LEADERS OF TWO FREE
NATIONS, FACE IN THE WORLD. PRIME MINISTER
AND MRS. CARLSSON, / I RAISE MY GLASS TO YOU
AND THE SWEDISH PEOPLE IN FRIENDSHIP.
I ASK ALL OF YOU TO JOIN ME IN THIS TOAST
AND IN A HEARTY SKOL.

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ARRIVAL GREETING TO HIS HOLINESS
POPE JOHN PAUL II

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MIAMI, FLORIDA

YOUR HOLINESS,

AFTER AN AUDIENCE WITH YOU FIVE YEARS
AGO IN THE VATICAN CITY, I MET A GROUP OF
AMERICAN PRIESTS AND SEMINARIANS STUDYING IN
ROME. WHEN I HAPPENED TO MENTION MY HOPE
THAT ONE DAY YOU WOULD RETURN TO THE UNITED
STATES -- (AND THAT PERHAPS THIS TIME YOUR
VISIT WOULD EXTEND TO THE SOUTH AND WEST) --
WHEN I MENTIONED THIS, THOSE PRIESTS AND
SEMINARIANS BROKE INTO APPLAUSE. TODAY,
YOUR HOLINESS, YOU BEGIN JUST SUCH A RETURN
VISIT. AND TODAY, ALL AMERICA APPLAUDS.

~~YOUR HOLINESS,~~ IN A DOCUMENT OF THE SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL THAT YOU HELPED TO DRAFT, IT IS WRITTEN IN LANGUAGE INTELLIGIBLE TO EVERY GENERATION. THE CHURCH SHOULD BE ABLE TO ANSWER THE EVER RECURRING QUESTIONS WHICH MEN ASK ABOUT THE MEANING OF THIS PRESENT LIFE AND OF THE LIFE TO COME....

IN LANGUAGE INTELLIGIBLE TO EVERY GENERATION -- CERTAINLY NO ONE CAN SPEAK WITH GREATER FORCE TO OUR OWN GENERATION THAN YOU YOURSELF. IN POLAND, YOU EXPERIENCED NAZISM AND COMMUNISM. AS POPE, YOU SUFFERED A TERRORIST ATTACK THAT NEARLY CLAIMED YOUR LIFE. STILL YOU PROCLAIM THAT THE CENTRAL MESSAGE OF OUR OWN TIME -- (THAT THE CENTRAL MESSAGE OF ALL TIME) -- IS NOT HATRED, BUT LOVE.

DURING YOUR PAPACY, YOU HAVE TAKEN THIS MESSAGE TO SOME SIXTY-EIGHT COUNTRIES. YOU HAVE CELEBRATED MASS IN THE ANCIENT CAPITALS OF EUROPE. YOU HAVE SPOKEN WORDS OF TRUTH AND COMFORT ON THE AFRICAN SAVANNAH. YOU HAVE VISITED NEW CHURCHES ON THE ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC. YOU HAVE ADDRESSED VAST GATHERINGS THROUGHOUT SOUTH AMERICA AND THE FAR EAST. NOW YOU HAVE COME BACK TO THE UNITED STATES, THE NATION OF CITIZENS FROM ALL NATIONS.

IF I MIGHT JUST INTERJECT SOMETHING, YOUR HOLINESS, I KNOW THAT IN YOUR TRAVELS YOU'VE MADE IT A POINT TO SPEAK TO PEOPLE IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE. WELL, HERE IN MIAMI I HAVE A SUSPICION THAT YOU'LL FIND MANY IN YOUR AUDIENCE EAGER TO HEAR YOU SPEAK THE BEAUTIFUL LANGUAGE OF SPANISH.

BUT IN THIS, THE VERY MONTH OF YOUR VISIT/WE IN THE UNITED STATES WILL BE CELEBRATING THE TWO-HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR CONSTITUTION. THAT DOCUMENT SAYS A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THE FUNDAMENTAL VALUES IN WHICH WE AMERICANS BELIEVE. IN THE WORDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED CATHOLIC PHILOSOPHER, JACQUES (MAR-EE-TEHN)/ THE FOUNDING FATHERS WERE NEITHER METAPHYSICIANS NOR THEOLOGIANS/BUT THEIR PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE/ AND THEIR POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY/ THEIR NOTION OF NATURAL LAW AND OF HUMAN RIGHTS/ WERE PERMEATED WITH CONCEPTS WORKED OUT BY CHRISTIAN REASON/AND BACKED UP BY AN UNSHAKEABLE RELIGIOUS FEELING."

FROM THE FIRST, THEN, OUR NATION EMBRACED THE BELIEF THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS SACRED/- AND THAT AS GOD HIMSELF RESPECTS HUMAN LIBERTY/ SO TOO MUST THE STATE.

IN FREEDOM, WE AMERICANS HAVE IN THESE TWO HUNDRED YEARS BUILT A GREAT COUNTRY /- A COUNTRY OF GOODNESS AND ABUNDANCE.

INDEED, YOUR HOLINESS, IT IS PRECISELY BECAUSE WE BELIEVE IN FREEDOM /- BECAUSE WE RESPECT THE LIBERTY OF THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE ECONOMIC AS WELL AS THE POLITICAL SPHERE /- THAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED SUCH PROSPERITY.

WE ARE JUSTLY PROUD OF THE MARSHALL PLAN/WHOSE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAS CELEBRATED IN EUROPE EARLIER THIS YEAR. IN EUROPE AND ELSEWHERE/WE CONTINUE TO PLACE OUR MIGHT ON THE SIDE OF HUMAN DIGNITY. IN LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA/WE ARE SUPPORTING THE EXPANSION OF HUMAN FREEDOM/ IN PARTICULAR, THE POWERFUL MOVEMENT TOWARD DEMOCRACY.

YET WE AMERICANS ADMIT FREELY TO OUR SHORTCOMINGS. AS YOU EXHORT US, WE WILL LISTEN. FOR WITH ALL OUR HEARTS, WE YEARN TO MAKE THIS GOOD LAND BETTER STILL.

IN FLORIDA AND SOUTH CAROLINA/
IN LOUISIANA AND TEXAS/
IN ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, AND MICHIGAN/
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF AMERICA'S MORE THAN FIFTY MILLION CATHOLICS WILL GREET YOU. THEY DO GREAT WORKS, AMERICA'S CATHOLICS, IN THE NAME OF THEIR CHURCH.

HERE IN THE UNITED STATES/
AMERICAN CATHOLICS PUT THEIR FAITH INTO ACTION IN COUNTLESS WAYS /-- MAINTAINING PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS THAT GIVE UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN IN OUR INNER CITIES THE CHANCE TO RECEIVE A GOOD EDUCATION/
SUPPORTING THE "AIDS" HOSPICES ESTABLISHED BY MOTHER TERESA'S MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY/
PERHAPS SIMPLY HELPING TO PUT ON A FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR THE LOCAL PARISH.

ABROAD, AMERICAN CATHOLICS LIKEWISE SEEK TO TRANSLATE THEIR FAITH INTO DEEDS/
WHETHER SUPPORTING MISSIONARIES IN DISTANT LANDS/
OR HELPING AMERICA'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RESTORE THE FACADE OF ST. PETER'S IN ROME.

BUT IT WILL NOT BE CATHOLICS ALONE WHO GREET YOU. PROTESTANTS OF EVERY DENOMINATION/
JEWS, MUSLIMS/
EVEN MANY WITH NO DEFINED FAITH AT ALL /-- AMERICANS OF EVERY KIND AND DEGREE OF BELIEF WILL WISH YOU ~~WELL~~ ^{WELL} YOUR HOLINESS/
RESPONDING TO YOUR MORAL LEADERSHIP. TODAY'S FLORIDA SUNSHINE IS NO WARMER THAN THE AFFECTION YOU WILL MEET.

I BEGAN A MOMENT AGO BY QUOTING FROM ONE DOCUMENT OF THE SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL. PERMIT ME TO CLOSE BY QUOTING FROM A SECOND.

BY THE HIDDEN AND KINDLY MYSTERY OF
GOD'S WILL A SUPERNATURAL SOLIDARITY REIGNS
AMONG MEN. A CONSEQUENCE OF THIS IS THAT...
ONE PERSON'S HOLINESS HELPS OTHERS.

TODAY, AMERICANS FEEL THIS SOLIDARITY.

AND WE THANK YOU, ~~YOUR HOLINESS~~, FOR THE
COURAGE AND SANCTITY / THE KINDNESS AND
WISDOM / WITH WHICH YOU HAVE DONE SO MUCH
TO HELP OUR TROUBLED WORLD.

ON BEHALF OF ALL AMERICANS,
YOUR HOLINESS / WELCOME BACK.

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(ROBINSON)

SEPTEMBER 10, 1987

DEPARTURE REMARKS AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING
WITH POPE JOHN PAUL II

MIAMI, FLORIDA

FOR THE SECOND TIME THIS YEAR, I HAVE MET IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE WITH HIS HOLINESS, POPE JOHN PAUL II. WE DISCUSSED THE PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF IDEALS WE SHARE: PEACE, JUSTICE, AND THE EXPANSION OF FREEDOM. WE AGREED THAT, AS THE POPE FIRST REMARKED WHEN I VISITED HIM AT THE VATICAN CITY IN 1982, PEACE IS NOT ONLY THE ABSENCE OF WAR. IT ALSO INVOLVES RECIPROCAL TRUST BETWEEN NATIONS....

HIS HOLINESS AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE OUR VIEWS ON THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GENUINE PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA. I ASSURED HIS HOLINESS THAT THE UNITED STATES IS COMMITTED TO THE EXTENSION OF DEMOCRACY THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA.

THE POPE AND I ALSO DISCUSSED THE PROSPECTS FOR IMPROVED RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION. I TOLD HIM THAT THE UNITED STATES IS UNSHAKEABLY COMMITTED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDURING WORLD PEACE AND TO THE EXPANSION OF HUMAN FREEDOM AROUND THE GLOBE. INDEED, WITHOUT FREEDOM, THERE CAN BE NO PEACE.

ON ARMS CONTROL, ~~HIS HOLINESS AND I~~ *we* DISCUSSED THE NEARNESS OF AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD ELIMINATE ALL AMERICAN AND SOVIET I.N.F. MISSILES -- FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY ACHIEVING NOT JUST A LIMITATION BUT AN ACTUAL REDUCTION IN NUCLEAR WEAPONS. OF COURSE, ALL THIS DEPENDS UPON SOVIET WILLINGNESS TO GET DOWN TO THE HARD WORK OF COMPLETING AN AGREEMENT. WE STAND READY AS WELL FOR ANOTHER HISTORIC AGREEMENT -- ONE THAT WOULD REDUCE STRATEGIC ARMS ON BOTH SIDES BY HALF.

WITH REGARD TO THE ECONOMIC NEEDS OF THE WORLD'S POOR NATIONS I THANKED THE POPE FOR SPEAKING SO ELOQUENTLY ABOUT WHAT HE TERMS THE MORAL CAUSES OF PROSPERITY, AMONG THEM HARD WORK, HONESTY, THRIFT, INITIATIVE AND DARING. GENEROUS AID FROM THE WEALTHIER NATIONS TO THE POORER IS CERTAINLY OF GREAT IMPORTANCE BUT IN THE LONG TERM IT IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TO SHARE THE CONDITIONS -- THE MORAL CAUSES OF PROSPERITY, INCLUDING RESPECT FOR THE ECONOMIC RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL -- THAT REPRESENT SUCH A POWERFUL FORCE FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH AND HUMAN BETTERMENT.

ONCE AGAIN, YOUR HOLINESS, WELCOME BACK TO THE UNITED STATES. I MUST LEAVE YOU NOW BUT I KNOW THAT NANCY IS LOOKING FORWARD TO GREETING YOU IN LOS ANGELES.

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IN THE MEANTIME AND THROUGHOUT YOUR VISIT/
MILLIONS OF OUR FELLOW AMERICANS WILL
WELCOME YOU WITH AFFECTION/LISTENING
JOYFULLY TO YOUR MESSAGE OF HUMAN DIGNITY
AND PEACE.

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SIGNING CEREMONY FOR HISPANIC
HERITAGE WEEK PROCLAMATION

THANK YOU AND MUY BUENOS DIAS. IT IS
A GREAT PLEASURE AS ALWAYS TO HAVE YOU HERE
TODAY TO JOIN ME IN COMMEMORATING NATIONAL
HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK. MANY OF YOU
KNOW I WAS JUST IN CALIFORNIA AND EVERYTIME
I RETURN HOME IT REINFORCES A DEEP
APPRECIATION FOR THE IMPORTANT ROLE THAT
HISPANICS HAVE PLAYED IN DEVELOPING AMERICAN
CULTURE. OF COURSE, IN THE GOLDEN STATE
MOST OF OUR MAJOR CITIES, AS IS EVIDENT BY
THEIR NAMES WERE ORIGINALLY SPANISH
SETTLEMENTS. OUR ARCHITECTURE REFLECTS
THIS IT CAN BE HEARD IN THE MUSIC WE LISTEN
TO THE ART WE ENJOY AND IN THE FOOD WE
EAT. IT IS A RECOGNIZABLE PART OF A WAY OF
LIFE OF WHICH ALL CALIFORNIANS ARE VERY
PROUD.

CALIFORNIA IS ONLY ONE OF THE MANY STATES
THAT HAS RICH HISPANIC TRADITIONS.
AND EVEN THOSE STATES THAT WERE NOT
ORIGINALLY SETTLED BY SPANISH IMMIGRANTS
NOW HAVE NUMEROUS HISPANIC RESIDENTS.

TODAY WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE MANY
CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY HISPANICS OVER THE
TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF OUR REPUBLIC AND
THE ROLE HISPANICS CONTINUE TO PLAY.
AS WE CELEBRATE THE BICENTENNIAL OF OUR
CONSTITUTION WE MUST REFLECT ON THE FACT
THAT THIS GREAT NATION OF OURS IS MADE UP OF
IMMIGRANTS IMMIGRANTS WHO HAVE BROUGHT
THEIR CULTURE THEIR TRADITIONS AND THEIR
VALUES. THEY WERE ATTRACTED TO THIS NATION
BY A COMMON ELEMENT BY THE LOVE OF LIBERTY
AND JUSTICE.

AND I CAN PROUDLY SAY THAT NOWHERE HAVE I SEEN THESE VALUES MORE CHERISHED AND PROTECTED /AS THEY ARE BY THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY.

HISPANICS HAVE ALSO BROUGHT WITH THEM THEIR TALENTS AND ASPIRATIONS /AS IS WITNESSED IN THE PEOPLE JOINING US TODAY.

WE HAVE A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WHO I UNDERSTAND WILL BE HONORED AT ANOTHER FUNCTION /AS OUTSTANDING HISPANIC MEDIA PROFESSIONALS. HAVING EARNED MY LIVING IN THE MEDIA /AS I DID /AND UNDERSTANDING ITS IMPORTANCE IN THE SHAPING OF OUR SOCIETY /I'D LIKE TO ADD MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE BEING HONORED. SINCE SOME OF THEM ARE PRESENT IN THE AUDIENCE /I'D LIKE TO ASK THEM TO PLEASE STAND SO THEY CAN RECEIVE A STRONG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

MARTA CASALS (EES-TOE-MEEN) /ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF THE KENNEDY CENTER / JOSE McMURRAY, SENIOR PRODUCER AT NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO /EDUARDO ZAVALA, A FOUNDER OF ZGS-TV PRODUCTIONS /AND ARTURO VILLAR, PUBLISHER OF VISTA MAGAZINE.

WE ALSO HAVE IN THE AUDIENCE THE D.C. COUNCIL OF HISPANIC EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM MANAGERS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THEM FOR THIS WONDERFUL POSTER DESIGNED BY JESSE (AL-MUH-ZAHN) COMMEMORATING THIS WEEK. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY /AND FOR YOUR VALUABLE WORK IN FOSTERING THE PRESENCE AND ROLE OF HISPANICS IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. YOUR COMMITMENT IS IMPRESSIVE. I APPLAUD THIS IMPORTANT ROLE YOU PLAY IN INCREASING THE NUMBER OF HISPANICS IN THE GOVERNMENT.

THIS ADMINISTRATION REMAINS WHOLLY
DEDICATED TO FREEDOM AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.
AND DON'T LET ANYONE TELL YOU THAT THOSE WE
NOMINATE TO HIGH POSITIONS, (ESPECIALLY TO
THE SUPREME COURT) DO NOT SHARE IN OUR
COMMITMENT TO THE IDEALS OF FREEDOM AND
EQUALITY THAT ALL AMERICANS HOLD DEAR.

THE HIGHLY CHARGED RHETORIC COMING
FROM THE RANKS OF THOSE OPPOSING JUDGE BORK
IS IRRATIONAL AND TOTALLY UNJUSTIFIED.

JUDGE BORK IS A QUALIFIED, HIGHLY-RESPECTED
JUDGE. HE HAS A SUPERIOR INTELLECT.

A HIGH MORAL CHARACTER, AND IS A CHAMPION
OF INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM. ANY SUGGESTION TO
THE CONTRARY IS PURE POLITICS.

THAT BRINGS ME TO THIS ADMINISTRATION'S
COMMITMENT TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF
HISPANICS IN GOVERNMENT.

I HAVE APPOINTED INDIVIDUALS OF HIGH CALIBER
TO SERVE IN KEY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT POSITIONS
SUCH AS KATHERINE ORTEGA, U.S. TREASURER AND
JOSE MANUEL CASANOVA, DIRECTOR OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. AND NOW
I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS TIME TO ANNOUNCE MY
INTENTION TO NOMINATE GRACE HUGHES AS
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS SERVICES AT
THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. I AM SURE YOU
ARE FAMILIAR WITH ALL THE OTHER APPOINTEES
THROUGHOUT THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH. THEY HAVE
SERVED WITH DIGNITY AND COURAGE AND
EXEMPLIFY THE HARD WORK AND COMMITMENT FOUND
IN HISPANIC AMERICANS.

THE GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF ALL THESE
INDIVIDUALS, IN THE MEDIA AND IN THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT, SERVE AS AN INSPIRATION TO ALL
YOUNG AMERICANS.

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THIS SPECIAL WEEK PROVIDES THE REST OF US
A CHANCE TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP APPRECIATION/
FOR CONTRIBUTIONS THAT ARE MADE ACROSS THE
SPECTRUM OF AMERICAN LIFE/BY OUR FELLOW
CITIZENS WHO COME FROM HISPANIC BACKGROUNDS.

IT ALLOWS US TO REFLECT ON THE FUNDAMENTAL
MEANING OF DEMOCRACY/WHICH MUST BE
SYNONYMOUS WITH OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL PEOPLE.

SO I WILL NOW SIGN THE PROCLAMATION/
AND, IN DOING SO, SAY THANK YOU, GRACIAS/
TO HISPANIC AMERICANS.

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PRESIDENTIAL RADIO TALK: BICENTENNIAL OF THE U.S.
CONSTITUTION AND CENTRAL AMERICA
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1987

This Wednesday ~~in Washington and~~ all across America, we'll be celebrating the 200th anniversary of the document that has brought freedom and hope to so many millions -- the U.S. Constitution. At one-fifty on Wednesday, I will lead a nationwide Pledge of Allegiance, ~~an event~~ that will be broadcast live ~~and give~~ ^{GIVING} all Americans a chance to renew our commitment to the document that has been called the greatest act of political genius in history. ~~and~~, On Thursday, I will be ~~traveling to~~ ^(N) Philadelphia ~~to~~ participate in the celebration ~~of our~~ ~~Constitution~~ organized by "We the People."

As we reflect on our Constitution this week, we must seek to further its purpose ~~not only~~ here at home ~~but~~ [✓] all across the world. ~~Truly~~, ~~The~~ cause of freedom is America's cause, and one of the most exciting movements in this direction during the past 10 years has been in Latin America where over 90 percent of the people are now living under democratic rule. It was my privilege earlier this week to speak with ~~the Holy Father~~ [✓] Pope John Paul II on our mutual concern about peace and freedom in Latin America.

Yet, for all the progress in this region, one country ~~and~~ ~~one people~~ ~~to~~ ~~we~~ ~~are~~ ~~speaking~~ ~~here~~ of Nicaragua and its three million inhabitants -- have seen that dream of freedom trampled. Many Americans have learned over the last few months what has really been happening in Nicaragua; how a democratic revolution ~~in that~~ ~~country~~ was betrayed; how a tiny elite has been creating a

totalitarian, Marxist-Leninist dictatorship to satisfy their own personal lust for power and to give the Soviet Union ~~the~~ A beachhead ~~it wants~~ on the mainland of this continent -- ~~year~~ a ~~Communist base camp~~ only 2,000 miles from the Texas border, a clear national security threat.

Yet, despite all the repression and Soviet intervention, the people of Nicaragua still cling to their dream of freedom. In the best tradition of our Founding Fathers, they formed a democratic resistance against tyranny; ~~it is~~ one of the largest peasant armies in the world with more than 17,000 freedom fighters called "contras." And as the contras have grown stronger, the Communist regime has grown shakier.

So, under increasing pressure, the Communist leader, Daniel Ortega, recently signed at a summit of Central American leaders a peace plan that pledged his government to democratic reform, respect for human rights, and free elections. ~~And while we~~ WE welcome the Guatemala plan, ^{BUT} ~~there are loopholes, and~~ it falls short of the safeguards for democracy and our national security contained in the bipartisan plan I worked out with the Congressional leadership. That is why, as Secretary Shultz said earlier this week, there should be no ~~subtle~~ uncertainty about our unswerving commitment to the contras. It is their effort, ~~after all~~, that has made the peace initiatives possible, ~~and why~~, At the appropriate moment, I intend to put forth a \$270 million request for contra aid over 18 months.

As Secretary Shultz also spelled out ~~in his testimony~~, the Sandinista regime has a long way to go in living up to its pledge

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~~to institute~~ democratic reform. Only 8 days after signing the peace agreement, Sandinista police used attack dogs, night sticks, electric cattle prods, and government-organized mobs, ~~known as "turbas,"~~ to break up a peaceful demonstration by the Nicaraguan Democratic Coordinadora.

So, too, the six independent Nicaraguan political parties have called efforts by the Communists to manipulate the National Reconciliation Commission set up under the ~~Guatemala~~ plan -- "a Sandinista maneuver to fool the international public". ~~and~~ They accused the Sandinistas of "violating the spirit of the ~~Guatemala~~ agreements." And this week we learned that Daniel Ortega will be in Moscow on November 7th, the ~~very~~ date the Central American peace plan is to go into effect -- celebrating with his Soviet allies the anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution.

What the world wants from the Sandinistas are real democratic reforms [✓] ~~in Nicaragua~~, real signs of freedom. ~~And not token gestures,~~ such as reopening the newspaper La Prensa but ~~NOT~~ censoring its copy or denying it newsprint. La Prensa and other publications must be free to report; ^{SO MUST THE} ~~the same applies to the~~ independent radio stations and T.V. Freedom of religion must be respected. The Sandinistas have said they will allow three exiled priests to return. But what of the ~~many~~ thousands of other exiles? ~~And to~~ Return is not enough; they must be free to minister, live, and organize politically without ~~threat or~~ intimidation.

~~But democratic reform goes beyond this.~~ Genuine free political competition must be permitted. The secret police

~~apparatus~~, with ^{THEIR} ~~its~~ watch ~~dog~~ neighborhood block committees, must be ~~dismantled and~~ abolished and all foreign advisors ~~must be~~ sent home. ~~On all of this,~~ The Sandinistas should know that America and the world are watching, ~~and waiting.~~

Until next week, thanks for listening and God bless you.

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