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WASHINGTON

July 27, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES BAKER

ED MEESE

MIKE DEAVER DICK DARMAN

JACK SVAHN

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY,

The political rhetoric on textiles is getting worse -- Senator Thurmond and Congressman Campbell wanted to hand deliver this to the President.

C/O W. S. Montgomery
Box 1658
Spartanburg, S. C. 29304

July 23, 1984

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. President:

We represent a substantial part of the U. S. textile industry and a very significant part of that industry in the state of South Carolina. Mr. President, today we are deeply concerned about the future of the textile industry, our companies, and the jobs of thousands of people. Today, we are asking ourselves how to answer our employees when they ask us whether your Administration is going to preserve their jobs in the face of the current flood of imports. We have concluded that the only honest answer we can give is to say that the Reagan Administration has not honored its original assurance to this industry.

In the last 3-1/2 years:

- -Imports of textiles and apparel have increased 51% or 3 billion square yards.
- -The U. S. textile market over that period has not grown at all.
- -Industry employment is down by 240,000 workers in the 3-1/2 years your Administration has been in office.
- -In South Carolina employment is down by 24,000 workers over this period.
- -The increase in imports in 1984 alone will represent 250,000 jobs which could have accrued to the domestic industry but instead were lost to overseas producers.

Your original assurance to this industry to preserve American jobs has not been met and our workers realize this. The Executive Branch agencies have not implemented the program you projected. They would have done so had you directed them to do so.

Had you done so, Mr. President, imports would now be at 5.2 billion square yards rather than the 8.7 billion over the past 12 months and thousands more American workers would be employed in this industry. Textile and apparel imports declined during the four years preceding your Administration and the bilateral quota agreements with Hong Kong, South Korea and Taiwan were renegotiated and tightened — something urgently needed now, but which your Executive agencies have refused to do.

Page 2 Mr. President July 23, 1984

During the recent recession, the U. S. textile and apparel market has remained as virtually the only open one in the world. European Community and Japan have cut back on imports exerting additional pressure on us.

The textile industry is being sacrificed and American workers are continuing to be put out of work on the impossible altar, not of the great illusion free trade, but managed trade, by other governments, and allowed to happen by our own government.

Are you happy with the projected adverse balance of trade in 1984 of \$140 billion which is driving up interest rates? Textiles and apparel account for \$10 billion of this deficit.

It will be difficult to continue to support your Administration, which we have effectively done up until the present, while the base of our support, our own industry, is rapidly crumbling away.

We sincerely hope that you will give us reason to regenerate our efforts on your behalf through positive action on your part, rather than depending too much on the perceived shortcomings of your political opponents.

Sincerely,

Jackson Mills

Inman Mills

Kent Manufacturing Co.

Hamrick/Musgrove Mills

Mayfair Mills

Spartan Mills

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WASHINGTON

July 23, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ED MEESE

JAMES BAKER
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M. B. OGLESBY, JH.

MIKE BAROODY

FROM:

SUBJECT:

The attached letter to Benjamin Hooks from

Senator Bob Dole regarding Civil Rights

legislation

I thought the attached would be of interest to you.

United States Senate

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July 12, 1984

Benjamin Hooks
Executive Director
N. A. A. C. P.
186 Remsen Street
Brooklyn Heights, New York 11201

Dear Ben:

Being a Republican and having helped lead the Senate effort on the Voting Rights Act extension, the King Holiday bill, and now, on the Grove City legislation, I'm sure you can understand my disappointment when I read the enclosed Post article.

Two years ago, the Republican-controlled Judiciary Committee approved, 17-1, and the Republican-controlled Senate passed, 85-8, legislation strengthening and extending the Voting Rights Act for an unprecedented 25 years. As you know, of the three previous Voting Rights Act extensions -- all of which were passed under Democratically controlled Senates -- the longest was for a term of 7 years. Moreoever, of these three previous extensions, the Democratically-controlled Senate Judiciary Committee was able to report a bill only once.

Last year, the Republican controlled Senate passed the King Holiday bill by a vote of 78-22. As you know, that bill had languished in the Congress since Dr. King's tragic death in 1968. The Democrats were able to move the bill out of the Judiciary Committee in 1979 but were unable to secure its passage on the Senate floor.

Further, the Republican-controlled Senate was able to defeat <u>every weakening</u> amendment offered to both these measures. How many times has that happened on major civil rights legislation when the Democrats were in control? And I might

add that of all the amendments offered, the ones we had the most trouble defeating were those offered by Democrats -- and they were defeated only because of Republican votes.

The bipartisan nature of civil rights is not a cliche. The truth is that there wouldn't be any civil rights legislation if it weren't for men like Jacob Javits, Everett Dirksen, and Ed Brooke. And there wouldn't have been a Voting Rights Act extension or King Holiday if the Republican Party's tradition weren't still being carried forward by Mac Mathias and Howard Baker, to name but two.

We may not agree on all the issues, but on civil rights issues the record of Senate Republicans speaks for itself. I can only hope that the enclosed article was inaccurate -- I note that the headline does not appear to be warranted by the quoted statements. The NAACP has always prided itself on its nonpartisan tradition -- encouraging its members to vote the candidate's stands on the issues, not his or her party affiliation. I trust that the NAACP will not turn its back on this tradition in the upcoming Senate elections.

Sincepel

BOB DOLE

United States Senate

Attachment

cc: Althea Simmons Howard Baker Strom Thurmond Mac Mathias

BD:sbp

Hooks Calls for GOP Senate Defeat

By Sandra R. Gregg 7/7/89
Washington Post Staff Writer

KANSAS CITY, July 6—In an unusual departure for the non-partisan NAACP, executive director Benjamin L. Hooks said today that one task for the organization this year is to defeat Republicans running for the Senate.

"If enough Republicans can be defeated, it is possible for the Democrats to regain control of the Senate," Hooks told a news conference on the closing day of the NAACP

convention.

While blacks traditionally have supported the Democratic Party, the 75-year-old civil rights organization has rarely taken public positions on party politics. At last year's convention, however, Hooks called for the defeat of President Reagan, and in 1964 then-executive director Roy Wilkins urged the rejection of Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.), who was running against President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Today Hooks said work is already under way to take away some Republican Senate seats. In Tennessee, he said, "We're working to try to get a Democrat in" to replace retiring Sen. Howard H. Baker Jr. (R-Tenn.). In North Carolina, Hooks said, NAACP board President Kelly Alexander is working to defeat Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.).

While Hooks carefully avoided saying that blacks should vote against Reagan in November, he was sharply critical of the Reagan administration and called its policies "a cancer."

In an address to the convention earlier this week, Hooks said that the administration's policies "have hurt black America and poor America as no other administration's pol-

icies in recent years."

Hooks said today the highlight of the convention was that "we were able to provide a neutral meeting ground" for Walter F. Mondale and Jesse L. Jackson. Both addressed the more than 3,000 NAACP delegates, as did the third candidate, Sen. "Gary Hart (D-Colo.), this morning.

Hooks cautioned reporters today not to let Jackson's visit overshadow other work done here this week. For example, the civil rights organization signed a "fair share" agreement with Pacific Bell Telephone Co. under which the company will expand minority hiring and dealings with black-owned businesses by 30 percent over a five-year period.

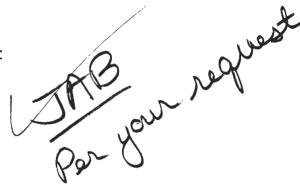
In another development, the NAACP Lawyer's Conference denounced the Reagan administration for supporting tax breaks for private schools that discriminate and criticized the Civil Rights Commission for recently opposing affirma-

tive-action hiring policies. Attorney Nathaniel Colley said the NAACP is planning to file suit to enjoin the Justice Department from using public funds to reverse civil rights

As for new directions, NAACP voter education director Joseph Madison said that the most important movement now, in the wake of Jackson's successes in mobilizing voters, is to "start training blacks to become elected officials."

"When the election is over, we've got to hit the ground running or this [Jackson's campaign and the conference] has all been an exercise in futility," he said.

WASHINGTON



MEMORANDUM TO MARGARET TUTWILER

FROM:

COMMANDER WOODY SUTTON

DATE:

JULY 24, 1984

SUBJECT:

CONGRESSMAN BOB LIVINGSTON -- CONGRESSIONAL TIME TODAY

During Congressman Livingston's congressional time with the President today, the following two items were brought up:

- Dave Treen is thinking of running for the Senate in Louisiana. His wife says that if the President calls him he may favorably consider running.
- 2) John Henkle, Speaker of the House in Louisiana is considering switching from Democrat to Republican. A call from the President may help him reach his decision.

Mr. Baker was advised of the above and suggested you staff this information out with the Senatorial and Congressional Campaign Committees to get recommendations on whether or not the President should make these calls. Please coordinate the above with B. Oglesby.

cc: /James Baker

B. Oglesby Note to B. Oglesby: Mr. Baker asked that you coordinate the above with Margaret Tutwiler.

WASHINGTON

July 23, 1984

TO:

JAMES A. BAKER ►

BUD McFARLANE

THRU:

M.B. OGLESBY, JB.

FROM:

PAMELA J. TURNER

SUBJECT:

Proposed Breakfast Meeting on Central America

As a part of our ongoing effort to achieve Congressional approval of our priorities with regard to Central America, it would be helpful to schedule a breakfast meeting this week with key Administration officials and selected Republican Senators.

BACKGROUND:

In terms of Senate floor action during these next three weeks, it appears that the Foreign Aid Authorization bill will be the key vehicle for action on issues relating to Central America. (It is doubtful that we will get the Supplemental from the House in time to act before August, and the Intelligence Authorization is not expected until September.) Because the Senate Foreign Relations Committee did not include our Central America package (the "Jackson Plan") in the Authorization bill as reported, Senator Mathias (R-Maryland) will offer the plan as an amendment on the floor. It is critical to the integrity of the President's foreign policy initiatives in this area that the Mathias amendment be approved. We can expect resistance from the Democrats and have some problems among our own ranks as well.

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

- a) To discuss generally our overall Central America policy, including the Supplemental and the Foreign Aid Authorization bill;
- b) To focus specifically on the Foreign Aid Authorization and the need to adopt the Mathias amendment;
- c) To hear input from Republican Senators who will be key to the success of our efforts; and
- d) To seek commitments from these members to support Mathias and act expeditiously on the Foreign Aid bill.

DATE AND TIME

Thursday, July 26, 1984 -- 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. (one hour)

LOCATION

To be determined

PARTICIPANTS

From the Senate:

Howard Baker (R-Tennessee)
Charles Mathias (R-Maryland)
Pete Domenici (R-New Mexico)
Mark Hatfield (R-Oregon)
Bob Kasten (R-Wisconsin)
Ted Stevens (R-Alaska)
Charles Percy (R-Illinois)
Jesse Helms (R-North Carolina)
John Tower (R-Texas)

From the Administration:

Secretary of State Shultz
Secretary of Defense Weinberger
OMB Director Stockman
James A. Baker
Bud McFarlane
Edwin Meese
M.B. Oglesby, Jr.
Pamela J. Turner

Attached is a tentative agenda for this meeting. Could we have guidance as soon as possible?

APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	
OTHER COMMENTS:		

TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR BREAKFAST MEETING ON CENTRAL AMERICA

7:45 a.m.	Senators to arrive juice and coffee to be served.
8:00 a.m.	Participants to be seated; breakfast is served; Jim Baker or Bud McFarlane to open meeting with brief comments on our Central America strategy.
8:10 a.m.	Secretary Shultz to make comments.
8:20 a.m.	Secretary Weinberger to make comments.
8:30 a.m.	Jim Baker or Bud McFarlane to ask Senator Howard Baker to begin general discussion.
8:50 a.m.	Jim Baker or Bud McFarlane to summarize and close meeting.

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LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT

I. APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

- 1) Enacted to Date (3)
 - o Energy and Water
 - o HUD-Independent
 - o Legislative
- 2) Probable September Enactment within Rose Garden Ceiling (6)
 - o Agriculture
 - o State/Commerce/Justice (Conference)
 - o Military Construction
 - o Transportation
 - o Treasury/Postal
- 3) Probable Delays/Funding Issues/Controversy
 - o Defense Appropriations (no subcommittee mark-ups yet)
 - o Labor-HHS (Through full SAC, but House bill unknown)
 - o Interior (House bill \$500 million over Rose Garden, McDade/McClure, et. al. committed to reduce)
 - o Foreign Ops. (SAC bill good -- House probable trouble/delay)

II. TROUBLESOME LEGISLATIVE BILLS RELATIVELY UNDER CONTROL

- 1) House Child Nutrition Bill (HR 7)
 - o House bill repeals numerous Reconciliation reforms and adds \$2.7 billion to current services over 1985-1989.
 - o Firm deal with Dole/Huddleston for simple two-year extension of WIC/other nutrition discretionaries. Should hold.
- 2) Superfund (HR 5640)
 - o Stable strategy prospects as per 7/12 LSG.
 - o Dole strongly opposes tax provisions and will provide additional delay pressure.

3) Social Security Disability -- Medical Improvement (HR 3755, S. 476)

- o In conference after successful Senate damage limitation strategy
- o 13/18 issues resolved and can be completed in interim session but Pickle prickly on four major stumbling blocks

4) Veterans Agent Orange (HR 1961, S 1651)

o Ready for conference after successful Senate damage limitation strategy ... should produce acceptable bill soon.

5) REA Bailout (HR 3050)

Senator Simpson on warpath against and has bill on hold. Should kill prospects for this session.

III. TROUBLESOME LEGISLATIVE BILLS NOT UNDER CONTROL

1) Interstate Cost Estimates (HR 5504, S. 2527)

- o House bill contains \$4 billion in highway/transit add-ons -- including two Boston projects and \$400 million/yr. increase in mass transit/gas tax program. Veto threat but passed overwhelmingly. Many GOP porkers like.
- o Partial containment through Senate Committee stage with only small highway add-ons. D'Amato mass transit add-on expected on Senate floor. Garn geared to fight -- but votes uncertain.
- o Must veto/possible override

2) Omnibus Water Resources (HR 3678, S. 1739)

- o House bill adds \$10 billion to budget over 1985-89; ignores all Administration cost sharing/user fee reforms; starts large new programs for municipal water systems, non-Federal dams, local water conservation
- o Rolled through House <u>259-33</u> -- first omnibus water project authorization since 1978 Carter veto. All-time pork record.
- o Senate bill adds \$6.5 billion to 1985-89 budget. Some progress on cost-sharing/user fees, but far from acceptable as reported.

o Need Senate delay/hold strategy. Direct request to Baker/leadership recommended.

3) OCS Revenue Sharing (HR 5, S. 800)

- o Passed House 301-93 despite strong Administration opposition at time (September 1983)
- Despite Cabinet meeting, mixed signals continue from Interior.
- o Stevens totally uncontrollable and threatening fait accomli at eleventh hour
- o Need pre-emptive counter fait accompli from High Authority in form of "wait until next year to review complicated OCS issues." Call bluff and make him explicitly defy White House (will retreat).

4) Clean Water Act/Sewer Grants (HR 3282 S. 431)

- o House bill is monster: \$15 billion add-on over 1985-89; reverses nearly all 1981 Reconciliation reforms; authorizes numerous new grant programs and even tighter water pollution controls
- o Senate bill troublesome -- but less costly and objectionable
- o Absolutely no need for bill this year. Should delay in Senate or run-out clock if it gets to Conference

5) Food Stamp Amendments (HR 5151)

- o House bill exceeds budget by \$3.4 billion over 1985-89 and repeals numerous 1981 Reconciliation reforms
- o Purely Democrat <u>fairness gambit</u> -- recorded vote in House this week
- o Dole committed to "no nutrition entitlement law cuts or increases" but needs reinforcement. Helms unpredictable due to election. Should bottle-up in Senate Agriculture Committee

6) Math/Science (HR 1310)

- o Senate bill gone from bad to worse:
 - o Math/Science authorization of \$540 million vs. \$50 million/yr.

- o \$141 million/year floor add-ons including:
 - o Restoration of emergency desegregation assistance which was consolidated into Chapter 2 Block Grant in 1981
 - Asbestos removal grant program which could become exceedingly costly
 - o Also contains Equal Access amendment
- o We may be cooked!

7) Gibbons Trade Remedy Reform Act (HR 4784)

- o Strongly opposed by Administration due to novel, unworkable expansion of CVD/Anti-Dumping remedies to foreign government targeting, downstream dumping and natural resource "subsidies"
- Scheduled for House Rules -- could become vehicle for industry specific protectionist initiatives

8) Education Programs Reauthorization (HR 11)

- o House floor action next week. Adds \$5 billion over 1985-1989.
- o Includes 5-year Immigrant Education Aid, Restoration of Impact Aid Part B, which was terminated in 1981 Reconciliation, and numerous other categorical education program funding excesses and restrictions.
- o No need for reauthorizations this year (automatic under GEPA). Need strategy to bottle up in Senate or Conference.

9) National Organ Transplant Bill (HR 5580, S. 2048)

- Administration <u>strongly opposes</u> open-ended grant program for immuno-suppressive drugs
- o Passed House 396-6 despite Administration opposition.
- o Now in conference. <u>Hatch</u> critical. Should bring him to <u>White House</u> and threaten veto unless immuno-suppressive drug provisions dropped

IV. ADMINISTRATION-SUPPORTED BILLS AND PRIORITIES: PROBLEMS

1) Conrail Sale Authorization

o DOT plans quick legislative action beginning with winning bid announcement next week.

- o Decent prospects with rail labor leadership support, clean Senate path and Florio apparently back-peddling. Conrail president Crane is wild card.
- Good "success story" for Administration if August-September legislative strike carefully managed.

Immigration Bill

- o Policy/strategy guidance as per LSG
- Bigger swamp after Democratic Convention

3) Export Administration Act

- o Conference reconvenes 7/23 but agreement in three-week session doubtful
- o Administration formally supports conference resolution -- but remaining issues nearly intractable. May need to re-evaluate after further good faith efforts if clock runs out in September.

4) Foreign Assistance/National Security Priorities (Separate Meeting Needed)

- 1984 Supplemental Appropriations (Central America)
- o 1985 Foreign Assistance Authorization
- o 1985 Intelligence Authorization
- o 1985 Foreign Operations Appropriations
- o 1985 Defense Authorization Conference and Appropriations bill
- 1985 Budget Resolution/050 deadlock

5) Show Horse Initiatives

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V. LSG VETO LIST PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO:

- o Physician Training Subsidies
- o National Health Service Corps Scholarships
- o Primary Care Block Grant Repeal
- o Family Planning Categorical Funding
- o Hatch Home Health Block Grant

July 17, 1984

TO: B. OGLESBY, JR.

FROM: BARBARA HAYWARD

When Senator Domenichi was in Jim Baker's office a couple of weeks ago, it was agreed that we would try to set up a meeting with the President, Senator Domenichi and other senators on Copper.

Mr. Baker has asked that you arrange this for him. The other Senators involved are Laxalt, Garn, Goldwater, Hecht and McClure.

Could you please let us know what your arrange?
Many thanks.



July 11, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR JIM BAKER

MIKE DEAVER

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY,

The meeting outlined in the attached schedule proposal is needed to help keep young turks on the reservation for the remainder of the year - especially during and immediately following the convention. I've discussed this with Rollins and he concurs that it is worth trying to keep this group happy. Trent Lott concurs.

cc: Fred Ryan

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

July 10, 1984

TO:

FRED RYAN, DIRECTOR

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY, JR.

REOUEST:

Meeting with a core group of Republican House Members active with the "Conservative

Opportunity Society" issues.

PURPOSE:

To allow 10-12 key Members the opportunity to discuss their activities highlighting the differences between the Republican and Democratic platforms and the Democratic inaction on popular legislative issues --

i.e. crime, balanced budget.

BACKGROUND:

Republicans active with "Conservative Opportunity Society" (COS) issues generally are younger Members and are fundamentally conservative in their philosophical orienta-

tion.

They have effectively brought public focus and attention to issues of mutual concern. Members are currently planning a coordinated series of floor speeches and activities pressing for action on a balanced budget

amendment.

PREVIOUS

The President has met with each of these PARTICIPATION:

Members at various White House functions.

DATE:

During the week of July 23

DURATION:

30 minutes.

LOCATION:

Cabinet Room.

PARTICIPANTS:

To be provided.

OUTLINE OF EVENTS:

To be provided.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Talking points to be provided.

3.0

MEDIA

COVERAGE: White House Photographer only.

RECOMMENDED BY: M. B. Oglesby, Jr.

OPPOSED BY: None.

PROJECT OFFICERS: W. Dennis Thomas



WASHINGTON

July 5, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER III MICHAEL K. DEAVER

M. B. OGLESBY, JB

Signing of S. 746, establishing the Illinois and SUBJECT:

Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor

BACKGROUND

FROM:

On March 9, 1983, Congressman Tom Corcoran (R-Ill.) introduced H.R. 2014, a bill to create a 100-mile National Heritage Corridor along the historic Illinois and Michigan Canal, which connected Chicago to LaSalle-Peru, Illinois as a main artery of commerce in the 19th Century. The bill establishes an Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission with responsibilities to assist local and state entities, especially non-profit groups in any "appropriate preservation treatment and renovation" of original structures of the canal. Further, the Act proposes to stimulate local interest to "retain existing industry and to further industrial growth and commercial revitalization."

In addition, Title II of the Act establishes another 350-acre park in East St. Louis, Illinois, which was the principal interest of Rep. Bill Emerson (R-Mo.), a member of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks which handled the bill in the House. Representatives Ed Madigan (R-Ill.), George O'Brien (R-Ill.) and Mel Price (D-Ill.) have also taken leadership on this bill.

STATUS

On Friday, June 29, 1984 the House and Senate completed action on S. 746 clearing the measure for the President. Senator Percy's (R-Ill.) staff has advised that they have put a hold on sending the bill down until after the recess in order to have time to secure, if possible, a signing ceremony.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Senator Percy and prime-sponsor Tom Corcoran (R-Ill.) have urged a ceremony in Illinois at or near the locale covered by the Act. Mr. Corcoran suggests Navy Pier in Chicago, the canal's original northern terminus as an ideal location from the standpoint of access, security and media. Several key members of the Congress could be involved in such a ceremony. Proponents of a ceremony in Illinois believe it is an opportunity for the President to make a very positive impact in the Midwest. If such a scenario is not possible, Senator Percy requests a ceremony in Washington, D.C. He believes that a ceremony in Illinois or D.C. is important to his re-election efforts.

IF WE AME COOKING THIS MIGHT
FOR AN EVENT CONSIDERUNG

AS WOUGHT

WASHINGTON

July 3, 1984

MEMORANDUM TO JAMES BAKER

DAVE STOCKMAN

DICK DARMAN

THRU:

M. B. OGLESBY,

PAM TURNER

FROM:

NANCY KENNEDY

SUBJECT:

S.373 -- Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1983

Senator Murkowski (R-Alaska) has requested a signing ceremony for S.373, which is being held at the desk in the Senate, having passed both Houses of Congress.

The Senator is most interested in being present at the signing, as this is his first major piece of legislation since becoming a Senator three years ago.

Guidance, please.



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 28, 1984

TO:

JAMES A. BAKER

BUD McFARLANE

LARRY SPEAKES

THRU:

M.B. OGLESBY, 31

FROM:

PAMELA J. TURNER

SUBJECT:

Clarification of Senator Percy's Statement

on Certain Treaties

The attached self-explanatory letter is for your information.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

June 27, 1984

MEMORANDUM TO EDWIN MEESE III

JAMES A. BAKER, III MICHAEL K. DEAVER ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

THRU:

M. B. OGLESBY,

FROM:

DENNIS THOMA

SUBJECT:

House Reaction to MX compromise in DOD authorization

Conference

You might be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter which Representative Vic Fazio (D-California) and 15 other Members sent to Chairman Melvin Price (D-Illinois) on June 21, 1984, and which Congressman Fazio is now sending to the President. The letter expresses the commitment of these Members to the conditions on the MX authorization contained in the final House bill, i.e., linkage with arms control negotiations and affirmative vote by Congress before procurement funds could be released.

This is significant because the original Aspin amendment, providing for a resolution of <u>disapproval</u> passed by only 6 votes. As you recall, this action was subsequently reversed by the Bennett amendment which requires an affirmative vote and which finally passed by 3 votes. Seven of the 16 signators on this letter supported our position <u>against</u> the Bennett amendment. Their express commitment in this letter to oppose the conference report if it is fundamentally altered from the final House version reflects the difficulties we face both in taking the authorization conference report back to the House and in the appropriations process.

cc: Richard Darman

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

June 21, 1984

Honorable Melvin Price, III, Chairman Committee on Armed Services 2120 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As you know, when the House considered H.R. 5167 there were seven separate votes on the MX. The final outcome provided for a 6-month moratorium on the deployment of 15 missiles. After April 1985, the funds for deployment can be released-upon the President certifying that either the Soviets have not returned to the negotiating table or they are not bargaining in good faith, and, upon an affirmative vote by the Congress.

Some of us who have signed this letter supported the Bennett-Mavroules perfecting amendment to the Price-Aspin amendment; others did not. Nevertheless, each of us is firmly committed to the concepts of conditional funding embodied in the final House version, i.e., a moratorium of sufficient duration to allow for and encourage the resumption of arms control negotiations, and an affirmative vote by Congress before any procurement funds can be released. In fact a sizable majority of the House is now on record as having voted in favor of requiring some type of conditions to be met prior to the expenditure of these funds. It is patently clear that without the condition creating a link between the MX and arms control, the procurement funds would have been rejected outright by the House.

A great deal of time has been devoted to balancing the many disparate views on the MX and formulating an acceptable compromise. Thus, it is our opinion that the basic concepts embodied in the House version are more than simply a point from which negotiations should begin. We believe that conditional funding of the MX is essential. Without the inclusion of these basic concepts

Honorable Melvin Price, III
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in a form fundamentally unaltered from that of the House version, we will not be able to support the conference report despite our normal inclination to do so.

Sincerely,

WASHINGTON

June 11, 1984

TO:

JAMES A. BAKER

FROM:

M.B. OGLESBY,

SUBJECT:

Talking Points for Republican Policy Luncheon

Attached are some talking points which may be helpful to you in addressing the Republican members of the Senate at tomorrow's Policy luncheon.

As you know, Senator John Tower had requested that the President attend this luncheon to strengthen Republican resolve on major items of controversy in the defense bill, such as the MX, ASAT, and SDI. In addition, we anticipate that the Democrats will be offering some troublesome amendments on foreign policy and arms control. Bud McFarlane will be addressing the substantive aspects of the legislation, and I understand that Tower will encourage the Vice President to say a few words about the international implications of the bill. Your approach should be the political perspective, encouraging them to stand tough and stressing Republican unity.

Attachment

TALKING POINTS

- -- Thank you for inviting us to join you today. I know your agenda for the next few weeks is a busy one, and one of the most critical items on that list is the defense authorization bill.
- -- Bud McFarlane will discuss some specific aspects of this year's bill which concern us, but first, I would like to cover some of the political implications.

We are roughly a month away from the Democratic Convention, and you can be sure they are looking desperately for some quick and visible legislative victory to demonstrate their strength and bolster party unity.

This defense bill provides them with some tempting targets -- MX, ASAT, the Strategic Defense Initiative, foreign policy issues, and arms control. Clearly their game plan is to defeat one or more of these visible issues and use this as an example that Republican programs are flawed and lack Congressional support.

I hope we will not fall into this trap. The President has asked me to convey his personal request that Republican members of the Senate resist efforts to defeat or substantively modify our defense programs.

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national security in the past 3½ years, and your support for these programs has been critical every step of the way. Your support is critical now, and it is imperative that we demonstrate unity in the days ahead as the Senate proceeds to debate this bill.

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER III

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR.

SENATOR TOWER HAS ASKED FOR THE PRESIDENT TO GO TO THE HILL FOR A SENATE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT TUESDAY. SUBJECTS WOULD BE DOD AUTHORIZATION, MX, ETC. HE INDICATES THAT HE DISCUSSED THIS WITH YOU.

IT WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO RE-EMPHASIZE OUR NEW ARMS CONTROL MESSAGE AND TIE IN THE EUROPEAN TRIP. SENATOR BAKER THINKS IT'S A GOOD IDEA.

GUIDANCE PLEASE.

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Doughochinn is my secretary, Jan's, husband. His a good guy.