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April 5, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JOHN A. SVAHN *JAS*

SUBJECT: President's Economic Policy Advisory Board

The Economic Policy Advisory Board which you established by Executive Order on March 2, 1981, is scheduled to hold its twelfth meeting on April 22, 1985. Because the Board is composed of private citizens charged with the responsibility of providing you advice and counsel, it is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act. That Act subjects this Presidential advisory committee to various "sunshine" requirements including:

- o Notice of all meetings of the Board and its subgroups published 15 days in advance;
- o Open meetings unless you determine that they can and should be closed for one or more reasons which the Act sets forth; and
- o Public access to the records of the Board unless they are withholdable under statutory conditions.

I request that this meeting be closed because classified, sensitive and proprietary financial and commercial information will be discussed which, if disclosed prematurely, would likely lead to significant financial speculation in currencies, securities, or commodities, or significantly endanger the stability of financial institutions and frustrate proposed Executive agency actions. Additionally, the Board's deliberations are likely to have, if disclosed, a significant domestic and international impact which would frustrate the purpose for which you have established the Board.

The decision to close the meeting, however, must be made by you. Counsel's office has reviewed the proposed tentative agenda for the Board's meeting of April 22, 1985 and concurs that this meeting may be legally closed to the public.

RECOMMENDATION

That you review and sign the attached determination closing the April 22, 1985 meeting of the President's Economic Policy Advisory Board.

Attachment

*4/5/85, No action in Sec by office; copy to Director. The...*  
*4/8/85, to...*  
*FR 4/8/85*

Determination to Close the April 22, 1985 Meeting  
of the President's Economic Policy Advisory Board

The proposed agenda for the meeting of the President's Economic Policy Advisory Board (the "Board") to be held on April 22, 1985 is as follows:

The Strong Dollar and Its Economic Implications

The Federal Budget

Trade Policy and Services

The Bonn Summit

The deliberations of the Board will involve classified, sensitive, and proprietary financial and commercial information which, if disclosed prematurely, would likely lead to significant financial speculation in currencies, securities, or commodities or significantly endanger the stability of financial institutions and frustrate proposed Executive agency actions. I have determined that the deliberations, if disclosed, would likely frustrate the purpose of the Board, which I have established.

The matters to be discussed by the Board at this meeting and the likely consequences of the disclosure of those matters permit the meeting to be closed under section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, principally, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), (4), (8) and (9). Furthermore, to hold the meeting open to the public would adversely affect the functioning of the Board, the nature of its counsel and potentially the advice I receive as President.

I determine that the meeting of April 22, 1985 can and should be closed.

Ronald Reagan

April 5, 1985.

*Orig. returned to Swahn's Office for file of Board.  
4/5/85*

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

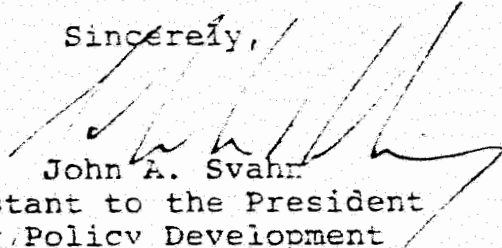
April 5, 1985

Dear Mr. Byrne:

Attached are copies of the notice of the meeting of the President's Economic Policy Advisory Board which is scheduled for April 22, 1985.

Please accept this document for expedited publication in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,



John A. Svahn  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. John E. Byrne  
Director of the Federal Register  
Suite 8401  
1100 L Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20408

Attachments

*Orig. w/ attachments to ER: 4/8/85*

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President's Economic Policy Advisory Board Meeting

April 22, 1985

The President's Economic Policy Advisory Board will meet on April 22, 1985, at the White House, Washington, D.C. from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss:

The Strong Dollar and Its Economic Implications

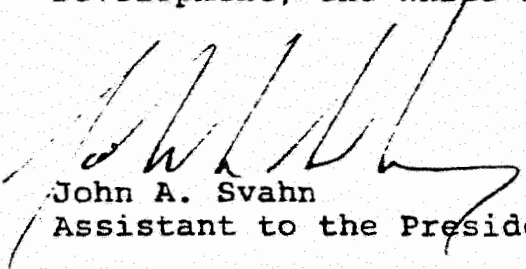
The Federal Budget

Trade Policy and Services

The Bonn Summit

"All agenda items concern matters listed in Section 552(b) of Title 5, United States Code, specifically sub-paragraphs (1), (4), (8) and (9) thereof, and will be closed to the public."

For further information, please contact the Office of Policy Development, the White House, at (202) 456-6405.



John A. Svahn

Assistant to the President for Policy Development

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 23, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID L. CHEW  
STAFF SECRETARY

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS  
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: President's Economic Policy  
Advisory Board

Counsel's Office has reviewed the proposed Presidential determination to close the scheduled January 23, 1986 meeting of the President's Economic Policy Advisory Board, and the accompanying Federal Register notice. Based on the statements in the memorandum for the President from Mr. Svahn, concerning the sort of information to be discussed at the meeting, this office agrees that the meeting may legally be closed. In the proposed Federal Register notice, however, "Section 552(b)" should be "Section 552b(c)."



**WHITE HOUSE  
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Subject: President's Economic Policy Advisory Board

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# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 12/20/85 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 12:00 p.m. 12/20/85

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC POLICY ADVISORY BOARD

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CHEW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SS SVAHN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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REMARKS: Please give your recommendations to my office by 12:00 p.m. Monday, December 23rd. Thanks.

RESPONSE:



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 20, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JOHN A. SVAHN *JAS*

SUBJECT: President's Economic Policy Advisory Board

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The Budget Process

Debt Problems - International and Domestic

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December 20, 1985

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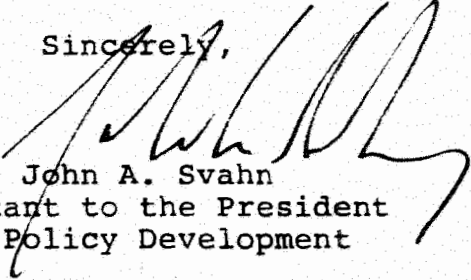
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President's Economic Policy Advisory Board

January 23, 1986

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Economic Outlook for 1986

The Budget Process

Debt Problems - International and Domestic

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