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## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 1, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR EDWARD C. SCHMULTS DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Orig. signed by FFF FROM: FRED F. FIELDING COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Allegations of FBI Abuses in Connection with Undercover Investigation

I am transmitting herewith a letter to the President from In his letter for a serious allegations concerning the conduct of specified FBI agents and other Department of Justice officials during an undercover investigation. According to the letter, the agents enlisted for an undercover capacity to facilitate the investigation, resulting in financial ruin. Indicates that he recorded telephone conversations with the agents and other officials, and that these recordings substantiate his allegations.

Since second allegations concern the FBI and Department of Justice, I am forwarding his letter for whatever action you deem appropriate. We have not responded to second to who has indicated that his problems require prompt attention.

Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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Fred Fielding's Office:

Mr. Lighthall has been in touch with me regarding the attached letter to the President. Apparently, he has not yet received a response.

He sounds legitimate and has clearly outlined his problem(s) in the attached letter.

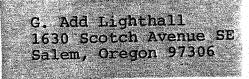
Would your office please handle this as you deem appropriate? Mr. Lighthall asked if someone would call him ASAP. I wrote his phone number on the correspondence.

Thanks.

Kathy C.

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 10, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT: Draft Presidential Address Before the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Tampa on Friday, August 12 (8/9 2:00 p.m. Draft)

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the above-referenced draft Presidential remarks be sent directly to Aram Bakshian by 10:00 a.m. today. The remarks laud the commercial contributions of the Hispanic community, review the progress of the economic recovery, and discuss Central American policy. With respect to the last topic, there is considerable discussion of AID projects in the area. In the course of his remarks the President presents the Hispanic businessman and businesswoman of the year awards to Manuel Caldera and Lourdes Miranda, respectively.

I have no legal or other objection to the remarks, but we should check with Justice to ensure that none of the companies referred to in the remarks are about to be indicted or have otherwise run afoul of the law. The President mentions three by name -- Caldera's AMEX, Tampa's Southern Bio-Tech, and Jamaica's Federated Pharmaceutical Company -- and two others indirectly, Hector Barreto's and Miranda's. With your approval, I will telephone the Attorney General's office and request a review of Justice's criminal files for any information on these companies. A draft memorandum to Bakshian is attached.

Attachment

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 10, 1983

- MEMORANDUM FOR ARAM BAKSHIAN, JR. DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
- FROM: FRED F. FIELDING COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT
- SUBJECT: Draft Presidential Address Before the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Tampa on Friday, August 12 (8/9 2:00 p.m. Draft)

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced draft Presidential address and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective. In the course of the remarks, however, the President would refer to several companies, and we are endeavoring to check with appropriate government officials to ensure that those companies have not been engaged in any activities that would make such references inadvisable.

cc: Richard G. Darman

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 8/9/83 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY

SUBJECT: DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS BEFORE THE HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN TAMPA ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 (8/9, 2:00 p.m. draft)

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#### **REMARKS:**

Please forward any comments directly to Aram Bakshian, with a copy to my office, by 10:00 Wednesday. Thank you.

#### **RESPONSE:**

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Richard G. Darman Assistant to the President Ext. 2702

(Rohrabacher/AB) August 9, 1983 2:00 p.m.

### PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TAMPA, FLORIDA FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1983

Thank you. I appreciate the chance to be with you today. Over the last 2-1/2 years, your president, Hector Barreto, and others in the leadership of the Hispanic Chamber have been a tremendous source of advice and inspiration to me. So let me begin by saying to you, Hector, and to all of you for what you've done and for what you stand: muchas gracias.

I personally have always admired people who can run a business successfully. Communications and entertainment were challenge enough for me, but running a business, handling the customers and the employees, and making sure the job gets done right, now that must be as fulfilling as it is at times overwhelming. Without you in the business community, where would we be? It's your decisions, made every day in enterprises large and small across our country, that keep America running at a level of efficiency that is the envy of the world.

There is a story about a fellow whose friend was so successful that he was opening up a new branch office. He decided to send a floral arrangement for the grand opening and was shocked when he got there to find that the wreath that was delivered bore the inscription, "Rest in Peace."

He was so angry on the way home, he stopped at the flower shop to complain. The florist said that he shouldn't be so upset. After all, somewhere that day someone was buried beneath a wreath inscribed, "Good luck in your new location."

But you, business men and women of Hispanic descent, stand for much more than efficiency. I can think of few groups with whom I'd feel more at home. Now, I realize there are those who believe that expressions of love of country and family are old-fashioned. There are those who are uneasy when we talk about pride in neighborhood and work, who think that religious values have no place outside the church. Yes, there are people like that, but you won't find them in the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

To those cynics who say the American Dream is dead, I say look to the Hispanic business community. There is no finer manifestation of the American Dream than the entrepreneurs of Hispanic descent who are building new corporations and businesses, and building America's future at the same time. You've proven that, with the desire to better your lot and that of your families, with hard work and freedom, great things can still be accomplished.

Inspirational examples of individual accomplishment abound. Your own president and my friend, Hector Barreto, has an inspiring story that I wish every school child in America could hear. Twenty-two years ago, as a struggling new immigrant, he dug potatoes for 80 cents an hour. Today, he owns several businesses, including a successful tile distribution company.

And then there is Lourdes Miranda: born in Puerto Rico, from a family in which neither parent had a formal education. Yet, with persistence and an uncompromising desire for excellence, she earned a doctoral degree from the University of Madrid and is now president of a highly successful media consulting firm in Bethesda, Maryland.

Among the stories of hard work and triumph is one about a junior high school dropout named Manuel Caldera -- a veteran, who later earned his G.E.D. degree and went on to be an electronic technician and then an engineer. With money he saved, and with help from a minority loan program in the Nixon Administration, he started AMEX -- a company specializing in the development and manufacture of electronic equipment. Today, his company employs 650 people and has annual sales of around \$62 million.

These few I've mentioned, and others of you right in this room, offer to America a vision of progress and hope. Just as important, you demonstrate that with freedom of enterprise comes values that make our country not only rich, but good.

It is no secret to you that when Hector Barreto is not running his own business, he is overseeing a host of community service projects.

Does anyone know where Hector gets his energy? Whatever it is, I want to put it in a package and bring it back to Washington.

And similarly, Lourdes Miranda's personal success has not dampened her concern for others. Her company makes a positive effort to provide specialized training for unemployed women, usually of Hispanic descent. Last year she helped train 50 unemployed women in one group so they would qualify for the job opportunities in today's market.

And Manuel Caldera's company contributes \$500 a month to an orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico. On top of that, each year he

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personally gives Whittier College an impressive contribution for scholarships to enable students of Hispanic descent study science and engineering.

These are not unusual stories. They are, instead, examples of a by-product of freedom that is always present but often unnoticed: respect and concern for others. Business men and women realize that success depends on fulfilling the needs of others, and doing it courteously and efficiently. And by doing for others, you are also achieving for yourself.

This system of ours has produced the most material abundance, the greatest freedom, and the most compassionate country in the history of mankind. Our people came here from every corner of the world, from every ethnic background, and every race and religion, seeking freedom and opportunity. Our history is not perfect, but we can be proud of our country, and Americans of Hispanic descent can be particularly proud of the contributions they have made and are making to the well-being of this Nation.

Today, it is my special honor to present your award to the Hispanic businessman and woman of the year. So if Hector will join me, I'd like to ask Manuel Caldera and Lourdes Miranda to step forward. Congratulations to you both.

Today, it is our sacred responsibility to maintain the opportunity and freedom which have been important to each of us and to pass it on to future generations. Our task has not been easy. We are just now emerging from an economic crisis of such magnitude that, if not corrected, it would have robbed our children of the America we all know and love.

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Just 3 years ago, the ominous signs were everywhere. The world seemed to be counting us out, saying America's best days were past; that we were in decline. Even our leaders were throwing up their hands, suggesting we were in a malaise, that our problems were unsolvable.

It's taken time and a lot of hard work. Entrenched policies were squeezing the life out of our economy and basic change was essential. It's been tough, but I am pleased to report to you, tonight, that our changes are beginning to take hold. They're working.

When we got to Washington, inflation was running at double-digit levels and had been doing so for 2 straight years, the worst in 60 years. We've brought it down to 2.6 percent, the lowest 12-month rate in nearly 16 years.

For all the talk about compassion, the liberals unleashed inflation on the American people that would have devastated millions had we permitted it to continue. Today, an average family of four on a fixed income of \$20,000 has \$1,900 more in purchasing power than if we had permitted inflation to continue as it was.

Just before I took office, interest rates hit 21-1/2 percent. There were cries for a quick fix. Instead, we carefully brought down the prime by nearly half -- it now stands at 11 percent. There will be slight fluctuations, like we experienced this week, but if we continue to act responsibly, those interest rates will stay at a reasonable level.

When we took office, America was suffering from an orgy of uncontrolled spending and taxing. Federal spending was growing at a rate of 17 percent. We've cut that by 40 percent.

Paying for all that spending had doubled the Federal tax take in just 5 years between 1976 and 1981. Average working people were being taxed at rates that had been reserved for the wealthy only a short time ago. It was like pulling teeth but, in the last 3 years, we cut income tax rates by 25 percent across the board -- and soon they will be indexed so that the Federal Government will no longer profit from inflation at the people's expense.

And I don't have to tell businessmen about the burden of excessive Federal regulation. Under the direction of Vice President Bush, we've cut 300 million manhours off the processing of needless red tape.

The cumulative effect of our efforts is just now being felt and the signs are good. Consumer spending is up. Productivity is up. Industrial production up. Retail sales up. Auto sales, housing and construction all up since the beginning of the year. Last quarter, we had an 8.7 percent jump in our gross national product.

One of the last indicators to be affected is unemployment. I feel deeply about the suffering of the unemployed, and don't let anyone tell you any different. But let me ask you: Do you think that going back to the policies that stagnated our economy and unleashed inflation would really help the unemployed? The best thing we can do for all our citizens, especially the less fortunate, is to make the reforms necessary to produce solid

economic growth. That's been our strategy, and last month unemployment dropped by a half percent, the biggest monthly drop in almost 24 years.

In these 2-1/2 years, we've fundamentally changed the direction of Government in America. We were headed toward ever increasing Government control, toward a society where the resources would be directed by and the decisions would be made, not by we the people, but by a faceless central authority. Let me ask you: Is that the kind of country in which you want to live?

We want to live in a society where all people have the right to make decisions for themselves. Here again, the Hispanic Chamber is playing a significant role. You have provided a valuable resource to your community, bridging the gap with major corporations and Government, making certain that your entrepreneurs and business people have the technical assistance and the contacts they need to compete. In only 5 years, the number of Hispanic-owned firms has jumped 53 percent -- to some 363,000 businesses, generating about \$18 billion in sales per year.

Our goal isn't welfare or handouts; it's jobs and business opportunity. If we can prevent our country from being drawn back to the policies of tax, spend, and inflate -- policies that knocked the wind out of our economy in the first place -- we are well on our way to growth and expansion that will better the life of every American. With the energy and enthusiasm I sense in this room, I predict Americans of Hispanic descent will be leading the way. I don't see any reason, for example, why, with recovery taking hold, the number of businesses owned by Americans of Hispanic descent shouldn't double in the next 4 years.

What we are struggling to build, however, is more than a society focused on the acquisition of wealth. One need only look at a map of the world to see the relationship between a strong private sector and strong levels of political and social freedom. Those nations with heavily-centralized, government-controlled economies -- and this is more than mere coincidence -- have government-controlled speech, religion, and press as well.

Of course, there are those who believe that government by right should dominate human action, that the individual should be subservient to the state. They do not believe in the political and social freedom we hold so dear and they are contemptuous of the worship of God. But that philosophy is alien to this hemisphere and has brought deprivation and tyranny wherever it has managed to gain a foothold.

There's no better example of this than Cuba. Once with economic growth and a standard of living equal to any country in Central or South America, Cuba is now the economic basketcase of the hemisphere -- a country that sells its young men as Soviet cannon fodder in exchange for a subsidy without which it could not survive.

The Cuban people have neither freedom nor material goods. The only things abundant there today are slogans, weapons, and repression. Food and the necessities of life are severely rationed.

Cuba's repression and economic failure are consistent with what has happened in every Communist country. Jamaica flirted

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with Marxist socialism and it turned a tranquil, peace-loving country with great economic potential into an armed camp of impoverished people. It is a tribute to the freedom-loving character of the Jamaicans themselves that they withstood the totalitarian threat and are now striving to undo the tremendous damage left behind.

Today, we as a Nation are confronted with one of the greatest challenges in a generation. There is a crisis brewing in Central America and the Caribbean. A far-away, totalitarian power has set its sights on our friends and neighbors, and, if we don't meet our responsibilities, we will pay dearly for it.

There is a security aspect of the challenge that must be addressed. Those who suggest otherwise are courting disaster. Consistent with that, we are taking the steps necessary to give our friends the means to defend themselves.

The straw men built by our political opponents not withstanding, security assistance is not the essence of our approach to Central America and the Caribbean. I don't know how many times it must be repeated before the message gets through: three out of every four dollars we send to the region are in the form of economic aid. And from the early days of this Administration, we have been doing our best to promote economic progress in Central America and the Caribbean.

When I got to Washington, one of the first heads of state to visit the White House was Jamaica's Prime Minister Seaga. He was anxious to build his economy and, together, we worked out a program to encourage private sector investment.

By turning his country away from socialism, Prime Minister Seaga has managed bring to an end the 7 consecutive years of economic decline that plagued the Jamaican people. One hundred thirty-two new investments have been made to date, providing an employment potential of 13,000 jobs.

One example of this is a joint venture between Southern Bio-Tech, a firm located right here in Tampa, and Jamaica's Federated Pharmaceutical Company. Together, they are manufacturing Interferon, a new drug used in the fight against cancer. This project resulted in \$2 million in exports for Jamaica last year.

Our Caribbean Basin Initiative, of course, was designed to bring the power of the private sector -- America's most potent weapon -- to bear on the task of building Central America and the Caribbean. Ironically, some of those charging we are too focused on military solutions played a part in stalling the Initiative. I might add that, from my perspective, there has been entirely too much politics played with what is perceived to be our role Central America. When it comes to keeping our country safe, there should be no Republicans and Democrats, only Americans.

In spite of opposition, our AID program continues to do some great work in developing the potential of the region's private sector. In Honduras, a team of experts sent by AID helped that country reorganize its forest management, permitting it to protect its resources while reaping the benefits of valuable timberland. I had the honor of personally handing the report of the task force to President Suazo of Honduras.

In the Dominican Republic, where disease threatened their entire pork production, AID is helping them safely restock.

In Jamaica, AID helped finance an Aquaculture project that, when fully implemented, will provide a new cash crop from the sea, just as it is providing loans -- seed capital -- to numerous small business enterprises in other developing Latin American countries.

In Guatamala, AID teams with scientific know-how showed farmers how to use less fertilizer and still double their crops.

Similar efforts are being made in El Salvador, where a massive land distribution program has provided tens of thousands of farmers with their own land.

And there in El Salavador, as is true in other countries in the region, the AFL-CIO's American Institute for Free Labor is playing an admirable role, both in assisting the land reform process and in providing guidance in the creation of a free union movement.

I am also aware of what the Hispanic Chamber is doing to strengthen our ties with your business counterparts to the South. I applaud you for your International Trade Conference held in Guadalajara and the initiative you are demonstrating in the Western Hemispheric Congress of Latin Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

We are in the midst of a long-overdue awakening. The time has come when all of us in the Americas -- in the Western Hemisphere -- can and must recognize our common bonds. Most of us are descended from pioneers, people with the courage to leave the familiar and start again in a new world. We came here

looking for freedom and for a better life. We all worship the same God.

From the tip of Tierra del Fuego to the North Slopes of Alaska, we are all Americans -- a new breed of people. And what a mighty force for good we can be if we work together and use our combined potential.

There have been mistakes made in the past. But we can overcome those mistakes, because what binds us together is far stronger than what divides us. I have a vision of a united hemisphere -- united not by the arbitrary bonds of state but by the voluntary bonds of free ideals. Today, you, our citizens of Hispanic descent, can be a bridge to our neighbors in the South. We have much to do. Together, as Americans and as citizens of the hemisphere -- and with God's help -- there is nothing we cannot accomplish.

Thank you for having me with you -- and vayan con Dios.