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Hussein

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4- Cabinet Council on Commerce and  
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5- His Excellency Archbishop Iakovos,  
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in north and south America

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Bob Michel, Rep. Tim Wirth, and  
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deregulation of natural gas

7- Sen. Howard Baker, Sen. Strom Thurmond,  
and Sen. Orrin Hatch to discuss  
Voting Rights Act.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE  
Tuesday, November 3, 1981

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| 9:00 am<br>(30 min)             | <u>Staff Time</u><br>(Baker, Meese, Deaver)   | Oval Office            |
| 9:30 am<br>(20 min)             | <u>Meeting with former Sen. Ed Brooke re Voting Rights Bill</u> (Melvin Bradley) (available in a.m.)  | Oval Office            |
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| 6:00 pm                         | <u>To the Residence</u>   | Residence              |

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 3, 1981

MEETING WITH: Former Senator Edward Brooke  
LOCATION: Oval Office  
TIME: November 3, 1981  
9:30 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.  
FROM: Melvin Bradley *MB*

PURPOSE: To meet with Senator Brooke to discuss the Voting Rights Bill. The meeting provides a forum for the President to be briefed on the Voting Rights Bill from the perspective of black Americans.

BACKGROUND: On November 4, the President will meet with the Cabinet to discuss the Voting Rights Bill. Prior to the Cabinet meeting the President will meet with certain members of the House and Senate to receive their comments regarding the bill. It was suggested that the President receive more comments from the perspective of black Americans. Senator Brooke was asked to brief the President in this regard.

PARTICIPANTS: Senator Edward Brooke, Mel Bradley

TALKING POINTS: Your meeting with Senator Brooke is essentially a listening session.

- o You will meet with the Cabinet tomorrow, November 4, 1981. A decision will be made on the Voting Rights Bill.
- o You will announce your decision Thursday, November 5, 1981.
- o Senator Brooke's comments will probably center on:
  - A. The requirement of specific proof of intent to discriminate... also known as the "Effects" test, the "Purpose" test.
  - B. The bill's bailout provisions.
  - C. Pre-clearance requirements.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: "FALL OFFENSIVE"

Tuesday, November 3, 1981  
12:00-1:30 (90 minutes)  
The Cabinet Room

From: RICHARD G. DARMAN *R.G.D.*  
CRAIG L. FULLER *CLF*

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the meeting is to continue yesterday's discussion of the Fall Offensive in the light of revised economic forecasts.

II. AGENDA

|             |   |          |
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| 12:15-12:30 | <u>Political Context</u>                                    |          |
|             | -- Reactions to proposed cuts                               | Stockman |
|             | -- Domenici Plan  | Stockman |
|             | -- Second Continuing Resolution                             | Stockman |
| 12:30-12:45 | -- Tax situation and possible evolution                     | Regan    |
| 12:45-1:15  | <u>Tax Options</u>  | Regan    |
| 1:15-1:30   | <u>Issues</u>   |          |
|             | -- How to steer or respond to Baker, Domenici <u>et al.</u> |          |
|             | -- What to do <u>re</u> 2nd continuing resolution           |          |

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Secretary Regan  
Director Stockman  
Edwin Meese III  
James A. Baker III  
Michael K. Deaver


Martin Anderson  
Richard G. Darman  
Craig L. Fuller  
Max Friedersdorf  
David R. Gergen  
Murray L. Weidenbaum

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 20, 1981

MEETING WITH His Excellency Archbishop Iakovos  
Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church  
in North and South America  
DATE November 3, 1981  
LOCATION Oval Office  
TIME 1:45-2:00 pm  
FROM: Elizabeth H. Dole 

I. PURPOSE To receive His Excellency, Archbishop Iakovos, who wishes to pay a courtesy call and offer the prayers and best wishes of the Greek American community.

II. BACKGROUND Archbishop Iakovos is the head of the Greek Orthodox Church in North and South America and, as such, is the spiritual leader of 5.5 million people. Most Greek Orthodox live in the New York-Connecticut-D.C. area, but there are also ten other diocese located throughout the United States, Canada (Toronto), and South America (Buenos Aires).

Archbishop Iakovos is 70 year old and has served as Primate for 22 years. He is a former President of the World Council of Churches and currently serves as Chairman of the Standing Conference of Orthodox Bishops in America (SCOBA). The Archbishop has been active in both the civil rights and ecumenical movements, and last year was awarded the Medal of Freedom by President Carter.

III. PARTICIPANTS Archbishop Iakovos, Fr. Alex Karloutsos, Tom Korologos, Jack Burgess (Office of Public Liaison)

IV. PRESS PLAN Photo/writing pool

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1:45 pm Archbishop Iakovos and the others will enter the Oval Office where you will greet them and escort the Archbishop to the chairs in front of the fireplace.

1:50 pm After you and the Archbishop are seated, the press pool will enter for a photo opportunity and then depart.

2:00 pm The Archbishop will thank you for the visit and the party will depart the Oval Office.

Attachment: Talking Points



SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH  
ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS

NOTE: (According to protocol, Archbishop Iakovos can be addressed either as "Your Excellency" or simply "Excellency." His assistant can be called "Father Alex.")

(On a personal note, Archbishop Iakovos is an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox baseball team. Father Alex is a Yankee fan, should you wish to console him over their loss to the Dodgers in the World Series).

Regarding the new government in Greece, we are conducting "business as usual" with the Greek government and not responding to any of Mr. Papandreou's public statements on U.S. - Greek issues. You might ask how the Archbishop feels the Orthodox Church will fare under the new government.

With the new Papandreou government, it is more important than ever for Americans with ties to Greece to emphasize the fundamental interests which unite our two countries. We hope this Administration can continue to merit the support of Greek Americans.

We know that the resolution of the Cyprus problem is a matter of great concern to many in the Greek Orthodox Church. We have been working actively, primarily behind the scenes, to foster a negotiated solution between Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1981

MEETING WITH SENATOR HOWARD BAKER, SENATOR  
JAMES MCCLURE, SENATOR PETE DOMENICI, REPRESENTATIVE  
BOB MICHEL, REPRESENTATIVE JIM BROYHILL AND  
REPRESENTATIVE BUD BROWN

DATE: Tuesday, November 3, 1981

LOCATION: The Oval Office

TIME: 4:30 p.m. (30 minutes)

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf *MLF*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss with the Senate and House leadership the legislative considerations regarding your decision to send a phased deregulation of natural gas bill to Congress.

II. BACKGROUND

The Cabinet Council on Resources and Environment has recommended to you that natural gas prices be deregulated gradually over a three year period. The details of how that will be achieved are now being worked out. Your decision on this matter was postponed until you met with members who had requested an opportunity to discuss this issue with you.

On November 5 and 6, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee will be holding oversight hearings on the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA). Chairman McClure is intending to use these hearings to show how unnecessarily complicated natural gas regulatory policy is now, how it is restraining incentives to discover and market new natural gas, and how the current law fails to achieve what the Congress originally intended when it enacted the NGPA -- deregulation of natural gas by 1985.

It is his intention, we are told, to set the stage for your phased deregulation announcement. He intends to use these hearings to show the Congress the deficiencies of the Act and then convince them of how your recommendation corrects those deficiencies and moves towards a deregulated marketplace, by the originally intended date -- 1985.

The Senators will probably be concerned that any announcement you make interact constructively with their hearings.

They are concerned that if you decide to send up a bill and you announce your decision before the hearings, all of the time during the hearings will be spent discussing your recommendation and not the deficiencies of the Act. This would create problems for your main witness, Secretary Edwards, since the legal and substantive details on the bill are still being worked out and would not be available by November 5.

If it is your decision to proceed with legislative proposals consistent with the Cabinet Council recommendation, it is important that the Congress begin to move on a bill this year. There is a strong sense of urgency among both Senate and House Republican proponents of deregulation because of the anticipated fly-up of costs in mid 1984 and because of the political risks of waiting until we get too close to the 1982 elections.

Our problem in this regard is that the Democrats set the agenda in the House and none of the Democrat leadership is enthusiastic about opening up the NGPA. Republican leaders on the Energy and Commerce Committee believe that we can overcome Democrat reticence, however, and full Committee Ranking Jim Broyhill (R-NC) and his Fossil and Synthetic Fuels Subcommittee ranking, Bud Brown (R-OH), are likely to recommend that you meet with Committee Chairman John Dingell (D-MI) for the purpose of communicating personally the importance of opening up the issue this year.

### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Secretary James Edwards  
Senator Howard Baker  
Senator James McClure  
Senator Pete V. Domenici  
Representative Bob Michel  
Representative Jim Broyhill  
Representative Bud Brown

#### Staff

Ed Meese  
Martin Anderson  
Max Friedersdorf

### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

The Senators and Congressmen will enter the Northwest Gate into the West Lobby and be escorted into the Oval Office.

Attachment: Talking Points

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SENATOR HOWARD BAKER, SENATOR JAMES MCCLURE  
AND SENATOR PETE DOMENICI, REPRESENTATIVE BOB MICHEL,  
REPRESENTATIVE JIM BROYHILL AND REPRESENTATIVE  
BUD BROWN

- I have received from the Cabinet Council on Resources and Environment a recommendation to send a phased, 3 year deregulation of natural gas bill to the Congress.
- I have not yet made the decision to do that -- I wanted to talk to you about it first.
- Deregulation of natural gas is, as you know, a campaign commitment of mine which I intend to fulfill. It also makes sense now because of the problems created by the Natural Gas Policy Act and the predicament the Act is getting us into -- the closer we get to 1985, the stronger the inevitable political pressure will be to extend controls long after 1985.
- I need to know what you think is the best time and method of making a recommendation to the Congress.
- I need, most of all, to get your views on the chances of moving the bill through the Congress this year and your individual commitment to helping to achieve that end.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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|                       |                              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| — The President       | — Martin Anderson            |
| — Secretary Regan     | — Richard G. Darman          |
| — Director Stockman   | — Craig L. Fuller            |
| — Edwin Meese III     | — Max Friedersdorf           |
| — James A. Baker III  | — <del>David R. Gergen</del> |
| — Michael K. Deaver   | — Murray L. Weidenbaum       |
| <i>Sec. BARORIOGE</i> | — <i>SPEAKERS</i>            |

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1981

MEETING WITH SENATE MAJORITY LEADER HOWARD BAKER,  
SENATOR STROM THURMOND (R-S.C.) AND SENATOR  
ORRIN HATCH (R-UTAH)

DATE: Tuesday, November 3, 1981

LOCATION: The Oval Office

TIME: 5:00 PM (20 minutes)

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf *M.L.F.*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss and develop the Administration's position regarding the extension of the Voting Rights Act with the Senate Republican Leaders.

II. BACKGROUND

The House of Representatives passed an extension of the Voting Rights Act on October 5, 1981, by a vote of 389 yeas to 24 nays. During consideration of the bill, several amendments were offered by Republicans to modify the bill; however those amendments were overwhelmingly defeated. The House Republicans have indicated a willingness to work closely with the Administration to help improve the bill in the Senate or in conference. Improvements which they would recommend include: further easing of the bail-out requirements; venue changes to allow a jurisdiction to bring a bail-out suit in a local Federal district court rather than in the District Court for the District of Columbia; and modification of the language assistance (bilingual) provisions.

On October 14, 1981, Senator Robert Byrd (Minority Leader) used procedural tactics to keep the House-passed voting rights bill (H.R. 3112) from being referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill is now on the Senate calendar and could be called up for consideration at any time. Senator Thurmond, Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, indicated at that time that his Committee will hold hearings on the Voting Rights Act whether the legislation is referred to it or not. Although Thurmond has stated publicly that he favors a nationwide extension of the Voting Rights Act, he is aware that this position is not one likely to be supported by a majority of the Senate. The Senate Republican Leadership apparently has convinced Thurmond that extension of the Voting Rights Act with modified bail-out provisions is the only viable approach to this legislation.

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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 22, 1981

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

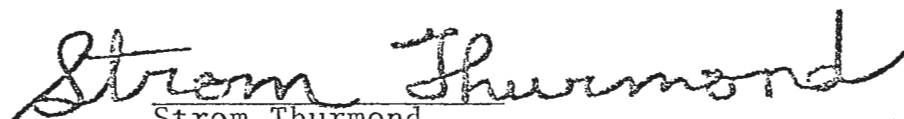
As the Republican members of the Subcommittee on the Constitution of the Committee on the Judiciary, we would like to inform you of the plans relative to actions on the Voting Rights Act.

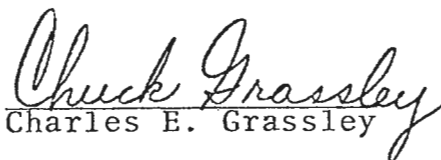
First, we believe that it is necessary to dispel the reports that there is a movement in the Committee to impede fair consideration of legislation of this nature. This is not the case. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 has had a most salutary effect in increased voter participation, and it is our intention to insure complete and continued protection of the unhindered right of all people to register and to vote.

We do believe, however, that fundamental fairness requires a thorough and exhaustive examination of all of the issues surrounding this matter, and that is our goal. In this light, beginning on January 13, 1982, we shall begin a series of eight hearings on Voting Rights. We shall urge all persons to withhold judgment on final consideration of any one particular approach until the Subcommittee on the Constitution has completed its hearings. We especially ask that you give attention to the hearings and utilize the findings in your deliberations.

Respectfully,

  
Orrin G. Hatch

  
Strom Thurmond

  
Charles E. Grassley

The Republican Members of the Subcommittee on the Constitution, of the Senate Judiciary Committee, wrote on October 22, 1981 to inform you of their planned actions on the Voting Rights Act. Senator Hatch, Chairman of the Subcommittee, will begin a series of eight hearings on this issue on January 13, 1982. The Subcommittee Members stated that they "will urge all persons to withhold judgment on final consideration of any one particular approach until the Subcommittee has completed its hearings." However, staff have indicated that this letter was not intended to foreclose the Administration from setting forth its position on the Voting Rights Act prior to those hearings. (A copy of the letter is attached.)

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker  
Senator Strom Thurmond  
Senator Orrin Hatch

Staff

Edwin Meese  
Max Friedersdorf  
Fred Fielding

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Senators enter the Oval Office for informal discussion on the Voting Rights Act for 20 minutes.

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Attachment A. Talking Points  
Attachment B. October 22 letter from Republican Members of Subcommittee on the Constitution of the Senate Judiciary Committee

# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

## TALKING POINTS ON VOTING RIGHTS ACT FOR MEETING WITH SENATORS BAKER, THURMOND, AND HATCH TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1981

### BACKGROUND ON THE ACT

-- The Act contains two separate sets of provisions:

- (a) the permanent provisions, which generally forbid interfering with the right to vote on account of race, and which apply nationwide. Under a Supreme Court ruling handed down only last year, violation of the permanent provisions requires a showing of unlawful purpose.
- (b) the temporary or so-called "special" provisions which require certain jurisdictions (principally in the South, but with the addition of the language minority provisions, elsewhere as well) to pre-clear all changes in electoral procedures with the Attorney General or the Federal District Court in Washington. The submitting jurisdiction must satisfy the Attorney General that the proposed change has neither the purpose nor the "effect" of discriminating on account of race.

Covered jurisdictions were originally given an opportunity to "bail out" of the pre-clearance requirement by 1970. That was later extended (twice) until 1982.

### THE HOUSE-PASSED BILL (H.R. 3112)

- Extended the time when covered jurisdictions could apply for bail-out from 1982 to 1984, in order to cover this decade's reapportionments. We have no objection to this.
- Added new conditions that must be met before a bail-out order could be issued and made those conditions permanent. Some jurisdictions were shown in the House hearings to be foot-dragging, but the new bail-out requirements are to be imposed on all. The Department of Justice questions the fairness of the new bail-out test.

- Amended the permanent provisions of the Act to impose a "results" test nationwide. This goes beyond the constitutional standard of intent set down by the Supreme Court only last year. Proponents of this change argue that intent is too difficult to prove and too easy to disguise. But, in sharp contrast to the evidentiary record amassed by Congress in 1965, there is no evidence in the House record this time to support the extension of a results test to non-covered jurisdictions throughout the nation. The Department of Justice strongly objects to this change.

### DISCUSSION

- The Administration (and the GOP) want to avoid the political accusation that we seek to "weaken" the Voting Rights Act. Objectively speaking, the House bill goes substantially beyond current law, and the delicate task is to effect such changes as we can in the House bill without at the same time appearing to "water down" needed legal protections.
- Pursuit of the foregoing strategy depends heavily on the ability of Senators Baker and Thurmond to reach a general agreement.
- Senator Thurmond's actual position is probably a good deal more flexible than his prior public statements may suggest. Senator Baker has been generally "liberal" on the Act.
- One of the central difficulties with the current debate over revising and extending the Act is that the Act has been made into a major political symbol, whereas only lawyers for the most part are familiar with the implications of what the House did. Long-time Northern supporters of the Act, for example, may be unaware that the addition of a "results" test to the permanent provisions will subject their states and locales to possible litigation in which the legal test will be the same as that which now applies only to the specially covered jurisdictions.
- The House bill is being held at the Senate desk at the request of the majority leadership in order to prevent dilatory tactics on the part of the Senate Judiciary Committee. This means in theory that the bill could be called up at any time, but as a practical matter, the Committee will be given opportunity to conduct hearings for some reasonable

period of time. Properly conducted, those hearings can and should become the means through which the full implications of the House bill are brought to light.

- It would be extremely beneficial if Senator Baker could assist in providing sufficient time to develop an adequate hearing record in the Senate -- it being understood that the Committee will conclude its deliberations by a date certain. It would also be wise if he could convey the Administration's concerns with the House bill in such a way as to avoid any appearance of "weakening" the Voting Rights Act.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE  
Tuesday, November 3, 1981

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| 9:02 -                 | <i>aval</i>   |  |              |
| 9:05                   | <i>EM, SA MKD - 9:27 [EM REMAINED]</i>  |  |              |
| 9:00 am<br>(30 min)    | <u>Staff Time</u><br>(Baker, Meese, Deaver)   |  | Oval Office  |
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| 10:00 am<br>(30 min)   | <u>Personal Staff Time</u>  |  | Oval Office  |
| <i>10:25</i>           | <i>BUSH, EM, ALLEN</i>  |  |              |
| ✓ 10:30 am<br>(45 min) | <u>Second Meeting with King Hussein</u><br>(Richard Allen)  |  | Oval Office  |
| ✓ 11:15 am<br>(10 min) | <u>Departure Statements</u><br>(Richard Allen)  |  | C-9 Station  |
| 11:23 am<br>(30 min)   | <u>Personal Staff Time</u>  |  | Oval Office  |
| <i>11:48 -</i>         | <i>12:00 Sec. MAE BARRIDGE</i>  |  |              |
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| <i>2:14</i>            | <i>DF, LE BLANC &amp; DE PROSPERO - 2:19</i>  |  |              |
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
November 3, 1981

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FROM: Melvin Bradley *MB*

PURPOSE: To meet with Senator Brooke to discuss the Voting Rights Bill. The meeting provides a forum for the President to be briefed on the Voting Rights Bill from the perspective of black Americans.

BACKGROUND: On November 4, the President will meet with the Cabinet to discuss the Voting Rights Bill. Prior to the Cabinet meeting the President will meet with certain members of the House and Senate to receive their comments regarding the bill. It was suggested that the President receive more comments from the perspective of black Americans. Senator Brooke was asked to brief the President in this regard.

PARTICIPANTS: Senator Edward Brooke, Mel Bradley *MEESE*

TALKING POINTS: Your meeting with Senator Brooke is essentially a listening session.

- o You will meet with the Cabinet tomorrow, November 4, 1981. A decision will be made on the Voting Rights Bill.
- o You will announce your decision Thursday, November 5, 1981.
- o Senator Brooke's comments will probably center on:
  - A. The requirement of specific proof of intent to discriminate... also known as the "Effects" test, the "Purpose" test.
  - B. The bill's bailout provisions.
  - C. Pre-clearance requirements.

VISIT OF KING HUSSEIN OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN

Second Private Meeting with King Hussein  
Tuesday, November 3, 10:30 a.m.  
Oval Office

10:30-

~~—~~ The President  
~~—~~ The Vice President  
~~—~~ Secretary Haig  
~~—~~ Dick Allen  
~~—~~ Ambassador Richard Viets

CABINET COUNCIL ON COMMERCE AND TRADE

PARTICIPANTS

November 3, 1981

The President

The Vice President

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The Secretary of State

The Secretary of the Treasury

The Secretary of Defense

The Attorney General

The Secretary of the Interior

The Secretary of Agriculture

The Secretary of Labor

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The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

The Secretary of Transportation

The Secretary of Energy

The Counsellor to the President

Ed Harper ----- ~~The Director, Office of Management and Budget~~

~~The Chief of Staff~~

The U.S. Trade Representative

The Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers

Martin Anderson

Dennis Kass, Executive Secretary

For Presentation:

John Fowler, General  
Counsel, DOT

~~Mark Fowler, Chairman, FCC~~

John F. Lehman, Secretary of the Navy

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Darrell Trent, Deputy Secretary of Transportation

William Baxter, Assistant Attorney General

Sherman Unger, General Counsel, Department of  
Commerce

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Urban Development

Richard V. Allen

Richard Darman

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Craig Fuller

Pete Roussel

~~Dave Gergen~~

Rich Williamson

Kenneth Cribb, Jr.

Rutherford Poats


Jim Jenkins

Ed Gray

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 20, 1981

MEETING WITH His Excellency Archbishop Iakovos  
Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church  
in North and South America  
DATE November 3, 1981  
LOCATION Oval Office  
TIME 1:45-2:00 pm  
FROM: Elizabeth H. Dole 

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III. PARTICIPANTS Archbishop Iakovos, Fr. Alex Karloutsos, *MKD*  
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IV. PRESS PLAN Photo/writing pool

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November 2, 1981

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JAMES MCCLURE, SENATOR PETE DOMENICI, REPRESENTATIVE  
BOB MICHEL, REPRESENTATIVE JIM BROYHILL AND  
REPRESENTATIVE BUD BROWN

DATE: Tuesday, November 3, 1981

LOCATION: The Oval Office

TIME: 4:30 p.m. (30 minutes)

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

4-45-5:30  
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Senator Howard Baker  
Senator James McClure  
Senator Pete V. Domenici  
Representative Bob Michel  
Representative Jim Broyhill  
Representative Bud Brown

#### Staff

Ed Meese  
Martin Anderson  
Max Friedersdorf

*STOCKMAN*

### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1981

MEETING WITH SENATE MAJORITY LEADER HOWARD BAKER,  
SENATOR STROM THURMOND (R-S.C.) AND SENATOR  
ORRIN HATCH (R-UTAH)

DATE: Tuesday, November 3, 1981

LOCATION: The Oval Office

TIME: 5:00 PM (20 minutes)

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf *M. L. F.*

*5:32*

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE  
Tuesday, November 3, 1981

|                      |   |              |
|----------------------|---|--------------|
| 9:00 am<br>(30 min)  | <u>Staff Time</u><br>(Baker, Meese, Deaver)   | Oval Office  |
| 9:30 am<br>(20 min)  | <u>Meeting with former Sen. Ed Brooke re Voting Rights Bill (Melvin Bradley)</u> (available in a.m.)  | Oval Office  |
| 10:00 am<br>(30 min) | <u>Personal Staff Time</u>  | Oval Office  |
| 10:30 am<br>(45 min) | <u>Second Meeting with King Hussein (Richard Allen)</u>   | Oval Office  |
| 11:15 am<br>(10 min) | <u>Departure Statements (Richard Allen)</u>   | C-9 Station  |
| 11:30 am<br>(30 min) | <u>Personal Staff Time</u>  | Oval Office  |
| 12:00 m<br>(90 min)  | <u>Working Luncheon (Richard Darman/Craig Fuller)</u> (TAB A)   | Cabinet Room |
| 1:45 pm<br>(15 min)  | <u>Meeting with Archbishop Iakovos, Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church in North and South America (Elizabeth Dole)</u> (TAB B)  | Oval Office  |
| 2:00 pm<br>(30 min)  | <u>Personal Staff Time</u>  | Oval Office  |
| 2:30 pm<br>(90 min)  | <u>Meeting with Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade (Craig Fuller)</u> (TAB C)  | Cabinet Room |
| 4:00 pm<br>(30 min)  | <u>Haircut</u>  | W. Basement  |
| 4:30 pm<br>(30 min)  | <u>Meeting with Selected Members of Senate and House re phased decontrol of gas (Max Friedersdorf)</u> (Senators Baker, Domenici and McClure; Cong. Bud Brown, Broyhill and Michel) (TAB D) | Oval Office  |
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| 5:30 pm<br>(30 min)  | <u>Congressional Time re Farm Bill (Max Friedersdorf)</u> (available in a.m.)   | Oval Office  |
| 6:00 pm              | <u>To the Residence</u>   | Residence    |



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: "FALL OFFENSIVE"

Tuesday, November 3, 1981  
12:00-1:30 (90 minutes)  
The Cabinet Room

From: RICHARD G. DARMAN *R.G.D.*  
CRAIG L. FULLER *CF*

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the meeting is to continue yesterday's discussion of the Fall Offensive in the light of revised economic forecasts.

II. AGENDA

|             |   |          |
|-------------|---|----------|
| 12:15-12:30 | <u>Political Context</u>                                    |          |
|             | -- Reactions to proposed cuts                               | Stockman |
|             | -- Domenici Plan  | Stockman |
|             | -- Second Continuing Resolution                             | Stockman |
| 12:30-12:45 | -- Tax situation and possible evolution                     | Regan    |
| 12:45-1:15  | <u>Tax Options</u>  | Regan    |
| 1:15-1:30   | <u>Issues</u>   |          |
|             | -- How to steer or respond to Baker, Domenici <u>et al.</u> |          |
|             | -- What to do <u>re</u> 2nd continuing resolution           |          |

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Secretary Regan  
Director Stockman  
Edwin Meese III  
James A. Baker III  
Michael K. Deaver

Martin Anderson  
Richard G. Darman  
Craig L. Fuller  
Max Friedersdorf  
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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October 20, 1981

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- I have received from the Cabinet Council on Resources and Environment a recommendation to send a phased, 3 year deregulation of natural gas bill to the Congress.
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- I need to know what you think is the best time and method of making a recommendation to the Congress.
- I need, most of all, to get your views on the chances of moving the bill through the Congress this year and your individual commitment to helping to achieve that end.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 22, 1981

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

As the Republican members of the Subcommittee on the Constitution of the Committee on the Judiciary, we would like to inform you of the plans relative to actions on the Voting Rights Act.

First, we believe that it is necessary to dispel the reports that there is a movement in the Committee to impede fair consideration of legislation of this nature. This is not the case. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 has had a most salutary effect in increased voter participation, and it is our intention to insure complete and continued protection of the unhindered right of all people to register and to vote.

We do believe, however, that fundamental fairness requires a thorough and exhaustive examination of all of the issues surrounding this matter, and that is our goal. In this light, beginning on January 13, 1982, we shall begin a series of eight hearings on Voting Rights. We shall urge all persons to withhold judgment on final consideration of any one particular approach until the Subcommittee on the Constitution has completed its hearings. We especially ask that you give attention to the hearings and utilize the findings in your deliberations.

Respectfully,



Orrin G. Hatch



Strom Thurmond



Charles E. Grassley

# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

## TALKING POINTS ON VOTING RIGHTS ACT FOR MEETING WITH SENATORS BAKER, THURMOND, AND HATCH TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1981

### BACKGROUND ON THE ACT

-- The Act contains two separate sets of provisions:

- (a) the permanent provisions, which generally forbid interfering with the right to vote on account of race, and which apply nationwide. Under a Supreme Court ruling handed down only last year, violation of the permanent provisions requires a showing of unlawful purpose.
- (b) the temporary or so-called "special" provisions which require certain jurisdictions (principally in the South, but with the addition of the language minority provisions, elsewhere as well) to pre-clear all changes in electoral procedures with the Attorney General or the Federal District Court in Washington. The submitting jurisdiction must satisfy the Attorney General that the proposed change has neither the purpose nor the "effect" of discriminating on account of race.

Covered jurisdictions were originally given an opportunity to "bail out" of the pre-clearance requirement by 1970. That was later extended (twice) until 1982.

### THE HOUSE-PASSED BILL (H.R. 3112)

- Extended the time when covered jurisdictions could apply for bail-out from 1982 to 1984, in order to cover this decade's reapportionments. We have no objection to this.
- Added new conditions that must be met before a bail-out order could be issued and made those conditions permanent. Some jurisdictions were shown in the House hearings to be foot-dragging, but the new bail-out requirements are to be imposed on all. The Department of Justice questions the fairness of the new bail-out test.



- Amended the permanent provisions of the Act to impose a "results" test nationwide. This goes beyond the constitutional standard of intent set down by the Supreme Court only last year. Proponents of this change argue that intent is too difficult to prove and too easy to disguise. But, in sharp contrast to the evidentiary record amassed by Congress in 1965, there is no evidence in the House record this time to support the extension of a results test to non-covered jurisdictions throughout the nation. The Department of Justice strongly objects to this change.

### DISCUSSION

- The Administration (and the GOP) want to avoid the political accusation that we seek to "weaken" the Voting Rights Act. Objectively speaking, the House bill goes substantially beyond current law, and the delicate task is to effect such changes as we can in the House bill without at the same time appearing to "water down" needed legal protections.
- Pursuit of the foregoing strategy depends heavily on the ability of Senators Baker and Thurmond to reach a general agreement.
- Senator Thurmond's actual position is probably a good deal more flexible than his prior public statements may suggest. Senator Baker has been generally "liberal" on the Act.
- One of the central difficulties with the current debate over revising and extending the Act is that the Act has been made into a major political symbol, whereas only lawyers for the most part are familiar with the implications of what the House did. Long-time Northern supporters of the Act, for example, may be unaware that the addition of a "results" test to the permanent provisions will subject their states and locales to possible litigation in which the legal test will be the same as that which now applies only to the specially covered jurisdictions.
- The House bill is being held at the Senate desk at the request of the majority leadership in order to prevent dilatory tactics on the part of the Senate Judiciary Committee. This means in theory that the bill could be called up at any time, but as a practical matter, the Committee will be given opportunity to conduct hearings for some reasonable

period of time. Properly conducted, those hearings can and should become the means through which the full implications of the House bill are brought to light.

- It would be extremely beneficial if Senator Baker could assist in providing sufficient time to develop an adequate hearing record in the Senate -- it being understood that the Committee will conclude its deliberations by a date certain. It would also be wise if he could convey the Administration's concerns with the House bill in such a way as to avoid any appearance of "weakening" the Voting Rights Act.

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MRS. REAGAN'S SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1981 - ELECTION DAY

Mrs. Reagan has no scheduled appointments  
or activities.