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1) Subject: Breakfast with members of the House Republican Sophomore class to discuss the budget.

2) Meeting with speechwriters to discuss upcoming speeches

3) Meeting with selected Republican members of the House and Senate to discuss trade reorganization

4) Meeting with State Legislative leaders attending the National Conference of State Legislatures meeting.

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THE SCHEDULE OF  
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

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FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1983

*9:04 OVM*

9:00 am (15 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:15 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark)	Oval Office
9:30 am (60 min)	Breakfast with GOP Sophomore Members of the House <u>9:33 -</u> (Duberstein)	State Dining Room
10:30 am (30 min)	<u>Press Availability Briefing</u> (Gergen/Speakes)	Oval Office
11:00 am (15 min)	<u>Press Availability</u> <i>11:04 - 11:18</i> (Gergen/Speakes)	Press Room
11:15 am (45 min)	<u>NSPG Meeting</u> <i>11:21</i> (Clark)	Situation Room
12:00 m (60 min)	<u>Lunch and Personal Staff Time</u> <i>12:15 -</i>	Oval Office
1:00 pm (20 min)	<del>Meeting with Selected Members of The House and Senate regarding Trade Reorganization (Duberstein)</del> <i>cancelled</i>	Cabinet Room
1:30 pm (20 min)	<i>Bill Casey 1:20 - 1:28</i> <u>Speak to Leaders of the National</u> <i>1:35 - 2:00</i> <u>Conference of State Legislatures</u> (Williamson)	East Room
2:00 pm (2 hrs)	<u>Dental Appointment</u> <i>2:00 - 3:39</i> (Dr. Ruge)	Dr. Ruge's Office
Late Afternoon	N <u>To Camp David</u> <i>6:00 pm -</i>	South Grounds

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	(Tab D)	
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 15, 1983

TO: DAVE FISCHER  
FROM: PAM TURNER   
SUBJECT: Attendance at Meeting with the President

The following Senators attended a meeting with the President on March 11, 1983 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cabinet Room to discuss crime legislation:

Senator Ted Stevens  
Senator Strom Thurmond  
Senator Paul Laxalt  
Senator Arlen Specter

Regret: Senator Howard Baker  
Senator Robert C. Byrd  
Senator Robert Dole  
Senator Joseph Biden  
Senator Max Baucus

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 11, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVE FISCHER

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *bo*

SUBJECT: Attendance at Republican Sophomore  
Breakfast

The following Members of the House of Representatives attended the Presidential Breakfast for Sophomore Republican Members of Congress:

- o Congressman Robert Michel
- o Congressman Duncan Hunter
- o Congressman Mark Siljander
- o Congressman Bob McEwen
- o Congressman Tom Bliley
- o Congressman Hank Brown
- o Congressman Larry Craig
- o Congressman Hal Daub
- o Congressman Cooper Evans
- o Congresswoman Bobbi Fiedler
- o Congressman Bill McCollum
- o Congressman Sid Morrison
- o Congressman Stan Parris
- o Congressman Pat Roberts
- o Congressman Hal Rogers
- o Congressman Clay Shaw
- o Congressman Joe Skeen
- o Congressman Chris Smith
- o Congressman Denny Smith
- o Congressman Vin Weber
- o Congressman Frank Wolf
- o Congressman George Wortley

Administration Representation:

The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
James Baker  
Kenneth Duberstein  
M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
John Dressendorfer  
David Wright  
John Scruggs  
Randy Davis  
Nancy Risque  
Mike Hudson  
Lynn Skolnick  
Dave Stockman





THE VICE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON

THE VICE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE --- (UNPUBLISHED)

Friday, March 11, 1983

7:25 a.m.	The Vice President arrives OEOB Office	
7:30 a.m. (45-minutes)	Breakfast with Bruce Rounds and John Tucker	(OEOB Office)
8:15 a.m. (15-minutes)	C.I.A. Briefing	(OEOB Office)
8:45 a.m. (15-minutes)	Private Time	(OEOB Office)
9:15 a.m. (15-minutes)	National Security Briefing with the President	(Oval Office)
9:30 a.m. (60-minutes)	Breakfast with GOP Sophomore Members of the House	(State Dining Room)
11:00 a.m. (60-minutes)	NSPG Meeting	(Situation Rm)
1:00 p.m. (20-minutes)	Meeting with the President and Selected Members of The House and Senate regarding Trade Reorganization	(Cabinet Rm)
1:30 p.m. (20-minutes)	Speak to Leaders of the National Conference of State Legislators	(Room 450 OEOB)
3:10 p.m. (30-minutes)	Host Reception for State Legislative Leaders and their spouses	(State Dining Room)
4:30 p.m. (30-minutes)	Meet with John Herrington	(WW Office)
5:15 p.m. (30-minutes)	Meet with the Earl of Cromer	(WW Office)

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Late Afternoon	N <u>To Camp David</u>	South Grounds

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REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENTS

NSPG MHg

To: Officer-in-charge  
Appointments Center  
Room 060, OEOB

Please admit the following appointments on Friday March 11, 1983  
for Judge William P. Clark of White House:  
(NAME OF PERSON TO BE VISITED) (AGENCY)

The President ✓

USUN: Kirkpatrick ✓

The Vice President  
Admiral Daniel P. Murphy

State:  
Secretary George P. Shultz ✓  
Deputy Secretary Kenneth Dam ✓  
Ambassador Philip Habib ✓  
~~Nicholas Veliotis~~

Defense:  
Deputy Secretary Paul Thayer ✓  
~~Dr. Fred C. Ikle~~ ✓

CIA:  
Director William J. Casey ✓

JCS:  
General John W. Vessey, Jr. ✓

White House:  
Edwin Meese ✓  
James Baker ✓  
~~Michael K. Deaver~~  
Judge William P. Clark ✓  
Robert C. McFarlane ✓

NSC:  
Geoffrey Kemp ✓  
Howard Teicher ✓

MEETING LOCATION

Building White House

Requested by Carol Cleveland

Room No. Situation Room

Room No. 372 Telephone 3044

Time of Meeting 11:00 a.m.

Date of request March 10, 1983

Additions and/or changes made by telephone should be limited to three (3) names or less.

APPOINTMENTS CENTER: SIG/OEOB - 395-6046 or WHITE HOUSE - 456-6742



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BREAKFAST MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE  
HOUSE REPUBLICAN SOPHOMORE CLASS

DATE: Friday, March 11, 1983  
PLACE: State Dining Room  
TIME: 9:30 A.M. (60 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein *Ker D.*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss the Administration's budget proposals and enlist Republican Congressional support for Administration backed initiatives.

II. BACKGROUND

The 39 members of the House Republican Sophomore Class have been one of the strongest and most consistent voting blocks in support of Administration backed initiatives. Last year, however, this support began to erode on occasion. This breakfast meeting will be the first visit this year for most members of the Sophomore Class and will be a good opportunity to stress the need for continuing support from this group in the year ahead.

III. PARTICIPANTS

See Attachment A.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only. Photo opportunity at end of breakfast.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- A. Remarks by the President (5 minutes)
- B. Remarks by the Congressmen:
  - 1. Robert Michel (R-IL), House Republican Leader (2 minutes)
  - 2. Duncan Hunter (R-CA), President, Sophomore Class (2 minutes)
  - 3. Trent Lott (R-MS), House Republican Whip (2 minutes)
- C. Questions and answers moderated by the President

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Attachments: (A) Participants List  
(B) Talking Points

ATTACHMENT A

PARTICIPANTS LIST

The President  
The Vice President  
OMB Director David Stockman

CONGRESSIONAL PARTICIPANTS

Robert H. Michel (R-IL), House Republican Leader  
Trent Lott (R-MS), House Republican Whip

House Republican Sophomore Class in Attendance

Duncan Hunter, 45th - California

- President, Sophomore Class (1983)
- Strong supporter of defense spending
- Serves on House Armed Services Committee and the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control

Mark Siljander, 4th - Michigan

- Vice President, Sophomore Class (1983)
- Elected to fill vacant seat of David Stockman (1981)
- Serves on Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Select Committee on Aging

Bob McEwen, 6th - Ohio

- Secretary/Treasurer, Sophomore Class (1983)
- Secretary/Treasurer, Freshman Class (1982)
- Serves on the Public Works and Transportation and Veterans' Affairs Committees

Tom Bliley, 3rd - Virginia

- Former Mayor of Richmond
- Conservative
- Serves on the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on the District of Columbia

Hank Brown, 4th - Colorado

- President of Republican Freshman Class in 1981
- Conservative on economic issues
- Serves on the Standards of Official Conduct Committee and the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee

Larry Craig, 1st - Idaho

- Farmer and rancher, former member of the Idaho Senate
- Very interested in western land and water issues
- Serves on Interior and Insular Affairs and Government Operations Committees and the Select Committee on Aging

Hal Daub, 2nd - Nebraska

- Attorney and former chemical company executive
- Serves on Public Works and Transportation and Small Business Committees and the Select Committee on Aging

Cooper Evans, 3rd - Iowa

- Farmer
- Represents largely rural district and is very interested in agricultural issues
- Serves on Agricultural Committee and Select Committee on Aging

Bobbi Fiedler, 21st - California

- Member, Republican Committee on Committees
- Businesswoman
- Serves on the Budget Committee

Bill Lowery, 41st - California

- Former Deputy Mayor of San Diego
- Represents large number of retired military employees
- Serves on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs and Science and Technology Committees

Bill McCollum, 5th - Florida

- Represents Orlando area
- Attorney
- Serves on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs and Judiciary Committees

Sid Morrison, 4th - Washington

- Former legislator
- Very pro-nuclear power
- Serves on the Agriculture Committee



Stan Parris, 8th - Virginia

- Represents a large number of Federal employees
- Narrowly won last two elections in Democratic district
- Conservative
- Serves on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs and District of Columbia Committees and the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control

Pat Roberts, 1st - Kansas

- Former newspaper and radio journalist
- Represents over one-half of the geographic area of Kansas
- Serves on Agriculture Committee and Select Committee on Aging

Hal Rogers, 5th - Kentucky

- Attorney
- Represents large coal and tobacco producing district
- Serves on the Appropriations Committee

Marge Roukema, 5th - New Jersey

- Former history teacher and Vice President of the Board of Education
- Serves on the Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee and the Education and Labor Committee

Claudine Schneider, 2nd - Rhode Island

- Environmental activist and opponent of nuclear power
- Active on women's issues
- Serves on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries and Science and Technology Committees and the Select Committee on Aging

Clay Shaw, 15th - Florida

- Former Mayor of Fort Lauderdale and President of the National Conference of Republican Mayors
- Attorney
- Serves on the Judiciary and Public Works and Transportation Committees

Joe Skeen, 2nd - New Mexico

- Originally won an open Democratic seat with a write-in campaign
- Soil and water engineer and rancher
- Serves on the Agriculture and Science and Technology Committees

Chris Smith, 4th - New Jersey

- Former public relations consultant
- Re-elected in largely Democratic district with 52.7 percent of the vote
- Serves on the Small Business and Veterans' Affairs Committees

Denny Smith, 5th - Oregon

- Former airline pilot and President of newspaper chain
- Conservative
- Serves on Interior and Insular Affairs and Veterans' Affairs Committees

Vin Weber, 2nd - Minnesota

- Vice President, Republican Freshman Class, 1982
- Serves rural agricultural district
- Conservative
- Serves on Small Business and Public Works and Transportation Committees

Frank Wolf, 10th - Virginia

- Attorney
- Moderate
- Serves on Public Works and Transportation and Post Office and Civil Service Committees

George Wortley, 27th - New York

- Newspaper publisher
- Re-elected to Democratic district with 53.2 percent of vote
- Serves on the Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee and the Select Committee on Aging

Staff

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 10, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ARAM BAKSHIAN, JR. 

SUBJECT: Friday Morning Meeting with Speechwriters

Rather than starting cold at tomorrow's meeting, I thought you might find a quick summary of speech highlights useful in advance. A familiar face, Ken Khachigian, will be joining us. Items under discussion tomorrow will include:

Radio Address, Saturday, March 12: Subject is education, keyed to the legislation being sent to the Congress next week. You will have received a draft of the speech for review.

Memorial Service for Federal Law Enforcement Officers Killed In Action, Monday, March 14: Draft currently in preparation, but any suggestions welcome.

25th Anniversary of the Country Music Association, W.H. Reception & Kennedy Center, Tuesday & Wed., March 15 & 16: Not major events, and they haven't asked you to sing -- but any anecdotes or reminiscences would be welcome.

Possible Major Defense Speech: Not yet scheduled, but could be as early as next week. We're currently waiting for a basic policy draft from NSC, but any insights, suggestions as to tone and selling points from you would be useful as we begin to prepare.

Radio Speech, Saturday, March 19: No designated topic yet. We're hoping to tie it to appropriate legislation being sent to Congress the following week to give it a news peg. Please let us know if you already have a preferred subject.

Agriculture Day Event, Dept. of Agriculture, Monday, March 21: A chance to deliver a basic farm message to a key constituency. Policy background currently being assembled -- anything special you'd like included?

Radio & TV Correspondents Dinner, Thursday, March 24: Traditionally a humorous appearance with lots of one-liners. Know any good Sam Donaldson jokes?

Gridiron Dinner, Saturday, March 26: As above, minus Sam Donaldson. Material is already being assembled, and we'll plan on giving you extra lead-time to fine-tune and add jokes.

World Affairs Council, Thursday, March 31: This is a major forum for foreign policy, and usually the occasion for a solid address -- though what we have left to say about foreign policy, barring new arms initiatives, is beyond me at this point. NSC in conjunction with State & Defense will develop the basis for our first draft.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 10, 1983

MEETING WITH SELECTED REPUBLICAN MEMBERS OF THE  
HOUSE AND SENATE

DATE: Friday, March 11, 1983

LOCATION: The Cabinet Room

TIME: 1:00 p.m. (20 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein *KMD*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss the issue of trade reorganization.

II. BACKGROUND

The question of whether or not there should be any substantial reorganization of the trade functions within the federal government has been a subject of discussion both in the Administration and on Capitol Hill. Several alternatives have been discussed by senior Administration officials. Legislation has also been introduced in Congress to make certain changes in our trade apparatus. The most notable of these is a bill by Senator Bill Roth (R-Delaware) to create a new Department of Trade. Roth's legislation would create a new Department of Trade which would include USTR with several elements of the Commerce Department. Roth had originally scheduled hearings on his bill for March 1, but delayed his hearings until March 17 to allow for this opportunity to discuss trade reorganization with you before proceeding legislatively.

The other members attending today's meeting have a strong jurisdictional interest in the trade issue. Today's discussion will allow an opportunity to consult with these key Republican members of the House and the Senate to determine how the Administration and Republicans in Congress can best work together on this issue.

III. PARTICIPANTS

List attached

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Members to arrive Northwest Gate, enter the West Lobby, and be escorted to the Cabinet Room for a 20-minute meeting with the President.

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Attachments: Participants List  
Talking Points

## PARTICIPANTS

The President  
The Vice President  
Malcolm Baldrige, Secretary of Commerce  
William Brock, United States Trade Representative

### Senate

Senator Howard Baker (R-Tennessee), Majority Leader  
Senator Robert Dole (R-Kansas), Chairman, Committee on Finance  
Senator William Roth (R-Delaware), Chairman, Committee on  
Governmental Affairs  
Senator John Danforth (R-Missouri), Chairman, Subcommittee on  
International Trade, Committee on Finance

### House

- \* Congressman Robert H. Michel of Illinois, Republican Leader  
Congressman Frank Horton of New York, Ranking Republican,  
Government Operations Committee
- \* Congressman Barber B. Conable of New York, Ranking Republican,  
Ways and Means Committee
- \* Congressman Guy Vander Jagt of Michigan, Ranking Republican,  
Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee
- \* Congressman Bill Frenzel of Minnesota, Republican Member, Ways  
and Means Trade Subcommittee
- \* Congressmen Trent Lott of Mississippi, Republican Whip

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- \* LATE REGRET



## TALKING POINTS

- I asked for this meeting today because, as you know, there have been discussions both in the Administration and on the Hill about the organization of trade functions within the Federal Government.
  
- This discussion has been prompted by the growing threat of protectionism and the state of U. S. competitiveness in the world economy.
  
- Our trade mechanism is complex and encompasses at least ten departments and agencies:
  - o USTR leads in setting trade policy and in negotiations.
  - o Commerce leads on trade implementation, regulation, and promotion.
  - o Treasury leads in export credit negotiations and collects customs duties.
  - o Agriculture has a lead role in agricultural trade issues.
  
- There are also several interagency forums that consider trade-related policy issues, including the Trade Policy Committee (TPC) and the Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade.

- I am aware that overlaps in the current structure have created some difficulties and that these difficulties complicate, from time to time, trade policy coordination.
- A number of alternatives to the current structures have been considered. These include keeping the existing structure by improving and strengthening the interagency process, to making major changes by consolidating functions into a new department.
- The key questions may be whether or not a major change is desirable and if so, would it have enough unified support to make the victory odds favorable. I am interested in your judgement.
- Senator Roth, I know that you have a reorganization proposal pending before Congress that would create a new Department of Trade. Would you please lead off?

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH STATE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS

DATE: Friday, March 11, 1983  
TIME: 1:30 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.  
LOCATION: The East Room

FROM: ALAN F. HOLMER



I. PURPOSE

This briefing is being held in conjunction with and at the request of the National Conference of State Legislatures' as part of their Legislative Leaders' Meeting and is an opportunity for you to address approximately 150 state legislative leaders.

NCSL's Legislative Leaders' Meeting is a major vehicle for the exchange of ideas among state legislative leaders and the Federal government.

II. BACKGROUND

NCSL represents the nation's 7,500 state lawmakers and their staffs. The Legislative Leaders' Conference is being held in Washington, D.C., March 10-12, 1983.

Prior to the briefing at the White House, the leaders will have participated in meetings with Congressional leaders on Capitol Hill. At the conclusion of the briefing, the Vice President will host a reception for the leaders in the State Dining Room.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Approximately 150 state legislative leaders from across the country.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1:30 p.m. You arrive and make 5-10 minutes of remarks (Talking Points attached) to be followed by 10 minutes of Q and A.

1:50 p.m. You may depart.

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS  
FOR BRIEFING WITH STATE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS  
March 11, 1983

- Welcome to the White House. I'm delighted that you are able to be here and that you'll also be meeting with the Vice President, Dave Stockman, and Ed Meese.
  
- As you know, I have transmitted to the Congress my revised federalism package which incorporates four major megablock grants to state and local governments.
  
- These legislative proposals represent a continuation and expansion of the efforts of my Administration to return authority, responsibility and revenue resources to state and local governments.
  
- You and I know that in the two decades between 1960 and 1980, we saw an ever-accelerating encroachment by the federal government on state and local prerogatives. Narrow and restrictive federal grant-in-aid programs were to grow from under 50 to over 500, pervading such obvious local concerns as rat control and sewer extensions. The cost of these programs exploded from over \$7 billion in 1960 to \$95 billion in 1981.
  
- The federal government had too much control. Programs lacked flexibility. Regulations were restrictive. Federal mandates were depleting state and local treasuries. Expenditures were being made for programs that weren't really needed in particular communities and localities.

- At the same time, state and local officials began calling for a reordering of priorities and a sorting out of responsibilities among the various levels of government.
- I want to thank the NCSL Federalism Negotiating Team and NCSL staff for their many hours of meetings and advice and assistance on this project. The package which has gone forward to the Congress incorporates much of the input which we have received from you over the course of the past two years:
  - It will provide a stable and certain funding source for state and local governments, by guaranteeing funding for the programs at the levels enacted for FY '84. It is not a vehicle for budgetary savings.
  - It will provide you an opportunity to establish -- at your option -- your own block grants.
  - It will provide far greater flexibility to state and local officials.
  - It will provide a phase-in period and transition time to avoid dislocations on state and local governments.

- Finally, let me say a few words about the economy. Our economic recovery program is starting to pay off.
  - The leading economic indicators have been up 8 of the last 10 months.
  - Inflation has come down from double digits to an annual rate of 1.4% for the last 6 months.
  - Interest rates have been cut in half from the 21-1/2% level when we took office.
  - The automobile and steel industries are expanding and housing is skyrocketing.
  - The stock market has been setting new records.
  - Perhaps most importantly, real wages were up in 1982 for the first time in 3 years.
- We recognize that this has been a painful period of economic readjustment and that many of your state budgets have been particularly hard hit. But nothing will do more to create jobs and relieve your fiscal pressures than a strong, vibrant economy, and we will continue to address our energy toward achieving that goal.
- But I came here not just for a monologue but for a dialogue, and I would like to call on your President, Bill Passannante.