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#### WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH SENATOR RICHARD LUGAR (R-INDIANA),
GOVERNOR ROBERT ORR (R-INDIANA) AND THE 11 MEMBERS
OF THE NATIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONS FROM
INDIANAPOLIS PS #27

DATE: Monday, May 23, 1983 LOCATION: The Oval Office TIME: 4:35 p.m. (5 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein .

#### I. PURPOSE

To respond to Senator Lugar's request for an opportunity to bring 11 elementary school students from Indianapolis PS #27 who recently won the National Elementary School Chess Championship to the White House to meet the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

On May 1, 1983 a team of 11 youngsters from Indianapolis PS #27 defeated New York City's Hunter College Elementary School to win the National Elementary School Chess Championship. PS #27 is located in downtown Indianapolis in a low-income neighborhood composed mostly of public housing projects. The Chess Club was started in this inner-city school three years ago by Robert Cotter, a 5th grade science teacher. When the team first began to compete in chess tournaments, they lost so many tournaments that they were nicknamed the "Masters of Disaster". Despite these losses, the students began to train two to four hours nightly, five days a week and on Saturdays for two years. Today, four members of the team are ranked in the top 50 players under the age of 13. R. Emmett Tyrrell, Jr. devoted his May 16, 1983 Washington Post column to the significance of the "Masters of Disaster" achievement. His column is attached. Senator has requested that Governor Orr participate in this meeting.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

See attached list

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer Only

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Senator Lugar, Governor Robert Orr, the team, coaches and principal to arrive through the Northwest Gate, enter the West Lobby, and be escorted to the Oval Office for a 5-minute meeting with the President.

Attachments: Talking Points

May 16 article from the <u>Washington</u> <u>Post</u> Participants List

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH SENATOR RICHARD LUGAR, GOVERNOR ROBERT ORR AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONS

- -- Welcome Senator Lugar, Governor Orr and the Chess Club students and their coaches to the White House.
- -- Congratulate the students on winning the National Elementary
  School Chess Championship. Commend the coaches for their
  contribution to this victory.
- -- Tell the students that you have been advised of their nickname the "Masters of Disaster" and the reason for it.

  Suggest that they change their nickname to the "Masters of Victory" or the "Masters of Perseverance".
- -- Thank Senator Lugar, Governor Orr, the team and their coaches for taking the time to visit.

#### PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President

Senator Richard Lugar (R-Indiana) Governor Robert Orr (R-Indiana)

#### National Elementary School Chess Champions

Anthony Allen
Derrick Brownie
Curtis Carson
Anthony Elliott
Dale Foster
Stephen Garrett
Keith Hunter
Thomas Petty
Dexter Robertson
Corey Scruggs
Derrick Thomas

#### Advisors

Robert Cotter Len Wallace Daryl Lakes Morgan Hause

#### Principal of PS #27

John Patterson

#### Staff

Kenneth M. Duberstein Richard S. Williamson

### R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

# The Triumph of the Masters of Disaster

A couple of weeks ago, the National Elementary School Chess championship slipped from the grasp of New York City's Hunter College Elementary School, which did not seem right. The Hunter College Elementary School is populated by children of the New York intelligentsia. They were beaten by a team from Indianapolis, a team composed of inner-city kids with no Ph.D.'s in their lineages, a team billed as THE MASTERS OF DISASTER! Were the eggheads from New York victims of street gang mayhem? Not at all, they were victims of persistence, that incalculable element in the human spirit that allows for marvels in the face of all sociological findings to the contrary.

The element flickers and flares irregularly, but when it does, it flickers and flares without regard to race, color, creed or national origin, as the phrase has it. The Masters of Disaster are black, and for one reason or another black kids are not supposed to be chess champions. Nor for that matter are poor kids, nor Hoosier kids. Thus there are a lot of anomalies here worthy of our attention.

One is the question of race. Decades have elapsed since the civil rights movement carried the day, yet we are, alas, no closer to the goal of a colorblind society, a goal that any serious-minded student of human nature knows must be realized for enduring racial harmony. The complexities of race in America are such that only a genius would attempt to discuss it wisely, and he would need far more space avilable to him than a mere column.

Here there is only space to say that we shall continue to depreciate human achievement as long as we look at Americans as whites and blacks or, for that matter Poles or WASPs; and there are good biological reasons to drop these categories—racial and ethnic particularity is less and less possible in a land like ours, and according to our ideals it is less and less creditable.

Social science has told us much that is true about human beings, but it has also told us some things that are palpably untrue, and for a certitude it has diminished the wonder of human achievement by insisting on quantifiable explanations for human behavior. Elements that cannot be quantified get short shrift in social science, and persistence or will power are such elements. They are also

the elements chiefly responsible for such achievements as were attained by the Masters of Disaster.

Two-and-a-half years ago a fifth-grade science teacher at Indianapolis' School 27, because he liked chess and the students around him, suggested that the kids play chess. Adepts of the social sciences might have considered this absurd, and their charts and statistics would back them up. When the fledgling team members grew mutinous after 10 minutes of practice, the social scientists might again have pointed to their statistics; and when the kids got flattened in competition the social scientists could have pulled out all their cant about endangering the fragile self-images of poor blacks.

The kids at School 27 did indeed get flattened, hence their now forbidding nickname, Masters of Disaster. Yet they were not so fragile. The aforementioned unquantifiable elements seemed to be activated by defeat, and elementary school kids who could not sit still for 10 minutes became kids who trained two to four hours nightly, five nights a week, and on Saturdays for two years. Visions of excellence did not intimidate them but goaded them.

How does one explain it? Some say it is because these kids are street tough. Others say it is because chess is all they had to do. The explanations run from the sensible to the bizarre, but one thing we can all agree on is that these chess players had the desire to persist through arduous practice and through defeats. Today this desire to achieve is always undervalued, yet it is essential to all human endeavor.

The question is how does one instill it in young people? Is it luck or a gift? In Chicago, one of the republic's most successful teachers of inner-city children, Marva Collins, insists that the desire to achieve is the result of devoted teachers' holding high expectations for themselves and their students rather than low expectations. She puts the burden on teachers first, then students. I believe she is right.

That is why congratulations are in order not only for the chess players of School 27 but also for their coaches, who no longer have to teach their charges how to cope with being patronized in defeat but rather with being celebrated in victory. The latter condition is always more dangerous to the human spirit.

#### WASHINGTON

## PHOTO OPPORTUNITY FOR CONGRESSWOMAN BEVERLY B. BYRON (D-MARYLAND) AND THOMAS HAAS AND ERIC SEABORG OF THE AMERICAN HIKING SOCIETY

DATE:

Monday, May 23, 1983

LOCATION:

The Oval Office

TIME:

4:45 - 4:50 p.m. (5 Minutes)

FROM:

#### I. PURPOSE

To satisfy a request of Mrs. Byron for the re-enactment of the signing of S. 271, National Trail Systems Amendments.

#### II. BACKGROUND

On March 28, the President signed into law S. 271, a bill to amend the National Trails Systems Act.

The legislation designates additional national scenic and historic trails as components of the National Trails Systems Act. Newly designated are the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail, extending along the Potomac River for about 700 miles through Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia; the Florida National Scenic Trail, extending about 1,300 miles in the State of Florida; and the Natchez Trace Trail, extending 694 miles from Nashville, Tennessee, to Natchez, Mississippi.

Mrs. Byron, who has been a consistent supporter of the President's domestic and defense programs, is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Hiking Society. Mrs. Byron is accompanied by a fellow Board member, Thomas Haas, and the President of the Society, Eric Seaborg.

Mrs. Byron is serving her third term representing western Maryland. She is a member of the Armed Services Committee.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Congresswoman Beverly Byron (D-Maryland)
Thomas Haas
Eric Seaborg
Kenneth Duberstein

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only.

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

President greets participants, followed by photo of the re-enactment of the signing of S. 271.

Attachment: Talking Points

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## TOPICS OF DISCUSSION FOR PHOTO OP WITH CONGRESSWOMAN BEVERLY BYRON (D-MARYLAND), THOMAS HAAS AND ERIC SEABORG

- -- There has been more than one occasion when I have wished that I could briefly leave the confinement of Washington to enjoy a walk along one of our great national trails.
- -- As you know, we supported this legislation. Therefore,

  I was pleased the Congress approved the bill and that

  I was able to sign it.

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

### MEETING WITH SENATOR STROM THURMOND (R-SOUTH CAROLINA) AND MR. LEE HAROLD LETTS

DATE: Monday, May 23, 1983

LOCATION: The Oval Office

TIME: 4:30 p.m. (5 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein  $\Diamond$ 

#### I. PURPOSE

Opportunity for Senator Thurmond to bring in his constituent, Mr. Letts, to present a bronze sculpture entitled "Bald Eagle."

#### II. BACKGROUND

Lee Harold Letts is a South Carolina sculptor who created and cast a bronze sculpture entitled "Bald Eagle." As 1982 was the 200th anniversary of the bald eagle becoming our national emblem, Mr. Letts requested Senator Thurmond's assistance in arranging the presentation of a numbered, original artist's proof. Mr. Letts intends this as a donation for eventual deposit in the future Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Senator Strom Thurmond
Mr. Lee Harold Letts

#### Staff

Kenneth M. Duberstein

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only.

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Senator Thurmond and Mr. Letts arrive through the Northwest Gate and are escorted to the Oval Office. Senator Thurmond introduces Mr. Letts, who presents the bald eagle sculpture. The President exchanges remarks, photos are taken and the guests depart.

### SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH SENATOR STROM THURMOND AND MR. LEE HAROLD LETTS

- -- Strom, I appreciate you taking the time to bring Mr. Letts in to see me today.
- -- Mr. Letts, the Senator has informed me that you are one of the foremost sculptors in South Carolina, and indeed in the entire South.
- -- I am grateful that you would want to present me with one of your original proofs, "Bald Eagle."
- -- This is truly a magnificent work of art, and I thank you very much.

## GIFT OF HISTORICAL MATERIALS OF LEE HAROLD LETTS TO THE

#### RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY

- 1. In accordance with the provision of Chapter 21 of Title 44, United States Code, and subject to the terms, conditions, and restrictions hereinafter set forth, I, Lee Harold Letts (hereinafter referred to as "the Donor"), hereby give, donate and convey to the United States of America, for eventual deposit in the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, one bronze sculpture of the "Bald Eagle," (hereinafter referred to as "the Sculpture"), which I sculpted.
- 2. Title to the Sculpture shall pass to the United States of America upon delivery to the Archivist of the United States or his delegate (hereinafter referred to as "the Archivist.")
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- 4. In accordance with existing law and regulation, the Archivist may dispose of the Sculpture provided that prior to any such disposal reasonable efforts are made to notify the Donor and offer return of the Sculpture.
- 5. The Archivist may enter into agreements for the temporary deposit of the Materials under his custody and control in a depository administered by the National Archives and Records Service of the General Services Administration or other qualified depository.
- 6. In the event that the Donor may from time to time hereafter give, donate, and convey to the United States of America, for deposit in the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, other historical materials, title to such historical materials shall pass to the United States of America upon delivery to

the Archivist, and all of the foregoing provisions of this
instrument of gift shall be applicable to such historical
materials. A description of the historical materials so
donated and delivered shall be prepared and attached hereto.

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Date:	
States Code, the foregoin Donor is accepted on beha	of Chapter 21 of Title 44, United g gift of historical materials of the lf of the United States of America, ditions, and restrictions heretofore
	Archivist of the United States
Date:	

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

MEETING WITH SENATOR JESSE HELMS (R-NORTH CAROLINA) AND MAYOR JACK LAUGHERY AND JAMES TROTTER

DATE:

Monday, May 23, 1983

LOCATION:

Oval Office

TIME:

4:40 p.m. (5 minutes)

FROM:

Kenneth M. Duberstein

#### I. PURPOSE

To allow Senator Helms to introduce Mayor Laughery and Mr. Trotter who will present an invitation to you to attend the dedication of the City Hall in Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

#### II. BACKGROUND

Senator Helms has requested an opportunity to bring in Mr. Jack Laughery, Mayor of Rocky Mount, North Carolina and James Trotter, also from North Carolina. Mayor Laughery and Mr. Trotter are strong supporters of yours and wanted an opportunity to personally invite you to the dedication of a new City Hall in Rocky Mount.

For a number of years, the city of Rocky Mount has been setting aside revenue sharing funds, utility revenues, and interest income to pay for a new City Hall. The 119,000 square foot structure of stone and steel is located in the heart of downtown Rocky Mount, and at the time of completion, the building, costing a total of \$9.1 million, was debt free. The city fathers of Rocky Mount see this building as an example of many of the precepts that you believe in -- namely self reliance, fiscal responsibility, and good planning. They also see it as tangible proof that your Federalism program will work. The now completed structure is awaiting dedication, and Mayor Laughery will present you with an invitation to attend that event.

Despite its 3-1 Democratic registration, Rocky Mount has strong voter support for both you and Senator Helms. Senator Helms has indicated that this would be a good opportunity for you to meet some of Rocky Mount's leading citizens.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Senator Jesse Helms (R-North Carolina)
Mayor Jack Laughery
James Trotter

#### Staff

Ken Duberstein Rich Williamson

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer Only

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Senator Helms, Mayor Laughery and Mr. Trotter to arrive through the North West Gate to the West Lobby to be escorted to the Oval Office.

#### Attachment

Talking Points

## SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH SENATOR JESSE HELMS AND MAYOR JACK LAUGHERY AND JAMES TROTTER

- -- Welcome Senator Helms, Mayor Laughery and Mr. Trotter to the White House.
- -- Tell them you know they are strong supporters and you appreciate that support very much.
- -- Allow Mayor Laughery to make his presentation.
- -- Congratulate them on the self-reliance, fiscal responsibility and good planning that has gone into the construction of this impressive structure. Tell them that their efforts are a fine example of how our federalism program can work.
- -- Thank them for the invitation.

#### WASHINGTON

#### MEETING WITH CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM LIPINSKI (D-ILLINOIS) AND HIS WIFE

DATE:

Monday, May 23, 1983

LOCATION:

The Oval Office

TIME:

4:50 p.m. (5 minutes).

FROM:

Kenneth M. Duberstei

#### I. PURPOSE

To accommodate the request of Congressman Bill Lipinski (D-Illinois) to have a photo opportunity with the President for he and his wife, Rose.

#### II. BACKGROUND

Congressman Bill Lipinski (D-IL) is a freshman, serving on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries and Public Works and Transportation Committees. From 1975 to 1982 he was an alderman on the Chicago City Council. Mr. Lipinski represents one of Chicago's large ethnic neighborhoods and is a member of the Polish National Alliance. He and his wife, Rose, have two children.

Bill Lipinski was a staunch supporter of the President's position on the Nuclear Freeze Resolution. He also supports the President's policy on Poland. The Congressman is leaning in support of the MX basing Resolution of Approval.

Mr. Lipinski requested this photo opportunity because he and his wife have long been admirers of the President.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

See attachment.

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer Only.

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

President to greet participants, to be followed by photo.

Attachment A: List of Participants

Attachment B: Talking Points

#### PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President

Congressman William Lipinski (D-Illinois) Rose Marie Lipinski

#### Staff

Kenneth M. Duberstein

#### SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS

- -- Welcome Bill and Rose to the White House.
- -- Thank Bill for his help and support in opposition to the Nuclear Freeze Resolution.
- -- Mention that Chicago continues to be one of the most fascinating sagas of American politics.
- -- Tell Bill that you hope we can close ranks on the MX basing

  Resolution of Approval and take an essential bipartisan step

  toward promoting stability and ensuring our national security.

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WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983 VIDEO TAPING SESSION

DATE: May 23, 1983

LOCATION: Diplomatic Reception Area

TIME: 5:00 PM

FROM: Mark Goode

#### I. PURPOSE

To video tape a message from the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

This tape will be played at the 35th Anniversary Brotherhood Ball of the National Conference of Christians and Jews honoring Personal Envoy to the Vatican William Wilson, Armand Hammer, and Ambassador Frank Dale.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Standard video tape set-up.

attachments: to be submitted by the speechwriters office.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS & JEWS CONFERENCE MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

Good evening. I wish I could be there at the Century Plaza for the 35th Anniversary Brotherhood Ball of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. I wanted very much to join you tonight in honoring your special guests.

Since I cannot, may I offer my warm, personal congratulations to this year's honorees, including Bill Wilson, our Personal Envoy to the Vatican. I'd also like to salute the outstanding recipients of your coveted Brotherhood award over the past 35 years.

The call for brotherhood among men has echoed and reechoed down the corridors of time. Sometimes this call has been heard, heeded, and we have felt for a moment the stirrings of human understanding. When it was ignored, we have seen the terrible price that must be paid in human suffering.

You of the National Conference have long sounded and responded to the call for brotherhood. For decades, Christians and Jews have taken a courageous, persevering stand, promoting harmony through dialogue.

You have reminded one another, and the world, that dignity can be found in dialogue, self worth can be found in respect for others, and mutual respect between people, and for the law, is the root of peace for us all.

Keep up the wonderful work you are doing in the NCCJ.

You're showing us the way. We need your light now more than

ever. I salute and commend each and every one of you.

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

VIDEO TAPING SESSION DATE: May 23, 1983

LOCATION: Diplomatic Reception Area

TIME: 5:00 PM

FROM: Mark Goode

#### I. PURPOSE

To video tape a message from the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

To be played at the Golden Eagle Awards show sponsored by NOSOTROS, a non-profit organization that Americans and Ethnic Latins make to the entertainment industry every year. In addition, this organization provides scholarships and training programs for those persons underprivileged or unable to afford the cost of professional training in the arts.

#### III. <u>PARTICIPANTS</u>

The President

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Standard video tape set-up.

attachments: to be submitted by the speechwriters office.

(Maseng/AB) May 20, 1983 3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: NOSOTROS GOLDEN EAGLE AWARD MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

What a pleasure it is for me to take part with you in the 13th annual Golden Eagle Awards. I commend Ricardo Montalban, James Espinoza [S-PIN-O-ZA] and all the people who give of themselves to the NOSOTROS organization. Whether it be through your time, your hearts or your donations, you are involved in a worthy cause that betters the quality of life for all Americans. And I especially congratulate the winners of the Golden Eagle Awards -- past and present. You represent outstanding achievement in the entertainment industry. Through your work and your lives you are setting standards of artistic excellence for the entire industry. By way of your high visibility, you are providing positive and admirable role models for all our young people.

Franklin Roosevelt once said that here on this continent we are building a society in which the promise of the human spirit may find fulfillment. "Commingled here," he said, "are the blood and genius of all the people of the world who have sought this promise."

He was right, and organizations like NOSOTROS remind us all of the rich diversity of minds and talent we have among our people. This organization, through private giving, opens doors of opportunity for underprivileged minorities -- doors that might otherwise have been closed to them. In its scholarships, workshops and career encouragement, NOSOTROS has been of

outstanding service to the more than 14 million Americans of Hispanic descent and contributed significantly to the betterment of the performing arts in this country.

Again, let me congratulate the deserving winners being honored tonight, and offer my personal salute to that great lady of American drama, Rita Hayworth.

God bless you all, and my best wishes for your continued success.

#### WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

VIDEO TAPING SESSION

DATE: May 23, 1983

LOCATION: Diplomatic Reception Area

TIME: 5:00 PM

FROM: Mark Goode

#### I. PURPOSE

To video tape a message from the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

This tape will be played at the Utah Republican State Convention on June 24.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Standard video tape set-up.

attachments: to be submitted by the speechwriters office.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: UTAH STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

Cliff, thanks for that introduction. And thanks also for everything you've done to make this evening for the Utah G.O.P. the success that it is.

I'm sorry I couldn't personally be with you tonight, but I know Elizabeth Dole will do just fine. She was at the White House long enough for me to know I can count on her. Sometimes she even lobbies her husband for me.

Tonight, you are saluting your representatives in Washington, and I'd just like to say that I can think of no finer congressional delegation than the one sent here by the people of Utah. Jake Garn and Orrin Hatch are hardworking, right-thinking men. Having them with me has meant more than I can express. No one should have any delusions about how much harder our job would be if we didn't have Republican control of the Senate. Jake Garn and Orrin Hatch are two of the best we've got.

We don't have the luxury of a Republican majority in the House, but Utah has certainly done its share. You sent three quality Congressmen to the House, and they are fighting the good fight. Jim Hansen, Dan Marriott, and Howard Nielson have been there when it counted. So to all of them, and to all of you who helped them get elected, thank you. Let's bring them right back to Washington in 1984 -- and let's also make 1984 the year the Utah G.O.P. recaptures the governorship.

Over the years, I've been privileged to have visited Utah many times, the most recent being just last October. I've always been keenly aware of the vibrant and robust belief in fundamental American values that is so much a part of the people of your State. The men and women you've elected to office reflect this vitality and strength of conviction. And the citizens of your State are people any elected official would be proud to represent.

If we are to continue to do right by the American people, it is vitally important, and this is especially true in solid States like Utah, that we do not become complacent -- that we never succumb to the temptation of political in-fighting that detracts from our shared goals and values.

I know that under Chuck Akerlow's [ACK-er-low] leadership,
Utah Republicans have been doing a fantastic job. Keep up the
good work. Your successes have given all Republicans great
encouragement.

So have a good evening and a great convention. Thanks, good luck and God bless.

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

VIDEO TAPE SESSION DATE: May 23, 1983

LOCATION: Diplomatic Reception Area

TIME: 5:00 PM

FROM: Mark Goode

#### I. PURPOSE

To video tape a message from the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

This tape will be used for The Neveda Economic Development Company's "The Marketplace 1983" annual private sector-federal procurement conference May 25-27, 1983 in Las Vegas, Nevada

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Standard video-taping session set-up.

attachments: to be submitted by the speechwriters office.

(Dolan/AB)
May 20, 1983
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: NEVADA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMPANY'S "MARKETPLACE 1983" MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

I was glad to take advantage of Paul Laxalt's suggestion that I speak to those of you participating in this conference on Minority Business Development. I also want to thank Bob Bailey of NEDCO for the opportunity -- and, of course, we're all grateful to NEDCO for putting on this conference.

As all of you know, this Administration has spent much of its time during the past 2½ years dealing with our economic problems. Our strategy was a direct one: reduce Government spending, taxes, and overregulation, and set loose again the spirit of enterprise and excellence in the American marketplace.

Now our growth strategy is paying off. Lower interest rates and taxes, and a tiny inflation rate are bringing back consumer and investor confidence. Not to mention what's been done for individual Americans who now have more spending power because of lower inflation and taxes.

You can see our strategy has been different from the old tax and tax, spend and spend days, the days of getting Government to redistribute an economic pie that was steadily shrinking. Now we're making that economic pie bigger so that everyone can have a larger share.

During this time that we've been getting the economy back on the track, strengthening minority business has been one of our principal concerns. This area is not considered a big news item in Washington, but it's important to you and I thought I'd

mention some of the steps we've taken. First of all, we have established a 10 percent increase in minority business procurement for 1983 over 1982, and over the next 3 fiscal years our goal is to purchase some \$22 billion directly and indirectly from minority businesses. We are also making another \$1.5 billion in credit assistance and \$300 million in management and technical assistance to promote minority business development during this same 3 year period. I've directed our Federal agencies to develop incentive plans that will encourage greater minority business subcontracting and we've also encouraged major agencies to make sure the recipients of Federal grants maintain strong minority business participation in their contracts.

Our Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade is making minority business incentive an area of special interest and so too is the Vice President's Task Force on Regulatory Reform.

All of this means this Administration will be assisting in the development of more than 120,000 minority businesses during the next 10 years.

But, you know, I have to tell you that I'm hoping that number is a little understated.

The truth is that the spirit of entrepreneurship, as evidenced in small business development, has always been at the heart of America's economic progress. We've worked hard, here in Washington, to restore a climate in which the risk, the daring, and the hard work of people like yourselves who start and run small businesses can be justly rewarded. After all, your growth means America's growth. I think we're on our way towards that

goal -- I think it's a great time to be doing what you are doing: showing your faith in our economic system by launching or running a business. I wish all of you luck and I hope we can continue to work together to make this country grow again and keep America the economic giant she always has been.

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

#### VIDEO TAPING SESSION

DATE: May 23, 1983

LOCATION: Diplomatic Reception Area

TIME: 5:00 PM

FROM: Mark Goode

#### I. PURPOSE

To video tape a message from the President.

#### II. BACKGROUND

This tape will be played at the Annual Physical Therapy Association Annual Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, June 14, 1983.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

None

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Standard video tape set-up.

attachments: to be submitted by the speechwriters office.

(Parvin/AB)
May 20, 1983
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: AMERICAN PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

Greetings to all of you at the American Physical Therapy
Association meeting in Kansas City. I know that thousands of
you -- physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, and
students -- are gathered today for the opening ceremonies of your
annual conference. And you're gathered at an appropriate time
because this is also National Physical Therapy Week.

Let me say how much I appreciate your efforts, because I've benefitted personally from the services of a physical therapist. A little over 2 years ago, because of the assassination attempt, I underwent surgery; with the help of fine doctors, some prayers, some luck and the work of a physical therapist, I've fully recovered.

During that period, I learned how therapy restores lost movement and reduces pain. I learned it is a very personal kind of health care. And you'll be pleased to hear I've been very good -- even though the need is long passed, the exercise routine that was prescribed for me when I was recovering has grown into a daily ritual. In fact, a little bragging here, but I've added about 2 inches to my chest.

My press secretary, Jim Brady, is still disabled. His therapy continues, but his recovery has been truly inspirational. He is now able to come down to the White House a few hours every week. He can walk with a cane and he again can be found cooking in his kitchen, which is one of his great loves. This progress

is not only due to Jim's courage and determination, but to the skill and devotion of his physical therapists.

As a result of that terrible episode 2 years ago, I came to understand personally how much therapy can help. Yet, from first-hand experience, I can say it is one of those things you don't think about -- don't really appreciate -- until you need it. And then the need is desperate.

One of the goals we've been working toward here in Washington is to improve the health care of the Nation. We can never turn our backs on those who are disabled, ill, or in pain. And as you and I know, people who are disabled <u>can</u> be helped. They can learn to care for themselves and become productive workers again — if they receive the proper help. That is why you and your work are so important.

You are members of a marvelous profession. You rebuild lives. And, as I said earlier, I just wanted to tell you personally how much I admire you and your profession. Thank you for letting me join you today and God bless you.

#### WASHINGTON

#### DINNER WITH SELECT BIPARTISAN HOUSE MEMBERS

DATE:

TIME:

Monday, May 23, 1983

LOCATION: State Floor, White House Residence 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. (2 Hours, 30 Minutes)

FROM:

Kenneth M. Duberstein

#### I. PURPOSE

To convince the undecided Members in attendance to support the MX Resolution of Approval and the FY '84 authorization and appropriation funding requests for the strategic forces proposal.

#### BACKGROUND II.

Consideration of the Resolution of Approval of the MX missile (House Concurrent Resolution 113) introduced by Republican Congressman Jack Edwards of Alabama, the ranking Member on the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, will commence in the full House Monday, May 23. The vote is expected to occur Tuesday.

Last Tuesday, the full House Appropriations Committee voted 30 - 26 to report favorably the Resolution to the House. The Senate began debate on an identical resolution late last Thursday evening. The Senate is expected to vote on the legislation prior to the Memorial Day recess.

The Resolution of Approval relates only to the release of engineering development funds for basing the Peacekeeper missile. Procurement money for the missile is contained in the FY '84 Defense Authorization bill which will be considered following disposition of H.Con.Res. 113. means even if the Resolution is passed, MX opponents will actively work and have an opportunity to delete missile procurement and further research funds, which would seriously cripple the program.

The Members in attendance are either undecided on the strategic forces issue or are part of the official House leadership and/or leading proponents for the MX.

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

See Attachment A.

#### IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only.

#### V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

See Attachment B.

Attachments: Participants - Attachment A.

Agenda - Attachment B.
Talking Points - Attachment C. (Provided by Speechwriters)

#### PARTICIPANTS LIST

The President
The Vice President
Secretary of State George Shultz
Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger
Deputy Secretary of State Ken Dam
General John Vessey, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

#### Members of the House of Representatives

Bob Michel (R-Illinois) Trent Lott (R-Mississippi) Tom Foley (D-Washington) Jack Edwards (R-Alabama) Bill Dickinson (R-Alabama) Ralph Regula (R-Ohio) Bill Hefner (D-North Carolina) Norm Dicks (D-Washington) Albert Gore (D-Tennessee) Les Aspin (D-Wisconsin) Steny Hoyer (D-Maryland) George O'Brien (R-Illinois) Joel Pritchard (R-Washington) Elliott Levitas (D-Georgia) Richard Gephardt (D-Missouri) Dan Glickman (D-Kansas) Lee Hamilton (D-Indiana) Bill Broomfield (R-Michigan) Olympia Snowe (R-Maine) Marge Roukema (R-New Jersey) Gene Snyder (R-Kentucky) Vin Weber (R-Minnesota) Bill Frenzel (R-Minnesota) Larry Coughlin (R-Pennsylvania) Joe McDade (R-Pennsylvania) Nancy Johnson (R-Connecticut) Carl Pursell (R-Michigan) Bob Matsui (D-California) Beverly Byron (D-Maryland) Charles Whitley (D-North Carolina) John Spratt (D-South Carolina) Don Fuqua (D-Florida) Beryl Anthony (D-Arkansas) Gus Yatron (D-Pennsylvania) Butler Derrick (D-South Carolina) Ed Jones (D-Tennessee) Buddy Roemer (D-Louisiana) Jim Cooper (D-Tennessee) Harley Staggers (D-West Virginia) Tom Ridge (R-Pennsylvania) Bill Clinger (R-Pennsylvania) Tony Hall (D-Ohio)

#### Attachment A, continued

#### COMMISSION ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Brent Scowcroft, Chairman

Nick Brady Jim Woolsey Lloyd Cutler Henry Kissinger George Brown James Schlesinger Jack Lyons

#### STAFF

Edwin Meese, James Baker, Michael Deaver, William Clark, Dick Darman, Ken Duberstein, Robert McFarlane, M. B. Oglesby, Jr., Russ Rourke, Max Friedersdorf.

#### SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

9:00 p.m. Discussion concludes.

6:30 - 7:00 p.m. (30 Minutes)	Cocktails.
7:00 - 8:15 p.m. (75 Minutes)	Dinner.
8:15 - 8:20 p.m. (5 Minutes)	Presidential remarks.
8:20 - 8:25 p.m. (5 Minutes)	President calls on Strategic Forces Commission Chairman, General Brent Scowcroft, for remarks.
8:25 - 8:30 p.m. (5 Minutes)	President calls on Secretary of State George Shultz for remarks on arms control.
8:30 - 9:00 p.m. (30 Minutes)	Open discussion with attendees.