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Referral Note:

THE SCHEDULE OF PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



Tuesday, February 7, 1984

10:40 am

Address National Association

of Secondary School Principals

(Henkel/Whittlesey)

(TAB A)

Convention Center

12:00 m

Luncheon with Nevada GOP

(Henkel/Tutwiler)

(TAB B)

Herbst-Collins Executive Hangar

1:20 pm

The President Departs for California

McCarran Airport

2:15 pm

Arrive at the Ranch

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Wednesday February 8

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Thursday, February 9

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[Phone call to Space Shuttle Crew]

Friday, February 10

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Saturday, February 11

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9:06 am (5 min)

Radio Talk

Sunday, February 12

9:00 am

The President departs

for Washington, D.C.

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5:00 pm

Arrive back at White House

South Lawn

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4:00 pm

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 3, 1984

ADDRESS TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS' CONVENTION

DATE: February 7, 1984

LOCATION: Las Vegas Convention Center

Las Vegas, Nevada

TIME: 11:00 A.M. (30 Minutes)

FROM: Craig L. Fuller

I. PURPOSE

To Address the 68th annual convention of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

II. BACKGROUND

The National Association of Secondary School Principals is the largest organization of educational administrators in the United States, with 34,000 members. The Association has as its goal the improvement of secondary education for all youth, the promotion of high professional standards, and the provision of research and leadership. This group has been highly supportive of Administration education policy. Also, it is greatly interested in and supportive of your efforts to underscore the need to improve discipline in schools.

This summer you met in the Cabinet Room with their national leadership, as part of a group of education leaders, and addressed their State leadership at an East Room ceremony.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Secretary Bell

Dr. Robert C. Howe, President of the NASSP

Dr. Scott D. Thomson, Executive Director of the NASSP

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press Coverage

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

10:50 a.m. arrive Las Vegas Convention Center

10:55 a.m. depart holding room and proceed announcement area

11:00 a.m. proceed to dais and be seated

11:08 a.m. make remarks

11:28 a.m. conclude remarks and return to holding room

11:35 a.m. depart holding room en route motorcade

(Further details in in trip schedule)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 3, 1984

ATTENDANCE AT FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON FOR NEVADA REPUBLICAN PARTY

DATE:

Tuesday, February 7, 1984

LOCATION:

McCarron International Airport -

Las Vegas, Nevada

TIME:

12:00 noon

FROM:

Margaret Tutwiler Mor

I. PURPOSE

To show support and to bolster the finances of the Nevada State and Clark County Republican Parties in preparation for their 1984 party-building efforts.

II. BACKGROUND

This fundraising luncheon was originally scheduled for October 28, 1983, but had to be postponed due to events in Lebanon. The co-sponsors of the event, the Nevada Republican Party and the Clark County Republican Party, hope to raise \$200,000 from the luncheon. Tickets are priced at \$500 apiece.

These two Republican organizations are concentrating efforts on electing more Republicans to the Nevada State Assembly in the hopes of gaining control of that house. Funds from the luncheon will be used to set up a voter registration drive, especially in Clark County, to help achieve this goal.

The Co-Chairmen of this event are Tom Wiesner and Dr. Wayne Pearson. The Chairman of the Nevada Republican Party is Curtis Patrick; Marilyn Gubler is the Clark County Republican Party Chairman.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Approximately 500 attendees -- bi-partisan business and community leaders as well as State Party supporters.

Among those attending will be Senator Paul Laxalt, Senator Chic Hecht, Congresswoman Barbara Vucanovich and RNC Chairman Frank Fahrenkopf.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open press coverage for the President's remarks.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

As detailed in the White House Advance Office schedule.

VI. TALKING POINTS

Remarks have been prepared by White House speechwriters.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 8, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

CRAIG L. FULLER

SUBJECT:

Background Information for Your Telephone

Call to the Space Shuttle Challenger

Your call to the space shuttle crew is currently scheduled for 7:30 a.m. (PST). We have changed the original plan and the call will now NOT be covered live by network television from the ranch. The audio portion of the call will be incorporated into live television coverage of the astronauts' second walk in space and a photograph of you on the phone with the astronauts will be released later in the day.

Talking points are attached.

A report on the situation concerning the satellites is being forwarded from Washington, D.C.; however, I do not anticipate that we will have much additional insight into why the satellites, once deployed from the shuttle, failed to go into proper orbit. The contractors involved with the satellites have convened a panel to try and determine what went wrong. As far as we know now, the responsibilities of the astronauts and the space shuttle were performed flawlessly. It was only after the satellites left the shuttle that problems were ercountered. NASA is sensitive about making it clear that the shuttle-related tasks and activities have worked very well throughout the mission.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO:

Crew of Space Shuttle (41-B)

DATE:

February 9, 1984 - THURSDAY

TIME:

Approximately 10:35 A.M. EST

RECOMMENDED BY:

Craig Fuller

PURPOSE:

To congratulate the Space Shuttle crew on a successful mission and to wish them continued success and a safe return on February 11.

BACKGROUND:

The tenth mission of the Space Shuttle (41-B) was successfully launched on February 3 from

The five man crew for this mission is led by Commander Vance Brand, who also commanded the first operational flight of the Shuttle, STS-5. He is joined by pilot Robert "Hoot" Gibson and three mission specialists — Bruce McCandless, Ronald McNair and Bruce McCandless Ronald McNair and Bruce McCandless Ronald McNair and Bruce McCandless Ronald McNair and

vehicular activities (EVA), or "space walks," on the fifth and seventh days of the flight. They will be using a Manned Maneuvering Unit -- a Space-age propulsive backpack that, when donned by an astronaut, provides the capability to reach areas outside the orbiter's cargo bay.

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On Thursday, February 9, Astronaut McCandless is scheduled for the EVA. Astronaut Robert Stewart will be in the payload bay checking equipment and procedures. At 10:30 A.M. Astronaut McCandless will conclude his evaluation and latch his unit to the ship. At this point the President could talk to any, or all of the crew. There will be live transmission for TV. The camera angles should be spectacular with two astronauts outside and the other three inside the space shuttle.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

Talking points to be provided.

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- -- Commander BRAND, I'd like to say good morning to you and your crew from California.
- -- You are all doing a fine job on this historic mission. I want to say hello to BRUCE McCandless and BOB Stewart who are sending us this spectacular television coverage of man's historic walk in space.
- -- Let me ask you, what's it like to work out there unattached to the shuttle, maneuvering freely in space?
- -- You have really opened a new era for the world in space with this mission. You have shown both our commercial partners and our foreign partners who play an important role in this and other missions to come that man has the tools to work effectively in space.
- -- Commander, what do you, HOOT Gibson and RON McNair do while BRUCE and BOB are working "outside?"
- Say HOOT, I understand your enthusiasm for making sure everything is working right up there since I heard your wife will be making the trip onboard the shuttle this summer. Do you think she will enjoy it? Do you have any tips to pass along to her?
- -- How are the experiments onboard the shuttle working out? I understand that you have one dealing with arthritis. And, other experiments on board may lead to advances in manufacturing and various kinds of materials processing. I guess we are going to see more of this kind of activity in space all the time.
- Let me congratulate all of you onboard the Space Shuttle Challenger. You are all doing a fine job. Your commitment and courgage on this historic flight are an inspiration to all of us.
- -- Have a safe journey home and God bless you.

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Vance Brand, Commander: He has flown in space 3 times and was commander of STS-5 in November of 1982.

Robert (Hoot) Gibson, Pilot: He is married to an astronaut - Dr. M. Rhea Seddon. She is scheduled for a flight in August. You met her at NASA's anniversary celebration in October.

Bruce McCandless, Mission Specialist: He has been in the program for 18 years and this is his first flight.

Ronald (Ron) McNair, Mission Specialist: He is a karate expert and a professional saxophone player. He is the second black astronaut to fly.

Robert (Bob) Stewart, Mission Specialist: He is the only astronaut from the Army to ever fly in space.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Washington, D.C. 20546

Office of the Administrator

For your information

February 8, 1984

Honorable Craig L. Fuller Assistant to the President for Cabinet Affairs The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Craig:

Regarding STS-41B - loss of the WESTAR and PALAPA satellites, two communications satellites were carried aloft by the Challenger to be deployed on Saturday, February 4, and Monday, February 6, respectively. Westar VI, was owned by Western Union, the second, Palapa B2, was owned by the Government of Indonesia. Both failed to deploy by reason of not achieving a proper transfer orbit.

These were essentially identical satellites and PAM (Payload Assist Modules upper stages) and were purchased from Hughes and McDonnell Douglas Corporation on a commercial basis. NASA contracted to carry these satellites into low earth orbit and to assist in proper placement and launch into geosynchronous orbit. The decision to launch is entirely in the hands of the owner of the satellite. The only exception to this is on the occasion of a safety of flight issue, i.e., safety of the orbiter itself.

The first satellite was orbited on schedule and it appears that the 86 second burn time of the PAM was foreshortened by perhaps 40 or 50 seconds. As a consequence, the satellite achieved a very low elliptical orbit, approximately 200 by 700 miles, which makes impossible the injection into geosynchronous orbit. The satellite was subsequently acquired by the North American Air Defense Command radar screen and the satellite was turned on and is working properly.

Subsequent to this, NASA advised the Indonesian personnel that they would recommend at least a one-day delay in the launch attempt for Palapa B2. After some consultation, the Indonesians agreed and the McDonnell people began an investigation to try to determine whether they had a problem with the upper stage which was likely to occur in a similar fashion on the second.

After the delay, both the McDonnell and Hughes personnel advised the Indonesians that they thought it was proper to fly. For your private information, NASA advised the Indonesian Government that we believed the launch was highly risky and that if the decision were the responsibility of NASA,

we would not launch. After further consultation, the Indonesian Government requested that we proceed with the launch, with which we complied. The result was a second failure very much like the first.

The most probable cause is a nozzle problem on the PAM. We have offered NASA expert assistance in resolving this problem to Western Union, the Indonesian Government and McDonnell and this offer has been accepted. We are now proceeding with an investigation and I expect that we will be able to resolve this problem prior to the next launch of a PAM assisted payload.

Both payloads are fully insured and our customers expect to be reimbursed so I am sure you understand the sensitivity of the information contained in this report.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

James M. Beggs Administrator