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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 18, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS *JGR*

SUBJECT:

Proposed Presidential Address: River  
Dell High School Drunk Driving Forum  
(6/15 -- 4:30 p.m. draft)

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the above-referenced draft remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by noon today. The remarks applaud the grassroots movement against drunk driving, and announce the President's personal support for a national 21-year drinking age. In the remarks the President justifies the Federal Government dictating to the States on this matter on two grounds: (1) this is a special case of an overwhelming need with a clear solution, and (2) the crazy-quilt of different states with different drinking ages has led to serious problems at the borders, as teens from 21 states drive to neighboring 18 or 19 states and, of course, drive back.

At the top of page 4 the President announces that he personally backs and takes personal responsibility for "my Administration's decision to withhold 5 percent of a State's highway funds if it does not enact a 21-year old drinking age." The words "support legislation to" should be inserted between "to" and "withhold."

At pages 5 and 6 the President discusses his personal life in Hollywood where he "saw a lot of people who were living fast lives." He also refers to the loss of his friend Bill Holden to alcoholism, and to John Belushi's death. If the President and those more directly concerned with the image he conveys are comfortable with the personal references, I have no objections.

Attachment

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*Also, please check regarding the Bill Holden reference -  
he fell and struck his head & blew to death -  
while apparently "under the influence", but would  
the Pres. wish to call this "death by alcoholism"*

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# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 6/15/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 12:00 NOON, Monday, 6/18

SUBJECT: PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: RIVER DELL HIGH SCHOOL DRUNK  
DRIVING FORUM (6/15-4:30 p.m. draft)

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## REMARKS:

Please provide any edits/comments directly to Ben Elliott, with a copy to my office, by 12:00 Noon Monday, June 18. Thank you.

## RESPONSE:

1984 JUN 15 PM 6:10

Richard G. Darman  
 Assistant to the President  
 Ext. 2702

(Noonan/BE)  
June 15, 1984  
4:30 p.m.

1004 JUN 15 PM 4:44

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: RIVER DELL HIGH SCHOOL DRUNK DRIVING FORUM  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1984

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, thank you \_\_\_\_\_ for that very warm introduction.

I can't tell you how impressed I am by what I have seen here today. Almost 4 years ago, when I accepted the nomination of my party to run for the Presidency, I talked about my vision of the future, and I said: "We need a rebirth of the American tradition of leadership at every level of Government, and in private life as well. The United States of America is unique in world history because it has a genius for leaders -- many leaders -- on many levels."

Well, today I have seen that genius. I have seen real leaders and real leadership. Together, the members of this audience -- parents and local businessmen and teachers and public officials and students and alumni and families and local groups -- have fused your creativity to deal with a great national problem. And in doing this you've become part of a movement that has literally swept this country, the movement against drinking and driving.

This is community leadership and community involvement at its best. And I don't mind saying that it isn't Washington that led the way -- it was a grassroots movement. Well, so was the Boston Tea Party, so was the abolitionist movement, so was the tax-cutting movement that has swept various parts of the country the past few years. The history of our country is the history of



grassroots movements -- because Americans know that the purest form of law is the one that springs directly from the desire of the people. You led the way -- and in leading, you have changed this country. You have saved lives.

You have shown me what you are doing; permit me to tell you a bit about what we are doing in Washington.

Two years ago, I appointed a Presidential Commission on Drunk Driving. And the Commission laid out in irrefutable detail the scope and extent of the problem. They told us alcohol-related automobile accidents are the leading cause of teenage deaths in this country. They told us that in the past few decades more people have died in alcohol-related auto accidents than in any war since World War II. And they strongly urged Federal action to require a 21-year-old drinking age.

Now I want to talk to you about why the Age-21 law is good, and why we're supporting it. We know that drinking and driving is a killer. And we know that people aged 18 to 20 are more than twice as likely to be involved in an alcohol-related accident as any other age group. Society has a clear stake in seeing that these young lives so full of promise are not ended or crippled.

So we know what the problem is -- we know that society has a stake in solving it -- and we know of a solution: raising the drinking age to 21. This isn't some fad, some experiment. It's a demonstrable success. In every State in which the drinking age has been raised, teenage driving fatalities have gone down significantly. Here in New Jersey, with the support of my friend Tom Kean, you raised the drinking age to 21 in 1983. And you



know what happened. You had a 26-percent reduction in nighttime fatalities among 19-20 year olds the first year alone.

Well -- when you're talking about a 26-percent decrease in the number of teenagers needlessly killed on our highways, then you're talking about something that works. You're talking about something that's needed.

Last year when the President's Commission on Drunk Driving recommended that every State raise its drinking age to 21 I was delighted and hopeful. I made speeches to support it. And there was momentum, fed in part by groups such as M.A.D.D. and S.A.D.D., and States started raising the drinking age. I was delighted, again, because I hoped that the States would -- as they should -- take this action themselves, without Federal orders or interference. Well, in the past 8 or 9 months, 4 States have done it. In all, 23 States have Age-21 laws. But now it appears that things have stalled.

At this point about half the States have Age-21 laws and half don't. And it's led to a kind of crazy-quilt of different State drinking laws and that has led to what have been called "Blood Borders" -- with teenagers leaving their homes to go to the nearest State with a lower drinking age. And they drink -- and get drunk -- and careen on home -- and get into trouble of all sorts, including auto accidents.

Well, we just can't have this anymore. This slaughter hurts us as a people -- it tears up the fabric of society by bringing grief to families, guilt to friends, loss to the community. We just can't tolerate this.

And so I want you to know that I am personally backing -- and I take personal responsibility for -- my Administration's decision to withhold 5 percent of a State's highway funds if it does not enact the 21-year-old drinking age. I'm doing this to make a very important point: My Administration wants to go on record as saying the carnage must end, and now.

Some of you may feel that my decision is at odds with my philosophical viewpoint that State problems should involve State solutions -- and it isn't up to a big and overwhelming Government in Washington to tell the States what to do. You're partly right. But the thing is, this problem is much more than just a State problem -- it's a national problem involving the States and their borders. Beyond that, there are some special cases in which overwhelming need can be dealt with by prudent Federal influence. And in a case like this -- where the problem is so clear cut and the benefits are so clear cut -- then I have no misgivings about a judicious use of Federal inducements to convince the States to get moving, raise the drinking age, and save lives.

I want to remind you that there are 23 States that don't need this influence. New Jersey is a stunning example. Your Governor, Tom Kean, has provided terrific cooperation and leadership on this, so that New Jersey is leading the way on solving the drunk driving problem. You've raised the penalties against drunk drivers; you've increased arrests and convictions; you've added tough new legal and financial sanctions against drunk drivers; you raised the drinking age. And what you got in

return is clear and undisputed: Between 1981 and 1983, drunk driving fatalities declined almost 31 percent.

You have saved lives. And all of your efforts have qualified your State for almost \$800 thousand in Alcohol Traffic Safety Grant funds to pay for programs that give your State new tools to combat drunk driving and ensure highway safety.

So you have a lot to be proud of.

But, the battle isn't over.

I'm going to depart from the main theme here to tell you that Nancy and I discussed what I would be saying here today -- and we want you to know that we are aware that the problem we have on our highways isn't just drinking and driving. It's also drinking and drugging. We know that a lot of alcohol-related accidents involve drugs, too.

You know of Nancy's concern about this. She wanted to be here today, but she's at a big meeting out in Nevada where she's discussing drug abuse with parents and teachers.

Our Administration has taken many actions to combat drug abuse and drug use among children -- it occurs to me that drug use is drug abuse, so we might as well just call it that. But we know that no matter how effective we are against the pushers and drug smugglers, it all comes down to you.

And there's one thing I want to say to the students here today, and I speak as a man who has lived 73 years and who has seen a lot. I lived a good part of my adult life in Hollywood and Los Angeles, and I saw a lot of people who were living fast lives. And I just want to tell you: Don't take drugs. Don't

abuse your mind and your body that way. Don't fall for the line that drug use is daring and fun and fearless. It's flirting with addiction, flirting with sickness and the waste of a life. Don't fall for that stuff about "life in the fast lane." That's where all the worst crashes are.

A few years ago, I lost my friend, Bill Holden -- a charming and witty and gentle man -- to alcoholism. And some of you have lost, or will lose friends to drugs, to the addictions that will squeeze them to death or the impairment that will make them make the wrong move in a fast car. Your generation has lost talented young people like John Belushi and others.

I look out and see your bright, young faces and I just want to say: Don't waste the health and youth God gave you. Don't take drugs.


But I don't want to end on a sad note. For every person who falls in this country there are a hundred people there to pick him up. That's one fact that is at the heart of the American experience. And I want to say to all of you, to M.A.D.D. and S.A.D.D. and all those involved in the great national effort against drunk driving -- You are the grass roots. You are the people who change this country and always have. You are the makers of change, the improvers of our national life. You deserve a lot of credit. And so let me say to you as I leave here today: I tip my hat. You're terrific. God bless you, and may your good work continue.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 18, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS   
SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Remarks: 20th  
Anniversary Ceremony of the Presidential  
Scholars Program

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the above-referenced remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by 10:00 a.m. today. The remarks congratulate the Presidential Scholars on their academic achievements, discuss the increasing prospects for human freedom in the world, and emphasize the importance of an education in values as well as in learning. I have reviewed the remarks and have no objections.

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COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

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Subject: Proposed Presidential Remarks: 50<sup>th</sup>  
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DATE: 6/15/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 6/18/84 - 10:00 a.m.

SUBJECT: PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: 20th ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY OF THE  
PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM (6/15 - 6:00 p.m. draft)

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## RESPONSE:

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Richard G. Darman  
 Assistant to the President  
 Ext. 2702

1004 JUN 15 PM 5:59

(Dolan/BE)  
June 15, 1984  
6:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: 20TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY OF THE  
PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM  
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 1984

I'm delighted to be here today; this is a great day for each of you and one I hope you will treasure through all the years ahead.

As you know, this is the 20th anniversary of the Presidential Scholars Program, a program that has done much to reward initiative and encourage excellence in America's schools. It is also the third opportunity I have had to host a gathering like this; and I have to confess I'm always a bit uneasy in the midst of all this scholarly achievement. I guess it's because I start thinking back to my own days as a student. In fact, a few years ago when my alma mater, Eureka College, gave me an honorary degree, I thanked them profusely, but admitted that I thought the first one had been pretty honorary, too.

So I congratulate all of you today on taking advantage of the tremendous educational opportunities you've been offered; and I encourage you to keep up the good work. I don't think it's too optimistic to say you can look forward to an age where a great value will be placed on your obvious capacity for achievement and excellence, an age that will be rife with opportunity.

In many ways, the things we have been doing here in Washington, the last few years, have been part of this effort to open up new opportunities for all Americans. As you know, that's meant cutting back on the size and scope of Government, reducing its drag on the private economy. You know, it is one of the

oldest lessons of history, but one mankind always seems to forget: Too much Government has always meant the oppression of the human spirit and the stultification of human progress. As Jefferson once said, "I am not a friend to a very energetic government; it is always oppressive."

Well, I think our own time is increasingly coming to realize this truth. Repelled by the suffering caused by the totalitarian superstates, our century seems to be awakening to the great prospects of human freedom and the democratic way of life. That's why I've always believed a truly American foreign policy means more than the pragmatic business of getting along with other nations, it also means standing up for values like human freedom and our own obligation to see that freedom is spread someday to all the nations of the Earth. In a few short years, this will be the task before you; and I think you are preparing yourself well for it.

I'm especially encouraged by some of the fundamental changes we see in American education today. We are beginning to realize, once again, that education at its core is more than just teaching our young the skills needed for a job -- however important that is. It is also about passing on to each new generation the values that serve as the foundation and cornerstone of our free democratic society -- patriotism, loyalty, faithfulness, courage -- the ability to make the crucial moral distinctions between right and wrong, the maturity to understand that all we have and achieve in this world comes first from a beneficent and loving God.

So we are gathered here to congratulate all of you on your success, on the credit you have brought to yourselves, to your schools, and to your communities. We are here, too, to congratulate a select group of teachers for the enormous and unselfish dedication they have shown to your welfare and to the highest standards of their own profession. But I think we also do well today to reflect on the fact that education and learning, success and power, are only relative values; that they must be grounded first in the higher values of right and morality if they are to have any meaning at all.

You know, being President, and a septuagenarian one at that, does have some advantages; I've discovered, for example, that people do tend to let you get away with giving them some advice. So while I want to extend my congratulations to all of you today, I hope you will also permit me a few words of counsel and advice.

Thomas Jefferson, whom I mentioned a few minutes ago on the business of governing, also had some wise things to say about the business of living. When he was advising his nephew what path he should follow to find success, he reminded him that he must pursue his own and his country's best interests with what he called the "purest integrity, the most chaste honor. Make these then your first objective," he said. "Give up money and give up fame. Give up science. Give up the Earth itself and all it contains rather than do an immoral act, and never suppose that in any possible situation or under any circumstances that it is best for you to do a dishonorable thing, however slightly so it may appear to be."

Good advice for all of us. And once again, congratulations to all our Presidential scholars and our distinguished teachers here today. Thank you and God bless you.



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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 6/18/84

**ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY:**

**SUBJECT:** PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH PLANNING SCHEDULE (6/18/84)

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## REMARKS:

Please provide any comments or suggestions to Ben Elliott, with a copy to my office. Thank you.

**RESPONSE:**

1984 JUN 18 PM 2:42

**Richard G. Darman**  
**Assistant to the President**  
**Ext. 2702**

June 18, 1984

PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH PLANNING SCHEDULE

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WRITER RESEARCHER</u>	<u>TOPIC/THEME/PURPOSE</u>
<u>A. SPEECHES</u>			
ADDRESS MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (Oradell, NJ)	06/20 Wednesday	Peggy Julie	
ADDRESS NATIONAL SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION (Hartford, Conn.)	06/20 Wednesday	Tony Elizabeth	
ADDRESS NATIONAL ASSOC. OF MINORITY CONTRACTORS	06/27 Wednesday	Ben Julie	
<u>B. RADIO TALKS</u>			
RADIO TALK:	06/23 Saturday		
RADIO TALK:	06/30 Saturday		
RADIO TALK:	07/07 Saturday		
RADIO TALK:	07/14 Saturday		

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WRITER RESEARCHER</u>	<u>TOPIC/THEME/PURPOSE</u>
RADIO TALK:	07/21 Saturday		

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C. REMARKS

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DEDICATION OF NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY'S NEW BUILDING	06/19 Tuesday	Peggy Elizabeth	
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20TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM	06/19 Tuesday	Tony Kim	
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SIGNING CEREMONY FOR WILDERNESS LEGISLATION	06/19 Tuesday	Peter Kim	
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RECEPTION FOR GOP CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES	06/19 Tuesday	Ben KimW	
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GREET STUDENTS ATTENDING NATIONAL YOUTH GOVERNORS CONFERENCE	06/21 Thursday	Al Elizabeth	
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DROPBY BRIEFING FOR NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS	06/21 Thursday	Peggy Kim	
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"FISH FRY" FOR THE CONGRESS	06/21 Thursday	Dana KimW	
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<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WRITER RESEARCHER</u>	<u>TOPIC/THEME/PURPOSE</u>
MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR COMMISSION	06/22 Friday	Al Julie	
DROPBY BRIEFING FOR BLACK APPOINTEES	06/25 Monday	Peter Elizabeth	
AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATORS CONGRESS	06/25 Monday	Al KimW	
SENIOR CITIZEN VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CEREMONY	06/26 Tuesday	Peggy Kim	
NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DEMONSTRATION	06/28 Thursday	Dana Kim	
LUNCH WITH ELECTED GOP WOMEN OFFICIALS	06/29 Friday	Peter KimW	
DIPLOMATIC CORPS BARBECUE	07/01 Sunday		
TALKING POINTS: PHOTO WITH ARMY HERALD TRUMPETERS	07/02 Monday		
REGIONAL PRESS BRIEFING/LUNCHEON FOR EDITORS & BROADCASTERS	07/09 Monday		
DROPBY MEETING OF AMERICAN COALITION FOR TRADITIONAL VALUES	07/09 Monday		

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WRITER RESEARCHER</u>	<u>TOPIC /THEME/PURPOSE</u>
DROPBY BRIEFING FOR CITIZENS FOR AMERICA	07/11 Wednesday		
THEODORE ROOSEVELT ISLAND EVENT	07/11 Wednesday		
LUNCH WITH ELECTED GOP WOMEN OFFICIALS	07/13 Friday		
RECEPTION FOR PRESIDENT'S PRIVATE SECTOR SURVEY ON COST CONTROL	07/18 Wednesday		
NATIONAL POW-MIA RECOGNITION DAY	07/20 Friday		
38TH ANNUAL GIRLS' NATION SESSION	07/20 Friday		

E. TAPINGS

TAPING: NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONF. OF FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AM.	06/26 Tuesday	Peter Kim	
TAPING: ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF THE ELKS	06/26 Tuesday	Al Elizabeth	


<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WRITER</u> <u>RESEARCHER</u>	<u>TOPIC/THEME/PURPOSE</u>
TAPING: FULL GOSPEL BUSINESSMEN'S FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL CONF.	06/26 Tuesday	Ben Elizabeth	
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TAPING: TRIBUTE FOR JACK DALES	06/26 Tuesday	KimW	
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 19, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS   
SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Remarks:  
National Youth Governors' Conference  
(6/19 -- 12:20 p.m. draft)

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the above-referenced remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by 10:00 a.m. tomorrow, June 20. The remarks briefly discuss arms control and relations with the Soviet Union. I have reviewed the remarks and have no objections. (The reference to a popular entertainment figure in the second paragraph is a matter of personal preference on which I am willing to defer to the judgment of others.)

Attachment



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 19, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR BEN ELLIOTT  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT  
DIRECTOR, PRESIDENTIAL SPEECHWRITING

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

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Remarks:  
National Youth Governors' Conference  
(6/19 -- 12:20 p.m. draft)

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced remarks,  
and finds no objection to them from a legal perspective.

cc: Richard G. Darman

FFF:JGR:aea 6/19/84  
bcc: FFFielding/JGRoberts/Subj/Chron

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Subject: Proposed Presidential Remarks: National  
Youth Governors' Conference  
6/19 - 12:30 pm draft

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**WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM**DATE: 6/19/84 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 10:00 a.m. tomorrow, 6/SUBJECT: PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL YOUTH GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE  
(6/19 - 12:30 p.m. draft)

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## RESPONSE:

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Richard G. Darman  
Assistant to the President  
Ext. 2702

1984 JUN 19 PM 1:10

(Myer/BE)  
June 19, 1984  
12:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL YOUTH GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE  
THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1984

Thank you very much. It's a privilege to welcome such a distinguished group of high school students to the White House and the Rose Garden. I know you must be very proud of being elected to your offices, and we're very proud of you.

Several weeks ago, a very famous young man visited the White House. Considering the reception he received, I was tempted to wear a white glove this morning. Well, it's obvious you and I both have some things in common: We both like Michael Jackson, and we've been involved in the political process at the State level. In fact, whenever someone says, "Governor," I still turn my head.

After I looked over your Washington schedule and the questionnaire listing your interests, I decided to talk about an issue on many of your minds -- and with good reason. We all recognize that there is no more important foreign policy goal than the building of a more peaceful world in which liberty and prosperity can flourish. We want to develop a more realistic working relationship with the Soviet Union -- one marked by greater cooperation and understanding, and by progress in arms reductions.

Real progress requires honest efforts by both sides. Unfortunately, it appears that the Soviet Union is unwilling to make that commitment. As you may know, during the months that the START and INF talks were underway, the United States proposed

seven different initiatives. None were offered on a take-it or leave-it basis. Indeed, we made a number of adjustments to respond to the concerns of the Soviet side. But the Soviet Union insisted on preserving their monopoly on medium-range missiles in Europe. When the nations of the West made clear that a Soviet monopoly was not acceptable, the Soviets walked away from the negotiating table.

Despite this disappointment, we should not lose sight of the bigger picture: In a quiet way, we are trying to talk and negotiate with the Soviet Union -- and on many fronts.

Just 2 months ago in Vienna, we and our Western partners put forward new proposals on reducing the levels of conventional military forces in Europe. And those MBFR talks are continuing. In the same week, at the 40-nation Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, Vice President Bush offered a draft agreement for a worldwide ban on chemical weapons. And I might add that at this conference we have sought to discuss nuclear testing limitations and anti-satellite and space arms issues. These talks are also continuing. And at the Conference on Disarmament in Europe in Stockholm, we're pursuing a series of proposals that would reduce the chance of conflict in Europe.

We're also trying to move forward in our bilateral relations. The latest round of negotiations on upgrading the hotline ended less than 2 months ago. In the economic field, we're taking a number of steps to increase exchanges in non-strategic goods. We've extended our very useful Incidents at Sea Agreement for another term.



We've also proposed discussions to expand and multiply contacts of benefit to our people. But here, too, the Soviets have made things very difficult. I know that you are very familiar with the tragedy of KAL flight 007 and the plight of Andrei Sakharov. You may not be aware that, just last week, the Soviet state adopted a new law that puts its citizens at risk of punishment for giving shelter, transportation, or other services to foreigners without official permission. If a Soviet family wanted to invite you to dinner at their house, they would first have to notify the police.

So if you look at the big picture, it's clear we in the West are doing our utmost to establish a cooperative, stable, and peaceful relationship. But it's also clear that the Soviet Union has not yet made the decision to join us in that effort. We'll keep trying; we'll keep hoping they'll realize it's in their best interests to join with us and the rest of the world community to build a more peaceful world.

Well, I've gone on long enough, but I do want to congratulate all the Governors and Chief Justices for your noteworthy achievements. And I urge you to use your leadership positions to get involved and to get others involved in public life. Remember those words by Thomas Paine -- that we have it within our power to start the world all over again.

Thank you, good luck, and God bless you all.