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(ROHRBACHER/AB) 635 JUNE 17, 1982  
1:45 P.M.

REMARKS AT SECRETARY GENERAL'S  
LUNCHEON/RETURN TOAST

MR. SECRETARY GENERAL,  
MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORED GUESTS:

IT IS A PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO BE WITH  
YOU TODAY BECAUSE IT PROVIDES AN  
OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THIS COUNTRY'S  
CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES  
ON WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS WAS FOUNDED,  
SOME 37 YEARS AGO. THIS BODY WAS BORN  
OUT OF THE BRUTALITY AND CHAOS OF A  
TERRIBLE WAR -- A WAR THAT HAD ENGULFED  
THE PLANET WITH A FEROCITY OF  
DESTRUCTION AS MANKIND HAD NEVER KNOWN.

MY LONGEVITY HAS GIVEN ME A  
PERSPECTIVE ON THE FOUNDING OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS THAT WAS USEFUL IN THE  
PREPARATION OF THE REMARKS THAT I MADE  
TODAY.

**HANDWRITING FILE**

I REMEMBER THE U.N.'s FIRST DAYS, AND  
OUR HOPES AT THE TIME THAT THIS WOULD BE  
A FORUM FOR ALL OF MANKIND, REPLACING  
ARMED CONFLICT WITH DEBATE. WE HOPED  
THAT, WHEN NECESSARY, IT COULD DO WHAT  
HAD TO BE DONE TO PREVENT AGGRESSION.  
YESTERDAY, MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, YOU  
PRESIDED OVER A CONVOCATION HONORING THE  
CENTENARY OF A GREAT AMERICAN LEADER,  
FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT. I RECALL THE  
INSPIRATION OF HIS DECLARATION, WITH  
WINSTON CHURCHILL, OF THE FOUR  
FREEDOMS -- AT A TIME WHEN THE  
FREEDOM-LOVING PEOPLE OF THE WORLD WERE  
SORELY IN NEED OF INSPIRATION. IN A  
VERY REAL WAY THIS, AN INSTITUTION  
DEDICATED TO PEACE, WAS HIS DREAM. I  
CAN ASSURE YOU TODAY, HOWEVER IMPERFECT  
THE REALITY MAY BE, AMERICANS STILL  
DREAM THAT DREAM.

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MUCH HAS HAPPENED IN THESE LAST  
37 YEARS. OUR COUNTRYMEN CAN BE PROUD  
THAT, FROM THE FIRST DAY, THE U.N. HAS  
HAD FROM THE UNITED STATES THE UTMOST  
MORAL, POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.  
I SHOULD POINT OUT THAT, EVEN IN A TIME  
OF DOMESTIC ECONOMIC RETRENCHMENT,  
AMERICAN FINANCIAL SUPPORT HAS NOT  
DECLINED.

THIS INSTITUTION HAS NOT BECOME THE  
PANACEA FOR ALL MANKIND'S PROBLEMS AS  
SOME EXPECTED; NEVERTHELESS, IT HAS BEEN  
AND CAN BE A FORCE FOR GREAT GOOD.  
WHILE IT HAS NOT SOLVED EVERY PROBLEM OR  
PREVENTED EVERY CONFLICT, THERE HAVE  
BEEN SHINING ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MORE THAN  
A FEW ARE ALIVE AND LIVE DECENTLY  
BECAUSE OF THIS INSTITUTION. PERHAPS  
NOW, WE HAVE A MORE MATURE VIEW OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS.

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WHILE RECOGNIZING ITS LIMITATIONS, WE DO NOT OVERLOOK ITS REAL POTENTIAL ~~AND~~ THE OPPORTUNITIES, OPPORTUNITIES THAT, FOR THE SAKE OF HUMANITY, WE CANNOT AFFORD TO WASTE. WE WELCOME AND SUPPORT, FOR EXAMPLE, THE SINCERE AND PERSONAL EFFORTS MADE BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO PREVENT, CONTAIN AND RESOLVE THE CONFLICTS IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC, IN LEBANON AND IN IRAN AND IRAQ. YOU MAY BE NEW TO YOUR JOB, MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, BUT YOUR VIGOR AND COMMITMENT DURING THIS TRYING TIME HAVE IMPRESSED ALL THOSE WHO LOVE PEACE.

AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE IS A MANDATE SECOND ONLY TO THE PRESERVATION OF MY COUNTRY'S FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE.

WITH THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF TODAY'S  
WEAPONS, KEEPING THE PEACE IS NOT JUST A  
GOAL, IT IS A SACRED OBLIGATION.

BUT MAINTAINING PEACE REQUIRES MORE  
THAN SINCERITY AND IDEALISM, MORE THAN  
OPTIMISM AND GOODWILL. AS YOU KNOW  
WELL, PEACE IS A PRODUCT OF HARD,  
STRENUOUS LABOR BY THOSE DEDICATED TO  
ITS PRESERVATION. IT REQUIRES REALISM,  
NOT WISHFUL THINKING.

FOR OUR PART, WE TAKE THE ISSUE OF  
ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT -- THE  
PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL SESSION --  
SERIOUSLY. ~~MY PRESENCE HERE TODAY AND~~  
THE TANGIBLE PROPOSALS WE'VE MADE FOR  
NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL ARMS REDUCTION  
SHOULD UNDERLINE OUR DEDICATION TO  
MAKING THIS A SAFER AND MORE PEACEFUL  
WORLD.

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TO THIS END, WE SEEK TO REESTABLISH A  
BALANCE AND AN ACTUAL REDUCTION OF  
STRATEGIC WEAPONS.

AN UNPLEASANT REALITY, BUT TRUE  
NONETHELESS, IS THE FACT THAT MANY WORDS  
MUST BE SPOKEN BEFORE PROGRESS BETWEEN  
NATIONS CAN BE MADE. SO LET US GET ON  
WITH THE WORDS. YET IT HAS BEEN SAID  
THAT THROUGH THEIR DEEDS YOU SHALL KNOW  
MEN. SO LET US GET ON WITH THE DEEDS OF  
PEACE AS WELL.

TODAY I OFFER YOU THIS TOAST;  
MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, TO YOU AND THIS  
INSTITUTION AND TO THE DEEDS OF PEACE.

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(PARVIN/AB)

JUNE 17, 1982  
6:00 P.M.

BRIEF REMARKS: NEW YORK GOP CONVENTION  
PROGRAM

I AM ALWAYS DELIGHTED TO SPEAK TO  
REPUBLICAN DELEGATES. I HAD <sup>SORT OF DEVELOPED</sup> ~~A BIT OF~~  
~~THE TASTE~~ <sup>THE TASTE</sup> ~~LOOK WITH THEM~~ BACK IN THE SUMMER OF  
1980. I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I LIKE ABOUT  
REPUBLICANS -- THEIR OPTIMISM AND  
DEDICATION. AND LET ME SAY GEORGE CLARK  
IS JUST THAT KIND OF REPUBLICAN. I  
REMEMBER WHEN EVERYONE TOLD US TO WRITE  
OFF NEW YORK IN 1980, GEORGE WAS THE ONE  
THAT SAID, "NOTHING DOING." AND OF  
COURSE, YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. AND IT  
WILL BE ACTIVISTS LIKE GEORGE AND YOU,  
THE FOLKS WHO ORGANIZE AND VOTE, WHO  
WILL DETERMINE WHAT AMERICA WILL BE LIKE  
IN THE YEARS AHEAD. IT'S OUR JOB TO  
MUSTER THE FORCES OF HOPE AND SHOW THE  
NATION THAT CHANGE IS POSSIBLE.

HANDWRITING FILE



TODAY WE'RE ENGAGED IN A FIERCE STRUGGLE WITH THE PROPONENTS OF NEGATIVISM; THE ADVOCATES OF "NO." THEY OFFER THE POLITICS OF NO NEW IDEAS, NO GROWTH, ~~NO NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS~~, NO INCENTIVES TO WORK, NO INCENTIVES TO SAVE, AND NO FIRM SECURITY FOR OUR NATION.

WE REPUBLICANS ARE AND MUST REMAIN THE PROPONENTS OF "YES." YES, WE CAN HAVE A BRIGHTER TOMORROW. YES, WE CAN MAKE GOVERNMENT WORK. YES, WE CAN SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS; WE CAN HAVE A SAFE AND STRONG AMERICA; WE CAN LIVE TOGETHER IN HARMONY NO MATTER WHAT OUR RACE OR RELIGION. WHEN IT COMES TO OUR COUNTRY, YES IS THE ONLY WORD WE UNDERSTAND. OUR COUNTRY IS BUILT ON THAT WORD.

COLONISTS WHO SAID, "YES, WE CAN SEEK A BETTER WORLD." PIONEERS WHO SAID, "YES, WE CAN OPEN UP THE PRAIRIES AND THE FRONTIERS." HEROES WHO SAID, "YES, WE WILL DEFEND FREEDOM TO THE VERY END."

IN 1982, WE REPUBLICANS KNOW WHAT WE STAND FOR, UNLIKE MANY OF THE DEMOCRATS. AFTER BEING IN WASHINGTON FOR A YEAR AND A HALF, I'VE LEARNED ONE THING FOR SURE: THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO EVERY QUESTION AND THE DEMOCRATS ARE ON BOTH SIDES OF EVERYONE. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WANT A POSITIVE ALTERNATIVE, SOMETHING OUR OPPONENTS WITH ALL THEIR CRITICISM HAVE YET TO OFFER.

WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT JOB AHEAD OF US. GETTING OUR MESSAGE ACROSS WILL NOT BE EASY, BUT WE DO HAVE TREMENDOUS ADVANTAGES.

IN SPITE OF EVERYTHING YOU HEAR, THE  
ISSUES ARE WITH US. THEY'RE WITH US  
BECAUSE WE ARE TRYING TO SOLVE THE  
PROBLEMS FACING THIS NATION. AND ON <sup>H.W. TO</sup>  
NOVEMBER 2, IF WE GET OUR STORY ACROSS,  
THE VOTERS WILL CONFIRM THE MANDATE THEY  
GAVE US IN 1980.

REMEMBER, AFTER THE NATIONAL  
POLITICAL DEBATE GETS UNDER WAY, IT'S  
THE OTHER PARTY THAT WILL HAVE TO MAKE  
SOME STARK ADMISSIONS TO THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE. IT'S THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP OF  
THE OTHER PARTY WHO REFUSED <sup>TO MAKE</sup> ANY  
MEANINGFUL CUT IN SPENDING. IT'S THE  
LIBERAL LEADERSHIP WHO WANTED TO TAKE  
AWAY THE PEOPLE'S TAX CUT. IT'S THE  
LIBERAL LEADERSHIP WHO TRIED TO PROTECT  
EVERY LORD AND FIEFDOM IN THE FEDERAL  
BUREAUCRACY.

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*Bellevue*

WE REPUBLICANS OFFER THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE WHAT ~~FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT OFFERED~~  
~~THEM IN THE 1930'S~~ -- HOPE -- THE HOPE  
OF SETTING THINGS RIGHT ONCE AGAIN, THE  
HOPE OF A NEW ANSWER, THE HOPE OF MAKING  
AMERICA GREAT AGAIN. THAT IS THE  
FORMULA FOR RE-ELECTION. WE CAN SET  
THINGS RIGHT. WE DO HAVE NEW ANSWERS.  
AND WITH REPUBLICANS LIKE YOU HERE  
TODAY, WE ARE CLOSER THAN EVER TO  
ATTAINING THOSE GOALS FOR AMERICA.

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*Red. Cuts - '82-'83*

*Medicare - 16.7% - almost 15%*

*Bmt... Cut... 17% - 1/2 - less*

*J.F.K. - 29% - Herman Weiss - 51%*

*- 46% - Defense - less 30%*