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1) Subject: Meeting with Congressmen Ed
BETHUNE and Clement ZABLOCKI to
discuss their amendment prohibiting the
production of binary nerve gas weapons

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THE SCHEDULE OF
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



Wednesday, May 25, 1983

9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Secretary Shultz</u> (Clark) <i>Ken Deaver</i>	Oval Office
9:45 am (2hrs45min)	<u>Summit Preparation Briefing</u> (Deaver/Clark)	Cabinet Room
12:30 pm (60 min)	<u>Lunch</u>	Oval Office
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Congressmen Ed Bethune and Clement Zablocki</u> (Duberstein)	Oval Office
1:45 pm 4:30 hrs (2 hrs)	<u>Summit Preparation Briefing</u> (Deaver/Clark)	Cabinet Room

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9:30 am (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Secretary Shultz</u> 0935 — 1020 (Clark) Shultz, Clark, Deaver, Baker, Meese, McFarland, Danner.	Oval Office
9:45 am (2hrs45min)	<u>Summit Preparation Briefing</u> 1025 (Deaver/Clark) Cast of 1,000's	Cabinet Room
12:30 pm (60 min)	<u>Lunch</u> outside (Deaver's porch) "Solo" bowl Navy Bean Soup.	Oval Office
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Congressmen Ed Bethune</u> 1330.00 and Clement Zablocki 1140 (Duberstein) Meese, VP, Weinberger, Bethune, Zablocki, Clark	Oval Office
1:45 pm (3 hrs)	<u>Summit Preparation Briefing</u> 1401 → 1532 (Deaver/Clark)	Cabinet Room

UPI, AP, NY Times Photo w/ Weinberg

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Paul T. G. ...
Major, USMC

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVE FISCHER

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. ^{BO}
SUBJECT: Presidential Meeting Attendance

The following individuals were in attendance at the 1:30 p.m. meeting with the President on Binary Gas in the Oval Office:

The Vice President
Secretary of Defense Weinberger

Members of the House of Representatives

Congressman Ed Bethune (R-Arkansas)
Congressman Clement Zablocki (D-Wisconsin)

Staff:

Edwin Meese, James A. Baker, William Clark, Robert McFarlane, David Wright

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12:30 pm (60 min)	<u>Summit Preparation Lunch</u> (Deaver/Clark)	Cabinet Room
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Congressmen Ed Bethune and Clement Zablocki</u> (Duberstein)	Oval Office (Tab A)
1:45 pm (3 hrs)	<u>Summit Preparation Briefing</u> (Deaver/Clark)	Cabinet Room

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4:00 pm

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

MEETING WITH CONGRESSMAN ED BETHUNE
(R-ARKANSAS) AND CONGRESSMAN CLEMENT
ZABLOCKI (D-WISCONSIN)

DATE: Wednesday, May 25, 1983

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 1:30 (15 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein *KMD*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss the Bethune-Zablocki amendment to the Fiscal Year 1984 Defense Authorization bill which would prohibit the production of binary nerve gas weapons, and to see if there is any middle ground for a compromise.

II. BACKGROUND

Clem Zablocki is an eighteenth term Democrat from Wisconsin's Fourth District (Milwaukee area). He is Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and serves as a member of the House Select Committee on Intelligence.

Ed Bethune is a third term Republican from Arkansas' Second District (central part of state including Searcy). He is a member of the House Budget Committee and the House Banking Committee.

During the 97th Congress, Bethune and Zablocki teamed up to offer an amendment to prohibit the production of binary nerve gas. This amendment was adopted on the House Floor by a vote of 251 to 159. On March 22, 1983, Bethune wrote to the President to ask him to restate the 1969 policy announced by President Nixon against the production of chemical and biological weapons. On May 10, 1983, the President responded to Bethune. In that letter, the President reiterated his support for a treaty on chemical weapons and indicated that "it is essential that the nation take some visible steps this year toward reestablishing the credible retaliatory chemical capability essential for an adequate deterrent."

A memorandum to the President from Defense Secretary Weinberger, dated April 18, 1983, suggested that the Administration should explore the possibility of gaining a consensus position with concerned Congressmen on the chemical weapons issue; and the Defense Department has been pursuing this objective in discussions with various Congressmen.

The limitation on procurement of binary chemical weapons is addressed in Title XI of the Fiscal Year 1984 Defense Authorization bill, but Bethune and Zablocki also are considering the possibility of offering their amendment to Title I of the bill. Title I tentatively is scheduled for the House Floor on Wednesday, May 25, or Thursday, May 26.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Secretary of Defense Weinberger

Congressman Ed Bethune (R-Arkansas)
Congressman Clement Zablocki (D-Wisconsin)

Staff

Edwin Meese, III
James A. Baker, III
Mike Deaver
William Clark
Kenneth Duberstein

IV. PRESS PLAN

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V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Brief remarks by the President followed by open discussion.

Attachment: Talking Points

TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH
CONGRESSMAN ED BETHUNE (R-ARKANSAS)
AND CONGRESSMAN CLEMENT ZABLOCKI (D-WISCONSIN)

- In welcoming Clem and Ed to the Oval Office, acknowledge awareness of their activities and interest on the chemical weapons issue.
- State your support for a complete and verifiable ban on chemical weapons within the framework of the treaty process.
- Express disappointment that the Soviet Union thus far has not shown the willingness to work constructively in this area.
- Point to recent Soviet actions in Afghanistan and other areas where victim countries do not possess a credible deterrent to chemical and biological weapons, and contrast this with our experience in World War II where "both sides" had such weapons but chose not to use them.
- Stress the need, under present circumstances, for the United States to take necessary steps to ensure that we have an adequate capability to deter aggression with chemical weapons.
- In closing, acknowledge the efforts of Secretary of Defense Weinberger to see if a consensus position can be developed through the legislative process, and express the hope that this meeting will further that objective.