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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: JOHN ROGERS
FROM: Morton C. Blackwell 
SUBJECT: Request to Print Invitations

As you may know, the White House Outreach Working Group on Central America is organizing a series of inter-agency briefings in major U.S. cities.

To maximize the impact, the invitations will be issued by the White House. Attached is a copy of the text which has been agreed upon. (For each region in which the briefings are conducted, the invitation will be appropriately modified as to place, date, time, speakers, and co-sponsors as arranged by Otto Reich's office in the State Department. However, the basic format of the invitation will remain the same.)

The first "Forum on Central America" will be held in Philadelphia on January 24, 1984. We will need 8,000 invitations printed as soon as possible in order for them to be timely mailed.

I would appreciate your expediting the typesetting and printing of the 8,000 invitations for the Philadelphia briefing.

MCB:jet

1 Attachment a/s

cc: Faith Ryan Whittlesey

*1/4/84: Fred Fielding, W.H. Counsel
rejected the White House
printing these invitations
→ also will not approve
the W.H. being listed
as an invitee.*

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF PUBLIC LIAISON
THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

INVITE YOU TO ATTEND

A FORUM ON CENTRAL AMERICA

FEATURING:

AMBASSADOR LANGHORNE A. MOTLEY,
Assistant Secretary of State
for Inter-American Affairs

M. PETER McPHERSON,
Administrator
Agency for International Development

NESTOR D. SANCHEZ,
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
for Inter-American Affairs

Tuesday, January 24, 1984

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Bellevue Stratford Hotel
Broad & Walnut Streets
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Co-Sponsored By
The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia
and
The University of Pennsylvania

There is no charge to attend the Forum. You are requested, however,
to register in advance by completing the form below and mailing it to:

The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia
3rd Floor Gallery, John Wannamaker Store
13th and Market Streets
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Kate Newsom Marjorie Krome
World Affairs Council Department of State
of Philadelphia Washington, D.C.
(215) 563-5363 (202) 632-2732

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(Number & Street) (City)

(State) (Zip Code) TELEPHONE NUMBER

ORGANIZATION: _____

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Jean Calhoun
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WH envelopes
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Deputy Assistant Secretary of
Defense for Inter-American Affairs

Lincoln Auditorium
University of Hartford
200 Bloomfield Avenue
West Hartford

Monday, January 23, 1984
7:30-9:30 p.m.

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The World Affairs Center of Greater Hartford
The University of Hartford
In Cooperation With Other Hartford Area Organizations

There is a \$2.50 registration fee to attend the Forum. Checks should be made payable to World Affairs Center of Greater Hartford. You are requested to register in advance by completing the form below and mailing it together with your registration fee to:

World Affairs Center of
Greater Hartford
1380 Asylum Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06105

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Marjorie Anderson Constance Dunaway
World Affairs Center Department of State
(203) 236-5277 (202) 632-1391

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Clover Room
Bellevue Stratford Hotel
Broad and Walnut Streets
Philadelphia

Tuesday, January 24, 1984
6:00-7:30 p.m.
Cash Bar 5:30 p.m.

Co-Sponsored By
The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia
Department of Commerce-District Export Council
In Cooperation With Other Philadelphia Area Organizations

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:	Katie Newsom Pastuzek	Marjorie Krome
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A FORUM ON CENTRAL AMERICA

CO-SPONSORED BY: The White House Office of Public Liaison
The U.S. Department of State
The World Affairs Council of Philadelphia
The University of Pennsylvania

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, January 24, 1984 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

PLACE:

FEATURING: LANGHORNE A. MOTLEY, Assistant Secretary of
State for Inter-American Affairs
M. PETER MCPHERSON, Administrator, Agency
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FORUM ON CENTRAL AMERICA

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Members of local civic, business, religious, labor, and academic organizations are cooperating on this event.

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Potential Cooperating Organizations:

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~~Council for International Visitors~~

~~Governor's Council on Opportunity for Hispanic Community~~

Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce

International Business Forum

~~2 League of Women Voters~~

~~Metropolitan Christian Council of Philadelphia~~

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: FAITH WHITTLESEY

THROUGH: Jack Courtemanche

FROM: Morton C. Blackwell *2/2*

SUBJECT: Anniversary of the Cuban Revolution

Attached to refresh your memory is a copy of your memorandum to Bob McFarlane with your handwritten note to Bob Reilly and me.

At our working group meeting today, Donald Mathes, Senior Policy Officer for USIA inquired about the status of the effort. As we approach the 25th anniversary of Castro's takeover of Cuba and the massive propaganda effort we know will emanate from that quarter, this project takes on more urgency.

Do we know what progress has been made to date?

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM: FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY *FRW*

SUBJECT: Anniversary of the Cuban Revolution

An idea surfaced at the Monday afternoon Central America meeting to commemorate the 25th year since Castro's takeover on January 2, 1959, by having the President speak directly to the people of Cuba, just as he spoke directly to the Soviet peoples from VOA. Though Radio Marti will not have begun to broadcast at that time, the President could announce a starting date by saying: "You may be receiving the voice of freedom only faintly now, but it will be growing stronger, not only as the broadcast signal of Radio Marti grows stronger, but as those who hope for freedom and long for truth realize that the oppression of the Marxist state must inevitably crumble before man's free spirit and the sovereignty of God."

The President could also take this opportunity to tell the Cubans the high cost of empire as they serve as Soviet surrogates in Angola, Ethiopia and Mozambique, and how they are being used as tools in Soviet global strategy. He could use the occasion also to deplore the loss of basic human freedoms in Cuba since Castro's victory 25 years ago.

To: Bob Reilly (Morton)
From: FRW
NSC says
they agree w/ this
idea + will act
on it; Please
inform Monday
working group

12/2

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

December 22, 1983

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Last April 27, before the Joint Session of the Congress, I signalled our deep concern with the need for advancing peaceful and democratic solutions in troubled Central America. In that speech, I indicated my intention to name a Special Envoy for Central American negotiations. Ambassador Richard B. Stone, our Special Envoy, has performed extraordinary service in communicating with the countries of Central America and the Contadora Group to help bring democratization and an end of fighting to all the countries of the region.

Ambassador Stone has just informed me of the current status of the various efforts at achieving a peaceful settlement in Central America. I want to reiterate my support and commitment to his delicate but crucial mission. As my personal representative, he speaks for me in our efforts to advance peace and democracy in this nearby area. He plans to return to the area shortly after the first of the year, and I join with all in wishing him the greatest success in his mission.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

December 23, 1983

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

As we celebrate the many blessings of our great nation and share the spirit of Christmas, we should take the time to consider the plight of those not far from our shores in Central America. The turmoil there is taking an incredible human toll. There are more than 850,000 refugees and displaced persons in Costa Rica, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Mexico. In El Salvador alone, more than 400,000 men, women, and children have been forced to flee their homes by guerillas seeking control of the country through violence. Tens of thousands more have fled the brutal revolution of broken promises in Nicaragua.

Meeting the desperate needs of the victims of aggression and oppression is a key part of what we are seeking to achieve in the region. Through our government programs, we have relieved some of the human suffering in the region. Much more can be done and much more needs to be done. Help from individual American citizens is very important. Government funding encourages the help of private voluntary organizations, but your personal support is essential to keep them going. The greatest need is to improve the delivery of aid to the needy and involve more of our own private voluntary organizations in this delivery effort.

You can make a difference and I encourage you to contact voluntary agencies working in Central America in which you have confidence. They need your financial support, and your technical and medical skills. If you would like to contribute or offer your services and don't know of a volunteer organization please write the American Committee for Voluntary Agencies, 200 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10003. I can't think of a better way to share the spirit of Christmas and work for peace on earth and goodwill toward mankind.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: THE MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE WHITE HOUSE
OUTREACH WORKING GROUP ON CENTRAL AMERICA

FROM: Morton C. Blackwell *MB*

SUBJECT: The President's Call for Private Humanitarian
Assistance to Central America

I urge you to make use of the President's statement, enclosed, regarding the plight of hundreds of thousands of refugees and displaced persons in Central America -- people who have fled from oppression, persecution, and unrest.

Most of them face grim conditions. Malnutrition and lack of essential clothing, housing and medical care are among the problems facing these fleeing families. The countries of the region have little or no resources to share with these displaced persons.

Despite the best efforts of the United States and Central American government agencies, the key and most effective way to provide for these individuals and families is through church and private charitable organizations. Many of these refugees are afraid to register with governmental organizations.

As a participant in our White House Outreach programs on Central America and someone interested in making a positive contribution in this area, you have ways to communicate this great problem to many Americans who might help if they were aware of the need and told how they could help fill that need.

The President's statement tells the stark facts. Private humanitarian aid to this region will save lives and give hope to many homeless refugees.

For the President's call for humanitarian private aid to be effective, many people will have to be informed by you through magazine articles, newsletters, broadcasts and speeches. Do you have any means of letting more people know of this desperate need?

As the President said, if anyone does not know of an appropriate volunteer organization actively aiding displaced persons in Central America, they could contact:

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR VOLUNTARY AGENCIES
200 Park Avenue South
New York, New York 10003
Phone: (212) 674-6844 or (212) 777-8210

1 Enclosure

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To: ~~P/P~~ Mr. Philip Cohen *All concerned*
From: ~~P/PFL~~ George A. Miller *USIA*

Date *December 2, 1983*

Subject: Cuban Anniversary Articles

The following articles pegged to the upcoming 25th anniversary of the Cuban revolution, January 1, 1984, have been commissioned and will be carried on the Latin American wireless file during December:

"Cuban Support For Revolutionary Movements" by Jorge Dominguez, Professor of Government at Harvard University (draft in PFL)

"Cuban Dependence on the USSR" by John Finan, Professor, American University (draft pending)

"Cuba, the Failed Model-An Overview" by Luis Aguilar, Professor, Georgetown University (draft pending)

"Cuba and the Eastern Caribbean" by Kenneth Skoug, Director of Cuban Affairs, State Department (update pending).

~~P/PFL:URQuintero~~

~~(END)~~

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DIPLOMACY ACTION PLAN:
THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTION

A. Setting

The 25th anniversary year of the Cuban Revolution will be the occasion for extensive propaganda efforts on the part of the Cubans and their allies and sympathizers. The response of the U.S. government should strive to counter the myths about the Cuban revolution with the realities. Castro is one of the supreme masters of international propaganda. The recent setback in Grenada forced him to open the doors of Cuba, albeit, just a crack, to foreign journalists. This ~~will~~ ^{has} ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~has~~ ^{has} doubt generated a number of stories on the current state of Cuban society.

role as Soviet surrogate { We should also emphasize that our ^{NO.} fundamental objection to the Cuban regime is due to its denial of basic human rights--the right to a free press, to freedom of assembly, to free elections, etc. Let us not fall into the trap of concentrating on purely economic or "material" issues. To do so is to let our values be determined by the materialistic metaphysics of Marxism. *— this is not fundamental, but nevertheless important.*

It is important to keep before our audiences the conceptual/value framework that underlies this government's long-standing rejection of totalitarian regimes--of the right or left. Michael Novak's The Spirit of Democratic Capitalism is a powerful recent statement of this framework. The historical reality is that Leninism is a failed heresy of the Western tradition. This has become crystal-clear to the better minds of this generation--and to the populations of entire countries where the Leninist and other totalitarian experiments have been tried. We should, to the extent possible, not let this anniversary take place within the "value free" framework of international journalism since that will probably work ultimately in Castro's favor.

B. The U.S. Position

The U.S government should not, and need not, be perceived as "trying to get Castro." Our task and basic posture is to provide to the public, including media, what we know about the Cuban revolution. We should avoid permitting Castro to play the "Cuba victimized" theme if possible, since he is a past-master at exploiting that, especially in Latin America.

The U.S. government continues to maintain its historic willingness to begin negotiations to normalize relations with the Castro regime when that regime indicates a clear willingness to stop attempting to subvert other governments, and act as the Soviet Union's client state in these operations. *And open the door to human rights and civil liberties.*

C. Related Issues

The most important related issue is Central America and Cuba's role in that area, especially in Nicaragua. The revelations of the extent of Cuban penetration into the New Jewel Movement in Grenada should be carried over in our public diplomacy efforts for Central America. Nicaragua's domestic and foreign policies should be cast in terms of a popular revolution which has sold the country out to the interests of the Soviets and Cubans.

✓ and This is what disaffected Sandinistas (Pastora, Robelo, Farach, Bolanos) have been saying).

D. Media Treatment

We should encourage credible news organizations, responsible academics and well-known research organizations to produce 25th anniversary materials on Cuba. The basic theme should be "Cuba: Myth and Reality." The approach should be comparative and factual, giving credit where it is due, but not pulling punches on Cuban failures. Wherever possible we should work with members of the media to direct them to where they might find "the story" and skirt Cuban orchestration and control of media coverage.

E. Public Perceptions and Polls

✓✓ It is not clear what values ^fwould be obtained by commissioning or publicizing polls on the Cuban revolution for publics outside Cuba. Available indications of public support or the lack of it within Cuba, however, deserve dissemination.

F. Expected Developments

We do not know what activities Castro has planned for this event. It is assumed that there will be a variety of events throughout the anniversary year of 1984, although it is assumed that the primary focus, in both Cuba and elsewhere, will be around the anniversary date of January 1, 1983.

G. Programming Objectives

--to counter the recurrent myths of Cuban propaganda with the known facts.

--to emphasize the true nature of the Cuban and other Leninist "revolutions" as totalitarian regimes which violate the aspirations of democracy and "socialism" as that term is understood in most parts of the world.

✓ -- to emphasize the failure of the Cuban model economically, politically and socially as an unworkable model for bettering the lives of the poor in the hemisphere. (possible comparison to Cuban standard of living with other island nations during same time frame - 1953 + 25 years.)

H. Major Obstacles and Dangers

The main obstacle is the recurrent willingness of the international media to forget the past and report events in Cuba as if there were no history. We should emphasize the full historical context for this and other Leninist revolutions to reporters, academics and commentators. George Orwell's Animal Farm may be a more relevant text for this exercise than the latest State Department report on human rights in Cuba.

Another obstacle is the "news story" view of reality. We should encourage thoughtful commentaries and in-depth assessments, and encourage media gate-keepers not to use the "And now from Havana..." sort of coverage, unless it clearly states the basic facts about the totalitarian character of the regime it is reporting on.

Other problem themes that need to be addressed are:

- "David and Goliath," or "The revolution would have worked if only . . ."
- Cuba as a model for economic development.
- Castro as a "non-aligned" leader.
- No starvation in Cuba (the old barrio routine).

I. Major Assets and Opportunities

Our major asset is history. It was one thing to believe in Marxism-Leninism in 1923, or even 1933. It was a very different thing to remain a true-believer in 1943--or now 1983. The failure of the Cuban revolution is only one of many. The pragmatic argument should be emphasized--this mode of human ^{those} society does not deliver what it promises, and it deprives ^{those} who live within it of certain basic rights which define what it means to be fully human.

The economic argument can be countered with "If only the United States had..." But there is no argument explaining Castro's imposition of political tyranny.

J. Target Audiences

Domestic

Media and academics, other opinion leaders.

(Particular emphasis should be given to recalling to mind those who have misconstrued or misreported the nature of this regime in the past.)

International

1. Europe

Same audiences plus governments.. Attention should be given to Cuba's bad relations with its Latin neighbors, but laying special emphasis on Cuba's failure as a model for development, both of democracy and material well-being.

2. Latin America

Same as for Europe.

3. Other Areas

No special emphasis.

The play on this showed he Castro's need to send Cubans to CA and Africa because of the inability of the system to provide meaningful work for Cubans in Cuba.

K. Programming Themes

The overall theme is "The Cuban Revolution: Myths and Realities"

Sub-themes

Economic failures of the revolution.

Political repression.

Dependence on the Soviet Union.

Interventions abroad.

Mass exodus of Cuban population, unpopularity of the regime.

Fidel Castro, promises and realities--examples:

1957-1958 Castro's democratic promises and allies.

The manipulation of the international media.

1959-1961 Systematic but disguised isolation of the democratic groups.

1962-1984 Totalitarian control and the human victims.

Economic and Social Issues--examples:

Living standards before January 1959 for different quartiles of the population and a comparison with ~~the rest of Latin America.~~

Selected like countries in Latin America.

For the same population quartiles, the impact of the Castro regime--significantly lowered living-standards for 75% of the population to be documented.

Health and social services--propaganda and reality.

Life style and privileges of the communist elite and corruption in Cuba.

International Subversion and Indirect Aggression

Overview chronology of Castro's support for Marxists/Leninists and other terrorists in Latin America, the Middle East and Asia.

Estimated numbers of terrorists trained by Cuba for each major geographic region, 1959-1984.

Estimated victims in the four geographic regions of Cuban supported subversion and new Marxists/Leninists or pro-Cuban dictatorships such as Angola, Mozambique, Ethiopia, South Yemen, Grenada, Nicaragua, etc.

Democratic Opposition to the Castro Regime

Democratic opposition efforts in Cuba
Democratic opposition efforts in exile
Democratic governments in opposition

L. U.S. Initiatives and Actions

1. Gather up-to-date information ~~on the nature~~ illustrating and documenting all the themes and make available to all U.S. and foreign media through the Office of the Coordinator for Public Diplomacy and USIA. Action office: S/LPD, PA, ARA, INR, and USIA.
2. Paper on "The Cuban Revolution: Myth and Reality" to be written by Ernesto F. Betancourt under contract to S/LPD. Action: S/LPD. Deadline: Dec. 15, 1983. We will attempt to place this in a prestigious journal, such as Foreign Affairs (noting of course that it was done under contract to the U.S. government).
3. President Reagan to highlight Cuba in a speech, press conference, or radio message in late December or early January. Action: White House/NSC, S/LPD, ARA, S/LPD.
4. Speeches by other major administration spokesmen. Action: Vice President's office, DOD, S/LPD, ARA.
5. Despatch mid-level speakers to major media markets. Background material to be prepared and provided. Action: White House, DOD, PA, S/LPD, ARA, INR.
6. Use credible Cuban spokesmen both domestically and in Europe.

* 7. Series of by-liners by USIA press service on various aspects of Cuba under Castro. Action: USIA Deadline: First ones by Jan. 1, 1984.

* 8. The Miami Herald is planning to devote major space over a period of days to a thorough analysis of Cuba under Castro. This and other useful media treatments should be given maximum distribution. Action: USIA and S/LPD.

* 9. Venevision of Venezuela is planning a TV documentary on Castro, for which USIA will have world-wide rights. This is in the works with USIA/T providing background footage and scripting assistance. Action: USIA/T

10. Series of briefings for foreign journalists at press center by high-ranking U.S. officials--e.g. Motley, Dam, Eagleburger.

* 11. VOA editorials

* 12. Foreign Press Centers in Washington, New York + Miami -- panels + briefings by USG spokesmen, credible Cuban exiles, Lat Am academic specialists - Dec. 13, etc.

Drafted by: JWELCH

13. Coverage of activities by anti-Castro groups in FLORIDA.

*- Already in preparation

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 21, 1983

Dear Mr. Broward:

Thank you for sending me the tape of your radio program on October 29th. It is good to know that the response to your program indicated the listeners were strongly in favor of the President's leadership in the Grenada situation.

I have not yet had an opportunity to listen to the tape, but I know it will prove interesting and you can be certain I shall pass the information along to the President.

Sincerely, .

Faith R. Whittlesey

Faith Ryan Whittlesey
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison

Mr. John Broward
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Mrs. Faith Whittlesey,
Asst. to the President,
Public Liaison,
The White House,
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Whittlesey:

I believe the enclosed tape of the "open phones" portion of my program, October 29th, is worth listening to, and *please* ~~pass~~ the information on to the President. You will find that the sentiments are very close to 100% in favor of our actions in the "liberation" of Grenada.

I am very sorry that I had completely forgotten about the time change (E.S.T.) at 2:00 A.M., and therefore did not have another cassette with me at the time, as the following hour was very much the same as the two hours that you will be hearing, or monitoring.

The opening portion of the tape is the end of a telephone interview that I had with Sam Dickens, Col., USAF, Ret. from 10 P.M. until 12:20 A.M.

I am extremely proud of the public reaction to this operation, in spite of the negative press coverage, and as suggested by one of the callers, thought I would re-record the program and make the President aware of the "silent majority" opinions in this liberal enclave of talk hosts, and transplanted Northeastern sentiments.

Your reply re receipt of tape and comments on content will be gratefully appreciated.

Sincerely,

John Broward,
Talk Host

JB/wjc

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November 8, 1983

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Dear Faith:

White House Digest is an excellent product and I wanted you to know how highly we regard it. I think it would be useful to try to give it broader distribution around the country, especially to the media.

The USIA Central America Task Force has been in touch with Morton Blackwell in order to arrange distribution of the Digest to our overseas posts, beginning with the next issue. It will be a highly useful compendium of information for our officers, and I hope you will keep issuing the Digest on a regular and continuing basis.

Best wishes, and keep up the good work.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Z. Wick
Director

The Honorable
Faith Ryan Whittlesey
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1983

A REMINDER

Because our records indicate that we have not received your completed Registration Form, enclosed is a copy for your use.

In order to be admitted to the weekly briefings of the White House Outreach Working Group on Central America, we would appreciate your completing the enclosed Registration form and returning it to:

The White House
Office of Public Liaison
Suite #191-OEOB
Washington, D.C. 20500

Our White House clearance list is compiled from these completed forms.

Please take a few moments to complete and return the enclosed Registration Form so you may continue to attend those weekly briefings which are of interest to you as well as receive our periodic mailings on Central America.

1 Enclosure a/s

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: THE MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE WHITE HOUSE
OUTREACH WORKING GROUP ON CENTRAL AMERICA

FROM: Faith Ryan Whittlesey,
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison

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Enclosed is a copy of Ambassador John D. Negroponte's remarks to our White House Outreach Working Group meeting of December 7th. As well as a copy of the December 16th joint Department of Defense-State Department publication, "Grenada, A Preliminary Report."

We are very fortunate that we will have as our first speaker for the new year, General John Vessey, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In order to accommodate General Vessey's schedule, we are going to CHANGE THE TIME of our regular outreach meeting for one meeting only to 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 4, 1984. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR.

Following is a listing of our White House Outreach Working Group speakers for the month of January, 1984:

January 4 - 10:00 a.m.**, Room #450-OEOB **NOTE CHANGE IN TIME

SPEAKER: General John W. Vessey, Jr.,
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
TOPIC: "Central America, Its Importance to the
United States"

January 11, - 2:30 p.m., Room #450-OEOB

SPEAKER: Mr. William C. Doherty, Jr.,
Executive Director
American Institute for Free Labor Movement
TOPIC: "The Status Of and Prospects For the Labor
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January 18, - 2:30 p.m., Room #450-OEOB

SPEAKER: Mr. Arnaud De Borchgrave,
Author: The Spike, Monimbo
TOPIC: "The Role of Cuba in International Terrorism
and Subversion"

January 25, - 2:30 p.m., Room #450-OEOB

SPEAKER: Senator Jeremiah Denton

TOPIC: "Report on My Trip to Central America"

SPEAKER: Senor Wycliffe Diego,

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"Human Rights as Practiced by the Sandinistas"

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 6, 1983

*I look forward to
seeing you.
Faith*

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OUTREACH WORKING GROUP ON CENTRAL AMERICA

FROM: Faith Ryan Whittlesey
Assistant to the President *FRW*
for Public Liaison

SUBJECT: CENTRAL AMERICAN OUTREACH MEETINGS

Thank you for your expressed interest in the White House Outreach Working Group on Central America and for completing and returning your registration form to us.

I regret that it is not possible for me to address each of you individually, but I did want to get the notice to you promptly of the change in the meeting place -- for the next three weeks only -- of our regular Wednesday Outreach Meetings.

On Wednesday, October 12, 1983 our regular meeting will be held in Room #2008 of the NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING at 2:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Colonel Earl J. Young, USAR, His topic will be: "The El Salvadoran Military and the U.S. Advisory Effort."

On Wednesday, October 19, 1983 our regular meeting will be held in Room #2008 of the NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING at 2:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Mrs. Geraldine O'Leary Macias, a former Mary Knoll nun. Her topic will be: "Nicaragua, Witness to the Betrayal of a Revolution."

On Wednesday, October 26, 1983 our regular meeting will be held in Room #2010 of the NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING at 2:30 p.m.


Because of the size of the group, it is not possible for us to communicate with each of you individually each week to remind you of the meeting. They are held every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. and with the exception of the room changes noted above, are held in Room #450-OEOB (the President's Briefing Room).

We hope that you will put these very important meetings on your schedule as a regular item. If you desire to bring a guest, or need other information, please give Joyce Thomann a call at 456-2657.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: FAITH WHITTLESEY
THROUGH: Jack Courtemanche
FROM: Morton C. Blackwell 
SUBJECT: Proposed Mailing/Notification of January Meetings

Attached for your approval and signature is a memorandum notifying the members and guests of the White House Outreach Working Group of the meetings for January.

In addition, we are sending everyone a copy of Ambassador Negroponte's recent speech and the new joint DoD-State Department paper on Grenada.

If you would sign the memorandum using black ink/ballpoint and return it to Joyce, we will have it printed and distributed by Wednesday of this week thus giving everyone ample notification of the change in time for General Vessey's briefing.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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