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SUGGESTED REMARKS FOR EMBASSY DROP-BY - June 10, 1987

-- IT IS A PLEASURE TO SEE ALL OF YOU, BOTH THE AMERICANS AND THE SWEDES, WHO ARE WORKING TO STRENGTHEN THE BONDS THAT UNITE OUR TWO COUNTRIES. OVER THE CENTURIES WE'VE SHARED A WONDERFUL FRIENDSHIP, AND NEXT YEAR MARKS THE 350TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST SWEDISH SETTLEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING IN THAT CELEBRATION.

-- I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU FROM SWEDEN HAVE WORKED HERE FOR MORE THAN 20 OR 30 YEARS. THAT'S A RECORD YOU CAN CERTAINLY BE PROUD OF!

-- FOR THE AMERICANS WORKING HERE, I'M AWARE THAT YOUR JOBS DEMAND LONG SEPARATIONS FROM YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES IN THE UNITED STATES, AND OTHER PERSONAL SACRIFICES. THE PRESIDENT AND I ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE AND DEDICATION.

-- I'VE HAD A WONDERFUL TRIP TO SWEDEN, AND HAVE LEARNED SO MUCH ABOUT THIS COUNTRY'S EFFORTS TO FIGHT DRUG ABUSE. I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS, AND I'VE TOURED A TREATMENT CENTER FOR PREGNANT WOMEN. WE'VE ALL BEEN ABLE TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND EXCHANGE IDEAS ON FINDING SOLUTIONS TO THIS PROBLEM.

-- I CAN SEE THAT EMBASSY FAMILIES IN STOCKHOLM HAVE MANY YOUNG CHILDREN. OUR FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AIMS TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN AND MAKE THEIR FUTURE A BRIGHTER ONE.

-- FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO THANK EACH OF YOU FOR HELPING TO MAKE MY VISIT SO ENJOYABLE. YOUR HOSPITALITY HAS MEANT SO MUCH TO ME, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL YOU'VE DONE. I WISH EACH OF YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR WORK HERE IN THE EMBASSY.