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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

April 24, 1985



MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM:

CONSTANTINE C. MENGES

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SUBJECT:

Presidential Speech Tonight--Proposal for Brief Statement on Central America and the

Freedom Fighters

This morning you agreed that it is very important for the President to provide reassurance both to our friends in Central America and to his supporters that he will make continued efforts to persuade Congress to provide support for the democratic resistance in Nicaragua. For that reason, the President should open his speech on the budget with a short statement on Central America. At Tab I is a memorandum from you to Patrick Buchanan suggesting the inclusion of such a statement and providing proposed themes. In my judgment, this speech provides a useful opportunity for reassurance by the President; and his silence, would raise deep concerns among US friends in Central America.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you send your memorandum at Tab I to Patrick Buchanan.

Concur: Burghardt, Tillman, North, C. Lehman.

Approve Disapprove

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Tab I Your memo to Buchanan w/attachment

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

FROM:

ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Presidential Speech on the Budget Tonight--

Suggested Introductory Remarks on Central America

I suggest that we add a Central America introduction to tonight's speech in order to reassure our friends in Central America that the President will continue his efforts to persuade the Congress to provide support for the democratic resistance in Nicaragua. Attached are several proposed themes.

Attachment

Policy is Balanced

US policy has been balanced and prudent with four mutually reinforcing elements: encouragement for democracy; economic aid to help improve living conditions; active diplomacy for realistic political solutions if attainable; and, security assistance to give the people of Central America the means to defend themselves against expanded Soviet bloc/Cuban/Nicaraguan subversive aggression.

Much Progress Has Been Made

Much progress has been made in four of the five Central American countries since 1981: Costa Rican democracy remains stable; Honduras has succeeded in its peaceful transition to democracy; El Salvador has had three democratic elections and the communist guerrillas are failing politically and militarily; Guatemala held fair and open constituent assembly elections in July 1984 and has scheduled democratic presidential elections in October--communist guerrillas there are weaker now.

Reasons to Support the Democratic Resistance

Support of the Nicaraguan Democratic Resistance is correct for three reasons: first, it is legitimate self-defense, since the Sandinistas initiated armed subversion against their neighbors in 1979 and the Nicaraguan resistance, which began in 1982, is a clearly defensive response; second, it is more difficult for the Sandinistas to attack its neighbors when the Democratic Resistance attacks and ties up the military facilities used for this communist subversion; third, the Democratic Resistance Force prevents the Sandinistas from infiltrating thousands of their troops into neighboring countries disguised as domestic communist insurgents. The Nicaraguan Freedom Fighters are thus not only a reason for the Sandinistas to carry out their democratic commitment to the OAS, but a defense barrier for Nicaragua's neighbors.

Actions of the Congress Yesterday and Today

Positive Action by the Senate

House Action Regrettable (or Positive) Because...

Consequences of Communist Success

Democracy can succeed in Central America, but Congress must release the funds that can create incentives for dialogue and peace. If we provide too little help, our choice will be a communist Central America with communist subversion spreading southward and northward. We face the risk that 100 million people from Panama to our open southern border could come under the control of pro-Soviet regimes and threaten the United States with violence, economic chaos, and a human tidal wave of refugees.

If the United States meets its obligations to help those now striving for democracy, they can create a bright future in which peace for all Americans will be secure. (President Reagan; April 4, 1985)

National Security Council The White House

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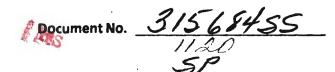
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PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH PLANNING SCHEDULE

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PRESIDENT SUAZO OF HONDURAS: DEPARTURE STATEMENT	05/21 Tuesday	Dana Rowena	05/15 Wednesday	05/20 11:00 Monday	05/20 3:00 Monday	
MEETING WITH COUNCIL OF THE AMERICAS	05/21 Tuesday	Dana KimW	05/15 4:00 Wednesday	05/16 10:00 Thursday	05/20 Noon Monday	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS AT THE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND	05/22 Wednesday	Dana Elizabeth	05/15 4:00 Wednesday	05/16 10:00 Thursday	05/17 3:00 Friday	1/2 sheets, Tues. p.m.
MEDAL OF FREEDOM CEREMONY/LUNCHEON	05/23 Thursday	Tony Kim	05/17 4: 00 Friday	05/20 10:00 Monday	05/21 3:00 Tuesday	
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS	05/24 Friday	Peter Josh Rowena Kim	05/21 8:00 Tuesday	05/21 10:00 Tuesday	05/21 4:00 Tuesday	
TAPING: ANNUAL MEETING FOR CHRISTIANS & JEWS	05/24 Friday		05/21 4:00 Tuesday	05/22 10:00 Wednesday	05/23 3:00 Thursday	
TAPING: 15TH WORLD GAMES FOR THE DEAF	05/24 Friday		05/21 4:00 Tuesday	05/22 10:00 Wednesday	05/23 3:00 Thursday	**

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RADIO TALK: PRELUDE TO TAX REFORM PLAN	05/25 Saturday					
DISNEY WORLD "INAUGURAL PARADE" (Orlando, Florida)	05/27 Monday	Peter Kim	05/20 4:00 Monday	05/21 10:00 Tuesday	05/22 3:00 Wednesday	-
FUNDRAISER FOR SENATOR PAULA HAWKINS (Miami, Florida)	05/27 Monday	Dana Elizabeth	05/20 4:00 Monday	05/21 10:00 Tuesday	05/22 3:00 Wednesday	
DROPBY BRIEFING FOR NETWORK ANCHORS	05/28 Tuesday		05/22 4:00 Wednesday	05/23 10:00 Thursday	05/24 3:00 Friday	
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ADDRESS TO THE NATION ON TAX PLAN	05/28 Tuesday	Ben		05/22 10:00 Wednesday	05/23 9:00 Thursday	
KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN: DEPARTURE STATEMENT	05/29 Wednesday	Dana KimW	05/23 Thursday	05/23 NSC Thursday	05/24 Noon Friday	

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ADDRESS TO "COALITION FOR TAX REFORM"	05/29 Wednesday		05/22 4:00 Wednesday	05/23 10:00 Thursday	05/24 3:00 Friday	
DINNER HONORING CLARE BOOTHE LUCE	05/30 Thursday	Tony Rowena	05/28 10:00 Tuesday	05/28 Noon Tuesday	05/29 3:00 Wednesday	
"PRELUDE TO INDEPENDENCE RALLY" (Williamsburg, Virginia)	05/30 Thursday		05/23 4: 00 Thursday	05/24 10:00 Friday	05/28 Noon Tuesday	
"IN THE VALLEY OF OPPORTUNITY" RAILY (Endicott, New York)	05/31 Friday		05/24 4:00 Friday	05/28 10:00 Tuesday	05/29 Noon Wednesday	
RADIO TALK: TAX REFORM PLAN	06/01 Saturday					
PHONE CALL: "THIS IS YOUR LIFE" CONGRESSMAN SAM HALL	06/01 Saturday		05/28 4:00 Tuesday	05/29 10:00 Wednesday	05/30 3:00 Thursday	
FORD'S THEATER RECEPTION	06/02 Sunday	Peter Kim	05/28 4: 00 Tuesday	05/29 10:00 Wednesday	05/30 3:00 Thursday	
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ADDRESS AT NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL (Atlanta, Georgia) (10-15 mins)	06/06 Thursday	Josh	05/29 Noon Wednesday	05/29 3:00 Wednesday	05/30 3:00 Thursday	
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RADIO TALK:	06/08 Saturday					
RECEPTION FOR NEW REPUBLICANS	06/10 Monday				·	
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STATE VISIT: P.M. GANDHI OF INDIA: ARRIVAL, STATE DINNER TOAST, ENTERTAINMENT THANK YOU.	06/12 Wednesday					
TAPING: 15TH BAPTIST WORLD CONGRESS	06/13 Thursday	Peter Elizabeth	05/10 4:00 Monday	05/11 10:00 Tuesday	05/12 3:00 Wednesday	

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TAPING: NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON	06/13 Thursday		06/10 4:00 Monday	06/11 10:00 Tuesday	06/12 3:00 Wednesday	
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The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President;

As you have probably noticed, there have been some unfortunate misunderstandings in the press and media concerning your address at the White House session of the Conference on Religious Liberty this past April 16, 1985, and which prevented our efforts from achieving their aim. I enclose here a copy of my answer to the editors of the Religious News Service and an article in which I have tried to correct the distorted presentation of your faith and intentions.

I have the great honor of joining millions of your supporters in your heroic and noble steps in which you have applied each time, genuine Christian morality; in defending religious freedom as well as every other kind of freedom, and in holding firm to your own principles of Christian morality and understanding in the face of various attmpts to enforce other standards of morality upon you.

May God bless and help you in all your endeavors,

Yours respectively,

+ Bishop Basil

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THE TRUTH ABOUT RONALD REAGAN'S FAITH AND THE CONFERENCE ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

From all that has been said, written, and whispered about this event which has been distorted so much, I would like first of all to comment on the article which appeared in The Washington Post on April 10, 1985 - six days before the International Conference on Religious Liberty (sponsored by the State Department and other organizations, the first such conference ever sponsored by the State Department and the first time the Department has ever sponsored a gathering of religious Written by the two well known and widely syndicated columnists, Robert Novak and Rowland Evans, the article entitled "Reagan's Romantic Russia" presented the work of another well known author, Suzanne Massie (co-author of Nicholas and Alexandra and author of her own book on the history of Russian culture, Land of the Firebird) as the source President Reagan's "romanticized" Mrs. Massie was invited to the White view of Russia. House to meet with the President over lunch just a few days before his 3½ hour session with Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko last September. According to a former Presidential aide, Mrs. Massie's book made a "terrific impact" on the President, and according to columnists Evans and Novak, that impact seems partially responsible for Reagan's opinion stated several times recently, that the Soviets

" have suspicions they think are legitimate with regard to our intentions".

"Massie's colorful history of Czarist Russia," Evans and Novak continued in their article, "stops before the October 1917 Bolshevik revolution."

Stopped? Yes, the history has stopped and Czarist Russia is now the Soviet Union, but Russia itself, the "land of the Firebird" has not. The authors of The Washington Post article simply didn't understand that Mrs. Massie's cultural history was not intended to be a political statement. "The music of Stravinsky, the joyful paintigs of Chagall, the inspired playing of Horowitz and Rostropovich, the spiritual endurance of Solzhenitsyn . . . these are all part of the priceless legacy of a culture of beauty, generosity, grace and exuberance . . " as Mrs. Massie explains throughout her book. But to say, as Evans and Novak maintain as the thesis of their article, that "What clearly moved Reagan are her vivid descriptions of foreign invasions," not only misses completely the point of Mrs. Massie's message but is an attempt to re-write it with an intellectual jump into another arena, that reminds one of the way history is rewritten in Soviet encyclopedias.

Her real message is not romantic, but highly realistic in her understanding of violent events throughout Russia's history, such as the Mongol invasions, which were an incentive to the development of the sublime spiritual vision of Holy Russia: "The power of perceiving the beauty of the spiritual world and of expressing this beauty in worship, has been a particular gift of Russia. Russian thought and ideals entered into the vision borrowed from Orthodox Byzantium and became the basic source of Russian culture".

This is what Mrs. Massie was really speaking about and what Ronald Reagan understood so well, as expressed in his words at the White House session of the International Conference of Religious Liberty on April 16, 1985, as if answering the article in The Washington Post which appeared six days earlier: "there exists a whole other realm, an almost mysterious realm of individual thought and action

which is sacred and which is totally beyond and outside of state control. This idea has been central to the idea of human rights."

This particular understanding of Russia - past and present and of the Soviet Union is clearly reflected in the President's remarkable words analyzing the real source of destruction of that realm, saying that "only in an intellectual climate which distinguishes between the City of God and the City of man and which explicitly affirms the independence of God's realm and forbids any infringement by the state in its prerogatives" is it possible to preserve that realm in a nation. Ronald Reagan goes on to say, "Marx declared religion an enemy of the people - a drug, an opiate of the masses. And Lenin said, 'Religion and communism are incompatible in theory as well as in practice . . . we must fight religion All of this Atheism is illustrates a truth that I believe must be understood. not an incidental element of communism, not just part of the package. It is the package. . . In the Soviet Union the Church was immediately attacked by the communist revolution."

Practically nothing has been heard about this conference, in spite of the fact that the President gave there one of his most historic speeches. The press, radio and television have all, for the most part, been silent on these remarkable words of the President. Only a few insignificant details, is all that was mentioned.

Why? Was it because on this subject the President is a "romantic"?

The truth is that the authors of "Reagan's Romantic Russia" simply do not understand neither Russia nor <u>The Land of the Firebird</u>, nor Suzanne Massie nor Ronald Reagan himself! That is why there has been such a deep silence.

The only real coverage of the event which was done by the Religious News Service and syndicated to newspapers and radio across the country, made no mention of the President's central message on religious liberty as the commerstone of human rights, etc. and therefore missed the point completely of the purpose of the Russian Orthodox Easter prayer service

and invocation preceding the President's talk: "The White House session resembled a religious service as much as a Presidential meeting. Bishop Basil of the Russian Orthodox Church in America began with prayers which included the hope that that people come to "know" Jesus Christ, as a choir sang a hymn with a chorus, 'Christ is Risen from the Dead'. Rabbi Marc Tannenbaum, international relations advisor for the American Jewish Committee, (AJC) one of the conference sponsors, said afterwards that it would have been 'more appropriate' for the religious service to reflect the beliefs of not only Christian delegates, but also Jews and Muslims who attended". (Religious News Service, April 16, 1985, p.2)

Since I am mentioned personally, it is my duty to clarify what appears to me to be a distortion of the real purpose of my presence at the conference and my activity there. I would like to emphasize however, that my remarks here are not directed to anyone personally, and especially not to the popular and well known columnists Evans and Novak, nor to Rabbi Tannenbaum. I certainly can appreciate his remarks that it would have been "more appropriate" if the faiths of Jews and Muslims present could also have been reflected in prayers. While synchrotistic or mixed services with other denominations or religions are not permitted by the canon law of the Orthodox Church - as is also the case with some other religions -I for one would certainly have welcomed services representing the Jewish and Muslim religions alongside our Orthodox service. specifically invited with my choir to pray at the conference on behalf of millions of Russian Orthodox, the greatest majority of believers in the Soviet Union, and to present to all participants in the conference that "inner realm" of Russia, still existing there and to which the President referred. In the context of the prayer service dedicated to the victims of religious persecution everywhere and especially in the Soviet Union, my words also referred to our own "holocaust" of more than 60 million Russians killed by "those who persecute and hate us", according to Alexander Solzhenitsyn, in the Soviet Union alone. These victims have been largely forgotten, as it was documented in the

recently published The Hidden Holocaust (Miron Dolot, Norton, 1985).

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14 May 1985

Religious News Service 826 Constitution Avenue, N.E. Washington, D.C.

Dear Editors:

Your report of April 16, 1985 on the international conference on religious liberty sponsored by the State Department and other organizations, has only recently come to my attention. Having given the invocation preceding the President's talk on religious liberty and a short prayer service for the victims of religious persecution, as I was requested to do, and having been present to hear the President's talk, I was very surprised by a number of things that you said and also what you did not say.

The Religious News Service reported my participation in what it called the "White House session" in the following words:

"The White House session resembled a religious service as much as a presidential meeting. Bishop Basil, of the Russian Orthodox Church in America, began with prayers which included the hope that that people come "to know" Jesus Christ, as a choir sang a hymn with the chorus, "Christ is Risen from the Dead."

Rabbi Marc Tannenbaum, international relations adviser for the American Jewish Committee (AJC) one of the conference sponsors, said afterwards that it would have been "more appropriate" for the religious service to reflect the beliefs of not only Christian delegates but also Jews and Muslims who attended." (April 16, 1985, p.2)

Your description of my "prayers which included the hope that that people come "to know" Jesus Christ" is not

only inaccurate, but a distortion of the real meaning and focus of the prayer service. I quote my own words in the prayer:

"For all those who do not know You Father, for those who persecute and hate You, forgive them all, following Your own words on the cross, They do not know what they are doing. Open their hearts and minds to truth. For all of them, let us pray to the Lord."

As you can see quite clearly, the word "know" does not refer to any one coming to "know Jesus Christ", but rather to the words of Christ asking forgiveness for His executioners who "do not know what they are doing". In the context of the prayer service dedicated to the victims of religious persecution everywhere, and especially in the Soviet Union, this part, which ended and not "began" the service, was a real prayer of forgiveness for the Communist atheists "who persecute and hate us", referring to our own "holocaust" of more than 60 million Russians killed by them, according to Alexander Solzhenitsyn, in the Soviet Union alone. These people have been forgotten as it has been documented in the recently published book, The Hidden Holocaust (by Miron Dolot, Norton, 1985).

All of this was in keeping with the President's own theme in his talk, of religious persecution by the Communists, and especially in the Soviet Union: "Atheism is not an incidental element of communism, not just part of the package. It is the package. In countires which have fallen under communist rule, it is often the Church which forms the most powerful barrier against a completely totalitarian system. And, so, totalitarian regimes always seek either to destroy the Church, or, when that is impossible, to subvert it". But unfortunately the media and press completely ignored the main point of the President's talk on this Christian holocaust because President chose that moment to announce at the end of his talk, his change of plans and intention to visit the concentration This is all that drew the attention of the world camp at Dachau. press, unfortunately. As a religious news service, reporting on the event, the report published by you at least, should have carried accurately the main point both of the Presidential talk and the prayer service preceding it.

I can certainly appreciate the remarks of Rabbi Tannenbaum that it would have been "more appropriate" if the beliefs of Jews and Muslims present could also have been reflected. While synchrotistic or mixed services with other denominations or religions are not permitted by the Canon Law of the Orthodox Church - as is also the case with some other Churches - I for one would certainly have welcomed services representing the Jewish and Muslim religions in addition to our Orthodox service. I well remember the Interfaith Congress in Cheltenham, England in 1970 - where I met and formed a touching friendship with Otto Frank, the father of Anne Frank,

who told me many poignant details - and the prayers by Jewish and Muslim religious leaders along with Christian leaders, indeed reflecting all the faiths present. A similar arrangement at the conference on religious liberty would certainly have been "more appropriate".

I hope that you will circulate these corrections and I enclose a copy of our statement on the event and the press coverage of it which will be published in our forthcoming journal and which we are also circulating for publication to various newspapers and journals in both English and Russian languages.

With my best wishes and hope that as a religious news service, you will keep a balanced perspective on all that you report,

Yours respectively,

+Bishop Basil

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Orthodox Bishop to Take Over the Main Sunday Gospel Sermons to Russia on Radio Vatican

It would have been impossible even to imagine such a move only a few years ago. But as the New York Times wrote on May 19, 1985, commenting on the visit of Pope John Paul II to the Netherlands and Belgium: "John Paul appears to have made a conscious decision to de-emphasize ecumenical approaches to Protestants in favor of a new emphasize on unity with the Eastern Orthodox Churches." (E.J. Dionne, Jr., "Pope, on His Birthday, Urges Christian Unity", 5/19/85, p.8)

And the Orthodox responded. This is not yet the final 'unity' of course, but"a definite cooperation on an equal basis in a common Gospel witness to the godless," commented Bishop Basil (Rodzianko), Director of the Center, who was recently asked to take over these talks under the title "Conversations with Bishop Basil"-meditation on the Gospel reading. "These meditations will replace the main Sunday Gospel sermons to Russia," explained Fr. Lawrence Dominik, Director of Russian Programs for Radio Vatican.

For the Orthodox, the power of the Radio Vatican transmitters is a major technological help in reaching Russia. For the Roman Catholics, this brings a voice of genuine Russian Orthodoxy to their audience in the Soviet Union. "The outcome," Bishop Basil said, "is left to God and His Providence; a trust of God in the deep sense of a real Faith."

The practical arrangement is simple: transmitting itself is the responsibility of Radio Vatican, while writing, recording and editing and all details of production of the tapes is the responsibility of the Orthodox Broadcasting Center in Washington.

The theological arrangement is no less simple: the Orthodox teaching of the Catholic Church in her ages old tradition, as recognized by both sides, will be unquestioned in its understanding of the Gospel of Christ. There will be no "censorship" on one side, and no "polemics" on the other.

Essentially, it is a mutual trust as well, a first of its kind, and a deep look together into the first millennium of the undivided Church and her Patristic era, with the urgent needs of modern times in mind. "It is a tremendous pastoral responsibility of our times," Bishop Basil said.

The first of these talks is scheduled to be broadcast on the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday, June 2, 1985, according to the Orthodox calendar, which is used by Radio Vatican in its programming to Russia.

Among these first talks, there is also Bishop Basil's personal description of the International Conference on Religious Liberty held recently in Washington, D.C., to which he was invited to give the invocation and a Paschal prayer service preceding President Reagan's address on religious liberty. The prayer service was dedicated to those who live under religious oppression everywhere in the world, but particularly in the Soviet Union, and to the return of the Russian people to God, in its thousand year old tradition of Orthodoxy, soon to be celebrated with the millennium of the Baptism of Russia.

These programs are broadcast at 6:45 am and 9:45 pm Moscow time, on short-wave frequencies 25, 31, 41, and 49 and on medium wave meter bands 186.

The Center operates entirely on voluntary contributions, which can be sent to the Office of the Secretary at 3027 Foxhall Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016. Each production costs the Center \$120.00 or \$450.00 per month, \$6000.00 per year. If anyone wishes to sponsor a single program or a month of programs, or a year of programs, the Center would be most grateful. However, any donation of whatever size, will be gratefully accepted.

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ADDRESS BEFORE THE BOARD OF THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

WASHINGTON, DC

JUNE 5, 1985



A setting like the Renwick Gallery, a distinguished audience like the New York Stock Exchange Board and guests, and an elegant occasion like this evening's dinner -- impels even a mere bookkeeper to attempt to wax eloquently on the loftier, philosophical matters involved in our fiscal governance as a nation. And there are great, perennial questions even in the matter of the nation's budget:

For instance, how much defense is enough -- in an age when our vast military capabilities are dedicated first and foremost to deterence -- an ultimately psychological and political enterprise involving vast inherent imponderables -- that can't be counted, priced and quantified?

Or how do we maintain an adequate safety net for the poor without subsidizing, rewarding and promoting more poverty by inadvertence?

Or how do we grapple with a vast system of social insurance benefits to 44 million elderly, disabled and unemployed which involves good faith promissory notes issued to one quarter of our citizenry over decades -- but which now require 8% of the current GNP to finance -- a bigger load than the taxpayers want to carry.

Any of these topics would offer suitable and enlightening matter for an after dinner address -- and perhaps even for reprinting and circulation.

But the better part of wisdom tells me that when a great country is facing a staggering, immediate problem with untold ramifications and consequences, its leaders, both private and public, had better attend to it seriously and studiously -- even if it means slouching through the prosaic terrain of numbers, programs, politics and parliamentary procedures.

So I must eschew the temptation to philosophize and address you this evening in the language and forte of a bookkeeper -- because our books as a nation are wildly, dangerously and intractably out of balance -- a condition that is fundamentally threatening to our economic and political health at home and our leadership and strengh abroad.

The basic fact is that we are violating badly, even wantonly, the cardinal rule of sound public finance: governments must extract from the people in taxes what they dispense in benefits, services and protections. Perhaps not every year -- but certainly over any intermediate period of time.

Indeed, there is not a single case in history -- ancient or modern -- in which sustained and egregious violation of that rule did not eventually lead to economic ruin, financial disorder and bushel baskets full of debauched currency -- as exists in Argentina today, to name only the latest example.

Unfortunately, we are treading ever closer to that sustained and egregious violation. When the books close on this fiscal year next October 1, we will have run up another \$200 billion in national debt; the deficit will have exceeded 5% of GNP for the third successive year.

Moreover, this path is built-in to the structure of Federal spending commitments and tax revenues under current law such that it will continue at that level or worse for the remainder of the decade. Without a change of course, the national debt in 1990 will be triple what it was in 1980.

Now, that is the brute fact, but the condition which surrounds it is far more important to understand and remedy if ruin is to be avoided: namely, the degree of political division and policy conflict within our governing institutions has now reached such an extreme and intense state that it is nearly impossible to see where the political will and consensus will come from that is necessary to enact any plan big enough to balance the books -- or even substantially close the gap.

As a policy matter, it is obvious enough that to close this threatening \$200 billion budget gap we must either massively cut spending or raise taxes by large, unprecedented magnitudes -- or by the lights of some, enact a sweeping mixture of both.

Likewise, as a matter of politics, it is clear that the two great forces in our governmental system are now lined up in opposite corners:

The Speaker and the House Democratic majority have produced a budget which behind the accounting veil says flatly: All existing domestic spending commitments -- from higher education through veterans benefits, welfare and social security are sancrosanct and cannot be cut a dime.

Contrariwise, on the strength of the 49-state mandate which was clearly a referendum on tax increases, the President, supported by the Senate majority, has laid down the law: No tax increases for the purpose of deficit reduction, period.

And so next week two polar opposite approaches to our paramount national problem go into conference committee -- where our national future hangs in the balance.

It would undoubtedly take a political Houdini in these circumstances to avoid a devastating clash that could readily exacerbate an already deep rift between the opposing forces and throw our governmental machinery into renewed and prolonged deadlock on the budget question.

But we have no magician to rescue us -- only, in the final analysis, ourselves as leaders from whom the American people expect a decent measure of competent and effective governance.

And so we must think through how we came to this ominous fiscal impasse, and what is required to avoid a new outbreak of governmental paralysis, and thereby continued drift toward fiscal ruin.

In this regard, let me suggest two standards which apply equally to both sides in this monumental debate:

First, there is a plausible case for both "going in"

positions -- no tax increases/no domestic spending cuts -but neither can be responsibly held unless one is willing to
spell out and be politically accountable for the

consequences on the other side of the budget ledger: No
spending cuts mean drastic tax increases; and vice versa.

Secondly, as the fiscal crisis has worsened and the political conflict intensified, we have increasingly resorted to squaring the circle with accounting gimmicks, evasions, half-truths and downright dishonesty in our budget numbers, debate and advocacy. Indeed, if the SEC had jurisdiction over the executive and legislative branches, many of us would be in jail. So it is incumbent on both sides to come clean with the numbers, and thereby the true choices.

Starting with our side, the President's no tax increase position rests on a solid historical precedent: For the entire period from the Korean War to 1980, the average Federal tax take was 18.7% of GNP. From that we managed to make ends meet, while funding periods of military build up like Vietnam and domestic entitlement expansion like in the late 1960's and 1970's. Current tax law -- no matter how the code may be reshuffled within the envelope of revenue neutral reform -- generates more than that -- 19% of GNP, and will continue to do so for the rest of the decade. So at least by the measure of 30 years of modern Federal government, there has been no radical revenue depletion -- the repeated suggestion of Democratic orators like Jim Wright not withstanding. We are now extracting from the people fully as much as before.

But until the April budget agreement with the Senate leadership

-- our side had not come clean about the spending consequences of
holding the line on taxes. But those are now apparent and are
three-fold:

First, the second stage of the military build-up we had previously planned for 1986 to 1990 won't be possible. We had previously planned \$325 billion for 1986, \$400 billion for 1988 and \$500 billion for 1990. Just over the next three years, that path -- will be scaled back dramatically by more than \$150 billion, to a 2% average real growth rate. Recalibrating the program to fit that sharply reduced path will be a difficult, risky process -- but one that is compelled by the fiscal stand we have chosen.

Secondly, the pledge to maintain full COLA's cannot be kept for one simple reason. Baseline spending for social security and other pension programs amounts to \$250 billion -- one quarter of our entire trillion dollar budget. Without COLA limits or freezes, it is impossible to accumulate the savings needed to close the budget gap. 44 million people get those checks so the risk of political attack is great -- but if you are going to hold the line on taxes for ninety million you have no choice -- you can't exempt one quarter of the budget on account of prior promises or current politics. Moreover, due to the faulty CPI mechanism -- which overstated inflation by 7% between 1978 and 1985, freeze is justified.

Thirdly, no taxes mean profound and sweeping surgery is necessary in the rest of the budget: domestic functions and programs must be pared to the core. And so in the Administration/Senate Plan we have: Medicare beneficiaries will have to pay more out of pocket; the depressed agricultural sector will have to do without \$15 billion in price support and credit subsidies; roughly \$10 billion per year in revenue sharing and other grants to state and local governments will be eliminated; Amtrak will be put on a budget which will starve it into insolvency. Sacred cows like veterans health care and Federal retirement benefits are put on the chopping block. 13 programs including Ex-Im direct lending will be eliminated entirely.

All of these steps are the necessary and responsible correlates to holding the line on taxes. Together the big defense cut back, the COLA freezes and the sweeping domestic surgery contained in the Senate budget and courageously supported by 49 elected politicians will reduce the deficit by \$300 billion over the next 3 years; reduce Federal borrowing from 5% to 2% of GNP; and offer prudent hope that our economy can pull out from under the heavy load of deficit financing now weighing down upon it.

On the second standard -- honesty in accounting, we have not come entirely clean. The Senate budget is not riddled with gimmicks and phoney savings like the House -- but it rests on some pretty optimistic assumptions about the path of the economy over the next three years. Namely, 4% average real growth over the next 14 quarters, inflation where it is, and a steady descent of interest rates to 5.5% on the T-Bill by 1988.

For reference purposes, the latest Blue Chip consensus forecast is 2.9% real growth over the next three years; moderately higher inflation; and significantly higher interest rates. Should the Blue Chip forecast materialize, the Senate budget deficit would be \$40 billion higher in 1986 and \$100 billion higher by 1988. It would mean \$200 billion deficits each year even with the sweeping policy reductions I have just outlined.

So if the nation's fifty leading business forecasters are correct

-- for our side there will be yet another altar call: Even more
spending cuts or an acknowledgement that a last resort tax
increase is in order. In due course, the quarterly reckoning of
the GNP statistics will tell us which path we're on.

Now let me turn to the opening position held by the House majority. And let me assure you that my characterization of it as "no domestic spending cuts" is no caricature.

Without any change in policy, 1986 domestic spending would total \$594 billion. The House budget explicitly exempts from even one dime of cuts, the following programs: Social Security, Federal Pensions, Veterans Health Care and Compensation, all means tested programs from food stamps to subsidized housing and medicaid, all student aid, all employment training and Social Service programs, and much more. These items add up to \$375 billion in baseline spending, or two thirds of the domestic budget -- spared, exempted, sacred cows, all.

Of the remaining \$220 billion in baseline spending for everything from agriculture to medicare and the National Park Service, the House budget saves \$10 billion dollars -- mostly in Medicare provider freezes and revenue sharing.

In short, out of nearly a \$600 billion domestic budget, the House found \$10 billion -- or 1.6% to cut; 98.5% of the built-in domestic budget is sancrosanct, beyond tampering with.

The question may occur to some, then, as to how the House produced \$56 billion in 1986 savings -- the same number as the Senate -- without raising taxes. The answer is through egregious, shameless violation of standard number two -- honesty in accounting.

Aside from the \$10 billion in valid domestic spending cuts I have acknowledged, all the rest -- \$46 billion consists of exaggerated defense cuts and purely accounting gimmicks.

The House budget plan proposes to freeze defense spending at last year's level -- even though the House Armed Services Committee has already produced an overall defense budget identical to the Senate total. This turns the Senate's \$21 billion in defense outlay savings into \$28 billion in the House.

The House budget A books 4 years worth of already counted off-shore oil lease income into 1 year -- perhaps they have been studying the S & L industry too much. Anyway, it lowers the 1986 deficit by \$4 billion -- and raises it by an equivalent amount in the out years.

In the allowance function, where we tuck away a few billion for pay raises and emergencies -- the House entered a \$4 billion negative contingency savings for reduced non-defense contracting without the slighest hint of where.

It saved \$1.6 billion by shifting housing subsidies from the spending side to tax exempt securities -- an equivalent drain on revenues over a different period of time.

It decreed that the insurance reserves of Federal employee health carriers will henceforth be counted in our budget, not theirs, for another \$400 million savings.

It sold Conrail for \$1.2 billion, which is OK as a one time asset sale -- but kept Amtrak intact which is a real permanent spending drain.

Now my point is this: Reasonable people can say that \$10 billion is all we wish to take out of domestic spending and \$20-25 billion is what we plan to take out of defense. But responsible people must also acknowledge that \$20-25 billion in higher taxes are then necessary to hit the minimum deficit reduction that is consistent with fiscal sanity; and that by 1988, those higher taxes must total \$50-75 billion per year to match the Senate plan. That's the true message behind the House budget -- that's the choice that the American people deserve to have acknowledged.

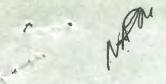
But since this hasn't happened, the outlook for the budget conference is not terribly encouraging. One side has put its cards down on the table -- or at least most of them. The other side has largely shuffled the pea pods. So we may yet need the services of a magician -- something that we in the bookkeepers' profession just don't believe in.

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DATE RECEIVED: JULY 01, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE TOM LOEFFLER

SUBJECT: WRITES REGARDING MANUEL OBREGON FLORES OF RADIO STATION XEMU, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS WHO WOULD LIKE TO AIR MESSAGES AND SPEECHES FROM THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT IN SPANISH

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July 3, 1985

Dear Tom:

Thank you for your June 28 letter on behalf of Mr. Manuel Obregon Flores, who would like to air the President's and Vice President's speeches in Spanish over radio station XEMU.

Your special interest is appreciated. Please know that I have notified the appropriate White House officials of your request and you may be assured that it will be given careful consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr. Assistant to the President

The Honorable Tom Loeffler House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Mr. M. B. Oglesby
Assistant to the President for
Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear B.:

I have been contacted by Mr. Manuel Obregon Flores of radio station XEMU in San Antonio-who would like to_air messages and speeches from President Reagan and Vice President George Bush in Spanish.

Please advise me if such information exists and how Mr. Flores might go about obtaining these tapes. XEMU has a large hispanic listening audience in Texas.

TOM OFFER

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Please send response to: 40 NE Loop 410, Suite 415 San Antonio, Texas 78216

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July 8, 1985

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am very pleased indeed to learn from you that my remarks on leaving the Senate warranted quotation by you at a joint leadership lunch. I am greatly complimented.

My Marian has been ill just one year this week. I would like Nancy to know that her one social outing in all that long period was when she attended the First Lady's luncheon for Congressional wives. It did her morale a world of good.

Yours respectfully,

Hugh'Scott



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