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January 25, 1984

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PUSTATE OF THE UNION OUTLINES "FREEDOM'S NEXT STEP"

- o The State of the Union is good and getting better. As President Reagan said, "America is back."
- o In fact, it's back a lot sooner and a lot better than almost any thought possible not long ago. Examples:
  - inflation's down -- from 2 years in double-digits to 2 years under 4 percent.
  - unemployment's down 2.5 points in a year. Four million Americans found jobs in 1983.
  - GNP's growing -- a healthy 6 percent last year, after virtually no growth since 1979.
  - defenses strengthened, deterrent more credible.
  - U.S. leadership in the world respected again.
- o Economic recovery and restoration of the world's respect for America didn't happen automatically. It might not have happened at all -- much less in just 3 years -- without President Reagan's leadership for change.
- o The President credited bipartisan cooperation with stopping the country's decline. He asked Congress to keep on -- in the same spirit -- to maintain progress.
- o He listed as freedom's next step four goals for keeping America "free, secure and at peace in the eighties":
  1. ensuring steady economic growth;
  2. developing the next frontier -- space;
  3. strengthening traditional values;
  4. building a meaningful peace.

Steady economic growth

- o Common sense budgeting requires that government limit spending; not raise taxes and unfairly increase the financial burdens already facing families.
- o The \$300 billion in budget savings through 1986 already achieved is a start, but it's only slightly more than half what the President asked.
- o Two new tools -- the "line-item veto" and the "balanced budget amendment" to the Constitution -- would put new discipline in the budget process.

- o Tax simplification -- to make the system fairer for all is the logical next step. The first step was getting tax rates down and then holding them down through indexing. Now it's time to move ahead to make the system simpler, fairer -- not back to higher taxes.
- o By December of 1984, the Secretary of the Treasury will have specific recommendations to broaden the tax base and collect revenues from the underground economy so that personal tax rates can come down, not go up.

#### Space -- the next frontier

- o The President proposed initiatives to develop U.S. potential in space through:
  - construction of a permanent manned space station to be operational in the early 1990s;
  - promotion of private sector investment in space;
- o In 25 years, America's space program has extended man's knowledge of the universe. It also yielded -- as a technological by-product -- many items that made life on earth easier, more enjoyable, more productive.
- o The program made possible products from teflon and video-games, to better pace-makers and communications.
- o These initiatives would create incentives for purposeful product development in space. Purer metals and life-saving medicines, for example, can be manufactured there that can't be made at all, or as well, on earth.
- o President Reagan proposes a consistent space policy for the next decade and beyond. This will give investors the confidence needed to create new space-based industries -- so vital to economic growth with more jobs in the years ahead.

#### Strengthen traditional values

- o In his Address, the President repeated his emphasis on strengthening America's traditional values of "faith, family, work, neighborhood, freedom and peace."



- o The family is concerned less with how much government spends on education than how much students learn.
- o The President seeks to meet this concern by:
  - implementation of the National Commission on Excellence in Education's recommendations (back to basics, merit pay, longer school day, year, etc.);
  - renewed efforts to pass tuition tax credits; -- leadership to help discipline;
  - passage of a Constitutional Amendment to authorize voluntary school prayer.
- o The President called for Americans to come together to find positive solutions to the "tragedy of abortion."
- o Crime threatens too many American families and undermines the sense of neighborliness so basic to America's history and traditions. The President underscored his commitment to basic criminal law reforms to help deter crime and to an intensified crackdown on crimes against children such as child pornography and abduction.
- o President Reagan also committed to help ensure women's rights in the home and on the job. Equitable pension benefits and IRAs, improved provision of child care and enforcement of child support payments by delinquent parents are part of that commitment.
- o To help restore neighborhoods with high unemployment, he renewed his call for Enterprise Zones legislation.

#### Building a meaningful peace

- o President Reagan's leadership has won bipartisan support for a stronger defense posture which has made the U.S. deterrent more credible -- and, because of that, made the world a safer place.
- o The President thinks continued bipartisan support can build on that foundation and help to achieve:
  - a more stable basis for peaceful relations with the Soviet Union;
  - strengthened alliances;
  - strategic arms reductions;
  - success for peacemaking efforts in Central America, the Mid-East, Southern Africa;
  - support for developing countries;
  - encouragement and assistance in development of democratic institutions around the world.

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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: STATE OF THE UNION  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1984

Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, distinguished Members of the Congress, honored guests, fellow citizens. Once again, in keeping with time-honored tradition, I have come to report to you on the state of the Union. I am pleased to report that America is much improved, and there is good reason to believe that improvement will continue through the days to come.

You and I have had some honest and open differences in the year past. But they didn't keep us from joining hands in bipartisan cooperation to stop a long decline that had drained this Nation's spirit and eroded its wealth. There is renewed energy and optimism throughout the land. America is back -- standing tall, looking to the eighties with courage, confidence, and hope.

The problems we are overcoming are not the heritage of one person, party, or even one generation. It is the tendency of Government to grow, for practices and programs to become the nearest thing to eternal life we'll see on this Earth. There is always that well-intentioned chorus of voices saying, "with a little more power and money, we could do so much for the people." For a time we forgot the American dream isn't one of making Government bigger; it's keeping faith with the mighty spirit of free people under God.

As we came to the decade of the eighties, we faced the worst crisis in our post-war history. The seventies were years of rising problems and falling confidence. There was a feeling Government had grown beyond the consent of the governed. Families felt helpless in the face of mounting inflation and the indignity of taxes that



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reduced reward for hard work, thrift, and risk-taking. All this was overlaid by an ever-growing web of rules and regulations.

On the international scene, we had an uncomfortable feeling that we had lost the respect of friend and foe. Some questioned whether we had the will to defend peace and freedom.

But America is too great for small dreams. There was a hunger in the land for a spiritual revival; if you will, a crusade for renewal. The American people said: Let us look to the future with

confidence, both at home and abroad. Let us give freedom a chance.

Americans were ready to make a new beginning and together we have done it. We are confronting our problems one by one. Hope is alive tonight for millions of young families and senior citizens set free from unfair tax increases and crushing inflation. Inflation has been beaten down from 12.4 to 3.2 percent, and that is a great victory for the people. The prime rate has been cut almost in half, and we must work together to bring it down even more.

Together, we passed the first across-the-board tax reduction for everyone since the Kennedy tax cuts. Next year, tax rates will be indexed so inflation can't push people into higher brackets when they get cost-of-living raises. Government must never again use inflation to profit at the people's expense.

Today, a working family earning \$25,000, has \$1,100 more in purchasing power than if tax and inflation rates were still at 1980 levels. Real after-tax income increased 5 percent last year. And economic deregulation of key industries like transportation has offered more choices to consumers and new chances for entrepreneurs, while holding down costs and protecting safety. Tonight, we can report and be proud of one of the best recoveries in decades. Send away the handwringers and doubting Thomases. Hope is reborn for

Page 3 couples dreaming of owning homes and for risktakers with vision to

create tomorrow's opportunities.

The spirit of enterprise is sparked by the sunrise industries of high-tech, and by small business people with big ideas -- people like Barbara Proctor, who rose from a ghetto shack to build a multimillion dollar advertising agency in Chicago; and Carlos Perez, a Cuban refugee, who turned \$27 and a dream into a successful importing business in Coral Gables, Florida.

People like these are heroes for the eighties. They helped 4 million Americans find jobs in 1983. More people are drawing paychecks tonight than ever before. And progress helps everyone. In 1983, women filled 73 percent of all new jobs in managerial, professional, and technical fields.

But we know many of our fellow countrymen are still out of work, wondering what will come of their hopes and dreams. Can we love America and not reach out to tell them: You are not forgotten; we will not rest until each of you can reach as high as your God-given talents will take you.

The heart of America is strong, good, and true. The cynics were wrong -- America never was a sick society. We're seeing rededication to bedrock values of faith, family, work, neighborhood, peace, and freedom -- values that help bring us together as one people, from the youngest child to the most senior citizen.

The Congress deserves America's thanks for helping us restore

pride and credibility to our military. I hope you are as proud as I am of the young men and women in uniform who have volunteered to man the ramparts in defense of freedom and whose dedication, valor, and skill increases so much our chance of living in a world at peace.

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People everywhere hunger for peace and a better life. The tide of the future is a freedom tide, and our struggle for democracy cannot and will not be denied. This Nation champions peace that enshrines liberty, democratic rights, and dignity for every individual. America's new strength, confidence, and purpose are carrying hope and opportunity far from our shores. A world economic recovery is underway. It began here.

We have journeyed far. But we have much farther to go. Franklin Roosevelt told us 50 years ago this month: "Civilization can not go back; civilization must not stand still. We have undertaken new methods. It is our task to perfect, to improve, to alter when necessary, but in all cases to go forward."

It is time to move forward again, time for America to take freedom's next step. Let us unite tonight behind four great goals to keep America free, secure, and at peace in the eighties. Together:

- We can ensure steady economic growth.
- We can develop America's next frontier.
- We can strengthen our traditional values.
- And we can build a meaningful peace -- to protect our loved ones and this shining star of faith that has guided millions from tyranny to the safe harbor of freedom, progress, and hope.

Doing these things will open wider the gates of opportunity and provide greater security for all, with no barriers of bigotry or discrimination. The key to a dynamic decade is vigorous economic growth, our first great goal. We might well begin with common sense in Federal budgeting: Government spending no more than Government takes in.



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We must bring Federal deficits down, but how we do that makes all the difference. We can begin by limiting the size and scope of Government. Under the leadership of Vice President Bush, we have reduced the growth of Federal regulations by nearly 30 percent, and cut well over 300 million hours of Government-required paperwork each year. This will save the public more than \$150 billion over the next 10 years.

The Grace Commission has given us some 2,500 recommendations for reducing wasteful spending, and they are being examined throughout the Administration. Federal spending growth has been cut from 17.4 percent in 1980 to less than half that today. We have already achieved \$288 billion in budget savings for the period 1982-86. But that is only half what we sought. Government is still spending too large a percentage of the total economy.

Some insist any further budget savings must be obtained by reducing the portion spent on defense. Well, this ignores the fact that national defense is solely the responsibility of the Federal Government. It is its prime responsibility; yet defense spending is less than a third of the total budget. During the years of President Kennedy and before, defense was almost half the total budget. Then came several years in which our military capability was allowed to deteriorate to a very dangerous degree. We are just now restoring that capability to a level commensurate with our security needs. We dare not shirk our responsibility to keep America free, secure, and at peace.

The last decade saw domestic spending surge literally out of control. But the basis for such spending had been laid in previous years. A pattern of overspending has been in place for half a

Page 6 century. As the national debt grew, we were told not to worry, we owed it to ourselves.

Now we know deficits are a cause for worry. But there is a difference of opinion as to whether taxes should be increased, spending cut, or some of both. Fear is expressed that Government borrowing to fund the deficit could inhibit the economic recovery by

taking capital needed for business and industrial expansion. I think that debate is missing the point. Whether Government borrows or increases taxes, it will be taking the same amount of money from the private sector, and, either way, it's \_\_\_\_\_. Simple fairness dictates Government must not raise taxes on families struggling to pay their bills. The root of the problem is that Government's share is more than we can afford if we are to have a sound economy.

We must bring down the deficits to ensure continued economic growth. In the budget I will submit on February 1, I will recommend measures that will reduce the deficit over the next 5 years. Many of these will be unfinished business from last year's budget. [\_\_\_\_: Short insert may go here.] But to break out of the pattern, I propose that we begin exploring how together we can make structural reforms to curb the built-in growth of spending.

We also need improvements in the budgeting process. Some 43 of our 50 States grant their Governors the right to veto individual items in appropriation bills without having to veto the entire bill. California is one of those 43 States. As Governor, I found this "line-item veto" was a powerful tool against wasteful or extravagant spending. It works in 43 States -- let's put it to work in Washington, D.C. for all the people.

It would be most effective if done by constitutional amendment. The majority of Americans approve of such an amendment, just as they

Page 7 and I approve of an amendment mandating a balanced Federal budget. Many States also have this protection in their constitutions.

To talk of meeting the present situation by increasing taxes is a Band-Aid solution which does nothing to cure an illness that has been coming on for half a century -- to say nothing of the fact that it poses a real threat to economic recovery. Let's remember that an amount of income tax presently owed and not paid would, if we could collect it, cut the present deficit nearly in half. I'm not talking about legitimate tax shelters or deductions. I'm talking about downright cheating by some of our fellow citizens. It would be immoral to make those who are paying taxes pay more to compensate for those who aren't paying their share.

There is a better way: Let us go forward with an historic reform for fairness, simplicity, and incentives for growth. I am asking Secretary Don Regan for a plan for action to simplify the entire tax code, so all taxpayers, big and small, are treated more fairly. I believe such a plan could result in that "underground economy" being brought into the sunlight of honest tax compliance; and it could make the tax base broader so personal tax rates could come down, not go up. I have asked that specific recommendations, consistent with these objectives, be presented to me by December 1984.

Our second great goal is to build on America's pioneer spirit and develop our next frontier. A sparkling economy spurs initiative and ingenuity to create sunrise industries and make older ones more competitive.

Nowhere is this more true than our next frontier: space. Nowhere do we so effectively demonstrate our technological leadership and ability to make life better on Earth. The Space Age is barely a



Page 8 quarter of a century old, but already we've pushed civilization forward with our advances in science and technology. Opportunities and jobs will multiply as we cross new thresholds of knowledge and reach deeper into the unknown.

Our progress in space -- taking giant steps for all mankind -- is a tribute to American teamwork and excellence. Our finest minds in Government, industry, and academia have all pulled together, and we can be proud to say: We are first, we are the best, and we are so because we are free.

America has always been greatest when we dared to be great. We can reach for greatness again. We can follow our dreams to distant stars, living and working in space for peaceful, economic, and scientific gain. Tonight, I am directing NASA to develop a permanent, manned space station, and to do it within a decade.

A space station will permit quantum leaps in our research in

science, communications, and in metals and life-saving medicines which can be manufactured only in space. We want our friends to help us meet these challenges and share in the benefits. NASA will invite other countries to participate so we can strengthen peace, build prosperity, and expand freedom for all who share our goals.

Just as the oceans opened up a new world for Clipper ships and Yankee Traders, space holds enormous potential for commerce today. The market for space transportation could surpass our capacity to develop it. Companies interested in putting payloads into space must have ready access to private sector launch services. We will soon implement a number of executive initiatives and develop proposals to ease regulatory constraints and promote private sector investment in space.

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And as we develop the frontier of space, let us remember our responsibility to preserve our older resources here on Earth. Preservation of our environment is not a liberal or conservative challenge, it's common sense.

Though this is a time of budget restraints, I have requested for EPA the largest percentage budget increase of any agency. We will begin the long, necessary effort to clean up a productive, recreational area and a special national resource -- the Chesapeake Bay.

To reduce the threat posed by abandoned hazardous waste dumps, EPA will spend \$410 million this year and I will request a supplemental increase of \$50 million. I have asked Bill Ruckelshaus to work with the Congress on a new reauthorization of the Superfund law, so we have time to complete this important task.

On the question of acid rain, which concerns people in many areas of the U.S. and Canada, I am proposing a research program that doubles our current funding. And we will take additional action to restore our lakes and develop new technology to reduce pollution that causes acid rain.

We have greatly improved the conditions of our national parks. Beginning in 1985, we'll ask the Congress for \$157 million to acquire new parklands.

But our most precious resources, our greatest hope for the future, are the minds and hearts of our people, especially our children. We can help them build tomorrow by strengthening our community of shared values. This must be our third great goal. For us, faith, family, work, neighborhood, freedom and peace are not just words. They are expressions of what America means, definitions of what makes us good and loving people.

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Families stand at the center of our society. And every family has a personal stake in promoting excellence in education.

Excellence does not begin in Washington. A 600-percent increase in Federal spending on education between 1960 and 1980 was accompanied by a steady decline in SAT scores. Excellence must begin in our homes and neighborhood schools, where it's the responsibility of every parent and teacher and the right of every child.

Our children come first. That's why I established a bipartisan National Commission on Excellence in Education, to help us chart a common sense course for better education. Already, communities are implementing the Commission's recommendations. Schools are reporting progress in math and reading skills. But we must do more to restore \_\_\_\_\_ to schools; and we must encourage the teaching of new basics, reward teachers of merit, enforce tougher standards, and put our parents back in charge.

I will continue to press for tuition tax credits to expand opportunities for families, and to soften the double payment for those paying public school taxes and private school tuition. Our proposal would target assistance to low- and middle-income families. Just as more incentives are needed within our schools, greater competition is needed among our schools. Without standards and competition there can be no champions, no records broken, no excellence -- in education or any other walk of life.

America was founded by people who believed that God was their rock of safety. He is ours. I recognize we must be cautious in

claiming that God is on \_\_\_\_\_ side. But I think it's alright to keep asking if we are on \_\_\_\_\_ side.

During our first 3 years, we have joined bipartisan efforts to restore protection of the law to unborn children. I know this issue



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is very controversial. But unless and until it can be proven that an unborn child is \_\_\_ a living human being, can we justify assuming without proof that it isn't? No one has yet offered such proof. Indeed, all the evidence is to the contrary. We should rise above bitterness and reproach. And if Americans could come together in a spirit of understanding and helping, then we \_\_\_\_\_ find positive solutions to the tragedy of abortion.

Economic recovery, better education, rededication to values all show the spirit of renewal gaining the upper hand. And all will improve family life in the eighties. But families need more. They need assurance that they and their loved ones can walk the streets of America without being afraid. Parents need to know their children will not be victims of child pornography and abduction, and this year we will intensify our drive against those horrible crimes. Already, our efforts to crack down on career criminals, organized crime, drug pushers, and to enforce tougher sentences and paroles are having effect. In 1982, crime dropped by 4.1 percent, the first such decline since 1977.

Opportunities for all Americans will increase if we move forward to ensure women's rights, provide for equitable treatment in pension benefits and Individual Retirement Accounts, facilitate child care, and enforce delinquent parent support payments.

It is not just the home but the workplace and community that sustain our values and shape our future. So I ask your help in assisting more communities to break the bondage of dependency. Help us to free enterprise by permitting debate and voting "yes" on our proposal for enterprise zones in America. This has been before you for 2 years. Its passage can help high-unemployment areas by creating jobs and restoring neighborhoods.

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A society bursting with opportunities, reaching for its future with confidence, sustained by faith, fair play, and a conviction that good and courageous people will flourish when they are free -- these are the secrets of a strong and prosperous America, at peace with itself and the world.

A lasting and meaningful peace is our fourth great goal. It is our highest aspiration. And our record is clear: Americans resort to force only when we must. We have never been aggressors. We have always struggled to defend freedom and democracy.

We have no territorial ambitions. We occupy no countries. We build no walls to lock people in. Americans build the future. And

our vision of a better life for farmers, merchants, and working people, from the Americas to Asia, begins with a simple premise: The future is best decided by ballots, not bullets.

Governments which rest upon the consent of the governed do not wage war on their neighbors. Only when people are given a personal stake in deciding their own destiny and benefitting from their own risks -- do they create societies that are prosperous, progressive, and free. Tonight, it is democracies that offer hope by feeding the hungry, prolonging life, and eliminating drudgery.

When it comes to keeping America strong, free, and at peace, there should be no Republicans or Democrats, just patriotic Americans. We can decide the tough issues not by who is right, but by what is right.

Together, we can continue to advance our agenda for peace. We can:

- Establish a more stable basis for peaceful relations with the Soviet Union;
- Strengthen allied relationships across the board;

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- Achieve real and equitable reductions in the levels of nuclear arms;
- Reinforce our peacemaking efforts in the Middle East, Central America, and Southern Africa;
- Assist developing countries, particularly our neighbors in the Western Hemisphere; and
- Assist in the development of democratic institutions throughout the world.

The wisdom of our bipartisan cooperation was seen in the work of the Scowcroft Commission, which strengthened our ability to deter war and protect peace. In that same spirit, I urge you to move forward with the Jackson Plan to implement the recommendations of the Bipartisan Commission on Central America.

Your joint resolution on the Multinational Peacekeeping Force in Lebanon is also serving the cause of peace. We are making progress in Lebanon. For nearly 10 years, the Lebanese have lived from tragedy to tragedy, with no hope for their future. Now, the Multinational Peacekeeping Force and our Marines are helping them break their cycle of despair. There is hope for a free, independent, and sovereign Lebanon. We must have courage to give peace a chance. And we must not be driven from our objectives for peace in Lebanon by state-sponsored terrorism. We have seen this ugly spectre in Beirut, Kuwait, and Rangoon. It demands international attention. I will forward shortly a legislative proposal to help combat terrorism, and I will be seeking support from our allies for concerted action.

Our NATO Alliance is strong. 1983 was a banner year for political courage. And we have strengthened our partnerships and

friendships in the Far East. We are committed to dialogue,



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deterrence, and promoting prosperity through more free and open trade.

A rebirth of bipartisan cooperation, restoration of economic growth and military deterrence, and a growing spirit of unity among our people at home and our allies abroad underline a fundamental and far-reaching change: The United States is safer, stronger, and more secure in 1984 than before. We can now move with confidence to seize the opportunities for peace -- and we will.

Some days when life seems hard, and we reach for values to sustain us, or a friend to help us, we find a person who reminds us what it means to be Americans.

Sergeant Stephen Trujillo, a medic in the 2nd Ranger Battalion, 75th infantry, was in the first helicopter to land at the compound held by Cuban forces on Grenada. He saw three other helicopters crash. Despite the imminent explosion of the burning aircraft, he never hesitated. He ran across 25 yards of open terrain through enemy fire to rescue wounded soldiers. He directed two other medics, administered first aid, and returned again and again to the crash site to carry his wounded friends to safety.

And then there are unsung heroes: single parents, couples, church and civic volunteers, their hearts carry without complaint the

pains of family and community problems. They soothe our sorrow, heal our wounds, calm our fears, and share our joy.

A person like Father Ritter is always there. His Covenant House programs in New York and Houston provide shelter and help to thousands of abused children each year. The same is true of Dr. Charles Carson. Paralyzed in a plane crash, he still believed nothing is impossible. Today, in Minnesota, he works 80 hours a week without pay, helping pioneer the field of computer controlled

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walking. He has given hope to 500,000 paralyzed Americans that someday they may walk again.

How can we not believe in the goodness and greatness of America? How can we not do what is right and needed to preserve this last, best hope of man on Earth?

After all our struggles to restore America, to revive confidence in our country and hope for our future; after all our hard-won victories earned through the patience and courage of every citizen -- we cannot, must not and will not turn back, we will finish our job. How could we do less; we are Americans.

Carl Sandburg wrote, "I see America, not in the setting sun of a black night of despair. I see America in the crimson light of a rising sun fresh from the burning, creative hand of God. I see great days ahead for men and women of vision."

I've never felt more strongly that America's best days, and democracy's best days, lie ahead. We're just beginning, and we are a powerful force for good. We have it within us to perform great deeds, to take freedom's next step -- and we will. We will carry on the traditions of a proud and worthy people who have brought light where there was darkness, heat where there was only cold, medicines where there was sickness, food where there was hunger, wealth where humanity was living in squalor, and peace where there was only death and bloodshed.

Let us be sure that those who come after will say of us that, in our time, we did everything that could be done: We kept them free, we fought the good fight, we kept the faith.

Thank you very much, God bless you, and may God bless America.

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Executive Assistant to  
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James E Hack

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COMMUNICATIONS PROPOSALS FOR STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS,  
POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT AND 1985 BUDGET PRESENTATION

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

- o 9:00-12:00 noon White House Briefing

Selected Mayors in town for Mayors' Conference are briefed in Indian Treaty Room on Conference issues plus SOTU themes.

- o 9:30 a.m. Bipartisan Leadership Briefing

RR meets with bipartisan leadership in Cabinet Room to discuss key SOTU themes.

- ☐ o 12:00 noon Network Anchors and Producers

Luncheon in Roosevelt Room for network anchors and producers of SOTU coverage and post-speech programs with briefing on themes by Meese and McFarlane.

- o 2:00 p.m. Early Edition Photograph

President poses for still photographers and television cameras while working on speech, providing picture for evening television and early newspaper edition. Oval Office. (Writing Pool and Open Photo Coverage)

- ☐ o 3:00 p.m. Foreign Press

Don Fortier and Craig Fuller brief foreign news media on foreign policy themes and foreign impact of domestic policy initiatives. Foreign press center.

- ☐ o 3:00 p.m. Columnists and Weekend Commentators

Briefing in the Roosevelt Room for major columnists and t.v. weekend commentators on SOTU themes by Meese and McFarlane on background.

- ☐ o 4:00 p.m. White House Press Corps

Major briefing in White House Briefing Room by Baker, McFarlane, Darman on content and themes of SOTU. Text released embargoed for delivery \_\_\_\_\_.

- o 4:00 or 5:00 Briefing of Cabinet  
Cabinet Room

Oglesby

Small

Speakes

Sims

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## ACTION

- o 5:00 p.m. Administration Appointees Briefing

Fuller

Key Presidential appointees are briefed by Baker on major themes of speech. Talking points and fact sheets are provided. Room 450 OEOB (Includes major Public Affairs Officers).

- o 6:00 p.m. Congressional Television Tapings

Oglesby

Supportive Senators -- armed with talking points and speech summary -- videotape reaction at Republican Senate Republican Conference for feeds to local stations on nationwide basis. The Conference has contacted 5,000 cable systems and 700 commercial television affiliates on availability of the reaction statements. Senate Television Studio.

- o 7:00 p.m. Television Interview Program

Baroody/Hoggar

-- PBS' "McNeil-Lehrer": Key Administration official

- o 9:00 p.m. The President Delivers the State of the Union Address -- Capitol Hill

- o 10:30 p.m. Congressional Reaction

Oglesby

Favorable Members of Congress, armed with fact sheets and talking points (provided by the White House), hold press conferences, television interviews and issue statements supportive of the President's Address. Capitol Press Galleries.

- o 10:30 p.m. Mayors and Governors Reaction

Verstandig

Office of Intergovernmental Affairs briefs key supportive Mayors and Governors throughout the day; encourages them to hold news conferences in home towns following Address to show support.

- o 11:30 p.m. Television Interview Program

Baroody/Hoggar

-- ABC's "Nightline": Key Administration Official

## Supplemental Activities

- Speech summary, talking points and fact sheets are prepared for early distribution.

Baroody

- Speech materials mailed out to entire press list, editorial page editors, specialized press nationwide.

Small



ACTION

- Speech materials sent out to all Administration spokesmen in all agencies. Small
- Speech materials provided through Reagan-Bush Committee and Republican National Committee to State Chairmen and other supporters nationwide. Baroody
- Speech materials provided to Citizens for America group for their own editing and distribution. Baroody
- Fact sheets and talking points provided to key Congressional supporters. Oglesby
- Op-ed pieces are written, signed by Administration officials and placed for late week and weekend use across the country. Baroody/Small

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President Travels to Atlanta to Address  
"Spirit of America" Rally and Meet with GOP  
Leaders

o 7:00 a.m. Television Interview Programs

-- ABC's "Good Morning America": Key Administration  
Official

Baroody/Hoggar

-- NBC's "Today": Senator Howard Baker appears to dis-  
cuss speech and legislative-political  
outlook. Baker also appears on WRC  
Radio during drive-time after "Today"  
interview. (Same building)

Baroody/Hoggar

-- CBS's "Morning": Rep. Bob Michel appears to discuss  
speech and legislative-political  
outlook.

Baroody/Hoggar

o 7:20 a.m. Radio Interview

-- National Public Radio Drive Time: Key Administra-  
tion Spokesmen

Small

o 9:00 a.m. Baker-Michel Press Conference

Oglesby

The Senate Majority Leader and the House Republican  
Leader meet with press to discuss legislative-  
political outlook in view of President's SOTU Address  
and upcoming political announcement. Capitol Press  
Gallery.

o 10:00 a.m. NASA Briefing

Baroody/Sims

National Aeronautics and Space Administration will hold  
briefing on Space Station proposals. NASA will provide  
an extensive press plan to supplement White House  
briefings. Room 450/OEOB (Background).

o 10:00 a.m. USA TODAY Interview

Speakes

Jim Baker is interviewed by USA TODAY for op-ed question  
and answer session on political outlook for the President.  
(Article to appear on Monday, January 30)

o 11:00 a.m. Key Political Writers Backgrounder

Speakes

Jim Baker is interviewed -- with portions on background --  
by David Broder of The Washington Post, Hedrick Smith of  
The New York Times, George Skelton of The Los Angeles Times,  
and Carl Leubsdorf of The Dallas Morning News.  
(Article to appear Sunday, January 29)



ACTION

- o 4:00-7:00 p.m. Radio Interviews

Small

During drive time key Administration spokesmen are interviewed on local radio stations in major media markets on SOTU themes.

- o 4:00 The President's Trip

Deaver

The President speaks to "Spirit of America" rally and GOP meeting. Atlanta, Georgia. (Press coverage of speech and of his political meeting)

- o 7:00 p.m. Television Interview Programs

-- PBS' "McNeil-Lehrer": Ed Rollins joins political discussion on upcoming campaign

Baroody/Hoggan

-- CNN "Crossfire": Pat Buchanan and Tom Braden Administration official discusses themes and legislative outlook

Baroody/Hoggan

- o 10:00 p.m. Television Interview Program

-- CNN "Freeman Reports": Administration official discusses economic impact of SOTU themes and general economic recovery

Baroody/Hoggan

- o 11:30 p.m. Television Interview Program

-- ABC's "Nightline"

Baroody/Hoggan

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President's Breakfast with GOP Members

- o 8:00 a.m. Sperling Breakfast

Lake

Senator Paul Laxalt is interviewed by leading bureau chiefs and political reporters on outlook as the President prepares for Sunday announcement.

- o 10:00 a.m. Breakfast with House GOP Members

Oglesby/Speak

The President has breakfast with House GOP Members with remarks centering on Administration's 1984 legislative agenda. State Dining Room. (Writing pool and photo coverage)

- o 11:00 a.m. Radio Interview with Vice President

Green

The Vice President is interviewed by network and independent radio reporters in 30-minute question and answer session on legislative and political outlook for 1984. Roosevelt Room. (To be aired on weekend)

- o 12:00 noon Specialized Press

Small

Luncheon briefing for key specialized press (e.g. religious press on family values themes and others). Meese and Darman with RR drop-by for photo.

- o 2:00 p.m. Republican Mayors

Verstandig/  
Small

RR hosts reception for Republican Mayors. Interviews with local press arranged after the event on the lawn.

- o 3:00 p.m. The President is interviewed by Newsweek

Speakes/  
Baroody

Newsweek magazine conducts an interview with the President on political outlook and how he views the campaign. The Oval Office. (The article will appear -- under strict embargo -- on Monday, January 30.)

- o \_\_\_\_\_ The President is interviewed by Time  
Magazine.

Deaver



SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President Makes Weekly Radio Address  
The Oval Office

o 10:00 a.m. Television Radio Interviews

-- CNN's "Newsmakers": Sen. Paul Laxalt

Baroody/Hoggar

-- Mutual News \_\_\_\_\_: Ed Rollins

Baroody/Hoggar

-- UPI Audio Rountable: Lee Atwater

Baroody/Hoggar

o 12:06 p.m. The President's Radio Address

Darman

The President makes his weekly radio address re-emphasizing  
themes from the State of the Union. The Oval Office.  
(Live radio coverage)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President makes Nationwide Speech from Oval Office Announcing his Decision on Seeking a Second Term

o 11:30-12:30 p.m. Sunday Television Interview Shows

-- ABC's "David Brinkley": Jim Baker appears on show to discuss political and legislative priorities.

Baroody/Hoggan

-- NBC's "Meet the Press": Key Congressional supporter

Baroody/Hoggan

-- CBS's "Face the Nation": Senator Paul Laxalt appears to discuss the President's political announcement.

Lake

o 5:00 p.m. Key state chairmen and RR supporters in Roosevelt Room for individual Oval Office photo w/RR.

Tutwiler

o 5:30 p.m. President's Reception for GOP Officials

Tutwiler/  
Speakes

The President greets 400 GOP officials and key supporters, making remarks that offer "curtain raiser" for the political announcement. East Room. (Press Pool Coverage)

o 10:00-11:30 p.m. RR Supporters

McManus/  
Tutwiler

Attendees and other supporters gather to watch the President's speech. Press Room for interviews.

o 10:55 p.m. The President's Address

Deaver

The President announces his political intentions in nationwide television and radio address. The Oval Office.

o 11:10 p.m. V.P. speaks to RR supporters. Press Coverage.

McManus/  
Tutwiler

Supplemental Activities

-- State Chairmen and key political figures react to the President's announcement in statements and press conferences in state capitols.

Lake



ACTION

- Republican National Committee and Reagan-Bush Committee work with local campaign organizations to motivate telephone calls and telegrams to White House in support of the President's announcement. Including letters from Lake/Greener ~~from the~~ GOP House leadership; Senate Republicans; and GOP Governors.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President Addresses Religious Broadcasters Convention

o 7:00 a.m. Television Interview Shows

-- ABC's "Good Morning America": Paul Laxalt is interviewed on the President's announcement. Lake

-- NBC's "Today": Vice President Bush is interviewed on the President's announcement. Green

-- CBS's "Morning": Jim Baker or Ed Rollins Baroody/Hogga

o 11:00 a.m. Mrs. Reagan visits Reagan-Bush Headquarters Deaver

o 12:00 noon Lunch Briefing in Roosevelt Room for Editorial Page Editors. RR Drop-by. Small

Senator Paul Laxalt, Ed Meese, Bud McFarlane, Drew Lewis, Margarete Hance and Ed Rollins.

o 2:00 p.m. President Speaks to Religious Broadcasters Convention Deaver/Speake

The President speaks to Religious Broadcasters in remarks intended to underscore commitment to traditional values. Sheraton Washington Hotel. (Open Press Coverage)

o 5:00 p.m. The President's Television Interview McManus

The President is interviewed by ABC's "Good Morning America" host, David Hartman. Oval Office. (For use Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.)

o 6:00 p.m. Vice President's Television Interview Green

The Vice President is interviewed on a live two-way discussion with CBS "Evening News" Dan Rather to discuss the President's decision and plans for the campaign.

o 6:30 p.m. Television Interview Program

-- PBS's "McNeil-Lehrer": Key political official Lake

o 11:30 p.m. Television Interview Program

-- ABC's "Nightline": Senator Paul Laxalt Lake



ACTION

Supplemental Activities

- Newsweek cover story on RR. Speakes
- Talking points and RR announcement speech distributed to Administration spokesmen. Baroody/Small
- Talking points and RR religious broadcasters speech distributed to spokesmen and relevant interest groups. Small
- Cabinet members and surrogates placed on drive-time radio shows, regional t.v. and radio interviews from D.C. Small
- Profile pieces on V.P. appear in Post (Michael Barone) and Christian Science Monitor (Louise Sweeney). Green
- Reagan-Bush distributes RR speech, etc., to key interest groups. Lake
- Op-eds by Cabinet Members placed in major media markets. State Chairmen op-eds and letters to the editors mailed in local markets. Baroody/Small
- Reagan-Bush state t.v. and radio actualities continue. Lake

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

MAJOR EVENT: The President Travels to Chicago for Speech  
to Concrete and Aggregates Show

ACTION

- o Early morning budget hand delivery to selected Members  
of Congress.

Wright

- o 10:00 a.m. EURONET Interview

Sims

Robert McFarlane is interviewed by correspondents from  
the foreign press. USIA

- o Mid-morning embargoed budget distribution to Hill  
(Republicans first).

Wright

- o 10:00-11:30 a.m. CBS affiliates briefing on SOTU  
and announcement. RR drop-by.  
Roosevelt Room.

Small

- o 12:00 noon The Vice President's Editorial Interview

Green

The Vice President attends a luncheon hosted by the  
editors of The Washington Post to discuss the President's  
political and legislative agenda. Washington Post Bldg.

- o 12:00 noon The President's Trip

Deaver

The President addresses Concrete and Aggregates Show  
and visits ethnic neighborhood.

- o 2:00-6:00 p.m. Agency press and Congressional embargoed  
budget briefings.

Baroody/Wright

- o 6:00 p.m. Embargoed budget release to press.

Wright

- o \_\_\_\_\_ Room 450 Briefing on SOTU themes for  
social issue groups by Svahn and Wright.

Whittlesey



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: The President presents Budget to Congress  
and makes remarks to Business and Labor  
Group

o 10:00 a.m. Cabinet meeting

Fuller

o 10:00 a.m. Major Budget Briefing

Speakes

Secretary Regan, Director Stockman and Chairman Feldstein  
brief news media on the 1985 Budget. State Department  
Auditorium. (Open Press Coverage)

o 11:00 a.m. The President Formally Presents Budget

Oglesby/  
Speakes

The President presents budget to the bipartisan  
Congressional leadership. Oval Office. (Press Coverage)

o 11:00 a.m. IGA briefing for local and state officials.  
Indian Treaty Room.

Verstandig

o 12:00 noon The Budget is Released

OMB/Speakes

The Budget is formally released to the news media and  
public.

o 2:00 p.m. Maureen Reagan Interview

Greener

Maureen Reagan meets with selected group of women  
reporters to discuss women's issues and campaign.

o 2:00 p.m. Budget Briefing for Administration  
Appointees

Fuller

Stockman, Meese, Regan in Room 450.

o 3:00 p.m. The President Meets with Labor and Business

Whittlesey

The President meets with Business and Labor leaders in  
meeting arranged by Office of Public Liaison. The  
President makes remarks on the Budget. East Room.  
(Press Coverage)

Supplemental Activities

-- Talking points on Budget to Administration spokesmen.

Baroody/Small

-- Public Liaison, RNC, Reagan-Bush distribute Budget,  
talking points, fact sheets to key groups.

Baroody/Whittlesey  
Lake/Small

-- RNC Cabinet Member actualities supporting RR's Budget.

Greener

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: Release of Economic Report and favorable '84 forecast. The President attends Luncheon on Capitol Hill.

- o 7:00 a.m. Television Interview Programs
  - ABC's "Good Morning America": Director Stockman interviewed on the Budget. Baroody/Hogga
  - NBC's "Today": Secretary Regan interviewed on the Budget. Baroody/Hogga
  - CBS's "Morning": Martin Feldstein Baroody/Hogga
- o 10:00 a.m. Briefing On Economic Report and Favorable Economic Forecast Speakes  
  
Regan, Stockman, and Feldstein
- o 11:00 a.m. Radio Interview Programs Speakes  
  
Secretary Regan and Director Stockman are interviewed by reporters from independent radio networks.
- o 12:00 noon The President Visits Capitol Hill Deaver/Oglesb  
  
The President Addresses Luncheon for House and Senate Republicans. Remarks stress economic policy successes, good '84 economic outlook and need for Republican support of Budget. Capitol Hill. (Press Coverage)
- o 2:15 p.m. The President's Wall Street Journal Interview McManus  
  
The President is interviewed by the editors of The Wall Street Journal on the economy and politics. Oval Office. (Article will appear Friday, February 3)

Supplemental Activities

- Talking points on economic report distributed to spokesmen, Public Liaison groups and Reagan-Bush. Baroody/Small et. al.
- Economic spokesmen placed on radio drive-time and major media markets radio shows. Small
- Surrogates emphasize economic good news. Lake/Baroody

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

ACTION

MAJOR EVENT: RR interview in Wall Street Journal on major economic news and politics. The President addresses GOP Women's Luncheon.

o 7:00 a.m. Television Interview Programs

-- ABC's "Good Morning America": Maureen Reagan

Greener

o 12:00 noon President Speaks to GOP Women

Verstandig

The President addresses elected women officials from 12 northeastern states. State Dining Room. (Press coverage)

Supplemental Activities

-- Talking Points on issues of interest to women distributed to Administration spokesmen, surrogates and Public Liaison groups.

Baroody/Small/  
Whittlesey



OTHER

ACTION

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- o NBC's "Meet the Press" Vice President Bush

Green

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- o 9:30 a.m. RR drops by Regional Press Briefing.  
Room 450.

Small

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January 24, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR JIM BAKER  
MIKE DEEVER  
DICK DARMAN

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *Bo*  
SUBJECT: State of the Union Speech Distribution

New security procedures in the Capitol will restrict certain freedom of movement prior to the State of the Union that the Legislative Affairs staff has enjoyed in the past. Therefore, it is of great concern to our office that we have the fact sheet and text of the speech early so that we can provide for timely delivery to the Hill.

We would like to recommend the following:

1. During the afternoon of January 25, as early as possible, copies of the press fact sheet and a copy of the full text be made available for review (but not for copying) in the House and Senate Republican leaders' offices. A copy will also need to be made available to the Senate Republican Conference to help all Republican members prepare for video actualities that will be taped one hour prior to the President's speech. They have been reliable in the past, making sure that only Members see the copy of the speech. All offices will have specific instructions regarding no distribution of the speech.
2. Subsequent copies of the final text will be provided to the Doorkeepers' Offices for distribution to Members as they exit the House Floor after the speech.

Again, it is important that we arrange for these timely deliveries to the Hill in light of our limited ability to move freely in the Capitol this year.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Thanks.

PRIORITY LISTING FOR STATE OF UNION MESSAGE

SPEECH

give to L.A. at 7:00 p.m.  
Legislative Affairs (Senate) 175 copies  
Legislative Affairs (House) 500 copies  
Legislative Affairs 675 copies

NOTE: additional 650 to be mailed to each individual member of of Congress

give to L.A. at 7:00 p.m.  
Press Office (Robin Gray) - 6:30 p.m. 350 copies  
Press Office (Anson Franklin) - 7:00 p.m. 250 copies

give to these 9:00 p.m.  
Intergovernmental Affairs 300 copies  
NOTE: To be given out to meeting tonight with Governors

Public Affairs 500 copies  
NOTE: For mailing tonight

Public Liaison 50 copies

FACT SHEET

Mr. Darman's Office (advance distribution) 500 copies

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January 24, 1984

NOTE FOR CRAIG L. FULLER

FROM: Adele

SUBJECT: State of the Union Message --  
Suggested Changes from the Department of Education

Sharon Schoenhaut called in Secretary Bell's suggested changes for the State of the Union as follows:

On page 9, first paragraph, line 5: Instead of "SAT scores" substitute "college entrance examination scores".

On page 9, second paragraph, third sentence, starting with "already": Insert "Already governors, state legislatures, local school districts and their neighborhood communities are

implementing the Commission's recommendations. We have underway a massive, far-reaching movement to reform and renew the nation's schools. Schools are reporting progress in math and reading skills but we must seize this opportunity to restore our schools by encouraging the teaching of the new basics, reward our teachers of merit, enforce tougher standards and put parents back in charge.



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## MEMORANDUM

## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

January 24, 1984

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM: GILBERT D. RYE *gr*SUBJECT: Talking Points on Space

Bob Sims tells me you are committed to at least three events on January 25, 1984, related to the State of the Union Address. Attached for your use are talking points on the space portion of the speech.

RECOMMENDATION

That you use the attached Talking Points.

Approve ☒Disapprove ☐

Attachment

Tab I Talking Points

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## TALKING POINTS

### SPACE PORTION OF THE STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

- In his State of the Union remarks, the President announced that the development of America's next frontier - space - is one of his four goals for our Nation in the 1980s.
- The President also articulated the three elements of his broad strategy for space:
  - Establish a permanent manned presence in space with a Space Station program.
  - Increase international cooperation in space.
  - Stimulate private sector investment in space.
- Permanent Manned Presence In Space
  - The idea of a permanent manned presence in space has captivated our imaginations since the beginning of the space age.
  - The Space Shuttle program was, in fact, conceived in the late 1960s in the context of a Space Station program.
  - With the growing operational maturity of the Shuttle, the President has decided that it is time for us to take the next bold step into the future of space.
  - The U.S. Space Station will be a permanently manned, multi-purpose, modular facility which will orbit the earth. It will be launched and tended by the Shuttle.
  - The Space Station will provide living quarters and working facilities for a crew of 6-8 which will rotate every 3-6 months.
  - The Space Station will contribute to the developing of the peaceful, commercial use of space. It will permit:
    - Scientific research and technology development by both government and industry.
    - The commercial use of space in such areas as the manufacture of critical materials and pharmaceuticals not available on earth.
    - The assembly, servicing and repair of satellites and other large structures in space.
    - Research focused on extending man's stay-time in space as a first step towards even more ambitious manned space programs.

- The cost of the Space Station will be approximately \$8 billion through the early 1990s.
- In short, the President's approval of a manned Space Station program:
  - Reinforces his commitment to the peaceful uses of outer space,
  - Recognizes that this major program can return tangible benefits to the American people, and
  - Acknowledges his faith in the American people, American industry and a progressive future for our great nation
- International Cooperation in Space
  - For 25 years, this country's civil space program has benefitted from the active cooperation of other nations.
  - The President has invited our friends and allies to participate in the U.S. Space Station program. They will help us meet our ambitious goals and will share the benefits of this program. (DOES NOT INCLUDE SOVIETS)
  - Foreign participation could range from use of the completed Space Station facility all the way to cooperation in its development.
  - Already Europe, Canada and Japan have been studying the Space Station concept and have indicated strong interest.
  - The President has asked Jim Beggs, NASA's Administrator, to visit major capitals around the world in order to explain his Space Station initiative and to assess the extent of potential foreign participation.
  - The U.S. Space Program can be an important instrument of foreign policy in other areas as well.
    - The recent success of the Shuttle/Spacelab mission is eloquent testimony to the effective cooperation between the U.S. and the European Space Agency.
    - We have extended invitations to the Europeans, Japan, Canada and Brazil to provide experiments and astronauts for flights on the Shuttle.
    - There are numerous smaller projects in which our nation and others cooperate extensively.

## Stimulate the Private Sector Investment in Space

- The President has directed a significant expansion of the commercial uses of space by inviting industries and other private entities to finance and conduct business in orbit.
- Commercial uses of space take advantage of low gravity and other unique attributes of space for the manufacture of products.
- We expect industrial firms and other entrepreneurs to invest in space research which would lead to the development of goods and services for use on Earth in other space activities.
- Commercial uses of space can be expected to lead to:
  - New industries and jobs on Earth and in orbit.
  - Advances in science and technology.
  - Continued U.S. leadership in space.
  - An enhanced U.S. competitive position in international trade and an improved balance of payments.
  - Increased tax revenues.
- Products and services with characteristics which lend themselves better to production in space than on Earth include:
  - Electronic components with valuable properties unobtainable in processing on the Earth's surface.
  - Medical and biological preparations for fighting disease.
  - Alloys stronger and lighter than any now available.
  - Advanced communications systems for improved global dissemination of knowledge.
- In addition, the commercial development of space is expected to open new outlets for innovation, imagination and American ingenuity in the application of information and processes obtained there to Earth-bound businesses.



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 4, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL McMANUS

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SUBJECT: Unifying Themes for the SOTUS

*make this is just a thought on the subject of anyone thinking it's worth the effort, well flesh out.*

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February 27, 1984

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Sincerely,

**RONALD REAGAN** A

Students of Immanuel Christian School  
4202 Hessen Cassel  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46806

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Enclosure: #29

cc: M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
WHcc: The Honorable Dan Coats  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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WH RECORDS MANAGEMENT WILL RETAIN ORIGINAL  
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DAN COATS  
4TH DISTRICT, INDIANA

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515  
(202) 225-4436

DISTRICT OFFICE:  
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FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802  
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February 8, 1984

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The White House  
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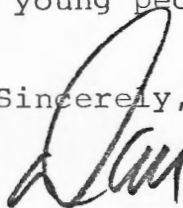
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SP 230-84

# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

☐ O - OUTGOING☐ H - INTERNAL☐ I - INCOMINGDate Correspondence  
Received (YY/MM/DD) 84/02/10

Name of Correspondent: Dan Coats

☐ MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) (B) (C)

Subject: Forwards letters to the President from students  
at Immanuel Christian School

## ROUTE TO:

## ACTION

## DISPOSITION

Office/Agency (Staff Name)	Action Code	Tracking Date YY/MM/DD	Type of Response	Code	Completion Date YY/MM/DD
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## ACTION CODES:

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C - Comment/Recommendation  
D - Draft Response  
F - Furnish Fact Sheet  
to be used as Enclosure

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## DISPOSITION CODES:

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C - Completed  
S - Suspended

## FOR OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:

Type of Response = Initials of Signer  
Code = "A"  
Completion Date = Date of Outgoing

Comments:

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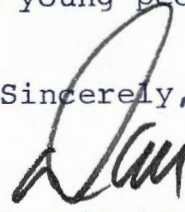
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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 84102110

Name of Correspondent: Dan Coats

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Subject: Forward letters to the President from students at Immanuel Christian School

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4202 Hessen Cassel ● Fort Wayne, IN 46806

745-1414 ●

Immanuel  
Christian  
School

January 27, 1984

Dear Mr. President;

We are a teeny tiny part of the "Heart of America" you referred to Wednesday evening in your State of the Union message.

Here at the Immanuel Christian School in Fort Wayne, Indiana, there are 79 students, Pre-K - 6th grade and 7 teachers who are partners in the learning process. We do feel very blessed by God - to be able to enjoy the luxury of being, learning and living in a free America.

Our kindergarten-ers and Pre'K'ers talk about life in terms of "Joy Spots" and "Hurt Blots". We want to thank you for being a "Joy Spot" president - who has had enough courage to dare run the risk of challenging the congress to question why the privelege of prayer is granted to adults in government and yet denied to children in school.

One of our former students is attending school in Saudi Arabia this year. Her mother writes that education is very different there than it was here in America. She reports that in her new school - education is very harsh, commercial and materialistic. There is no room for God, His truth and hugs. What a "Hurt Blot"!

We operate our school on a VERY limited budget - but our faculty has created a warm and stimulating environment, a special climate in which to encourage children to become thinkers and problem solvers - people who dare to run the risk to be themselves! But the real answer to our current success - on a limited budget - and under rather ordinary conditions is the fact that this is, indeed, the Lord's school - dedicated to Him and sustained by Him - exactly the same concept America itself was founded upon. As you, Mr. President. continue to lead America, asking "Are we on Your side?". God will indeed honor that commitment and will indeed bless our country and heal our land.

May God continue to richly bless you!

Joyfully, in Him,

*Mrs. J. McManus*  
Mrs. Joan McManus  
Admonistrator





Dear Mr. President:

I think it is very brave of you to say the things you say in front of Congress or other unions. I'm glad you stand up for the people. I think it is brave of you to even want to be President. Your concern for the people is great.

Sincerely,  
Matt E. Powell



Dear President Reagan:

My name is Rachel Joy Gibson. I go to Emmanuel Christian School. I think you are a very good President. My family and I watched you last night on The State of The Union. I think you were Great! God bless you.

Sincerely,  
Rachel Joy Gibson

P.S. Do you like being a President?

Dear President Reagan,

A special "hello" from the Immanuel Christian School pre-kindergarten class in Fort Wayne, Indiana. We sure like having you for our president.

We have learned the pledge allegiance to the American flag and now we are learning the pledge to the Christian flag. We are very happy to have a country where we can come to a Christian school. Thank-you for all your hard work.

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BRIAN MATT

JASON JEWELLER

We love you,

Immanuel Christian School

Pre-K class

Mrs. Teresa Clark

JOEL WARE PAKK  
TOM ANDRE  
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Jan 25, 1984

Dear:

I like it in Washington D.C. I went there about 2 or 3 years ago.

I saw the Washington monument, Lincoln Memorial, U.S. Capitol Building, the White House, Jefferson Memorial.

I would like you to write back to me and I would like a

picture with your autograph on it. I am a christian and the family is saved except my brother who is 2.

From: Jeremy Heidinger

Mr. & Mrs. Ray Heidinger  
1714 Kinsmoor Avenue  
Ft. Wayne, IN 46809



Dear Mr President :

I saw your State of The Union speech last night. I go to a Christian school and we get to pray every day in our school. In my neighborhood most of my friends go to schools where you can't pray.

I want to thank you for taking time out of your schedule to come in 1982 to help us in the flood.

Sincerely,

Sony Zuber age 12.



THE WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

ID# 203682

SP230-84

INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: MARCH 06, 1984

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: DR. TADEUSZ ZASEPA

SUBJECT SUPPORTS STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS AND VIEWS

	ACTION	DISPOSITION
ROUTE TO: OFFICE/AGENCY (STAFF NAME)	ACT CODE	DATE YY/MM/DD
ANNE HIGGINS	ORG	84/03/06
REFERRAL NOTE: <u>see NOTE ATTACHED</u>		
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REFER QUESTIONS AND ROUTING UPDATES TO CENTRAL REFERENCE  
(ROOM 75, OEOB) EXT. 2590  
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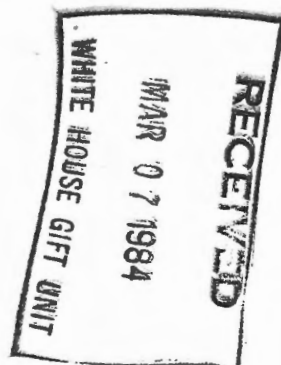
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Date:

To:

*John Helboldt*

*Has the statue been  
asked?*



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be "Anne Higgins".

ANNE HIGGINS  
Special Assistant to the  
President and Director  
of Correspondence  
Room 94, x7610



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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Anne —

Linda sent a FYI copy  
of this yesterday. NSC  
handled all (T.V., too) last  
June. We have added to  
current WH display to  
settle w/ Elaine for  
official '83 report

JH.

Rev. Dr. Tadeusz Zasępa

Head of International Cooperation  
The Catholic University of Lublin, Poland

Al. Racławickie 14  
20-950 Lublin  
office: 304-33

Nowotki 7  
20-039 Lublin  
res: 239-24

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4190 St. Francis Drive  
Athol Springs, NY 14010  
January 28, 1984

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

Dear Mr. President:

Several months ago I had the privilege to be at the White House to present you with a wooden sculpture depicting Poland's indomitable spirit under foreign domination.

I am again in the United States at the invitation of the Director of the Fr. Justin Rosary Hour radio network program which is presently in its 53rd year of broadcasting religious programs in the Polish language over a network of nearly 50 stations in the United States and Canada. I am writing a book about this broadcasting institution. It will be my third major work on American matters.

I write to express my appreciation for your remarkable State of the Union talk before the American Congress.

I address you first as a human being who feels that his life is safer because the life of the unborn is respected and protected here. Whose who share your convictions will now have greater courage to speak out in defense of life and to appreciate a more peaceful atmosphere where human rights are respected.

I also write as a Catholic priest who regards prayer in the classroom as a moral foundation in the education of our youth. From my own experience I know the traumatic effect that resulted when government authorities eliminated traditional prayers from our classrooms in Czestochowa.

My letter is also an expression of a Polish heart. I come from a country which a 1000 year history. If we exist somehow as a nation today, it is thanks to the christian values which influenced our literature and arts. Although there was a time when we did not have our capitol city, we did have our Jasna Góra; we had our lituratur, our christian values which we passon on and continue to pass on to each succeeding generation despite great difficulties.



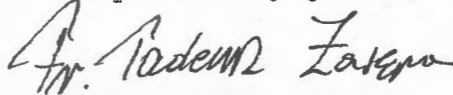
I am very grateful to you, Mr. President, that in your State of the Union speech which you addressed to the American Congress and the entire world, you spoke about America's traditional values which are based on the law of God.

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I am especially pleased to see the traditional values -- so precious to the people of Poland and which were so fruitful in the beginnings of the American nation -- flourishing in the world today, thanks to the efforts of such champions as Pope John Paul II and the present President of the United States.

God bless you, Mr. President!      God bless America!

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Fr. Thaddeus Zasępa". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Rev. Thaddeus Zasępa

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Copy to L. Fick 3-15-84 VR

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