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To: T.GIBSON (EOP028)
To: WH-RM (EOP043)
From: WH-SPEECH (EOP047)
Posted: Thu 26-July-84 10:45 EDT Sys 64 (113)
To: WH-OCA (EOP020)

Subject: spspeech/ss/Olympic Greeting

(Rohrabacher/BE)
July 26, 1984
10:30 a.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: GREETING TO U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
SATURDAY, JULY 28, 1984

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Comments from: WH-OCA (EOP020)

Posted: Thu 26-July-84 13:11 EDT Sys 64

Tom:

I did not see any need to staff these remarks. Correct me if I am wrong.

Thanks.

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IN SO MANY WAYS, YOU REPRESENT THIS NEW SPIRIT ABOUT WHICH I'M TALKING. AND TODAY I KNOW I SPEAK FOR ALL YOUR FELLOW CITIZENS -- NO MATTER WHAT POLITICAL PERSUASION, NO MATTER WHAT RACE OR RELIGION, NO MATTER IF POOR, MIDDLE CLASS, OR AFFLUENT -- WHEN I TELL YOU THAT WHEN YOU ARE OUT THERE COMPETING, YOU ARE OUR TEAM, AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US IS WITH YOU 100 PERCENT.

DURING THESE GAMES, YOU WILL BE COMPETING AGAINST ATHLETES FROM MANY NATIONS, BUT MOST IMPORTANT, YOU ARE COMPETING AGAINST YOURSELF. ALL WE EXPECT IS FOR YOU TO DO YOUR VERY BEST, TO PUSH YOURSELF JUST ONE SECOND FASTER, ONE NOTCH HIGHER, ONE INCH FURTHER. EACH TIME YOU DO THAT, YOU'VE CREATED A MAGIC MOMENT OF BEAUTY AND EXCELLENCE IN WHICH ALL OF US WILL SHARE.

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THESE GAMES ARE THE CULMINATION OF THE WORK AND DEDICATION OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. I THINK PETER UEBERROTH HAS DONE AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB. UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE PRESIDENT, BILL SIMON, HAS ASSURED ME YOU ARE OUR BEST TEAM EVER. BILL, HIMSELF, DESERVES OUR SPECIAL THANKS FOR ALL HE'S DONE.

THIS HAS BEEN A TEAM EFFORT ALL THE WAY. CORPORATIONS HAVE DONE THEIR PART AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE. THOSE WHO COULDN'T GIVE MONEY VOLUNTEERED, DONATING THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE GAMES.

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(7/26 - 10:30 a.m. draft)

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RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
 Assistant to the President
 Ext. 2702

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MEMORANDUM TO: BEN ELLIOTT
FROM: DAVID GERSON *DGR*
SUBJECT: GREETING TO THE U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM

OMB has reviewed the attached material and has no comments.

cc: Richard Darman

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1984

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
AND DIRECTOR OF SPEECHWRITING

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING *Orig. signed by FFF*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Draft Presidential Remarks for
Greeting the U.S. Olympic Team

Our office has reviewed the above-referenced draft remarks and has no legal or other substantive objection to them.

cc: Richard G. Darman ←

Re: ISS

1994 JUL 26 PM 5:48

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

URGENT84 JUL 26 AID: 58
DATE: July 26

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 2:00 P.M. TODAY

SUBJECT: REMARKS: GREETING TO U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM

(7/26 - 10:30 a.m. draft)

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REMARKS:

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Thank you.

RESPONSE: The NSC staff has reviewed and concurs with the attached 7/26, 10:30 a.m. draft of the President's greetings to the U.S. Olympic team. (Comments on pages 3 and 4 have been conveyed to Speechwriter)

Paul B. Thompson for
Robert M. Kimmitt
Executive Secretary

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702

1984 JUL 26 10:42

(Rohrabacher/BE)
July 26, 1984
10:30 a.m.

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In so many ways, you represent this new spirit about which I'm talking. And today I know I speak for all your fellow citizens -- no matter what political persuasion, no matter what race or religion, no matter poor, middle class, or affluent -- when I tell you that when you are out on that field competing, you are our team. And each and every one of us is with you 100 percent.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

FOR RELEASE AT 1:45 P.M. PDT
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Heritage Hall
(Olympic Village)
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 26, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: PETER J. RUSTHOVEN 
SUBJECT: Draft Presidential Remarks for
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Richard Darman's office asked us to provide comments directly to Ben Elliott by 2:00 p.m. today on the above-referenced draft remarks, which the President is scheduled to deliver on Saturday, July 28, when he greets the United States Olympic team in Los Angeles.

The draft remarks make appropriate comments about the team and the Olympics, and present no legal or other problem on which our office need comment.

A memorandum for Elliott, with copy to Darman, is attached for your review and signature.

Attachment

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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RESPONSE:

1984 JUL 26 AM 10:57

Richard G. Darman
 Assistant to the President
 Ext. 2702

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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July 26, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: DONALD R. FORTIER *DF*SUBJECT: Darman Referral - Draft of President's
Greetings to the U.S. Olympic Team

At Tab I is your response on a Darman referral memo conveying NSC clearance of a draft of the President's greetings to the U.S. Olympic team.

Karna Smart *KS* concurs.

Recommendation

That you sign the memo at Tab I.

Approve *KS*

Disapprove _____

Attachment

Tab I Kimmitt/Darman w/draft remarks

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Don:

I initialed this, but would wish
that you point out that there
are two phrases which are totally
unnecessary (and counter-productive) -
on pages 3 and 4. Thanks.

Karna

(Above comments conveyed to
Elizabeth Penniman of Speechwriters
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THESE GAMES ARE THE CULMINATION OF THE WORK AND DEDICATION OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. I THINK PETER UEBERROTH HAS DONE AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB. UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE PRESIDENT, BILL SIMON, HAS ASSURED ME YOU ARE OUR BEST TEAM EVER. BILL, HIMSELF, DESERVES OUR SPECIAL THANKS FOR ALL HE'S DONE.

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