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October 8, 1987

Dear Jude:

I am sorry that we haven't been able to get together. But until we do, let me assure you that we're not promoting a "bad" trade bill. The President has promised the GOP leadership that we would try to work with them in producing legislation that would, as you put it, be "better for the economy." Like you, I'm not overly sanguine about our chances, but we need to try. I suspect that you would agree that the worst possible outcome would be for a bad bill to be enacted over the President's veto.

I'm glad to hear that your estimation of Alan Greenspan is on the rise. I venture to predict that you will be among those supporting his renomination in 1991.

While corresponding is certainly less productive than conversing, please don't hesitate to continue writing until we can get together. I do read the mail when time permits.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Jude Wanniski
President
Polyconomics, Inc.
86 Maple Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

HHB/Dan Crippen/LRC/CAD/jz 10HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Miscoll:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for inviting him to address the members of Town Hall of California at some time in the future. He was pleased to receive your invitation.

At this point, we do not know whether the Senator will be traveling to California with the President in the near future. However, we will look forward to receiving your list of possible dates which will be given every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. James P. Miscoll
Executive Vice President
Bank of America
555 South Flower Street
Los Angeles, CA 90071

LNM/MO/CAD/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Frank:

Thank you for inviting me to address the Republican National Committee luncheon on January 22, 1988.

I am honored to accept your thoughtful invitation, and I look forward to participating in this important meeting.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr.
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

HHB/LRC/CAD/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB
cc: w/copy of inc. to Lura Nell Mitchell

October 8, 1987

Dear Strom:

Thanks for your endorsement of the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce invitation for me to address their annual meeting next year.

I especially appreciate your interest in writing, but I cannot give a definite answer this far in advance. If they would send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, I will give it every consideration as my schedule develops.

Again, thanks for writing. Best regards.

- Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Strom Thurmond
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear John:

Thanks very much for your most recent letter. It is always a special pleasure for me to return home, and I'm especially delighted when I can address fellow Tennesseans. I will keep your thoughtful invitation in mind when I am next in the Chattanooga area.

Warm best wishes to all the Chattanooga Rotarians.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John P. Guerry
President
First-Federal
601 Market Center
Chattanooga, TN 37402

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB
cc: w/copy of inc. to Lura Nell Mitchell

October 9, 1987

Dear Mr. Teague:

Thank you for sending me the copy of The Well-Spring of Morality by J. D. Thomas. It will be a welcomed addition to my personal library, and I look forward to reading it.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness, and please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. William J. Teague
President
Abilene Christian University
ACU Station, Box 8000
Abilene, TX 79699

HHB/MO/CAD/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Roy:

Thank you for your telephone call inviting me to address the Morristown Chamber of Commerce on January 15, 1988. It was very kind of you to think of asking me to speak to fellow Tennesseans.

I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send me a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, I'll be happy to give it every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Roy Oakes
Oakes Motor Company, Inc.
Post Office Box 8
Morristown, TN 37815

HHB/MO/CAD/AVH/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mike:

Thank you for your recent letter -- I'm truly sorry for the delay in this response. I well remember the support you and other members of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy gave to the Government's uranium enrichment enterprise, the gas centrifuge technology, and the Gas Centrifuge Enrichment Plant construction.

I am advised that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Department of Energy are presently assessing the question of privatization in accordance with the President's program. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to Robert K. Dawson, Associate Director of OMB for Natural Resources, Energy and Science, who is closely involved in this process. I'm certain that his informed perspective on this matter will ensure that your concerns receive thoughtful consideration.

Thank you for your continued interest in the uranium enrichment enterprise and for your personal words of support. With my very best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Mike McCormack
President
McCormack Associates, Inc.
508 A Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: Robert K. Dawson/OMB with incoming

October 8, 1987

Dear Ms. DeVos and Friends:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker requesting an auction item for Kent County's Republican fundraiser.

I am sorry this must be a disappointing response, but because of the large number of similar requests that are brought to the Senator's attention, he is unable to respond to them. Please know, however, that he appreciates your support and sends you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Ms. Betsy DeVos and Members of the
Kent County Republican Finance Committee
345 Fuller, N.E.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

SW/MO/CAD/AVH/ACR(LegalCounsel)/LRC/jfc 10HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear John:

Thank you for your recent letter in behalf of Linas Kojelis. I am well aware of the fine work Linas has done in the White House Office of Public Liaison. He has an excellent reputation on our team, and we are delighted to have him with us.

I very much enjoyed being with you at the Wamplers. I'm certain the young Bill Wampler is going to do well in Bristol. Thanks for supporting him.

Warm regards.

- Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John N. Parker
1100 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

Thank you for your kind invitation. I'm honored that you would think of asking me to speak to the student body of Jackson Preparatory School.

Regrettably, I have no plans to be in Mississippi, so I must decline. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and send my best wishes to you and all your fellow students.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Monty Montgomery
President of the Student Body
Jackson Preparatory School
Post Office Box 4940
Jackson, MS 39216

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Jack:

Thank you for asking me to be keynote speaker at the main fundraiser for your 1988 re-election campaign.

Regrettably, I must decline because of the severe limitations on my ability to participate in out-of-state events. Nonetheless, I would be honored to have my name listed on your invitation as an honorary sponsor of your event. I am delighted to be associated with your campaign, and I hope that this will be of some benefit to you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Jack Buechner
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Roberts:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for inviting him to exhibit his photographs in the 1988 Dogwood Arts Festival.

Although he is honored by your invitation and appreciates your thinking of him, it will not be possible for him to participate in the festival's photography exhibition. I hope you will understand. Senator Baker enjoyed meeting you in Knoxville, and has asked me to extend his best wishes for an exciting and worthwhile event next spring.

With Senator Baker's warm regards,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
Personal Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Anthony D. Roberts
Dogwood Arts Festival
203 Fort Mill Building
Knoxville, TN 37915

LNM/LRC/CAD/jz 10HBB

cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Arlen:

Thanks very much for one of Joan's praline pumpkin mousse desserts. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

It was a pleasure to greet your visitors, and I'm glad that my schedule permitted me to do so. I hope that they enjoyed their stay in Washington.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Arlen Specter
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

P.S. I'd rather have Bork than mousse.

HHB/LRC/JCT/LRC/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Jerry:

I appreciate your kind compliments. I thoroughly enjoyed my round of events in Los Angeles, particularly the time I spent with the California Republican Party and the CFA. It won't be easy, but with the help of good folks like you, we will get there. As I told you (and everyone else I talked to), this President is far from lame and has plenty of kick for the last quarter-mile. I'm eagerly looking forward to the next several months.

Needless to say, I enjoyed the Pork Book. It mirrors what the President has been saying for a long, long time. Your tabulation shows how hard it is to get even some of our best friends on all the important spending votes. We really do need to change the process or somehow alter the "rules of the game" to build in biases against this kind of spending, not for it.

Keep up the good work. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Gerald P. Carmen
National Chairman
Citizens for America
Suite 320
214 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

HHB/Crippen/CAD/AVH/pt 9HHB

cc: Lorraine Samarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: Dan Crippen - FYI

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October 8, 1987

Dear Helen:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the letter you wrote to the President recommending Clarice R. Feldman for a vacancy on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

I certainly value your point of view and endorsement. Please know that I will see to it that the President's Legal Counsel, Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr., is advised of your strong support for Clarice.

I hope you are doing well. You have my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. Henry M. Jackson
1703 Grand Avenue
Everett, WA 98201

HHB/MO/CAD/AVH/jz 10HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: A. B. Culvahouse w/copy of incoming

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Iacocca:

Thank you for sending Mrs. Baker and me your President and First Lady portrait. We deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I have also forwarded your Statue of Liberty art piece to the White House Gift Unit for further attention.

Mrs. Baker joins me in sending you our best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Mike Iacocca
Founder/Director
National Youth Hall
of Fame, Inc.
537 North Tenth Street
Philadelphia, PA 19123

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB
cc: w/cpy of incoming to Gift Unit -
please note response needed for scheduling
request

NOTE: Writer's President & First Lady
portrait sent t Gift Unit

October 8, 1987

Dear Chris:

Thanks very much for your kind note and for the beautiful flowers -- they brightened my spirits. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I'm feeling fine now after having had a bad reaction to a prescribed antibiotic -- or maybe it's more accurate to say it had a bad reaction to me!

I enjoyed appearing on Meet the Press; glad I could do so.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Chris Wallace
Chief White House Correspondent
NBC News
4001 Nebraska Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20016

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Dr. Gilman:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your potential employment with the Council of Economic Advisers.

The Council's Chairman, Beryl Sprinkel, tells me that he has, in fact, interviewed you for the position of Senior Staff Economist, so it does appear that your job search is progressing. I understand from Beryl that your candidacy will be given serious consideration, and that he will get back to you when the process is completed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Dr. Martin G. Gilman
1849 Mintwood Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

HHB/Beryl Sprinkel/LRC/CAD/jz 10HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Thad:

Thank you for your letter endorsing Mr. E. B. Robinson's invitation for me to participate in the Deposit Guaranty National Bank Symposium in January.

I appreciate your interest in writing, but I cannot give a definite answer this far in advance. If Mr. Robinson would send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, it will receive every consideration as my schedule develops.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Thad Cochran
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

HHB/LRC/CAD/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Marty:

I am sorry I wasn't in the office when you stopped by to see Dan, but he filled me in. Thanks for sending along your study on tax reform. Frankly, I'm not overly surprised that the distributional impacts of the corporate tax changes are significantly different from the impacts of the changes in marginal personal rates. I have always thought it more than passing curious that folks in Washington talk about taxing corporations as if they were some mythical entity. Rarely is there recognition, as your study ably points out, that corporate taxes can have dramatic effects on the value of shares and the amount of dividends paid.

I was surprised, however, about the impact on the elderly. It obviously makes sense when you consider their sources of income and their reliance on pension funds and other capital income.

As always, I appreciate hearing from you. Let me know when you will be back in Washington and we'll see if our schedules permit a visit.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Martin Feldstein
President and Chief
Executive Officer
National Bureau of Economic
Research, Inc.
1050 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02138

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Fisher:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter.

Although your interest in writing is appreciated, Mr. Baker cannot comply with your request that he autograph the currency. Therefore, I am returning your enclosure; I hope you will understand.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Jack H. Fisher
3123 Bronson Boulevard
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

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Enclosure: \$2.00 bill (serial #G44041833A)
returned to the writer

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Mr. Hoadley:

Thank you for your kind invitation to address the Commonwealth Club of California. It would be a special honor for me to speak to your club, but I don't know when I'll next be in the Golden State. If you agree, let's keep your invitation open-ended, and my staff will contact you if I'm able to accept at a future date.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness and send my warm best wishes to all the members of the Commonwealth Club.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Walter E. Hoadley
President
The Commonwealth Club
of California
595 Market Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

HHB/LRC/CAD/emu 10HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: w/copy of incoming to Lura Nell Mitchell, WW

October 8, 1987

Dear Mrs. Simm:

Thanks so much for your kind letter. I am deeply grateful for your words of encouragement and support; however, I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Also, thank you for your support of Judge Bork. I appreciate having the benefit of your views and send you my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. S. G. Simm
Apartment 907
33 South Gulfstream Avenue
Sarasota, FL 33577

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

October 8, 1987

Dear Ms. Steele:

Thank you for your June 17 letter in which you express concern about the policies governing the Administration's support for overseas family planning programs. I am sorry this reply is so long overdue.

The policy of this Administration is to provide strong support for voluntary population programs, but firm opposition to the use or advocacy of abortion as a method of family planning. This policy is based on the statutory law governing U.S. foreign assistance, and, as you know, it was announced by the United States at the International Conference on Population sponsored by the United Nations and held in Mexico City in August 1984.

To implement this policy, the Agency for International Development (AID) does not provide U.S. funds to foreign nongovernmental organizations that perform or actively promote abortion as a method of family planning. This policy does not infringe on the rights of foreign organizations to decide how they will spend their own funds, nor on the opportunity Third World women have to obtain advice from whomever they wish regarding their pregnancies. Rather, the United States has the right to decide how it will spend its funds for population assistance.

It is important to note that implementation of the Administration's policy (i.e., AID's withholding funds from foreign organizations which engage in abortion activities) has not reduced our total family planning assistance. AID has increased its support for family planning under this Administration, and AID remains the largest single donor in international family planning, providing more than 40 percent of the estimated \$500 million in assistance from all international donors last year.

AID considers population assistance to be a critical part of its effort to improve the health and survival of mothers and children. Family planning makes possible adequate birth spacing, thereby lowering maternal and child mortality rates. Administration policy emphasizes contraception and natural family planning (NFP), rather than abortion, as a means of child-spacing, and AID's support for family planning services measurably reduces reliance on abortion.

Each of the major U.S. organizations that have requested new grants since August 1984, except the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, which has sued AID, has accepted funding subject to the restrictions against providing appropriated funds to foreign organizations that conduct abortion activities. These U.S. organizations continue to operate effective programs making subgrants to nongovernmental organizations in foreign countries.

In conclusion, I do not believe the Administration is prepared to alter the Mexico City policy.

Again, thanks for setting aside the time to send me your thoughts.

With my best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Ellen Lively Steele
Post Office Drawer 447
Organ, NM 88052-0447

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

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October 9, 1987

Dear Mr. Griva:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

The Administration will insist on removal of the Senate provision during the House-Senate conference on the trade bill. Contrary to the reported objectives of trade legislation, mandatory advance notice would make American industry less competitive, not more.

In his most recent letter to the Senate on this legislation, the Secretary of Labor stated that inclusion of any mandatory plant closing provisions would make it impossible for the President's senior advisors to recommend approval of a trade bill.

Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Darwin R. Griva
Vice President and
General Manager
Chromalox
Edwin L. Wiegand Division
Emerson Electric Company
600 Ridgely Road
Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
#Trade Bill

October 9, 1987

Dear Eleanor and Peter:

I am delighted to send warm congratulations on your marriage. I know this is a day you will remember always.

It gives me special joy to join with your friends and family in celebrating this union. May your love for one another grow ever deeper and may the future shower you with every success and happiness.

Please accept my best wishes as you begin your new life together.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cobb
Apartment M-3
9207 Sawyer Brown Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37221

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 9, 1987

Dear Mrs. Bush:

Thank you for your message to Senator Baker. I apologize for the delay in responding to your inquiry. Although your interest in requesting assistance for your son from Mr. Baker is appreciated, he cannot comply with such requests. I hope you will understand.

If your son would like to inquire regarding the possibility of service in this Administration, I would suggest that he write directly to the Office of Presidential Personnel at the White House, enclosing a copy of his resume and indicating an area of interest. I'm certain that his qualifications will be given every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mrs. Mary Olive Bush
Box 1546
Hobe Sound, FL 33475

SW/MQ/CAD/emu IOHHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

October 9, 1987

Dear Eleanor and Peter:

I am delighted to send warm congratulations on your marriage. I know this is a day you will remember - always.

It gives me special joy to join with your friends and family in celebrating this union. May your love for one another grow ever deeper and may the future shower you with every success and happiness.

Please accept my best wishes as you begin your new life together.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cobb
Apartment M-3
8207 Sawyer Brown Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37221

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your kind invitation to participate in the February 12, 1988 grand opening of the new Psychiatric Institute at the Medical University of South Carolina. Much as I would enjoy being with you, the heavy demands of my schedule force me to decline.

While the First Lady makes her own decisions regarding scheduling, her staff has indicated to me that it's too early to know whether she may be able to keynote for you or not. Nevertheless, I have put in a good word for your invitation to her.

With best wishes for a successful grand opening,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable James B. Edwards
President
Medical University of South Carolina
171 Ashley Avenue
Charleston, SC 29425-1010

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: First Lady's Scheduling Office w/cy of incoming

October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Fulcher:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker requesting a tour of the White House for your daughter Amy's graduating class when they come to Washington next May.

The White House is open to visitors from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Tuesday through Saturday and is closed on Sundays, Mondays and on certain holidays. Neither tickets nor reservations are required, and there is no admission charge. I'm certain that the class may easily be accommodated.

I have enclosed a booklet for you which may be helpful in planning your daughter's class visit to the White House. It comes to you with Senator Baker's best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Edgar E. Fulcher
Fulcher Investment Properties
700 American Trust Building
305 Union Street
Nashville, TN 37201

Enclosure: White House Summer Visitors' Program

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Sam:

Thank you for your very kind letter. I'm delighted to hear that you're doing well and that you're still a firm and vocal supporter of the President.

I'm more than happy to forward to you the tie-clasp and pen which you requested, and I've taken the liberty of adding some cuff-links as well as a stick-pin for Betty. You certainly deserve more than these few items for all your years of dedicated service to the party, the President and our nation.

Stay well! Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Samuel L. Devine
170 Burning Tree Drive
Naples, Florida 33942

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~~cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB~~

Enclosure: Ronald Reagan tie clasp, pen, cuff-links,
and stick-pin

October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Hoobler:

Throughout my many years of public service it has always been a source of great pride that I am a native son of the Volunteer State. I have also been proud of our ancestors -- men and women who tamed a wild frontier, claimed the cloud-covered mountains and the rich valleys for themselves, and brought the great state of Tennessee to its present position of prominence.

Knowledge of its past is critical to Tennessee's future success. That is why I was so pleased to hear from the Tennessee Historical Society that it is sponsoring the publication of an illustrated history entitled Tennessee: The Volunteer State. By selecting Dr. Robert Corlew, one of Tennessee's finest historians, to tell the Volunteers' colorful story, you have taken a significant step toward helping us all learn more about our Tennessee heritage.

I look forward to the publication of this important book. You have my hearty congratulations.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. James A. Hoobler
Executive Director
Tennessee Historical Society
Ground Floor
War Memorial Building
Nashville, TN 37219
HHB/Christopher Cox/JCT/jz 9HHBA
cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Neely:

Thank you for sending me the article, "Crisis in Panama." I look forward to reading it in the next several days, when time permits. We are in complete accord with your view that the United States cannot tolerate an establishment of another Communist base in this hemisphere.

I appreciate your kind words of support and encouragement. You have my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Neely B. Coble
Post Office Box 100430
Nashville, TN 37210

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Sonny:

Thank you for your congratulatory note following the installation of the Howard Baker Chair of American History at McCallie School.

It was indeed a high honor paid to me by our school and its supporters, and I'm deeply grateful. I especially appreciate your taking the time to add your kind thoughts.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Gillespie V. Montgomery
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Dan:

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of your newest book, Hidden History Exploring Our Secret Past. I look forward to reading it at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you also for your kind note following the installation of your successor, Jim Billington, and I am honored by your kind words of friendship.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Daniel Boorstin
Librarian of Congress Emeritus
Washington, D.C. 20540

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Fuhr:

Thank you for your message to the Chief of Staff expressing interest in receiving collectable items from the White House.

We receive a large number of requests each day for mementoes from the White House -- honoring all of them would simply be impossible. As a result, we are unable to provide you with the materials which you requested. Your interest is appreciated, and we hope that you will understand the need for this policy.

With Mr. Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup
Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

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cc: Lorraine Camarano 61 OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Ms. Foltin:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker inviting him to participate in your American Politics Magazine Roast in January 1988.

I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of the event, we will be happy to give it every consideration.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lura Nell Mitchell
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cc: Lorraine Camarano, Room 61 OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Chris:

Thank you for your kind note and words of encouragement. I thoroughly enjoyed having dinner with you and Waller when I was last in Los Angeles. It was a special pleasure.

I have every reason to believe that you will certainly live up to the highest standards in your future endeavors.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Harris:

Thank you for your letter and for sending me a copy of the 1987 edition of the American Jewish Year Book. I appreciate your thoughtfulness, and I am sure it will be a very useful reference text.

Congratulations on your selection as the Washington representative of the American Jewish Committee. I wish you much success and look forward to working with you.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. David A. Harris
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The American Jewish Committee
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cc: Info copy to Max Green w/copy of incoming
cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Mrs. Drath:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your assessment of the Guatemala City Accord. The Administration shares many of the concerns raised in your report.

After meeting with members of the Resistance Directorate on August 27, the President stated that we intend to see that the Nicaraguan Resistance has adequate funds until a cease-fire is in place and a verifiable and irreversible process of full democratization is underway in Nicaragua. The Sandinistas' history of broken promises and fervent commitment to Marxist-Leninist principles require that the United States give the process of reform in Nicaragua the strictest scrutiny. The Sandinistas would not have sat down at the bargaining table in Guatemala City without the military pressure from the Resistance. We believe it is crucial that the Resistance remain intact until Sandinista compliance with the Guatemala Agreement can be assessed and irreversible progress toward democratization has been made.

For this reason, the President will request that Congress approve \$270 million to meet the needs of the Resistance over the next 18 months. The timing of the Administration's request will depend heavily on what is happening with the peace process in Central America. There are a number of variables, particularly the behavior of the Sandinistas, which will affect how the request is structured.

The President recently appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs Morris Busby as Special Negotiator for Central America. His role is to maintain a continuous dialogue with the four democracies, both at the working and policy levels, to ensure that U.S. policy is clearly understood and to insist on timely and effective implementation of the Guatemala Agreement. Special Negotiator Busby is stressing our commitment to the Resistance and the need for the Central American democracies to take their views into account.

On behalf of the Administration, I would like to thank you for your support of our policy in Central America. Organizations such as the National Committee on American Foreign Policy make a real contribution in providing the public with information on the situation in Nicaragua and Central America.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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National Committee on American
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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your kind invitation to participate in the February 12, 1988 grand opening of the new Psychiatric Institute at the Medical University of South Carolina. Much as I would enjoy being with you, the heavy demands of my schedule force me to decline.

While the First Lady makes her own decisions regarding scheduling, her staff has indicated to me that it's too early to know whether she may be able to keynote for you or not. Nevertheless, I have put in a good word for your invitation to her.

With best wishes for a successful grand opening,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable James B. Edwards
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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
cc: First Lady's Scheduling Office w/cy of incoming

October 13, 1987

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your kind invitation to the Walter B. Wriston Lecture on November 5 in New York City. Dr. Carver Mead's background is very interesting indeed!

Much as I would enjoy being with you, I must decline. The heavy demands of my schedule limit severely my ability to participate in out-of-Washington events.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. William M.H. Hammett
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cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Bob:

I thoroughly enjoyed being with you at the lunch in your honor at the Old Executive Office Building on September 18. I'm delighted that the event was so successful.

Please know that I wish you the best of luck in your campaign. I appreciate your friendship and am glad to help in any way I can.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Robert L. Livingston
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cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Ms. Thackerson:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

October 13, 1987

Dear Ms. Westine:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Charles C. Smith
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