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- 1 Subject: Briefing memorandum for meeting on Federalist Initiative
- 2 Mtg with GLENN SCHLEEDER, Executive Associate Director of OMB.
- 3 Meeting Senator Dan QUAYLE
- 4 Interview with group of newspaper reporters
- 5 Interview with Roger Mudd of NBC
- 6 Live Televised address
- 7 Memorandum re "End of Year Interviews" containing questions and answers
- 8 Signing ceremony for State and Local Government Cost Estimate Act of 1981

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SIGNING CEREMONY FOR H.R. 1465  
"STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COST ESTIMATE ACT OF 1981"

DATE: Wednesday, December 23, 1981  
LOCATION: Cabinet Room  
TIME: 2:45 p.m.

From: Richard S. Williamson

*Rich*

I. PURPOSE

To evidence your commitment to the need for the federal government not to pass legislation that will place an undue financial burden on state and local governments.

II. BACKGROUND

State and local governments have been very supportive of legislation that would require a fiscal impact statement on all legislation that affects state and local governments. This bill will accomplish that objective.

III. PARTICIPANTS

List attached.

IV. PRESS PLAN

Writing pool and photo coverage.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1. Participants will enter <sup>Cabinet Room</sup> ~~Oval Office~~ and stand behind President's ~~desk~~.
2. President makes signing remarks.
3. President signs bill.
4. Photo opportunity.

VI. REMARKS

To be furnished by Speechwriting.

SIGNING CEREMONY FOR H.R. 1465  
Wednesday, December 23, 1981

List of Participants

U.S. Congressmen

Senator David Durenberger (R-Minnesota)  
Senator Pete Domenici (R-New Mexico) - Possible  
Congressman Leo C. Zeferreti (D-New York)

State Legislators

Assemblyman Chuck Hardwick (R-New Jersey)  
Assemblyman John Rocco (R-New Jersey)  
President, NRLA  
State Senator Ross Doyen (R-Kansas)  
President, NCSL

Mayors

Mayor Ferd Harrison (D-Scotland Neck, North Carolina)  
Mayor Jayne Plank (R-Kensington, Maryland)

Local Official

Stephen Detweiler (R-Arlington County, Virginia)  
George Miller, Vice President  
National Associatit

Staff

Robert Goss  
Representing the National Conference of State  
Legislatures  
Stephen Farber  
Representing the National Governors' Association  
Barton Russell  
Representing the National Association of Towns  
and Townships  
Bruce Talley, Associate Director of the National  
Association of Counties  
Bernard F. Hillenbrand  
Representing the National Association of Counties

White House Staff

Richard S. Williamson  
Alan F. Holmer

*JRF*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE  
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*8:54- OVAL*

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9:30 am (15 min)	<del>Personal Staff Time</del> <i>HAG - 9:31 - 9:45</i>	Oval Office
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FROM: Edwin L. Harper 

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 17, 1981

MEETING WITH SENATOR DAN QUAYLE (R-INDIANA)  
AND HIS FAMILY

DATE: December 23, 1981  
LOCATION: The Oval Office  
TIME: 12:05 p.m. (5 minutes)

THRU: Max L. Friedersdorf  
FROM: Powell A. Moore

*M.L.F.*  
*P.A.M.*

I. PURPOSE

To respond to Senator Quayle's request for a meeting with the President to have a photograph taken with his wife and three children, ages 3, 5 and 7.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FRPM: DAVE GERGEN

SUBJECT: End-of-the-Year Interviews

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QUESTIONS ABOUT PRESIDENT REAGAN'S FIRST YEAR IN OFFICE

1. As you look back, what's the greatest accomplishment?
  - Greatest failure?
  - Greatest disappointment?
2. What would you have done differently?
3. Still like the job? Will you run in '84?
4. You live a life in a fishbowl -- any difficulty adjusting to that?
  - How about Mrs. Reagan?
5. Press treatment: has it been fair?
  - What's your biggest complaint about the press?
6. Last Spring and summer, your aides predicted a backlash would set in against your budget cutting. Recent polls show a decline in your popular support and a return to Democratic Party advantages on "concern for people" issues. Is this the backlash?
  - Is it reversible?
  - How will the GOP do in the '82 elections?
  - Won't '82 be a referendum on "Reaganomics"?
7. Are the American people better off today than they were a year ago?
8. Your economic projections throughout the year have been way off? This recession was never predicted -- and when it came, its depth was underestimated. Isn't your program a failure?
  - What do you do to repair it -- raise taxes?
  - Isn't the progress on inflation, interest rates due only to recession?

9. Vernon Jordan's question during the year has been -- even if the recovery program works to restore growth over the long-term, what do the poor do in the short-term?
- How do they survive until the new jobs are created when support programs they rely on are being cut back?
10. The new round of budget cuts for '83 seem to be encountering much more resistance, even from within the Administration. Baldrige, Donovan, Pierce all vocal in resisting the cuts.
- Can you get them through your own Cabinet? Congress?
- Is Cabinet resistance a sign that Stockman's clout really has been reduced after the Atlantic article?
11. Wasn't John Anderson right? You aren't able to balance the budget, cut taxes and increase defense spending all at the same time?
12. As first year ends, any plans for reshuffling your Cabinet, or White House staff?
- Will Dick Allen return?
- Should Donovan take a leave if special prosecutor appointed?
- Does Casey have your confidence?
13. What's ahead? Besides economic recovery, what will your priorities be for 1982?

THE WHITE HOUSE

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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: FEDERALIST INITIATIVE

Wednesday, December 23, 1981  
9:45 a.m. (1 hour)  
The Cabinet Room

FROM: RICHARD G. DARMAN *R.G.D.*  
CRAIG L. FULLER *CF*

I. PURPOSE

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II. AGENDA/SEQUENCE

Don Regan will present the conceptual outline. Discussion will follow.

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THRU: Max L. Friedersdorf  
FROM: Powell A. Moore *mm*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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INTERVIEW WITH GROUP OF REPORTERS

DATE: December 23, 1981  
LOCATION: Oval Office  
TIME: 2:00 pm (30 minutes)  
  
FROM: Larry Speakes

I. PURPOSE

To be interviewed by seven correspondents of major newspaper chains on the Reagan administration first year.

II. BACKGROUND

This session will give the President the opportunity to discuss the administration accomplishments of the first year. The circulation of these chains combined is over 15½ million daily and about 15 million on Sunday

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

Andrew Glass	Cox Newspapers
Ben Shore	Copley Newspapers
Ann Devroy	Gannett Newspapers
Bob Thompson	Hearst Newspapers
Saul Friedman	Knight-Ridder Newspapers
Loye Miller	Newhouse News Service
Ted Knap	Scripps-Howard

IV. PRESS PLAN

The White House photographer will take pictures at the beginning of the session.

The interview will be embargoed for use Sunday, December 27.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After brief introductions, the interview will proceed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

INTERVIEW WITH ROGER MUDD - NBC

DATE: December 23, 1981

LOCATION: Library

TIME: 3:15 pm (30 minutes)

FROM: Larry Speakes 

I. PURPOSE

To be interviewed by Roger Mudd for a 20-minute segment of an NBC year-end special on the Reagan Administration.

II. BACKGROUND

NBC has done two previous specials as part of their in-depth coverage of the Administration. The first was A Day In The Life of the President, and the second was a six-month review of the Administration's policies.

The show will air on December 30.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Roger Mudd

IV. PRESS COVERAGE

The White House photographer will take photographs at the start of the interview.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After brief introductions and pleasantries, the interview will proceed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

LIVE TELEVISED ADDRESS

DATE: December 23, 1981

LOCATION: Library

TIME: 9:00 PM EST

FROM: Mark Goode

I. PURPOSE

To deliver a televised address to the nation.

II. BACKGROUND

The message will include holiday greetings and comments on the current situation in Poland.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

IV. PRESS PLAN

NBC will provide pool facilities and personnel. A still photo opportunity will take place immediately following the broadcast.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- A. Television set-up will begin at 5:30 PM in the Oval Office.
- B. The President will arrive in the Oval Office for a technical check at 8:50 PM.
- C. The telecast will commence at 9:00 PM; it will be 10 - 20 minutes in duration.

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5. Press treatment: has it been fair?
  - What's your biggest complaint about the press?
6. Last Spring and summer, your aides predicted a backlash would set in against your budget cutting. Recent polls show a decline in your popular support and a return to Democratic Party advantages on "concern for people" issues. Is this the backlash?
  - Is it reversible?
  - How will the GOP do in the '82 elections?
  - Won't '82 be a referendum on "Reaganomics"?
7. Are the American people better off today than they were a year ago?
8. Your economic projections throughout the year have been way off? This recession was never predicted -- and when it came, its depth was underestimated. Isn't your program a failure?
  - What do you do to repair it -- raise taxes?
  - Isn't the progress on inflation, interest rates due only to recession?

9. Vernon Jordan's question during the year has been -- even if the recovery program works to restore growth over the long-term, what do the poor do in the short-term?
- How do they survive until the new jobs are created when support programs they rely on are being cut back?
10. The new round of budget cuts for '83 seem to be encountering much more resistance, even from within the Administration. Baldrige, Donovan, Pierce all vocal in resisting the cuts.
- Can you get them through your own Cabinet? Congress?
- Is Cabinet resistance a sign that Stockman's clout really has been reduced after the Atlantic article?
11. Wasn't John Anderson right? You aren't able to balance the budget, cut taxes and increase defense spending all at the same time?
12. As first year ends, any plans for reshuffling your Cabinet, or White House staff?
- Will Dick Allen return?
- Should Donovan take a leave if special prosecutor appointed?
- Does Casey have your confidence?
13. What's ahead? Besides economic recovery, what will your priorities be for 1982?

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1981

INTERVIEW WITH GROUP OF REPORTERS

DATE: December 23, 1981

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 2:00 pm (30 minutes)

FROM: Larry Speakes

I. PURPOSE

To be interviewed by seven correspondents of major newspaper chains on the Reagan administration first year.

II. BACKGROUND

This session will give the President the opportunity to discuss the administration accomplishments of the first year. The circulation of these chains combined is over 15½ million daily and about 15 million on Sunday

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President

Andrew Glass

Ben Shore

Ann Devroy

Bob Thompson

Saul Friedman

Loye Miller

Ted Knap

Cox Newspapers

Copley Newspapers

Gannett Newspapers

Hearst Newspapers

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Newhouse News Service

Scripps-Howard

IV. PRESS PLAN

The White House photographer will take pictures at the beginning of the session.

The interview will be embargoed for use Sunday, December 27.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After brief introductions, the interview will proceed.

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Attachment: List of questions that might be asked

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

INTERVIEW WITH ROGER MUDD - NBC

DATE: December 23, 1981

LOCATION: Library

TIME: 3:15 pm (30 minutes)

FROM: Larry Speakes

I. PURPOSE

To be interviewed by Roger Mudd for a 20-minute segment of an NBC year-end special on the Reagan Administration.

II. BACKGROUND

NBC has done two previous specials as part of their in-depth coverage of the Administration. The first was A Day In The Life of the President, and the second was a six-month review of the Administration's policies.

The show will air on December 30.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Roger Mudd

IV. PRESS COVERAGE

The White House photographer will take photographs at the start of the interview.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After brief introductions and pleasantries, the interview will proceed.

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Attachment: List of possible questions

