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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Signing Ceremony: World Communications Year

Date: December 16, 1982
Location: The East Room, State Dining Room
Time: 11:45 A.M.
From: Jay Moorhead, Special Assistant to
the President
Private Sector Initiatives

I. Purpose

To sign United Nations proclamation declaring 1983 as World Communications Year and to commend the U.S. Council for World Communications for adopting a private sector initiatives approach to promoting communications internationally.

II. Background

Approximately 100 senior officers of corporations, universities, foundations, unions, and trade associations joined in partnership to promote private sector communications in partnership with International Telecommunication Union. The group is chaired by William Ellinghaus also President of AT&T.

After your remarks and proclamation signing, Ellinghaus will introduce you to Amory Houghton, Jr., Chairman of the Board and CEO of Corning Glassworks. Houghton will present you with a Christmas tree ornament in the shape of the World Communications Year logo. The ornament is made of fiber optics, materials used for communication lines.

At this point, thank Houghton and Ellinghaus (see attached talking points) and ask guests to join you for refreshments in the State Dining Room and lead the way through the cross hall.

III. Participants

William Ellinghaus, Chairman, U.S. Council on World Communications Year 1983.

Amory Houghton, Jr., Chairman of the Board, Corning Glassworks

Craig Naylor, President, Overseas Private Investment Corporation

Robert Mosbacher, Jr.; Vice President, Mosbacher Production Company and member, Task Force on Private Sector Initiatives.

Jay Moorhead, Special Assistant to the President, Private Sector Initiatives

Attendees - U.S. Council on World Communications Year 1983

Executive Branch employees

IV. Press Plan

Open Press coverage
White House Photographer

V. Sequence of Events

- Enter East Room
- Address audience from podium
- Sign proclamation at table next to podium
- Ellinghaus introduces Houghton
- Houghton presents tree ornament
- Ask guests to join you for refreshments in State Dining Room
- Proceed to State Dining Room

Attachment - talking points

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS YEAR

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENT PRESENTATION

- Thank Houghton and the artisans at Corning Glassworks for the ornament.
- Comment on ornament's shape of World Communications Year logo and made out of the same materials communications cables are made from.
- I know Nancy will love this, I am going to hang this on our personal Christmas tree upstairs in the residence.
- Thanks again - Now how about some refreshments. Won't you all follow me to the State Dining Room.
- Note: In State Dining Room - brief mix and mingle with White House photographer.

(Elliott/AB)
December 15, 1982
1:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS
YEAR 1983 PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1982

Thank you very much, Bill. We're delighted to welcome all of you to the White House -- and it's especially nice to have you with us here at Christmas time. I'm sorry Nancy isn't here, but as you look around, you can see that she's with us in spirit. You may have noticed that this room is where I normally have my press conferences. I don't mind telling you I'm just as content to be with your group. At least with you, there won't be any failure to communicate.

Many outstanding leaders from different areas of the communications industry are with us today. As you know, our Administration has asked the private sector to carry the ball for the United States in World Communications Year 1983. We're very grateful for your leadership and initiative. I know Bill Ellinghaus has put together a national council with representatives from industry, labor, academia, media and professional and trade associations to implement the goals for the United States.

The aim of World Communications Year is to stimulate economic and social progress around the world through accelerated expansion of communications and information services. I think this represents a tremendous opportunity for U.S. world leadership. Let's face it: we are the pathbreakers in the most communications-intensive era in history. The world is in a

communications revolution and that revolution is being made right here at home.

I think this progress grows out of our 200-year-old tradition of freedom -- freedom like that embodied in our first amendment, which gives every citizen the right to express his or her ideas and to act on them politically. We trust the people. Our revolution was born to liberate the individual and to create economic and social opportunity. It lives in one simple principle: government must rest on the consent of the governed. This is still the most inspiring, successful and truly progressive political idea in the world today. It always has and always will make tyrants tremble.

Back in the days before we had satellites and electronic hook-ups, Thomas Jefferson put it this way: "The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter." Now I couldn't help noticing something about that kind remark Jefferson made about the press -- he made it before he was President, not during his term. But I guess that just proves his point. As long as information can flow freely, America can grow and thrive, and democracy itself will be stronger than before.

This principle Jefferson championed is reflected in Article 19 of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights: "Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression;

this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers."

As we describe the world in which we live today, and the world we are building for tomorrow, we see two trends growing side by side: a universal quest for more and better information, and new opportunities and technologies sprouting up to meet this quest almost faster than we can imagine. We Americans have an unprecedented opportunity: we can embark on a noble journey to reach our dreams and to serve mankind; and we can do it through communications, creating new growth, jobs and hope -- for our people and for the people of the world. This is our challenge for the eighties.

The development of new technologies, such as computers, micro-chips, satellites and fiber optics, has revolutionized our concept of communications over telephone, radio and television. Each day in the United States our citizens engage in some 400 million telephone calls. That's nearly two for every man, woman and child. The world now has over one-half billion telephones, and about 140 nations are connected by communications satellites. The majority of these were built and launched in the United States.

Looking ahead to another private sector initiatives effort, in 1984 the Olympics in Los Angeles will be carried, via satellite transmission, to some 2 billion people around the globe. There is an international satellite under construction here in the United States that will hopefully be launched by

1986. It will be able to transmit the equivalent of the Encyclopedia Britannica every 3 seconds. Beyond that, we can envision the possibility of building much larger satellites complete with millions of telephone circuits and thousands of television channels.

We have opened the door, but we have taken only our first small steps into the new age of communications. With faith and confidence in each other, with a commitment to invest more and to invest more wisely in our future, we can create a new era of knowledge and opportunity. The United States must rededicate itself to development of technology through our private enterprise system. We're one of the few nations of the world in which telecommunications is still controlled by private enterprise -- and we still lead the way. We must continue to share the benefits of this technology with the rest of mankind -- in keeping with the spirit of Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Thank you very much for your strong, personal efforts to help us build our future -- a better future of progress, excitement and hope.

And now, I'm pleased to sign this Proclamation for World Communications Year 1983.

c

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING PAPER

December 15, 1982

MEETING WITH RNC DINNER COMMITTEE

Roosevelt Room

December 16, 1982

1:30 p.m.

I. PURPOSE

To meet and thank the members of the 1982 RNC Dinner Committee for their willingness to bolster the sales for the annual RNC Fund-raising dinner, which will be held February 1, 1983.

II. BACKGROUND

This year, the RNC Dinner Committee hopes to raise \$2-3 million in their annual fund-raising dinner.

Each of the participants in this meeting (all of whom are Republican Eagles) have committed to the selling of 5 tables, for a total of \$50,000 in ticket sales each. Monies raised at the RNC Dinner will go to the White House support budget and the RNC General Support budget.

III. PARTICIPANTS

See attached (approximately 45 people)

IV. PRESS PLAN

None

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- THE PRESIDENT is escorted to the Roosevelt Room
- THE PRESIDENT greets the group and talks informally with them, thanking them for their leadership roles in the Party and for the RNC Dinner
- THE PRESIDENT shakes hands and allows for photo opportunities before leaving
- THE PRESIDENT departs
- Guests depart

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

INTERVIEW WITH THE WASHINGTON POST

DATE: December 16, 1982 (Thursday)

PLACE: Oval Office

TIME: 3:30 p.m. (30 minutes)

FROM: Larry Speakes *LS*

I. PURPOSE

To be interviewed by The Washington Post at the midpoint of the President's first term.

II. BACKGROUND

The interview will focus on a mid-term assessment of where the country is, what has been accomplished and where we go from here on the wide range of issues facing the President such as Social Security, the jobs bill and the Mideast.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Lou Cannon
David Hoffman

IV. PRESS PLAN

The interview will be used in Friday's edition of the Post, with the possibility of an additional in-depth article being written for the weekend edition. The Washington Post photographer will photograph the first few minutes of the interview, along with the White House photographer

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After pleasantries, the interview will proceed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 15, 1982

BRIEFING FOR THE PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

ON: THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST DRUG ABUSE

DATE: 16 December 1982
TIME: 4:20 PM (5 minutes)
LOCATION: Cabinet Room
FROM: EDWIN L. HARPER

I. PURPOSE

For Carlton Turner to discuss your campaign against drug abuse and outline the First Lady's efforts with representatives of the professional sports associations. The meeting is designed to solidify their commitment to get their respective sports involved in drug abuse awareness and education efforts.

II. BACKGROUND

In 1972 the NFL and the NFL Players Association, in cooperation with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) - Joe Band, developed a drug education and prevention program.

On March 22, 1982, Mrs. Reagan hosted a White House Briefing on Drug Use and the Family. Several representatives from the sports associations were present and a renewed interest in the drug education program was sparked.

In July 1982, Carlton Turner met with the Commissioners of the professional sports associations: soccer, hockey, basketball, football and baseball. The Commissioners were very positive about helping and requested the White House provide leadership and make recommendations on how sports organizations could help.

After evaluating the different approaches that would be both positive for your program and for the sports organizations, our recommendations are: a poster series featuring prominent sports personalities; designating games or tournament to promote drug abuse awareness and prevention; public service announcements; preparation of a booklet displaying sports figures with anti-drug messages; bumper stickers; T-shirts; patches; hats; half-time interviews; scoreboard displays; talk show guests; and national and local speakers bureau.

The National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth (NFP) recently received a donation of \$40,000 from the NFL Charities. A portion of that money will be used to initiate the "Nancy Reagan Speakers' Bureau". The Speakers' Bureau was established on October 12, 1982 and should be operational by April 1, 1983. It will buttress both the efforts of the NFP and Mrs. Reagan.

The visit by you and Mrs. Reagan and your brief remarks will further strengthen the interest previously expressed by the professional sports. Participation from a group like the professional sports, with their high visibility and influence on both the youth and media, will heighten the degree of awareness of the problems of drug abuse and provide an excellent private sector initiative for your overall drug program. Players and management know it is in the interest of their sport to help take a highly visible stand against drug abuse.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Mrs. Reagan
Carlton Turner
Representatives of the Professional Sports Associations
(See attached list)

IV. PRESS PLAN

Pool Photographer

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 3:55pm Sports figures will enter the Cabinet Room (5 min)
- 4:00pm Carlton Turner will begin the briefing (19 min)
- 4:20pm You and the First Lady will enter and Carlton Turner will present the attendees
- You will then make brief remarks (4 min)
- 4:24pm Thank you from Commissioner O'Brien of NBA (1/2 min)
- Don Weiss (Executive Director - NFL) will invite Mrs. Reagan to participate in the half-time activities of the Super Bowl via personal visit or tape (1/2 min)
- 4:25pm You and the First Lady will leave
- 4:30pm Briefing concluded

VI. REMARKS

See Attached

BRIEFING FOR THE PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

ON: THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST DRUG ABUSE

PARTICIPANTS

Band, Joe
Special Assistant to the
Deputy Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Division)
Department of Justice

Holliday Bobbitt, John
Media Coordinator
WMAL-Radio

Conway, Donald
Chief Administrative Officer
U.S. Tennis Association

Counce, Dan
Coach
North American Soccer League

Durso, Edward
Assistant Commissioner
Major League Baseball Association

Ferry, Robert
General Manager
Washington Bullets

Fleisher, Larry
National Basketball Association

Foreman, Earl
Commissioner
Major Indoor Soccer League

Jackson, Charles
Director of Security
National Football League

Joyce, Jack
Commissioners Office
National Basketball Association

Kerr, John
North American Soccer League Players Association

Kuhn, Bowie
Commissioner
Major League Baseball Association

Laupheimer, John
Commissioner
Ladies Professional Golf Association

Menchel, Michael
Director of Communications
Major Indoor Soccer League

Mitchell, Robert
Assistant General Manager
Washington Redskins

O'Brien, Laurence
Commissioner
National Basketball Association

Owens, Brigman
National Football League Players Association

Rice, Susan
Visual Information Specialist
Drug Enforcement Administration

Ryan, Jr., Stephen
Commissioner
National Hockey League

Taylor, Charles
Director of Public Relations
Washington Redskins

Weiss, Don
Executive Director
National Football League

Woosnam, Phil
Commissioner
North American Soccer League

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 15, 1982

BRIEFING FOR THE PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

ON: THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST DRUG ABUSE

DATE: 16 December 1982
TIME: 4:20 PM (5 minutes)
LOCATION: Cabinet Room
FROM: EDWIN L. HARPER

REMARKS:

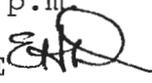
- Nancy has kept me informed of the progress that is being made is drug abuse education and prevention and I am pleased with the success thus far.
- I would like enlist all of you, as representatives of your respective sports associations, to help in this very worthwhile cause ... fighting drug abuse.
- Because of the increased level of awareness, parent groups are starting up all across the country.
- Many elements in the private sector have taken bold initiatives in drug abuse awareness and education; and
- I am offering you a challenge; imagine what you and your organizations can do to influence young people to avoid drugs and alcohol.
- Then do something about it!
- Carlton Turner has just offered suggestions as to positive ways in which sports figures can become involved in preventing drug abuse.
- Athletics play an important part in our lives and it is certainly not news to you that athletes are literally heros in our society, especially among our young people. I know, I had heros in the sports world.
- Athletes are symbols of physical fitness and well being. Our youth looks to their favorite athlete as their model and the athlete is particularly influential on their behavior.
- That is why I hope that I can count on your help in our drug abuse awareness programs.
- Educating our young people on what drugs do to their bodies and their minds will help prevent many drug abuse problems and help protect the future of our country.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 14, 1982

MEETING WITH NATIONAL OFFICERS OF
THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

DATE: December 16, 1982
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 4:15 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
FROM: ELIZABETH H. DOLE 

I. PURPOSE

Photo opportunity with the newly-elected officers of the Future Farmers of America (FFA).

II. BACKGROUND

The 1982-83 national officers were elected at the National FFA Convention (the largest youth convention in the world with over 23,000 participants) in Kansas City, Missouri on November 13, 1982. Jan Eberly is the first woman elected President of the FFA in their 55-year history. The newly-elected officers went through four days of intensive questioning and examination by FFA's Nominating Committee before being presented for election by the delegates. The national officers will travel throughout the nation spreading the word about agriculture, vocational agriculture and the FFA.

III. PARTICIPANTS

See attached list.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photo only.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

4:15 p.m. Your guests join you in the Oval Office.
4:16 p.m. You make brief remarks and pose for pictures.
4:20 p.m. You thank your guests and they depart.

ATTACHMENTS: Participants/Talking Points

PARTICIPANTS

1982-1983 National FFA Officers

Jan Eberly, President
Marty Coates, Secretary
Cara Doyle, Vice President, Central Region
Bruce Kettler, Vice President, Eastern Region
Bryan Stamps, Vice President, Southern Region
Wendell Jeffreys, Vice President, Western Region

Tony Hoyt, Program Specialist-Leadership, FFA
Michael Wilson, Photographer for FFA

Administration

Elizabeth H. Dole
Thelma Duggin
Adis Vila (White House Fellow)

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING
WITH THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

- Congratulations, I am certain this will be a very rewarding and productive year for all of you.

- I would like to especially congratulate Jan Eberly for becoming the first woman elected President of the FFA in their 55-year history. This is indeed something to be proud of, and your achievement exemplifies the expanding role of women in today's society.

- You all should be proud, for you represent a most worthwhile youth organization.

- I would also like to wish Jan a happy birthday. I understand you turned 20 yesterday.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVE JAMES HANSEN
(R-UTAH) AND REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE MORMON YOUTH SYMPHONY
AND CHORUS

DATE: Thursday, December 16, 1982
LOCATION: The Oval Office
TIME: 4:30 (5 minutes)
FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein *KrD.*

I. PURPOSE

To honor Congressman Jim Hansen's (R-Utah) request for the President to meet with representatives of the Mormon Youth Symphony and Chorus who would like to present him with a number of albums and a cassette of their Emmy Award Winning Christmas Show (1981).

II. BACKGROUND

Jim Hansen, a Freshman Republican from Utah's First Congressional District (east Utah, including Ogden and Provo), serves on the House Interior and Insular Affairs and Standards of Official Conduct Committees. Jim, whose family was injured in an accident caused by a drunken driver, spearheaded the Congressional effort to force federal and state governments to take strong measures to solve the problem of the drinking driver. He met with the President on November 13, 1981 in the Oval Office to present him with a letter co-signed by 160 Members of Congress, urging the appointment of a Presidential Commission on this subject.

Jim has been a strong supporter of Administration policies.

The representatives of the Mormon Youth Symphony and Chorus will be Dr. Robert C. Bowden, Conductor and Director; Mr. Raymond Furgeson, President; and William Wingert, a member of the group and an intern in Representative Hansen's office.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President

Representative James V. Hansen
Dr. Robert C. Bowden
Mr. Raymond Furgeson
Mr. William Wingert

Staff

Kenneth M. Duberstein

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer Only.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Participants will enter the Oval office as a group and will be greeted by the President for purposes of (1) the presentation to be made and (2) the photograph to be taken.

Attachment: Talking Points

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR
CONGRESSMAN JAMES HANSEN (R-UTAH)
AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MORMON
YOUTH SYMPHONY AND CHORUS

- Welcome the guests to the White House.

- Tell Jim Hansen you were conscious of his presence and influence Monday when you signed the National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week Proclamation (Week of December 12). Compliment him on his successful efforts on behalf of his "cause" as well as his choice of guests.

- Tell the guests--representatives of the Mormon Youth Symphony and Chorus--you were particularly looking forward to seeing them at this holy and festive season.

- Comment that a gift of music is more than a gift of beautiful sound--it is a gift which nourishes the spirit. Congratulate Dr. Bowman, Raymond Furgeson and Bill Wingert on their work with the Chorus.

- In closing, wish them continued success as they bring the joy and beauty of their music to a receptive world.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 15, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK 

SUBJECT: Photo Session with US Outgoing Ambassadors
Thursday, December 16 -- 4:30 p.m.
Oval Office

Attached are 3x5 cards with pertinent information for
your photo session with:

Ambassador Edward Peck	-	Mauritania
Ambassador John Holdridge	-	Indonesia
Ambassador Samuel Hart	-	Ecuador

The Ambassadors are especially appreciative of your
taking the time to meet and be photographed with them,
and their families, prior to departure for their
respective posts.

cc Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

PHOTO SESSION

AMB. JOHN H. HOLDRIDGE (INDONESIA)

PARTICIPANTS: FAMILY - WIFE: MARTHA
SON : GEOFFREY (22)
WH - WILLIAM P. CLARK
CHARLES P. TYSON
NSC - RICHARD CHILDRESS
STATE - DANIEL O'DONOHUE

- CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, LONG/
VARIED ASIAN EXPERIENCE
- 1968 - SENIOR STAFF MEMBER, ASIA (NSC);
1973 - DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, CHINA
- 1975 - AMB. TO SINGAPORE; 1981 - ASST.
SECRETARY OF STATE (EAST ASIA)

PHOTO SESSION

AMB. SAMUEL F. HART (ECUADOR)

PARTICIPANTS: FAMILY - MOTHER: WILLIE HART
SISTER: BENNIE HART
WH - WILLIAM P. CLARK
CHARLES P. TYSON
NSC - AL SAPIA-BOSCHI

- CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE SINCE 1958.
- SERVED IN LATIN AMERICA--CHILE, COSTA RICA,
URUGUAY; THE FAR EAST--INDONESIA, MALAYSIA;
AND THE MID-EAST--ISRAEL--IN POLITICAL,
ECONOMIC AND CONSULAR ASSIGNMENTS.
- MOST RECENTLY SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF ANDEAN
AFFAIRS AT DEPT. OF STATE, RESPONSIBLE FOR
CONDUCT OF RELATIONS WITH VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA,
ECUADOR, PERU AND BOLIVIA.

PHOTO SESSION

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AMB. EDWARD L. PECK (MAURITANIA)

- CAREER FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER SINCE 1957 WITH EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA.
- MINISTER COUNSELLOR FOR U.S. INTERESTS IN BAGHDAD, IRAQ, 1977-1980.
- 1980-1982 DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS--PLAYED A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN STRENGTHENING U.S.-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS.

PHOTO SESSION

AMB. EDWARD L. PECK (MAURITANIA)

PARTICIPANTS: FAMILY - WIFE: ANN
FATHER - GEORGE A. PECK (93y)
DAUGHTER - JULIA (2-1/2 yrs)
" - HEATHER (23 yrs)
SON - THOMAS (5 yrs)
IN-LAW - JOSEPH SLEVIN
" - KATHERINE SLEVIN
WH - WILLIAM P. CLARK
WH - CHARLES P. TYSON
NSC - HOWARD J. TEICHER

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

DATE: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1982
LOCATION: THE OVAL OFFICE
TIME: 4:20 P.M. (administrative time)
(5 Minutes)

FROM: JOANNA BISTANY



I. PURPOSE

Photo opportunity is intended to generate national and international publicity in the medium of newspapers, magazines, television and radio, for the kick-off presentation of the Louis Sudler National Intercollegiate March Band Trophy being awarded at the Rose Bowl. It will also be used in conjunction with a message that the President recently taped that will be shown on national tv at half-time of the Rose Bowl.

II. BACKGROUND

The Sudler Trophy is one in a series of awards developed by Louis Sudler and the John Philip Sousa Foundation to recognize and to encourage excellence in the various aspects of band work.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Ambassador Daniel Terra
Louis Sudler

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

After a brief introduction, the photo opportunity will begin.

V. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING PAPER FOR THE PRESIDENT

LIGHTING OF THE NATIONAL CHRISTMAS TREE

DATE: Thursday, December 16, 1982
TIME: 5:43 p.m.
LOCATION: Steps outside Oval Office,
Leading to Rose Garden

I. PURPOSE

To light the National Christmas Tree

II. BACKGROUND

The National Pageant of Peace was organized in 1954. The first tree to be lit by a President was lit by Calvin Coolidge in 1923 on the White House lawn. Since 1954 the Presidents have actually gone to the Pageant to light the tree. The tree is surrounded by 57 trees representing the 50 states and 7 territories that are decorated by craftsmen from each state to depict that state. This year a full hour of entertainment has been planned.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President
Mrs. Reagan

IV. PRESS PLAN

live television

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Mrs. Reagan joins the President in the Oval Office by 5:40 in order to walk out together at 5:43. The President makes brief remarks which have been prepared by the speechwriters (4-5 minutes). The President pushes the switch which lights the National Christmas Tree. Television coverage of this event then returns to the Ellipse where the show continues.

The President and Mrs. Reagan then return to the residence stopping to greet Karen Ann Sheppard (Camp Fire Girl) and J. Thomas Acklin (Boy Scout) honored by the Pageant of Peace; and Mr. John Dixon, Chairman of the Pageant of Peace and Chairman of the Board of E Systems, Dallas, Texas.

(RR/Parvin/AB)
December 15, 1982
4:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1982

My fellow Americans, the Christmas and Hanukkah decorations are up around the country and in a moment we'll be lighting the National Christmas Tree here in the Nation's capital.

In this holiday season, we celebrate the birthday of one who, for almost 2,000 years, has been a greater influence on humankind than all the rulers, all the scholars, all the armies and all the navies that ever marched or sailed, all put together. He brought to the world the simple message of peace on Earth, good will to all mankind.

Some celebrate the day as marking the birth of a great and good man, a wise teacher and prophet, and they do so sincerely. But for many of us it is also a holy day, the birthday of the Prince of Peace, a day when "God so loved the world" that He sent us His only begotten Son to assure forgiveness of our sins.

The Yuletide season is characterized in our country by the giving of gifts, a spirit of charity and, yes, goodwill more so than at any other time of the year. Already traditional programs are underway, drives to collect food and clothing for those who are in need. The U.S. Marine Reserves have a toy collection drive to make sure old St. Nicholas -- Santa Claus -- has enough to go around. This is matched in countless American communities by firemen, policemen, churches, religious groups, and service clubs.

Let me give you one specially moving example of what the Christmas spirit can do. In Bridgeport, Connecticut, the Police Athletic League for years has maintained a kind of Christmas center. It consists of a ranch-type house, a manger and other things associated with Christmas. During the holiday season it is manned by a Santa Claus, elves and helpers. Thousands of children visit it every year and thousands of toys are given out.

This year, on Tuesday, December 7th, it was destroyed by fire -- set by a suspected arsonist. The Mayor of Bridgeport asked for constructionists, carpenters, electricians, all the skills needed to help rebuild such a place. The answer to his call was instantaneous. More than 250 volunteers worked in shifts around the clock.

On Sunday, December 12th, at about 1:30 p.m., the fifth day after the fire, I phoned the Mayor. He was officiating at the re-opening of that Christmas Center to the cheers of hundreds and hundreds of the citizens of Bridgeport. It had been rebuilt in only 4 days between the fire and the opening.

A recent initiative of Postmaster General William Bolger's will make it easier for all of us to do our part. He has instructed post offices across the country to display lists of the Christmas food, clothing and toy drives in their local areas -- a guide to holiday giving open to all Americans.

This holiday season, as we work our way out of recession, too many still find themselves without jobs, forced to cut back on things they once thought of as their normal pattern of living. They aren't statistics, they are people. They're our neighbors,

friends and, yes, family, and they make up that group that right now we call the unemployed.

Their number is greater than it has been for some time past. Still for every unemployed individual there are nine of us who do have jobs. And with that ratio of one out of ten in mind, I'd like to make a suggestion. How about those of us who are employed making sure that those who aren't will never-the-less have a merry Christmas?

This is something that needs doing at the community level -- neighbor helping neighbor. The people we're talking about may be members of your church, brothers and sisters in your union local, or that family across the street or down the block in your neighborhood. Surely between the nine of us we can find a way to make Christmas merry for that one who temporarily can use our help.

But remember, time is growing short and Christmas is almost here -- which brings us back to lighting the National Christmas Tree.

This beloved tradition, which began nearly 50 years ago, has a special symbolism for our people. It's as if when we light this tree, we light something within ourselves as well. And, during the Christmas season, I think most Americans do feel a greater sense of family, friendship, giving and joy.

There's a special joy in our children at this time of year. I've heard from many of them recently. I wish Nancy and I could personally thank all you children who've written in, but I want

you to know how good your cards, letters and artwork make us feel.

Now while Christmas is a time for children, it's also a time to think of those who are less fortunate than we. As we light this Christmas tree, may it light hope in the hearts of those who are lonely and needy.

In Ephesians we read that: Each of us has been given his gift, his portion of Christ's bounty. Well, let us share our bounty this Christmas season. Let us offer not only our hearts and prayers, but a generous hand, to those who need our help. And as we light this tree, let us brighten the lives of those here at home and around the world whose Christmas may not be as glowing and cheerful as ours. So, to all of you, God bless you and keep you during this cherished holiday season. And now, let's turn on the National Christmas Tree . . .

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Reception for Press
Thursday, December 16, 1982
8:00 p.m.

REVISED
DECEMBER 13, 1982
10:00 am

FROM: Muffie Brandon *Muffie Brandon*

7:45 p.m. Guests begin to arrive the East Gate and are led up the Grand Staircase to the State Floor into the State Dining Room and East Room.

8:10 p.m. Social Aides begin to line guests up for the receiving line in the State Dining Room. As many guests as possible should be in the State Dining Room with remaining guests in the Cross Hall.

8:15 p.m. PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN proceed to the State Floor via the elevator and continue to the Blue Room via the Red Room. They take their places in front of the window for the receiving line for approximately one hour and then mix and mingle in the Cross Hall.

As soon as the PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN are in place, Social Aides will start the receiving line feeding from the south door of the State Dining Room, into the Red Room, from the south door of the Red Room into the Blue Room, past the PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN, around the Christmas tree past the fireplace, and into the Cross Hall. Guests are then ushered into the East Room for more refreshments.

9:15 p.m. At the termination of the receiving line and after a brief mix and mingle, PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN proceed to the Residence via the elevator.

10:00 p.m. All guests depart via the East Gate.