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Mr. President -

The meeting with the Governors was excellent - all respects.

There was only one thing that concerned me and that was some of your statements at the outset. I thought you did two things that could have been omitted:

1) You talked a lot about the schedule for the next week or two days - this tends to support the notion that this is all a scheme or a media event in which they are playing.

2) You talked very specifically about changes, cuts, etc. This should be your news later - not announced by them.

Finally, you stated at least this meeting to degenerate into a bitter session about you, Administration, etc. But

these are people with broad political

perspectives. You should ask

them ~~advice~~ <sup>the</sup> advice as to how to deal

with ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> political problems of you

and encourage them to be frank.

WJD

President