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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 29, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JERRY RAFSHOON

SUBJECT: Your Remarks in Wisconsin March 31

Enclosed are suggested draft remarks for all your speaking events on the Wisconsin trip. They include:

1. Speech to Congressman Obey's "Better Way Club" Fundraiser.
2. Talking Points for brief remarks to Club sponsors.
3. Talking Points for brief remarks to Congressman Zablocki reception.
4. Speech to Wisconsin Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner.

The two speeches follow the suggested outlines of the memo which you approved. They were prepared after extensive consultation with Congressman Obey and his staff and other Democratic Party officials and supporters in Wisconsin.

Add to Zablocki

Clem is the kind of man who will do things for a friend, for someone he believes in and for the kind of government he believes in, that he would never do even for himself. When the polls looked close here in Wisconsin the week before the election Clem Zablocki did something he had never done for himself in nearly 30 years in Congress, something he had never done for any other political candidate -- he did a television spot for me. I can't say for sure that spot is why we won, but I don't like to think about how it might have been if he hadn't.

REMARKS AT THE DEMOCRATIC JEFFERSON-JACKSON DAY DINNER,
March 31, 1979

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It is great to be back in Wisconsin. And it is always an honor to speak to a political organization that continues to set a standard for our Nation of open, honest, progressive political leadership -- the Wisconsin Democratic Party.

I have a special personal feeling for this state and for all of you. The Wisconsin primary was a cliffhanger. But you gave me that crucial support. Your hard work, and energies, and devotion made the difference in the general election campaign. And as long as I am your President, I want to stay true to your faith and trust and the great ideals of the Wisconsin Democratic Party.

And I am proud that the first -- and the best -- decision I made as our Party's Presidential nominee was

to pick as my running mate a man who was raised in, and symbolizes, the special spirit of compassion, idealism, and decency of the Democratic Party in this part of the country, your friend and neighbor -- Vice President Walter Mondale.

Tonight, is a time for taking stock. As Democrats we are by nature problem-solvers. We are always dissatisfied with the status quo. We are always striving to realize the ideals we share -- to build a world of justice and opportunity for all peoples; of diversity and peace. And that eternal discontent which beats in the heart of every Democrat is our enduring strength.

We focus on crises, and problems and unmet needs, because we know America always can do more. But we should never forget the accomplishments we have won together over the past two years.

- Two years ago, the scars and memories and divisions of America's longest war were still visible all across our Nation. Today, we are a Nation at peace -- peace among ourselves as a people and peace with every other nation on earth. For 26 months, no young American has had to fight or die or suffer in combat anywhere in the world.

- Two years ago, you could see the human tragedy of massive unemployment and recession in every community and state. Small business was squeezed cruelly. Farmers faced falling prices. And the housing industry was at depression levels. Today, there are 7.6 million more men and women working in America because of the leadership of the Democratic Party. Our economy is rebounded ^{ing} stronger than anyone predicted from the deepest recession of the last 40 years. Farm exports, and farm income -- particularly among dairy farmers -- continue to be on the rise.

- Two years ago, contact with government for most Americans was a bewildering mass of confusion, bureaucracy, and delay. Government seemed out of control, and we had lost our confidence that we were controlling our destiny. Today, we are reorganizing government. We are controlling waste and fraud. We are cutting excess regulations. And we have passed the first reform of civil service in the last 100 years. We are restoring the faith of Americans who depend on government for vital services and Americans who pay the bill.

- Two years ago, Americans were asking for leadership that would once again speak out around the world for America's oldest ideals of democracy and basic human rights. Today, America is speaking out against repression, torture, political imprisonment, and the denial of the right to emigrate. We are proud that people struggling for their freedom around the world look to our Nation for leadership. And I pledge

that as long as I am your President, America will continue to lead the struggle for human rights.

We have not ducked the tough choices as Democrats or avoided political risks. We restored the integrity of the Social Security funds. We fashioned this Nation's first energy policy after years of neglect. And we passed the Treaties on the Panama Canal...not because we thought they would win us votes...but because those steps were necessary to safeguard the interests of this Nation and the welfare of the American people.

But I am not here to claim that all our problems have been solved. You cannot undo eight years of neglect in two years. I am reminded of a story Gaylord Nelson tells about when he was a young boy and his father took him to hear Bob LaFollette campaign on a whistlestop train.

Bob gave a stem-winding speech that electrified the crowd. And he was still going strong as the train went around the bend. Gaylord's father said: "How would you like to be a politician like that some day". And Gaylord replied, "With a Senator like Bob LaFollette in office, by the time I get old enough, all of the problems will be solved." (Now Gaylord Nelson is in the Senate. And we still have not solved all the problems.)

The problems facing our generation of Americans are unprecedented, difficult, and complex. There is no button in the Oval Office to make inflation go away or to solve our Nation's energy problems. But neither is beyond our control.

For 30 years, we were told that peace between the nations of Israel and Egypt was beyond our reach. But after generations of suffering, war, and death, we saw the leaders of those two great and ancient nations -- President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin -- seated in front of the White House this week signing a Treaty of Peace.

Those leaders dared to dream. They looked beyond their own narrow personal concerns. They shared a vision of a Middle East at peace, with prosperity and justice for all its peoples. And through their own persistence, and faith, and courage, and determination they are making that vision come true.

Those are the same qualities we need more than ever in America today to meet the difficult challenges we face. We have always been able to muster that sense of common purpose in wartime, but it is just as crucial in a time of peace.

President Roosevelt said in 1933, "It is a mistake to assume that the virtues of war differ essentially from the virtues of peace. All life is a battle against the mistakes and human limitations of man, against the forces of selfishness and inertia, laziness and fear."

Our energy problems are not of crisis proportions today. But we must have the foresight and the wisdom to act now so that our children do not inherit an energy crisis which they never made but they must suffer from. We are frontier people, but today we must confront the challenge of limits to our resources. As a party we face difficult decisions. But that is the responsibility of those who lead.

Next week, I will be announcing a series of new measures to meet our energy problems. The decisions ^{will} may not be popular. They will call for sacrifice and support from all Americans. But those decisions are right. They are necessary. And I will not hesitate as President to take whatever responsible actions are needed to safeguard the future and independence of this Nation.

The problem of inflation cannot be solved by govern-

ment alone while everyone else continues business as usual. The decisions of all of us contribute to inflation -- government, business, labor, and consumers. And all Americans must act to bring inflation under control.

(Possible statement about Teamsters negotiations which face possible strike at midnight Saturday after you speak.)

As Democrats we must recognize that the fight against inflation is a fight for those in need -- for the elderly, the working poor, the unemployed, the farmer, and the small businessman.

And as a party we must meet our special responsibilities. Federal spending must be restrained. My 1980 budget cuts the \$66 billion deficit I inherited by more than half. It steadily reduces the percentage of the nation's gross national product which goes for taxes and spending. And it moves us towards a goal I am determined to reach . . .

a balanced budget.

My budget is tight and fair. But as in every other year, the inevitable pressures to spend just a little more here or just a little more there, for someone's pet project, or for someone's favorite interest group, have already begun.

I am determined to fight these pressures. I am determined to stand firm. I am determined to use the full powers and resources of my office to hold the line on federal spending.

The challenge for us today is to put aside temporary gratifications for the sake of the long-term public good. The job will not be glamorous, and the results will not come quickly or easily and may not always even be detectable. But, so long as I am President -- the nation's interest -- not any private interest -- will come first in the fight against inflation.

One of the fastest rising components of inflation is in hospital care costs. In just the past two years, the average cost of a hospital stay has increased 24 percent to more than \$1,600. There is no clearer test of the willingness of the Congress to put the interests of the American people first in the battle against inflation than my hospital cost containment legislation. And I call on the Congress to act now.

The American people are not asking...nor will our party lead this Nation into a period of retrenchment. Even in a period of austerity -- we have preserved -- and even strengthened the gains we have made these past two years to educate disadvantaged children; to train unemployed teenagers, for health care, jobs, and the enforcement of civil rights.

The Democratic Party will never turn its back on the

poor, the weak, the inarticulate, and those in need. But as Democrats we must recognize that the fight for social justice today is a fight to make programs work effectively. We must translate our good intentions into programs that provide a dollar's worth of services for every dollar spent.

I have now appointed Inspectors General in every major Federal agency to root out fraud. We are already uncovering abuses in agencies like the General Services Administration. And I intend to see these investigations pursued aggressively, wherever they lead -- let the chips fall where they may.

By acting now to meet the challenges of energy and inflation we are building the foundations for prosperity in America for generations to come.

Around the world, we are building a new foundation for a lasting peace.

To build lasting peace, we must have the courage to see the world as it is today, a world of revolutionary awakening and constant change. Saber rattling and empty threats are not the answers to the challenges we face. We must continue to confront the world from a position of responsibility and strength...the strength of our defenses and the strength of our ideals.

My first career was in the military. And I have no higher responsibility on my shoulders as President than to protect the security of the United States. For the 8 years before I took office, spending in real dollars for our national defense was on the decline. I have reversed that trend. And we are strengthening our security forces. Under my Administration, America's defenses will be strong, ready, and never in doubt.

We recognize that the world is often unpredictable, sometimes frightening, but more often subject to hope.

Where America was once doubted and mistrusted, we are welcomed and our influence is sought: in Africa where we stand on the side of majority rule; in Latin America where we have earned new respect; and in Asia where we have begun a new era of friendship and trade with the people of China.

But most important, America is once more using its influence daily, persistently, with commitment, to work for peace...in Cyprus, in Nicaragua, in Southern Africa, and in the Middle East.

We are battling daily to limit the spread and prevent the use of the weapons of mass destruction that wait...today in bomb bays and missile silos and submarines.

There is no more urgent task than to draw a circle

around the world's arsenals of nuclear weapons and halt their spread to dozens of new nations around the world.

We dare not allow our children or our grandchildren, to grow up in a new, plutonium age in which nations, large and small, led by sane leaders or mad men, might be armed -- and make war on each other -- with deadly nuclear weapons.

In such a world, there would be no real security for anyone; no true stability; and no chance for effective arms control.

We took a major step in the Congress to halt the proliferation of nuclear weapons. I am determined to use my powers as President to hold back the spread of nuclear weapons around the world.

We are negotiating daily to reach a new SALT Treaty. I pledge to you and the American people that I will sign no treaty that does not increase America's security and the strength of our defenses. I pledge that I will sign no treaty which our Nation cannot verify independently to ensure that the Soviet Union is always in compliance.

Some claim that the world is too dangerous and our competition with the Soviet Union too intense for us to risk ratifying a new arms control agreement. Just the opposite is true. Our competition with the Soviet Union will continue as far into the future as anyone can see. And that is why both our nations share a common responsibility, and a common interest, in bringing the most dangerous element of that competition...strategic nuclear arms...under rational control.

If this Nation should turn away from the path of arms control down which we have walked for the past 16 years, we could see a world for years to come in which two super-powers-~~each armed with deadly nuclear arsenals~~-raced against each other to gain a nuclear superiority neither would let the other achieve. Such a race would breed uncertainty, instability, constant danger, and constant fear. And it is that atmosphere...like gasoline fumes to a match...which could turn a local conflict, a miscalculation, or even a

technical mistake into a nuclear holocaust. As President, I am determined to continue down the path of responsible arms control and to build a lasting foundation for peace.

We have no illusions that the world has become a safe or easy or manageable place to live. All around us, we see a world in which change comes swiftly and old certainties become outdated overnight.

But as Democrats, and as Americans, we have learned to master change, not fear it. Where others see only complexity, we also see challenge and hope.

We see an American nation after many years of drift standing up to face the difficult challenges of energy and inflation. And we will overcome them, together.

We see a great Nation with a proud history once more honored around the world as a friend of peace and a defender of human rights.

And most of all, we see that after a long and difficult time of testing for America, our basic strengths as a Nation, and as a people, endure.

The challenge of American democracy has always been whether a free people can look beyond their own individual pursuits of wealth and personal comfort to meet a common danger and pursue a common dream. I know that we have the will and commitment and strength as a people to meet that challenge today.

Together, we will go on to fulfill the vision of Carl Sandburg who said:

"I see ahead of us an America not in the setting sun of a black night of despair, but an America in the crimson light of a rising sun; fresh from the burning creative hand of God. We can see great days ahead, great days possible, to men and women of vision and will". Thank you.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON
March 29, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ^{WY} WALTER SHAPIRO, ^{BT} BERNIE ARONSON

SUBJECT: Talking Points: Marquette University
Reception Honoring Representative
Clement Zablocki, 3/31/79

1. Thank you, Father Raynor (Rev. John P. Raynor, S. J., President, Marquette University) for that kind introduction. I have a special feeling for Marquette. Back in 1976, before the Wisconsin primary, I gave a brief talk at Marquette and the enthusiasm of your students was such that those who couldn't get into the room spent the entire time banging on the door as I spoke. College campuses are supposed to be apathetic these days, but that certainly didn't apply to Marquette. Maybe it's something about an urban university like Marquette that is so vitally a part of the city that surrounds it.

2. I want to compliment you on your choice of Clem Zablocki as the recipient of Marquette's "Alumnus of the Year" award. I know that you have already given Clem an honorary degree, so I am beginning to worry that you may be running out of awards for him. Of course one advantage of awards from Marquette is that he can come by to pick them up without having to leave Milwaukee. Clem has had to travel far for his academic honors -- it's a long way to Krakow (Poland) isn't it, Clem?

3. Clem has done a lot of travelling for our government in the past year. He was a member of the American delegation to the investiture of Pope John Paul and the current Pope John Paul II. He was also part of the American delegation which attended the funeral of Golda Meir of Israel. I understand that Clem won a bit of the Carter fortune -- two dollars and sixty-five cents, to be exact -- playing poker with my mother, Miss Lillian, on the long plane ride back from Israel. At Monday's dinner in honor of the peace treaty between Israel and Egypt, my mother challenged Clem to a re-match, but Clem was smart enough to quit while he was ahead.

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4. When I was growing up in Georgia, we were proud of all the great Congressional committee chairmen who came from our state. These days, I'm beginning to think that Milwaukee has become the real home of great committee chairmen. With Henry Reuss on the Banking Committee and Clem Zablocki on Foreign Affairs, I'm wondering if there isn't something special you put in the water -- or the beer -- around here. Clem spent eighteen years as ranking Democrat on the Foreign Affairs Committee. That's a long apprenticeship, in fact, Fritz Mondale may be calling you, Clem, for some advice on how to cope.

5. As you know, Congress plays a major role in shaping our foreign policy. That is why it is so important to have someone like Clem, who is as concerned with world peace as I am, as Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. For three decades, Clem has recognized that while our Nation must be militarily strong, it also must be courageous and innovative in the quest for peace. He was a sponsor of the legislation that created the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the Peace Corps. He was the sponsor and floor manager in the House of the War Powers Act of 1973 which reasserted the shared responsibility between the President and the Congress in the conduct of foreign relations. He is currently a Congressional advisor to the American negotiators putting the final touches on the SALT II agreement. This SALT treaty, which will be coming before the Senate this year, will be an important milestone in our efforts to reduce the arms race and lessen the threat of nuclear war, while in no way, endangering our military security.

6. The best way to judge the quality of a university is by looking at the quality of its alumni. If this year's award winner is any indication, then Marquette is in fine shape. I know this wasn't a totally banner year for Marquette in the NCAA basketball tournament, but when it comes to the United States Congress, Marquette is again in the Final Four.

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All of you in this room are the victims of inflation in its most dramatic form. The people who paid \$35 earlier got a longer speech. Everywhere you go you are paying more and getting less for what you pay.

I hesitate to joke about inflation, because what it does to our country isn't funny. It eats up the elderly person's savings, raises the cost of the young person's education to sometimes staggering levels, undermines every person's ability to plan, robs us all of our hopes and dreams for the future.

One of the ways we can fight inflation is to bring the Federal budget in line, and that is what I'm doing. My proposed budget for fiscal 1980 will cut the deficit to less than half what it was when I took office. Another is to cut waste and fraud wherever we find it.

Dave Obey has been a leader in that fight, as he has been a leader in Congressional reform.

His subcommittee worked closely with us in establishing the Office of Inspector General within the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. That office has already identified \$5 billion in waste, which Joe Califano is taking actions now to eliminate. We are now in the process of placing Inspectors General in every Cabinet department.

He has helped us fight fraud and waste -- not just in departments with which he has little sympathy, but in the very programs he is most committed to, because he knows that waste steals from the people he seeks to help. Waste can't give a youngster a job or educate a handicapped child, see that an old person has a hot meal, help the mentally ill, or safeguard the health of a single worker.

Because you care enough to participate, to support the kind of elected officials like Dave Obey who can make a difference in government, I know you care enough to take responsibility for what happens to our economy as well.

We can't just expect the big companies and the big unions to solve inflation. Every wage settlement, every small and medium-sized firm that increases its prices -- everyone matters. Inflation will be controlled by thousands of individual decisions all over the country, or it won't be controlled at all.

We can't solve inflation by demanding that our prices, our wages, our fees, make up for past inflation and allow for future increases by saying, "Give me a 10 per cent or 14 per cent increase and then everybody needs to work together to get inflation under 7 per cent." The longer we insist on "Me-first" the worse things will be for all of us.

We can't bring down the rate of inflation overnight, but we can reverse the upward trend -- and without bringing our economy to a jarring halt.

I believe our people care enough to make sacrifices for the common good. I believe they are capable *of* the kind of sustained, persistent unglamorous but fundamental cooperation

necessary to solve our problems today.

Throughout our history one of the things that has set us apart is our national tendency to get together to handle problems that would be impossible to even approach alone, and the persistent, day to day willingness to persevere until he had succeeded.

President Anwar el Sadat wrote in his autobiography that when he was in a prison cell it became an opportunity for self-examination and the strengthening of his faith. He concluded there that, "No problem is insuperable." There were many times in the past few months when I felt that statement might need some qualifications. But on Monday he and Prime Minister Begin signed a peace treaty that I pray will be the beginning of a process that will bring a permanent peace to the Middle East. The problems that remain are great, the forces that would divide are strong, but so is our will.

We saw in our country in the 1960s what that kind of will

can do. The poorest, the least powerful politically, the people in our nation who for generations had been declared to be inferior by law rose up and decided that what was possible was less important than what was right -- and had the courage and the perseverance to make it come true. They stood up against all the forces of tradition and selfishness and complacency, and they overcame. They were able to prevail because they were right and because they did what they had to do, and because, despite everything -- they persevered.

President Sadat is right. There is no problem that can not be solved if we want to enough, if we are willing to work at it hard enough. If we persevere.

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Obey Fundraiser

It's good to be back in Wisconsin. I didn't know the weather ever got so warm here! But I learned in 1976 how warm the people were.

I don't have to tell those of you here tonight that inflation has invaded every aspect of American life. It has even caught up with the Better Way Club. I'm told that you have always charged \$25, but this year you had to raise it to \$35. I'm not sure how Fred Kahn will feel about that. He may want to check it out.

I'm pleased to be here tonight because David Obey shares many of my concerns about government, and many of my goals. And I'm especially pleased to be here, with this group, because I think most of you in this room tonight do, too.

This group represents an important factor in American

government: average citizens -- farmer, businessmen, factory workers, office workers -- who by making small donations regularly to support the kind of public officials they feel America needs, eliminate the need for their officials to depend on a few big contributors who may want more for their money than just good government.

Our nation was founded on the principle that all citizens would participate in the political process, both as a right and as a responsibility. Too many of our people leave that responsibility to someone else, not even bothering to go to the voting booth. But you here tonight know there is a "better way" to run a country. You know that better way is to participate at all levels in the decision of who your candidates will be and then in supporting your choices. You believe that every individual can make a difference -- and you do.

We can't afford to wait for someone else to solve our problems in this country. We can't afford to wait for someone else to see that our government is honest and efficient, that our government meets its obligations at home and abroad, that we concentrate on our real goals instead of having programs that take on a life of their own -- and usually a constantly expanding and increasingly expensive life, at that.

We are here tonight to celebrate the 10th anniversary of David Obey's election to Congress, and to celebrate as well a trend that David's election represented. David is typical of the new breed of serious, well-informed young Democratic officials who have been elected in these past 10 years. Many of them got into politics because of their deep concern for what they saw happening to our country. They saw corruption and deceit in government at the highest levels. They saw the will of the people being ignored. They saw our nation divided over a long and tragic war.

They saw a foreign policy that often callously ignored the highest principles of our own people. They saw our economy stagnating and our people without jobs. They saw our nation drifting and they got up and said "enough! This is our country and we are going to take it back from the comfortable and the corrupt, the smug special interests who don't think it matters what the average American believes."

The Democratic Party was at a low point ten years ago. We had just lost the White House and begun one of the most divisive and disillusioning eight years in our history. But here in this auditorium 10 years ago, you came to hear Hubert Humphrey speak for a young man who stood for the kind of clean, hard-working, progressive government that the people of Wisconsin had expected since pioneer times.

Those ten years have proved that Dave Obey did not just talk about good government, he did something about it. I promised you here in 1976 that we could have open, honest

government, and with the help of leaders like Dave Obey we have gotten Congressional ethics reform legislation and we have gotten Congressional committees to make their decisions in public rather than behind closed doors.

But Dave Obey did not ask to be elected to Congress just to work on Congress itself. As ranking member of the Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittee he has been a leader in getting our country to face its international obligations and meet our responsibilities as leader of the free world.

He has been a leader in seeing that we met our obligations to our own people. His work for senior citizens, handicapped children and mental health has brought him national honors from those most closely in touch with the needs. But he ~~is not a bleeding heart who~~ forgets that government programs have to be paid for by the tax dollars of average citizens.

Dave voted against increasing budget limits and to eliminate unnecessary water projects that would have damaged the environment and cost the tax payers millions of dollars.

Dave Obey has fought for worker safety, but he knows that unnecessary paperwork and unnecessary regulations hurt rather than help that cause. He knows the difference between programs that have nice-sounding names and programs that work, and he knows we have to fight to finance our true priorities.

He has been a leading advocate of more and better research to provide greater understanding of the causes of disease and death. When I've insisted that we look at our long-term needs, I've been able to count on Congressmen like Dave Obey. He has championed clean water and

protection of our workers from harmful chemicals that might cause serious damage years from now, and helped our people prepare to make better lives for themselves in the future.

Dave Obey has never been content to accept the idea that because it's never been done, that it can't be done. A Democrat had never been elected in his district when he first ran for Congress, but that didn't stop Dave Obey.

And he has proved that one person in a Congress with 535 members can make a difference. He wasn't content to accept the way the congress had always been -- he insisted there was a better way and he had the courage and persistence to pursue that better way until it became law.

There has probably never been a time our history when the solutions to our nation's important domestic problems depended so completely on the cooperation of every citizen. We can not solve our energy problems or hold down inflation by some dramatic government action, because every individual in this country contributes to the problems, and every individual must be a part of the solution.

I have proposed a budget for 1980 that is restrained, a budget that meets our obligations but sets priorities, because we can't afford to do everything we might like to do as a nation anymore than we can afford to do everything we might like to do as individuals. The budget I've proposed

will bring the deficit to less than half what it was when I took office.

Restraint is one of the most important things government can do to hold down inflation. But there are also specific areas where government can create important incentives. One of these is hospital cost containment.

Our economy is too interdependent to act as though increases in one area do not affect others. Every farmer, every stock clerk, every businessman, every secretary, every housewife in the country has to pay for the increases in hospital costs, for example, even if you never spend a day in the hospital. You pay for them in higher insurance premiums, in wage increases you don't get because your employer has to pay more for your health insurance. You pay for them in higher taxes. You pay for them in the prices of everything you buy -- \$140 of the price of the average

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American-made automobile, for instance, goes to pay for health insurance.

Hospital officials say they can bring down costs voluntarily. This bill allows them to do that. But if they don't, mandatory measures will take effect.

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There are important factors in inflation -- world oil prices, severe weather -- that we cannot control. But we can control ourselves. We can take the responsibility for our own economic health as a nation. If we are to succeed no businessman, no union, no doctor or farmer or government official at any level can assume that inflation is not his responsibility. Each of us must ask ourselves "What would happen to our country if everyone did what I am doing?" and then ask ourselves, "What would happen if I did what I could do and everyone else did the same?"

Americans tend to be an impatient people. We are a young nation and we have accomplished so much in a short time that we sometimes expect miracles to happen over night once we recognize a problem. We are still capable of miracles, but they don't happen over night -- they take persistence.

We should be impatient -- impatient with those who say "It is impossible so why try," impatient with those who say,

"I'm going to get mine while I can," impatient with those who say, "It doesn't matter what I do, it's somebody else's fault."

We can't control everything that happens in the world, but we can control our own destiny, our own economic future, our own government. Dave Obey has proved what persistence -- and the right kind of impatience -- can do.

The events of the last week have also shown us that the impossible can happen if people care enough.

This last week has renewed my faith in the power of persistence and impatience with things as they are, when the way they are is wrong.

After thirty years of fighting, the people of Israel and the people of Egypt have signed a peace treaty. That is only a beginning to a process we hope will bring about a permanent peace in the Middle East, but it is something that even a few

months ago seemed impossible to achieve. It was achieved because the people of these two ancient enemies wanted peace, and because their leaders, fully conscious of all that stood in the way -- were determined to find a way to make an honorable peace.

The temptation is always great to say there is nothing I can do, or to try something and when it fails say, "I've done all I could." But we can't afford to give up, to quit trying, to refuse to accept our responsibility for the fate of our nation. That responsibility isn't something we can pick up and lay down at will and leave to someone else between times. In a democracy our responsibility is every day. If we don't make our government and our economy work, who will? If we don't want the special interests -- ~~the people~~ who would trample our principles in the dust -- to run our country, then we must do it ourselves.

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RECOGNITION OF NOTABLES AND JOKES
JEFFERSON-JACKSON DINNER, MILWAUKEE

Thank you Val (Phillips) Secretary of State;

It is a pleasure to join one of the great public servants in America today, your senior Senator Gaylord Nelson. ^{And} ~~And though he isn't here tonight,~~ there is ~~also~~ no finer member of the United States Senate than Bill Proxmire.

Mayor Maier; Congressman Reuss; Chairman Zablocki; Congressman Baldus; a great former Governor of this state, Ambassador, Pat Lucey; former Governor Schreiber; State Chairman Mike Bleicher (Bleech-er); and the next Congressman from the 6th District, Gary Goike (Goy-kee).

This has been a tremendous week. We have seen that two leaders who come from opposite cultures, who have been separated by mistrust and suspicion for years, and who look

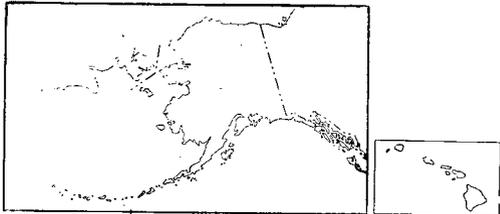
at the world from different points of view, can come together through patience and perseverance and love. And today, Cy Vance and Zbigniew Brzezinski are just the best of friends.

Your congressional delegation is so powerful they literally control the purse strings of the nation. Gaylord Nelson serves on the Finance Committee; Bill Proxmire chairs the Banking committee. And it would be easy for these two men to abuse their vast power to benefit Wisconsin at the expense of the rest of the nation. But these men are fair. They divide the nation's resources 50-50. Fifty percent goes to Wisconsin and fifty goes to the rest of the country.

I will never forget my first campaign trip to this state. A group of students threw peanuts at me in a friendly gesture. A reporter asked me how I liked my reception. I told him I was just glad that I didn't raise watermelons.

Of course, there is no one more popular in Wisconsin than Gaylord Nelson. Fritz Mondale told me that he campaigned with Gaylord the last time Gaylord was running for re-election to the Senate. They walked down the main street and stopped the first person they met, and Fritz said to him; "This is Gaylord Nelson. He's running for Senate. Can we count on your vote?" And the fellow just broke out into a huge grin and said "You sure can. We have to get rid of the guy who is in there."

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INSERT FOR ESD MEMO TO THE PRESIDENT

Legal Restrictions on Reelection Activities During "Partybuilding" Travel. When you, the First Lady, or other members of your family travel to DNC or state party events -- for instance, Jefferson-Jackson Day dinners, the host party committee may pay the costs (including the cost of Air Force One and the expenses of your official party) without such payment amounting to a contribution in kind to the Carter-Mondale Presidential Committee (CMPC) or an expenditure that would count against our spending limits.

This important exception to the FEC statute strictly requires, however, that "no aspect" of such trips may be related to CMPC activities or otherwise for the purpose of furthering your nomination or election.

As a result, neither you, members of your family, nor other members of your official party should make any statements regarding the 1980 campaign or engage in any fund-raising or related political activities while on a party-building trip (i.e., one paid for by a state party or the DNC).

Otherwise, the FEC is likely to require the CMPC to pay for the entire cost of the trip, which may well amount to \$20,000 or more for each trip.

In 1975, based on a complaint by the DNC to the FEC about Ford's misuse of the incumbency and the RNC, the Ford Committee was forced to pay for the entire cost of a trip to a New Hampshire state party function because of a brief reference to the 1976 campaign in Ford's airport remarks. The Ford Committee also had to pay for the entire cost of what would have otherwise been a partybuilding trip to the South because Bo Callaway, then the Ford Committee Chairman, accompanied President Ford's party and rode on Air Force One.

Thus, while CMPC people such as John Dalton and myself will be attending party functions where you or the First Lady are appearing for the purpose of meeting party leaders and potential contributors, we must do so independently and not as part of the Presidential party.

Due to the importance in dollar terms and the technical nature of these restrictions, I have taken the liberty of sending a copy of this portion of the memorandum directly to the First Lady and to Chip.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SUMMARY SCHEDULE

VISIT TO

WISCONSIN

Saturday, March 31, 1979

From: Phil Wise

- 2:15 pm Helicopter departs South Lawn en route Andrews AFB.
- 2:35 pm Air Force One departs Andrews AFB en route Mosinee, Wisconsin. (Flying time: 2 hours, 10 minutes) (Time change: - 1 hour)
- 3:45 pm Air Force One arrives Central Wisconsin Airport, Mosinee, Wisconsin. 20-minute motorcade to Newman High School.
- 4:15 pm Arrive Newman High School. ~~Proceed to Gymnasium for Fundraiser Reception for Obey Supporters.~~ REMARKS.
FULL PRESS COVERAGE.
- 4:51 pm Proceed to holding room for 8-minutes personal time.
- 5:05 pm Proceed to Cafeteria for Reception with Better Way Sponsors. REMARKS.
- 5:12 pm Proceed to motorcade for 20-minute drive to Central Wisconsin Airport.

5:40 pm Motorcade arrives Central Wisconsin Airport. Board Air Force One en route Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (Flying time: 50 minutes) (No time change)

6:35 pm Air Force One arrives General Mitchell Field, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Board motorcade for 15-minute drive to Performing Arts Center.

7:00 pm Arrive Performing Arts Center for Marquette University Alumni Association Reception for Rep. Zablocki. REMARKS.

7:20 pm Proceed to motorcade for 5-minute drive to Milwaukee Exposition and Convention Center (MECCA).

7:30 pm Arrive MECCA. Proceed to Reception Room to greet Fundraising Committee members.

7:50 pm Proceed to holding room for 20-minute personal time.

8:15 pm Depart holding room en route East Hall for Annual Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner. REMARKS.
FULL PRESS COVERAGE.

8:45 pm Proceed to motorcade for 15-minute drive to General Mitchell Field.

9:05 pm Arrive General Mitchell Field. Board Air Force One en route Andrews AFB. (Flying time: 1 hour, 30 minutes) (Time change: +1 hour)

11:40 pm Arrive Andrews AFB. Board helicopter for 15-minute flight to South Lawn.

12:00 midnight Arrive South Lawn.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO WISCONSIN

Saturday, March 31, 1979

WEATHER REPORT: Partly cloudy,
temperatures in low 50's.

1:45 pm

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: The following are requested to be in the Distinguished Visitor's Lounge at Andrews AFB to board Air Force One:

Rep. and Mrs. David Obey (D-Wisc.)
(Joan)

Rep. Henry Reuss (D-Wisc.)

Craig Obey

Douglas Obey

Ambassador Patrick Lucey

Bill Garrard

Bill Dixon

Laurie Lucey

Jane Hartley

Bob Beckel

Jo Ann Hurley

Judy Mohsberg

Gen. Blasingame

Achaah Nesmith

Jim Sykes

2:10 pm

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: The following are requested to board Marine One on the South Lawn:

P. Wise
J. Powell
J. White
S. Clough

G. Schneiders
Maj. Peterson
Dr. Lukash
K. Schumacher

2:15 pm

The President proceeds to Marine One for boarding.

MARINE ONE DEPARTS South Lawn en route Andrews AFB.

(Flying time: 15 minutes)

2:30 pm

MARINE ONE ARRIVES Andrews AFB.

The President boards Air Force One.

2:35 pm

AIR FORCE ONE DEPARTS Andrews AFB en route Mosinee, Wisconsin.

(Flying time: 2 hours, 10 minutes)

Time change: - 1 hour)

3:45 pm

AIR FORCE ONE ARRIVES Central Wisconsin Airport, Mosinee, Wisconsin.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

The President will be met by:

Senator Gaylord Nelson (D-Wisc.)
Mr. and Mrs. Gil Rhode (Lucille)
Ms. Kay Plautz, Carter Friend
Ms. Jo Plautz, Carter Friend
Mr. Wally Borth, Carter Friend
Ms. Karen Borth, Carter Friend
Mr. Tim Hudson, Carter Friend
Mr. Steve Rheiner, Carter Friend

Ms. Wendy Wilson, Carter Friend
Mr. Bill Wilson, Carter Friend

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Proceed
to motorcade for boarding. Assignments
as follows:

Pilot	
Spare	Dr. Lukash
Lead	D. Lee
President's Car	The President
	Rep. Obey
	Mrs. Obey
Follow-up	
Control	P. Wise
	J. Powell
	K. Schumacher
	Maj. Peterson

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Staff Car

S. Clough
G. Schneiders

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Camera 1

Wire 1

Wire 2

Camera 2

Camera 3

WHCA

Guest & Staff Bus

Mrs. Obey
Rep. Reuss
C. Obey
D. Obey
Amb. Lucey
B. Garrard
B. Dixon
L. Lucey
J. Hartley
B. Beckel
J. Hurley
J. White
A. Nesmith
J. Mohsberg
J. Sykes

Press Bus

Tail

The President proceeds to motorcade for boarding.

3:55 pm MOTORCADE DEPARTS Central Wisconsin Airport
en route Newman High School, Wausau, Wisconsin.

(Driving time: 20 minutes)

4:15 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES Newman High School.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

The President will be met by:

Mr. Thomas Langer, Principal, Newman
High School
Mr. Al Luekus, Principal, Columbus High
School, Mausfield, Wisconsin
Mr. Dominic Ehrnantraut, Principal,
Pacelli High School, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Mr. Joe Houston, Principal, Armiston High
School, West Rapids, Wisconsin

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: You
will be escorted to viewing area.

The President, escorted by Rep. Obey, proceeds
inside Newman High School en route offstage
announcement area.

4:20 pm The President and Rep. Obey arrive offstage
announcement area and pause.

"Ruffles and Flourishes"
Announcement
"Hail to the Chief"

The President and Rep. Obey proceed inside
Gymnasium en route stage for Fundraiser Reception
with Obey Supporters.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 1000

4:23 pm The President and Rep. Obey arrive stage and take
their seats.

Remarks by Anthony Earl, Master of
Ceremonies, concluding in the introduction of
Sen. Nelson.

4:24 pm Remarks by Sen. Nelson, concluding in the
introduction of Rep. Obey.

4:26 pm Remarks by Rep. Obey, concluding in the
introduction of the President.

4:31 pm Presidential remarks.

20 min

FULL PRESS COVERAGE
LIVE LOCAL TELEVISION

4:51 pm Remarks conclude.

The President departs stage en route holding room,
greeting the crowd along the way.

4:57 pm The President arrives holding room.

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 8 minutes

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GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Proceed to motorcade for boarding. Assignments as on arrival.

- 5:05 pm The President, escorted by Rep. Obey, departs holding room en route Cafeteria.
- 5:06 pm The President and Rep. Obey arrive Cafeteria and proceed inside en route speaker's platform for Reception with Better Way Club Sponsors.

OFFICIAL PHOTO COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 300

The President and Rep. Obey arrive speaker's platform.

Introduction of the President by Rep. Obey.

- 5:07 pm Presidential remarks. *5 min*
- 5:12 pm Remarks conclude.

The President proceeds to motorcade for boarding, greeting the guests along the way.

- 5:20 pm MOTORCADE DEPARTS Newman High School en route Central Wisconsin Airport.

(Driving time: 20 minutes)

- 5:40 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES Central Wisconsin Airport.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED DEPARTURE

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Eileen Mershart - DNC member
Bill Bablitch - maj leader House
Carmen Porco - state party Treas.
Fred Rissa - senate president

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Board
Air Force One. Manifest as on arrival
except delete Rep. and Mrs. Obey,
C. Obey, D. Obey and add Rep. Baldus,
Sen. Nelson, C. Nelson, R. Majeris,
~~Eileen Mershart~~, B. Bablitch, ~~C. Porco~~
~~Wagner~~
& F. Rissa. Add G. Schneiders, J. Sykes
J. Mohsberg and A. Nesmith to Press Plane

The President boards Air Force One.

5:45 pm

AIR FORCE ONE DEPARTS Mosinee, Wisconsin en
route Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

(Flying time: 50 minutes)
(No time change)

6:35 pm

AIR FORCE ONE ARRIVES General Mitchell
Field, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

The President will be met by:

Rep. Clement Zablocki (D-Wisc.)
Mayor Henry Maier (D-Milwaukee)
Mr. Harout Sanasarian, County Board Supervisor
Mr. Ben Johnson, President, Milwaukee
City Council
Mr. Lee Mulder, Wisconsin Farm Union
Mr. Terrence Pitts, County Supervisor
Mr. Ed Hales, President, Board of Regents

~~Ms. Carmen Porco, Treasurer, State
Democratic Party~~

Mr. Cecil Brown, Jr., Second Vice Chairman,
State Democratic Party

Ms. Jeanne DeRose, Secretary, State
Democratic Party

Mr. Robert Frieber, Democratic National
Committee

Rep. Midge Miller, Democratic National
Committee

Mr. Allen Engel, Democratic Chairman, 5th
District

Mr. John Arakalian, Chairman, Milwaukee
County Democratic Party

Mr. William Mosby, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Ms. Matilda Bichanich, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Mr. W. Seelow, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Ms. Cathy Carlin, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Mr. Larry Wiedenfeld, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Ms. Jeanette Swed, Administrative Committee,
State Democratic Party

Ms. Zella Nash, 26th Assembly Unit, Milwaukee
County Democratic Party

Ms. Karen Lamb, Chairman, 51.3 Wisconsin
Committee

Mr. Joseph Czarnecki, Carter Friend

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Ansfield (Lynn) Carter Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kowalchuk (Ellen) Carter
Friends

Mr. Lucius Williams, Carter Friend

Ms. Betty Cooper, Carter Friend

Mr. Ronald Smolenski, Carter Friend

Ms. Alethea Williams, Carter Friend
Mr. Mark Lipscomb, Carter Friend
Ms. Cynthia Broyderick, Carter Friend
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson (Ruby) Carter Friends
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jolly, Carter Friends
Ms. Hazel Volpe, Carter Friend
Ms. Janet Davis, Carter Friend
Rev. Robert Caroon, Carter Friend
Ms. Sue Dropp, Carter Friend
Mr. George Garland, Carter Friend
Mr. G. Sam Davis, Carter Friend

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Proceed
to motorcade for boarding. Assignments
as follows:

Pilot

Spare
Lead

Dr. Lukash
J. Vento

President's Car

The President
Rep. Zablocki
Mayor Maier

Follow-up

Control

P. Wise
J. Powell
K. Schumacher
Maj. Peterson

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Staff Car

S. Clough
G. Schneiders

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Guest & Staff Bus

Amb. Lucey
Rep. Reuss
Rep. Baldus
Sen. Nelson
C. Nelson
P. Majeris
B. Dixon
B. Beckel
B. Garrard
L. Lucey
J. White
J. Hartley
J. Hurley
A. Nesmith
J. Mohsberg
J. Wahner
F. Risser
E. Jackamonis
B. Bablitch

WHCA

Tail

The President proceeds to motorcade for boarding.

6:45 pm MOTORCADE DEPARTS General Mitchell Field
en route Milwaukee Performing Arts Center.

(Driving time: 15 minutes)

7:00 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES Milwaukee Performing Arts
Center.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

The President will be met by:

Dr. Paul Dudemhoefer, President, Marquette
University Alumni Association
Mrs. Katherine Friedman, President-Elect,
Marquette University Alumni Association

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: You
will be escorted to viewing area.

The President, escorted by Paul Dudemhoefer and
Katherine Friedman, proceeds to Reception Room.

7:05 pm The President arrives Reception Room and proceeds
to stage for Marquette University Alumni Association
Reception honoring Rep. Zablocki.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 200

Remarks by Rep. Zablocki, concluding
in the introduction of Father John Raynor, S.J.,
President, Marquette University.

7:08 pm Remarks by Father Raynor, concluding in the
introduction of the President.

7:10 pm Presidential remarks. *10 min.*

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

7:20 pm Remarks conclude.

The President thanks his hosts and proceeds to motorcade for boarding.

7:25 pm MOTORCADE DEPARTS Milwaukee Performing Arts Center en route Milwaukee Exposition and Convention Center (MECCA).

(Driving time: 5 minutes)

7:30 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES MECCA.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

The President will be met by:

Mr. Mike Bleicher, Democratic State
Party Chairman

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: You
will be escorted to viewing area.

The President, escorted by Mike Bleicher,
proceeds to Reception Room.

7:35 pm The President arrives Reception Room and proceeds
inside to informally greet Fundraising Committee
members.

OFFICIAL PHOTO COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 70

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Econ - farm inc. exports
Emp - Energy - Inff.
S/Dir
Reorg. - P. W. Sav. - Deveg*

7:50 pm The President thanks his hosts and proceeds to holding room.

7:55 pm The President arrives holding room.

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 20 minutes

NOTE: Elizabeth Slocum and Richard Leonard, Editor, Milwaukee Journal, will ask the President to sign the Milwaukee Press Club Plaque.

8:15 pm The President departs holding room en route East Hall offstage announcement area.

8:16 pm The President arrives offstage announcement area and pauses.

"Ruffles and Flourishes"
Announcement.
"Hail to the Chief"

The President proceeds inside East Hall en route podium for Annual Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner.

8:18 pm The President arrives podium and remains standing.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 1000

8:19 pm Introduction of the President by Secretary of State Vel Phillips.

8:20 pm Presidential remarks.

25 min.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

8:45 pm Remarks conclude.

50 min

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Proceed to motorcade for boarding. Assignments as on arrival except add B. MacNamara to President's Car and delete Rep. Zablocki and Mayor Maier from President's Car.

The President proceeds to motorcade for boarding, greeting dinner guests along the way.

8:50 pm MOTORCADE DEPARTS MECCA en route General Mitchell Field.

(Driving time: 15 minutes)

9:05 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES General Mitchell Field.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
CLOSED DEPARTURE

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTION: Board Air Force One. Manifest as on arrival except delete Sen. Nelson, C. Nelson, R. Majeris, B. Garrard, E. Jackamonis, B. Bablitch, J. Wahner and F. Risser.

The President proceeds to Air Force One for boarding.

9:10 pm AIR FORCE ONE DEPARTS Milwaukee, Wisconsin en route Andrews AFB.

(Flying time: 1 hour, 30 minutes)
(Time change: +1 hour)

11:40 pm AIR FORCE ONE ARRIVES Andrews AFB.

The President boards Marine One.

11:45 pm MARINE ONE DEPARTS Andrews AFB en route
South Lawn.

(Flying time: 15 minutes)

12:00 MARINE ONE ARRIVES South Lawn.
midnight

