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MEMORANDUM TO: THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. CARTER
FROM: GRETCHE POSTON
SUBJECT: SCENARIO - RECEPTION IN HONOR OF HIS HOLINESS POPE JOHN PAUL II ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1979

Attached is the Scenario for the visit indicated above.

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SCENARIO
VISIT OF HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL II
Saturday, October 6, 1979

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

1:30 P.M. THE PRESIDENT and MRS. CARTER, accompanied by the Vice President and Mrs. Mondale, greet Pope John Paul II as his motorcade arrives at the North Portico.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

NOTE: Bishop Marcinkus will be in the Lead Car. The following will be in the Papal Car:

Pope John Paul II
Cardinal Baum
Father Dziwisz
Father Magee
Commander Cibin
(Vatican Secretary)

(those accompanying the Pope will be escorted to seating)

(3-4 minutes is needed after introductions for the cameras to set up and for us to brief His Holiness John Paul II.)

The Vice President and Mrs. Mondale and Bishop Marcinkus will be escorted to seating.

1:34 P.M. THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II move out to the right of the Portico to Section C where they shake hands and greet Members of the House Leadership. They then move to Section B and greet the Senate Leadership. They then proceed to Section A for the greeting of Judiciary.

1:45 P.M. THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II proceed to platform on North Lawn.
PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

Papal Remarks

NOTE: If time permits, at conclusion of remarks, walk to Section B. If time does not permit, proceed to Blue Room.

2:00 P.M. THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II join the Vice President and Mrs. Mondale for receiving line in Blue Room.

NOTE: Receiving Line:

His Holiness John Paul II
The President
Mrs. Carter
The Vice President
Mrs. Mondale

Papal Official Party, Carter family members, Cabinet Members and Senior Staff, Maestro and Mrs. Rostropovich, Leontyne Price and Hubert Dilworth are escorted to the Blue Room for receiving line.

NOTE: Coffee and juice served. Harp and flute playing in cross-hall.

2:15 P.M. THE PRESIDENT and His Holiness John Paul II depart State Floor and proceed to the Oval Office for private meetings.

NOTE: Official Party escorted to the Roosevelt Room and the Cabinet Room.

2:30-3 P.M. Official Party escorted from Roosevelt Room and Cabinet Room to reserved seating in Section A on South Lawn.

3:15 P.M. PRIVATE FAMILY MEETING

3:30 P.M. Family members escorted from Yellow Oval Room to reserved seating in Section B on South Lawn.
Vice President and Mrs. Mondale enter South Lawn via Diplomatic Reception Room and are escorted to reserved seating in Section B on South Lawn.

THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER and His Holiness John Paul II escorted to Blue Room and proceed out to balcony to descend West Staircase to speaker's platform.

Leontyne Price sings "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte.

At conclusion of remarks, THE PRESIDENT and MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II walk to areas designated on the attached diagram of the South Lawn.

The Vice President and Mrs. Mondale are escorted through the Diplomatic Reception Room to the Blue Room.

Governors and their spouses are escorted through the Diplomatic Reception Room to the Blue Room.

Official Party is escorted through Diplomatic Reception Room to North Portico to Motorcade.

At conclusion of walk, THE PRESIDENT and MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II go to West Balcony stairs.

As they ascend stairway, Leontyne Price sings "America the Beautiful."

THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER and His Holiness John Paul II go to balcony and from there proceed inside the Residence to the Blue Room.
NOTE: Governors and their spouses will be in receiving line order so His Holiness John Paul II can greet them.

THE PRESIDENT, MRS. CARTER, and His Holiness John Paul II proceed to cross-hall where they are met by the Vice President and Mrs. Mondale.

Departure from the North Portico.
1. MY FRIENDS, FELLOW AMERICANS OF EVERY FAITH --
2. I GREET YOU HERE TODAY WITH BOTH PRIDE AND PLEASURE.
3. WE HAVE BEEN PRIVILEGED TO MEET AT THE WHITE HOUSE WITH AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN --
   POPE JOHN PAUL.
4. ONE WHO WILL MEAN EVEN MORE TO US AND TO THE WORLD
5. AS WE MOVE TO MEET THE COMPLEX CHALLENGES WHICH INEVITABLY WILL CONFRONT US.
6. OUR NATION WAS NOT FOUNDED TO DENY HUMAN BEINGS A LIFE OF THE SPIRIT,...
7. BUT TO WELCOME THE SPIRITUAL INTO OUR LIVES;
8. AND I JOIN ALL AMERICANS IN WELCOMING POPE JOHN PAUL II WITH OPEN HEARTS INTO THE LIVES OF A FREE NATION. //
9. AS A SCHOLAR,
   A POET,
   A PHILOSOPHER, AND
   A PASTOR
   YOU HAVE COME TO KNOW US
10. AND TO TALK TO US ABOUT GENTleness,
    HUMILITY,
    FORGIVENESS, AND
    LOVE. //
1. YOU HAVE TAUGHT US THAT WE ARE NOT PERFECT.
2. AND THAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR OWN BEHAVIOR.
3. YOU SHOW A PARTICULAR CONCERN FOR HUMAN DIGNITY.
4. YOU KNOW THAT MANY ARE FEARFUL, BUT THAT A PERSON WITH FAITH NEED NOT BE AFRAID.
5. OUR RELIGIOUS FAITH IS, INDEED, RELEVANT TO THE MODERN WORLD.

6. WE HAVE BEEN GREATLY BLESSED IN THIS COUNTRY.

7. WE KNOW, THAT TO WHOM MUCH HAS BEEN GIVEN, MUCH WILL BE REQUIRED.
8. YOU HAVE REMINDED US OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES.

9. OUR AMERICA WAS FOUNDED TO GIVE A HOME TO ALL WHO SOUGHT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.
10. FOR US TODAY, FREEDOM OF RELIGION IS NOT JUST A VALUABLE RELIC OF NATIONAL PRIDE.

11. IT IS A PRACTICAL NECESSITY FOR OUR NATION'S FORWARD COURSE.
12. FOR AS WE FACE DIFFICULT, PAINFUL, OFTEN DISHEARTENING TRANSFORMATIONS IN OUR LIVES,

13. NOW, AS NEVER BEFORE, OUR NATION NEEDS ALL THE SPIRITUAL STRENGTH...
14. THAT HAS BEEN GAINED AND NURTURED THROUGH OUR LONG HISTORY OF FREEDOM.

15. LONG BEFORE HE BECAME POPE
16. KAROL "VOY-TE'WAH" AS A PRIEST IN HIS NATIVE POLAND

WROTE THESE WORDS OF POETRY:

17. "WE STAND IN FRONT OF OUR FUTURE.....
18. WHICH OPENS AND CLOSES AT THE SAME TIME."

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1. This afternoon Pope John Paul and I met alone in the Oval Office and discussed the future.

2. We share a belief that "the Church must in no way be confused with the political community,

3. nor bound to any political system."

4. But we also spoke of opportunities we might pursue together:

5. We will work to renew the spiritual strength

6. that can bear us beyond the blind materialism which brings no joy to true caring for one another --

7. in our families, in our communities, in our nations, and in our world.

8. and we will pursue this goal through action, not just words.

9. I join his Holiness in urging all individuals and nations of the world

10. to alleviate the hunger of people and the homelessness of refugees --

11. not as political acts, but as acts of humanitarian concern.

12. we cannot profess to love humanity

13. and watch hundreds of thousands of men, women and children die in a human tragedy

14. we can prevent with prompt and generous action.
1. In another area of opportunity -- concern and action 
   on behalf of human rights --
2. We have long shared a common purpose.
3. As His Holiness has written,
   "The essential sense of the state,
   as a political community,
4. Consists in that the society and people composing it.
5. Are master and sovereign of their own destiny."
6. We call on all people and all nations to look beyond
   ancient hatreds,
   differences in race,
   customs,
   traditions, and
   beliefs --
7. To see the shared humanity in every other human being.
8. Whenever state and religion can do that,
9. Then violations of the human rights of any person anywhere in the world --
10. Whatever cause may be claimed in justification --
11. Will be seen to be, as your Holiness has so accurately described them:
   "Warfare on humanity" itself.
12. It is abhorrent in our time
13. To allow differences in the way God's children worship the same father
   to wound each other,
14. When our common faith could do so much to heal each other.
1. ALL OF US SHARE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SEIZING ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY:

2. IN A WORLD FILLED WITH WEAPONS THERE CAN BE NO MORE URGENT HUMAN PASSION THAN TO WAGE AND WIN THE STRUGGLE FOR PEACE --

3. FOR THE SAKE OF EVERY LIVING THING.

4. WE MUST, ABOVE ALL, WREST THE FATEFUL LIGHTNING OF NUCLEAR DESTRUCTION FROM THE HANDS OF MAN.

5. WE SIMPLY MUST CONCLUDE OUR NUCLEAR ARMS AGREEMENTS,

6. AND IN THIS CONTINUING EFFORT WE MUST FIND A WAY TO END THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR ANNIHILATION FOREVER.

7. THE AGE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONRY CAN BE EITHER LONG OR SHORT, AS WE CHOOSE.

8. IN CLOSING LET ME REPEAT THE PHRASE FROM YOUR POEM:

   "WE STAND IN FRONT OF OUR FUTURE."

9. FELLOW AMERICANS, IN THE PRESENCE OF THIS GOOD MAN,

10. AS WE PAUSE QUIETLY FOR THESE FEW MINUTES IN OUR SOMETIMES FRANTIC PACE,

11. WE ASK OURSELVES:

12. WHAT IS IMPORTANT?

13. WHAT IS PROGRESS?

14. WHAT ARE WE CREATING WHICH WE NEED TO FEAR?

15. IN HIS LAST HOURS JESUS PRAYED FOR HIS DISIPLES,

16. "HOLY FATHER, KEEP THEM IN THY NAME, WHICH THOU HAST GIVEN ME,

17. THAT THEY MAY BE ONE, EVEN AS WE ARE ONE."

18. AND HE REMINDED US: "GOD IS LOVE."

   (John 17:11)

   (I John 4:8)
1. LET ALL OF US HERE TODAY OF EVERY FAITH STAND AS ONE --
2. FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE AND LOVE.
3. LET US VOW THAT WHAT OUR CREATOR HAS MADE --
4. HUMAN LIFE AND HUMAN SPIRIT --
5. WE SHALL NOT DESTROY.
6. LET US SIMPLY CHOOSE TO CHANGE THE WORLD --
7. AS BEST WE CAN --
8. EACH FROM OUR INDIVIDUAL PLACE,
9. BUT TOWARDS THE COMMON PURPOSES OF
   JUST SOCIETIES ON A PEACEFUL PLANET.
10. OUR NEW FRIEND, THE PEOPLE OF MY COUNTRY
    HAVE WAITED A LONG TIME FOR THIS MEETING.
11. AS HUMAN BEINGS EACH ACTING FOR JUSTICE IN THE PRESENT --
12. AND STRIVING TOGETHER TOWARDS A COMMON FUTURE OF PEACE AND LOVE --
13. LET US NOT WAIT SO LONG TO MEET AGAIN.
Mr. Speaker, members of Congress, members of the Supreme Court and the Cabinet, ladies and gentlemen:

ON BEHALF OF EVERY AMERICAN OF EVERY FAITH --

I AM PLEASED AND HONORED TO WELCOME YOU, POPE JOHN PAUL II, TO THE CAPITAL CITY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

IN OUR SOULS THERE IS A SPECIAL FEELING WHICH WE MIGHT CALL "SOLEMN JOY".

THIS HISTORIC DAY CALLS FORTH SUCH A FEELING AS WE MARK ANOTHER MILESTONE IN THE LONG INTERTWINED HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY AND ITS FAITH IN GOD.

BUT THE MOMENT IS ALSO HISTORIC BECAUSE THE CURRENTS THAT FLOW BENEATH THIS BRIEF CEREMONY REACH FROM THE DEPTHS OF INDIVIDUAL LIVES EVEN TO THE BREADTH OF RELATIONS AMONG SOVEREIGN NATIONS.

YOUR JOURNEY AMONG US HAS HELPED US TO SEE THOSE CURRENTS AS PART OF ONE GREAT RIVER OF EFFORT TO ALLEVIATE HUMAN NEEDS AND TO REALIZE SPIRITUAL ASPIRATIONS.
1. YOU HAVE MOVED US AS A CHAMPION
   OF DIGNITY AND DECENCY FOR EVERY HUMAN BEING,
2. AND AS A PILGRIM OF PEACE AMONG NATIONS.
3. YOU HAVE OFFERED YOUR LOVE.
4. WE AS INDIVIDUALS ARE HEARTENED BY IT.
5. YOU CAN BE SURE, POPE JOHN PAUL,
   THAT THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA RETURN YOUR LOVE.
6. AS YOU TRAVELLED OUR CITY STREETS AND COUNTRY ROADS,
7. YOU MET AND TOUCHED AND FELT THE VAST RICH-DIVERSITY-OF-AMERICA.
8. WE CHERISH OUR INDEPENDENCE OF RELIGIOUS THOUGHT
9. AND OUR TRADITION OF SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE
10. BUT WE ARE ALL GRATEFUL THAT WE CAN STAND TOGETHER
11. UPON THE COMMON-GROUND-OF-SHARED BELIEFS.
12. SUSTAINED BY A BROAD BASE OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING,
13. WE MUST SEIZE FOUR UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES DRAMATIZED BY YOUR VISIT.
14. AS THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY WE CAN RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL STRENGTH --
15. IN OUR INDIVIDUAL LIVES,
   IN OUR FAMILIES,
   IN OUR COUNTRY, AND
   IN OUR WORLD.
1. "YOU HAVE MADE US REEXAMINE OURSELVES."
3. "YOU HAVE REMINDED US OF THE VALUE OF HUMAN life,
4. "AND THAT SPIRITUAL STRENGTH IS THE MOST VITAL RESOURCE"
      OF PEOPLE AND OF NATIONS.
5. "CARING FOR OTHERS MAKES US STRONG AND GIVES US COURAGE,
6. "WHILE BLIND PURSUIT OF SELFISH PURPOSES --/
7. "OF "HAVING MORE" INSTEAD OF "BEING MORE"
8. "ONLY LEAVES US EMPTY AND DEPRESSED,
9. "LONELY AND FEARFUL.
10. "WE OFTEN SEE TRAGIC RESULTS AMONG THOSE WE LOVE --
11. "DISILLUSIONMENT, CYNICISM, ALIENATION --
12. "OFTEN LEADING TO SELF DEBASEMENT, CRIME AND VIOLENCE."
13. "THIS DOES NOT HAVE TO BE.
14. "THESE TIMES OF RAPID AND COMPLEX CHANGE"
       "DEMAND THAT WE TURN TO THAT WHICH DOES NOT CHANGE --
15. "THE SPIRITUAL STRENGTH TO GROW TOGETHER,...
16. "TO FIND UNITY AS A NATION, AS A HUMAN FAMILY --
17. "AND I BELIEVE WE WILL."
18. "OUR SECOND OPPORTUNITY IS TO RECOGNIZE"
       "THAT OUR VALUES, OUR BELIEFS, OUR FAITH
19. "ARE FORGED AND MADE MEANINGFUL THROUGH OUR ACTIONS.

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1. WE MUST BE PREPARED, AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A SOCIETY
2. NOT ONLY TO DEPLORE POVERTY,
   INJUSTICE, AND
   THE SMOTHERING-OF-HUMAN ASPIRATION,
3. BUT TO END THEM.
4. WE KNOW THAT MATERIAL VALUES AND SPIRITUAL VALUES ARE INTERRELATED,
5. AND THAT INEQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY IN LIFE
   BREEDS DISILLUSIONMENT-AND-STRIFE.
6. WE AMERICANS CAN ACT ON THAT KNOWLEDGE
   BOTH WITHIN AND BEYOND OUR BORDERS --
7. AND I BELIEVE THAT WE WILL.
8. OUR THIRD OPPORTUNITY IS TO REMEMBER THAT THE
   ENHANCEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS THE
   COMPPELLING IDEA AND GOAL OF OUR TIME.
9. THROUGH YOUR OWN EXAMPLE, YOU HAVE SHOWN THE WORLD
10. THAT THE POWER OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT CANNOT BE
    SUBDUED BY THE POWER OF THE STATE.
11. YOUR COURAGE INSPIRED YOUR NATIVE LAND.
12. IT NOW INSPIRES THE WORLD.
13. YOU HAVE SHOWN HOW WE CAN FIND MEANING WITHIN OURSELVES --
14. BY REACHING OUT TO OTHERS IN OUR SHARED HUMANITY.
15. WE BELIEVE THAT THE WORTHY GOALS OF A SOCIETY
    CALL UPON US TO HELP OTHERS IN A
    COMMON PURSUIT-OF-FREEDOM AND HUMAN RIGHTS.

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1. This for us has been the meaning of America for more than two centuries.
2. The Pilgrims of New England,
3. The Quakers of Pennsylvania,
4. The Catholics of Maryland,
5. The Jews and members of so many other faiths and denominations who found safety in America
6. Have all been witness to a fundamental fact --
7. That where religious faith is free, human liberty, equality, and justice may grow.
8. This is a message which is as vital today as it was at the birth of our nation.
9. As a nation of faith and vigor, we are committed to deliver that message of human freedom --
10. And I believe that we will.
11. Our fourth opportunity is peace.
12. We are dedicated to the belief that the natural and proper desire of all humankind is peace.
13. We seek a just peace in Rhodesia, in Nicaragua, in Northern Ireland, and in the Middle East.
14. We will wage peace in every part of the world.

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1. WE ARE A GREAT NATION THAT THROUGH SELF-CONFIDENCE AND FAITH
2. MUST SHARE WITH OTHERS THE SECURITY AND BENEFICIAL INFLUENCE
   WHICH GOD'S BLESSINGS HAVE OFFERED TO US.
3. WE HAVE THE WILL TO LIMIT THE GROWTH AND SPREAD OF NUCLEAR ARMS.
4. WE CAN BURY HATRED AND POLITICAL DIVISIONS
5. AND CONTROL THE TERRIBLE INSTRUMENTS OF MASS DESTRUCTION
   ON BEHALF OF HUMANITY.
6. IT IS OUR DUTY AND OUR DESTINY TO WALK WITH THOSE
   WHO WOULD GUIDE THE WORLD IN THE WAYS OF PEACE --
7. AND WE WILL,
8. BECAUSE THIS NATION IS NOT AND NEVER CAN BE AFRAID OF PEACE.
9. YOUR HOLINESS, YOU HAVE MADE AN HISTORIC JOURNEY HAS MEANT TO US.
10. AND IT IS FITTING THAT YOUR PATH THROUGH AMERICA
11. HAS BROUGHT YOU AT LAST TO OUR NATION'S CAPITAL.
12. I WELCOME YOU TO THE WHITE HOUSE -- THE SYMBOLIC HOME
    OF ALL OUR PEOPLE.
13. ON BEHALF OF EVERY AMERICAN OF EVERY FAITH,
    I ALSO WELCOME YOU INTO OUR NATION'S HEART.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
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Rick Hertzberg

The attached was returned in the President's outbox. It is forwarded to you for your information.

Rick Hutcheson

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would appreciate copy of both sent to me, and copy to speechwriters (stewart) so he/they can review to see what kind of changes were made on their submitted draft

thanks--susan
Mr. Speaker, Members of Congress, Members of the Supreme Court and The Cabinet, Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of every American of every faith -- I am pleased to welcome Pope John Paul II to the Capital of the United States of America.

In our souls there is a special feeling, we might call "solemn joy." This historic day calls forth just such a deep feeling, as we mark another milestone in the long intertwined history of our country and its religions.

But I believe today to be historic in both a larger and a stricter sense: it can be a pivotal moment because the currents that flow beneath this brief ceremony reach from the depths of individual lives to the breadth of international relations. Your journey among us has helped
us to see those currents as part of one great river of
human needs and spiritual aspirations.

You have moved us as a champion of dignity and
decency for every human being, and as a pilgrim of peace
among nations. You have offered your love. We as individ­
uals are heartened by it. You can be sure, John Paul II,
that the people of America return that love.

As you travelled our city streets and country roads,
you met and touched and felt the vast, rich diversity of
America. We cherish our independence of religious thought
and our tradition of separation of church and state, but
we are all strengthened that we can stand together upon the
common ground of shared beliefs.

Sustained by a broad base of understanding, I
believe your visit offers us four unique opportunities that
we must seize.
As the first opportunity, we can renew our spiritual strength -- in our individual lives, in our families, in our country, and in our world.

For all the attraction and necessity of material things, spiritual strength is the most vital resource of people and of nations. Caring for others makes us strong and gives us courage, while blind pursuit of selfish purposes and narrow passions only leaves us empty, depressed, and fearful.

I share your deep concern that many families have been strained to the breaking point. Many indeed have broken. We often see tragic results -- disillusionment, cynicism, alienation -- sometimes leading to drug abuse, crime and violence.

This condition simply does not have to be. War calls upon our physical courage; economic recession upon our
endurance, injustice upon our indignation, scandal upon our honesty and defeat upon our self-respect. [But] these times of complex change demand that we must find the spiritual strength to grow together -- to find unity as a family, as a nation, -- and I believe we will.

Our second opportunity: We must recognize our values, our beliefs, our faith are forged and made real through our actions.

We must be prepared as individuals and as a nation not only to deplore poverty, neglect, and discrimination, but to end them.

We know that material and spiritual values are inter-related, and that inequality of opportunity in life breeds strife.

The American people can act on that knowledge both
within and beyond our borders -- and I believe that we will.

Our third opportunity; We believe that human rights is the compelling idea and goal of our time.

Through your own example, you have shown the world that the power of the spirit cannot be subdued by the power of the state. Your courage inspired your native land. It now inspires the world.

You have shown the way to find meaning within ourselves, reaching out to others in our shared humanity. We believe that the goal of a just society -- a just nation -- calls upon us to act responsibly in helping others in pursuit of peace and human rights.

This, for us, is the meaning of America for more than two centuries. The Pilgrims of New England, the Quakers of
Pennsylvania, the Catholics of Maryland, the Jews who found safety in America with members of so many other faiths and denominations; all have been witness to a fundamental fact – that where faith is free, human liberty, equality, and justice may grow. It is a message which is as vital today as it was at the birth of our nation.

We are a nation in action, we are committed to deliver that message of freedom – and I believe that we will.

Our fourth opportunity: We are dedicated to the belief that the natural and proper state of all humankind is peace.

We have sought a just peace in Rhodesia, Nicaragua, the Middle East. We will work for peace in every part of the world. We are now a great nation that, must grow to share with others the security and benefits which have been offered to us, the full maturity, that our youthful victories and power demand of us.
I believe we have the will to limit the growth and spread of nuclear arms. I believe we will bury political divisions and harness the terrible instruments of mass-destruction on behalf of humanity.

It is our duty and destiny to walk with those who would guide the world in the ways of peace — and I believe that we will — because this nation is not and never will be afraid of peace.

Your holiness, you have made an historic journey through the greatness of our nation.

It is fitting that your path through the heartland of America has brought you at last to our nation's capital.

On behalf of our citizens and families, I welcome you to the White House — the symbolic home of all our people.
On behalf of every American of every faith -- I also welcome you into our nation's heart.

In closing I offer this prayer: Let us not say that history merely happened here today -- let us say together by our continuing actions that history was made here today.
Greetings from the President to the Pope South Lawn 10/6/79

My friends, fellow Americans of every faith -- I greet you here today with joy. My family and I have been privileged in meeting at the White House with a truly extraordinary man -- one who I believe will mean even more to us as this century moves to meet its complex crises -- and I am pleased and proud to present him to this distinguished gathering.

My friends, fellow Americans of each faith -- that our historic meeting is an occasion for solemn ceremony does not preclude my being totally candid and straightforward with you now -- as the Pope has been with all of us throughout his American journey of teaching and learning.

There were those who said this meeting should not take
place, or that by meeting one another as individuals and as leaders, we would detract from our commitment to separation of state and church.

Note: Zbig feels strongly that these two paragraphs are unnecessarily negative and confrontational.

My friends, fellow Americans of all faiths—this nation was not founded to deny human beings a life of the spirit, but to welcome it into our lives—and on behalf of all Americans in welcoming Pope John Paul II to the open hearts of a free nation, I welcome him into our lives. You have taught us that we are not perfect, and that we are responsible for our own behavior, that each individual person has the duty to be kind, to be loving, to be kind, to be good, to be -

Our America was founded to give a home to all human-kind who sought religious freedom. But today, for Americans now, freedom of religion is no vague relic of national pride—it is a practical necessity for our nation's forward course.

For, as we face difficult, painful, often disheartening transformations—in our energy base, our economy, our use of wealth, our dealings with other nations, social dislocations, and the threat of nuclear destruction—now, as never
before -- our nation needs all the spiritual strength that [our
commitment to religious freedom has long nurtured in our society.

[Nor as never before we must draw upon our rich heritage
of spiritual traditions in the fight against fear, doubt,
and -- above all -- division.

And now, as never before -- we must find together -- and
within ourselves -- the courage to change.

Long before he became Pope, Karol Wojtyla (voy-TE-wah), as
a priest in his native Poland, wrote these words of poetry:

"We stand in front of our future....
which opens and closes at the same
time."

This afternoon, for more than one hour, John Paul II and I
discussed met alone in the Oval Office -- and faced the future together.

We entered, and the door was closed -- on generations of
suspicion. As we talked....a brighter future opened.
Only a short while ago, when the Congress, the Supreme Court, the Cabinet, and I welcomed the Pope to the White House I spoke of four opportunities we might seize together.

I am pleased to tell you, every American, and every citizen of the world that we have today made progress towards realizing all four of those opportunities.

First: We will work to renew the spiritual strength that can bear us beyond the exhausting narrow and joyless frenzy of materialism to true caring for one another -- in our families, in our communities, in our nations, and in our world -- and second -- we will do it together through action, not just words.

His holiness joins with me in today urging all individuals and nations of the world to take immediate actions that will alleviate the hunger of the people of Kampuchea and the
homelessness of the refugees from Vietnam -- not as political acts, but as acts of humanitarian concern. We cannot profess to love humanity and watch hundreds of thousands of men, women, and children die in a human tragedy we can prevent with prompt and generous action.

In the third area of opportunity -- concern and action on behalf of human rights -- we have long shared a common purpose. Today we jointly call on all people and all nations to look beyond ancient hatreds, differences in race, customs, traditions, and beliefs -- to see the humanity in every other human being. When every state and religion can do that, then violations of the human rights of any man or woman anywhere in the world -- whatever cause may be claimed in justification -- will be seen to be, as your holiness has so accurately described them: "warfare on humanity" itself.

It is unthinkable in our time to allow differences in faith to wound, -- when they could do so much to heal each other.
As John Paul said so justly to all members of the United Nations, "What justifies political activity is service to man."

Certainly none of us here today could assign a lesser responsibility to activity based on religious belief.

But every one of us here shares full responsibility for seizing the opportunity that John Paul as Pope and I as President are prepared to grasp. In a world of weapons there can be no more urgent human passion than to wage and win the struggle for peace -- for the sake of every living thing.

We must above all wrest the fateful lightning of nuclear destruction from the hands of man. We simply must conclude the SALT II agreement. And in the continuing effort of SALT III negotiations we must find a way to end the threat of nuclear annihilation forever.

It is human beings who cause so much terror and pain and bloodshed to each other -- it is we who must stop it -- and
together, his holiness and I are determined that men and women of every faith and nation will unite to halt inhumanity.

The nuclear age can be as long or as short, as we choose.

In closing, let me repeat the phrase from your poem:

"We stand in front of our future."

In my faith, I also believe that we all stand before our God.

Let all of us here today of every faith stand together -- for peace and justice, and love.

Let us vow that what our Creator has made shall not destroy.

Let us simply choose to change the world -- as best we can -- each from our individual places -- but towards the common purposes of just societies on a peaceful planet.
Our many faces, the peoples of many countries,
your holiness, our two mighty traditions, have waited a long time for this meeting.

As human beings each acting for justice in the present --
and striving together towards a common future of peace, -- let
us not wait so long to meet again.

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We know that to achieve much we must work together.
My friends, fellow Americans of every faith --

I greet you here today with both pride and pleasure.

We have been privileged to meet at the White House

with an extraordinary man -- one who will mean even more

to us and to the world as we in this century move to meet

the complex challenges which inevitably will confront us.

Our nation was not founded to deny human beings

a life of the spirit, but to welcome the spiritual into

our lives -- and I join all Americans in welcoming

Pope John Paul II with open hearts into the lives of

a free nation.

As a scholar, a poet, a philosopher and a pastor,

you have come to know us and to talk to us about gentleness,
humility, forgiveness and love. You have taught us that
we are not perfect, and that we are responsible for our own behavior. You show a particular concern for human dignity. You know that many are fearful, but that a person with faith need not be afraid. Our religious faith is indeed relevant to the modern world.

We have been greatly blessed in this country. We know that to whom much has been given, much will be required. You have reminded us of our responsibilities.

Our America was founded to give a home to all who sought religious freedom. For us today, freedom of religion is not just a vague relic of national pride. It is a practical necessity for our nation's forward course.

For, as we face difficult, painful, often disheartening transformations in our lives, now, as never before, our nation needs all the spiritual strength that has been gained and nurtured through our long history of freedom.
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"We stand in front of our future . . . /
which opens and closes at the same time."

This afternoon Pope John Paul and I met alone in the Oval Office, and discussed the future.

We share a belief that "the Church must in no way be confused with the political community, nor bound to any political system."

But we also spoke of opportunities we might pursue together.

We will work to renew the spiritual strength that can bear us beyond the narrow and joyless materialism to true caring for one another -- in our families, in our communities, in our nations, and in our world. And we will

*Vatican Council II: Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World* (Gaudium et Spes), 1113.
pursue this goal through action, not just words.

His Holiness joins with me in urging all individuals and nations of the world to alleviate the hunger of the people and the homelessness of the refugees from Southeast Asia -- not as political acts, but as acts of humanitarian concern. We cannot profess to love humanity and watch hundreds of thousands of men, women and children die in a human tragedy we can prevent with prompt and generous action.

In another area of opportunity -- concern and action on behalf of human rights -- we have long shared a common purpose. As His Holiness has written, "The essential sense of the State, as a political community, consists in that the society and people composing it are master and sovereign of their own destiny."
We call on all people and all nations to look beyond ancient hatreds, differences in race, customs, traditions, and beliefs -- to see the shared humanity in every other human being. Whenever state and religion can do that, then violations of the human rights of any person anywhere in the world -- whatever cause may be claimed in justification -- will be seen to be, as your Holiness has so accurately described them: "warfare on humanity" itself.

It is abhorrent in our time to allow differences in the way God's children worship the same Father to wound each other, when our common faith could do so much to heal each other.

All of us share full responsibility for seizing another opportunity: In a world filled with weapons
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of nuclear annihilation forever.

The age of nuclear weaponry can be either long or
short, as we choose.

In closing, let me repeat the phrase from your
poem: "We stand in front of our future."

"Fellow Americans, in
the presence of this good man, as we pause
quietly for these few minutes in our sometimes frantic
pace, we ask ourselves: What is important? What is progress? What are we creating which we need to fear?

In his last hours Jesus prayed for his disciples, "Holy Father, keep them in Thy name, which Thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one." And He reminded us, "God is love." (1 John 4:8)

Let all of us here today of every faith stand as one -- for peace and justice and love.

Let us vow that what our Creator has made -- human life -- we shall not destroy.

Let us simply choose to change the world -- as best we can -- each from our individual place, but towards the common purposes of just societies on a peaceful planet.

Our new friend, the people of my country have waited a long time for this meeting.
As human beings each acting for justice in the present --/ and striving together towards a common future of peace and love --/ let us not wait so long to meet again./

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THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE

Saturday - October 6, 1979

9:00
Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski - The Oval Office.

1:30
Arrival of His Holiness John Paul II at North Portico and Exchange of Remarks on the North Lawn.

2:00
Private Reception - The Blue Room.

2:15
Private Meeting with His Holiness John Paul II. The Oval Office.

3:15
Private Family Meeting.

3:45
Reception on the South Lawn.

4:15
Reception for Governors and Their Spouses - Blue Room.

4:20
Departure of His Holiness John Paul II from the North Portico.
Tim Kraft
Phil Wise

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for tim via sarah please

however, f.y.i., i've given cc to phil for his discussion with nsc.

thanks--susan
MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Tim Kraft
SUBJECT: Call to Ambassador Pat Lucy

October 5, 1979

608/241-1721
Madison, Wisconsin

Ambassador Lucy has offered to help in our re-election effort, and is anxious to start once he hears from us. We would like him to assist our efforts in Wisconsin by calling some of his supporters in the state and encouraging them to support the Administration.

Talking points:

-- I had hoped to talk with you privately when you were in town last week; sorry we didn't have a chance.

-- I appreciate your help over the past few years, and your kind offers of political assistance recently.

-- I realize that you are taking a few days of much deserved vacation, and that you will be returning to Mexico on Tuesday (Oct. 8). While you are here, I could use your help in Wisconsin. It would be most helpful to our efforts there if you could make some phone calls on our behalf to some of your friends and supporters around the state.

(IF HE SAYS YES...)

-- I will have Tim Kraft contact you concerning the details of our request.

-- Your help means quite a bit, not only in Wisconsin, but throughout the country as well. I consider your active interest in our efforts over the next year to be a tremendous asset, and one which we truly appreciate.

Notes:

A little coax. Says he has tried to talk to me several times without success.

I invited him to lunch on his next visit.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
FROM: TIM KRAFT
SUBJECT: TELEPHONE CALLS - WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 1979.

October 3, 1979

Mr. Rupert Murdoch
New York, New York,
(o) 212/349-5000

Rupert Murdoch's New York Post has been very negative toward the Administration. Joel McCleary feels that this has been caused by a promise made to him last spring that he could see you. His ego has been hurt by the fact that this suggestion was not followed-up on. Murdoch is not supportive of Kennedy and we are unsure what effect your call will have on his newspaper's attitude toward the Administration. However, if he should decide to endorse you it would be a huge boost to our efforts in New York.

Murdoch leaves this weekend for Australia for a month. I recommend that you invite him to visit with you upon his return and that you look forward to discussing politics and national affairs with him at that time. You should be careful in your conversation with Murdoch since you can probably assume it will not remain confidential.

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RSVP: (404) 524-1958 MRS. P. SCOTT KING

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