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I. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer

II. PARTICIPANTS

See attached list.

III. AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

As the October 4 recess date rapidly approaches, we can expect a flurry of activity on the Hill -- but not necessarily on our priority legislation. You should seize on every opportunity, including this breakfast, to impress upon the Leadership the importance you place on seeing our priority legislation enacted before the election.

Other issues which should be raised at the breakfast include Tarapur, tax cuts, higher education, and pending nominations.

A. PRIORITY LEGISLATION

You should express your appreciation to Speaker O'Neill for his insistence last week that the House finish the rail bill. You should also thank the Majority Leader for his helpful letters to the committee chairmen asking them to avoid reporting out controversial legislation. You should indicate that you were pleased with the progress that was made last week on some of our priority measures and hope that this progress can continue. After quickly running down our priority list (i.e., the list of important pieces
of legislation which require the combined efforts of the White House and the Leadership to ensure passage), you should again indicate that you are ready to help in any way. Special emphasis should be placed on the fair housing bill and the higher education conference. The higher education conference committee resumes deliberation at 6:00 p.m. this evening. We don't have a clear idea of what might occur. You will receive additional information on this issue prior to the breakfast.

B. TARAPUR

Senate floor action on the resolution of disapproval is scheduled for Thursday, and our vote count remains very close. While Senator Byrd has been helpful to us on this issue, Senator Cranston has been working with Senator Glenn to round up votes against us. The main concern in the Senate is that the shipment violates our non-proliferation policy, so the emphasis should be placed on this aspect of the issue.

Talking Points

1. I would appreciate your support in opposing John Glenn's disapproval resolution on my decision to export nuclear fuel to India.

2. Our country has a solemn commitment to ship this fuel under a 1963 agreement which calls upon us to furnish fuel for India's Tarapur reactor. In return, the Indians agreed to maintain international safeguards over our fuel and to obtain our consent before retransferring it to third countries or reprocessing it to extract plutonium.

3. Our non-proliferation policy will be seriously damaged if we renege on our agreement and safeguards are removed from this facility. India would then be free to reprocess our spent fuel, thereby producing U.S.-origin plutonium which could be used to make the equivalent of 300 atomic bombs.

4. We have agreed to delay the second of the two shipments in order to monitor the situation over the next year. We will consult with Congress before that shipment goes to India. I believe that this compromise goes far in meeting your concerns without causing us to violate an international agreement. Such a violation would threaten the non-aligned status of India's foreign policy.

C. TAX CUT

Hopefully, you and Secretary Miller will have discussed the tax cut bill before the breakfast. In any event, he will
be in attendance and you will almost certainly want to ask him for his remarks.

Talking Points

1. Senate passage, not to mention passage by both houses, of a tax cut bill either before or after the election would aggravate inflation and would cause interest rates to go up. It is bad economics coming at a time when Democrats can least afford it.

2. A tax cut could seriously harm my campaign as well as the campaigns of several Democratic Members of Congress up for reelection. It would also mean that we would have Democrats fighting Democrats, a situation which would play directly into the hands of Governor Reagan and the Republicans.

D. NOMINATIONS

The Republicans have been using delaying tactics to prevent Senate confirmation of many of your nominations. As a result, there is a large backlog of pending nominations. You should let the Leadership know that you are concerned about the situation and particularly emphasize your interest in seeing your nominations to the Board of the Synthetic Fuels Corporation quickly confirmed. A hearing on the Sawhill nomination is scheduled before the Energy and Natural Resources Committee this Thursday. The six other members of the Board are scheduled for September 24th.

Talking Points

1. I am increasingly concerned about the slow pace in confirming many of my nominations but realize that much of the delay is due to Republican intransigence. I hope that we can break the logjam and get some of these nominations confirmed.

2. I am particularly anxious that my nominations to the Synthetic Fuels Corporation receive quick Senate approval. I was urged by many Members to act quickly in naming individuals to the Board, and now that I've done my part, I expect the Senate to reciprocate. John Sawhill was recommended as Chairman of the Board by several of you, and is well-respected in both the public and private sectors. I believe that my other choices for the Board are judicious and ones which will meet with bipartisan approval.

3. The Synthetic Fuels Corporation is a cornerstone of our national energy policy. The sooner we can put it to work, the greater the inroads we can make in reducing oil imports
and the firmer our ground in countering Republican accusations that we've done little toward attaining energy independence.

E. COUNTERING REPUBLICAN CHARGES

You should emphasize to the Leadership the importance of Democrats forcefully speaking out in support of our legislative record and the goals and ideals of the Democratic Party, particularly in light of the Republican criticism that will be increasingly generated in the coming weeks. You should solicit the Leadership's views on how we can put the information that we are developing to the best use for all Democrats.

Talking Points

1. I, and I expect most of you, have noticed that political attacks on the Democratic Party have picked up markedly this week.

2. It is ridiculous for the Republicans to charge that our party has not developed a solid record of accomplishments over the last 4 years. It is ill-conceived for them to suggest that a Republican President and a Republican Congress -- especially of the Reagan variety -- would be in step with a majority of the American people.

3. If elected, these are the same people who will bring us the repeal of the 55-mile per hour speed limit and whose Party platform is silent on so many things -- such as future increases in the minimum wage, a commitment to Humphrey-Hawkins, expansion of low-income energy assistance, and so on.

4. Together we have begun a process of regularly sending you through the Whip systems our major campaign talking points. My campaign staff will continue to provide this material. We will also continue to provide materials from the White House on official policies.

5. We need to work together to ensure that this material is put to good use for all Democrats. I would appreciate your views and suggestions on how this can be done.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

As you know, the Reagan notebook has been completed. To date, distribution has been limited to senior White House and campaign staff, pending a decision by Hamilton, Jack,
Pat, and Jerry on wider distribution. Congressman Brademas has previously asked for a copy of the book and may repeat his request at the breakfast. While I will try to head off Brademas before the breakfast, you should be prepared to respond in the event this issue is raised.

The campaign has indicated a desire that Senator Magnuson do some campaigning for you in Washington State next week. After the breakfast you should take Senator Magnuson aside and ask him if he would appear with you in Takoma during your visit there on September 23.
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST

Wednesday, September 17, 1980

PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President

Senator Robert C. Byrd
Senator Warren G. Magnuson
Senator Alan Cranston
Senator Daniel K. Inouye

Speaker Thomas P. O'Neil, Jr.
Congressman Jim Wright
Congressman Tom Foley
Congressman John Brademas
Congressman Dan Rostenkowski
Congressman Jim Corman

Bill Miller
Stu Eizenstat
Zbig Brzezinski
Jim McIntyre
Al McDonald
Bill Smith
Frank Moore
Bill Cable
Dan Tate
Bob Schule
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 16, 1980

MEMORANDUM TO: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: GRETCHE N POSTON

2:00 PM Guests arrive Southeast Gate and proceed to East Room via Diplomatic Reception Room.
(If number of guests is 225 or less, they will be seated. If number is closer to the anticipated 500, they will stand for the ceremony with a roped-off area reserved in the front of the room.)

2:15 PM The official Chinese party (approx. 30) and the principals arrive Northwest Gate and proceed to North Portico. These include: Secretaries Muskie, Miller and Klutznick; Dep. Secretaries Beckham and Williams; Wu Bo, the Chinese Finance Minister; His Excellency, Chai Zemin, the Chinese Ambassador and Bo Yibo, the Vice Premier. They are escorted to Red Room.

The Vice President arrives Red Room.

Members of Congress arrive West Lobby and are escorted to reserved area in East Room.

2:30 PM The Vice Premier is escorted to Oval Office to meet THE PRESIDENT.

2:35 PM THE PRESIDENT and the Vice Premier arrive State Floor and proceed to Red Room to greet principals.

Principals are escorted to positions behind signing table on East Room platform.
Vice Premier Bo Yibo is announced and escorted to position at signing table on East Room platform.

THE PRESIDENT is announced and proceeds to signing table on East Room platform. (Table mikes in place for both.)

THE PRESIDENT makes remarks.

THE PRESIDENT and the Vice Premier sign documents. (Officials from the Chinese Embassy and our State Department assist with signing.)

At conclusion of the signing, Vice Premier Bo makes remarks.

At conclusion of ceremony, principals depart.

Guests proceed to reception which follows in State Dining Room (printed in program).

(The Vice Premier's car will be at North Portico.)

3:45 PM  Guests depart Residence.

East Wall

Pres. Sec. Boxham

Amb. Acheson

Sec. Miller

Sec. Missler

Asst. Chao Zemin

Pres. Sec. Schlesinger

Members of Congress Official Chinese Party

Announcer

East Room

doorway
PLEASE ADD SENATOR GLENN TO THE PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING PAPER FOR THE 11:45 BOY OF THE YEAR GROUP.
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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NATIONAL BOY OF THE YEAR

Wednesday, September 17, 1980
11:45 a.m.
The Oval Office

FROM: ANNE WEXLER

I. PURPOSE

To present Jace Smith of Massillon, Ohio, with the National Boy of the Year award for his selection by the Boys' Clubs of America and to receive the Boys' Clubs' "Status Report".

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background: As Honorary President of Boys' Club of America, the President of the United States traditionally presents the Boy of the Year award to the Clubs' national winner. The Boy of the Year program has been sponsored annually since 1947 by the Reader's Digest Foundation. Scholarship grants are awarded to the five regional winners to further their education.

Locally, Boys' Clubs choose Boys of the Month and Boy of the Year on the basis of service to home, school, church, community and Boys' Club. One exceptional boy is chosen each year to represent the one million Boys' Club members.

Last year, you presented the award to Danny Rolett, from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Prior to their meeting with you, the boys will have had a Congressional Breakfast and a White House tour.

B. Participants: This year's participants will include the 1980 Boy of the Year, Jace Smith, from Massillon, Ohio; the four runners-up, and their local club directors. Jace will be accompanied by his Congressman, Ralph Regula (R-Ohio). Also present will be the Chairman of the Boys' Clubs of America, Albert Cole, and the Vice President of the Reader's Digest Foundation, John Allen, and other Boys' Clubs officials (list attached).
C. Press Plan: Open press coverage, White House photographer, and Boys' Clubs photographer.

III. AGENDA

This agenda follows the format used in each of the last three years.

-- The four regional finalists and the Boy of the Year (fifth in line), accompanied by Congressman Regula, will enter followed by their directors, the adult representatives of Boys' Clubs of America, and the Readers's Digest.

-- John Burns, President of Boys' Clubs of America, will give you a plaque which you should then read and present to Jace Smith, Boy of the Year.

-- Jace Smith will then present you with a framed poster of the Boys' Clubs' new logo. It has been autographed by the artist, Saul Bass.

-- Al Cole, Chairman of the Board of the Boys' Clubs of America, will then present the "Status Report" of the Boys' Clubs.

-- You then pose for a photograph with the Boy of the Year and the four runners-up.

IV. TALKING POINTS

1. As Honorary President of the Boys' Clubs of America, I would like to congratulate Jace Smith, the 1980 Boy of the Year, and the runners-up for their service to their community, church, school and Boys' Club.

2. I would also like to commend the Reader's Digest Foundation for its sponsorship of the Boy of the Year contest.

3. Boys' Clubs of America is a congressionally chartered organization dedicated to volunteer service. Its one million members contribute to the health and well-being of the United States.
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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Robert S. Strauss
THRU: Rick Hutcheson
RE: Meeting with former Governor Edwin Edwards of Louisiana
DATE: September 17, 1980, Wednesday
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
PLACE: Oval Office

I. Purpose

To indicate importance of Governor Edwards' active support, particularly in Louisiana campaign.

II. Participants, Background, Press

A. Participants

The President, Robert S. Strauss, Governor Edwin Edwards.

B. Background

Governor Edwin Edwards left office early this year after two terms as a very popular governor. Barred by law from a third successive term, Edwards stepped down with an approval rating of roughly 80 percent, and with about $1 million in his campaign treasury. Reportedly, Edwards will run again for governor in 1983.

At a later date, Edwards will be named as Chairman of the Carter/Mondale campaign in Louisiana, and he has agreed to host a fundraising event October 21. He is the key Democratic fundraiser in Louisiana, with excellent ties to the business community, particularly the oil industry. Edwards has a broad reach and can bring in funds from groups and individuals that are not normally active in politics, and his support is crucial to our efforts in the state.

C. Press

None. White House photographer.

III. Talking Points

1. Thank him for coming to Washington, and for his past support.
2. Stress importance of Louisiana to campaign.
3. Stress his personal importance to Louisiana campaign, and our need for his active and strong support.
4. Stress that you personally will not forget his help in this campaign.

A copy of our report is filed with the Federal Election Commission and is available for purchase from the Federal Election Commission, Washington, D.C.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: GENE EIDENBERG

SUBJECT: Photo Opportunity for Dallas County Commissioner Roy Orr, 11:50 a.m.

Purpose. The purpose of this meeting is to greet Roy Orr who was elected President of the National Association of Counties (NACo) last July.

Background. Roy is in town to make courtesy calls in his official capacity as President of NACo. The Texas Delegation is hosting a reception in his honor later in the evening.

You have just signed the papers to appoint Roy to a two year term on the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. An official announcement will be made within a week.

Roy has been active in Texas politics for several years. He is a former school board chairman and Mayor of Desoto, a Dallas suburb. For the past eight years he has served as a Dallas County Commissioner and was Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee for one year.

Roy is an outspoken supporter of yours and is actively working for your re-election. He is proud of his close relationship with Bob Strauss.

Participants. Michael Lunceford, Administrative Assistant to Roy Orr and Bernie Hillenbrand, Executive Director of NACo.

Press. There will be photographers from AP, UPI and the White House present at the meeting.

Suggested Talking Points

- Congratulations on your election as President of NACo. I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

- You appreciate his personal support of you.

- You have just signed the papers for his appointment to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations and it will be officially announced in the next few days.

- Although this is a government event, you might ask him how the campaign is going in Texas.
PHOTO OPPORTUNITY FOR CONGRESSMAN DON ALBOSTA
ORMOND DANFORD

Wednesday, September 17, 1980
11:55 a.m. (2 minutes)
The Oval Office

From: Frank Moore

I. PURPOSE

To be photographed with Congressman Don Albosta (D-Mich.),
Ormond Danford, Forester of the Year, and Richard Lewis,
President of the American Forest Institute.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, AND PRESS PLAN

Background: "Forester of the Year" is an annual award
given to the outstanding tree farmer in America by
the American Forest Institute. This year's winner is
Ormond Danford, a former circuit court judge from
Michigan.

Rep. Albosta, himself a farmer, represents Michigan's
tenth district, which is known for its lush forests.

Participants: The President, Congressman Albosta,
Ormond Danford, his wife Madge Danford, and John Caulkins,
Executive Director for the Michigan Forest Products Council.

Press Plan: full press, White House photographer
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Stephen M. Goldfeld
Subject: Housing Starts

Data on housing starts in August -- to be released by the Bureau of the Census tomorrow at 2:15 p.m. -- continue to show strength. Housing starts rose a healthy 12 percent, from 1,249 thousand units in July to 1,399 thousand units in August.

From their low point in May, housing starts have now risen 54 percent, and have contributed to a more favorable outlook for the economy. But, as Charlie Schultze has previously indicated, we continue to be concerned that the upcreep in mortgage interest rates may slow the future recovery in housing.
TALKING POINTS FOR THE RUSSELL LONG MEETING

At no point should there be any implication that Long and his Committee have acted irresponsibly. Also, his pre-eminence in tax matters in the Congress should be readily acknowledged.

1. You feel very strongly that enacting the tax cut bill before the election is both good politics and good economics. I feel at least equally strongly that this is neither.

2. Senate action on, not to mention passage of, a tax cut bill before the election would aggravate inflation and would send up interest rates. Rather than speeding the economic recovery, it would push it back. As President, I have to oppose the cut for now as a real danger to the welfare of our country.

3. Politically, I cannot change my mind if I were inclined to. I cannot acquiesce if I were inclined to. In fact, I neither want nor am inclined to. I know I am right politically.

4. You and your Democratic colleagues on the Committee have acted in good faith; you feel that an immediate tax cut is in the national interest. The Senate Republicans do not care whether it is or not. They care only about one thing -- getting themselves out of the corner that they and Gov. Reagan have painted themselves into with the Kemp-Roth proposal. They see this tax cut bill as both an escape mechanism and as a means of giving themselves a degree of credibility they had never dreamed of.

5. In the next few days you can irreparably damage the re-election chances of both myself and, I venture to say, several other Democrats. If you pursue your present course, I have no choice economically and politically but to fight you. The Republicans will simply sit back and gloat.

6. You have some formidable weapons in your arsenal. You have a unanimous Committee behind you. You have virtually every Republican in the Senate on your side. You have 24 nervous Democrats who are up for re-election considering whether they should hedge their bets. You can win. But even if you do not, you will not be harmed. You have already won your campaign. I have not and I have an uphill fight. If the most powerful Democrat in Congress defies me on this fundamental economic issue, only Governor Reagan will benefit. I may win, but the price will be too costly.

7. I need your help. I must ask you to consider the consequences if you do not.
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

9/17/80

ARNIE MILLER

The attached was received in our office and is forwarded to you for your information.

Rick Hutcheson
September 11, 1980

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to inform you that today, in accordance with Public Law 90-206 creating the Commission on Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Salaries, the following individuals were designated by the Senate to be members of this Commission:

Edward P. Horgan  
Practicing Attorney, Washington

Robert P. Griffin  
Former U.S. Senator

With best wishes, we are

Sincerely yours,

[Signatures]

Howard H. Baker, Jr.  
Minority Leader

Robert C. Byrd  
Majority Leader
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: LLOYD CUTLER

SUBJECT: Response to House Resolution 745

1. Your response to House Resolution 745, calling for information with respect to the Billy Carter matter, is due today. Attached is a transmittal letter for your signature. As the letter indicates, we are simply incorporating by reference your August 18 Statement to the House of Representatives and are providing a Supplemental Counsel's Report concerning those few items which have come to light since August 18.

2. A draft of the Supplemental Report is also attached. The only reference to your activities which has not previously been submitted to either the House or the Senate is the description on page 1 of your meeting with Billy Carter on the tennis court on June 11, 1980. The tennis court meeting was described by Billy Carter in a New York Times interview (attached). According to the interview, Billy said that he exchanged pleasantries with you but had not discussed the Libya payments at that time. I also referred to the meeting in my testimony before the Senate Subcommittee (attached). Is the description in the Supplemental Report accurate to the best of your recollection?

V Approve transmittal letter.

V Approve Supplemental Report.
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Mr. President:

DPS concurs with OMB.

Rick
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
SEPTEMBER 15, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR:
THE PRESIDENT

FROM:
STU EISENSTAT
JIM MCINTYRE
CHARLIE SCHULTZ

SUBJECT: FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS (FSB)

IT IS CRITICAL THAT A DECISION BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TODAY ON THE FSB PROGRAM. CONGRESSIONAL JIM CORMAN (D. CALIF.) HAS SCHEDULED HEARINGS ON OUR PROPOSAL ON WEDNESDAY AND IS COMMITTED TO REPORTING OUT A BILL THIS WEEK. WE MUST GET LEGISLATION TO THE HILL TODAY OR JEOPARDIZE ANY CHANCE THIS PROGRAM MAY HAVE IN THE FEW REMAINING DAYS BEFORE THE OCTOBER RECESS.

WE HAVE TAKEN ANOTHER LOOK AT THE 6-MONTH NATIONAL FSB PROGRAM WE PROPOSED TO YOU ON SATURDAY AS THE ALTERNATIVE TO A MORE TARGETED PROPOSAL; IF YOUR PREFERENCE IS BROAD COVERAGE, AS YOUR NOTE INDICATES AND YOUR POLITICAL ADVISORS STRONGLY URGE, A TWO QUARTER NATIONAL FSB PROGRAM IS THE ONLY FEASIBLE OPTION. THE BEST WAY TO REDUCE COSTS IN THAT OPTION IS TO INTRODUCE A "WEEKS OF WORK" REQUIREMENT FOR THE NATIONAL PROGRAM, RATHER THAN RELY ON THE INDIVIDUAL STATE STANDARDS.

BETWEEN $300 AND $400 MILLION CAN BE SAVED BY PAYING FSB BENEFITS ONLY TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO WORKED AT LEAST 32 WEEKS IN THE YEAR BEFORE THEY WERE UNEMPLOYED; THIS IS A FEATURE OF THE STATE TARGETED PROGRAM PROPOSAL AND HAS THE EFFECT OF TARGETING BENEFITS ON THOSE WORKERS WITH THE STRONGEST ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOR FORCE.

WITH THE ADDITION OF THIS PROVISION A 6-MONTH NATIONAL PROGRAM WOULD NOW COST BETWEEN $1.25 AND $1.39 BILLION. THE EARLIER PROPOSAL WOULD HAVE COST BETWEEN $1.5 AND $1.8
BILLION. WE ALL RECOMMEND THIS CHANGE AND RAY MARSHALL
CONCURS.

ATTACHED ARE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS YOU RAISED WITH
STUART LAST NIGHT.

1. HOW LONG CAN SOMEONE COLLECT BENEFITS?

Both the Targeted and National FSP Programs we have
proposed are designed to help those individuals who
exhaust their regular unemployment benefits (up to 26
weeks) and their extended benefits (up to 13 weeks) and
are still unable to find a job. The regular and extended
benefits program are paid for out of employer financed
trust funds. The FSP program financed out of General
Revenue, would provide up to 13 weeks of additional
coverage. Thus, under the three programs up to 52
weeks of benefits could be paid.

2. WHAT EFFECT DOES THE TERMINATION DATE HAVE ON THE PAY-
MENT OF BENEFITS?

Termination dates have been proposed for both the
Targeted (December 31, 1981) and the National (March
31, 1981) FSP programs. No benefits can be paid after
this date. Thus, an individual could become eligible
for 13 weeks of national FSP benefits on March 1st but
only collect 4 weeks -- not 13 weeks -- if a person's
benefits expired on March 30th. He would get only one
day's coverage -- not 13 weeks. This way of handling
ending of benefits is similar to the current extended
benefit program when the National Trigger goes off.

3. WHY NOT PROPOSE A ONE QUARTER NATIONAL PROGRAM THAT
WOULD END ON DECEMBER 31, 1980?

Any advantage that a one quarter program offers in cost
savings would be quickly lost. The Reagon camp and
Republicans on the Hill would charge us with playing,
political roulette with the unemployed. Congress will
have adjourned and would have no chance to consider an
extension of the program. The unions object that both
the 6 month and the year long program end too soon.
They could surely be opposed if we now were to propose
a 3 month program. The programmatic logic of proposing
a more tailored program post January, when there is
more time and we know more about the economy would be
lost with a one quarter program.

END OF PAGE 02
4. WON'T UNEMPLOYMENT STILL BE HIGH ON THE FIRST OF APRIL?

IN COSTING THESE PROGRAMS WE USED TWO UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES -- THE MID-SEASON ASSUMPTIONS, ADJUSTED FOR THE EFFECTS OF YOUR RECOVERY PROGRAM AND A LOWER PATH. BOTH ESTIMATES SHOW UNEMPLOYMENT COMING DOWN IN THE THIRD QUARTER. CFA NOW BELIEVES AN INTERMEDIATE PATH BETWEEN THE HIGH AND LOW IS MOST LIKELY. GIVEN THE UNCERTAINTY OVER UNEMPLOYMENT NEXT YEAR, A 6 MONTH PROGRAM WILL ALLOW US TO TAILOR A PROGRAM FOR THE LATTER HALF OF 1981 BASED ON AN OFFICIAL FORECAST. IF UNEMPLOYMENT WARRIRES, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO PROPOSE A MORE TARGETED PROGRAM AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR THAT WOULD INTRODUCE SOME OF THE STRU WURAL CHANGES WE INITIALLY SOUGHT.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Dan Tate

SUBJECT: Senator Russell Long

This morning you meet with Senator Long. We requested this meeting on an urgent basis because all else has failed.

We had hoped that if Long had won his primary last Saturday, his enthusiasm for pushing the Finance Committee tax cut bill before the November election would wane. It has not. In fact, he returned to Washington on Monday more determined than ever to get Senate action on that measure as soon as possible. We had hoped that Senator Byrd, Senator Hollings, and Senator Bentsen would be able to dissuade him. They have not. In fact, Senator Bentsen is now his ally; Senator Hollings now is showing signs of indifference; and Senator Byrd is becoming nervous because of Long's insistence. We had hoped that Bob Strauss, a good and respected friend of Long, could talk some political sense into Long, but he too was unsuccessful in two recent conversations. We had hoped that Secretary Miller could explain to Long that mere action on the tax cut bill before the election could adversely affect inflation and interest rates and these serious economic consequences could be devastating to our re-election as well as the campaigns of various Democratic Senators and House members. That did not work either.

Long believes sincerely that the tax cut bill is both good economics and good politics. At least in part, he feels it is good economics because by passing the bill quickly and making it effective on January 1st, we will have given individuals and businesses time to plan for the entire calendar year and also the recovery will be hastened by several months. He is not convinced by Paul Volcker's and Bill Miller's arguments that the markets would react unfavorably at least in the short term thus aggravating inflation and causing interest rates to rise. He is convinced at least in part that it is good politics because he just returned from a victorious campaign in which he found that 70% of the people favored a tax cut and in which he promised tax relief if elected. Therefore, he believes that he is an expert on the real political world.
The Senator has been working very, very hard to convince his colleagues that they should follow his lead. We have some allies and potential allies but they are either overwhelmed by Long's persistence and zeal or they are so scared (those who are up for reelection) that they are listening to anyone who has just run a successful campaign or they are reluctant to go against the Chairman of the Finance Committee who will be around for another 6 years and in favor of a President who may not be re-elected. Undoubtedly some see that Long has the support of virtually every Republican and that number (40+) combined with the Democrats on the Finance Committee who unanimously voted with Long amounts to almost 50 votes -- enough to win in the Senate regardless of how they themselves vote, so why not follow the path of least resistance?

Obviously, Long has built up quite a head of steam. He is working this issue as if his re-election depended on it and he has the zeal of a missionary. Frankly, he is an intimidating force in the Senate when he gets like this, which explains why he has been met with so little opposition from such people as Senator Byrd and Senator Bentsen. This too is why I would like to have avoided getting the two of you together--- not that I fear that you will be intimidated but because he tends to be more effusive and seemingly less rational at times such as these. Usually, he winds himself down after a while, but we simply cannot wait on this to happen in this instance. With every hour that passes, he is digging himself and us deeper into a hole.
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
September 16, 1980

FOR: JODY POWELL
FROM: AL MCDONALD

While I think the attached draft does a good job of relating to the audience, I think we lack those few catchy lines that the networks will be forced to show of the President's remarks. It seems to me that the key message of those few lines should underscore the stark contrast between Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter on this vital foreign policy subject.

We might be able to assure that snatch of videotape by inserting after the first sentence in the last paragraph something like the following:

"The focus of my efforts has been to put behind us the divisions, doubts, and suspicions that have thwarted our mutual interests. With these agreements, we will move forward together into a new era of cooperation, mutual respect and steady progress in our relationship."

Mr. President,

I have given you a clean copy of a copy with my editing suggestions. Insert A is an attempt to deal with the need described above. That insert and the one on Fnd (p. 5) have been cleared with Roger Sullivan of the NSC.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Al McDonald
      Rick Hertzberg

SUBJECT: Presidential Speech:
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September 17, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: GENE EIDENBERG

SUBJECT: Mayor Jane Byrne's Participation in U. S./China Trade Agreement Signing Ceremony

As a part of the signing of the U.S./China Trade Agreements, the mayors of the affected cities were invited to the White House for the ceremony. Mayor Byrne has accepted the invitation and will be present. No other mayor was able to accept.

In addition to Mayor Byrne, Chicago will be represented by former Lt. Gov. Neil Hartigan. Neil is an officer of the First National Bank of Chicago which will have banking interests in China.

This will be the first occasion for the Mayor to be at the White House since her endorsement of Senator Kennedy last fall. The political press will be focused on any meeting or conversation you and the Mayor may have during this ceremony.

Jack, Jim Johnson and I all agree the tenderness of the Daley-Byrne fight in Cook County and its potential impact on your race suggest the following:

-- The Mayor will be one of many people observing the signing ceremony in the Rose Garden and your paths may not cross. If you do meet, we advise against any special show of affection or attention to her;

-- You can thank her for her support. Yesterday after greeting the First Lady at Midway Airport, she told the press the primaries are over and that she is working to elect the entire Democratic ticket;

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

From: Charlie Schultze

Subject: Industrial Production in August
(to be released at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 16)

Industrial production in August increased by 0.5 percent. While the rise was small it is the first increase since January. Moreover, the size of the previously reported declines in June and July was revised downward.

Seasonally adjusted, production of autos and parts fell sharply, by 7.9 percent. (Seasonal adjustments in months of model changeovers are difficult to estimate.) But output of appliances and other home goods rose nicely (2.9 percent) as did production of construction supplies (2.4 percent) and materials (1.0 percent).

Production of business equipment was virtually unchanged, and the magnitude of the July decline was revised downward.

All in all, while the data are not terribly strong, they are consistent with other evidence that the economy has already reached or is very close to the end of the recession.
Phil has been
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Rick Hutcheson --

F.Y.I. -- Jody conveyed President's message to Stu Eizenstat over telephone.

-- Susan Clough
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Sept. 17, 1980

MR. PRESIDENT:

Former Louisiana Governor Edwin Edwards is in town today and Bob Strauss would like to bring him over for a brief 5-minute appointment.

Approve ☑ Disapprove_____

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