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011	Speech	American Society of Newspaper Editors	19	04/11/2003	P5;

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F: AIDS Initiative Advancing
gender equity
and social justice
in international
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FAX COVER SHEET

TO: President George Bush	FROM:
COMPANY: White House	DATE: 2/26/2003
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URGENT FOR REVIEW PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REPLY AS REQUESTED

NOTES/COMMENTS:

Please see the attached letter, signed by over 130 non-government organizations, addressing the Mexico City Policy and international funding for HIV/AIDS.

February 26, 2003

President George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush,

As a group of leading organizations dedicated to reducing the spread of HIV/AIDS and improving women's health worldwide, we are heartened by the proposal outlined in your State of the Union address to dramatically increase U.S. funding in response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic. However, we are deeply disturbed to learn that the Administration is contemplating an expansion of the so-called Mexico City policy to cover some or all international HIV/AIDS funds, thereby disqualifying from U.S. funding many organizations positioned to be key partners in carrying out your "Emergency AIDS initiative." Any such restrictions can only impede progress in the battle against HIV/AIDS and erode the good will generated by the Administration's renewed commitment to funding HIV/AIDS programs.

It is our understanding that organizations using an integrated public health approach to prevent the spread of HIV and to treat and provide care for people living with AIDS will be disqualified under the expanded policy. This is indefensible. Governments and leading donor institutions throughout the world strongly support integrated family planning and HIV prevention programs as the best approach to improving public health. The World Health Organization (WHO) Global Sector Strategy for HIV/AIDS underscores that existing family planning programs "provide a clear entry point for the delivery of HIV/AIDS interventions." USAID, the World Bank, the European Union and other leading donors in every region encourage integration as a matter of good public health practice and economic efficiency.

For women, access to integrated programs and services can make the difference between life and death. Women now represent half of those infected with HIV worldwide and 58 percent of those in Sub-Saharan Africa where the AIDS epidemic has taken the greatest toll to date. Integrated services offer women confidential outlets for voluntary counseling and testing, referrals for or direct provision of prevention of maternal-to-child transmission (MTCT), and treatment of other diseases. In addition, these services provide accurate information on sensitive issues, such as whether and how HIV-positive mothers can safely breastfeed their newborns; confidential access to MTCT; and a source

of information and resources free from the stigma frequently associated with stand-alone HIV prevention programs. Such services are pivotal to preventing new infections and to improving the survival rates of those infected, while addressing other urgent public health priorities.

We represent a broad spectrum of organizations with a range of specific interests and points of view, but stand unified in our resolve to expedite U.S. assistance to those most affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. At this critical time it is urgent to eliminate barriers to effective programs not erect new ones. We therefore oppose any expansion of the "Mexico City" policy and urge the Administration in the strongest possible terms to abandon its plan to expand these restrictions in any form.

Sincerely,

ACT UP Philadelphia, PA
Advocates for Youth
AIDS Action
AIDS Action Baltimore
AIDS Alliance for Children, Youth & Families
AIDS Foundation of Chicago
AIDS Project Los Angeles
AIDS Treatment Data Network
Alliance for Microbicide Development
American Association of University Women
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
American Jewish World Service
American Psychological Association
American Public Health Association
Americans for Democratic Action
Artists for a New South Africa
Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs
Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
Association of Reproductive Health Professionals
California Family Health Council, Inc.
California Microbicides Initiative
Catholics for a Free Choice
Center for Health and Gender Equity
Center for Reproductive Rights
Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University
Center for Women Policy Studies

Choice USA
Colorado NARAL
Concern America
Council of Religious AIDS Networks
Dignity USA
EngenderHealth
Family & Nursing Care
Family Violence Prevention Fund
Feminist Majority
Gay and Lesbian Medical Association
Gay Men's Health Crisis
Global AIDS Alliance
Global Campaign for Microbicides
Gynuity Health Projects
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America
Health GAP (Global Access Project), USA
Housing Works, Inc.
Human Rights Campaign
The Hunger Project
International AIDS Vaccine Initiative
International Center for Research on Women
International Council of Jewish Women
International Health & Development Associates
International Partnership for Microbicides
International Rescue Committee
International Women's Health Coalition
Ipas
John Snow, Inc.
Lutherans Concerned, South Carolina
Management Sciences for Health
Margaret Sanger Center International at Planned Parenthood of New York City
Marie Stopes International
Mehera Women Development and Concern
Microbicides as an Alternative Solution
Montrose Clinic, Houston, TX
The NAMES Project Foundation
NARAL Pro-Choice America
National Abortion Federation
National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors
National Association for Victims of Transfusion-Acquired AIDS
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health

National Association of People with AIDS
National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems
National Association of Social Workers
National Council of Jewish Women
National Council of Women's Organizations
National Episcopal AIDS Coalition
National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association
National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
National Health Law Program
National Minority AIDS Council
National Network for Youth
National Organization for Women
National Partnership for Women and Families
National Women's Health Network
Near East Foundation
Network of Sex Work Projects
NOW Foundation Women's Health Project
Open Society Institute
Pacific Institute for Women's Health
Pathfinder International
People For the American Way
Physicians for Human Rights
Plan USA
Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Population Action International
Population Connection
Population Institute
Presbyterian AIDS Network
Presbyterian Church (USA), Washington Office
Program for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH)
Project Inform
Refugees International
Relief International
Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice
Religious Consultation on Population, Reproductive Health and Ethics
Religious Institute on Sexual Morality, Justice, and Healing
SAAIDS (South Asia Against AIDS Foundation, Inc.)
San Francisco AIDS Foundation
Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States
Society for Women Against AIDS in Africa
Student Global AIDS Campaign
The Alan Guttmacher Institute

Title II Community AIDS National Network
Treatment Action Campaign (TAC), South Africa
Treatment Action Group
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society
Women's EDGE
Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics and Ritual (WATER)
Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children
Women's Environment and Development Organization
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom
Women's Ordination Conference
Worldwatch Institute

Cc: Claude Allen, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services
Paula Dobriansky, Under Secretary for State of Global Affairs, Department of State
Julie Louise Gerberding, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Jay Lefkowitz, Deputy Assistant to President for Domestic Policy
Andrew Natsios, Administrator, United States Agency for International Development
Anne Peterson, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Global Health, USAID
Colin Powell, Secretary of State
Karl Rove, Senior Advisor to President
William Steiger, Special Assistant to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services
Tommy Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services

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James Cummins <jcummins@wildlifemiss.org>
02/05/2003 11:35:29 AM

Please respond to jcummins@wildlifemiss.org

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cc:
Subject: FYI - This will run in over 70 papers in Mississippi this week.

CONSERVATION CORNER
(For the week of February 3, 2003)
President Gives Tour Of Crawford Ranch, Emphasizes Trees
by James L. Cummins

President Bush has been criticized more times than not about his lack of knowledge about the environment. I was even concerned about his actions. But over lunch at The White House two weeks ago, I was made aware of a transcript of a recent tour of his ranch in Crawford, Texas. It was not a scripted speech with teleprompters and did not include a team of speech writers hiding behind every rock and tree. It was genuine. It was from the heart. President Bush spoke extensively, knowledgeably and passionately about natural resources and their management. Let's further explore his comments.

The President made almost 100 references to natural resources (trees, wildlife, plants and soil) and their management. He mentioned hardwood or a hardwood species 33 times. He indicated that there are at least 18 different hardwood species on his property and he specifically identified 10 species (hackberry, ash, pecan, burr oak, live oak, chinkapin oak, sycamore, willow, cedar elm and cedar). He referred to at least 10 specific wildlife species (golden cheek warbler, fox, deer, dove, quail, turkey, armadillo, buzzards, cottonmouth and bass) and at least 3 different plant species (poison ivy, Johnson grass and buffalo grass). He made at least 12 direct references to actively improving the natural resources of his land. He even talked about how certain species were important "because they become nesting materials for things like the golden cheek warbler..."

Bush also said, "I'm interested in these trees. This place you learn to fall in love with trees." When asked if he was in his element, he replied, "I am in my element here. We really like it. It is one of the few places where I can actually walk outside my front door and say, I think I'm going to go walk two hours. And although I'm not totally alone, I can walk wherever I want to walk. And I can't do that in Washington...I like that. I love nature. I love to get in the pickup truck with my dogs as the sun is setting, go look for game."

When a reporter asked him how did he learn all this stuff about these trees, President Bush replied, "Well, we've got a book. And I knew some of the trees, you know. But we had two professors at Texas A & M. They had heard we had some beautiful hardwoods on it. And they came and were really pleased with the health of our trees and the quality of our trees. Another reporter stated, "Quite the arborist" President Bush

replied, "I am. Tree man. I like trees, but I have come to appreciate them a lot and I'm guarding them..."

In case there was any doubt that this President is serious about the health and future of our natural resources, you can now rest easy knowing that "Tree Man" is not only being a good steward of his own land by actively managing it for improved health, but he is also working to help make it easier for us to do the same on our own treasured lands and small farms.

As someone who is very concerned about the environment, I am proud to call George W. Bush my President. For a complete transcript of the President's tour of his Crawford ranch, go to www.wildlifemiss.org.

James L. Cummins is Executive Director of the Mississippi Fish and Wildlife Foundation in Stoneville, Mississippi. Known as "Wildlife Mississippi," the Foundation is a non-profit, conservation organization founded to conserve, restore and enhance fish, wildlife and plant resources throughout Mississippi. Their web site is www.wildlifemiss.org.



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 28, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO: KARL ROVE
SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BRADLEY A. BLAKEMAN *BB*
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF APPOINTMENTS & SCHEDULING

SUBJECT: LONG RANGE SCHEDULNG OPPORTUNITIES CD-ROM

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Please call my office with any questions. Thank you.

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Executive Committee
Southern Baptist Convention

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POTUS Correspondence

MORRIS H. CHAPMAN, D.Min.
PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

March 17, 2003

The Honorable George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I am praying for you and Mrs. Bush, and for your daughters. We have been beseeching God diligently for you during the past several months.

We fully affirm and deeply appreciate your courageous decisions and your resolute leadership in behalf of liberty and security. We firmly believe the terrorist intentions of rogue states such as Iraq are clearly established and that the present regime of leadership there must be halted and prevented from wreaking their havoc upon their neighbors, or the nations of the earth. We are also praying the Iraqi people, who have suffered so much at the hands of despotic leaders, may have the benefit of political freedom and the opportunity for ultimate spiritual freedom.

We recognize the decisions you face in leading our country right now are weighty and momentous. But, we share your conviction that the Lord God is in control and that He will direct your path.

Some of your critics have been merciless and personal in their disparagement. Sadly, often those who lend support state their encouragement more quietly than those who are frenzied in their opposition. Mr. President, those that are with you are far more numerous than those that are against you. They sense you are a leader they can trust. It is clear to me that the overwhelming majority of Southern Baptist leaders and laymen strongly support your leadership of our country and appreciate your godly witness to our culture and the rest of the world. People of faith take great comfort that we are being led by one whose confidence is in the Lord God, who seeks God's guidance in daily prayer, and whose goal is to bless and benefit our nation as well as the peoples of the world.

I have been, and will continue to encourage Southern Baptists to pray daily for you and your family, your advisory team, and the courageous men and women in our armed forces.

If I can be of assistance to you in any other way, simply let me know what I can do for you.

May God grant you profound wisdom, bold courage, and steadfast strength, and may He reassure you with the peace of His presence.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Morris H. Chapman

MHC:bc

901 Commerce Street
Nashville, TN 37203-3699
(615) 244-2355
FAX (615) 256-1222

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MORRIS H. CHAPMAN
PRESIDENT AND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



18 March 2003

Dear Karl,

Thank you for your outstanding leadership in the White House. Will you please ensure the delivery of my enclosed letter to the President? May our Lord grant you wisdom and courage in this hour. Blessings,
Morris Chapman

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OFFICE OF SENATOR JOHN CORNYN

SRC-5, Senate Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

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To: Susan Ralston

Date: March 31, 2003

Fax: 202-456-0191

Pages: 3, including cover sheet.

From: Christine Stewart

Rove, Karl C.

FILE: OMUS 536005

From: Duffy, Trent D.
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2003 9:39 AM
To: Fleischer, Lawrence A.; McClellan, Scott; Buchan, Claire; Bartlett, Daniel J.; DeFrancis, Suzy; Besanceney, Brian R.; Bolten, Joshua B.; Rove, Karl C.; Hobbs, David W.; Ojakli, Ziad; Keniry, Daniel; Pelletier, Eric C.
Cc: Daniels, Mitchell; Dorn, Nancy; Smythe, Augustine T.; Capretta, James C.; Peacock, Marcus; McMillin, Stephen S.; Emery Jr., Richard P.; Cleveland, Robin; Everson, Mark; Forman, Mark A.; Graham, John; Styles, Angela B.; Perry, Philip J.; White, Sherron R.; Roberson, Halley M.; Carson, Karyn T.; Foster, James D.; Keller, Karen E.; Dooley, Karen S.; Tibbs, Krista; Springer, Linda; Weaver, Bessie M.; Trinh, Catherine V.; Rossman, Elizabeth L.; Lobrano, Lauren C.; Dove, Stephen W.; Call, Amy L.; Oxford, John
Subject: Mitch's on-record comments of note from this a.m.

These are from this morning's Sperling Breakfast, an on the record session w/ about 30+ newspaper/news service reporters.

Airline Aid:

There's overcapacity in that business. One would hope that liquidation is not an outcome. There's a mismatch between costs and what consumers are willing to pay. I have a lot of sympathy to that industry and those wrestling with that complex equation - labor, management, others. Some say the last time that industry turned a steady profit was Kitty Hawk.

There may be some merit in the idea that recognizing the war may have some impact and a temporary alleviation of that might make some sense. But passenger loads have not dropped precipitously as some have feared. Jet fuel costs have not gone up. POTUS and the Admin are listening to ideas. Any aid that occurs needs to be scaled to the event/war, not a make-whole exercise to solve pre-war problems. Must be neutral across airlines and not disproportionately help poor performers. The American taxpayer should not have to prop up industries indefinitely.

Greenspan and Economic Team:

We've been meeting frequently. He has joined us at some sessions. He is enormously valuable; he understands real world implications of the here and now. He met one-on-one with the President Tuesday. Everyone respects the independent role he has - this is war, so it is different.

Dynamic Score from Bush Administration:

Treasury and CEA working on an estimate that is looking like a 35% plus or minus 10% on the feedback in revenues.

House Budget 1% ATB Cuts:

Don't know how it will come out, but 1% across the board would seem to be achievable. Doubt we'll get to that question because the House and Senate are likely to produce a number where the President's budget is on this issue.

Homeland Security Earmarking:

"If there's one area where there should be restraint in this practice, it should be in this area. There's not enough money in the galaxy to protect every square inch of America from every threat or from every fanatic who wishes to do us harm. Governor Ridge's job #1 is to identify the greatest threats and to put resources where they are most needed. We must spend this money wisely. Homeland ought to be off limits for business as usual - it's a life and death matter. Senator McCain's term of war profiteering is not too strong a description (to describe earmarking in this arena).

Growth Plan/Budget Resolution Conference:

We're hopeful to get enough room for full growth plan, the House has delivered the President's number, and the President supports that. If not, Secretary Snow will work with tax-writing committees to design a program. POTUS interest is having real economic impact. POTUS believes strongly that the dividend tax elimination is the best plan for economic growth. The decision was certainly not calculated for broad political appeal, because it has taken a lot of fire. But it has good impact, strengthens markets, positive

effects on corporate governance.

We've been talking with GOP Senators (who voted for \$350B). I talked with Senator Voinovich and I believe we're going to get together on some combination of policies they can support. It is critical to get a budget resolution passed so we avoid the mess of last year. Budget process conscious Democrats agree – we did get 6 Democrats in favor of the budget resolution. We'll find necessary compromises.

Iraq Relief and Reconstruction:

First, there's at least \$3.5B in the supplemental across the whole bill for this effort, but it may be the least important factor. Iraq is a wealthy country. Their GDP is 20 times Afghanistan's. They have vast oil and gas supplies. UN Resolution today on oil-for-food program. Treasury has seized Saddam's assets. Other nations will undoubtedly help in the reconstruction effort.

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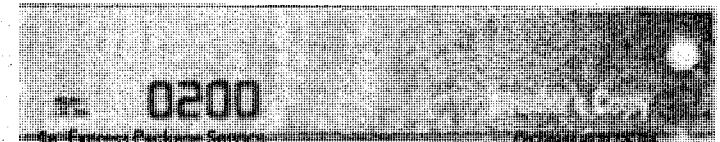
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Susan,

Thanks for your help in getting Karl to sign this. I know Steven admires Karl's "stratery" and will appreciate having this picture with him.

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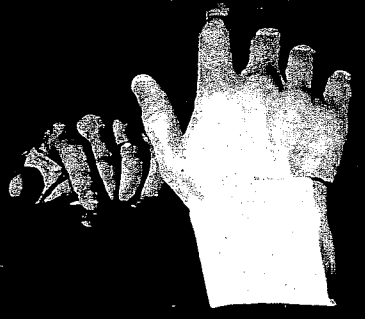
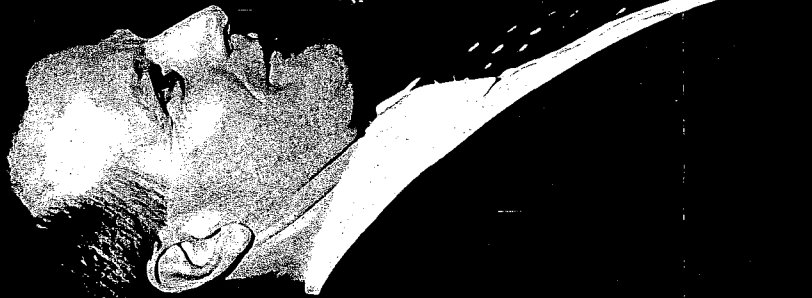
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Joshua Trent
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KARL,

GOOD TO SEE YOU LAST WEEK.

I WANTED TO FOLLOW-UP ON
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ANY WAY CONCERNING HIS AIDS/HIV
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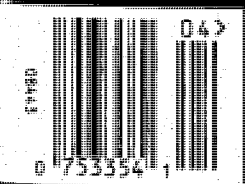


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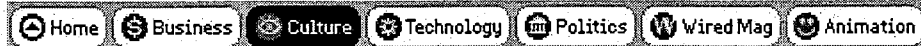
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Media Watchdogs Caught Napping By Leander

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In the run up to a conflict in Iraq, foreign news websites are seeing large volumes of traffic from America, as U.S. citizens increasingly seek news coverage about the coming war.

"Given how timid most U.S. news organizations have been in challenging the White House position on Iraq, I'm not surprised if Americans are turning to foreign news services for a perspective on the conflict that goes beyond freedom fries," said Deborah Branscom, a *Newsweek* contributing editor, who keeps a weblog devoted to media issues.

In January, for example, half the visitors to the Guardian Unlimited news site, an umbrella site for Britain's left-leaning *Guardian* and *Observer* newspapers, were from the Americas.

According to Nielsen/NetRatings, 49 percent of the Guardian's 1.3 million unique visitors (that's the number of different visitors, not the site's total traffic) in January originated from the Americas.

Likewise, Nielsen said a quarter of the visitors to the Australian Broadcasting Corporation's website in January were from the Americas.

"What we're seeing is a lot of searching for news information, particularly from America," said Richard Goosey, NetRating's international chief of measurement science.

Traffic from the Americas was not the result of an across-the-board increase in news consumption, Goosey said.

While news websites in general saw a 3 percent increase in traffic between December 2002 and January 2003, the Guardian saw a 10 percent increase in visitors, Goosey said. Meanwhile, CNN's website, one of the most popular news sites in the United States, saw a small decline in traffic.

Nonetheless, NetRatings reported that traffic from U.S. Internet users to all news sites was up markedly in February. U.K.-based news sites, including the Guardian, the Independent and the BBC, saw increased traffic from American users that month. So did MSNBC and CNN, two of the most popular U.S. sites.

Jon Dennis, Guardian Unlimited deputy news editor, said U.S. readers are visiting his site for the range of opinions it publishes, and to engage in vigorous debate. Media outlets in the United States, he said, are not presenting the issues critically.

"As a journalist, I find it quite strange that there's not more criticism of the Bush administration in the American media," he said. "It's as though the whole U.S. is in shock (from Sept. 11). It's hard for (the media) to be dispassionate about it. It seems as though they're not thinking as clearly as they should be."

Dennis charged that, unlike much of the American press, the Guardian site presents both pro- and anti-war positions. In addition, the Guardian encourages its readers to debate the issues, through the site's talk boards and interactive features like live interviews with various experts.

The only debate in the U.S. media is on the Web, Dennis said. "Weblogs are doing all the work that the U.S. media did in the past," he said. "That's an interesting development."

In fact, a lot of the Guardian's U.S. traffic is referred by weblogs, especially Matt Drudge's Drudge Report, said Nielsen's Goosey.

"The new war in Iraq has made world news sources far more important," said Stephen Gilliard, who posts a lot of foreign news stories to the weblog at NetSlaves. "While not all news sources are reliable, there is such a gap between the way Americans see the world and the way other people do that it is invaluable to use these resources."

There is also a growing tide of criticism of the U.S. media from *members* of the media, such as veteran CBS broadcaster Dan Rather.

Rather recently complained to the BBC about the media's lack of access to government officials, and the growth of "Milatainment" reality shows on U.S. TV, including ABC's *Profiles from the Front Line* and VH1's *Military Diaries*.

New York Times columnist Paul Krugman wrote, "(U.S. TV news) seems to be reporting about a different planet than the one covered by foreign media."

That's not to say U.S. news outlets are devoid of criticism for leaders' handling of the conflict in Iraq. Krugman himself is a case in point, having published a column last week with an opening sentence stating that "America's leadership has lost touch with reality."

Barb Palser, online media columnist for the *American Journalism Review*, believes that many visitors to foreign news sites are finding their way through links from U.S.-based publications. She cites the example of *The Spokesman Review*, a newspaper in Spokane, Washington, which provides links to outside news services, many of them overseas, as part of its Iraq coverage.

Another source that may be pointing U.S. news junkies overseas, Palser said, is Google. A search on Google News for the terms "Iraq" and "war" turned up more than 54,000 links, with articles from Australian, British and Saudi Arabian news outlets topping the list.

Joanna Glasner contributed to this report.



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March 11, 2003

Mr. Karl Rove
Senior Advisor to the President
The White House
Executive Office of the President
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Karl:

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me during my recent trip to Washington, D.C. I appreciated the opportunity to provide you with an overview of the Hispanic Scholarship Fund's work in pursuit of our mission to double the rate of Latinos earning their college degrees by 2010.

During our time together, I described how HSF has taken key administration themes – public/private partnerships, accountability, parental engagement and diversity in the federal workforce – and brought them to life in support of our mutual goals. And I learned from you that HSF should remain focused on mentoring programs (like our scholar chapters on college campuses) and the concept of last-dollar scholarships.

Because HSF is student-centric and solutions based, we are focused on three things: increasing the number of Latinos graduating from high school college ready, improving their transition rate to four-year colleges and strengthening the retention levels of Latinos in colleges and universities.

This year we are on track to report that we touched more than 6000 Latino students and their families through HSF's outreach efforts. Additionally, HSF will award roughly \$25 million in scholarships to Latino students across the United States. Year over year, these figures represent 200% and 14% increases respectively.

I look forward to hearing from you your ideas on additional ways HSF can support this administration's thrusts, particularly as they relate to the Latino community, the No Child Left Behind Act, and the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act.

Thank you again for your time. I always enjoy our conversations and hope to have that opportunity again soon.

All the best,

Sara Martinez Tucker
President and CEO

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xc: Andy Card

March 14, 2003

MEMORANDUM TO: KARL ROVE
 SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: LEZLEE WESTINE
 DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC LIAISON

RE: **OPL SUMMARY FOR MARCH 10-14**

PRESIDENTIAL EVENTS

- 03/10/03 Veterans of Foreign Wars Youth Award Winners in the North Portico
- 03/13/03 St. Patrick's Day Reception
- 03/14/03 Starlight Children's Foundation Photo Opportunity with Samuel Hayman

BRIEFINGS

- 03/10/03 Regional Brokerage Firms with Steve Friedman (16 participants)
- 03/10/03 Intel Student Photo Opportunity with Vice President Cheney
- 03/11/03 Organization of Chinese Americans. Topic: Asian American Outreach
- 03/11//03 League of United Latin American Citizens Leadership Roundtable.
Topics: Civil Rights, Estrada
- 03/11/03 CAPE Members with Jim Towey, Nina Rees, Jay Lefkowitz. Topics:
Faith-Based Initiative, No Child Left Behind and School Choice in this
Year's Budget, AIDS Initiative.
- 03/12/03 US Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Topics: Small Business, Economy
- 03/12/03 Senior Law and Professional Leaders Orthodox Union with Jim
Towey, Jay Lefkowitz, and Elliott Abrams. Topics: National
Constituency, Relationship between U.S. and Israel, the Faith-Based
Initiative, Education Reform, Religious Liberty (125 participants)
- 03/13/03 Republican Women's Federal Forum with Margaret Spellings

- 03/14/03 Women's Philanthropy Event with John Bridgeland, Noelia Rodriguez
- 03/14/03 Scholastic Event with Secretary Paige
- 03/13/03 Chief Executive Officer Forum with Condoleeza Rice, Steve Freidman, Secretary Ridge, Jim Towey. Topics: War on Terror, Economic Stimulus Package, Homeland Security, Faith-Based Initiatives (178 participants)
- 03/13/03 State-Based Family Policy Councils, State-Based Think Tanks, Conservative Affiliated Academics with Elliot Abrams, Susan Neely, Jim Kelly, Keith Hennessy. Topics: War on Terror, Homeland Security, Domestic Priorities, Assisting Intergovernmental Affairs, Economic Stimulus (222 participants)

OUTREACH MEETINGS

- 03/10/03 Food Marketing Institute. Topic: Growth Package
- 03/10/03 Traditional Values Coalition
- 03/10/03 Tom Keller, Vice President of Russ Reid International
- 03/10/03 Dr. Wynn, Arkansas Christian Council
- 03/11/03 Gaddi Vasquez, Peace Corp Director
- 03/11/03 Women in Senate and House Annual Board Dinner
- 03/11/03 Entertainment Leaders with Ken Mehlman (15 participants)
- 03/11/03 Ron Thomas, Michael LaCount, South Carolina Technology
- 03/11/03 Direct Selling Association Topic: President's jobs and growth package (40 participants)
- 03/11/03 Mobile Machinery Coalition. Topic: Proposed Change in Tax Status for Mobile Machinery (30 participants)
- 03/11/03 Veterans Service Organization (30 participants)
- 03/11/03 Gabe Neville, Chief of Staff for Congressman Joe Pitts
- 03/11/03 Marion Harrison, Chairman of the Free Congress Foundation

- 03/12/03 Women Policy Inc.
- 03/12/03 Norquist weekly Strategy meeting with Doug Badger (130 participants)
- 03/12/03 Weyrich weekly Strategy Meeting with Doug Badger (150 participants)
- 03/12/03 Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington
- 03/12/03 Pacific Northwest International Trade Association. Topic: International Trade (8 participants)
- 03/12/03 Mac McQuiston CEO Forum Dinner with Senator Rick Santorum, Senator Sam Brownback, and Dr. James Dobson (180 participants)
- 03/13/03 Diversity Committee, Philadelphia Chamber Commerce /Junior League of Philadelphia. Topic: Women's Event
- 03/13/03 Tax Relief Coalition Dividend Working Group meeting (25 participants)
- 03/13/03 Curt Smith, President of the Indiana Family Policy Council
- 03/13/03 Bill Keyes, Vice President of American Studies International
- 03/13/03 National Association of Scholars (50 participants)
- 03/13/03 Tom Minnery, Vice President of Focus on the Family
- 03/13/03 Family Research Center with George Will (750 participants)
- 03/14/03 Lucas Boyce, Central Missouri State University. Topic: Outreach Opportunities

OUTREACH CONFERENCE CALLS

- 03/10/03 Conservative weekly call with Senator Brownback. Topic: Partial Birth Abortion
- 03/11/03 Education call
- 03/11/03 Small Business call
- 03/12/03 Philadelphia Summit call

- 03/13/03 Catholic weekly call with Senator Santorum. Topic: Partial Birth Abortion
- 03/14/03 African American Leaders weekly call
- 03/14/03 Medicare Reform call

OPL STAFF AND OPL-ARRANGED SPEECHES/TRAVEL

- 03/08/03 Reverend Edward Victor Hill Funeral Service with Director Kay James
- 03/12/03 The Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Paradigm Award, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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- Video: Focus on the Family Spring Video
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- Message: St. Patrick's Day
- Message: High O'Brian Youth Leadership Development Seminary
- Message: 2003 Jewish Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
- Message: Goodwill Industries Week
- Message: Boys' Town of Italy Ball of the Year
- Message: 35th Annual Dove Awards
- Message: National Alliance to End Homelessness
- Message: National Forum for Black Public Administrators
- Message: 11th Annual Gala of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
- Message: 225th Anniversary of the First Company Governor's Horse Guards of Avon, Connecticut
- Message: 25th Anniversary of the Partnership of the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary and The Friends of the Bay Wildlife Sanctuary

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The recession and the sagging stock market are more to blame than the Sept. 11 terrorist attack for New York State's loss of \$8.7 billion in revenue over two years, a report yesterday from the office of the state comptroller, Alan G. Hevesi, said.

"While the attacks did have a significant impact on the state and city economies," the report said, "it has become clear that the recession that was already under way when the attacks occurred was more severe than originally thought."

For the fiscal years 2002 and 2003, which will end on March 31, about \$2.9 billion in lost revenue related to jobs, wages, sales and profits can be attributed to the attack on the World Trade Center, the comptroller's office said. The rest stemmed from the declines in the economy and the stock market, compounded by the damage to investor confidence from the scandals involving Enron and other major corporations.

Implicit in the comptroller's report, though never stated, is the notion that public officials have exaggerated the financial cost of Sept. 11 while refusing to shoulder the blame for not grappling with the recession in time. But Kevin C. Quinn, a spokesman for the State Division of the Budget, said Gov. George E. Pataki began warning about a possible recession in January 2001.

The report said the state's economy had already begun to slide by then, because of the decline in the stock market and losses in upstate manufacturing jobs. In March 2002, the State Department of Labor reported that New York had lost 75,000 jobs in 2001 before Sept. 11. The department will issue revised figures this month, as it does every March, which could show an even greater loss of jobs in that period.

In October 2001, the State Division of the Budget estimated (nearly accurately, it turned out) that the state would lose \$9 billion in tax revenue over two years. But the budget office projected that \$5.1 billion of it would be attributable to the attack. Those numbers were based on projections of revenue shortfalls, rather than actual declines, Mr. Quinn said.

The comptroller's report is in line with a recent report by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York that the city's economy was worse off before the terrorist attack than anyone had realized. Earlier, the bank had estimated that Sept. 11 cost the city \$11.4 billion to \$14.2 billion in future earnings, jobs, lost work hours and reduced productivity. In the recent report, the bank said these labor losses were likely to be slightly smaller when new data become available this month. The author of that report, Jason Bram, a regional economist, said revisions are not unusual because of a long lag before actual numbers are released.

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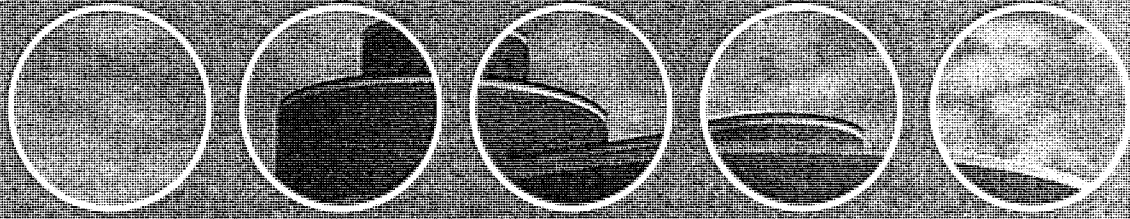
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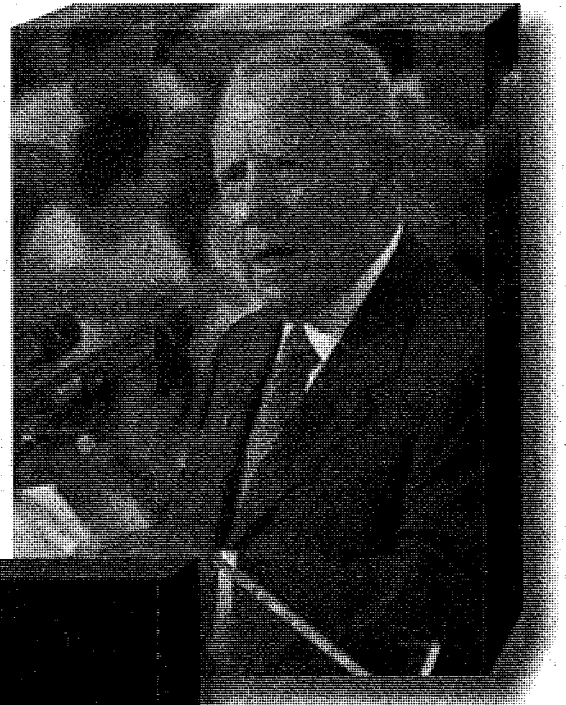
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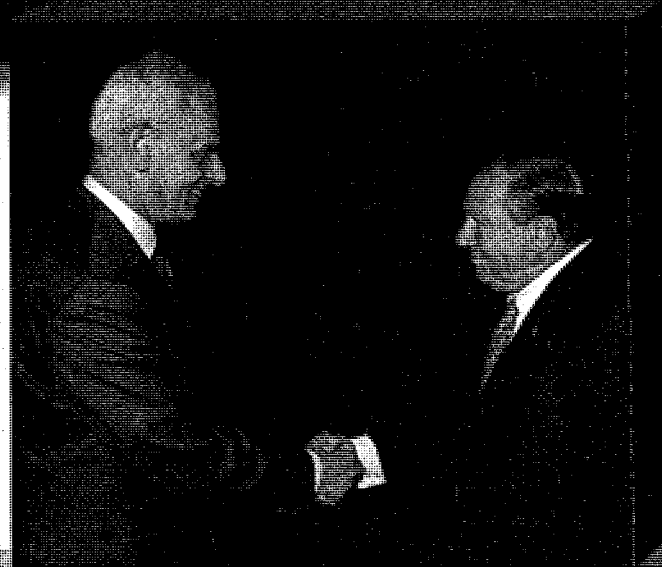


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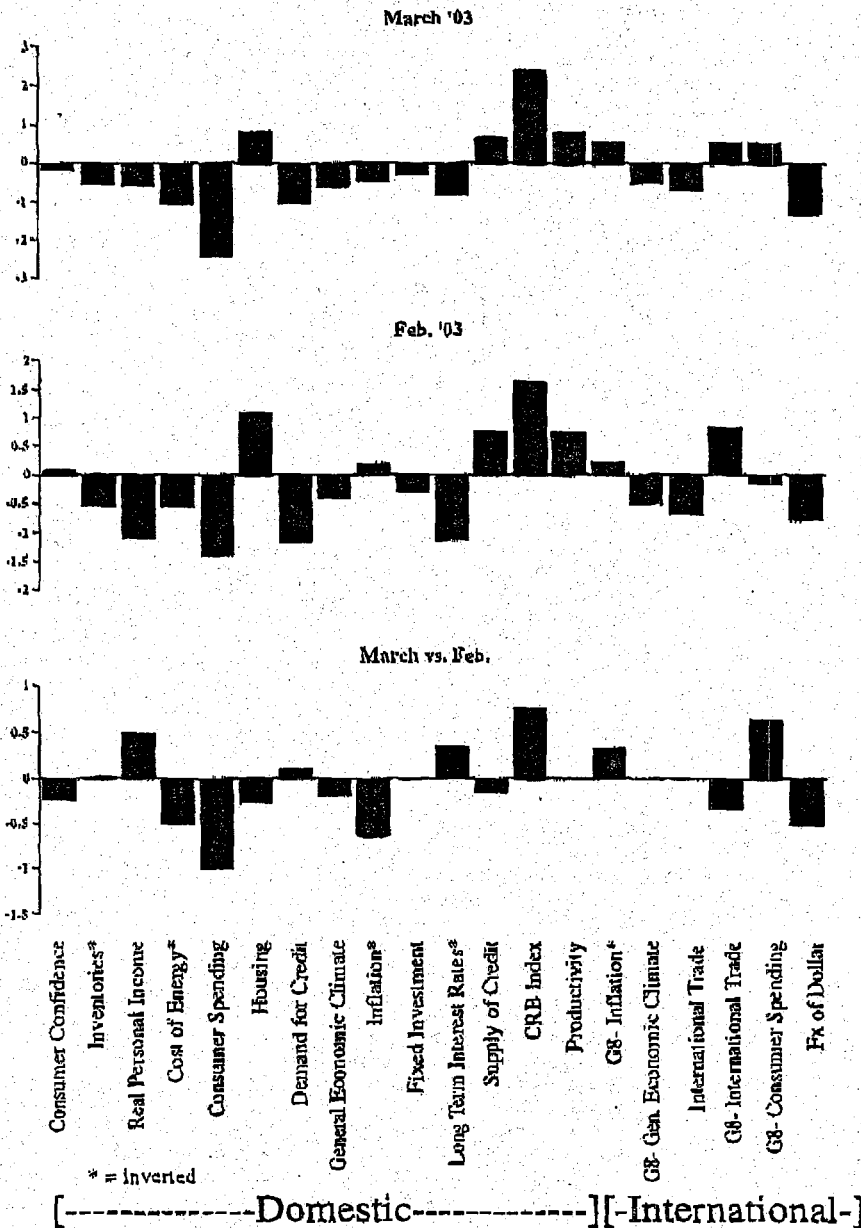
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Downturn May Be Short Lived

March 18, 2003

The following charts show fact based trends in ASC Economic factors as of March 2003 as compared to February 2003 and changes expressed in standard deviations around the norm, hereinafter referred to as "units".



ASC Factor indicators of future activity show that the economy weakened last month. Following are significant changes in trends last month expressed in standard deviations around the average rate of change or "units." Initial unemployment claims fell by .88 units. Real Income rose by .49 units. Cost of Energy rose by .51 units. Consumption fell by a unit. Inflation rose by .65 units. The CRB Index rose by .76 units. G8 Exports fell by .34 units. G8 Consumption rose by .64 units. The Foreign Value of the dollar fell by .51 units. The current ASC factor sum is 95.9, as compared to 97 last month. Last month there was significant weakness in consumption and a large loss of jobs. The shock of higher energy prices, high levels of indebtedness, war uncertainty and lack of job creation are taking their toll on the consumer.

The US economy has now experienced back to back declines in consumption and recent declines in consumer installment credit which generally only occur during recessionary conditions. Unfortunately, the slow down that we began discussing in Dec. '02 has apparently arrived. The question now is how long and how deep. Since there was some limited improvement in the ranking of economic sensitive groups, we appear to be getting close to the bottom. When the economy stabilizes at a depressed condition, poised to begin recovering again, some of the economic sensitive groups begin to perk up. In terms of changes, the 1.5% decline in consumption and the 310,000 loss in jobs may already be at a high water mark. Even though the second quarter is likely to remain weak, the rate of descent is likely to diminish. Unless there is a cascading effect which does not appear that likely, the third quarter should see some improvement over the second. So the next few quarters are projected to follow along the lines of the following: Q1 '03 through Q4 '03, 1.5 %, 1.5%, 2%,

3.5 %, respectively. Not exactly a robust outlook, but an improvement nonetheless. Of course, if cascading were to take place, then these projections would have to be modified.

The case for the lack of cascading is based upon precursor conditions. Cascading is the familiar progression of weakness in consumption leading to involuntary inventory accumulation and cutbacks in production creating job losses, lack of real income growth and a depressed consumer which restarts another cycle. This process has already happened to a certain extent. We have already had an inventory correction. We have already lost over two million jobs. We are now seeing the retreat of the consumer. Since goods production accounts for less than 20% of our economy, cutbacks by the autos are unlikely to have a significant rippling effect because the potential for further reductions has been limited by existing low inventory levels. With the uncertainty of terrorism, sniper shootings, war against Iraq, negative wealth effect, weakening US dollar, soaring energy costs and job losses, what else is likely to go wrong? Even if the war against Iraq goes badly, it should not last over a month. When the war begins, energy costs are likely to drop significantly giving the consumer immediate disposable income. Seeing US firepower in action should help restore Americans' self confidence.

This is not the first time that Fed Chairman Greenspan has been slow to recognize the need for stimulus. In November 1989, just before the recession of 1990, Fed minutes indicated "that there is no sign of a slowdown", and late in the year in 2000 when President-elect Bush was talking about a recession, Greenspan did not agree at first. To his credit, he quickly reversed course in early 2001. The quicker he real-

izes that a slow down is upon us and responds, the shorter this slow down will be. Now that the Japanese have been monetizing their debt at around \$10 billion per month to get out of deflation and nothing has occurred, other Fed officials are likely to get comfortable with such a notion. The US's \$6.5 trillion in outstanding debt represents a lot of potential stimulus. Remember it was only several years ago that Fed Chairman Greenspan was talking about the problem of a disappearing long bond market because of all the government surpluses. My, how quickly conditions can change!

Based on current fact based trends, defensive groups slipped in rank. The utilities stayed at the top at a rank of 1, up from 4 last month. Other defensive groups such as foods and consumer growth fell quite sharply from 5 and 10 respectively to 18 and 28. The ASC model has taken a significant step away from its prior defensive position. Accounting for part of the change in the decline of defensive groups and rise of energy and chemicals are inflation and the CRB Index. The recent large increases in the PPI are having an effect on ASC's Inflation factor. With the consensus having a deflationary mind set, large increases in the PPI, up 11.7% over three months, have been practically ignored. Since the ASC model is fact-based, it does not ignore any reported result, no matter what the consensus.

Investment Strategy

Equities:

Groups that are well positioned are electric utilities, pharmaceuticals, and weak dollar cyclicals such as capital goods, papers and chemicals. Over weights in S&P groups - are advised in Basic Industries, Health Care, Capital Goods Technology

and Utilities. Market weights are advised in Capital Goods, Communications Technology and Energy. Underweighted are Financials, Consumer Cyclicals and Consumer Staples. With slightly less defensive rankings this month, we upgraded Capital Goods Technology to an overweight and downgraded Financials and Consumer Staples to underweights.

Fixed Income:

With a whiff of a stabilizing economy and a little inflation, our posture on bonds is less positive. Over the intermediate to longer term, the yield on the long bond is likely to be heading higher. Regarding the issue of duration, on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 representing a maximum position in shorter term debt and 1 representing a maximum position in Long Treasuries, we would rate the current environment as an 8, up from 6 last month, suggesting an average maturity of 3-4 years.

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