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016	Report	Themes and Deliverables for the European Trip	2	N.D.	P1/b1; P5;
017	Report	Communications Plan for Presidential Europe Trip	2	N.D.	P5;
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022	Report	Urgent Fax - To: Bill Thomas - From: Merrill Bender	1	01/04/2005	P6/b6;
023	Letter	[Award] - To: Karl Rove - From: Carole Jean Jordan	1	01/03/2005	PRM;
024	Report	Summary of Gifts	22	01/24/2005	P6/b6;

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TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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DATE OF REQUEST: 2/1/05

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: T5B00429

Please Print

Last Name Rove		First Name Karl	
Extension: x62321	Room: 2FL, WW	Title: Senior Advisor to the President	Office: Office of Strategic Initiatives
Contact Person: <i>please print</i> BJ Goergen		Extension: x62321	
ATTACHMENTS:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Invitation/Documentation Regarding Event			
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel Expenses From Outside Sources Form			
PURPOSE OF TRAVEL (include event dates and host information, if applicable):			
To speak at TIME Warner's "Conversations on the Circle" and to the New York Times Ed Board re: President's State of the Union speech.			
DEPARTURE:		RETURN:	
Date: 2/9/05	Time: 10:00 AM	Mode: commercial air	Date: 2/9/05
			Time: 9:00 PM
			Mode: commercial air
ITINERARY (List all cities including those through which flights are routed):			
Origin: Washington National			
Destination: New York City, NY			
Return to: Washington National			
FUNDING SOURCE:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official			
<input type="checkbox"/> Political			
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed			
<input type="checkbox"/> 501 (c)(3)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:			
NOTE: For travel funded by political, 501(c)(3) or other sources, an approved "Travel Expenses From Outside Source" form must be attached.			
SPECIAL EXPENSES			
Hotel: \$0.00	Per Diem: \$0.00	Privately Owned Vehicle:	
Air Fare: \$156.91	Taxi: \$15.00	Standard Vehicle Rental:	
Train Fare: \$0.00	Mini-Van Rental:	TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES: <u>\$171.91</u>	
APPROVING SIGNATURES:			
Office Head: 	Chief of Staff or Designee: 		
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Karl Rove

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To : New York Lga, NY	ARRIVING AT 11:05 AM		Flight time: 01:05 214 Miles
Departure Terminal: DCA TERMINAL C -			
Arrival Terminal: LGA TERMINAL US			
USAIRWAYS	Flight: 2191	Class - COACH	AIRBUS A319
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To : Washington Reagan, D	ARRIVING AT 10:05 PM		Flight time: 01:05 214 Miles
Departure Terminal: LGA TERMINAL US -			
Arrival Terminal: DCA TERMINAL C			

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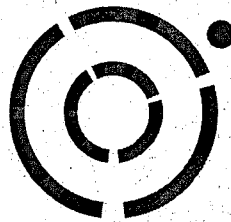
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Featured guest:
Karl Rove
Senior Advisor to the President

February 9, 2005

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to the launch of
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The formula we used to design this unique one-on-one interview series is simple: choose the most compelling guests possible; bring them together with Time Inc. Editor-in-Chief Norm Pearlstine, one of the world's most distinguished journalists; and put them in front of a select audience of leaders drawn from a diversity of backgrounds. The resulting mix of perspectives and personalities, we believe, will provoke the kind of thoughtful, candid dialogue that too often seems missing from our public forums—the kind that can enlighten and inform, as well as entertain.

We can't imagine a more appropriate and timely way to start these dialogues than with Karl Rove, the person President Bush credits with masterminding his two successful runs for the White House.

As a senior advisor to the president and a veteran of some of our country's hardest-fought electoral battles, Karl is a political insider par excellence and a seasoned campaign strategist who has never lost touch with the forces that create and sustain winning candidacies. His views are valued by political allies and antagonists alike. We're delighted to welcome him.

Dick Parsons
Chairman and CEO
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Karl Rove

Senior Advisor and Assistant
to President George W. Bush

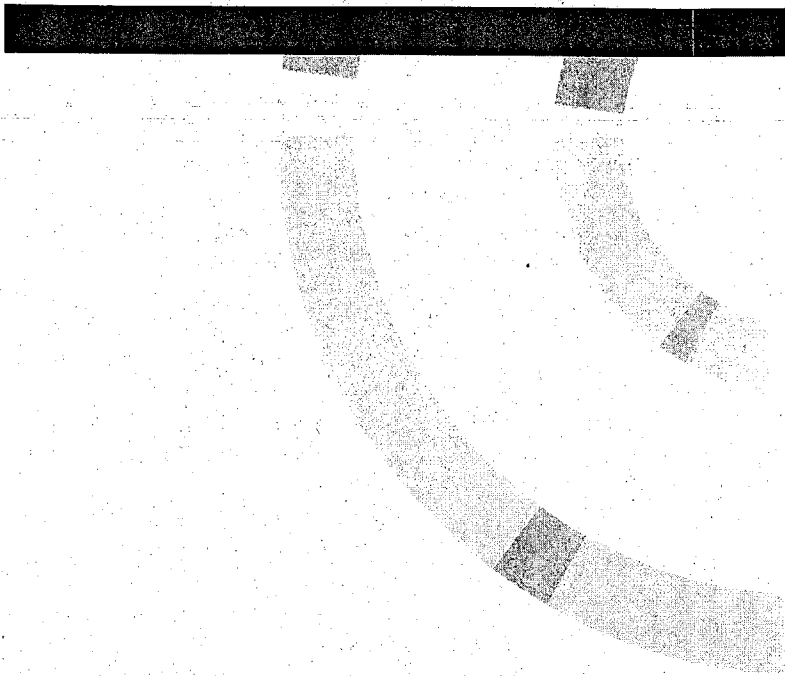
Mr. Rove oversees the strategic planning, political affairs, public liaison, and intergovernmental affairs efforts of the White House. He previously served as chief strategist for the Bush for President Campaign and for 18 years before that, president of Karl Rove & Company, an Austin, Texas-based public affairs firm that worked for Republican candidates, non-partisan causes, and non-profit groups. His clients have included over 75 Republican U.S. Senate, Congressional and gubernatorial candidates in 24 states, as well as the Moderate Party of Sweden. The Colorado native attended the University of Utah, the University of Texas at Austin and George Mason University. He has taught at the LBJ School of Public Affairs and in the Journalism Department at the University of Texas at Austin and was also faculty member at the Salzburg Seminar. He was a member of the Board of International Broadcasting, which oversaw operations of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, and served on the board of the McDonald Observatory before entering government.



Norman Pearlstine

Editor-in-Chief
Time Inc.

Norman Pearlstine became editor-in-chief of Time Inc. in 1995, the fifth in the company's history. Mr. Pearlstine oversees the editorial content of Time Inc.'s magazines, including *Entertainment Weekly*, *Fortune*, *In Style*, *Money*, *People*, *Real Simple*, *Sports Illustrated*, *TIME* and many others. He has also overseen the launches of several magazines, including *Time for Kids*, *This Old House*, *People en Espanol*, *Teen People*, *Real Simple*, and more recently, *All You* and the re-launch of *Life*. Prior to joining Time Inc., Mr. Pearlstine was executive editor of *The Wall Street Journal*. Mr. Pearlstine is President of the Atsuko Chiba Foundation, which provides scholarships to Asian journalists for study in the U.S. He also serves on the boards of the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Southern California, the Committee to Protect Journalists, and the Tribeca Film Institute. He is on the Advisory Board to the Neiman Foundation at Harvard University, and he is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Mr. Pearlstine received his B.A. from Haverford College and his L.L.B. from the University of Pennsylvania.



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TIME WARNER INC.
One Time Warner Center, New York, NY 10019



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Date: 2/7/05

To: Sarah Taylor

From: Strategic Initiatives Susan

- FYI
- Appropriate Action
- Direct Response
- Prepare Response For My Signature
- Per Our Conversation
- Let's Discuss
- Per Your Request
- Please Return
- Deadline
- Other

Comments: Fool said he already gave this request to you - but wanted to be sure you had it. He should get a POMS letter.

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~~the Governor?~~

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PRESS RELEASE

February 1, 2005

**GOVERNOR URGES UNITED STATES SENATE TO CONFIRM THE
NOMINATION ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES**

San Juan, Puerto Rico – Governor Aníbal Acevedo Vilá encouraged the members of the United States Senate to vote to confirm the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales to be Attorney General of the United States.

“Judge Gonzales will become the highest-ranking Latino official ever to serve in the United States government, when he is confirmed. However, I endorse him because he is eminently qualified for this position to which President George W. Bush has nominated him”, said the Governor.

The First Executive stated that Judge Gonzales has a long and distinguished career as an attorney, jurist, and public servant. “I know the he does what he believes is right to apply the law with equal justice to all Americans. I am certain that Judge Gonzalez will serve with distinction and I urge his confirmation on a bipartisan basis”, added the Governor.

Contacto: Juanita Colombani (787) 721-9166 / (787) 721-0646 / (787) 436-7668

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Sun, Nov 7, 2004 6:48 PM

Subject: Congratulations/Social Security

Date: Sunday, November 7, 2004 9:34 AM

From: Canfield, Sally <Sally.Canfield@mail.house.gov>

To: Karl Rove <kr@georgewbush.com>

Category: Junk

Karl --

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Second, I wanted to let you know that in my new policy role with the Speaker I not only have the health portfolio, but also Social Security reform. It's going to be a tough issue, but I look forward to digging in and getting our hands around it.

Regards,
Sally



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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April 19, 2004
(Senate)

STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

S. 2290 - Fairness in Asbestos Injury Resolution Act of 2004

(Sen. Hatch (R) Utah and 8 cosponsors)

The Administration supports Senate passage of S. 2290 and commends the Senate for recognizing the need for a fair and efficient system for providing compensation to individuals harmed by exposure to asbestos. Asbestos-related litigation has clogged the courts, depriving those with injuries of a meaningful remedy and resulting in the bankruptcy of at least 60 companies and the loss of tens of thousands of jobs. This legislation will protect the rights of those with asbestos-related injuries and preserve American jobs. Although the Administration has concerns about certain provisions of the bill, the Administration looks forward to working with the Congress to address these concerns in order to strengthen and improve this important legislation.

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January 27, 2005

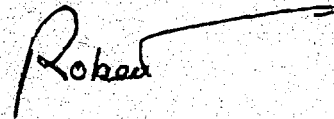
Mr. Karl Rove
Senior Advisor to the President
The White House

Dear Karl:

Attached is a letter that I sent to select Members of Congress (list also attached) regarding the FCC's February 10 scheduled vote that would deny multicast must carry for broadcasters. This vote effectively eliminates the ability of local broadcasters to bring additional news and information to the communities we serve, and sadly, Americans would not have the benefit of one of the most important features of digital broadcast television service. As I noted in my letter to the President, we have reached the "critical juncture" in the digital transition. The FCC is choosing the wrong path.

Given the short time frame before the vote, I hope that we can speak soon about this issue. I am available at your convenience.

Sincerely,



RWD:ujc

Enclosures

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Robert W. Dechard
Chairman of the Board
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COPY

January 26, 2005

The Honorable Joe L. Barton
United States House of Representatives
2109 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Via Federal Express


Dear Mr. Chairman:

Chairman Powell has announced that at the February 10 meeting of the FCC, the Commission will vote on the issue of multicast carriage for digital broadcast signals. The Chairman's proposal denies broadcasters the right to multicast carriage, and as I understand it, this action will be one of the final issues that Chairman Powell addresses before leaving in March. I believe that taking agency action prior to a new FCC Chair being seated and that person having the opportunity to consider this matter is very ill-advised. Moreover, a decision now by the FCC could hamper Congress's ability to consider all of the important issues surrounding the transition. Everyone acknowledges the need to reach closure on this issue, but Chairman Powell's approach is the wrong way to do so.

The DTV transition needs to be analyzed in a comprehensive fashion. As the Commerce Committees and the FCC reorganize under new leadership, hastening consumer transition to digital television will and should be a priority. A key aspect of a hastened transition is the ability of broadcasters to offer multicast programming choices in our local markets. Given the combined market penetration and gatekeeper status of cable operators and satellite providers, local broadcasters need multicast carriage in order for these services to reach viewers on a financially viable basis. Without multicast carriage, the DTV transition could be protracted; with it, there will be local multicast broadcast programming that provides consumers with the extra incentive they are looking for to purchase digital television sets. Just today, Belo's Texas Cable News aired live, and in their entirety, President Bush's press conference and Texas Governor Perry's "State of the State" address; these are the kinds of programming choices that are available in a local multicasting environment where local television licensees can make choices that serve the public interest.

I urge you to recommend to the FCC that it postpone action on this item and allow Congress and the new FCC Chair the opportunity to consider comprehensively the many significant issues that will impact the transition to digital television.

Sincerely,





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ABRAHAM LINCOLN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY & MUSEUM

*Replied by hand
2/3/05*

EXEC. OFC. PRESIDENT
WH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
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Karl Rove
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

December 10, 2004

Dear Karl:

It was great seeing you last week; please know how much I appreciated the invitation. The President was gracious enough to mention the fact that I had been in touch with you. Needless to say, I hope you and those around you will not hesitate to let me know if I can be of any assistance, at any time, particularly on the library front.

I suspect you will shortly be the recipient of more than one invitation for you and your boss to attend the opening of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, now set for the morning of Tuesday, April 19. The night before we'll be hosting a recreated Lincoln White House State Dinner at which we hope to present the first International Lincoln Leadership Prize to Tony Blair. It would be a wonderful thing if the latest Republican president were on hand to pay tribute to the first and greatest. In case you're curious, you can find out much more about the Lincoln Library and Museum by checking out our website www.alplm.org.

I hope that you and yours have a joyous Christmas, and a new year filled with blessings – not the least of which is a well earned sense of historical achievement.

With warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Richard Norton Smith
Executive Director

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13. I certify that this voucher is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that payment or credit has not been received by me. When applicable, per diem claimed is based on the average cost of lodging incurred during the period covered by this voucher.

TRAVELER SIGN HERE ▶ *Carroll* DATE _____ AMOUNT CLAIMED ▶ 64.50

NOTE: Falsification of an item in an expense account works a forfeiture of claim (28 U.S.C. 2514) and may result in a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than 5 years or both (18 U.S.C. 287; i.d. 1001).

14. This voucher is approved. Long distance phone calls, if any, are certified as necessary in the interest of the Government. (NOTE: If long distance telephone calls are included, the approving official must have been authorized in writing by the head of the department or agency to so certify (31 U.S.C. 680e).)

APPROVING OFFICIAL SIGN HERE ▶ _____ DATE _____

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b. TOTAL VERIFIED CORRECT FOR CHARGE TO APPROPRIATION \$ _____

c. APPLIED TO TRAVEL ADVANCE (Appropriation symbol): \$ 0.00

d. NET TO TRAVELER ▶ \$ 64.50

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INSTRUCTIONS TO TRAVELER (Unlisted items are self explanatory)

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Complete only for actual expense travel

Col. (d) Show amount incurred for each meal, including tax and tips, and daily total meal cost.

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(i) Complete for per diem and actual expense travel.

(j) Show total subsistence expense incurred for actual expense travel.

(m) Show per diem amount, limited to maximum rate, or travel on actual expense, show the lesser of the amount from col. (j) or maximum rate.

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Complete this information if this is a continuation sheet. **TRIP#** 1 **PAGES** 2

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Goergen, Barbara J.

From: Kalambur, Guhan
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2005 6:25 PM
To: Goergen, Barbara J.
Subject: NE Voucher for Mr. Rove

Attachments: voucher general memo for adv..doc; Rove_T5B00450_NE.pdf

Attached is Mr. Rove's voucher for the February 3-4, 2005 overnight visit to Omaha, NE. Please print out only pages 1-3 (pdf. File). Also attached is a memo (MS Word) that provides reimbursement and remittance information. Please sign & date Line 13 of the first page. Completed document(s) should be faxed to 202-395-7778. If you are unable to open the files, please provide a fax number to which the documents can be faxed to



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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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WASHINGTON, D.C 20503

FEBRUARY 5, 2005

MEMORANDUM FOR: ADVANCE STAFF – SUPPORTING THE
PRESIDENT/MRS. BUSH ON DOMESTIC TRAVEL

TRAVELER: **KYLE TARRANCE**
FEBRUARY 4, 2005 – TAMPA, FL

FROM: TRAVEL SERVICES
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

SUBJECT: TRAVEL VOUCHER

Attached is a travel voucher from your support of scheduled domestic visit(s)
by the President/Mrs. Bush.

You are allowed to claim reimbursement for:

- Official Phone Calls (includes cell phone calls and internet connections)
- Lodging
- Parking and Tolls
- Gas **OR** Mileage (\$0.375/mile, only if driving a private vehicle)
- Taxi
- Laundry (only if there are four consecutive nights of travel, with services being performed at the city in which the traveler is on assignment)
- Site Supplies and Business Center Charges

****If submitting claim(s) for reimbursement, please list them on the second page & then sign/date for it, in addition to the required step below.**

Please sign Line 13 on the FIRST page of your voucher and either:

Fax to: 202-395-7778

OR

Inter-Office Mail to:
10th Floor - RMD/ Presidential Travel Services
1800 G Street, NW

If you have any questions regarding this voucher please contact
Rasheed Williams (202-395-7108 / rwilliam@oa.eop.gov) or
Guhan Kalambur (202-329-1571 / gkalambu@oa.eop.gov)

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Discuss w/ Margaret

Susan Ralston

From: Karl Rove [kr@georgewbush.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2004 10:45 AM
To: Susan Ralston
Subject: FW:

cc: Karl R

----- Forwarded Message

From: "Ney, Bob" <overlook@mail.house.gov>
Date: Tue, 30 Nov 2004 08:19:24 -0500
To: "Karl Rove" <kr@georgewbush.com>

Who in the admin can I talk to in the next two weeks about my hearings the first of the year on hava, act, move on dot org, election registration fraud, felony voting, etc.?

----- End of Forwarded Message

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TODAY'S DATE: 2/3/2005

TO: Melissa Bennett
Deputy Assistant to the President
For Appointments and Scheduling

FROM: Karl Rove *KR*
Assistant to the President and Senior Advisor

Al Hubbard *AKH*
Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and Director,
National Economic Council

REQUEST: Conversation on Strengthening Social Security

PURPOSE: To highlight the President's proposals to reform Social Security.

BACKGROUND: Social Security, while sound in the near term, is on an unsustainable long-term course. The leading cause of the problem is demographics, most especially Americans' longer lifetimes. By 2018, Social Security's annual revenues will be insufficient to fund annual benefit obligations. The President has called for comprehensive bipartisan action to fix Social Security permanently. The President's principles for reform include that there be no changes in benefits for those now in or near retirement, that payroll taxes not be increased, and that younger workers be given the voluntary opportunity to invest in personal accounts.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The President called for Social Security reform at the White House Conference on the Economy on December 15, 2004, and at a Conversation on Social Security event in Washington, D.C., on January 10, 2005.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 10, 2005

DURATION: One hour

BRIEFING TIME: 5 minutes

LOCATION: Valley Forge Convention Center
1160 First Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406
Phone: (610)354-8212

PARTICIPANTS: The President
TBD Conversation Participants
TBD invited guests for remarks

OUTLINE OF EVENT: The President would meet briefly with conversation participants, participate in conversation, take questions from the audience, and depart.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Provided by the Office of Speechwriting

MEDIA COVERAGE: Open

FIRST LADY'S ATTENDANCE: Not Requested

FUNDING SOURCE: TBD

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER APPOINTEES MEETING

3:00 P.M. – 4:10 P.M.
Tuesday, January 25, 2005
EEOB, Room 350

I. PURPOSE

To inform the President's Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) appointees of President Bush's second term agenda and encourage them to actively engage in Asian American and Pacific Islander outreach through the White House Office of Public Liaison.

II. BACKGROUND

This Administration has appointed the greatest number of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in four years than any other Administration. Forty of the President's Asian American and Pacific Islander appointees will be addressed at this briefing.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Honorable Norman Mineta, Secretary of Transportation
Honorable Karl Rove, Senior Advisor to the President
Ed Moy, Special Assistant to the President and Associate Director of Presidential Personnel
Susan Ralston, Special Assistant to the President and Assistant to the Senior Advisor

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed press.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

3:00 P.M. Remarks by Karl Rove, Senior Advisor to the President
3:15 P.M. Remarks by Secretary Norman Mineta
3:30 P.M. Remarks by Susan Ralston, Special Assistant to the President and Assistant to the Senior Advisor

3:50 P.M. Remarks by Ed Moy, Special Assistant to the President and Associate
Director of Presidential Personnel
4:10 P.M. Briefing concludes

VI. ATTACHMENT

N/A

VII. CONTACT

Joey Lee
White House Office of Public Liaison
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Date: 2/2/05

To: ~~Lester W.~~

From: Strategic Initiatives *Susan/Kml*

FYI

Appropriate Action

Direct Response

Prepare Response For My Signature

Per Our Conversation

Let's Discuss

Per Your Request

Please Return

Deadline

Other

Comments: _____

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THE WHITE HOUSE

January 12, 2005

Mrs. Kimberly Skiles

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Dear Mrs. Skiles,

Thank you for writing. President Bush and I appreciate your gracious letter and warm words of support.

We send you and your husband best wishes for a happy 2005.

Sincerely,

Laura Bush

BJ -
Mrs. Bush
Wanted me to send
this for Karl to
see. Thanks!
Andreas

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DEC 09 2004

Kimberly B. Skiles

(b)(6)

Fax (812)331-8356



Wednesday, November 03, 2004

Dear Mrs. Bush,

I am the wife of a professional Head NBA Coach, Scott Skiles, of the Chicago Bulls. This kind of letter is a first for me. I am writing to express my admiration for you. The poise and grace you handle your life with is one I have never witnessed. I understand that behind-the-scenes is much different than the lime light, and living in a glass bowl is very difficult. I am very proud that you are our First Lady and you are the example for women all around the world.

Because my husband and I live the life we do, we tend not to be big fans of anything. But, we are HUGE fans of you and your husband.

Congratulations on four more years to the Whitehouse. We support you all the way. If there is anything you ever need from us, please do not hesitate to ask.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kimberly Skiles', written in a cursive style.

Kimberly Skiles

Chicago Address: Scott & Kim Skiles,

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1/12/2005:5:53 PM

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BUILDING BLOCKS FOR PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO EUROPE

Sunday, February 20, 2005

8:00 am Depart AAFB en route Brussels, Belgium

- Flight: 7H15 (+6) with interchange -

9:15 pm Arrive Brussels

No program

RON Brussels

Monday, February 21, 2005

- drive time to Laeken Palace: tbd -

10:00 am Call on the King Albert II & Queen Paola of Belgium

(20 mins)

Participation: President and Mrs. Bush only

Press coverage: Stills at the top

- drive time: tbd -

10:45 am Meeting with Prime Minister Verhofstadt

(30 mins)

Participation: President + 6

Press coverage: Pool at the top

- drive time to hotel/residence: tbd -

11:30 am Meeting with Sec Gen de Hoop Scheffer

(30 mins)

Participation: President + 6

Press coverage: Stills at the top

- downtime: (b)(6) -

- drive time to speech venue tbd: tbd -

2:00 pm Speech

- drive time to hotel/residence: tbd -

3:30 pm Tri-Mission Greeting

(30 mins)

- downtime -

Cultural Event TBD

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RON Brussels

Tuesday, February 22, 2005**10:30 am** Arrive NATO Headquarters

Leaders arrive in reverse protocol order. US is 3rd from end.
President holds while Kwasniewski and Chirac arrive.

10:45 am Plenary Session of the NAC (45 mins)

Participation: President and Sec State at table.

6 US officials seated behind.

Press coverage: when Sec Gen speaks;

Press dismissed;

President, Chirac, possible one other Leader speaks;

NAC adjourned; discussion continues at lunch

11:35 pm Official Photo with NATO Leaders (10 mins)**11:45 pm Lunch with NATO Leaders** (2 hours)

Participation: President at table; notetaker behind.

(Separate lunch for Foreign Ministers)

Press coverage: Closed press

Press pre-brief

2:15 pm Joint Press Avail w/Sec Gen de Hoop Scheffer (30 mins)

Opening statements; Q&A

- drive time to hotel/residence: tbd -

- 2 ½ hours downtime -

- drive time to EU Commission Headquarters: 5 minutes -

5:15 pm Meeting w/European Commission President Barroso (20 mins)

Participation: President + 6

Press coverage: Stills at the top

5:40 pm Greeting with EU Commissioners (10 mins)

Photo-line only

Press coverage: Closed press

- drive time to European Council Office: 5 minutes -

6:00 pm Meeting with 25 EU Leaders (60 mins)

Participation: President at table; backbenchers

Press coverage: Press pool TBD

Discussion led by Prime Minister Juncker on US-EU cooperation

7:05 pm Official Photo with EU Leaders (10 mins)

Press pre-brief

7:30 pm Joint Press Avail w/EU: (30 mins)

European Council President Juncker
 European Commission President Barroso
 High Representative Solana
 Opening statements; Q&A

8:05 pm Dinner with Juncker, Barroso, Solana (60 mins)

Participation: President + 6
 EU Principal + 2
 Total: 16
 Press coverage: Closed press

RON Brussels

Wednesday, February 23, 2005

09:00 am Depart Brussels en route Frankfurt, Germany

- Flight: 45 minutes (NC) -

09:45 am Arrive Frankfurt Airport

- drive time to Kurfurstliches Castle, Mainz: tbd -

10:15 am Arrival Ceremony with military honors (TBD)

Greeting with US & German Troops served in Afghanistan (TBD)

Press coverage: Press pool

11:00 am Meeting with Chancellor Schroeder (60 mins)

Participation: President + 6
 Press coverage: Stills at the top

Press pre-brief

12:15 pm Joint Press Avail w/Chancellor Schroeder (30 mins)

Opening statements; Q&A

1:00 pm Lunch hosted by Chancellor and Mrs. Schroeder (90 mins)

Press coverage: toasts

President and Mrs. Bush, Chancellor and Mrs. Schroeder, and National Security Advisors at one table. Guests include 50 German and American local political, business and civic leaders, and military commanders.

- drive time to venue tbd: tbd -

3:00 pm Town Hall Event w/Chancellor Schroeder (60 mins)
Public meeting with 100-200 selected German and American private citizens from the local community. US and Germans work together to build the audience. No formal statements; Chancellor kicks off as host, and they answer questions from the audience.

- drive time to Cultural Event TBD: tbd -

4:15 pm Cultural Event TBD (20 mins)

- Drive time to Wiesbaden Army Airfield: tbd -

5:00 pm Remarks to US Troops (20 mins)
1st Armored Division, commanded by Major General Dempsey, deployed to Iraq for 15 months in May 2003; scheduled to return to Iraq at end of 2005; individual augmentees from 1st Armored have been deployed to Afghanistan. During his Thanksgiving 2003 visit to Iraq, the President met with 1st Armored and Major General Dempsey.

5:30 pm Dinner with US Troops (30 mins)

- drive time to Frankfurt Airport: tbd -

6:30 pm Depart Frankfurt en route Bratislava, Slovak Republic
- Flight: 1H05 (NC) -

7:35 pm Arrive Bratislava

Arrival Ceremony at Airport (TBD)

Greeted by: President
Speaker of Parliament
Prime Minister

RON Bratislava

Thursday, February 24, 2005

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9:10 am U.S. Embassy Greeting (hotel) (20 mins)

- drive time to venue tbd: tbd -

9:45 am Meeting with President Gasparovic (20 mins)

Participation: President + 6
Press coverage: Stills at the top

- drive time to venue tbd: tbd -

10: 15 am Meeting with Prime Minister Dzurinda (30 mins)
 Participation: President +6
 Press coverage: Pool at the bottom

11:00 am Town Hall Event (45 mins)

- drive time to venue tbd: tbd -

12:15 pm Restricted Meeting w/President Putin (60 mins)
 Participation: President + 1
 Press coverage: Stills at the top

1:20 pm Expanded Working Lunch w/President Putin (90 mins)
 Participation: President + 5
 Press coverage: Closed press

Press pre-brief

3:00 pm Joint Press Availability w/President Putin (30 mins)
 Opening statements; Q&A

- drive time to airport: tbd -

4:00 pm (T) Depart Bratislava en route AAFB

- Flight: 9H00 (-6) -

7:00 pm (T) Arrive AAFB

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Fax: 716-625-1203

Merrill Bender
Support the Fair Tax!
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TO: KARL ROVIE
202-456-2461

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To: Congressman Bill Thomas, Chairman of Ways and Means From: Merrill Bender

Fax: 202 - 225 - 8798

Pages: 2 2

Phone:

Date: 1/3/2005

Re: Tax Reform - Fair Tax

CC: Tom DELAY 202-225-5241

Urgent For Review Please Comment Please Reply Please Recycle

● Comments:

"Fair and Family Friendly Tax reform in 2005" attached article. Fair Tax is your Social Security Solution as well. Average working family has \$7500 more spendable income under the Fair Tax. They choose whether to spend or save for retirement.

"Congressional Resolution for a Better year in 2005"

Op-ed at Opinion Editorials .com

The Country is ready for major reform not tinkering around the edges. The President, Republicans and Democrats will get a ten-fold benefit to the American economy. Accomplishing almost all of the President's economic agenda in one Legislative package that Democrats and Republicans can support. 600,000 members of AFFT and 350,000 in the National Tax payers Union, Plus 6 million farmers in the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Prices drop 22 % on our exports and manufacturing booms in the US creating jobs and 10.5% economic growth. It does it all in one legislative package.

We need to pass the Fair Tax Legislative package HR 25/S1493. Please support.

Merrill Bender

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TAX REFORM FIRST - IT HELPS SOLVE
SOCIAL SECURITY TOO!

Fair & Family Friendly Tax Reform in 2005 by Merrill Bender

Recent Editorials and articles across California have pointed out that the White House and Congress may be planning to take away from Californians a very crucial tax deduction. In order to make some tax cuts permanent and to pay for other proposals, some legislators in Washington are planning to take away the deductibility of our property taxes. The elimination of this deduction will hit blue states like California the hardest due to our higher county and school property taxes.

If the President passes private accounts for Social Security Reform before tax reform, he will be forced to find a means to balance the budget and pay for an estimated \$2 trillion in lost revenue to the Social Security system. That increases the likelihood of future tax reform including the elimination of the property tax deduction and hurting Californians in order to balance the federal budget.

There is a Fair & Family Friendly reform package waiting in Congress to be voted upon and passed. It is a tax simplification and reform package that provides families with more take home pay. Instead of a tax break or credit to be applied for, families can spend it or save it from a larger paycheck. They can save for retirement for themselves or college tuition for their children. They can buy Health Insurance or pay for childcare. Union and hourly workers won't see an overtime check reduced to less than half in take home pay. This Legislative package is commonly called the Fair Tax. (www.fairtax.org). It has 55 cosponsors in Congress currently under HR 25 and S1493 and plans to have 100 in the next term.

The Fair Tax eliminates corporate income taxes, personal income taxes, payroll taxes, AMT, capital gains and the estate tax, then replaces it with a revenue neutral National Sales Tax. The Fair Tax package also provides for a prebate to American families of the sales tax paid on necessities up to the poverty line. A family of 4 receives \$479 per month and a retired couple receives \$357. The Legislation has been well researched and is complete with documented data in the research section of their web site. (fairtax.org). With the Fair Tax package you still fund all of the Government, including Social Security and Medicare. However, by broadening the tax base, you lower the effective tax rate for everyone. Net effective tax rate for the Poor is 0%, for the middle class 12 to 13% and for the wealthy 20 to 23%. The Fair Tax is progressive, fair and family friendly.

By eliminating the payroll tax you eliminate the most regressive tax on the poor and middle class. You allow families to take home a paycheck with no federal deductions. For many middle class families that means no more 25% federal income tax deductions and no more 7.65% payroll deductions. An average family of 4 making \$50,000 per year will have more than \$7500 in increased spendable income after paying the national sales tax. That comes from a bigger paycheck going home and the monthly prebate check. That is Family Friendly tax reform that doesn't hurt Californians but helps them be true members of the "ownership society" making their own choices on how best to save or spend for their families.

Several well-known economists from Harvard, Stanford and MIT calculate that the elimination of business and payroll taxes will cause savings to snowball through the supply chain from manufacturer to wholesaler to retailer and cause prices to drop an estimated 22 to 25%. Then you add in the 23% inclusive national sales tax.

The 22% drop in prices will result in increased exports and manufacturing because the National Sales Tax portion of the Fair Tax Legislation does not apply to exports. Economists estimate a 10.5% jump in economic growth in the first year of implementation. By creating a corporate tax free zone in the U.S., Corporations will flock to build and manufacture products in the US, resulting in increased employment and return of many outsourced jobs. Increased economic growth leads to increased revenue to the treasury, which helps to balance the budget and reduce future deficit growth.

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Subject: Fair Tax article sent to Labor to get support.

EXEC. OFC. PRESIDENT
WH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
2005 JAN 13 PM 12: 22

Message:

Submitted to AFL-CIO site for Labor communications.
 Important quotes:
 Fair Tax package is good for American Families, American labor and the American Economy.
 ...a positive plan for Labor and democrats to get behind..
 Strengthens Social Security, as Mr. Sweeney has called for...

The country is ready for major tax reform not Social Security Reform with a \$2trillion price tag.

Revenue neutral the Fair Tax gives Republicans a ten fold benefit in one legislative package worthy of spending your Political Capital.

Fight for "Fair Tax" Reform that is Family Friendly

By
Merrill Bender

In the recent article "SAVING SOCIAL SECURITY TO BE A TOP LABOR FIGHT" By Mark Gruenberg, the author points out that Unions are gathering to fight President Bush on taking up to \$2 trillion out of the Social Security funding stream. The President's men are saying they need to set up Private accounts to save it in the long run. Not only does he propose taking the money out of the system and into private accounts but in addition he may well take the deductibility of local property taxes away from our federal tax returns to help balance his budget. That will hurt more blue states than red states because more blue states like California and New York rely on Property tax to fund State Government. AFL-CIO President John Sweeney has called for strengthening Social Security not dismantling it.

There is Legislation in Congress that can strengthen Social Security, as Mr. Sweeney has called for, and provides multiple solutions in one Progressive Tax Simplification and Reform Proposal. It's fair and its friendly to families and to labor, it strengthens Social Security and provides workers with more take home pay. It eliminates the most regressive tax on the working poor and middle class by eliminating payroll taxes. The Fair Tax allows for an overtime check to come home with a lot more than the half most see today. This package is commonly called the Fair Tax - HR 25/ S1493. It provides a positive plan for Labor and Democrats to get behind and promote along with a Just say "no" approach to the Republican majority on Private accounts for Social Security.

The Fair Tax Package can help solve and strengthen Social Security without an added \$2 Trillion price tag. Under a simpler taxation system with an expanded tax base, Social Security, Medicare and the US treasury will have a stronger and steadier income stream without the economic burden of a cumbersome income tax code. The Package can give you private investment accounts without costing \$2 trillion dollars in lost revenue to the Social Security system. The Fair Tax package can get you there but with working families deciding where their extra money goes not the Tax Code.

The Fair Tax Legislative Package has a ten-fold benefit to the American economy but first we must include a discussion of all its elements. Critics often pick only one element and fail to give the public the full plan. First the legislation would eliminate all federal income taxes including, personal, estate, gift, capital gains, AMT, payroll taxes and Corporate or business income taxes and secondly replace them with a national sales tax collected once on new goods and services at the final point of purchase. Used items would not be taxed.

Average American families will have more to spend under the Fair Tax Legislation. In fact, an average American family of 4 making \$50,000 a year will have \$7500 more to spend under the Fair Tax package. With the Fair Tax package you still fund all of the Government including Social Security and Medicare. However, by broadening the tax base, you lower the effective tax rate for everyone. The Fair Tax eliminates the income tax and the payroll tax, provides a prebate of sales tax paid on necessities up to the poverty line and is revenue neutral. The Prebate to a family of 4 is \$479/month, paid out at the beginning of the month just like Social Security checks.

That \$7500 per family is the answer to Social Security and private retirement accounts. Not a tax incentive or a tax break but more of the family's own money to spend or save as they choose. They can put \$1,000 a year into retirement fund and have \$6500 left over for a Health Insurance policy; or pay for quality childcare for their young children and save for a down payment on their first home; or any number of combinations of family needs, but they decide. The key is it doesn't cost the government; President Bush does not have to rob Peter to pay Paul. All government programs remain fully funded including Social Security and Medicare. The Fair Tax is revenue neutral, meaning it brings in the same amount of money as it did under the old tax system.

By eliminating the payroll tax, you eliminate the most regressive tax on the poor and middle class and a contributing factor to wage suppression. The Fair Tax allows American workers to take home 100% of their paychecks - free of federal withholdings - (state withholdings would still apply). Overtime pay will truly seem

like the bonus it was meant to be when you bring home a paycheck with no 25% Federal tax deduction and no 7.65% payroll deduction.

The added advantage of the Fair Tax Legislation is that it is much more than just a National Sales Tax. Critics of the Fair Tax Legislation are not reading the whole package or have a partisan agenda to support tax lawyers, lobbyists and others. The Fair Tax is Progressive and Fair. Because of the Prebate check going to each family each and every month that family is rebated the sales tax on necessities up to the Poverty line.

Net effective tax rate for the Poor is 0%; for the middle class 12 to 13% and for the wealthy 20 to 23%. This makes it a progressive and fair tax, but with no loopholes for the wealthy to wiggle out of paying their fair share. When the rich inherit billions and make millions and still pay a tax rate of only 11 or 12% than there is something wrong with the current system and it needs to change.

Several well-known economists from Harvard, Stanford and MIT calculate that the elimination of business and payroll taxes will cause savings to snowball through the supply chain from manufacturer to wholesaler to retailer and cause prices to drop an estimated 22 to 25%.

The drop in prices of 22 to 25 %, will result in increased exports that the National Sales Tax portion of the Fair Tax Legislation does not apply to. Economists estimate a 10.5% jump in economic growth in the first few year of implementation. Increased Exports means increased manufacturing with good paying jobs in America that are not outsourced overseas.

American workers can't always compete with low wage countries nor do we want to. However, we can fight back with lower taxation on our exported goods. The Fair Tax package will increase demand for made in America products because of price. A drop in export prices of 22 to 25 % will have an amazing impact on economic growth.

Unfair imports from low wage countries will have to pay our new national sales tax making made in America products more competitive in America as well.

Other economic benefits for labor include wage competition from an economic boom. By making the US a corporate tax free zone better than the Bahamas or Ireland or Mexico, corporate headquarters, manufacturing plants and many more companies will want to produce within America. Competition will rise for the quality workers we have here and wages will rise along with it.

In one political package there are multiple solutions to many economic concerns.

In addition to the reasons above, think about what a family with \$7500 more per year could buy or save for more easily; Family Health Insurance Policy; Quality Childcare; Down payment for a home; College tuition for a Son or Daughter; a private retirement account and much more.

All of these are possible not because of a tax incentive but just because you got to take home more of your paycheck and than decide whether you wanted to spend it or save it. The Fair Tax is Family Friendly tax reform.

What most critics forget to acknowledge is the math in this package. Well studied and well defended by economist from several quality Universities. Some Tax accountants and tax lawyers don't want the public to know these simple facts about the Fair Tax.

Key to understanding the proposal is to truly work through some numbers.

Let's start with a \$1,000 in purchases. Right now you buy that out of after tax dollars from your paycheck. Under the Fair Tax, you take more money home because you get 100% of your pay with no federal taxes being taken out. Under the Fair Tax, those products would drop an average 22% to a cost of \$780. Now we add a 30% exclusive tax rate (= 23% inclusive) to those products.

$\$780 \times 30\% + \$780 = \$234 + \$780 = \$1014$. For \$14 more you bought the same products; paid your fair share of tax and took a fuller paycheck home. In addition, you will receive a Fairtax rebate check at the beginning of each month to cover the National Sales tax paid on necessities each month. Family of 4 receives \$479/m plus the bigger paycheck.

Critics like William Gale and Bruce Bartlett have been logically and factually rebutted on the Fair Tax web site. The fair minded Bloggers and the fair minded press will see the Fair Tax package as Progressive and Fair with multiple benefits to American Families, American Labor and The American Economy.

A key issue that Mr. Sweeney brought up is the fact the wealthy and their employers stop supporting the Social Security and Medicare system after the first \$90,000 in earned income. Under the Fair Tax the wealthy will pay into Social Security when they spend \$90,000 on their new cars and when they spend \$1 million on a yacht or \$9 million on a newly constructed Home. When they buy they will pay in a fair way with no loopholes, tax credits or tax lawyer tricks. They spend much more and they will pay on all of it. Social Security will have a designated portion of the National Sales Tax; this provides for the strengthening that Mr. Sweeney calls for with a wider tax base on consumption. As the economy grows with increased exports and manufacturing so will the Social Security system be stronger. Good paying jobs and a robust economy bring more money in revenue, helping to balance the budget and to reduce or eliminate growth in the National Debt.

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The people who know the facts love the Fair Tax.

Get the Facts at: <http://www.fairtaxvolunteer.org/smartfaq.html>

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**Urgent Information and Background
Forward to Chief of Staff Immediately**

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Subject: Tax Reform First -/Cafeteria Option Letter

EXEC. OFC. PRESIDENT
WH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
2005 JAN 13 PM 12:22

Message: Get the facts at fairtax.org

True Tax reform and Simplification has been well researched and documented at fairtax.org.

Ten-Fold benefit is possible to American Families and the American Economy,

Save Social Security with broader tax base and provide a Cafeteria Plan Option for Private retirement without pulling \$2 trillion out of the SSI system.

Don't tinker with Option 5 on the current Code.
Replace it with a revenue neutral Progressive Tax Reform and Simplification Package commonly called the Fair Tax.

WIN- Win all the way around.

See attached Letter on Cafeteria Option that could be added to the Fair Tax if needed.

Urgent Fax**Tuesday, January 04, 2005**

Chairman Bill Thomas,

If you are looking to design true tax reform with simplification, you already have a ready made and well-researched Legislative package in HR25- commonly called the Fair Tax. I feel it should be at the core of any final package and ask you to move it forward for passage in 2005 and not wait to 2006. www.fairtax.org

The only add-on or twist that I personally might suggest is to allow the Prebate system provided for in the Fair Tax Package to have the option to be used like a Cafeteria plan most workers are familiar with. A family of 4 would have a Prebate check of \$479/ month and a couple would have a Prebate check of \$ 357/ month. Even after paying out the Prebate the rest of Government is fully funded and the Fair Tax is revenue neutral, funding Social Security without taking \$2 trillion out of the system for private accounts.

Allow that monthly Prebate check to have 3 Cafeteria Options that the family chooses how to spend.

- 1. Have 100% of the Prebate sent home or direct deposited each month just like a Social Security check.** Family spends or saves as they choose. They can save for their own retirement in a private account they invest and control. They can buy Health Insurance that they research and buy on their own. Bottom line is they have Ownership and decide on their own.
- 2. 401(k) Retirement option** - Allow the family to access the same retirement savings choices that Federal employees and Congress have. They can choose a percentage of their Prebate to go into a retirement savings account with the same range of investment choices; Conservative index or Government bond funds, Money Market, CD's, etc. You could encourage retirement savings by adding a small incentive to save in this retirement account. Like some private employers do, the government could match their contribution up to a maximum of \$ 300 annually. It is not a lot in matching dollars but it is enough to encourage retirement savings for younger workers. Thus insuring more prosperous retirement income for their futures with less reliance on Social Security being their only retirement plan. Social Security still remains fully funded and SSI will be there for younger workers as it was original mandated and designed; A Supplemental Social Insurance (SSI).
- 3. Health Insurance Option** - Allow the family to have the same Health Insurance options that federal employees and Congressman have. A cafeteria of choice depending on their needs from full family coverage with a range of deductibles or catastrophic coverage only. They don't have to buy in this way. Families can also buy Health Insurance on their own and have 100% of the prebate sent home.

The Cafeteria plan is also very familiar to the American public.

The Fair Tax is very comprehensive in its benefits; I encourage you and your staff to study more closely the economic and family friendly benefits of this package. An average family of 4 making \$50,000/year will have \$7500 more in spendable income under the Fair Tax, while Government treasury and Social Security remain fully funded. The Fair Tax package is revenue neutral.

If you feel it needs something more to garner Democrat support, or even some moderate Republican support than I suggest the Cafeteria Plan option on the Prebate would fit nicely.

The Fair Tax is the first and best answer for tax reform and should come before Social Security Reform. Bipartisan grassroots supporters of the Fair Tax currently number over 560,000 with over 280 regional, district and community directors working to contact their legislators and their communities to inform them of this legislative package and its comprehensive benefits. We have the support of many other groups including the American Federation of Farm Bureaus with over 6 million members.

Those that know the facts love the Fair Tax.

Sincerely,

Merrill Bender - Barker, NY

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: 27 January 2005
TO: Distribution list
FROM: Claire Taplett, Deputy Director
Reference: Staff Gifts received during 2004

Claire

To assist in preparation of the annual financial report, as a courtesy, the Gift Office is providing the attached listing of all of Staff Members' gifts received in 2004. This may be helpful for them to determine which items, if any, are reportable. The report lists the gift items alphabetically by donor's name, beginning with the earliest gift received from that donor in 2004.

Please note, in some instances the disposition has changed since the report was prepared or the item may still be pending counsel's review.

If you have any questions regarding a specific gift item, please feel free to call Gift Office Director, Christa Bailey, or myself. My direct line is x. 6-5499 and the Gift Office general number is x.6-7133.

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