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013	Email	RE: Draft to Date - To: Barbara Goergen - From: Peter Wehner	1	12/04/2003	P5;
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Cc: McDonald, Rebekah; Wehner, Peter H.
Subject: Methodists

here's what i found out from a piece by the Institute for Religion and Democracy:

--United Methodist bishops are Dale White, Marshall Meadors, William Grove (outgoing NCC head)...mentioned in 5th and 6th paragraph below

--Specific mentions of Karl, Andy, POTUS in 13th graph

from the Institute for Religion and Democracy website:

New Clergy Group to Push Liberal Causes

Mark Tooley
November 21, 2003

Frustrated that they continue to be overshadowed by conservative religious leaders, a new association of politically liberal clergy was announced in Washington, D.C. on November 21. Mostly comprised of old National Council of Churches (NCC) types, the Clergy Leadership Network (CLN) will focus on opposing U.S. military action and fighting for a larger federal welfare state, while criticizing religious conservatives.

Several of CLN's leaders were also formerly leaders in the Interfaith Alliance, another liberal religious group founded ten years ago with the nearly identical purpose of counteracting the "Religious Right."

"We're reaching beyond non-partisanship to engage issues of public life," declared the Rev. Albert Pennybacker, a former leader in both the NCC and the Interfaith Alliance. He said the CLN, of which he is chairman, will model itself after the Hebrew prophets, the "champions of justice in Muslim history," and the "man from Nazareth."

CLN's unveiling, over which Pennybacker presided, was held at a November 21 press conference in Washington, D.C. Members of the CLN's national committee include the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the Rev. William Sloane Coffin, Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, and former NCC chief Joan Brown Campbell.

Also included on the national committee are several United Methodist bishops, the former president of the United Church of Christ, the former president of the Unitarian Universalist Association, liberal Catholic nun Sister Joan Chittister, a Muslim academic, a retired Episcopal priest, the chaplain at Yale University, and a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention (dating to before the conservative ascendancy within the convention).

where are they from?

The United Methodist bishops are Dale White, Marshall Meadors and William Grove, all retired. All three were present at the press conference Thom White Wolf Fassett, former general secretary of the United Methodist Board of Church and Society, is also on CLN's national committee but was not present.

"We stand for change," Pennybacker exhorted. "Change in the failed policies [of the current administration]. He claimed that CLN's "progressive" clergy had been "turned away" when they had petitioned for change directly with the administration.

A special emphasis for CLN will be the "unilateral foreign policy atmosphere of imperialism and bullying that runs counter to the inclusive commitments of all religious communities," Pennybacker explained. He bemoaned that the deaths of U.S. military personnel in Iraq have "no clear reason or explanation." CLN will also target current

economic policies that show "favoritism for some."

"The soul of the nation is at stake," Joan Brown Campbell similarly warned at the CLN press conference. As head of the National Council of Churches for about a decade, she gained publicity for turning black church arsons in the south into a national (and some say exaggerated) story. Campbell also spearheaded the return of little Elian Gonzalez to Cuba. Despite her finesse for media attention, she left the NCC nearly bankrupt.

Campbell's management style at the NCC, where Pennybacker served as her close assistant, was controversial even among NCC supporters. She, like Pennybacker, was once active with the Interfaith Alliance.

"This is a political season," Campbell noted. "Our policies are life and death decisions for people around the world." She claimed that all religions oppose "exclusion" based on sexual preference as well as economic status and ethnicity.

Justice is "not just about converting one heart at a time," Campbell insisted, nor is peace a private matter. "Changing the nation will mean changing the policy makers," she asserted. "Does that make us partisan?" she asked. "That is for you to decide!"

"Progressive clergy never sleep and never let anybody else sleep," laughingly noted Rabbi Steven Jacobs from the Los Angeles area. He regretted that the "face of religious America" was too often linked to the "Religious Right" or something "coming out of the White House." Jacobs warned against a God who is created by White House staffers Andrew Card or Karl Rove or President Bush.

"God is not a partisan God," Jacobs continued. "This is not a Christian country. And this country does not believe in only one blessing." He said CLN would advocate a kind of religion that is "all inclusive."

A retired lobbyist with the liberal Baptist Joint Committee, the Rev. James Dunn denounced the Bush Administration's "faith-based" initiative to ensure equal treatment of religious charities by federal agencies as "dishonest and down-right dirty." He referred to President Bush as a "carpet-bagger" who was brought down to Texas from Connecticut at the age of two.

When asked if CLN would take positions on homosexuality and abortion, former Unitarian Universalist Association president John Buehrens claimed the issue of sex was "used to distract the American people." He said instead the CLN would spotlight "weightier issues" such as opposition to war and "economic fairness." Although Buehrens noted his own organization had strong [pro-homosexuality and pro-abortion rights] views, he pledged, "We will not be divided by issues over whom God has called people to love...or the tragic consequences of unplanned pregnancy."

Perhaps conscious of CLN's group of largely retired and aging clergy who are associated with old liberal causes of past decades, the Rev. Otis Moss, a National Progressive Baptist minister from Cleveland conceded when asked, "There's a risk of being called passé." But he insisted that old causes, like the "war on poverty" from the 1960's were still worthy of support, despite having been "demonized" by their opponents.

Pennybacker concluded the press conference by saying CLN would be "acting in the electoral process" without directly endorsing candidates. "We're not retreating to non-partisanship," which he said has "stifled" other activists. CLN has opened a Washington office headed by the Rev. Brenda Bartella Peterson, a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) minister.

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F. Steel

Fact Sheet: The Presidential Determination on Steel

Presidential Action Regarding Steel Safeguard Measures

- Today, President Bush announced his decision to terminate the temporary safeguard measures on steel that he put in place in March 2002.
 - Prior to the time President Bush imposed temporary safeguard measures, steel prices were at 20-year lows, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) found that a surge in imports to the U.S. market was causing serious injury to our domestic steel industry.
 - Since then, steel prices have stabilized, imports are at their lowest level in years, and U.S. steel exports are at record levels.

- The President's determination was based on significant improvements in the U.S. steel industry and other changed circumstances since last year, including:
 - Industry consolidation and restructuring that have reduced production costs and increased productivity;
 - New labor agreements that increase flexibility, boost productivity, protect retiree welfare, and empower steel workers; and
 - An improving economy that will create new opportunities for America's steel industry.

- President Bush is committed to America's steel workers and to the health of our steel industry – and will continue to pursue policies that will help this vital sector of our economy.
 - Steel import licensing, established when the safeguard measures were imposed, will continue to provide WTO-consistent data collection and monitoring of steel imports. This will enable the Administration to quickly respond to future import surges that could unfairly damage the industry.
 - The Administration will continue to vigorously enforce our trade laws.
 - Through international negotiations, the Administration will continue to work to reduce steel subsidies by foreign governments.

- President Bush believes that America's workers can compete with anyone in the world – as long as the playing field is fair and level. Enforcing our trade laws is an important part of the President's commitment to free trade.

Background: Providing Opportunity to Regain Competitiveness and Relief for Steelworkers

- On June 5, 2001, President Bush announced his three-part steel initiative including: (1) launching negotiations to establish disciplines on government subsidies and other market distortions in the steel sector; (2) working to reduce inefficient excess capacity in the global steel market; and (3) requesting initiation of a Section 201 ("safeguard") investigation to determine whether imports are seriously injuring the domestic industry.

- In March 2002 – after a comprehensive investigation, the ITC found a surge of imports was causing serious injury to the domestic steel industry – the President imposed temporary safeguard measures on ten categories of steel products under the authority of Section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974. The safeguard measures took the form of

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tariffs ranging from 8 to 30 percent on ten categories of steel products, as well as a tariff-rate quota on one product. As he stated at the time, the President took this action to "help give America's steel industry and its workers the chance to adapt to the large influx of foreign steel."

- Since applying the temporary safeguard measures, the Administration has monitored conditions in the steel sector. As part of the Section 201 process, the ITC conducted a mid-term review of the safeguard measures and in September provided a report to the President and the Congress. Since then, the President and Administration officials have:
 - Taken into account the ITC mid-term report, which examined the safeguard measures' effects on manufacturers of the ten products subject to the safeguards; and
 - Sought the advice of the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Labor
- In light of changed circumstances since March 2002, the President concluded that the safeguard measures have accomplished their goal, and that continuing these measures was no longer warranted. These changed circumstances included:
 - Industry consolidation and restructuring that has increased U.S. productivity and lowered production costs.
 - Many domestic steel producers have cut inefficient capacity, have strengthened overall operations, and are now more competitive. The three largest steelmakers invested \$3 billion to consolidate the flat-rolled sector. More than half of U.S. raw steelmaking capacity is now owned by firms that merged or restructured since the safeguard was implemented.
 - Restructuring has allowed steelmakers to reduce the high retiree pension and health care costs that impaired their competitiveness. Since 2000, the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation (PBGC) has assumed the pension plans of 14 companies with total liabilities of nearly \$8.2 billion. Retirees from bankrupt steel companies will receive on average over 90 percent of the pensions they had earned.
 - Labor agreements that have allowed greater flexibility. The United Steelworkers of America and several major steelmakers negotiated innovative labor agreements that increase flexibility, boost productivity, protect retiree welfare, and empower workers. Major domestic steel producers also streamlined their management structure.
 - An improving economic outlook that creates new opportunities for U.S. steel. As a result of the President's jobs and growth plan, U.S. economic growth in the third quarter was the fastest in almost twenty years. Conditions are also brightening abroad. A strengthening economy will further stimulate demand, and the U.S. steel industry and its workers are now in a position to benefit.

The President's Commitment to Maintaining a Strong Steel Industry

- The President strongly believes America's workers can compete with anyone in the world as long as we have a fair and level playing field. The President will:
 - Continue to promote a level playing field for American steel producers and workers by:
 - Maintaining steel import licensing to collect data on steel imports and provide for early warning of any harmful import surges; and
 - Enforcing our trade laws vigorously.
 - Redoubling our efforts to advance OECD negotiations aimed at establishing new disciplines on steel subsidies, and efforts to encourage reduction of excess inefficient steel capacity globally.
 - Continuing to pursue policies that strengthen economic growth and job creation.

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Briefings

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

REMARKS TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE CATHOLIC
CONFERENCE DIRECTORS

Thursday, December 4, 2003
1:20 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office
3211 4th Street, NE
Washington, D.C.

I. PURPOSE

To deliver remarks at the National Association of State Catholic Conference Directors 2003 Winter Meeting in Washington D.C.

II. BACKGROUND

The National Association of State Catholic Conference Directors (NASCCD) is an association of the Executive Directors of the State Catholic Conferences, organized in 1968 to facilitate and encourage the exchange of information among its members pertaining to the activities, programs, and organization of the Conferences.

The NASCCD works closely with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) which is an assembly of the hierarchy of the United States and the U.S. Virgin Islands who jointly exercise certain pastoral functions on behalf of the Christian faithful of the United States. The purpose of the Conference is to promote the greater good which the Church offers humankind, especially through forms and programs of the apostolate fittingly adapted to the circumstances of time and place.

A State Catholic Conference is a Church agency representing the dioceses within a state in order to provide for the coordination of the public policy concerns of the Church. State Conference of the Church communicates with state governments, other Church Agencies, non-Catholic churches, and secular agencies. Bishops, priests, religious, and lay persons are involved in the work of the State Conferences.

Similar to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the state conferences are concerned about abortion (includes stem cell & embryo research), Church & State, criminal justice, the death penalty, education, euthanasia, environment, family, gambling, health care, housing, inter-religious affairs, gay marriage, poverty, social welfare, economic justice, racial justice, charitable tax credits.

Jay Lefkowitz addressed the group's 2002 Washington meeting.

III. PARTICIPANTS

1. Deacon Robert Anderson, New Hampshire Catholic Conference
2. Richard Barnes, New York State Catholic Conference
3. Robert Castagna, Oregon State Catholic Conference
4. Richard Daly, Texas State Catholic Conference
5. Gerald D'Avolio, Massachusetts State Catholic Conference
6. Chris DiPietro, Delaware Catholic Conference
7. Reverend Patrick Delahanty, Kentucky State Catholic Conference
8. Christopher Dodson, North Dakota Catholic Conference
9. Ned Dolejsi, California Catholic Conference
10. Dick Dowling, Maryland Catholic Conference
11. Sara Eide, Iowa Catholic Conference
12. Mike Farmer, Kansas Catholic Conference
13. Robert Flint, Alaska Catholic Conference
14. Bob Gilligan, Illinois Catholic Conference
15. Reverend Bernard Henley, Rhode Island Catholic Conference
16. Marie Hilliard, Connecticut Catholic Conference
17. John Huebsher, Wisconsin Catholic Conference
18. Ron Jackson, Washington D.C. Catholic Conference
19. Sister Monica Kostielney, Michigan Catholic Conference
20. Christopher Leifeld, Minnesota Catholic Conference
21. Paul Long, Michigan Catholic Conference
22. Mike McCarron, Florida Catholic Conference
23. Frank Mulchahy, Georgia Catholic Conference
24. Jennifer and Mike Murphy, Tennessee Catholic Conference
25. Marc Mutty, Maine Catholic Conference
26. Robert O'Hara, Jr., Pennsylvania Catholic Conference
27. Robert Payant, Nevada Catholic Conference
28. Tim Pond, Ohio Catholic Conference
29. Allen Sanchez, New Mexico Catholic Conference
30. Bea Swoopes, Kansas Catholic Conference
31. Lawrence Weber, Missouri Catholic Conference

Matt Smith, Associate Director, Office of Public Liaison

IV. PRESS PLAN

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V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- You arrive and are greeted by Frank Monahan
- You make remarks, greet guests, and depart

VI. REMARKS

Talking Points Attached

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Suggested Remarks
Catholic Demographics

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BREAKFAST WITH LEADERSHIP FROM VARIOUS STATES

Thursday, December 4, 2003

6:30 a.m.-7:30 a.m.

The White House

Ward Room

Washington, D.C.

Karl Rove

I. PURPOSE

To visit with the leadership in various states and emphasize the importance of their continued work and support in the coming year.

II. BACKGROUND

President and Mrs. Bush are hosting a series of general Holiday receptions at the White House on December 3, 4 and 16 along with a Hanukah reception on December 22. These are people who attended the reception on December 3 or who will attend the reception on December 4.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Breakfast Attendees

Jake Logan, Arizona

Ken Zangara, New Mexico

Senator Thomas Eaton, New Hampshire

Peter Cianchette, Maine

Iggy Sanchez, Maryland

White House Staff

Matt Schlapp, Political Director

Angela Flood, Deputy Political Director

IV. PRESS PLAN

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V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- You arrive at the Ward Room.
- You mix and mingle for fifteen minutes.
Note: Breakfast will be continental style.
- Matt Schlapp welcomes guests and introduces you.
- You deliver brief remarks.
- You depart.

F. Medicare Poll

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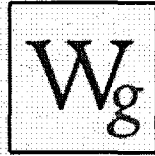
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From: Jackson, Barry S.
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Cc: Goergen, Barbara J.; Ralston, Susan B.
Subject: Revised draft

Karl - can you review/edit - they're ready to go once you sign off - will be in sat afternoon, sunday pm

Susan -
OK w/
minor changes
Karl

For Edits/Approval



THE WINSTON GROUP

MEDICARE SURVEY

Introduction: Good evening. My name is _____ and I'm calling from Winston National Research, a national public opinion firm. This evening we're conducting a political survey and we'd like to get your opinions.

A. Are you registered to vote?

IF "NO," ASK: Is there someone else at home who is registered to vote?

IF "YES," THEN ASK: May I speak with him or her?

1. Yes (**CONTINUE**)
 2. No (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
1. Generally speaking, would you say things in the country are headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?
1. Right Direction
 2. Don't Know/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)
 3. Wrong Track
2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as President?
1. Approve
 2. Don't Know/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)
 3. Disapprove
3. Please tell me if you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the AARP. (**IF CHOICE IS MADE, ASK:**) Would you say you have a strongly (**FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE**) impression or just a somewhat (**FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE**) impression? (**ROTATE**)
1. Strongly favorable
 2. Somewhat favorable
 3. Somewhat unfavorable
 4. Strongly unfavorable
 5. No opinion (**DO NOT READ**)
 6. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the recent Medicare prescription drug bill passed by Congress?
 1. Approve
 2. Disapprove
 3. No opinion (**DO NOT READ**)
 4. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

5. Which party do you have more confidence in to handle the issue of Medicare/prescription drugs? (**ROTATE**)
 1. Republican Party
 2. Democrat Party
 3. Neither (**DO NOT READ**)
 4. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

6. Who do you have more confidence in to handle the issue of Medicare/prescription drugs? (**ROTATE**)
 1. President Bush
 2. Democrats in Congress
 3. Neither (**DO NOT READ**)
 4. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

7. As a result of the prescription drug legislation recently passed by Congress, do you think that seniors will be (**ROTATE**) better off, worse off or things will stay about the same?
 1. Better off
 2. Worse off
 3. About the same
 4. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

8. Which statement do you agree with more? (**ROTATE**)
 1. The current Medicare system has been reliable for the past forty years and needs to remain a government-run program
 2. Premiums for low income seniors should be subsidized, but the Medicare system needs reform with a greater role from the private sector.
 3. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

(ROTATE 9-15, 16-27, 28-30)

Some have criticized the prescription drug bill that was recently passed. I am going to read a series of statements to you, and for each please tell me if you believe the statement or do not believe the statement. (**ROTATE 9-15**)

9. This bill is just a giveaway to HMOs and drug companies.
10. This bill does not address the real problem which is the high cost of prescription drugs.
11. This bill does not provide enough help for low income seniors.
12. This bill will lead to higher premiums and higher drug costs for seniors.

13. Millions of retirees who get their benefits from their employers will lose their benefits.
14. Nearly half of Medicare beneficiaries will fall into a coverage gap, meaning they will pay premiums all year without receiving benefits all year.
15. This bill is just a way for Republicans to privatize Medicare.

Some have praised the prescription drug bill recently passed by Congress. I am going to read a series of statements to you, and for each please tell me if you believe the statement or do not believe the statement. **(ROTATE 16-27)**

16. All seniors will have better access to prescription drugs they need.
17. The bill provides additional help for those who need it most, including 10 million low income beneficiaries and those with the highest drug costs.
18. Next year, 40 million seniors will have access to a drug card with a \$600 credit to pay for the prescription drugs they need.
19. The drug benefit is voluntary, and no one will be forced to make any changes in their health plan.
20. Seniors will have more choice and control over their health care.
21. This bill strengthens Medicare by adding a prescription drug benefit and preserving the basic structure of the program.
22. The bill contains substantial subsidies to maintain current employer provided coverage to ensure that people who have good private coverage don't lose it.
23. This bill has gained bipartisan support in both Houses.
24. This bill modernizes Medicare and provides true comprehensive health care coverage.
25. Low income seniors will receive additional help with their drug costs. They will receive a discount drug card that also includes a \$600 subsidy, and do not have to pay an additional premium or deductible.
26. Low income seniors will no longer be confronted with the choice of putting food on the table or paying for life-saving prescription drugs.
27. The bill represents an historic breakthrough and important milestone in the nation's commitment to strengthen and expand health security for current beneficiaries and future generations.

Some conservatives have criticized the prescription drug bill. I am going to read a series of statements to you, and for each please tell me if you believe the statement or do not believe the statement. **(ROTATE 28-30)**

28. The bill does not contain needed reforms to ensure the affordable, quality health care our seniors deserve.
 29. The bill lacks critical controls on runaway costs, and there is no limit on the final cost of the prescription drug benefit.
 30. The high cost of a prescription drug benefit will add to the deficit.
31. After hearing all of these statements, do you approve or disapprove of the Medicare prescription drug bill passed by Congress?
1. Approve
 2. Disapprove
 3. No opinion **(DO NOT READ)**
 4. DK/Refused **(DO NOT READ)**

32. Who do you agree with more? **(ROTATE)**

1. Republicans in Congress who say that seniors can choose the health plan that best fits their needs and no one is forced into any health plan

2. Democrats in Congress who say that seniors will be forced into HMOs to get prescription drug coverage
 3. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)
33. Who do you agree with more? (**ROTATE**)
1. The Democrat who says that Republicans place special interests of HMOs and pharmaceutical companies before the interests of seniors and the disabled. This is not the beginning of a real prescription drug benefit under Medicare. This is the beginning of the end of Medicare as we know it.
 2. The Republican who says this bill may not be perfect but it represents progress. It gives all seniors better access to prescription drugs at ~~cheaper~~ prices. ^{lower} [^] ^{real}
 3. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)
34. Who do you agree with more? (**ROTATE**)
1. The Democrat who says that Republicans place special interests of HMOs and pharmaceutical companies before the interests of seniors and the disabled. This is not the beginning of a real prescription drug benefit under Medicare. This is the beginning of the end of Medicare as we know it.
 2. The Republican who says seniors will now have more choice and control over their health care through this voluntary prescription drug benefit. If you have good coverage, you can keep it. If you need help, you can get it. This plan gives 40 million seniors better access to prescription drugs and gives additional help to seniors who need it most.
35. Among the Republican messages that you just heard, what is the most important and convincing message? (**ROTATE**)
1. Seniors can choose the health plan that best fits their needs and no one is forced into any health plan
 2. This bill may not be perfect but it represents progress
 3. This bill gives all seniors better access to prescription drugs at cheaper prices
 4. Seniors will now have more choice and control over their health care through a voluntary drug benefit
 5. The bill gives additional help to seniors who need it most
 6. None of these (**DO NOT READ**)
 7. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)
36. Among the Democrat messages that you just heard, what is the most important and convincing message? (**ROTATE**)
1. Seniors will be forced into HMOs to get prescription drug coverage
 2. Republicans place special interests of HMOs and pharmaceutical companies before the interests of seniors and the disabled
 3. This is not the beginning of a real prescription drug benefit under Medicare – this is the beginning of the end of Medicare as we know it
 4. None of these (**DO NOT READ**)
 5. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only - -

37. In what year were you born?

38. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (**ROTATE**) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

1. Republican
2. Democrat
3. Independent
4. Other
5. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

39. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (**ROTATE**) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?

1. Liberal
2. Moderate
3. Conservative
4. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

40. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

41. What is your current marital status?

1. Single, never married
2. Married
3. Separated
4. Divorced
5. Widowed
6. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

42. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...

1. Less than 15K
2. 15K-30K
3. 30K-50K
4. 50K-75K
5. 75K-100K
6. Over 100K
7. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

43. Are you or any person in your household a member of a union?

1. Yes, I am a member.
2. Yes, I am a member and someone in my household is a member.

3. Yes, someone in my household is a member.
4. No
5. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

44. What is your religion?

1. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant
2. Mainline Protestant
3. Catholic
4. Jewish
5. Mormon
6. Atheist/ Agnostic
7. Other
8. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

45. What is your race?

1. Hispanic
2. African-American
3. Asiatic
4. White
5. Other (**SPECIFY**)
6. DK/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

Gender: (**BY OBSERVATION**)

1. Male
2. Female

What type of area do you live in? (**TAKEN FROM SAMPLE**)

1. Urban
2. Suburban
3. Rural

Region: (**Region taken from sample information**)

1. Northeast
2. South
3. Midwest
4. Plains/Mountains
5. West Coast

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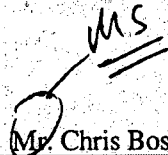
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Support Grows For Judicial Memo Whistleblower
By Jeff Gannon
Talon News
December 3, 2003

WASHINGTON (Talon News) -- A Republican staffer on the Senate Judiciary Committee was placed on administrative leave last week in the wake of a U.S. Capitol Police investigation into the release of memos describing strategies for Democrats to use regarding judicial nominees.

Committee Chairman Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT) told reporters he took the action because, "I am mortified that this improper, unethical and simply unacceptable breach of confidential files may have occurred on my watch."

Democrats on the committee have expressed outrage over the memos' release to the Wall Street Journal in which their strategy to delay and defeat President Bush's judicial nominees when they were in the majority was outlined. The memos detailed meetings with liberal groups like People for the American Way and NARAL who suggested which judges to block and the tactics to use against them.

Democrats have remained silent on the content of the memos, instead focusing on how they were obtained.

The unnamed staffer has denied the allegations to investigators. Some suggest that that there may have been no criminal activity at all, depending upon when the memos were obtained and considering their content.

It is believed that the memos came from the committee's servers, but it was not until the Republicans took control of the Senate in 2003 that the computers were segregated according to party affiliation. When the Democrats ruled the panel, the servers were accessible to all staffers.

Kay Daly, President of the Coalition for a Fair Judiciary told Talon News, "If Kennedy and Durbin have heartburn over some of these things, they should go see Patrick Leahy."

She pointed out that it was Leahy who opened up the servers when Democrats took control.

She added, "Hatch changed it back. If these were accessed when the Democrats were still in charge, no crime has been committed."

Daly praised the actions of the staffer who blew the whistle on what she considers unethical conduct by Senate Democrats.

She said, "This guy should be given a medal -- he's a hero, he saw wrongdoing and did something about it."

Daly asserts that the content of the memos describes unethical conduct, the most egregious of which is the racial and sexual discrimination against certain judicial nominees. Equally troubling to her is the NAACP's successful attempt to convince Senate Democrats to

delay confirming judges to the 6th Circuit to assure that the landmark University of Michigan affirmative action case was decided in their favor.

Jonathan Stein of the Hofstra University Law Review believes that firing the staffer may be unconstitutional under whistleblower laws. He cites several cases to support his argument that the staffer's actions were consistent with his First Amendment Rights.

Gary Aldrich, a former FBI agent and whistleblower on the Clinton White House agreed, but was less certain of the legal basis for such a defense. Still, he urges the staffer to contact the Patrick Henry Center for Individual Liberty, of which he is president and founder for assistance.

Both Aldrich and Daly expressed disappointment in the Republican leadership's capitulation to the Democrat demands on the matter. Democrats on the Senate Intelligence Committee have yet to apologize, disavow or discipline one of their staffers who authored a memo that Chairman Sen. Pat Roberts (R-KS) called an "attack plan" to use classified information against President Bush in the upcoming election.

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To: Goergen, Barbara J.
Subject: Hillsdale/KR

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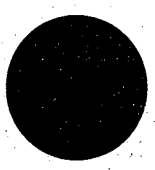
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