

AUSA EVENT
FT. RILEY

ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY (AUSA)

YOU WILL BE MET BY:

MERRIL WERTS

GENERAL ROBLES (NEW COMMANDER OF THE BRO)

-- ESCORTED TO THE PRESS EVENT INSIDE THE LEADERS CLUB. THE
SOCIAL HOUR WILL BE ONGOING WHILE YOU ARE AT THE PRESS
CONFERENCE (SEPARATE ROOM)

-- FOLLOWING THE PRESS EVENT, THEY WILL SOUND A BUGLE
SIGNALLING DINNER

-- YOU WILL BE INTRODUCED BY MERRIL WERTS

THERE ARE 3 HEAD TABLES

#1

MERRIL & DOROTHY WERTS

GENERAL ROBLES & WIFE

GENERAL (RET) FULLER & HIS WIFE (FORMER BRO COMMANDER)

CHIEF MASTER SARGENT DAVENPORT & WIFE

MR. & MRS. CHRIS HEAVEY (MANAGER OF MANHATTAN'S TOWN CENTER MALL)

#2

GENERAL OHLE (ASST DIV COMMANDER)

COLONEL ARRON & WIFE (CHIEF OF STAFF)

DEAN CAMPBLE & FRIEND

JOHN MONTGOMERY

MIKE ROGLES & WIFE

HAROLD WILSON & WIFE

#3

GENERAL BOYD & WIFE

COLONEL HEPLER & WIFE (GARRISON COMMANDER)

ART LOUB & WIFE

JERRY FRAKES & WIFE

JACK GOLDSTIEN & WIFE

JULY 23, 1993

TO: SENATOR DOLE
FROM: DAN STANLEY
SUBJECT: GAYS IN THE MILITARY -- TALKING POINTS

- THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE COMPLETED HEARINGS ON THE NEW CLINTON POLICY. THERE ARE SOME LEGAL QUESTIONS STILL TO BE ANSWERED.
- I ANTICIPATE THE SENATE TO PUT A POLICY INTO LAW -- SOMETHING MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN WHAT PRESIDENT CLINTON ASKED FOR. BUT I DOUBT THAT IT WILL INCLUDE A TOTAL BAN AS BEFORE.
- AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THE NEW POLICY WILL BE CONDUCT BASED, BUT IT WILL PRESERVE THE MILITARY'S ABILITY TO DISCHARGE HOMOSEXUALS. IN PRACTICE, THERE WILL BE VERY LITTLE DIFFERENCE FROM THE CURRENT POLICY -- EXCEPT THAT THE MILITARY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ASK CERTAIN QUESTIONS.
- I REMAIN CONCERNED THAT WE ARE MOVING FROM A POLICY THAT PREVENTS GAYS FROM SERVING IN THE MILITARY TO A POLICY THAT ALLOWS GAYS TO SERVE IN THE MILITARY. THERE COULD BE A LOT OF COURT CASES COMING OUT OF THIS.

Dan

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AUSA SPEECH

FT. RILEY

**THANK YOU MERRIL, GENERAL
ROBLES, AND DISTINGUISHED
MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED
STATES ARMY.**

**FIRST, LET ME JOIN YOU IN
WELCOMING GENERAL ROBLES
BACK TO FT. RILEY. WHEN THE**

**GENERAL DROPPED BY MY
OFFICE IN WASHINGTON A
COUPLE OF WEEKS BACK TO
GIVE ME THE GOOD NEWS THAT
HE WAS RETURNING FOR HIS
3RD TOUR HERE -- TO COMMAND
THE BIG RED ONE -- IT WAS
CLEAR THAT HE WAS LOOKING
FORWARD TO RETURNING TO FT.
RILEY. THAT IS ANOTHER**

**TESTAMENT TO STRONG
COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND
QUALITY OF LIFE WE HAVE
HERE. I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU
ESCAPED THE PENTAGON SO
QUICKLY GENERAL ROBLES, BUT
WE ARE VERY GLAD TO HAVE
YOU BACK. OF COURSE, IF WE
GET ANY MORE RAIN, WE MAY
START CALLING YOU ADMIRAL.**

**I WANT TO EXTEND MY
SINCERE APPRECIATION TO OUR
CHIEF OF STAFF, GENERAL
GORDON SULLIVAN WHOSE
COMMITTMENT AND SUPPORT
OF FT. RILEY ENSURED THAT WE
STOOD WELL ABOVE THE
CROWD THIS YEAR. A LOT OF
CREDIT ALSO GOES TO THE
PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM. YOU**

**HAVE MADE THE FT. RILEY
COMMUNITY THE ENVY OF THE
ARMY.**

**WHEN GENERAL ROBLES AND I
LAST TALKED, WE DISCUSSED
THE TOPIC THAT I KNOW IS ON
EVERYONE'S MIND -- BASE
CLOSURE AND THE FUTURE OF
FT. RILEY. LET BE FRANK WITH
YOU. THE OUTLOOK IS NOT AS**

**BRIGHT AS I WOULD LIKE IT TO
BE. AND THIS HAS NOTHING TO
DO WITH THE LAND EXPANSION
ISSUE. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO
WITH ANY LACK OF COMMUNITY
SUPPORT FOR FT. RILEY. ON
THE CONTRARY "CITIZENS FOR A
STRONG FT. RILEY" HAS GAINED
THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION
OF THE ARMY AND THE**

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.
OUR CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE
ARE MODEL ORGANIZATIONS
THAT HAVE KEPT THE TIES
CLOSE AND WARM. AND THIS
CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY
TIES IT ALL TOGETHER TO
FORGE A BOND THAT HAS MADE
SERVING AT FT. RILEY THE BEST**

**EXPERIENCE IN ANY SOLDIER'S
CAREER. EVERY SOLDIER WHO
HAS HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO
SERVE WITH THE BIG RED ONE,
AND RAISE A FAMILY HERE,
KNOWS WHY FT. RILEY MUST
REMAIN OPEN AND STRONG.**

**THE FUTURE OF FT. RILEY IS
NOT CLOUDED BECAUSE THERE
ARE NO THREATS TO OUR**

**SECURITY OR BECAUSE THE
WORLD IS SUDDENLY A SAFE
PLACE. BOSNIA IS A POWDER
KEG THREATENING TO EXPLODE
EUROPE. SADDAM HUSSEIN
REMAINS A BELLIGERENT
ADVERSARY. IRAN IS REARMING
AT AN ALARMING PACE. NORTH
KOREA IS DEVELOPING
NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THE**

**FUTURE STABILITY OF THE
FORMER SOVIET UNION IS
UNKNOWN. AMERICAN TROOPS
ARE STILL IN SOMALIA, MORE
HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO
MACEDONIA, AND SOON OTHERS
WILL GO TO HAITI. NO DOUBT
ABOUT IT, THE WORLD IS STILL A
DANGEROUS PLACE.**

**THE CHALLENGE THAT FT.
RILEY FACES IS THE WHOLE
SALE AUCTION OF OUR
NATIONAL SECURITY
STRUCTURE BY WISHFUL
THINKING LIBERALS WHO ARE
LOOKING FOR CASH TO FUND
THEIR NEW SOCIAL SPENDING
SPREE. THE BOTTOM LINE IS
THIS. IT IS NOT THAT WE DON'T**

**NEED FT. RILEY. IT IS WHETHER
THERE WILL BE ANY DEFENSE
DOLLARS LEFT TO KEEP OUR
ARMY STRONG AND FT. RILEY
OPEN. THE PROBLEM IS IN THE
NUMBERS.**

**WHILE SECRETARY ASPIN
TALKS OF OPTION "A" OR
OPTION "C", AND "BOTTOM UP
REVIEWS", THE REALITY IS THAT**

**THE DEFENSE BUDGET IS BEING
RAIDED AND OUR FORCES WILL
GET WHAT IS LEFT. THE
PRESIDENT'S BUDGET PLAN --
APPROVED OVER THE
UNANIMOUS OBJECTIONS OF
REPUBLICANS IN BOTH
HOUSES -- CALLS FOR SLASHING
AN ADDITIONAL \$120 BILLION
OUT OF OUR DEFENSE BUDGET**

**OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.
AND THAT IS ON TOP OF THE \$50
BILLION CUT THAT PRESIDENT
BUSH MADE LAST YEAR. THE
FISCAL 1994 DEFENSE BILL,
NOW PENDING IN THE ARMED
SERVICES COMMITTEE,
REPRESENTS A CUT OF \$12
BILLION BELOW LAST YEAR'S
LEVEL, AND IS 33% BELOW THE**

**PEAK IN 1985. THE FACT IS
THAT DEFENSE SPENDING HAS
BEEN CUT EVERY YEAR SINCE
1986. WE WILL BE SPENDING
LESS AS A PERCENTAGE OF GNP
THAN ANYTIME SINCE BEFORE
PEARL HARBOR.**

**WHILE WE ARE BEING TOLD
WHAT THE BUDGET NUMBERS
ARE, WE ARE NOT BEING TOLD**

**WHAT THIS MEANS IN TERMS OF
FORCE STRUCTURE, OR
CAPABILITY, OR SECURITY.**

**BUT LET ME GIVE YOU SOME
FIGURES AND LEAVE IT UP TO
YOU -- THE DEFENSE EXPERTS --
TO DECIDE. GENERAL ROBLES,
YOU JUST CAME FROM THE
ARMY BUDGET SHOP. WOULD
YOU LET ME KNOW IF THESE**

**NUMBERS ARE IN THE BALL
PARK? ACCORDING TO
DEFENSE EXPERTS I HAVE
TALKED TO, PRESIDENT
CLINTON'S DEFENSE PLAN WILL
FUND THE FOLLOWING FORCE
LEVELS:**

TEN ARMY DIVISIONS -- 8

ACTIVE, TWO RESERVE -- DOWN

FROM 24 DIVISIONS

FIVE MARINE CORPS BRIGADES -

- A CUT FROM 10

10 AIR FORCE FIGHTER WINGS --

SLASHED FROM 24

220 COMBAT SHIPS -- CUT FROM

443

**THE PLAN WILL CUT AN
ADDITIONAL 200,000 PERSONNEL
FROM THE RANKS AND FORCE
HUNDREDS MORE BASES TO**

**CLOSE. THESE "BUDGET
NUMBERS" WILL PIT SERVICE
AGAINST SERVICE, AND
COMMUNITY AGAINST
COMMUNITY.**

**DEFENSE IS NOT A JOBS
PROGRAM. CUTS WILL AND
SHOULD BE MADE. BUT THERE
IS A RIGHT WAY AND A WRONG
WAY TO DO IT. I WILL LEAVE IT**

**TO YOU THE EXPERTS TO TELL
ME IF THIS IS GOING TOO FAR --
TOO FAST. IT SEEMS TO ME
THAT IT IS.**

**THE KEY FOR FT. RILEY IS THE
ULTIMATE NUMBER OF ACTIVE
ARMY DIVISIONS. SHOULD WE
GET DOWN TO AROUND TEN, FT.
RILEY IS CERTAINLY ON THE
"BUBBLE". BELOW TEN, THE**

BUBBLE BURSTS.

**ANOTHER COMPLICATING
ISSUE IS THE NUMBER OF
AMERICAN DIVISIONS THAT WILL
BE KEPT IN EUROPE. I BELIEVE
IN A STRONG NATO, BUT I DO
NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD
MAINTAIN TWO FULL DIVISIONS
IN EUROPE AT THE EXPENSE OF
OUR BASES AT HOME. WE CAN**

**MEET OUR NATO COMMITMENTS
THROUGH THE COST EFFECTIVE
USE OF "ROUND OUT" DIVISIONS.**

**I KNOW THAT GENERAL
SULLIVAN STRONGLY SUPPORTS
THIS APPROACH AND SO DO I.**


**THE POINT I WANT TO LEAVE
WITH YOU IS THAT WE MUST
DEMAND TO KNOW WHAT
DEFENSE CUTS REALLY MEAN.**

**WE MUST GO BEYOND THE
BUDGET NUMBERS AND
UNDERSTAND HOW MANY BASES
WILL BE CLOSED. WHICH
PROGRAMS WILL BE CUT?
WHAT IS IT AMERICAN FORCES
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO IF
THESE CUTS ARE MADE. IT
SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU HAVE
TO ASK THE THE TOUGH**

**QUESTIONS. WITHOUT
ANSWERS, WE COULD BE
REPEATING THE COSTLY
MISTAKES OF THE PAST.
MISTAKES WE HAVE PAID FOR IN
BLOOD AND TREASURE.**

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