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REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE "A NEW COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION" CAL COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL -- LATIMER, IOWA

I AM PLEASED TO BE HERE AND SEE FIRST HAND ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE NATION -- THE RECIPIENT OF THE NATIONAL SECONDARY RECOGNITION AWARD BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -- AND A SCHOOL CITED BY EDUCATION SECRETARY BILL BENNETT AS HAVING A MODEL CURRICULUM OF AMERICA'S HIGH SCHOOLS. THIS IS A SCHOOL THAT CLEARLY IS DOING SOME GOOD THINGS FOR ITS STUDENTS.

I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU TODAY ABOUT AN ISSUE THAT IS ABSOLUTELY VITAL TO THE HEALTH OF OUR DEMOCRACY AND THE WEALTH OF OUR NATION -- THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG AMERICANS.

WE'RE RUNNING A DEFICIT IN THIS COUNTRY, AND IT'S GETTING WORSE. I'M TALKING ABOUT OUR EDUCATION DEFICIT, AND IT IS NO LESS SEVERE -- AND IN THE LONG RUN --- NO LESS DAMAGING THAN OUR HUGE FEDERAL BUDGET DEFICIT.

WE'RE A CAPITALIST COUNTRY, AND CAPITALISM REQUIRES HUMAN CAPITAL. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO SQUANDER THE TALENTS AND POTENTIAL OF OUR NATION'S YOUNG PEOPLE -- PEOPLE LIKE YOU IN SCHOOLS ACROSS THE COUNTRY -- BY FAILING TO OFFER THEM A PROPER EDUCATION.

THE FACT IS, THERE'S A BIG GAP BETWEEN WHAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE LEARNING TODAY COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS GENERATIONS -- AND WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD. IN MANY AREAS, WE'VE FALLEN BEHIND. THE NEXT PRESIDENT MUST MAKE A NEW COMMITMENT TO CUTTING THE EDUCATION DEFICIT BEFORE TODAY'S GENERATION OF STUDENTS GOES OUT INTO THE WORKPLACE.

IT WOULD TAKE A LONG TIME TO SUMMARIZE BOB DOLE'S RECORD ON EDUCATION, BUT I WANT TO HIT A FEW HIGHLIGHTS, THEN DESCRIBE THE EDUCATION POLICIES I WOULD FOLLOW AS PRESIDENT.

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IRA'S EDUCATION

THIS NATION PRODUCES ONE COMMODITY THAT IS PRIZED THE WORLD OVER: A DEGREE FROM AN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY. JUST ONE SCHOOL FROM THE BIG EIGHT, THE BIG TEN OR THE IVY LEAGUE WOULD BE THE PRIDE OF MOST FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

BUT THROUGHOUT THE 1980'S, THIS COMMODITY -- THE COLLEGE DIPLOMA -- HAS BEEN RISING IN PRICE AT TWICE THE RATE OF INFLATION. TODAY, THE COST OF FOUR YEARS AT SOME SCHOOLS RIVALS THE PRICE OF A SMALL HOUSE.

MY CONCERN IS THAT THE NEEDIEST STUDENTS -- MANY FROM MIDDLE AND WORKING CLASS FAMILIES -- MAY FIND THE RISING COSTS TOO HIGH, AND DECIDE TO FORGO COLLEGE ALTOGETHER. THAT'S SOMETHING WE CAN'T AFFORD. WE MUST NOT CREATE A SITUATION IN WHICH ONLY THE RICH CAN SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO COLLEGE.

THAT'S WHY LAST YEAR I PROPOSED CREATION OF EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS. UNDER THIS PLAN, PARENTS COULD CONTRIBUTE UP TO \$1,000 A YEAR TO A SPECIAL TAX-DEFERRED ACCOUNT. FUNDS IN THE ACCOUNT COULD BE USED ONLY FOR COLLEGE OR OTHER POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS. IT WOULD BE, IN EFFECT, AN IRA FOR EDUCATION.

IF THIS SOUNDS FAMILIAR, IT SHOULD. I HAVE INTRODUCED SIMILAR PROPOSALS SEVERAL TIMES OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, BEGINNING AS FAR BACK AS 1980. AND I'LL KEEP ON PUSHING THE IDEA AS PRESIDENT UNTIL CONGRESS PASSES IT.

TARGETING COLLEGE GRANTS

GIVEN THE LIMITED FEDERAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT AID SUCH AS PELL GRANTS AND GUARANTEED STUDENT LOANS, WE MUST BE CERTAIN THAT THESE FUNDS ARE TARGETED ON THOSE WHO NEED THEM MOST.

THAT IS WHY I ENDORSED A GRADUATED RISE IN PELL GRANTS FROM \$2,100 IN 1986 TO \$3,200 A YEAR IN 1991. THE GRANTS WOULD BE LIMITED TO FAMILIES WITH INCOMES OF LESS THAN \$30,000 AFTER TAXES.

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL A GOOD INVESTMENT, BECAUSE THOSE FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE ''RECAPTURED'' MANY TIMES OVER BY THE TREASURY WHEN THOSE STUDENTS ENTER THE WORK FORCE -- AND IN BETTER JOBS THAN THEY OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE HAD.

THAT'S BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE, AND THAT'S THE KIND OF NEW COMMITMENT THE NEXT PRESIDENT WILL HAVE TO MAKE.

SOME DISTURBING FIGURES

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THREE MONTHS AGO, WHEN I ANNOUNCED THAT I WOULD BE A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT IN 1988, I DECLARED THAT THIS NATION MUST REAFFIRM ITS COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AS THE GREAT EQUALIZER -- AS THE DOOR TO OPPORTUNITY FOR MILLIONS OF CHILDREN WHO MAY START A STEP BEHIND OTHERS.

CLEARLY, WE ARE NOT MAKING THAT COMMITMENT TODAY.

ALREADY, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ESTIMATES THERE ARE OVER 20 MILLION FUNCTIONALLY ILLITERATE AMERICANS -- PEOPLE WHO CAN'T READ OR WRITE WELL ENOUGH TO FILL DEMANDING JOBS. WE OUGHT TO CUT THAT FIGURE BY 2 MILLION A YEAR -- AND IN MY ADMINISTRATION, THAT WILL BE A PRIMARY GOAL.

TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF OUR NATION'S YOUTH DROP OUT OF SCHOOL. WE SHOULD CUT THAT DROPOUT RATE BY 10 PERCENT A YEAR. IN MY ADMINISTRATION, WE'LL PLEDGE TO DO JUST THAT.

THERE ARE STILL THOUSANDS OF AMERICAN STUDENTS LEAVING HIGH SCHOOL WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO READ THEIR DIPLOMAS ON GRADUATION DAY. THAT'S A SHAMEFUL RECORD. I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU WHAT THAT SHORTFALL IS COSTING US THROUGH THE CRIME AND WELFARE DEPENDENCY IT FOSTERS.

MAKING SCHOOL ACCOUNTABLE

AND WHEN THE COST OF TRAINING WORKERS IN BASIC TASKS COMES OUT OF THE REVENUES OF BUSINESSES, THOSE EMPLOYERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK -- WE ALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK: "ARE WE GETTING EVERYTHING WE'RE PAYING FOR?"

NOW LET ME BE CLEAR. WE SPEND A LOT ON EDUCATION. AND THE REPUBLICAN RECORD ON EDUCATION IS A SOLID ONE.

TOTAL SPENDING FOR EDUCATION HAS INCREASED 15 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS DURING THE REAGAN YEARS -- WITH THE HELP OF CONGRESS.

BUT SPENDING ISN'T EVERYTHING. AS A NATION, WE SPENT 310 BILLION DOLLARS ON EDUCATION AT ALL LEVELS LAST YEAR. THAT'S MORE THAN WE SPENT ON DEFENSE.

OVERALL, WE SPEND 6.8 PERCENT OF OUR GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT ON EDUCATION WHILE JAPAN SPENDS ONLY 5.7 PERCENT. YET THE JAPANESE ARE OUT-PERFORMING US.

IT'S TIME TO START LOOKING BEYOND SPENDING -- AND TOWARD NEW WAYS TO MAKE SCHOOLS ACCOUNTABLE. A NEW COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION MUST LEAD TO BETTER VALUE FOR THE DOLLARS WE DO SPEND.

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THIRTY YEARS AGO -- AND TODAY

THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO GIVE OUR SCHOOLS THE ATTENTION THEY NEED. EDUCATION REFORM IS SWEEPING THE COUNTRY WITH THE SAME KIND OF COMMITMENT THAT AMERICANS MADE IN THE SHADOW OF THE SOVIET SPUTNIK SATELLITE 30 YEARS AGO.

SINCE 1980, HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE INCREASED IN 39 STATES AND ALL BUT THREE STATES HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT EDUCATION REFORMS.

THE FEDERAL ROLE

ALL THIS IS BEING DONE LARGELY IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND THAT IS APPROPRIATE. I HAVE LONG BELIEVED THAT EDUCATION IS A NATIONAL CONCERN, A STATE RESPONSIBILITY, AND A LOCAL FUNCTION.

TO BE BLUNT, IT'S NOT FOR WASHINGTON TO COME STEAL THE SHOW FROM PARENTS AND EDUCATORS WHO CARE THE MOST, WHO ARE TRYING TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS, AND WHO ARE IN THE BEST PLACE TO JUDGE WHAT WORKS.

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ROLE SHOULD BE TO INSPIRE SCHOOLS TO IMPROVE WHAT GOES ON IN THE CLASSROOM.

IT SHOULD IDENTIFY NEW PROGRAMS THAT PRODUCE POSITIVE-RESULTS.

BUT IT SHOULD HOLD THESE PROGRAMS UP AS MODELS, NOT IMPOSE THEM AS MOLDS.

AND ALWAYS, THE AIM SHOULD BE TO ADOPT PROGRAMS OF PROVEN SUCCESS -- WITH POSITIVE EFFECTS ON THE FUTURE LIVES OF STUDENTS -- AND NOT JUST ABSTRACT IMPROVEMENTS IN EDUCATION STATISTICS.

IN THE SENATE, I HAVE ADDRESSED THESE NEEDS WITH SPECIFIC LEGISLATION -- ''THE EDUCATION COMPETITIVENESS AND IMPROVEMENT ACT.'' THIS BILL TARGETS FEDERAL RESOURCES TOWARD POORER STUDENTS, ENCOURAGES PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT, AND PROVIDES INCENTIVES FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES TO DEVELOP TRAINING PROGRAMS THAT WOULD LEAD TO JOBS.

IMPROVING ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

OUR GREATEST PROBLEMS ARE AT THE LEVEL OF SECONDARY AND PRIMARY EDUCATION -- AND THESE REQUIRE OUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

IT IS A NATIONAL EMBARRASSMENT THAT ALMOST 40 PERCENT OF 17-YEAR-OLDS WHO HAVE TAKEN AMERICAN HISTORY COURSES DON'T HAVE THE FOGGIEST IDEA OF WHEN COLUMBUS DISCOVERED THE NEW WORLD. THEY CAN'T PLACE THE FIRST WORLD WAR WITHIN THE CORRECT HALF CENTURY.

LIKE MOST AMERICANS, I BELIEVE THAT WE MUST RE-EMPHASIZE INSTRUCTION IN THE BASICS: IN ENGLISH, IN MATHEMATICS, IN-SCIENCE, IN HISTORY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES. AND I WOULD ADD COMPUTER TRAINING TO THAT LIST.

WE MUST ALSO FOSTER COMPETITION AND EXPAND EDUCATIONAL CHOICE, BUT WE MUST DO SO IN A WAY THAT WILL PRESERVE AND STRENGTHEN -- AND NOT UNDERMINE -- OUR PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

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LET ME SUGGEST SEVERAL IDEAS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD SUPPORT.

MANY AMERICANS HAVE WATCHED THE SUCCESS OF MAGNET SCHOOLS --SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT EMPHASIZE PARTICULAR AREAS OF LEARNING, AND WHICH HAVE INJECTED MORE COMPETITION IN SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN BOTH BIG CITIES AND RURAL COMMUNITIES.

BUT AN EVEN MORE PROMISING INNOVATION IS THE SO-CALLED OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS PARENTS TO CHOOSE AMONG LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS BASED ON THE QUALITY OF THE EDUCATION SERVICES PROVIDED. SUCH 'OPPORTUNITY CERTIFICATES' HAVE BEEN TRIED WITH SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS IN A NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS. I SUPPORT FEDERAL ENCOURAGEMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE CONCEPT.

I MENTIONED EARLIER THAT WE MUST DEVELOP IN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE THE SELF-DISCIPLINE TO STICK TO THEIR STUDIES AND FINISH HIGH SCHOOL.

THE CLEVELAND SCHOOL SYSTEM IS EXPERIMENTING WITH ONE NOVEL WAY TO DEVELOP SUCH SELF-DISCIPLINE IN STUDENTS.

WITH THE HELP OF PRIVATE BUSINESS, THE CITY HAS SET UP SCHOLARSHIPS IN ESCROW ACCOUNTS FOR INNER-CITY YOUTH. A CONTRIBUTION IS MADE EACH YEAR THE STUDENTS STAYS IN SCHOOL, BASED ON THE GRADES THEY HAVE EARNED. IT'S AN IDEA THAT SHOULD BE TRIED IN OTHER CITIES WITH HIGH DROPOUT PROBLEMS.

WE MUST ALSO RESTORE THE PRESTIGE AND MEANING OF THE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA. LOWERING THE DROP-OUT RATE WILL BE MEANINGLESS IF WE DO IT BY FURTHER DEVALUING WHAT A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA MEANS. WE CAN'T COVER UP THE PROBLEM WITH A LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER.

OVER THE LAST TWO DECADES, THE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA HAS LOST MUCH OF ITS LUSTER -- OFTEN GIVEN OUT SIMPLY BECAUSE A STUDENT MANAGED TO SPEND TWELVE YEARS IN SCHOOL. IF STUDENTS HAVEN'T MET BASIC EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS FOR THEIR GRADE, THEY SHOULD BE HELD BACK. AT THE SAME TIME, EDUCATION SHOULD BE A TWO-WAY STREET. TEACHERS AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS MUST BE HELD TO ACCOUNT ALSO, IF THEY ARE FAILING TO TEACH THEIR STUDENTS BASIC EDUCATION SKILLS.

I ALSO PROPOSE THE ESTABLISHMENT, PERHAPS BY A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION, OF NEW STANDARDS FOR AN ADVANCED HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FOR STUDENTS CAPABLE OF COMPLETING RIGOROUS ACADEMIC PROGRAMS. MANY DISTRICTS NOW OFFER ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES, BUT THESE SHOULD BE BACKED UP BY A SPECIAL DIPLOMA THAT RECOGNIZES THE SUPERIOR EDUCATION THEIR RECIPIENTS HAVE RECEIVED.

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JUST AS WE RECOGNIZE ADVANCED STUDENTS, WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE MASTER TEACHERS TOO OFTEN WE REWARD OUR MOST CAPABLE TEACHERS BY PULLING THEM OUT OF THE CLASSROOM.

ONE IDEA THAT IS CATCHING ON IS MERIT PAY. IT'S A SIMPLE IDEA: IF A TEACHER IS DOING A BETTER JOB, THAT TEACHER GETS REWARDED FOR IT ON PAYDAY.

ONE PROGRAM IS PROVING ITSELF IN ROCHESTER, NEW YORK. THERE, OUTSTANDING TEACHERS ARE ATTRACTED BY HIGH SALARIES TO REMAIN IN THEIR JOBS AND AT THE SAME TIME TRAIN NEW TEACHERS IN EFFECTIVE METHODS. IT'S ONE MORE WAY OF MAKING SCHOOLS ACCOUNTABLE TO THOSE WHO PAY THE BILL.

EDUCATION FOR DEMOCRACY

I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT EDUCATION AS A MEANS TO SECURE OUR ECONOMIC POSITION, TO MAKE US MORE COMPETITIVE IN WORLD MARKETS. BUT, EDUCATION IS FAR MORE THAN THAT.

TAKE THOSE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES WHO CANNOT READ. NOT ONLY CAN THEY NOT READ THEIR OWN DIPLOMAS, THEY CAN T READ ROBERT FROST OR SHAKESPEARE. THEY CAN NEVER ENJOY HEMINGWAY OR FAULKNER. THEY CAN'T READ THE BIBLE OR THE BILL OF RIGHTS.

THE NEW KNOWLEDGE WE ACQUIRE IN OUR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IS NOT JUST FOR PROFESSORS AND SCHOLARS. IT IS FOR ALL OF US, BECAUSE THERE IS A DEEP AND LASTING REWARD IN EDUCATION, IN LEARNING, IN UNDERSTANDING HOW THE WORLD WORKS.

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FOR THE INDIVIDUAL, EDUCATION CAN BE A SOURCE OF JOY AND PERSONAL FULFILLMENT.

FOR OUR SOCIETY, EDUCATION IS NOT JUST THE ROOT OF ECONOMIC WEALTH, IT IS THE FOUNDATION FOR OUR LIBERTIES AND OUR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM.

YOU DON'T NEED AN EXPENSIVE FEDERAL STUDY TO TELL YOU THAT FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS ONLY MEANINGFUL IF THE PEOPLE CAN READ THE NEWSPAPERS AND BOOKS THAT COME OFF THE PRINTING PRESSES.

OUR CAUCUSES AND PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS ARE NOT JUST BEAUTY CONTESTS -- BECAUSE CAUCUSES AND PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS ARE PEOPLE COMING TOGETHER TO MAKE INTELLIGENT, EDUCATED CHOICES.

THOMAS JEFFERSON KNEW THIS. HE CONSIDERED HIS FOUNDING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA TO BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN MANY OF HIS ACHIEVEMENTS AS PRESIDENT. TWO HUNDRED YEARS HAVE SHOWN WHAT FORESIGHT JEFFERSON HAD. LOOK AROUND THE WORLD TODAY. DICTATORSHIPS SURVIVE AS LONG AS THE PEOPLE ARE KEPT IGNORANT. DEMOCRACIES THRIVE BEST IF THE PEOPLE ARE EDUCATED.

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IN A DOLE ADMINISTRATION, WE WILL NEVER IGNORE THE LINK BETWEEN AN EDUCATED CITIZENRY AND DEMOCRACY. THE CITIZENS OF A REPUBLIC MUST BE EDUCATED -- OR THE REPUBLIC WILL NOT SURVIVE.

THAT IS THE REAL CORE OF MY POSITION ON EDUCATION. AND IT IS THE REASON I HAVE BROUGHT MY CASE BEFORE YOU, THE FUTURE LEADERS OF OUR GREAT NATION, HERE TODAY.

IN A WORLD WHERE ONLY THE EDUCATED ARE FREE, I WILL NEVER FORGET THAT WEALTH, HAPPINESS, AND THE FREEDOM OF OUR NATION DEPENDS ON THE WISE COUSEL OF AN EDUCATED CITIZENRY TO GUIDE OUR FUTURE AND SECURE THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY FOR OURSELVES AND OUR CHILDREN.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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NATIONAL SECURITY CHALLENGES OF THE 1990'S FOREIGN RELATIONS COUNCIL UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

49 YEARS AGO, A FINE YOUNG ATHLETE FROM THIS UNIVERSITY TRAVELED TO NEW YORK -- TO RECEIVE AN AWARD AS THE BEST COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYER IN THE LAND. WITH WAR ALREADY RAGING IN EUROPE, NILE KINNICK ACCEPTED THE HEISMAN TROPHY WITH THESE WORDS: "I THANK GOD I WAS BORN TO THE GRIDIRONS OF THE MIDDLE WEST -- AND NOT TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF EUROPE."

NOT LONG AFTER, AMERICA WAS AT WAR, TOO. AND NILE KINNICK, AND THOUSANDS OF OTHER YOUNG AMERICANS, WENT OFF TO FIGHT FOR THEIR COUNTRY.

BOB DOLE WAS AMONG THAT CROWD. WE WEREN'T ANXIOUS TO GO OFF TO WAR. WE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO STAY AT. HOME; TO FINISH OUR EDUCATIONS; TO GET GOOD JOBS.

BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE THAT OPTION. NILE KINNICK DIDN'T. BOB DOLE DIDN'T.

OUR COUNTRY WAS AT WAR. THERE WAS NO CHOICE. SO WE WENT TO WAR, TOO.

SACRIFICE

I WAS AMONG THOSE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO RETURN; TO RESUME A LIFE WHICH HASN'T ALWAYS BEEN EASY -- BUT WHICH, FINALLY, HAS BROUGHT ME HERE TO IOWA CITY TODAY.

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NILE KINNICK WAS NOT SO LUCKY. AS A NAVY PILOT, OPERATING OFF THE CARRIER LEXINGTON, NILE KINNICK'S PLANE WAS LOST AT SEA.

AND, TODAY, THINKING BACK ON THE SACRIFICE THAT NILE KINNICK MADE; THINKING BACK ON MY OWN EXPERIENCE, IN THE WAR AND AFTER -- IF THERE IS ONE THING ABOVE ALL THAT I LEARNED, IT IS THIS: THE ONLY THING MORE TERRIBLE THAN WAR -- IS TO LOSE YOUR FREEDOM.

FREEDOM

FREEDOM IS WHAT THIS UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS ALL ABOUT.

AND RIGHT NOW, FREEDOM IS FACED WITH A WHOLE NEW SET OF CHALLENGES -- CHALLENGES I WANT TO TALK ABOUT TODAY.

FIRST, I WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT THE CHALLENGE OF REDUCING NUCLEAR ARMS -- WITHOUT INVITING AGGRESSION; THE VERY AGGRESSION WE SOUGHT TO DETER, BY ACQUIRING THOSE ARMS IN THE FIRST PLACE. INF

RONALD REAGAN'S ARMS CONTROL STRATEGY HAS YIELDED A MILESTONE ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENT: THE INTERMEDIATE RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES TREATY.

IT IS THE FIRST AGREEMENT TO ACTUALLY REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF NUCLEAR ARMS IN THE WORLD; THE FIRST TO WIPE OUT AN ENTIRE CLASS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

AND, IMPORTANTLY, THE FIRST TO REFLECT THIS FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE: IT IS NOT REDUCTIONS, PER SE, WHICH MAKE THE WORLD SAFER; BUT ONLY REDUCTIONS WHICH MORE NEARLY EQUALIZE THE NUCLEAR CAPABILITY OF THE TWO SUPERPOWERS -- AND THUS CREATE GREATER STABILITY. THAT IS THE ESSENTIAL LOGIC BEHIND THE INF TREATY.

I HAVE DONE MY HOMEWORK ON THIS TREATY. AND BECAUSE I HAVE, I CAN SAY TO YOU CATEGORICALLY: THIS IS A GOOD TREATY. IT CAN BE VERIFIED .- AND IT WILL ENHANCE THE NATIONAL SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES.

IT IS A GOOD TREATY; WHICH WILL BE STRENGTHENED FURTHER IN THE SENATE; AND THEN SHOULD BE APPROVED.

AND BECAUSE I HAVE DONE MY HOMEWORK -- AND THE SENATE REPUBLICANS I LEAD KNOW I HAVE DONE MY HOMEWORK -- I CAN MAKE TO YOU TODAY THE SAME PLEDGE I MADE TO RONALD REAGAN: I WILL LEAD THE FIGHT TO WIN SENATE APPROVAL OF THE INF TREATY.

AND THE TREATY WILL BE APPROVED -- WITH AN OVERWHELMING, BIPARTISAN VOTE.

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CAUTION

BUT INF IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP; BECAUSE THIS TREATY -- AS WELCOME AND IMPORTANT AS IT IS -- AFFECTS ONLY 6% OF THE TOTAL NUCLEAR ARSENALS OF THE TWO SUPERPOWERS. IT AFFECTS NOT AT ALL THOSE NUCLEAR WEAPONS WHICH THE SOVIET UNION AIMS AT THE UNITED STATES.

IT IS A BEGINNING. BUT THE JOURNEY AHEAD IS LONG AND UNCERTAIN.

NOW LET ME SAY: WE MUST GO FORWARD ON THAT JOURNEY. I DO WANT A START AGREEMENT, WHICH WOULD YIELD 50% CUTS IN LONG-RANGE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THAT IS A GOOD GOAL; AN ACHIEVABLE GOAL.

BUT I MUST ALSO SAY THIS: WE MUST GO FORWARD CAUTIOUSLY --KNOWING CLEARLY WHERE WE WANT TO GO; AND KNOWING CLEARLY HOW TO GET THERE SAFELY.

WE CANNOT FINALIZE A START AGREEMENT UNTIL WE ARE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN OF TWO THINGS.

FIRST, THAT THE AGREEMENT CAN BE VERIFIED. AND THERE IS A LIGHT YEAR OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VERIFYING AN INF AGREEMENT WHICH REDUCES LEVELS TO ZERO; AND A START AGREEMENT WHICH, EVEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED, WOULD LEAVE HALF OF EXISTING STRATEGIC SYSTEMS IN PLACE.

AND LET ME SOUND THIS SMALL ALARM, TOO: UNLESS WE MOVE IMMEDIATELY TO SHORE UP OUR TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES TO VERIFY NUCLEAR ARMS REDUCTIONS -- I HAVE GRAVE DOUBTS THAT ANY VERIFICATION REGIME THE SOVIETS WILL AGREE TO WILL BE ADEQUATE TO THE TASK OF VERIFYING START.

DETERRENT

SO VERIFICATION IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL. BUT IT IS FAR FROM OUR ONLY CONCERN; IT IS NOT THE WHOLE ANSWER.

A BAD AGREEMENT, EVEN IF IT IS VERIFIABLE, IS STILL A BAD AGREEMENT.

SO, SECOND, AND IN ADDITION TO AIRTIGHT VERIFICATION, WE ALSO HAVE TO BE ABSOLUTELY SURE THAT THE AGREEMENT LEAVES US WITH A CREDIBLE NUCLEAR DETERRENT. ANY START AGREEMENT FROM THE ON-GOING GENEVA TALKS MUST MEET THIS VITAL STANDARD -- THERE CAN BE NO COMPROMISE ON THIS POINT, PERIOD.

LET US AGAIN RECALL THE AXIOM I MENTIONED BEFORE. REDUCTIONS, PER SE, MAY NOT BE STABILIZING; MAY NOT MAKE US SAFER; MAY NOT REDUCE THE CHANCES OF WAR.

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INDEED, IF THE RESIDUAL FORCES ON EACH SIDE ARE MISALIGNED; IF OURS ARE LEFT MORE VULNERABLE TO ATTACK BY THEIRS; OR IF WE FAIL TO ADEQUATELY FUND PROGRAMS WHICH INSURE THE SURVIVABILITY AND UTILITY OF OUR DETERRENT FORCES -- UNDER ANY OF THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES: THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR DETERRENCE WOULD BE REDUCED, EVEN THOUGH THE SOVIETS WOULD HAVE FEWER WEAPONS.

AND, UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES -- UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES -- IT WOULD BE BETTER THAT WE HAVE NO START AGREEMENT AT ALL.

CAVEATS

LET ME ADD JUST TWO ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS IN THE START CONTEXT. (1) UNDERSCORING MY CONCERNS ON START IS THE OVERWHELMING SUPERIORITY OF SOVIET CONVENTIONAL FORCES -- AN IMBALANCE WHICH MUST BE DEALT WITH IN ANY FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS OR FUTURE SUMMITS WITH THE SOVIETS. I WILL SPEAK MORE ABOUT CONVENTIONAL ARMS IN A MOMENT.

AND (2) IN MY VIEW, THE AGGRESSIVE PURSUIT OF S.D.I., LEADING TO THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DEPLOYMENT, IS THE SINGLE GREATEST CONTRIBUTION WE CAN MAKE TO INSURING THE CREDIBILITY OF AMERICAN DETERRENCE.

SO THIS, THEN, IS THE FIRST CHALLENGE: MOVING FORWARD ON NUCLEAR ARMS REDUCTIONS -- BUT IN A WAY THAT PRESERVES DETERRENCE AND ENHANCES OUR SECURITY.

GORBACHEV

AND THE SECOND GREAT CHALLENGE IS: HOW TO MANAGE SUCCESSFULLY OUR RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION, AS WE TRAVERSE THE NEXT DECADE, AND ENTER THE NEXT CENTURY. AND AS WE CONFRONT WHAT, TRULY, ARE SOME NEW MODES OF THINKING IN THE SOVIET UNION, AND A NEW STYLE LEADER IN MR. GORBACHEV.

GORBACHEV IS DYNAMIC; HE'S ARTICULATE; HE'S SMART.

AND HE WILL BE A MORE ACTIVE AND EFFECTIVE COMPETITOR IN THE GLOBAL CONTEST FOR RESPECT AND CREDIBILITY.

I'M NOT MUCH OF A BELIEVER IN POLLS, BUT I AM ALARMED BY POLLS SHOWING GORBACHEV REGARDED BY MANY IN THE NATO COUNTRIES AS A "PEACEMAKER."

AND WHAT ALARMS ME MOST IS THAT MR. GORBACHEV, FOR ALL THAT HE BRINGS THAT IS NEW, ALSO BRINGS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY, VERY OLD: THE CONVICTIONS OF A COMMITTED, DEDICATED, TOUGH-AS-NAILS COMMUNIST.

HE IS A COMMUNIST STILL. IN HIS HEAD. IN HIS HEART.

COMMUNISM

NOW, MR. GORBACHEV IS A GOOD SALESMAN -- BUT WE CAN NEVER LET THE WORLD FORGET: HIS PRODUCT IS COMMUNISM.

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NO ONE IS GOING TO BUY THE SOVIET BRAND OF OPPRESSION, OR THE SOVIET MODEL OF ECONOMIC STAGNATION. NOT IF THEY CAN GET THROUGH THAT NICE WRAPPING PAPER THAT GORBACHEV USES, AND SEE WHAT'S INSIDE THE BOX.

AND THAT'S ONE BIG JOB OF THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES: TO RE-ARTICULATE TO THE WORLD WHAT SOVIET COMMUNISM IS ALL ABOUT; WHAT FREEDOM IS ALL ABOUT; AND WHAT'S AT STAKE --WHAT'S STILL AT STAKE -- IN THE COMPETITION BETWEEN OUR TWO SYSTEMS.

TO REMIND THE WORLD THAT A NATION THAT REFUSES TO PERMIT THE EMIGRATION OF ITS OWN CITIZENS; THAT REPRESSES RELIGION; THAT INVADES ITS NEIGHBORS; AND THAT SOWS SEEDS OF VIOLENCE AND HATE AROUND THE WORLD -- THAT SUCH A NATION IS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT FROM US.

THAT'S NOT COLD WAR RHETORIC; IT'S A COLD, HARD FACT.

SUPERPOWERS

NOW LET ME STRESS HERE: I AM BY NO MEANS SUGGESTING THAT WE CAN'T, OR SHOULDN'T TRY TO, WORK WITH THE SOVIETS.

IN FACT, I WOULD SAY THE OPPOSITE: THE EMERGENCE OF MR. GORBACHEV IS A POWERFUL INCENTIVE TO WORK EVEN HARDER FOR NEW AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS WITH THE SOVIETS.

I DON'T TRUST MR. GORBACHEV OR ANYONE ELSE IN THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP.

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BUT THAT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT WE HAPPEN TO RESIDE ON THE SAME PLANET, AND CAN'T AVOID DEALING WITH EACH OTHER.

AND THERE MAY BE SOME AREAS WHERE GORBACHEV WILL BE MORE OPEN TO SERIOUS NEGOTIATION THAT HIS PREDECESSORS. HE DOES HAVE SOME NEW, AND MORE SOPHISTICATED, NOTIONS ABOUT WHAT CAN SERVE SOVIET INTERESTS. HE IS MORE DECISIVE THAN HIS PREDECESSORS WERE. AND HE APPEARS TO HAVE A GREATER UNDERSTANDING THAN THEY DID OF THE URGENCY OF THE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS THAT COMMUNISM HAS WROUGHT IN THE SOVIET UNION.

SO IT IS IN OUR INTEREST -- AMERICA'S INTEREST -- TO SEE WHAT MAY BE POSSIBLE. TO SEE IF WE CAN ACHIEVE AGREEMENTS WHICH SERVE AMERICAN SECURITY AND PROSPERITY.

AND LET ME REPEAT HERE A SUGGESTION ON MANAGING U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS THAT I HAVE MADE BEFORE. RONALD REAGAN HAS ACHIEVED GREAT PROGRESS IN HIS SUMMITS WITH MR. GORBACHEV. BUT THE ADVENT OF A POTENTIALLY LONG-TERM, STABLE SOVIET LEADERSHIP GIVES US THE CHANCE TO REPLACE THE ROLLER-COASTER OF ON-AGAIN, OFF-AGAIN SUMMITRY -- WITH THE MORE BUSINESSLIKE, AND PRODUCTIVE, COURSE OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED, ANNUAL SUMMITS.

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I HAVE ALREADY HAD A TASTE OF DEALING WITH MR. GORBACHEV. HE'S A WORTHY ADVERSARY.

BUT WE HAVE A BETTER CASE. WITH CONTINUED STRONG LEADERSHIP, WE CAN SELL THAT CASE AROUND THE WORLD.

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SO THAT IS CHALLENGE NUMBER TWO: DEALING PRODUCTIVELY WITH A CHANGING SOVIET UNION -- WITHOUT FORGETTING SOME FUNDAMENTALS THAT HAVE NOT CHANGED.

AND THAT BRINGS ME TO THE THIRD AND FINAL CHALLENGE: MAKING SURE THAT THE FREE WORLD -- THE ALLIANCE STRUCTURE THAT HAS KEPT US FREE AND AT PEACE -- MAKING SURE IT, TOO, IS READY TO TACKLE THE PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF THE 1990'S.

SO LET ME CONCLUDE BY TOUCHING ON WHAT I SEE AS THE THREE MOST PRESSING TASKS FACING NATO AND THE U.S.-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

FIRST, WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE WE'RE ON THE SAME ESSENTIAL WAVELENGTH, IN CONFRONTING SUCH FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES AS ARMS CONTROL, DEALING WITH THE SOVIETS, AND TERRORISM.

LET ME SAY THIS FRANKLY. IN HANDLING OUR ALLIANCE RELATIONS, THE UNITED STATES HAS MADE SOME MISTAKES. ON ARMS CONTROL, WE MUST NOT ONLY CONSULT WITH OUR ALLIES -- WE MUST DO SO SERIOUSLY AND VISIBLY; AND BEFORE OUR PROPOSALS ARE PRESENTED TO THE SOVIETS.

AND THERE IS JUST NO EXCUSE FOR THE DISASTROUS ARMS SALES TO THE AYATOLLAH -- OR TO ANYONE ELSE IN IRAN. THOSE SALES KNOCKED INTO A COCKED-HAT THE CREDIBILITY OF THE FORMAL U.S. POLICY OF NO CONCESSIONS TO TERRORISTS.

SO WE HAVE BEEN DOING SOME FENCE-MENDING. AND I COMMEND THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS DILIGENT EFFORTS IN THIS REGARD.

BUT THERE IS STILL WORK TO BE DONE. THAT IS WHY I HAVE URGED, AND I URGE AGAIN HERE TODAY, THAT THE NEXT SUMMIT BE AN ALLIANCE SUMMIT; BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT REAGAN AND GENERAL SECRETARY GORBACHEV.

AND I AM PLEASED THAT BRITISH PRIME MINISTER THATCHER HAS JUST ENDORSED THIS PROPOSAL; AND THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN IS NOW SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING IT.

CONVENTIONAL IMBALANCE

THE SECOND URGENT PROBLEM FOR THE ALLIANCE IS DEALING WITH THE THEATER FORCE IMBALANCE IN A POST-INF EUROPE -- INCLUDING THE CONVENTIONAL FORCE IMBALANCE I MENTIONED BRIEFLY BEFORE. DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM MEANS, INITIALLY, THAT WE DRAW THIS FIRM LINE IN THE SAND: THERE CAN BE NO MORE DRAWDOWNS IN RESIDUAL NUCLEAR FORCES IN EUROPE, UNTIL THE CONVENTIONAL IMBALANCE IS RECTIFIED. OUR BATTLEFIELD NUCLEAR WEAPONS; OUR DUAL PURPOSE AIRCRAFT -- THEY MUST REMAIN IN PLACE.

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AND THEN WE NEED TO GIVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY TO ASYMMETRICAL REDUCTIONS IN FORCES TO ACHIEVE MORE NEARLY EQUAL LEVELS OF CONVENTIONAL FORCES. AND THE REDUCTIONS MUST BE REAL, WHOLE UNIT ELIMINATION OF THE MOST THREATENING FORCES: DIVISIONS, TANKS, ARTILLERY, AND ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS. NOT JUST SHAM WITHDRAWALS, SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES TO THE EAST.

BURDEN-SHARING

THE THIRD ALLIANCE PROBLEM WHICH NEEDS WORK IS BURDEN-SHARING. BURDEN-SHARING IS NOT JUST A SLOGAN -- IT IS THE VERY ESSENCE OF ANY PARTNERSHIP.

BUT RIGHT NOW, THERE JUST ISN'T ENOUGH SHARING GOING ON.

THE UNITED STATES HAS MADE MISTAKES; BUT WE HAVE NEVER AVOIDED OUR RESPONSIBILITIES, OR BEEN AFRAID TO ASSUME THE RISKS. WE HAVE NEVER FAILED TO PAY OUR SHARE -- AND A LOT MORE.

WE HAVE IOU'S -- MONETARY IOU'S; MILITARY IOU'S; POLITICAL IOU'S -- SCATTERED ALL OVER THIS GLOBE.

IT IS TIME TO CALL THEM IN.

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IT IS TIME FOR COUNTRIES WHO OWE THEIR FREEDOM TO AMERICA'S DEFENSE SHIELD; WHO OWE THEIR PROSPERITY TO AMERICA'S FOREIGN AID AND TRADE -- IT IS TIME FOR THEM TO REALIZE THAT THERE IS A "DEPOSIT" WINDOW, AS WELL AS A "WITHDRAWAL" WINDOW, AT ALLIANCE BANKS.

I KNOW THAT SOME OF OUR ALLIES ARE MEETING THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. I KNOW THAT MORE THAN A FEW ARE MAKING SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS, IN TERMS OF DOLLARS, OR MANPOWER, OR THEIR WILLINGNESS TO HOST FOREIGN BASES AND FORCES.

BUT I ALSO KNOW -- AND, MORE IMPORTANT, THE AMERICAN TAXPAYER KNOWS -- THAT WHEN IT IS ALL TOTED UP: UNCLE SAM PAYS MORE THAN HE SHOULD. IN DOLLARS, IN RISK, IN RESPONSIBILITIES.

PLAN OF ACTION

I HAVE SOME IDEAS ON HOW THE ALLIES COULD PAY THEIR MORE EQUITABLE SHARE:

-- THROUGH AN ALLIANCE STRATEGIC OIL RESERVE, FINANCED BY WEALTHY NATIONS LIKE JAPAN;

-- THROUGH INCREASED ECONOMIC AID TO RECIPIENT NATIONS LIKE THE PHILIPPINES, WHO NOW RELY PRIMARILY ON U.S. AID;

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-- BY PAYING A GREATER PORTION OF THE COST OF STATIONING AMERICAN TROOPS OVERSEAS;

-- BY INCREASING THE OPERATIONAL AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR TROOPS;

-- AND BY DEDICATING A PORTION OF THE REVENUES FROM THEIR GROWING TRADE SURPLUSES TO ALLIANCE NEEDS.

OTHERS MAY HAVE OTHER IDEAS. BUT THE KEY IS: LET'S GET THIS DONE, NOW.

U.S. BASES

AND, AS A FINAL WORD ON BURDEN-SHARING, LET ME POINT OUT THAT OUR ALLIES -- BOTH INDIVIDUALLY AND AS A UNIT IN NATO -- MUST BECOME MORE RESPONSIVE, AND RESPONSIBLE, IN ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF AMERICAN BASES. SPAIN CAN'T CLAIM THE BENEFIT OF AMERICA'S DETERRENT POWER -- WHILE THROWING OUT THE HARDWARE AND PERSONNEL WHICH ARE THE ESSENCE OF THAT POWER. AND NATO CAN'T DEMAND THAT AMERICA BE THERE IN A CRUNCH -- BUT THEN PRETEND THAT THE BASES WHICH ARE THE CENTERS OF OUR PRESENCE ARE NOT THE BUSINESS OF NATO; BUT ONLY A BILATERAL AFFAIR BETWEEN THE U.S. AND SPAIN.

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. AND WE BETTER START ACTING THAT WAY.

SUMMARY

SO THESE ARE THE CHALLENGES:

MOVING FORWARD RESPONSIBLY ON ARMS CONTROL.

REDRESSING THE CONVENTIONAL ARMS IMBALANCE.

FORGING REALISTIC, CONSTRUCTIVE RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.

AND KEEPING OUR ALLIANCES UP TO THE TASKS OF THE 1990'S.

THE KINNICK CHALLENGE

FIVE DECADES AGO, NILE KINNICK JUST WANTED TO STAY HERE IN IOWA -- AND MAKE A LIFE. BUT HE HAD TO GO FIGHT IN A WAR -- THAT COST HIM HIS LIFE.

NILE KINNICK HAD A CHALLENGE -- TO STAND UP FOR HIS COUNTRY. NILE MET THAT CHALLENGE.

NOW IT'S OUR TURN.

AS WE ENTER THE LAST DECADE OF THIS CENTURY, AS WE FACE UP TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEXT -- LET US REMEMBER NILE KINNICK'S EXAMPLE; AND LET US DO OUR DUTY, AS WELL AS HE DID HIS. I RAN HARD FOR MY PARTY'S NOMINATION BECAUSE

I CARE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY.

I RAN HARD FOR THE PRESIDENCY BECAUSE I

THOUGHT I COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

I RAN HARD BECAUSE I WANTED TO HELP

GUARANTEE THAT WE HAD THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE

REPUBLICAN PARTY UNITED BEHIND ITS NOMINEE.



AND I CAN SAY WITHOUT RESERVATION TODAY THAT

THOSE ARE THE VERY SAME REASONS FIVE GOOD MEN

NAMED GEORGE BUSH, JACK KEMP, PETE DUPONT, PAT

ROBERTSON, AND AL HAIG JOINED ME IN THAT RACE.

WELL, ONLY ONE MAN COULD WIN; AND THE

WINNER IS GEORGE BUSH.



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YOU KNOW, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF MEDIA SPECULATION LATELY ABOUT PARTY UNITY:

YOU'VE SEEN THE STORIES -- REPUBLICANS

GETTING TOGETHER FOR THE SAKE OF THE PARTY; IN THE NAME OF PARTY UNITY. WELL, AS FAR AS BOB

DOLE'S CONCERNED, THERE'S NEVER BEEN ANY PARTY

DIS-UNITY.

YES, WE RAN FOR THE PRESIDENCY. BUT WE RAN

AS REPUBLICANS, HOPEFULLY TO EXPAND THE PARTY.

YES, WE HAD DIFFERENCES; SOME WOULD SAY

"SHADES" OF DIFFERENCES.

BUT THERE WAS NEVER ANY DOUBT WE STOOD

FOUR-SQUARE FOR A STRONG AMERICA; A STRONG

DEFENSE; A STRONG COMMITMENT TO FREEDOM

FIGHTERS AROUND THE WORLD; WE STOOD FOR A

STRONGER FREE ENETERPRISE SYSTEM; A STRONGER

ECONOMY; AND A PRESIDENT STRONG ENOUGH TO

MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



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AND THERE WAS NEVER ANY DOUBT THAT WHAT WE

STOOD FOR WAS 180-DEGREES DIFFERENT -- AND 100

PERCENT BETTER -- THAN WHAT THE DEMOCRATIC

CANDIDATES STOOD FOR: THEIR FIRST DEMOCRATIC

DEBATE PROVED THAT! AND SO HAS THEIR LATEST

FAMILY FEUD IN NEW YORK:

O WITH A REPUBLICAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE, THE

AMERICAN PEOPLE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT

THEIR PRESIDENT TOLERATING A SOVIET CLIENT STATE

IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

O WITH A REPUBLICAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE, THE

PEOPLE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEIR

PRESIDENT COZYING UP TO CASTRO, AND FARRAKHAN,

AND ARRAFAT.

O WITH A REPUBLICAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE, THE

PEOPLE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEIR

PRESIDENT EQUATING A HEALTHY ECONOMY WITH A

HEALTHY TAX INCREASE.

I COULD GO ON, BUT I'VE SAID IT BEFORE: THE

BOTTOMLINE IS KEEPING THE WHITE HOUSE

REPUBLICAN.



LET'S FACE IT, IT'S GOING TO BE A TOUGH RACE

COME NOVEMBER. THE DEMOCRATS ARE GOING TO

HAVE A STRONG CANDIDATE, SO WE'LL HAVE OUR WORK

CUT OUT FOR US.

AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY,

GEORGE. WE'RE READY TO GO TO WORK.

REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

IT IS AN HONOR BEING A CANDIDATE FOR

PRESIDENT.

DESPITE THE PROSPECT OF SOME TOUGH

COMPETITION, I BELIEVE A REPUBLICAN WILL WIN IN

NOVEMBER, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE A MINORITY PARTY --

AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, IN STATEHOUSES, AND IN

CONGRESS. NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, WE HAVE MILES TO

GO BEFORE WE REST.



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SO TODAY, I WANT TO SPEAK TODAY ABOUT OUR

PARTY, AND OUR FUTURE.

NEW REPUBLICANS

ATTRACTING NEW REPUBLICANS HAS ALWAYS BEEN ONE OF MY GOALS. IT HAS BEEN A <u>CONSTANT THEME</u> OF MINE THROUGHOUT MY ENTIRE CAREER IN PUBLIC SERVICE. WE HAVE THE RIGHT MESSAGE, WE HAVE THE RIGHT SOLUTIONS -- THE PAST SEVEN YEARS HAVE PROVEN THAT. WE ARE THE PARTY OF OPPORTUNITY --THE PAST SEVEN YEARS HAVE PROVEN THAT TOO.

AMERICA IS NOW EXPERIENCING THE LONGEST

PERIOD OF ECONOMIC EXPANSION IN ITS HISTORY. WE

HAVE CREATED MILLIONS OF NEW JOBS THANKS TO THE

LEADERSHIP OF RONALD REAGAN. WE HAVE

DEMONSTRATED THAT LESS GOVERNMENT TRANSLATES

INTO MORE OPPORTUNITY. WE HAVE MADE A

DIFFERENCE: BUT WE CAN DO MORE.

ONLY 32 PERCENT OF THE ELECTORATE IDENTIFY AS THEMSELVES REGISTERED REPUBLICANS. WE HAVE TO DO BETTER. OUR JOB IS TO CONVINCE MORE WOMEN, MORE YOUNG PEOPLE, AMERICANS OF EVERY COLOR AND ETHNIC BACKGROUND -- THE DISADVANTAGED, THE DISABLED, INDEPENDENTS AND DEMOCRATS -- NOT ONLY TO VOTE REPUBLICAN NOW AND THEN, BUT TO BECOME COMMITTED PARTY MEMBERS.

REPUBLICANS -- LIKE ALL AMERICANS -- ARE UNITED

IN COMMON GOALS THAT ADD UP TO ONE OVERRIDING

PRIORITY: WE WANT TO MAKE THIS COUNTRY A BETTER

PLACE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.

ADMITTEDLY, OUR PARTY IS VIEWED AT TIMES, AND BY SOME, AS A PARTY THAT DOESN'T CARE ABOUT REAL PEOPLE. IF YOU'RE YOUNG AND POOR -- OR OLD AND POOR -- OR BLACK, OR BROWN, OR DISABLED, OR WHATEVER -- THERE IS A PERCEPTION THAT SOME REPUBLICANS COULD CARE LESS. IT IS NOT AN ACCURATE PERCEPTION, BUT OVER THE YEARS PERCEPTION HAS BECOME REALITY IN SOME QUARTERS..

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YES, WE ARE A CONSERVATIVE PARTY. BUT SO ARE MOST OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. SO WHY AREN'T WE THE MAJORITY? WE ARE REACHING OUT THROUGH THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND STATE ORGANIZATIONS. BUT ULTIMATELY, OUR NOMINEE WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE: LEADERSHIP MUST COME FROM THE TOP. AND IT WILL COME, NOT FROM WHAT HE SAYS, BUT FROM WHAT HE DOES.



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THE PROOF IS IN THE PUDDING

THERE IS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF CYNICISM AMONG PRESS AND POLITICAL PUNDITS -- AND WITHIN OUR PARTY -- THAT WE ARE SERIOUS. THE ONLY WAY WE CAN PERSUADE THE DOUBTERS IS FOR OUR CANDIDATE TO DEMONSTRATE -- BY ACTIONS AS WELL AS WORDS --THAT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OFFERS THE BEST HOPE OF GIVING MORE AMERICANS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE THE AMERICAN DREAM.



THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAS LOST THE SENSE OF PURPOSE, AND DIRECTION, THAT WAS THE HALLMARK OF THE PARTY OF ROOSEVELT, TRUMAN AND KENNEDY. IT HAS LOST ITS IDENTITY AND MESSAGE IN A MIRE OF SPECIAL INTERESTS. REPUBLICANS HAVE THE MESSAGE. WHAT WE MUST FIND IS THE STEELINESS, THE RESOLVE, TO PROPOSE THE SOLUTIONS WE KNOW WILL MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE 1990'S.



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WE MUST DEMONSTRATE IT'S THE REPUBLICAN

PARTY WHICH BEST UNDERSTANDS THE ECONOMY, AND

IS BEST EQUIPPED TO CONTINUE, AND EXPAND, THE

LONGEST PERIOD OF PEACETIME PROSPERITY.

WE MUST DEMONSTRATE THAT IT IS THE

REPUBLICAN PARTY WHICH UNDERSTANDS FREEDOM

AND PEACE -- AND HOW TO KEEP IT.

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WE MUST DEMONSTRATE THAT IT IS THE

REPUBLICAN PARTY WHICH UNDERSTANDS THAT THIS

NATION CAN ONLY LIVE UP TO ITS BIRTHRIGHT IF ITS

LEADERS BELIEVE IN, AND TRUST, THE GOOD, BASIC

INSTINCTS OF THE PEOPLE.

THE PARTY OF INCLUSION

THERE ARE MANY IN AMERICA -- JUST WAITING FOR OUR INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE. THEY ONLY LOOK FOR HOPE, OPPORTUNITY, AND SECURITY.

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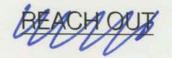
I HAVE STATED REPEATEDLY THAT IF MY CAMPAIGN

DID NOTHING ELSE, I WOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT OUR

PARTY WOULD NEVER PRACTICE THE POLITICS OF

EXCLUSION. THE REPUBLICAN PARTY, LIKE OUR NATION,

MUST HAVE AN OPEN DOOR TO ALL AMERICANS.



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WE NEED TO REACH OUT -- SINCERELY REACH OUT

-- TO NEW LEGIONS OF HISPANIC VOTERS, BLACKS,

ASIAN-AMERICANS AND OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS EAGER

TO SHOW THAT THEY CAN PLAY A DYNAMIC ROLE IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS.

CONSTITUENCIES ATTRACTED TO RONALD REAGAN --- BUT NOT NECESSARILY THE REPUBLICAN PARTY --INCLUDING EVANGELICALS, WORKING MEN AND WOMEN AND COUNTLESS OTHER GROUPS, MUST BE RETAINED. - 14 -

BUT TO KEEP THEIR SUPPORT, AND EARN IT FROM OTHERS, THERE MUST BE, AS JEANE KIRKPATRICK HAS SAID, A RENEWED, "REAGANIZED" REPUBLICAN PARTY --OPEN TO ALL, RESPONSIVE TO ALL, AND ABLE TO DRAW SUPPORT FROM ALL. WE MUST CAST OFF THE RESTRICTIONS OF PRIVILEGE AND CLASS. WE MUST OFFER HELP TO THOSE WHO NEED IT. WE MUST SUPPORT AND DEFEND CIVIL RIGHTS. WE MUST STAND READY TO MEET CHALLENGES TO FREEDOM ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

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WE NEED TO OPEN UP THE PROCESS -- OUR LEADERS SHOULD NOT BE TIMID ABOUT DISCUSSING ISSUES THAT AFFECT THE HOMELESS AND THE HUNGRY. WE MUST SPEAK OUT ON ISSUES LIKE DRUGS, DAYCARE, THE ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION, LONG-TERM HEALTHCARE, MEDICAID AND MEDICARE, TO MENTION JUST A FEW. WE MUST, ABOVE ALL, GIVE MORE AMERICANS A REASON TO COME OUR WAY AND, AT THE SAME TIME, STRENGTHEN THE COMMITMENT OF OUR STAUNCHEST SUPPORTERS.



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NEW VOTERS

FINALLY, LET ME SINGLE OUT ONE PARTICULAR GROUP THAT WE MUST FOCUS OUR EFFORTS ON -- THE YOUNG. IN 1988, AMERICANS BORN IN 1970 WILL VOTE FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME. THIS IS A GENERATION WHICH HAS ALREADY WITNESSED WAR AND FAMINE, ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATIONS AND OIL EMBARGOES, RELIGIOUS SCANDAL AND POLITICAL SCANDAL, CYCLES OF RECESSION AND RECOVERY, TRIUMPH AND TRAGEDY IN SPACE, NUCLEAR NIGHTMARES, AND NOW THE WORLDWIDE EPIDEMIC OF THE FEARSOME AND FATAL AIDS VIRUS.

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SURELY, THIS GENERATION HAS REASON TO BE WARY OF THE EASY ASSURANCES POLITICIANS MAKE THAT THE GOVERNMENT CAN SOLVE EACH AND EVERY PROBLEM. ABOVE ALL, YOUNG AMERICANS SHOULD BECOME INVOLVED IN THE JOY OF PUBLIC SERVICE -- WITH ALL ITS POTENTIAL PITFALLS AND TURMOIL. THE PANOPLY OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY -- CONTENTIOUS AND COLORFUL AS IT IS -- REMAINS THE BEST SYSTEM ON EARTH.

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THE WILL TO WIN

IN MY CAMPAIGN, I HAVE STOOD FOR A REPUBLICAN PARTY THAT IS INCLUSIVE, A PARTY THAT IS COMPASSIONATE; A PARTY NOT COMPOSED OF SPECIAL INTERESTS, BUT A PARTY COMMITTED TO EQUAL RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES.

WE ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. BEFORE US IS AN UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY -- TO BUILD ON THE REAGAN LEGACY; TO BUILD OUR PARTY AND ABOVE ALL TO STRENGTHEN OUR COUNTRY IN THE PROCESS.

EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS SPEECH

FIRST, SOME STRAIGHT TALK. FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES, THE 1988 RACE FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION MAY SOON BE OVER. IT STARTED WITH A FULL FIELD. AT THE OUTSET, THERE WERE A DOZEN SERIOUS ANNOUNCED OR UNANNOUNCED CANDIDATES

NOW THE FIELD IS DOWN TO TWO... AND ONE OF THEM MAY HAVE A BIG ENOUGH LEAD TO LOCK IT UP. THOSE ARE THE FACTS, AND THEY ALL POINT IN ONE DIRECTION. SO VOTERS HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK: WITH THE ODDS SO ONE-SIDED, WHY IS BOB DOLE STILL IN THE RACE? IN THE FIRST PLACE, I BELIEVE THAT, IN ANY CAMPAIGN, THE ISSUES ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE ODDS. I BELIEVE THAT THE CANDIDATES -- AND THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF US LEFT NOW -- HAVE A SERIOUS RESPONSIBILITY TO SPEAK OUT ON ALL THE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS FACING THE ELECTORATE.

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT BEING FRONT-RUNNER EARNS YOU THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT UNTIL THE GENERAL ELECTION. THE VOTERS DESERVE BETTER, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY DESERVES BETTER, AND AMERICA DESERVES BETTER. THE PROCESS IS BEST SERVED BY VIGOROUS DISCUSSION AND DEBATE. GEORGE BUSH PROVED THIS

IN 1980 WHEN, LONG AFTER RONALD REAGAN BECAME

THE OVERWHELMING FRONTRUNNER, HE STAYED IN THE

RACE AND CONTINUED TO SPEAK OUT FOR THE

PRINCIPLES HE BELIEVED IN.

FAR FROM WEAKENING THE REPUBLICAN TICKET IN NOVEMBER OF 1980, THAT LIVELY DIALOGUE ENERGIZED THE PARTY FAITHFUL AND CAPTURED THE INTEREST OF THE MEDIA AND THE VOTERS.

AND, AS HISTORY SHOWS, IT LED TO ONE OF THE GREATEST PRESIDENTIAL LANDSLIDES IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

HEALTHY DEBATE WAS GOOD FOR THE POLITICAL PROCESS IN 1980. IT WILL BE GOOD FOR THE POLITICAL PROCESS IN 1988. SO, WHILE I MAY NOT SPEND AS MUCH TIME ON THE

CAMPAIGN TRAIL IN THE WEEKS BEFORE THE

CONVENTION, I WILL CONTINUE TO SPEAK OUT, LOUDLY

AND CLEARLY, ON THE ISSUES THAT THE NEXT

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES -- WHOEVER HE WILL

BE -- WILL HAVE TO FACE.

THE MAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE WILL INHERIT BOTH GREAT STRENGTHS AND GREAT CHALLENGES. RONALD REAGAN HAS BEEN A GOOD PRESIDENT, A SUCCESSFUL PRESIDENT. AND THE REAGAN YEARS HAVE BEEN GOOD YEARS FOR AMERICA. HE RESTORED AMERICA'S CONFIDENCE. HE LOWERED INFLATION, BROUGHT DOWN INTEREST RATES AND CUT OUR TAXES. AND HE'S PRESIDED OVER THE LONGEST-SUSTAINED PERIOD OF PROSPERITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH IN POST-WAR HISTORY.

PRESIDENT REAGAN ALSO BUILT UP OUR DEFENSE

STRENGTH, AND BROUGHT GORBACHEV TO THE

BARGAINING TABLE.

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THAT'S QUITE A LEGACY, AND AS SENATE

REPUBLICAN LEADER, I'M PROUD OF THE ACTIVE,

LEADING ROLE I PLAYED IN GETTING SO MUCH OF THE

REAGAN AGENDA THROUGH CONGRESS.

BUT, COME JANUARY 1989, <u>A NEW MAN WILL SIT IN</u> THE OVAL OFFICE. HE'LL HAVE THE REAGAN LEGACY TO BUILD ON , BUT HE'LL ALSO FACE URGENT NEW CHALLENGES: * HE'LL FACE THE CHALLENGE OF DEBT: OUR

DEFICITS ... AND OUR DEBT TO FOREIGNERS IN THE FORM

OF MASSIVE TRADE DEFICITS .

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* HE'LL FACE THE CHALLENGE OF ESTABLISHING FAIR TRADE PRACTICES WITH OUR TRADING PARTNERS --WITHOUT RESORTING TO DESTRUCTIVE PROTECTIONIST MEASURES THAT MAY MAKE SHORT-TERM POLITICAL POINTS BUT CAUSE DISASTER IN THE LONG RUN. * HE'LL FACE, IN MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, AN ENTIRELY NEW TYPE OF SOVIET LEADER; SMART, TOUGH, A MASTER OF PR TECHNIQUES, BUT STILL A COMMITTED COMMUNIST, STILL THE LEADER OF OUR CHIEF STRATEGIC RIVAL, THE SOVIET UNION.

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* AND, WITHIN OUR OWN BORDERS, THE NEXT PRESIDENT WILL FACE CHALLENGES TO THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF OUR OWN PEOPLE -- ESPECIALLY OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. HE WILL HAVE TO TAKE THE LEAD IN BATTLING THE SCOURGE OF DRUG ABUSE, IN RAISING STANDARDS AND ACCESSIBILITY IN OUR SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES, AND IN SEEING TO IT THAT, IN OUR EFFORTS TO CUT THE FRILLS AND WASTE OUT OF THE FEDERAL BUDGET, WE NEVER LOSE SIGHT OF THE TRULY NEEDY.

NONE OF THESE CHALLENGES CAN BE MET

WITHOUT A NEW LEVEL OF EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL

COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING. IF I AM ELECTED

PRESIDENT I AM CONFIDENT I CAN ACHIEVE IT. IF

SOMEONE ELSE IS ELECTED, I PLEDGE TO DO

EVERYTHING I CAN IN THE SENATE TO HELP BRING IT

ABOUT.

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THE HISTORY OF THE LAST TWENTY YEARS SHOWS THE PENDULUM SWINGING FROM AN "IMPERIAL PRESIDENCY" TO AN "IMPERIOUS CONGRESS". WE HAVE SEEN SUCCESSIVE PRESIDENTS GROW WEAKER OR MORE ISOLATED AS THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE WORE ON. IN FACT, RONALD REAGAN WILL BE THE FIRST PRESIDENT SINCE DWIGHT EISENHOWER TO SUCCESSFULLY SERVE OUT TWO FULL ELECTED TERMS IN OFFICE.

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AND EVEN HE HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO OVERCOME

CONGRESSIONAL RESISTANCE TO MUCH OF HIS

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT SHOULD DO FOR RONALD

REAGAN WHAT LYNDON JOHNSON DID FOR JOHN

KENNEDY; GET THE REST OF HIS PROGRAM THROUGH

CONGRESS -- KEEP THE REAGAN REVOLUTION ALIVE AND GROWING.

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THAT UNFINISHED AGENDA INCLUDES GETTING THE LINE ITEM VETO, PASSING A BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT, AND GENERALLY CREATING THE TOOLS AND THE ATMOSPHERE IN WHICH PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS CAN FINALLY HAMMER OUT WORKING SOLUTIONS TO SERIOUS PROBLEMS THAT HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED FOR TOO LONG. IT CAN BE DONE. I KNOW, BECAUSE I PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN SAVING SOCIAL SECURITY -- IN SITTING DOWN WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND MEMBERS OF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION, AND RESTORING SOLVENCY TO A SYSTEM THAT MILLIONS OF AMERICAN RELY ON FOR THEIR FUTURE SECURITY AND THEIR DAILY BREAD. BUT, AS JIMMY CARTER PROVED, IT'S MUCH HARDER FOR AN INEXPERIENCED OUTSIDER TO WORK WITH THE CONGRESS, THAN FOR SOMEONE WHO HAS SERVED SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH THE LEGISLATURE AND HAS PROVEN. HIS ABILITY TO LEAD IT.

NOWHERE IS THE NEED FOR THIS CLEARER THAN IN THE CASE OF THE DEFICIT, AMERICA'S PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE.

THE DEFICIT IS MORE THAN JUST A LOT OF TRILLION DOLLAR NUMBERS IT'S A THREAT TO EVERY MAN. WOMAN AND CHILD IN AMERICA. UNLESS WE TACKLE IT NOW, IT WILL TICK AWAY LIKE A TIME BOMB. AND, SOONER OR LATER, IT WILL EXPLODE AMERICA'S FUTURE PROSPERITY. MOMENT BY MOMENT, IT IS ALREADY ERODING THE ECONOMIC SECURITY OF OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, THREATENING THEIR HOPES FOR A BETTER LIFE, A HOME OF THEIR OWN; BETTER, AFFORDABLE EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE.

UNLESS THE NEXT PRESIDENT AND THE NEXT

CONGRESS CAN ESTABLISH A NEW AND BETTER

WORKING RELATIONSHIP, THE DEFICIT WOULD KILL THE

AMERICAN DREAM.

AS PRESIDENT, THE <u>FIRST THING</u> I WOULD DO WOULD BE TO CALL TOGETHER AN EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL SUMMIT MEETING ON THE DEFICIT. I'D PUT MY CARDS ON THE TABLE. I'D BE FRANK, HELPFUL <u>BUT STRONG ON PRINCIPLES</u>. AND I'D KNOW <u>HOW</u> TO DO IT BECAUSE I'VE BEEN SERVING WITH THE CONGRESS FOR MOST OF MY ADULT LIFE.

WE USED THIS METHOD TO SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY.

THERE'S NO REASON WHY IT CAN'T BE MOBILIZED TO

REDUCE DEFICITS AND, ULTIMATELY, BALANCE THE

BUDGET.

IF IT DOESN'T THERE'S ALWAYS THE LINE ITEM VETO -- PROVIDED THE NEXT PRESIDENT HAS THE COURAGE , AND SKILL TO USE IT.

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THE BEAUTY OF THE LINE ITEM VETO IS THAT IT WOULD ALLOW THE PRESIDENT TO STRIKE TACKED-ON, "PORK BARREL SPENDING FROM IMPORTANT LEGISLATION WITHOUT KILLING, THE REMAINDER OF THE BILL. THIS IS THE BEST -- PERHAPS THE ONLY -- REMEDY TO THE GROWING TENDENCY OF THE CONGRESS TO ATTACH RIDERS TO MAJOR APPROPRIATIONS BILLS AND, IN SO DOING, ERODE THE PRESIDENTS ORIGINAL VETO AUTHORITY.

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FORTY-THREE STATE GOVERNORS ALREADY HAVE

THE LINE ITEM VETO. IT GIVES THEM A POWERFUL BRAKE BREAK AGAINST IRRESPONSIBLE SPENDING. THE

PRESIDENT DESERVES THE SAME PROTECTION AGAINST

IRRESPONSIBLE CONGRESSIONAL SPENDING.

YOU CAN GO DOWN THE LIST OF MAJOR ISSUES

FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. IN ALMOST EVERY CASE WHERE

PROGRESS ON DOMESTIC PROBLEMS IS STYMIED, A

BETTER WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE WHITE

HOUSE AND CAPITOL HILL WOULD BE A POWERFUL

FORCE FOR PROGRESS.

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BUT THERE IS ANOTHER KEY WHERE BETTER

EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS WILL BE

CRUCIAL UNDER THE NEXT PRESIDENT: WE MUST

RE-FORGE A BIPARTISAN CONSENSUS IN AMERICAN

FOREIGN POLICY.

BY AND LARGE, IN THE CENTURY FOLLOWING THE CIVIL WAR, AMERICA RETAINED A REMARKABLE SPIRIT OF

AND BIPARTISANSHIP ON FOREIGN AN DEFENSE POLICY, IT

WAS AN OUTSTANDING REPUBLICAN LEGISLATOR,

SENATOR BOB TAFT, WHO LED THE FIGHT FOR

BIPARTISAN SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENT

HARRY TRUMAN'S DEFENSE OF DEMOCRACY IN

WESTERN EUROPE AFTER WORLD WAR II.

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IT WAS A DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENT, JOHN KENNEDY, WHO CONTINUED DWIGHT EISENHOWER'S STRONG FOREIGN POLICY AND WHO SPOKE FOR ALL AMERICANS -- DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS, AND INDEPENDENTS ALIKE -- WHEN HE PLEDGED THAT AMERICA WOULD "PAY ANY PRICE, BEAR ANY BURDEN, MEET ANY HARDSHIP, SUPPORT ANY FRIEND, OPPOSED ANY FOE -- TO INSURE THE SURVIVAL AND THE SUCCESS OF LIBERTY". THAT'S HOW IT WAS, FOR OVER A CENTURY, BUT

NOT ANY MORE.

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HOW DID WE GET TO THE POINT WHERE SOME PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORS WERE PEDDLING ARMS TO THE AYATOLLAH, WHILE OTHERS PLAYED "SEE NO EVIL, HEAR NO EVIL"...AND THE CONGRESS WAS KEPT TOTALLY IN THE DARK? HOW DID WE GET THE POINT WHERE, EVERY TIME AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT COMMITS U.S. FORCES TO PROTECT OUR NATIONAL INTEREST, SOME SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN CAN BE COUNTED ON TO TRY TO PULL THE RUG OUT FROM UNDER HIM, WITH A DUBIOUS INVOCATION OF THE WAR POWERS ACT?

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GIVEN THIS CLIMATE OF DIVISIVENESS, AN EVEN MORE IMPORTANT QUESTION IS BEING ASKED -- NOT JUST IN WASHINGTON AND AROUND THE COUNTRY, BUT IN MOSCOW AND MANAGUA, IN TOKYO AND TEHERAN, IN WESTERN EUROPE, ASIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST ---WHEREVER THE FORCES OF TYRANNY CLASH WITH THE FORCES OF FREEDOM. THAT QUESTION IS: CAN AMERICA STILL BE TRUSTED DO THE JOB ... TO MEET OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS THE LEADER OF THE FREE WORLD?

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THE NEXT PRESIDENT MUST BUILD AND SUSTAIN SENSIBLE LONG-TERM FOREIGN POLICY GOALS AND PROGRAMS. THEY MUST BE SUPPORTED BY BOTH PARTIES, BUTTRESSED BY EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL CONSENSUS; AND UNDERSTOOD BY THE AVERAGE AMERICAN. THEY MUST BE POLICIES NOT JUST OF THE DAY, BUT FOR THE LONG HAUL. POLICIES WHICH PERMIT AMERICA NOT JUST TO MAKE -- BUT TO KEEP --COMMITMENTS.

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CAN THE NEXT PRESIDENT DO THIS? YES, IF HE'S

THE RIGHT KIND OF LEADER.

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WILL HE? HE'D BETTER!

THE NEXT PRESIDENT, WHOEVER HE IS, WILL HAVE NO TOUGHER, OR MORE IMPORTANT, TASK. I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE I AM BETTER POSITIONED TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE THAN ANY OTHER CANDIDATE OF <u>EITHER</u> PARTY...ON THE BASIS OF EXPERIENCE AND PROVEN LEADERSHIP. I'VE BEEN IN

THE CONGRESS FOR 27 YEARS. I KNOW WHAT MAKES IT

TICK, AND I'VE MADE IT WORK -- AS A COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN, AND AS MAJORITY AND REPUBLICAN

LEADER.

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I CAN MAKE IT WORK AS PRESIDENT.

I HAVE ALREADY SAID THAT MY FIRST ACT AS

PRESIDENT WOULD BE TO CONVENE AN

EXECUTIVE-CONGRESSIONAL SUMMIT TO TACKLE THE

DEFICIT PROBLEM. THE DEFICIT IS PUBLIC ENEMY

NUMBER ONE, AND MUST BE OUR FIRST ORDER OF

BUSINESS.

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BUT I WOULD ALSO USE THAT SUMMIT TO BEGIN A

SERIOUS, OPEN AND LONG-TERM DIALOGUE WITH THE

CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP TO TRY TO RE-ESTABLISH

THE COMMUNICATION, THE TRUST AND MUTUAL

RESPECT THAT EXISTED BEFORE VIETNAM, WATERGATE

AND THE IRAN-CONTRA SCANDALS.

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I MAKE THIS PLEDGE TO YOU: IF BOB DOLE IS

PRESIDENT, THE SECURITY OF AMERICA'S MILITARY AND

INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES -- THE SAFETY OF OUR

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, AND OUR INTELLIGENCE

PERSONNEL -- WILL BE PROTECTED.

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BUT I WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH -- NOT AGAINST --THE CONGRESS; TO INSURE THAT IT IS KEPT INFORMED AND INVOLVED. AS ONE CONGRESSIONAL LEADER REMARKED ABOUT A RECENT FOREIGN POLICY CONTROVERSY, IF YOU DON'T INCLUDE US IN ON THE TAKE OFF, DON'T EXPECT US TO BE IN ON THE CRASH LANDING. -31-

THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS NEED THE

CONFIDENCE OF THE PRESIDENT AS MUCH AS HE NEEDS

THEIR TRUST AND COOPERATION. BOTH MUST BE

EARNED. CONGRESSIONAL PARTICIPATION IS

NECESSARY TO INSURE THAT NOT JUST THE PRESIDENT,

NOT JUST THE CONGRESS, BUT AMERICA IS TRULY

BEHIND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY GOALS AND PROGRAMS.

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IN "THE MAKING OF THE PRESIDENCY 1960", THE LATE TEDDY WHITE WROTE; "THE ESSENCE OF LEADERSHIP IS WHETHER THE PRESIDENT IS MOVED BY OTHER PEOPLE...OR WHETHER HE MOVES THEM...A PRESIDENT...CAN MOVE EVENTS ONLY IF HE CAN FIRST PERSUADE."

THAT'S THE KIND OF PRESIDENT BOB DOLE WOULD BE -- IN HIS DEALINGS WITH THE CONGRESS, WITH FOREIGN LEADERS, AND WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. AND THAT'S THE KIND OF LEADER THE NEXT MAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE WILL HAVE TO BE TO THE JOB THAT MUST BE DONE.

STATEMENT OF SENATOR BOB DOLE

IT'S TIME TO SEND THIS NO-NONSENSE, NO-BLUFF, NO-COMPROMISE MESSAGE TO PANAMA: THE UNITED STATES HAS HAD ENOUGH OF NORIEGA; AND WILL HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH ANY PHONY CIVILIAN,

AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, NORIEGA SHOULD HAVE HAD HIS LAST 'MIDNIGHT PHONE CALL' FROM ANYONE IN WASHINGTON, INSIDE THE ADMINISTRATION OR OUT. WE MUST STAY IN TOUCH WITH RESPONSIBLE PANAMANIANS, WHO WANT DEMOCRACY IN THEIR COUNTRY AND GOOD RELATIONS WITH US. WE MUST COME DOWN STRONG, UNAMBIGUOUSLY ON THE SIDE OF PRESIDENT DELVALLE (del-vai-yea) AND HIS EFFORTS TO RESTORE CONSTITUTIONAL, RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT. AND LET NORIEGA GET THIS MESSAGE, TOO: KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF THE PANAMA CANAL. IF YOU MAKE A MOVE AGAINST THE CANAL -- IF YOU THINK YOU CAN PUT THE HEAT ON US BY MEDDLING AROUND WITH THE CANAL -- WE WILL DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY, INCLUDING USE OF MILITARY FORCE, TO PROTECT OUR SECURITY INTERESTS, AND THE LIVES OF AMERICAN CITIZENS -- AND REMEMBER: THERE ARE 50,000 AMERICANS IN PANAMA.

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FRANKLY, A BIG PART OF THE PROBLEM WE'RE

HAVING IS THAT WE'VE BEEN SENDING MIXED MESSAGES

FOOTSIE WITH THISGUY. PEOPLE WHO KNEW, OR BY

VIRTUE OF THEIR JOBS AND RESUMES OUGHT TO HAVE

KNOWN, THAT HE WAS UP TO HIS EYEBALLS IN DIRTY

DRUGS AND ANTI-AMERICAN POLITICS.

THINKING THAT NORIEGA WAS THE CHANNEL TO

MAKE AMERICA'S CASE TO CASTRO, IS ABOUT ON A LEVEL

WITH THINKING THAT BRIBING THE AYATOLLAH WAS THE

WAY TO WIN THE RELEASE OF AMERICANS HELD

HOSTAGE IN LEBANON.

AND WE'VE ALSO BEEN PLAGUED WITH A FEW PEOPLE -- WHO USED TO HOLD BIG JOBS IN WASHINGTON, AND STILL HAVE BIG CONNECTIONS IN

GOVERNMENT -- WHO

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HAVE BEEN RUNNING AROUND PANAMA, PRACTICING A RECKLESS PRIVATE DIPLOMACY -- TELLING NORIEGA HE COULD STAY ON; TELLING HIM HE HAS FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES.

WHAT THEY'VE REALLY ACCOMPLISHED IS UNDERMINING THE STRONG, 100% CORRECT MESSAGE THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN IS SENDING: THE UNITED STATES WANTS NOTHING TO DO WITH NOREIGA'S KIND.

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TEN YFARS AGO ALMOST TO THE DAY, WHILE WE WERE DEBATING THE PANAMA CANAL TREATIES IN THE SENATE, I SAID THE FOLLOWING: "SINCE RATIFICATION OF THESE TREATIES WILL DEFINITELY STRENGTHEN THE STATUS OF THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW IN ADVANCE IF WE WILL BE BOLSTERING A CORRUPT GOVERNMENT, WI IICH FACILITATES TRANSPORT OF ILLEGAL DRUGS TO OUR **OWN SHORES."**

IN IMPORTANT PART BECAUSE OF THOSE

CONCERNS, I DID NOT SUPPORT THE TREATIES. I WAS RIGHT THEN -- ABOUT THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT, AND ABOUT THE CANAL.

AND I'M RIGHT TODAY.

NORIEGA'S GOTTA GO -- IN THE INTERESTS OF

DEMOCRACY, PANAMA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE PANAMA CANAL MUST BE KEPT SECURE -- IN THE

INTERLETE OF EVERYONE WHO WANTS PEACE AND

STABILITY IN THIS HEMISPHERE.

THOSE HAVE BEEN MY GUIDING PRINCIPLES; AND

THEY OUGHT TO BE THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR

AMERICAN POLICY, IN THE DAYS AND YEARS AHEAD.

SOUTH CAROLINA PRESS ASSOCIATION GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA SENATOR BOB DOLE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1988

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WE ALL KNOW THE WORLD HAS CHANGED A LOT SINCE FOLKS OF MY GENERATION FIRST WENT OUT TO FIND A JOB.

IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS, YOU WENT DOWN TO THE FACTORY, AND YOU SAID YOU

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WANTED TO WORK. YOU WERE HIRED. THE PAY WAS PRETTY GOOD. AND YOU COULD PRETTY MUCH STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKED.

WE ALL KNOW THAT'S NOT THE WAY IT IS ANYMORE. COMPANIES MERGE. COMPANIES DISAPPEAR. FACTORIES SHUT DOWN. PRODUCTION IS TRANSFERRED OVERSEAS. AND THE WORKER IS LOST IN THE SHUFFLE.

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PAINFUL STATISTICS

YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK FAR TO SEE THE <u>PAIN</u>. THE CATERPILLAR PLANT IN IOWA SHUTS DOWN, AND 2,000 JOBS ARE LOST FOREVER. THE GENERAL MOTORS PLANTS IN MASSACHUSETTS CLOSES ITS DOORS: FIVE THOUSAND JOBS ARE LOST.

IN JUST THE PAST TWO OR THREE YEARS, WE'VE

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BEEN BLEEDING AWAY A MAJOR PART OF OUR NATION'S MANUFACTURING INFRASTRUCTURE. CORNING GLASS CLOSES A PLANT IN RADFORD, VIRGINIA. AT&T SHUTS ITS TELEPHONE ASSEMBLY, PLANT IN SHREVEPORT AND MOVES TO SINGAPORE. 'NCR'LOCKS THE DOORS OF ITS PLANT IN CLEMSON, SOUTH CAROLINA. TEXAS INSTRUMENTS SCALES BACK ITS PLANTS IN DALLAS

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> AND JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE. JOHN DEERE' PULLS THE PLUG ON ITS ASSEMBLY LINE IN THE QUAD CITIES AREA OF IOWA AND ILLINOIS.

> MEANWHILE, GENERAL ELECTRIC AND RCA'STICK THEIR LABELS ON VCR'S AND TV'S MADE WITH CHEAPER, FOREIGN LABOR: THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS LOSE THEIR JOBS. THE LUCKY ONES ARE

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SERVICE JOBS. AND THEY DON'T NEED A WEATHERMAN TO TELL WHICH WAY THE TRADE WINDS ARE BLOWING.

WHEN YOU TAKE A STEP BACK AND LOOK AT THE TRADE FIGURES, THE PICTURE IS NO BRIGHTER. OUR TRADE DEFICIT WAS AN ASTOUNDING \$171 BILLION LAST YEAR; AND EVEN THE OPTIMISTS DON'T BELIEVE IT WILL BE BETTER THAN \$140 BILLION THIS YEAR.

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INDIVIDUAL INDUSTRIES ARE IN EVEN WORSE SHAPE. TODAY, FOREIGN PRODUCERS HAVE 82-PERCENT OF OUR LEATHER SHOE MARKET: 54-PERCENT OF OUR MACHINE TOOL MARKET; 60-PERCENT OF OUR TELEVISION MARKET; AND MORE THAN 69-PERCENT OF OUR SEMICONDUCTOR COMMODITY MARKET, WE'VE LOST A THIRD OF OUR AUTOMOBILE MARKET, AND, A QUARTER OF OUR STEEL

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SALES.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY AS YOU KNOW FIRSTHAND IN THIS STATE, THE TEXTILE AND APPAREL INDUSTRY HAS ALSO TAKEN A HEAVY HIT. IN 1986, IMPORTS WERE THREE TIMES WHAT THEY HAD BEEN IN 1980. IMPORT PENETRATION IN APPAREL AND APPAREL FABRIC IS NOW OVER 50%. OUR TRADE DEFICIT IN THESE PRODUCTS IS MORE

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THAN \$20 BILLION, AND SINCE 1980, THIS INDUSTRY HAS LOST MORE THAN 300,000 JOBS.

THIS FOUNDING HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY HARD ON THE DISADVANTAGED. IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, ABOUT <u>ONE HALF</u> THE WORKERS ARE WOMEN; <u>ONE</u> QUARTER ARE FROM MINORITY GROUPS.

THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS WHY THE PROMISE WHICH WAS MADE TO THIS INDUSTRY AND ITS WORKERS <u>HASN'T BEEN KEPT</u>. THEY WERE TOLD THAT THE GROWTH IN IMPORTS WOULD BE RELATED TO THE GROWTH IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET. IN FACT, THE GROWTH IN IMPORTS <u>HAS LAPPED THE</u> <u>DOMESTIC FIELD SIX TIMES</u>.

IN PRACTICE, IT'S PROVEN TO BE EASY FOR THE SUPPLYING COUNTRIES TO AVOID COMPLYING WITH THE

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COMMITMENTS WHICH OUR NEGOTIATORS <u>THOUGHT</u> THEY HAD SECURED. FOREIGN PRODUCERS JUST MOVE BETWEEN PRODUCTS, OR, WHEN NECESSARY, MOVE TO ANOTHER COUNTRY. IN SOME CASES, <u>OUTRIGHT</u> **FRAUD** HAS PREVAILED.

WHILE ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD PRODUCES TEXTILES AND APPAREL, <u>FEW</u> ARE READY TO BE CONSUMERS. MAJOR

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CONSUMERS LIKE THE EC. AND JAPAN HAVE EXPERIENCED NOWHERE NEAR THE GROWTH IN IMPORTS THAT THE U.S. HAS. IN SHORT, WE HAVE BECOME A DUMPING GROUND "____ AND THE MARKET OF ONLY RESORT FOR MUCH OF THIS TRADE.

BUT I SAY, THE TIME HAS COME TO DUMP ALL THE SLOGANS AND THE SPEECHES.' IT'S TIME FOR A <u>NEW</u> <u>COMMITMENT</u> TO DO SOMETHING

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ABOUT THE PROBLEM. LET'S FACE IT, THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF PATCHWORK INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS JUST HASN'T WORKED.

DOLE SUPPORT FOR

TEXTILE BILL

I SUPPORTED THE TEXTILE BILL IN 1985 IN HOPES THAT IT WOULD SEND A STRONG SIGNAL FOR POLICY CHANGE.

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UNFORTUNATELY, THAT CHANGE HASN'T HAPPENED. WE STILL NEED A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM WHICH WILL GIVE THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, AND ITS WORKERS, A PERIOD OF CERTAINTY IN WHICH TO MAKE BASIC DECISIONS ABOUT THE SHAPE OF THIS INDUSTRY. WE NEED TO STAND UP AND TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT OUR TEXTILE POLICY IS; AND WE

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NEED TO QUIT MAKING PROMISES TO THE INDUSTRY, AND <u>DO SOMETHING</u> ABOUT ITS PROBLEMS.

AS I ANNOUNCED EARLIER THIS WEEK, <u>I AM</u> <u>SUPPORTING THE 1987</u> <u>TEXTILE BILL</u>. I NOT ONLY INTEND TO <u>SUPPORT</u> IT, BUT, WORKING WITH STROM THURMOND, I INTEND TO <u>HELP LEAD THE FIGHT</u> FOR THIS LEGISLATION UNTIL IT <u>BECOMES LAW</u>.

CAUSES

THERE ARE A LOT OF CAUSES FOR OUR TRADE DEFICIT. THE DOLLAR WAS <u>TOO HIGH TOO LONG.</u> IT OPENED THE DOOR FOR FOREIGN PRODUCERS TO GRAB THE LION'S SHARE OF OUR MARKET. AT THE SAME TIME, MANY FOREIGN MARKETS HUNG

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AMERICAN BUSINESS CAME KNOCKING. FURTHERMORE, OUR ALLIES, ESPECIALLY JAPAN AND GERMANY, HAVE FAILED TO STIMULATE THEIR OWN ECONOMIES TO ABSORB MORE IMPORTS. AND, WE AMERICANS HAVE SOMETIMES NOT DONE ENOUGH TO BE MORE COMPETITIVE OVERSEAS.

THE PRESCRIPTION FOR OUR TRADE WOES IS THE SAME AS THAT FOR ANY SERIOUS NATIONAL PROBLEM -

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IT IS LEADERSHIP -- TOUGH <u>LEADERSHIP</u>: LEADERSHIP THAT CAN, <u>AND WILL</u> MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

LET'S NOT FOOL OURSELVES INTO THINKING THIS CRISIS WILL GO AWAY SOON -- IT WON'T.

WE MUST RESIST THE "QUICK FIX," THE SIMPLE SOLUTION. <u>WE CAN'T</u> <u>EMBRACE PROTECTIONISM</u>: WE CAN'T <u>BUILD A WALL</u> AROUND AMERICA. THE

GEPHARDT AMENDMENT ISN'T THE ANSWER EITHER. IT WOULD ONLY BE SOUNDING THE TRUMPET OF DEFEAT.

SOLUTIONS

FIRST, WE MUST GET OUR BUDGET DEFICIT UNDER CONTROL: IT'S STILL PUBLIC ENEMY #1. THE FEDERAL DEFICIT MUST BE REDUCED IF WE'RE EVER GOING TO PUT OUR ECONOMIC

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HOUSE IN ORDER. AND ITS CONTROL IS <u>ABSOLUTELY</u> <u>ESSENTIAL</u> TO SOLVING UNCLE SAM'S TRADE FROBLEMS.

SECOND, WE NEED TO DO MORE TO MAKE OURSELVES COMPETITIVE. WE MUST IMPROVE EDUCATION, BOOST RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND MAKE THE GOVERNMENT DO MORE TO HELP OUR COMPANIES MARKET OVERSEAS. BUT EVEN THESE STEPS

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WON'T BE ENOUGH. WE MUST ALSO ADDRESS THE BASIC UNFAIRNESS'IN OUR TRADING SYSTEM. WHILE WE WELCOME IMPORTED GOODS INTO OUR MARKET, TOO OFTEN THE DOOR IS SLAMMED SHUT IN OUR FACE OVERSEAS.

UNFAIR TRADE THE HORROR STORY" LIST IS A BIG ONE: IN MANY CASES, BRAZIL WON'T IMPORT ANY PRODUCT WHICH CAN BE PRODUCED AT HOME.

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AND IT'S "INFORMATICS POLICY" HAS VIRTUALLY <u>CLOSED THE BORDER TO ALL</u> ELECTRONIC EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES.

JAPAN HAS <u>CRUSHING</u> IMPORT QUOTAS ON RICE, CITRUS, BEEF, AND MANY OTHER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS. IT OFTEN <u>REFUSES</u> TO IMPORT HIGH TECH PRODUCTS THAT HAVE BEEN <u>TARGETED</u> FOR DEVELOPMENT AT HOME, SUCH

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AS SUPER COMPUTERS AND FIBER OPTICS. AND OUR CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY HAS BEEN <u>SYSTEMATICALLY</u> <u>DENIED THE ABILITY TO EVEN BID ON PUBLIC WORKS</u> PROJECTS.

KOREA AND TAIWAN HAVE SKYHIGH TARIFFS ON MUCH OF OUR TRADE, SOME AS HIGH AS <u>100 PERCENT</u>. THEY ALSO PEG THEIR CURRENCY TO OURS, SO THEY WON'T BE AFFECTED WHEN

THE DOLLAR DROPS IN VALUE.

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY'S COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADDS INSULT TO INJURY. IT PROTECTS DOMESTIC PRODUCERS THROUGH ITS VARIABLE LEVY SYSTEM FROM 11 ANY IMPORT COMPETITION, AND SUBSIDIZES THESE SAME PRODUCERS TO TAKE AWAY U.S. EXPORT MARKETS. THEIR TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY IS NO BETTER.

MORE MUSCLE NEEDED

IN THE DOLE ADMINISTRATION, IT EITHER WILL CHANGE, OR WE WILL <u>USE THE POWER OF THE</u> <u>PRESIDENCY TO REDUCE</u> ACCESS TO OUR MARKET BY THE OFFENDING COUNTRIES.

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THIS OBJECTIVE MUST BECOME <u>A TOP PRIORITY</u> ---IT CAN'T BE RELEGATED TO SECOND STRING BEHIND FOREIGN POLICY, OR SOME OTHER INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS.

WE MUST BE MUCH MORE FORCEFUL IN USING CURRENT LAWS TO STOP UNFAIR TRADE, AND TO OPEN MARKETS ABROAD. AND WE MUST IMPROVE OUR OWN TRADE STATUTES.

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DURING THE SENATE DEBATE ON THE TRADE BILL LAST SUMMER, I INTRODUCED THE SO-CALLED "BYRD-DOLE" AMENDMENT. IT REQUIRES THE GOVERNMENT TO IDENTIFY THOSE COUNTRIES THAT ARE RESTRICTING OUR TRADE, AND TO NEGOTIATE THE ELIMINATION OF ALL UNFAIR BARRIERS, OUR AMENDMENT GIVES THE PRESIDENT THE POWER TO TAKE ACTION IF THESE COUNTRIES REFUSE TO

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NEGOTIATE IN GOOD FAITH -AND HE IS GIVEN BROAD AUTHORITY TO DO SO.

I ASSURE YOU THAT AS PRESIDENT I WILL USE THIS AUTHORITY, AND I WILL ACT.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN

MY CHIEF RIVAL OPPOSES THIS AMENDMENT, AS HE HAS OTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR TOUGH

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MARKETS. HE HAS CONSISTENTLY <u>OPPOSED</u> TOUGH MEASURES, AND HE HAS SPECIFICALLY <u>OPPOSED</u> ---AND <u>STILL</u> OPPOSES --- THE TEXTILE BILL.

TO OPEN FOREIGN

THROUGHOUT THIS CAMPAIGN, I HAVE TRIED TO POINT OUT POLICY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE REPUBLICAN FRONTRUNNER AND MYSELF. WELL, DEALING WITH THE TRADE

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MESS CLEARLY DEFINES WHERE THE CANDIDATES STAND ON THE ISSUES. DIFFERENT FROM MY OPPONENT, I WILL DEMAND RECIPROCAL ACCESS TO FOREIGN MARKETS, AND I WILL TAKE THE STEPS NECESSARY TO MAKE IT HAPPEN! I WON'T DUCK THE ISSUES, AND I WON'T LET FOREIGN POLICY ADVISORS WATER DOWN OUR RESPONSE. AMERICA HAS LET ITS 1

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TRADE BALANCE GET OF HAND. IT IS TIME WE TOOK CONTROL AGAIN. WE NEED TOUGH ACTION, AND THAT CALLS FOR LEADERSHIP. WE OWE NO LESS TO OUR WORKERS, AND OUR CONSUMERS. THANK YOU. This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu

REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE "A NEW COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT" NEW HAMPSHIRE FEBRUARY 2, 1988

TO MANY AMERICANS, THE NAME ''NEW HAMPSHIRE'' STILL DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY MEAN ''PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY.'' MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, IT MEANS CLEAN RIVERS AND DEEP PINE AND BIRCH FORESTS, AND CLEAR AIR.

NEAL PEIRCE. THE SYNDICATED POLITICAL WRITER, SAYS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE: ''SINCE MY EARLIEST CHILDHOOD DAYS, THOSE MAGICAL WORDS HAVE ALWAYS MEANT A LAKE CLEAR AND DEEP, RINGED BY MOUNTAINS, AND A BRIGHT COTTAGE BY THE WATER THAT WILL ALWAYS BE MORE HOME THAN ANY OTHER PLACE ON EARTH.''

THOSE OF US WHO HAVE RECENTLY SPENT MANY DAYS AND NIGHTS HERE IN THE GRANITE STATE CAN AGREE WITH THOSE WORDS. THIS <u>IS</u> A BEAUTIFUL STATE. IT'S ALSO A STATE KNOWN FOR BALANCING DEVELOPMENT AND CONTINUED ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR THE STATE'S HISTORIC NATURAL BEAUTY. MAINTAINING THAT BALANCE IS A TOUGH CHALLENGE. BUT IT IS A CHALLENGE THAT CITIZENS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HAVE APPROACHED WITH TYPICAL YANKEE DETERMINATION -- A DETERMINATION <u>ALL</u> AMERICANS SHARE AS THEY TRY TO PRESERVE THEIR UNIQUE NATURAL HERITAGE.

FROM TIME TO TIME I READ THAT REPUBLICANS DON'T CARE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT. NOW, THAT'S NOT AN <u>ACCURATE</u> PERCEPTION, BUT IT IS A PERCEPTION.

THE FACT IS, NO POLITICAL PARTY HAS A MONOPOLY ON CONCERN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT TOUCH ON <u>ALL</u> CITIZENS -- <u>NOT</u> JUST ENVIRONMENTALISTS AND NOT JUST THOSE INDUSTRIES COVERED BY ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS.

THE GOP'S ENVIRONMENTAL ROOTS

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS A STRONG TRADITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP DATING BACK TO THEODORE ROOSEVELT. DURING HIS PRESIDENCY, HE SET ASIDE SOME 230 MILLION ACRES OF NATIONAL FORESTS, WILDLIFE REFUGES AND OTHER PROTECTED LANDS. ROOSEVELT'S FORESIGHT WITH REGARD TO CONSERVATION --AND HIS VISION OF AN AMERICA PROTECTIVE OF HER NATURAL RICHES -- ARE A LEGACY THAT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CAN CLAIM WITH PRIDE. WE ARE A PARTY OF <u>INITIATIVE</u> -- AND THAT INITIATIVE MUST BE RECOMMITTED TOWARD PRESERVING THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

I COME FROM KANSAS, WHERE WE FOUND OUT THE HARD WAY ABOUT CONSERVATION.

WE SUFFERED THROUGH THE DUST BOWLS IN THE 30'S WHEN WINDS DESTROYED VAST AREAS OF GREAT PLAINS FARMLAND. WE HADN'T BEEN VERY CAREFUL WITH OUR SOIL RESOURCES UP TO THAT POINT. BUT WE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT OUR ENVIRONMENT FROM THAT TRAGEDY -- KNOWLEDGE GLEANED FROM SUFFERING --THAT HAS HELPED MAKE AMERICAN FARMERS SECOND TO NONE IN CONSERVING THE RICH TOP SOIL RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY.

TODAY, FEW ISSUES GENERATE GREATER SUPPORT FROM AMERICANS THAN PROTECTING BOTH OUR NATURAL RESOURCES AND OUR HEALTH FROM THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF HUMAN ACTIVITIES.

DESPITE THIS SUPPORT, WE ARE FAR FROM ACHIEVING ALL THE GOALS ESTABLISHED BY CONGRESS. MOREOVER, PROBLEMS OF EVEN GREATER COMPLEXITY ARE BEING DISCOVERED AS OUR SCIENTIFIC ABILITY PROGRESSES. BUT THE SIMPLE FACT IS: THIS COUNTRY <u>CAN</u> AND <u>WILL</u> RENEW ITS COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, AND THE HEALTH OF ITS CITIZENS WHO LIVE AND WORK WITHIN THAT ENVIRONMENT.

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IN A DOLE ADMINISTRATION, THE FULL PANOPLY OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS WILL BE ADDRESSED. WHEREVER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN ACT, WE WILL ENSURE THAT AMERICA'S CITIES AND COUNTRYSIDE WILL BE SAFE FROM SILENT AND OFTEN UNSEEN ENVIRONMENTAL DANGERS.

A NATIONAL PROBLEM

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OVERSEES A COMPREHENSIVE. <u>NATIONAL</u> ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM. IT IS NATIONAL IN SCOPE BECAUSE POLLUTANTS AND CONTAMINATION DON'T RECOGNIZE STATE BOUNDARIES.

AIR, RIVERS AND STREAMS, AND HIGHWAYS AND RAIL LINES FLOW FREELY BETWEEN STATES -- AND ALL TOO OFTEN CARRY HAZARDOUS MATERIAL WITH THEM. OUR CONSTITUTION CHARGES THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH REGULATING INTERSTATE <u>COMMERCE</u>. BUT WE NEED A RENEWED DETERMINATION TO REGULATE INTERSTATE <u>POLLUTION</u> AS WELL. ABOVE ALL, WE NEED DETERMINED LEADERSHIP THAT BEGINS IN THE WHITE HOUSE -- AND RUNS STRONGLY THROUGH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT AND THE DOZENS OF OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES THAT MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.

EPA IN PARTICULAR IS OF CONCERN: IT NOW HAS MORE THAN <u>10,000</u> EMPLOYEES, A <u>\$4-BILLION</u> BUDGET, ADMINISTERS A DOZEN MAJOR STATUTES AND HAS ADOPTED EIGHT VOLUMES OF REGULATIONS. YET MANY AMERICANS STILL BELIEVE THE AGENCY IS NOT MEETING ITS FULL POTENTIAL.

DESPITE THIS, WE'VE HAD MANY SUCCESS STORIES:

THE CLEANUP OF THE GREAT LAKES IS WELL UNDERWAY. A HISTORIC MULTI-STATE COMPACT TO RESTORE THE VIABILITY OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY HAS BEEN SIGNED. POLLUTION CONTROLS ON CARS AND FACTORIES HAVE IMPROVED THE QUALITY OF OUR AIR. MANY STATE AND FEDERAL LAND-USE PLANNERS -- WORKING CLOSELY WITH AMERICAN BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY -- HAVE BEEN ABLE TO WEIGH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITH RESPECT FOR ECOLOGICAL PRESERVATION, RECREATION AND NATURAL BEAUTY.

MAINTAINING THAT BALANCE WILL REQUIRE LEADERSHIP. IMAGINATION, DISCIPLINE AND TOUGHNESS. WE ARE ON OUR WAY TO ACHIEVING THE MOST EASILY ATTAINABLE POLLUTANT REDUCTIONS. BUT IT IS THE LAST 10 TO 15 PERCENT OF POLLUTION CONTROL THAT PRESENTS THE MOST DIFFICULT TECHNICAL PROBLEMS AND THE MOST COSTLY AND CREATIVE SOLUTIONS.

UNDER MY LEADERSHIP. THIS COUNTRY CAN AND WILL MEET THE CHALLENGE OF PROTECTING THE QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE HEALTH OF ITS CITIZENS WHO LIVE AND WORK WITHIN THAT ENVIRONMENT.

OF PARTICULAR CONCERN ARE TWO VEXING PROBLEMS: ACID RAIN THAT JEOPARDIZES OUR FORESTS AND LAKES, AND IOXIC WASTE REPOSITORIES THAT ARE NOTHING LESS THAN TICKING TIME BOMBS THAT THREATEN THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

THE TOLL OF ACID RAIN

WE KNOW THAT AUTO EXHAUST AND EMISSIONS FROM HIGH-SULFUR COAL-BURNING POWER PLANTS CHANGE IN THE UPPER ATMOSPHERE AND THEN FALL AS ACID RAIN.

WE KNOW OF THE CORROSIVE EFFECT THIS ACID PRECIPITATION HAS ON OUR BUILDINGS AND MONUMENTS.

WE HAVE SEEN ITS ABILITY TO RENDER LAKES DEVOID OF LIFE.

WE WORRY ABOUT WHAT ACID RAIN MAY BE DOING TO OUR FOREST LANDS AND CULTIVATED CROPS. IT'S TIME TO ADMIT WE HAVE A PROBLEM. AND GET TO WORK ON IT. WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF WAITING UNTIL WE GET DETAILS ON THE EXTENT OF THE POTENTIAL DAMAGE. LIKE MOST ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. THE LAG TIME CAN BE LENGTHY -- AND DELAY ONLY COMPOUNDS THE PROBLEM.

THIS COUNTRY RECENTLY SIGNED A FIVE-YEAR PACT WITH CANADA TO STUDY THE CAUSES AND EFFECTS OF ACID RAIN AND TO DEVELOP WAYS TO BURN COAL MORE CLEANLY. <u>THE EMPHASIS OF</u> <u>THIS BILATERAL EFFORT MUST BE TOWARD REDUCING THE</u> POLLUTANTS THAT CAUSE ACID RAIN.

BY TIGHTENING EMISSION STANDARDS ON CARS AND TRUCKS, WE CAN REDUCE NITROGEN OXIDE LEVELS.

BY USING CLEANER-BURNING ALTERNATIVE FUELS, SUCH AS ETHANOL, WE CAN ACHIEVE ADDITIONAL REDUCTIONS.

BY ENCOURAGING COOPERATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY, WE CAN DEVELOP TECHNOLOGIES THAT REDUCE SULFUR DIOXIDES FROM SMOKESTACKS.

INDUSTRY, IN ADDITION, MUST BE ALLOWED A FREE CHOICE AMONG CLEANER TECHNOLOGIES. THE COST OF, JUST ONE STACK SCRUBBER IS IN THE \$80-MILLION RANGE -- AND THE GOVERNMENT MUST FACILITATE THE INSTALLATION OF THESE ENORMOUSLY EXPENSIVE ALTERNATIVES, PERHAPS THROUGH TAX INCENTIVES OR A REVOLVING LOW-INTEREST LOAN FUND. This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu

FINALLY, WE MUST NOT UNFAIRLY BURDEN ANY ONE REGION -- OR ONE INDUSTRY -- WITH THE EXPENSE OF REDUCING THIS POLLUTION. <u>NO</u> REGION OF THIS NATION WILL BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY REDUCE EMISSIONS THAT CAUSE ACID RAIN IF ITS ECONOMY IS UNDERMINED.

TOXIC TIME BOMBS

OF ALL OUR ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS, NONE HAS GENERATED GREATER PUBLIC CONCERN THAN THE THREAT POSED BY IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF DEADLY CHEMICALS AND OTHER HAZARDOUS WASTE. THE NAMES LOVE CANAL AND TIMES BEACH STRIKE FEAR IN THE HUNDREDS OF OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS NEAR TOXIC WASTE DUMPS.

ALTHOUGH WE HAVE MADE STRIDES IN PROTECTING OUR CITIZENS FROM THE DANGERS OF TOXIC CHEMICALS, MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE.

AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, AND LATER AS MAJORITY LEADER, I PUSHED FOR TWO MAJOR STATUTES. THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT AND THE ''SUPERFUND'' PROGRAM. THE FIRST REGULATES THE SAFE HANDLING AND DISPOSAL OF CURRENT WASTES, WHILE SUPERFUND PROVIDES THE FINANCIAL AND LEGAL MECHANISMS TO REMOVE CLOSED AND SOMETIMES ABANDONED DISPOSAL SITES FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

EPA'S TRACK RECORD -- THE RATIO OF SITES CLEANED TO DOLLARS SPENT -- IS MEDIOCRE AT BEST.

IT'S TIME FOR OUR TOP ENVIRONMENTAL WATCHDOG TO <u>STREAMLINE ITS PROCEDURES AND CUT THE RED TAPE</u> TO ACCELERATE SUPERFUND CLEANUPS. TODAY, EPA LISTS MORE THAN <u>900</u> SUPERFUND SITES NATIONWIDE, YET IT HAS COMPLETED FULL CLEANUP ON ONLY 16 SITES. THAT IS AN APPALLING RECORD -- FOR GOVERNMENT <u>AND</u> FOR INDUSTRY -- WHEN THIS LAW, INTENDED TO PROVIDE PROMPT RESPONSE TO A SERIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM, HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR NEARLY <u>EIGHT</u> YEARS.

PLAIN AND SIMPLE. WE KNOW WHAT HAS TO BE DONE, AND IT'S TIME TO GET IT DONE.

AT PRESENT, 75 CENTS OF EVERY SUPERFUND DOLLAR IS SPENT FOR CONSULTANTS AND LAWYERS AND MORE STUDIES. WE'VE GOT TO GET THE CLEANUP UNDERWAY -- EVEN THOUGH WE MAY NOT HAVE YET DETERMINED THE <u>EXACT</u> DEGREE OF CLEANLINESS WE NEED.

AS OF NOW. <u>NO ONE</u> IS HAPPY WITH THE PROCESS, MOST OF ALL THE INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS LIVING NEAR TOXIC WASTES WHO ONLY WANT TO SEE THE HAZARDS ELIMINATED.

EPA MUST BREAK THE LOGJAMS AND GET ON WITH THE JOB OF SITE CLEANUPS. THIS COUNTRY <u>HAS</u> THE SCIENTIFIC KNOW-HOW TO CLEAN UP HAZARDOUS WASTE.

NOW, IF THE INTERESTED PARTIES -- STATES, CITIZEN GROUPS, WASTE GENERATORS, DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, ENGINEERING FIRMS -- WILL ONLY DEVOTE THE SAME ENERGY THEY USE ATTACKING EACH OTHER TO FIND WAYS TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS, THE PUBLIC WILL BENEFIT ENORMOUSLY.

AMERICA <u>HAS</u> MADE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION A TOP PRIORITY. WE KNOW THAT ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS CAN BE ANTICIPATED IN ADVANCE AND RESOLVED.

MORE VIGOROUS LEADERSHIP NEEDED

THE FIRST KEY TO AN EFFECTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM IS THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EPA ADMINISTRATOR WHO HAS THE EXPERIENCE AND COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE STRONG, DYNAMIC LEADERSHIP TO THE NATION'S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION EFFORTS.

SWIFT, VIGOROUS FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL. THE RESOURCES OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND EPA HAVE BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY EXPANDED IN RECENT YEARS, BUT THERE HAS NOT BEEN A COMMENSURATE RISE IN THE NUMBER OF ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS. I WOULD ACCELERATE THE PACE OF THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION.

TACKLING THESE PROBLEMS IS GOING TO REQUIRE LEADERSHIP, IMAGINATION, DISCIPLINE, TOUGHNESS -- AND <u>NEW</u> <u>COMMITMENT</u>.

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IT'S GOING TO TAKE EXPERIENCE WITH INVENTIVE LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNIQUES FOR PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS TO SUCH PROBLEMS AS ACID RAIN, CLEAN WATER AND AIR, AND TOXIC WASTES. EXPERIENCE THAT IS NOT FROM JUST BEING IN WASHINGTON, BUT FROM WORKING WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN BOTH POLITICAL PARTIES TO GET THINGS DONE.

IN CONCLUSION, I WOULD JUST SAY THAT I BELIEVE WE'VE JUST BEGUN TO TAP THE GREATNESS THAT IS AMERICA.

I ALSO BELIE T THAT IF ALL AMERICANS HAD ONE WISH, IT WOULD BE THAT WHEN THEY LEAVE THIS EARTH, IT WILL BE A BETTER PLACE FOR THEIR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.

THAT MEANS A CLEAN, HEALTHY AND VITAL ENVIRONMENT --LIKE NEW HAMPSHIRE'S. IT ALSO MEANS A GOVERNMENT MEETING ITS ENVIRONMENTAL TASKS, YET LIVING WITHIN ITS MEANS. AGAIN, JUST LIKE NEW HAMPSHIRE.

THIS IS NECESSARY IF THOSE DECISIONS WHICH ARE EFFICIENT AND APPROPRIATE IN SERVING OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS TODAY ARE TO REMAIN PROTECTIVE OF OUR INTERESTS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE A NEW COMMITMENT TO CITIZEN SERVICE

OF ALL THE CHALLENGES FACING THIS COUNTRY IN

1988 -- TRADE AND ARMS CONTROL, EDUCATION AND

HEALTH -- NONE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN

REGENERATING AMERICA'S TRADITIONAL SENSE OF

COMMUNITY. THE NEED IS ESPECIALLY URGENT IN THIS

AGE OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY -- AND IN A SOCIETY THAT

OFTEN SEEMS PERMANENTLY STUCK ON

"FAST-FORWARD".

THE NEXT PRESIDENT MUST RECAPTURE ON A NATIONAL SCALE THAT OLD SENSE OF BELONGING TO A COMMON ENTERPRISE, THAT SPECIAL BOND THAT THRIVES IN PRAIRIE VILLAGES AND URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS ALIKE. IT IS AN INCLUSIVE -- NOT AN EXCLUSIVE -- SOCIETY, A LAND OF OPEN DOORS AND OUTSTRETCHED HANDS.

WHAT BETTER WAY TO RESTORE THAT SPIRIT THAN BY TAPPING INTO THAT SOLID CORE OF ENERGETIC AND TALENTED AMERICANS WHO, IF ENCOURAGED, WOULD GLADLY GIVE -- NOT MONEY, BUT OF THEMSELVES -- TO MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE? THAT IS WHY AS PRESIDENT I WOULD SET FORTH A BLUEPRINT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "CITIZEN SERVICE."

AMERICANS ARE IDEALISTIC PEOPLE, WHETHER THEY CHOOSE TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY BY WEARING A UNIFORM -- AS I DID -- OR WHETHER THEY USE THEIR TALENTS TO HELP OTHERS OUTSIDE THE ARMED FORCES. THE CITIZEN SERVICE WOULD EXIST TO PROMOTE VOLUNTARY SERVICE BY ALL AMERICANS -- IN WHATEVER FORM IS BEST SUITED TO THE INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEER. THERE WILL BE NO COERCION -- ONLY ENCOURAGEMENT.

CITIZEN SERVICE WILL HAVE THREE OVERRIDING GOALS: O TO LINK THROUGH A CENTRAL INFORMATION BANK GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AND EXPAND VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS. O TO ENCOURAGE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO DESIGN VOLUNTEER OR CHARITY PROGRAMS TO MEET THEIR OWN SPECIAL NEEDS. O TO CREATE FEDERAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

WHERE A SPECIFIC, UNFULFILLED NEED EXISTS.

INITIALLY, CITIZEN SERVICE WOULD TARGET YOUNG AMERICANS ENTERING ADULTHOOD, PROVIDING OPPORTUNITY FOR VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY SERVICE. NOT ONLY WOULD THIS INITIATIVE INFUSE THE NATION AND THE WORLD WITH THE VIBRANCE OF AMERICA'S YOUTH. IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE YOUNG PERSONS WITH NEEDED AVENUES OF NEW RESPONSIBILITY. IT WOULD ALLOW THEM TO LEARN THE TRUE MEANING OF DR. ALBERT SCHWEITZER'S WORDS: "THE ONLY ONES AMONG YOU WHO

WILL BE REALLY HAPPY ARE THOSE WHO WILL HAVE SOUGHT AND FOUND HOW TO SERVE." EVENTUALLY, IT MAY BE CONSIDERED AN AMERICAN RITE OF PASSAGE FOR YOUNG PERSONS TO HAVE DONE SOME KIND OF CITIZEN SERVICE. AND OLDER AMERICANS TOO WILL BE WELCOMED TO THE VOLUNTEER CORPS IN THEIR POST-RETIREMENT AND "EMPTY NEST" YEARS.

SUCH SERVICE COULD BE PERFORMED THROUGH

MILITARY DUTY OR THROUGH EXISTING FEDERAL

PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE PEACE CORPS, ACTION OR

VISTA, OR IN THE MANY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

COMMUNITY SERVICE EFFORTS IN LOCALITIES ACROSS THE NATION.

A GLANCE AT THE HEADLINES OR A WALK DOWN MANY AMERICAN STREETS WILL IMMEDIATELY DOCUMENT THE NEED FOR A NEW SPIRIT OF VOLUNTEERISM.

THE HOMELESS STREET PERSON, THE CHILD RUNAWAY, THE TEENAGE DRUG ADDICT, THE OLDER PERSON DEPENDENT ON DELIVERY OF A HOT MEAL, THE MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONA WHO NEEDS HELP IN GETTING STARTED IN THE WORLD OUTSIDE AN INSTITUTION -- THESE ARE THEY VERY REAL AND HUMAN PROBLEMS -- THE KIND THAT CAN BEST BY MET BY PERSON-TO-PERSON EFFORTS RATHER THAN BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

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THE DOLE ADMINISTRATION WILL AIM TO HAVE THE CITIZEN SERVICE PROGRAM IN PLACE WITHIN ONE YEAR. A BROAD-GAUGED WORKING GROUP NAMED BY THE PRESIDENT -- INCLUDING EDUCATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE ARMED FORCES, LABOR UNIONS, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE NAMED TO DEVELOP THE DETAILS OF HOW THE PROGRAM WOULD OPERATE. BUT FOR STARTERS, I BELIEVE THAT PARTICIPATION SHOULD BE STRICTLY VOLUNTARY, AND

ANY NEW SPENDING SHOULD BE LIMITED. I WANT TO SEE A LEAN, FOCUSED AND EFFICIENT PROGRAM. THE POTENTIAL VALUE OF THE CITIZEN SERVICE IS INCALCULABLE. WHILE THERE ARE LIMITS ON WHAT THE GOVERNMENT CAN ACCOMPLISH, PARTICULARLY IN THIS TIME OF BUDGETARY RESTRAINT, THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE CAPACITIES OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. EVIDENCE OF THIS GROWING EFFORT IS ALREADY BUILDING UP. NEARLY 50 PERCENT OF AMERICANS IN A RECENT GALLUP POLL SAY THE ARE INVOLVED IN CHARITY OR VOLUNTEER WORK, AN INCREASE FROM 31 PERCENT IN 1984. SOME 600 COMPANIES HAVE ORGANIZED PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE WORKER INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, TWICE AS MANY COMPANY

PROGRAMS THAN EXISTED IN 1979. ACROSS THE

BOARD, THESE COMPANIES SAY SUCH EFFORTS PAY OFF

IN INCREASED

EMPLOYEE MORALE, BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF PROBLEMS IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, AND AN IMPROVED CORPORATE IMAGE. MY HOPE AND EXPECTATION IS THAT THE SPIRIT OF THE CITIZEN SERVICE ALSO WILL BRING TO LIGHT A VAST AND UNDERUTILIZED RESOURCE -- AMERICA'S SENIOR CITIZENS. TODAY THERE ARE 28 MILLION SENIORS -- BY THE YEAR 2000 THERE WILL BE 35 MILLION. THESE PEOPLE HAVE THE EXPERIENCE, THE

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ABILITY, THE DESIRE, AND THE TIME TO GIVE TO THEIR

COMMUNITIES.

DURING THE SAME TIME PERIOD, 3 TO 4 MILLION YOUNG AMERICANS WILL TURN 18 EACH YEAR. AND ACCORDING TO A 1986 FORD FOUNDATION STUDY, NEARLY 3.6 MILLION TASKS COULD BY PERFORMED BY YOUNG PEOPLE.

AMONG THOSE AREAS WHERE A NEED FOR MODERN-DAY GOOD SAMARITANS ALREADY EXISTS ARE: --<u>EDUCATION</u>, WHERE TUTORS, TEACHERS' AIDES AND LITERACY WORKERS ARE IN CONSTANT DEMAND. --<u>HEALTH CARE</u>, SUCH AS HOSPITAL AIDES AND ASSISTANTS IN NURSING HOMES, HOSPICES AND FACILITIES FOR THE HANDICAPPED. --<u>HELP FOR OLDER AMERICANS</u>, INCLUDING MEALS-ON-WHEELS, TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE AND COMPANIONSHIP. This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu

--CHILD CARE, INCLUDING DAY-CARE FACILITY

VOLUNTEERS, TRANSPORTATION WORKERS AND READING HELPERS.

--ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND

MAINTENANCE, SUCH AS REPLANTING OF FORESTS, SOIL CONSERVATION, AND CONSTRUCTION AND CARE OF RECREATION AREAS.

I'M SURE THAT ONCE CITIZEN SERVICE IS INITIATED, MANY ADDITIONAL AREAS WHERE VOLUNTEER SERVICE MAKES SENSE WILL BECOME APPARENT. THERE IS NO DOUBT, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE MORE THAN 100,000 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN AMERICA WOULD BY DRAMATICALLY ENERGIZED BY CITIZEN SERVICE.

WHILE VOLUNTARY EFFORTS BY ALL AMERICANS WILL BE ENCOURAGED, I WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY TO THOSE WHO WILL MOST DIRECTLY BENEFITS -- YOUNG AMERICANS. IT IS THEY WHO NEED TO LEARN EARLY TO BY COMMITTED TO THEIR COMMUNITIES SO THAT THEY CARRY THAT PRACTICE THROUGH THEIR LIVES. AND WE HAVE A GREAT FOUNDATION TO BUILD ON.

DESPITE THE PREOCCUPATION OF SOME COMMENTATORS WITH ISOLATED BUT NOTORIOUS EXAMPLES OF GREED AND ARROGANCE ON WALL STREET AND IN WASHINGTON, MORE THAN FORTY STATE AND LOCAL YOUTH CORPS PROJECTS OPERATE FULL-TIME ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WITH A COMBINED BUDGET EXCEEDING \$100 MILLION AND INCLUDING MORE THAN 23,000 YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE GROWING SUCCESS OF SUCH EFFORTS MIGHT SURPRISE THE MORE CYNICAL. BUT THE POLLSTER GEORGE GALLUP HAS CONDUCTED STUDIES THAT LED HIM TO CONCLUDE: "THE YOUTH POPULATION HAS BEEN MISNAMED THE SELF-CENTERED GENERATION. THERE'S A STRONG DESIRE TO SERVE OTHERS. THE PROBLEMS WE FACE IN AMERICA TODAY IS NOT A LACK OF WILLINGNESS TO SERVE OR TO HELP OTHERS, BUT TO FIND THE APPROPRIATE OUTLET FOR THIS "

THE CITIZEN SERVICE CAN PROVIDE THAT OUTLET FOR BOTH YOUNG AND OLD - NOT BY PROMULGATING REGULATIONS FROM WASHINGTON, BUT BY EMPOWERING AND ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO WORK IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THE CITIZEN SERVICE ALSO WILL HELP TO RESTORE THE SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND COMPASSION I FOUND **GROWING UP IN RUSSELL, KANSAS -- WHERE YOU MIGHT** NOT KNOW THE NAME OF YOUR CONGRESSMAN, BUT

YOU

KNEW THE NAME OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOUR NEIGHBORS. THE CITIZEN SERVICE WILL ALLOW US TO HELP ONE ANOTHER, AND THEREBY HELP US ALL. WE AMERICANS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AT OUR BEST WHEN SUMMONED TO PURPOSES LARGER THAN OURSELVES.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT'S COMMITMENT MUST BE TO <u>CARING</u> CONSERVATISM -- THE KIND TYPIFIED BY CITIZEN SERVICE. CONSERVATIVES RIGHTFULLY DEPLORE WASTE -- WASTED DOLLARS, WASTED LIVES. WE BELIEVE IN THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS THAT COME WITH COMPETITION.

BUT TO BE FAIR, THE CONTEST MUST BE OPEN TO ALL ON AN EQUAL BASIS, AND THE SAME SET OF RULES MUST BE APPLIED ACROSS THE BOARD. ANYTHING LESS THAN THIS IS A DENIAL OF ALL THAT SETS AMERICA APART IN THE FAMILY OF NATIONS. CITIZEN SERVICE WILL HELP US APPLY THE RULES

FAIRLY, TO HELP EQUALIZE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AMERICANS.

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AND WE'LL DO IT -- BECAUSE <u>NOT</u> TO DO IT IS A WASTE OF HUMAN POTENTIAL:

THE BLACK TEENAGE DROPOUT IN NEWARK IS WASTED POTENTIAL. A VOLUNTEER BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

THE DISPLACED STEEL WORKER IN BIRMINGHAM IS WASTED POTENTIAL. A JOB RETRAINING PROGRAM STAFFED BY VOLUNTEERS CAN KEEP SUCH A WORKER PRODUCTIVE.

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THE ILLITERATE FARM LABORER IN OREGON WHO WANTS TO MAKE A BETTER LIFE FOR HIS FAMILY IS WASTED POTENTIAL. A VOLUNTEER TUTOR CAN HELP HIM FIND A BETTER JOB. THE MOTHER IN WICHITA WHO CAN'T FIND DAY

CARE FOR HER YOUNG SON IS WASTED POTENTIAL. SO

IS THE COLLEGE-EDUCATED WOMAN IN SPARTANBURG

WHOSE CHILDREN ARE GROWN BUT WHO CAN'T FIND AN OUTLET

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THAT CAN USE HER SKILLS PART-TIME. BUT VOLUNTARY

EFFORTS CAN RESCUE THESE PEOPLE FROM

OTHERWISE UNFULFILLED LIVES.

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WASTE HUMAN CAPITAL ANY MORE THAN WE CAN WASTE ECONOMIC CAPITAL. AND CITIZEN SERVICE WILL FIND OUTLETS FOR USING HUMAN CAPITAL. IT WAS EDMUND BURKE WHO ONCE SAID THAT ALL YOU NEED FOR THE WRONG TO TRIUMPH IS FOR GOOD PEOPLE TO DO NOTHING. AND CITIZEN SERVICE WILL OPEN THE DOORS FOR ALL PEOPLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS NATION AND THE WORLD.

IT WAS DANTE WHO SAID THAT THE HOTTEST PLACE IN HADES WOULD BE RESERVED FOR THOSE WHO REMAIN INDIFFERENT, OR APATHETIC, OR NEUTRAL WHEN THERE WAS A GREAT MORAL CHALLENGE AND CRISIS CONFRONTING THEIR SOCIETY.

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