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Committee*

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August 4, 1989

The Honorable Bob Dole
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Bob:

As you know, each year our most heavy-hitting Greek-Americans come to Washington for the Hellenic American Leadership Conference. Your appearance at this Conference has, for them, been a major highlight. I sincerely hope that you can again stop by the Mike Mansfield Room at this year's Conference. We will be meeting in the Mansfield Room from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 14. If you have an idea of what time you might be able to come by, please have your people let us know so that we can make sure a space is reserved.

I, like the others, look forward to seeing you again.

Yours truly,

Andrew E. Manatos

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*8/30 Advised Andy Sen would do--
at 10:00 am -- but they will be flexible*

Talking Points

Hellenic American Leadership Conference

September 14, 1989

- o YOUR VISIT TO THE SENATE IS TIMELY. THIS WEEK, YOU CAN SEE FIRST-HAND HOW WE SPEND ALL OF YOUR TAX DOLLARS.
- o (you may want to include some comments on what's going on in Congress)

Greek-Americans active and effective

- o THE MAIN REASON YOU'RE HERE, THOUGH, IS TO LET YOUR SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES KNOW OF THE INTERESTS AND CONCERNS OF YOUR COMMUNITY.
- o YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF CLOUT AROUND HERE, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF YOUR NUMBERS, BUT BECAUSE YOU WORK HARD AT MAKING THE SYSTEM WORK FOR YOU.
- o YOU CAN BE PROUD OF WHAT YOU'VE ACCOMPLISHED, FOR GREEK-AMERICANS AND FOR OUR COUNTRY.

o YOU CAN ALSO BE VERY PROUD OF SO MANY FROM YOUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE MAKING AN ENORMOUS CONTRIBUTION IN WASHINGTON AND TO OUR GOVERNMENT.

o I WAS VERY HAPPY RECENTLY TO HAVE THE CHANCE TO ENDORSE THE NOMINATION OF AN OLD FRIEND, MIKE SOTIRHOS, AS OUR NEW AMBASSADOR TO GREECE.

-- MIKE IS ONE POLITICAL APPOINTEE THAT PAUL SARBANES DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH.

Exciting time in Europe

o IT'S A VERY EXCITING TIME IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

o I'VE JUST BEEN TO POLAND -- WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE IS EXTRAORDINARY.

o I ATTENDED A SOLIDARITY PARTY CAUCUS THE DAY AFTER POLAND SEELECTED ITS FIRST DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED PRIME MINISTER IN 50 YEARS. IT WAS LIKE BEING BACK IN PHILADELPHIA 200 YEARS AGO, WITH OUR OWN FOUNDING FATHERS.

o AND, OF COURSE, WE NOW SEE THE REMARKABLE
PHENOMENON OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF EAST
GERMANS STREAMING OUT THROUGH HUNGARY TO
FREEDOM.

o IT ALL PROVES AGAIN WHAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
AND GREEK PEOPLE KNOW FROM THEIR OWN
EXPERIENCE -- FREEDOM WORKS; TYRANNY DOESN'T.
THE PEOPLE WANT FREEDOM; THEY DON'T WANT
TYRANNY.

Visit to Greece/U.S.-Greek relations

o LAST YEAR, I VISITED GREECE. IT WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE.

o DESPITE SOME POLITICAL PROBLEMS WITH THE GREEK GOVERNMENT IN RECENT YEARS, THE FRIENDSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GREECE WAS OBVIOUS EVERYWHERE

ELIZABETH AND I WENT.

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o I THINK OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GREEK

GOVERNMENT IS VERY MUCH ON THE UPSWING -- WHICH

IS WHERE IT OUGHT TO BE.

o WE ARE BOTH DEMOCRACIES; WE'RE ALLIES; WE HAVE

BASICALLY GOOD ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

o WORKING TOGETHER AND WITH OUR OTHER ALLIES,

WE CAN HELP KEEP THE EASTERN END OF THE

MEDITERRANEAN STABLE AND AT PEACE.