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Monday, April 30

H-227, The Capitol (phone 225-0000)

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Schator Robert Dole Defense Secretary Richard Cheney Coffee break Floor Assistant William Pitts House floor discussion of legislative procedures Constituent Services rep. Sarah Thomson Tour of U.S. Capitol Lunch with Mr. Michel in Leader's Corridor NPR and ABC Correspondent Cokie Roberts Ambassador Carla Hills To be arranged Adjourn

Reception at 1201 New York Ave.N.W. Hostod by Keck Mahin & Cate law firm

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Senator Alun J. Dixon

Coffee House Speaker Thomas Foley Representative Dan Rostenkowski Lobbyist Ken Duberstein, <u>Bermans</u> & Gempany Lunch/free time Board charter bus (location 1ba) Depart for White House The Roosevelt Room, White House National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft Deputy Chief of Staff Andrew Card Other speakers tha Depart White House for hotel

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