MAY 11, 1990

TO: SENATOR DOLE

FROM: CAROLYN SEELY

SUBJECT: SPEECH TO IDS CLIENT SEMINAR

On Wednesday, May 17, 1990, you have agreed to speak to the IDS Advisory Group, Inc., client seminar. IDS is an investment management subsidiary with a portfolio of \$7.5 billion in assets from public and private pension and endowment funds. The audience will consist of approximately 100 pension officers and trustees of these clients.

The theme of this year's conference is "A New World", and the focus is on the major issues affecting the globalization of markets. Your topic is "Taking a Leadership Role". The group will be interested in hearing about any pending issues: taxes, the budget, etc., which could affect investments in the U.S. or abroad.

Before you, the group will hear from Congressman Rostenkowski and Dr. Sid Jones, Assistant Treasury Secretary for Economic Affairs. On Wednesday evening, they will hear from Messrs. Novak, Shields and Hunt of the Capital Gang. Other conference speakers include David Brinkley, Ambassador Winston Lord, representatives from the Mexican Embassy, and the Japan Institute for Economic Affairs, and experts on the Soviet Union and the environment.

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# TALKING POINTS IDS ADVISORY GROUP

- O GOOD MORNING
- THIS IS AN EXCITING TIME FOR AMERICA. IT SEEMS

  THAT EVERY ELECTION ADDS TO WORLD FREEDOM -
  IN LATIN AMERICA, IN EASTERN EUROPE AND EVEN

  INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION.

- O IT MAY BE THE WORLD WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR

  -- THE COLLAPSE OF COMMUNISM AND THE

  DISINTEGRATION OF THE "EVIL EMPIRE". BUT TO BE

  CANDID: I'M NOT SURE IT'S A WORLD WE'RE

  PREPARED TO DEAL WITH.
- O IF THE DEMOCRACY MOVEMENTS PREVAIL -- AND IT IS

  IN OUR INTEREST TO HELP THEM SUCCEED -- WE

  WILL HAVE ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITIES, BOTH

POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC. BUT WE WILL ALSO NEED
SOUND POLICIES WHICH RECOGNIZE THE BEST
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

WE NEED TO SPUR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRONG
PRIVATE SECTORS IN EACH NEW DEMOCRACY. AND
WE NEED TO MAINTAIN THE COMPETITIVENESS OF
OUR OWN ECONOMY SO THAT WE CAN ESTABLISH

MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL TRADE RELATIONS WITH

THESE COUNTRIES AND SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE

THE "JUMP START" OF INVESTMENT AND

TECHNOLOGY THAT THEY MOST NEED.

#### EASTERN EUROPE

O IN EASTERN EUROPE, THE PACE OF CHANGE HAS

BEEN BREATH-TAKING. SIX MONTHS AGO, AN

INDIVIDUAL'S CHANCES OF RISING TO POWER

DEPENDED ON HIS YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PARTY;

NOW IT'S HIS YEARS IN A COMMUNIST JAIL.

- DAY THE MAZOWIECKI GOVERNMENT TOOK POWER.

  ONLY THREE OR FOUR PEOPLE IN THE ROOM HAD

  ANY EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNING. IT WAS LIKE

  SEEING OUR FOUNDING FATHERS.
- O YET THIS IS THE SENIOR GOVERNMENT IN EASTERN

  EUROPE. AND THEY CAN PROBABLY TEACH US SOME

  LESSONS.

O IN POLAND, I MET ANOTHER AMERICAN, JEFFREY
SACHS, WHO WAS ADVISING THE NEW GOVERNMENT
ON ECONOMIC MATTERS. HE TOLD THEM TO DO THE
TOUGH STUFF, LIKE ELIMINATING ALL FARM
SUBSIDIES, UP FRONT WHILE THEY STILL HAD THE
SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE. CLEARLY, THE AMERICAN
CONGRESS COULD USE SOME OF THIS ADVICE.

# THE SUMMIT

O AT LAST, IN WHAT MUST BE WELCOME NEWS TO THE INVESTMENT COMMUNITY, THIS WEEK, THE PRESIDENT'S REPRESENTATIVES ARE MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND THE CHAIRMEN AND RANKING REPUBLICANS FROM THE BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS, AND TAX-WRITING COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS, TO NEGOTIATE A DEFICIT REDUCTION PACKAGE.

- O AND THESE TALKS WILL CONTINUE AS LONG AS
  PROGRESS IS BEING MADE. WE HOPE TO HAVE A
  BUDGET IN PLACE BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT RUNS
  OUT OF MONEY AGAIN THIS JULY.
- O THERE ARE NO PRECONDITIONS FOR THESE TALKS.

  MEMBERS CAN RAISE ANY RELEVANT ISSUE WITH THE

  UNDERSTANDING THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE

  CONDUCTED AT THE TABLE -- NOT IN THE PRESS.

O THAT IS WHY I CALLED FOR A "RHETORIC CEASE-FIRE"

SO THAT WE CAN FOCUS ON THE TASK AT HAND,

RATHER THAN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS.

## THE BUDGET PROCESS

O I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT A PRESIDENT'S BEST
CHANCE TO ENACT TOUGH PROGRAMS, LIKE THE
FLEXIBLE FREEZE, COMES IN THE FIRST YEAR OF HIS
TERM. BY THE SECOND YEAR, CONGRESS IS

PREPARING FOR THE MID-TERM ELECTIONS, AND
OUR TWO-YEAR PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN SEEMS TO
BEGIN AS SOON AS THOSE POLLS CLOSE.

O UNFORTUNATELY, AS YOU KNOW, LAST YEAR WE

BASICALLY TOOK A WALK ON THE DEFICIT. WE SPENT

10 MONTHS AND DEVOTED OVER 60% OF OUR ROLL

CALL VOTES IN THE SENATE TO REDUCE THE DEFICIT

BY ONLY \$16 BILLION. AND WE NEEDED FOUR

MONTHS OF SEQUESTER TO DO EVEN THAT.

- O FOR 1991, WE WILL NEED \$50 BILLION -- MORE THAN
  THREE TIMES AS MUCH. AND ALREADY A HOUSE
  COMMITTEE HAS VOTED TO DOUBLE THE COST OF
  THE 1991 FARM BILL!
- O MEANWHILE, INTEREST ON OUR NATIONAL DEBT IS

  APPROACHING \$200 BILLION A YEAR, TWICE AS MUCH

  AS THE ENTIRE FEDERAL BUDGET WHEN I WAS FIRST

  ELECTED TO CONGRESS.

O I HAVE SPOKEN TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO

ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DEFICIT. THEY

RECOGNIZE THAT THEY WILL BE HANDED THE BILL,

AND THEY WANT LEADERSHIP NOW. THEY WANT US

TO MAKE THE TOUGH CHOICES.

# **GRAMM-RUDMAN**

O IN ADDITION TO REDUCING OUR DEFICIT, WE ALSO

NEED TO REFORM THE CURRENT BUDGET PROCESS.

WE CANNOT AFFORD TO ABANDON A REGIME LIKE

GRAMM-RUDMAN-HOLLINGS WHICH IMPOSES

MANDATORY SPENDING RESTRAINTS ON CONGRESS.

BUT WE ALSO NEED TO INVOLVE THE PRESIDENT IN

ELIMINATING WASTE IN CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAMS

WITH A LINE ITEM VETO OR RECISSION AUTHORITY.

AND WE NEED A TWO YEAR BUDGET CYCLE SO THAT

O AND WE NEED A TWO YEAR BUDGET CYCLE SO THAT

CONGRESS CAN DEVOTE TIME TO OTHER NATIONAL

PRIORITIES.

# **COMPETITIVENESS**

O CERTAINLY, A MULTI-YEAR BUDGET PACT WOULD

HELP AMERICAN COMPETITIVENESS. WE ALSO NEED

TO IMPROVE OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM AND PROVIDE

INCENTIVES FOR RESEARCH AND FOR THE

APPLICATION OF THOSE DISCOVERIES TO NEW

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

- O LAST YEAR, AT SUGGESTION OF SENATOR

  DANFORTH, I CONVENED A TASK FORCE OF

  REPUBLICAN SENATORS TO ADDRESS THOSE

  BARRIERS TO COMPETITIVENESS WHICH ARE WITHIN

  THE CONTROL OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
- O WE ARE NOT LOOKING TO ESTABLISH AN INDUSTRIAL POLICY. LIKE MOST OF YOU, WE BELIEVE THAT THE PRIVATE SECTOR IS BETTER AT MAKING BUSINESS DECISIONS THAN GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRATS.

AND WE BELIEVE THAT PROTECTIONISM AND

GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION IN THE MARKETPLACE

CREATE OBSTACLES TO COMPETITIVENESS BY

RAISING THE COST OF CAPITAL AND MATERIALS FOR

U.S. MANUFACTURERS.

O NEVERTHELESS, WE RECOGNIZE THAT AMERICA

NEEDS LEADERSHIP AND COORDINATION IN ITS

TRADE AND ECONOMIC POLICIES. OUR TASK FORCE

AIMS TO ESTABLISH THOSE PRIORITIES.

- O OUR INITIAL FOCUS HAS BEEN ON THE WAYS IN
  WHICH GOVERNMENT IMPEDES COMPETITIVENESS -WHETHER THROUGH ANTI-TRUST LAWS, TAX POLICY,
  OR EXCESSIVE REGULATION.
- O WE HAVE ALREADY RECOMMENDED TAX INCENTIVES

  FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION, PRODUCT LIABILITY

  REFORM, ANTI-TRUST REFORM, FEDERAL

  CO-ORDINATION OF STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGIES AND

STREAMLINED PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO

TRANSFORM FEDERAL RESEARCH DISCOVERIES INTO

NEW PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

O AND WE SUPPORT PASSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT'S

CAPITAL GAINS RATE REDUCTION TO REDUCE THE

HIGH COST OF CAPITAL NOW CONFRONTING

AMERICAN BUSINESS.

#### **CAPITAL GAINS**

CAPITAL GAINS IS ALSO HIGH ON THE PRESIDENT'S PRIORITY LIST. AND IT HAS THE SUPPORT OF A MAJORITY IN BOTH THE HOUSE AND SENATE. SO WHILE THE PRICE FOR CAPITAL GAINS RELIEF IN THE SENATE MAY BE A FAMILY SAVINGS INCENTIVE, AS PROPOSED BY THE PRESIDENT, OR AN EXPANDED IRA, AS PROPOSED BY SENATOR BENTSEN, I BELIEVE THAT SOME CAPITAL GAINS RELIEF WILL PASS THIS YFAR.

## SHORT-TERM TRADING

ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT DOLLARS. WE NEED THE
LONG-TERM, "PATIENT" EQUITY CAPITAL THAT WILL
ALLOW OUR BUSINESSES TO ENGAGE IN PROJECTS,
SUCH AS RESEARCH, PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND
THE MODERNIZATION OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT -ALLOW THEM TO ENHANCE FUTURE PRODUCTIVITY,
EVEN AT THE EXPENSE OF CURRENT EARNINGS.

O THE SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

PREVAILING IN OUR CAPITAL MARKETS ARE HURTING

AMERICAN INVESTORS AS MUCH AS THEY ARE

HURTING AMERICAN BUSINESS AND AMERICAN

WORKERS. STUDY AFTER STUDY SHOWS THAT

LONG-TERM HOLDING IS MORE PROFITABLE THAN

FREQUENT CHURNING.

#### CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

NOW, AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR.

AND THE SENATE IS APPROPRIATELY CONFRONTING

THE ISSUE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE.

- O LAST WEEK, THE SENATE REPUBLICANS INTRODUCED

  AN AMBITIOUS NEW REFORM PROPOSAL. IT GETS RID

  OF POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES -- "AXES THE

  PACS". IT BANS SOFT MONEY. IT IMPOSES LIMITS ON

  OUT-OF-STATE CONTRIBUTIONS.
- O AND IT INCREASES COMPETITION IN THE POLITICAL

  ARENA BY OFFERING SEED MONEY TO VIABLE

  CHALLENGERS AND BY REDUCING THE SO-CALLED

"MILLIONAIRE'S LOOPHOLE". THE MONEY AVAILABLE

TO A CANDIDATE IS AUTOMATICALLY INCREASED

WHEN HIS OPPONENT RELIES ON PERSONAL FUNDS.

O CONGRESSIONAL INCUMBENTS ENJOY MANY

BUILT-IN ADVANTAGES -- LARGE STAFFS, FREE MAIL,

HIGH NAME RECOGNITION AND MEDIA ACCESS.

HOWEVER, THEIR BIGGEST ADVANTAGE MAY BE

THEIR SHARE OF PAC CONTRIBUTIONS. IN 1988,

INCUMBENTS RECEIVED A WHOPPING 74% OF ALL

PAC CONTRIBUTIONS. IF POLITICIANS ARE TO

BECOME TRULY ACCOUNTABLE TO THE VOTERS, THIS

SYSTEM MUST BE CHANGED.

### THE ELECTION

O AND SPEAKING OF CHALLENGES, FOR A CHANGE,

THE REPUBLICANS APPEAR LIKELY TO MAKE GAINS IN

A MID-TERM ELECTION.

- O UNLIKE RECENT SENATE CAMPAIGNS WHERE THE

  DEMOCRATS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RECRUIT BETTER

  CANDIDATES, WE NOW HAVE 9 REPUBLICAN HOUSE

  MEMBERS RUNNING FOR THE SENATE BEHIND A

  PRESIDENT WHOSE POPULARITY IS BREAKING

  RONALD REAGAN'S RECORDS.
- O OF COURSE, PRESIDENT BUSH'S RATINGS WILL COME
  DOWN SOMEWHAT, AND PUNDITS CONTEND THAT A
  PRESIDENT'S COATTAILS DO NOT HELP IN

CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS. BUT I THINK THAT BILL SCHUETTE IN MICHIGAN, TOM TAUKE IN IOWA, LYNN MARTIN IN ILLINOIS, CLAUDINE SCHNEIDER IN RHODE ISLAND AND PAT SAIKI IN HAWAII ARE EACH POSITIONED TO UNSEAT AN INCUMBENT SENATOR.

### CONCLUSION

O BECAUSE THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR, BI-PARTISAN

COOPERATION IN THE CONGRESS MAY BECOME

MORE AND MORE DIFFICULT. NEVERTHELESS, I

BELIEVE THAT WE WILL FINALLY AGREE ON WHAT I HAVE CALLED THE FIVE C's: CLEAN AIR, CHILD CARE, CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM, A CRIME PACKAGE, AND SOME FORM OF CAPITAL GAINS RELIEF. HOWEVER, AS ALWAYS, THE SERIOUS DEBATE ON THE DEFICIT AND THE BUDGET PROCESS WILL CONTINUE TO DOMINATE OUR AGENDA UNTIL BOTH CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT FACE UP TO THE TOUGH CHOICES.

O THANK YOU.

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March 7, 1990

The Honorable Robert J. Dole 141 Senator Hart Office Building Washington, DC 20510-1601

Dear Senator Dole:

IDS Advisory Group Inc. is hosting its client seminar in Washington, D.C. on May 16-18, 1990, at the Four Seasons in Georgetown. It is our extreme pleasure to invite you, as a leading member of the United States Senate, to present your views on current events to our group. One topic of interest to our clients would be the proposed taxation of capital gains in pension portfolios. An information sheet describing our organization and the event is enclosed.

Obviously, we are aware of the demands on your time, but we hope that you might be able to address our group on Thursday, May 17, at lunch or Friday morning, May 18, at a time convenient for you. We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of our invitation and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please call me at (612)372-2559.

Sincerely,

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#### IDS ADVISORY GROUP INC. ANNUAL CLIENT SEMINAR

IDS Advisory Group Inc. is an investment management firm founded in 1972. Based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, we are a subsidiary of IDS Financial Services, which is wholly owned by American Express.

IDS Advisory Group manages \$7.5 billion in U.S. stocks, bonds, cash and international securities. Our client base is multinational, with the majority being U.S.-based entities. The clients we serve are corporate pension plans, endowment funds, union retirement plans and public pension funds. The audience you will address, ranging from 75 to 100 representatives of these organizations, will consist of pension officers, chief financial officers, and trustees of public and private funds. Our clients include Boeing, Pacific Telesis, Virginia Supplemental Retirement System, Screen Actors Guild, California Institute of Technology, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, The Art Institute of Chicago, and the IMF.

This year we are holding our Thirteenth Annual Client Seminar at the Four Seasons Hotel in Georgetown, Washington, D.C. on May 16, 17, and 18. Our program begins Wednesday evening with a banquet and concludes with lunch on Friday. We provide our clients with speakers on a wide range of issues: economics, politics, legislation, business, investments and social trends. Speakers in past years have included Dick Cheney, Newt Gingrich, Bill Bradley, Bill Gray, Bob Dole, Jack Kemp, Henry Kissinger, Richard Darman, Art Laffer, Jeane Kirkpatrick, Ted Koppel, and Tom Wolfe, to name a few.

We sincerely hope you will join us this year.