TO: Senator Dole FR: Kerry

RE: American Textile Manufacturers Institute

*You will be speaking to approximately 500 textile company executives, suppliers, and customers.

*You will be introduced by Senator Faircloth.

*ATMI requested that you focus on trade, the Congressional agenda, and that you should feel free to talk about 1996.

*Attached is a memo from ATMI listing their priorities.

March 23, 1995

TO: Senator Dole

FROM: Mike Torrey

SUBJECT: Cotton program

Cotton farmers and the textile industry support the current cotton program. Southern Senator's will push hard for no change in the program. Even Senator Lugar's proposed cuts in farm program payments hits wheat farmers harder than cotton. (i.e Lugar reduces target prices and eliminates EEP for wheat. Cotton will be affected by target price reductions but will keep their loan deficiency payments)

Since you have asked for an equity study from USDA (should be done in the next few weeks), you may want to keep your powder dry on supporting a continuation of the program until we see what the study says and how much money the budget committee gives Ag to spend on program benefits.

BOTTOMLINE...It is to early to make any predictions on what the various commodity titles will look like.

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AMERICAN TEXTILE MANUFACTURERS INSTITUTE

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December 19, 1994

Honorable Robert Dole Office of the Republican Leader 141 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Leader:

ATMI will hold its 46th Annual Meeting at The Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach, Florida, during the period March 23-25, 1995. We would be honored to have you address our General Session Saturday morning, March 25.

Our members would especially be interested in hearing what kind of start the 104th Congress has gotten off to and what we can expect in the next 18 months.

The ATMI Annual Meeting is the largest and, we believe, most important meeting of its kind held in the American textile industry each year. We expect an attendance of over 500. That includes the leaders of the U.S. textile industry, as well as those from our supply and service industries, banking and education. The press is invited as well.

Our meeting begins with a welcome reception Thursday evening, March 23 and concludes on Saturday with your address. We would be delighted to have you and Liddy join us for the • entire meeting or for any portion that would fit your schedule. ATMI will take care of your airline travel, hotel accommodations and incidental expenses, consistent with Federal regulations.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of last year's program for our meeting held at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress in Orlando, and a copy of our official directory which contains a brief description of ATMI and lists its officers, directors and committee members.

If we can provide additional information or be of assistance in any way, please let us know. We look forward to having you join us in Palm Beach.



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William A. Armfield, IV President



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To:	Senator Bob Dole
From:	Doug Bulcao
Date:	March 20, 1995
Subject:	ATMI Annual Meeting Speech - Saturday, March 25, 1995

Our members are looking forward to your appearance at the annual meeting of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute (ATMI) this Saturday. Please let me know if you need additional information or assistance.

- ATMI is the national trade association for the domestic textile industry. Our members operate in more than thirty states and account for more than 80 percent of all textile fibers consumed by mills in the U.S.
- Our active members consist of textile mills which manufacture or process textile products (fabric, yarn, thread). Such products can be in the form of industrial fabrics, consumer goods (towels, sheets, draperies, carpeting, fabric, etc.) or goods which require further processing (such as assembly into apparel) before being sold to consumers. A few of our companies produce apparel as well as textiles.
- We expect over 500 textile company executives, suppliers and customers at our annual meeting. Your speech will be during the general session of Saturday, which is open to the press. Gail Raiman, ATMI's Director of Communications, will be on-site coordinating media activities.
- Our president this year is Billy Armfield of Unifi, Inc., which is headquartered in Greensboro, North Carolina. Billy will be chairing the general session and will introduce his senator, Lauch Faircloth, who will introduce you.
- Our first vice president, who will become president at the conclusion of this meeting, is Walter Elisha of Springs Industries, Inc., which is headquartered in Fort Mill, S.C. Our second vice president is Henry Walker of Dundee Mills in Griffin, Georgia. They will also be at the dias with yourself, Sen. Faircloth, and the other speakers at the Saturday general session.

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The theme of this year's annual meeting is "Think Globally," which fits with our industry's effort to get away from protectionist impulses and seek ways to compete in the new, post-GATT global economy. Our association showed its commitment to competing globally by our overwhelming support for NAFTA and by our efforts to support the pro-textile provisions of last year's Uruguay Round legislation, despite the loss of our quota protection under the GATT agreement. In fact, the efforts of, among others, our president, Billy Armfield, and our incoming president, Walter Elisha, on behalf of the implementing bill gave much-needed comfort to members of Congress from textile-producing regions who would otherwise have been forced to vote against the Uruguay Round because of the elimination of textile/apparel quotas.

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Our industry has two main priorities for the coming year:

1. Because of the importance to textile manufacturers of reliable, affordable domestic supplies of raw cotton (and because we cannot, by law, import raw cotton), we are looking to <u>maintain intact in this year's farm bill the existing</u> <u>cotton program with its three-part competitiveness provisions.</u> This program has provided mills with competitively priced U.S. raw cotton and should not be changed. (We will be happy to provide you with additional information on this if needed.)

2. <u>Support for extension of NAFTA benefits to the Caribbean Basin Initiative</u> (CBI) countries, provided that:

- a) the same strong NAFTA rule-of-origin requirement is maintained with <u>no exceptions/loopholes</u> to allow foreign fabric (largely Chinese) to be transshipped through the CBI countries and brought into the U.S. dutyfree; the benefits of NAFTA parity must be limited to the three NAFTA signatory nations and the countries of the Caribbean itself, not the Far East; and
- b) the same strong NAFTA Customs enforcement provisions are included.

Because the CBI parity bills introduced by Sen. Graham and Rep. Crane have a major loophole (known as tariff preference levels, or TPLs) which would allow foreign fabric from outside the NAFTA/CBI to be transshipped into the U.S. duty-free through the Caribbean, ATMI's Board of Directors is scheduled to discuss on Thursday of this week whether to oppose, support or seek changes (i.e., elimination of the TPLs) to the legislation.

You should also know that our industry, and this audience in particular, are generally supportive of the efforts you and your Republican majority in Congress are making to achieve deficit reduction through spending cuts and to impose common sense regulatory reform requirements on federal agencies. We feel that reducing the deficit would have an enormously positive impact on our industry's competitiveness. High deficits keep interest rates at unnecessarily high levels, retard economic growth and reduce the availability of capital -- reducing the deficit would lead to lower interest rates and sustained economic growth, which would be probably the most helpful thing the government could do for the American textile industry.

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SENATOR DOLE SCHEDULE -- MARCH 24-25, 1995 - FLORIDA

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1995

3:40 pm	DEPART Capitol for	National Airpo	rt
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	Meal:	Snack	
	Manifest:	Senator Dole	
		Mike Glassner	
	Contact:	Rich Moore	
		800/331-6101	
		800/359-2299	
6:15 pm	ARRIVE Palm Beach	, FL	
	FBO:	Jet Aviation	
		407/233-7242	
	Met by:	John Moran	
6:20 pm	DEPART airport for	Home of Emila	and Pepe Fanjul
	Driver:	John Moran	
	Drive time:	10 minutes	

Drive time: 10 minutes Location: 105 Jungle Road

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7:30 pm	Attendance:	100-110 @ \$1,000 per person		
	Event runs:	6:00 - 7:30 pm		
	Press:	Closed		
	Facility:	None		
	Format:	6:50 pm Pepe Fanjul introduces Senator Dole		
		7:00 pm Senator Dole gives remarks and opens		
		discussion for Q & A		
		Photographer will be present for informal photos		
	Contact:	Kelly Guesnier		
		202/547-2499		
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	Driver;	John Moran		
	Drive time:	5 minutes		
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	407/655-6611			
	407/659-8403 fax			
???? pm	OPTIONAL DROP BY American Textile Manufacturers Institute Dinner			
	Location:	Venetian Ballroom		
	Attendance:	500		
	Event runs;	7:30 pm - 9:45 pm		
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 9:45 am DEPART hotel room for Reception for speakers and headtable attendees Location: Gold Room
9:50 am OPTIONAL DROP BY Reception for speakers and headtable attendees Location: Gold Room Attendees: William Armfield - President American Textile Manufacturers Institute Carlos Moore, VP ATMI Ed Woolard, CEO Dupont Barton Briggs, Chm. Morgan Stanley

Walter Elisha, incoming President ATMI Senator Faircloth

10:00 am- ATTEND/SPEAK American Textile Manufacturers Institute Annual

10:40 am Meeting

Location:	Venetian Ballroom		
Attendees:	500		
Event runs:	10:00 - 11:30 am		
Press:	Open		
Facility:	Stage, podium and mic, headtable		
Format:	10:05 am William Armfield gives welcome and introduces Senator Faircloth		
	10:10 am Senator Faircloth introduces Senator Dole 10:15 am Senator Dole gives remarks		
Contact:	Doug Bulcao		
	202/862-0521		
	407/653-6369 staff office		

10:40 am

DEPART Meeting for hotel room

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4:10 pm	DEPART Breakers for Palm Beach Airport		
	Driver: Drive time:	Doug Bulcao	
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4:30 pm

DEPART Palm Beach for Washington/National FBO: Signature Aircraft: Lear 31 (supplied by ATMI) Tail number: N45US Flight time: 2 hours 15 minutes Pilots: Jeff Hancock Mark Grant Seats: 6 Meal: Snack Manifest: Senator Dole Ben Cramer Mike Glassner Contact: Rich Moore 800/331-6101 800/359-2299

6:45 pm

ARRIVE Washington/National FBO: Signature 703/419-8440

DEPART airport for Watergate 6:50 pm Driver: Wilbert

7:05 pm **ARRIVE** Watergate

THANK YOU. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING AND TO SEE SO MANY OLD FRIENDS. AND IT'S A REAL PRIVILEGE TO **BE INTRODUCED BY LAUCH** FAIRCLOTH. WHEN HE WAS CAMPAIGNING FOR THE SENATE IN 1992, LAUCH SAID, "ONE MAN CAN'T TURN THE SENATE AROUND, BUT THEY'LL FLAT KNOW I WAS THERE."

AND THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THE OTHER 99 SENATORS KNOW THAT LAUCK IS THERE.

AS A MEMBER OF THE BANKING COMMITTEE, HE ASKED THE TOUGH QUESTIONS THAT NEEDED TO BE ASKED IN THE WHITEWATER INVESTIGATION. HE STOOD STRONG FOR THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT,

HE STOOD STRONG FOR THE LINE-

ITEM VETO, AND HE STANDS STRONG FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

I ALSO BRING GREETINGS FROM ANOTHER NORTH CAROLINIAN, MY WIFE. SHE WANTED TO COME THIS MORNING, BUT WHEN SHE SEES THIS MANY PEOPLE, SHE STARTS A BLOOD DRIVE, AND THAT ALWAYS GETS MESSY.

I KNOW THE MOTTO OF THIS YEAR'S MEETING IS "THINK GLOBALLY." I'D BE HAPPY TO GET SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES IN WASHINGTON TO JUST THINK, PERIOD. IN ANY EVENT, I DO **BELIEVE THAT "THINK GLOBALLY"** IS GOOD ADVICE.

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, AMERICA HAS ENTERED A NEW PERIOD IN OUR GLOBAL TRADE RELATIONS

WE HAVE MASSIVE WORLDWIDE **TARIFF REDUCTIONS, NEW GLOBAL RULES ON AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES, NEW RULES ON TRADE IN SERVICES, AND** NEW RULES ON INVESTMENT. AND, OF COURSE, WE HAVE NEW **RULES ON TEXTILE TRADE.** YOUR COMPANIES FACE A PHASE-OUT OF THE TEXTILE **OUOTAS THAT HAVE**

CHARACTERIZED THE INDUSTRY FOR 30 OR SO YEARS. THOSE **QUOTAS, YOU WILL RECALL, WERE ALWAYS SUPPOSED TO BE** "TEMPORARY." I GUESS 30 YEARS REALLY IS **TEMPORARY FOR MOST FEDERAL** PROGRAMS.

BUT MY OWN OBSERVATION IS THAT OUR AMERICAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY IS IMPRESSIVELY RESILIENT.

IN FACT, I'D BE WILLING TO BET **RIGHT NOW THAT AFTER THOSE** QUOTAS ARE PHASED OUT, YOU WILL STILL BE MAKING AND SELLING THE HIGHEST QUALITY **PRODUCTS IN THE WORLD...AND** YOU'LL BE SELLING THEM -- AS YOU DO TODAY--IN VIRTUALLY EVERY MARKET IMAGINABLE.

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. YOU ARE SURVIVORS. EVERY U.S. INDUSTRY FACING ADVERSITY COULD TAKE A PAGE FROM THE BOOK OF OUR **AMERICAN FABRIC PRODUCERS**, **OUR YARN SPINNERS, OUR** FURNISHING MAKERS. I REMEMBER WELL DURING THE **1980'S WORKING WITH MANY OF** YOU TO FIND AN EFFECTIVE WAY

TO DEAL WITH THE RISING TIDE OF

IMPORTS. AT THAT TIME IT WAS NOT JUST A MATTER OF **ADJUSTMENT, IT WAS A MATTER** OF SURVIVAL. AS YOU CONTEMPLATED A FUTURE OF FIERCE GLOBAL **COMPETITION, OF LOW-COST** PRODUCERS SPRINGING UP AROUND THE WORLD AND OF FALLING **PROTECTIONS AGAINST INCREASING IMPORTS, I SUPPOSE IT**

WOULD HAVE BEEN EASY JUST TO GIVE UP. YOU COULD HAVE PULLED THE SHADES, SENT **EVERYONE HOME, AND HUNG OUT** THE "SORRY WE'RE CLOSED" SIGN. BUT YOU DIDN'T. YOU'RE NOT LOSED. YOU ARE OPEN -- AND **AMERICA IS OPEN -- FOR BUSINESS. TODAY THE AMERICAN TEXTILE** INDUSTRY IS STRONGER THAN EVER.

YOU EMPLOY OVER 1.6 MILLION AMERICANS.

TOTAL SHIPMENTS IN 1994 WERE \$137 BILLION, WHICH IS FULLY 2% OF OUR TOTAL GDP.

AND LET THOSE WHO THINK AMERICANS CANNOT COMPETE IN THE WORLD MARKETS NOTE THAT YOUR EXPORTS FOR 1994 WERE UP 11% OVER 1993. INDUSTRY LEADERS -- PEOPLE LIKE BILLY ARMFIELD AND WALTER ELISHA -- ARE CHALLENGING YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE VAST NEW OPPORTUNITIES THAT EXIST IN THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE.

THEY KNOW--AND YOU KNOW--THAT THE LONG TERM HEALTH OF YOUR INDUSTRY LIES NOT IN PROTECTIONISM, BUT IN A WILLINGNESS TO COMPETE

AGGRESSIVELY IN EVERY MARKET ON THE FACE OF THIS PLANET. THIS IS THE SPIRIT OF COMPETITIVENESS THAT BUILT THIS **COUNTRY -- WE ARE STILL AND WE** WILL REMAIN THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL ECONOMIC ENGINE. NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, WE HAVE THE WORLD'S MOST CREATIVE, **INNOVATIVE WORKFORCE THAT** EVER WALKED THROUGH A

FACTORY GATE OR SAT AT A COMPUTER TERMINAL. NO BETTER **PROOF EXISTS THAN THE AMAZING** STORY OF THE AMERICAN TEXTILE **INDUSTRY'S RETURN TO STRENGTH** OVER THE PAST DECADE OR SO. YOUR LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE IN WORKING WITH CONGRESS AND DURING SUCCESSIVE ADMINISTRATIONS TO **CRAFT TRADE AGREEMENTS THAT**

BENEFIT DOMESTIC

MANUFACTURING.

IN MY VIEW, THE ONLY GOOD TRADE AGREEMENTS ARE THOSE THAT BENEFIT THE AMERICAN WORKER AND AMERICAN INTERESTS. YOU HELPED ENSURE THAT NAFTA BENEFITTED THE **AMERICAN WORKER, BY SECURING RECIPROCAL MARKET ACCESS, AND** THE "YARN FORWARD" RULE OF

ORIGIN -- WHICH WILL PREVENT MEXICO FROM BECOMING A BACK DOOR TO THE U.S. MARKET FOR ASIAN MANUFACTURERS. YOU HELPED ENSURE THAT THE IMPLEMENTING BILL FOR THE GATT CREATED A NEW RULE OF ORIGIN, AND HARMONIZATION TALKS HAVE **BEGUN WITHIN THE WTO.** BUT COMPLETING THE URUGUAY ROUND IS NOT ENOUGH. AS THE

LARGEST TRADING NATION ON EARTH, IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THAT THE REQUIREMENTS **OF THE AGREEMENT ARE PROPERLY** IMPLEMENTED. IT IS OUR **RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT OTHER COUNTRIES OBSERVE THE OBLIGATIONS THEY ASSUMED.** THIS IS PARTICULARLY **IMPORTANT IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT REPORTS OF A RECORD**

SINGLE-MONTH TRADE DEFICIT FOR THE U.S. IN JANUARY 1995, THE DEFICIT SOARED OVER 68% TO \$12.2. BILLION.

THIS IS ABSOLUTELY UNSUSTAINABLE. PART OF THE ANSWER TO BRINGING DOWN OUR TRADE DEFICIT IS CONTINUING TO BRING DOWN TRADE BARRIERS WORLDWIDE. THAT REQUIRES FULL AND FAITHFUL IMPLEMENTATION

OF THE URUGUAY ROUND

IT IS ALSO OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE NEW DISPUTE SETTLEMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS US, AND DOES NOT UNDERMINE U.S. SOVEREIGNTY. THIS WAS A MAJOR **CONCERN AS WE APPROACHED THE** LAME-DUCK SESSION LAST YEAR, I **HEARD FROM AMERICANS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WHO WANTED**

TO KNOW WHETHER WE WERE GIVING UP BASIC CONTROL OVER OUR OWN ECONOMIC FUTURE BY SUBMITTING TO BINDING DISPUTE SETTLEMENT.

I WORKED OUT AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE A NEW COMMISSION TO EXAMINE EACH AND EVERY ADVERSE DECISION BY WTO DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PANELS.

IF THESE PANELS ARE FOUND TO HAVE EXCEEDED THEIR AUTHORITY AND WRONGLY IMPERIL U.S. LAWS, WE WILL BE WELL ON OUR WAY TO WITHDRAWING FROM THE WTO. **ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE 104TH CONGRESS, I INTRODUCED A BILL, THAT ESTABLISHES THIS** COMMISSION. CHAIRMAN PACKWOOD HAS AGREED TO HOLD A FULL HEARING ON THIS ISSUE IN

EARLY MAY. I HOPE THAT THE **REVIEW COMMISSION WILL BE UP** AND RUNNING BY THE TIME THE WTO ISSUES ITS FIRST RULING. IT IS ALSO OUR RESPONSIBILITY **TO ENCOURAGE COUNTRIES THAT** SEEK MEMBERSHIP IN THE GATT TO MEASURE UP TO ITS REQUIREMENTS. THE HIGH STANDARDS OF THE GATT WERE NOT EASILY WON. IN THE GATT

AGREEMENT, AS WELL AS IN NAFTA AND OUR OTHER TRADE **AGREEMENTS, OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WAS TO OPEN FOREIGN** MARKETS FOR U.S. PRODUCERS. WE ASKED SOME OF OUR **INDUSTRIES TO GIVE UP LONG-**STANDING PROTECTIONS IN **RETURN FOR THE RELIABLE** PROSPECT OF MORE OPEN MARKETS ABROAD. WE CANNOT

SACRIFICE THE STANDARDS **CONTAINED IN THOSE TRADE AGREEMENTS FOR THE SAKE OF** POLITICAL EXPEDIENCY. IN PARTICULAR, THE CHINESE MARKET CAN AND SHOULD BE AN **ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR U.S. COMPANIES. WE HAVE RECENTLY AVERTED A TRADE WAR WITH** CHINA BECAUSE THE CHINESE **PROMISED REFORM, BUT IT**

REMAINS A THREAT IF IT FAILS TO IMPLEMENT THAT REFORM OR IF IT FAILS TO PRESS FORWARD WITH FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE. JUST AS WE MUST CURTAIL OUR **GOVERNMENT'S INTERFERENCE IN** THE MARKET PLACE, I BELIEVE WE **MUST LIMIT THE INTERVENTION OF** FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS IN THE **GLOBAL MARKET PLACE. WE MUST INSIST, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT CHINA**

TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE MEASURE TO STOP ILLEGAL TRANSSHIPMENTS. WE MUST INSIST THAT CHINA END SUBSIDIES TO COTTON GROWERS AND TEXTILE MANUFACTURERS. WE MUST INSIST THAT CHINA **ELIMINATE INVESTMENT BARRIERS** SUCH AS EXPORT PERFORMANCE **REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE IMPOSED** ON U.S. COMPANIES. AND WE MUST INSIST THAT CHINA OPEN ITS

MARKETS ON A FAIR AND

EQUITABLE BASIS.

CLOSER TO OUR OWN SHORES, LAST YEAR A PROPOSAL WAS **CONSIDERED IN CONGRESS FOR** EXTENDING "NAFTA PARITY" TO THE CARIBBEAN BASIN COUNTRIES. **ULTIMATELY "CBI PARITY" WAS** NOT INCLUDED IN THE **IMPLEMENTING BILL FOR THE GATT,** LARGELY DUE TO THE COST.

THIS PROPOSAL IS STILL BEFORE **CONGRESS IN THE FORM OF** LEGISLATION INTRODUCED BY MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE. IT IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT WILL BE **CONSIDERED LATER THIS YEAR BY** THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. I HAVE **CONCERNS ABOUT OVERLOADING** THE SYSTEM IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.

NEVERTHELESS, IN MY VIEW ANY EXTENSION OF NAFTA-EQUIVALENT BENEFITS MUST ENSURE THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WILL NOT BECOME MERELY A MEANS FOR CIRCUMVENTING THE LIMITS OF THE AGREEMENT.

JUST AS WE DID FOR NAFTA, WE WILL SCRUTINIZE ANY PROPOSAL TO ENSURE THAT BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES DO NOT BECOME

EXPORT PLATFORMS FOR PRODUCTS FROM NON-BENEFICIARIES. THIS MAKES GOOD SENSE AND IS SIMPLY IN OUR INTEREST. IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE UNDERLYING PURPOSE OF FREE **TRADE AGREEMENTS, WHICH IS TO CREATE JOBS IN THE MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND RAISE THE** STANDARD OF LIVING FOR THEIR PEOPLE.

IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT **OTHER COUNTRIES WANT TO JOIN** NAFTA. FOR EXAMPLE, I KNOW THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED HIS **INTENTION TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHILE IN THIS REGARD. IF THESE NEGOTIATIONS** GO FORWARD, CONGRESS MUST CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE **QUESTION OF FAST-TRACK** AUTHORITY.

OUR RECENT EXPERIENCE WITH IMPLEMENTING BILLS SUBMITTED UNDER FAST-TRACK IS NOT ENCOURAGING. THE **IMPLEMENTING BILL FOR THE GATT CONTAINED NUMEROUS SPECIAL-INTEREST PROVISIONS THAT** SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN INCLUDED. CONTROVERSIAL **PROVISIONS HAVE NO PLACE IN** FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION. I HOPE

THAT ANY NEGOTIATIONS FOR **EXPANDING NAFTA, IF THEY** OCCUR, WILL TAKE PLACE **ALONGSIDE SIGNIFICANT CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN CONGRESS AND THE** ADMINISTRATION. LET ME TURN FROM TRADE TO TALK ABOUT SOME OTHER **ACTIONS CONGRESS CAN TAKE TO IMPROVE OUR ECONOMY AND**

INCREASE COMPETITIVENESS. AND NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, THE **MOST IMPORTANT STEP WE CAN** TAKE IS TO CUT THE DEFICIT -- AND THAT'S WHAT THE BALANCED BUDGET DEBATE WAS ALL ABOUT. AS YOU KNOW, HIGH DEFICITS **KEEP INTEREST RATES AT UNNECESSARILY HIGH LEVELS, AND** THEY SEVERELY REDUCE THE **AVAILABILITY OF CAPITAL.**

REDUCING THE DEFICIT WOULD LEAD TO LOWER INTEREST RATES AND SUSTAINED ECONOMIC **GROWTH--AND THAT'S PROBABLY** THE MOST HELPFUL THING THE **GOVERNMENT CAN DO FOR THE AMERICAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY, OR** FOR ANY INDUSTRY.

WE HAVE A TOUGH BATTLE AHEAD OF US. THE MEDIA HAS BOUGHT IN TO THE DEMOCRAT'S

LINE THAT OUR EFFORTS TO **REDUCE THE RATE OF GROWTH IN** SPENDING WILL LEAD TO CHAOS FOR OUR SENIORS, OUR CHILDREN, AND EVEN FOR BIG BIRD. I AGREE THAT THE SPENDING DEBATE IS ALL ABOUT OUR CHILDREN. IT'S ABOUT WHETHER **OR NOT WE ARE GOING TO SADDLE OUR CHILDREN AND OUR GRANDCHILDREN WITH AN**

ENORMOUS NATIONAL DEBT, OR WHETHER WE WILL FREE THEM FROM THIS BURDEN.

I WOULD HOPE THAT WHEN YOU GET BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY, YOU WILL HELP US SPREAD OUR MESSAGE. THIS IS AMERICA. WE ARE NOT GOING TO LET ANYONE STARVE ON THE STREETS. BUT WE ARE ALSO NOT GOING TO ALLOW

OUR NATION TO SPEND ITSELF INTO PERMANENT BANKRUPTCY. WE WILL REIN IN GOVERNMENT, WE WILL REDUCE REGULATIONS AND BUREAUCRACIES LIKE THE DEPARTMENTS OF HUD, EDUCATION, ENERGY, AND **COMMERCE, AND WE WILL RETURN POWER WHERE IT BELONGS--TO** LOCAL LEVELS AND TO THE PEOPLE. This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu

ATMI 46th ANNUAL MEETING



THE BREAKERS PALM BEACH, FLORIDA MARCH 23-25, 1995

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'DEAN' of the Industry Republican Forevor!