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March 31, 1995

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Senator Dole

FROM:

Randy Scheunemann

SUBJECT:

Revised NRA Draft

This is a revised version of the NRA speech. It tones down some of the early rhetoric, adds language on the instant check, and revises the crime bill reference. The draft has been reviewed (and approved) by Whit, Tom Korologos, Kyle, and Dennis. On the reference to judges, all agree that this is good to discuss.

SENATOR BOB DOLE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION 2ND AMENDMENT CONFERENCE APRIL 3, 1995

Thank you. I appreciate the invitation to spend a few minutes with you this morning.

I've been talking a lot about the Bill of Rights this year. In particular, the 10th Amendment, which I carry in my pocket.

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That's a concept that somehow was ignored for far too long, as the federal government intruded more and more into our homes and our businesses, and made more and more decisions for us.

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And I wanted to come here this morning to tell you that even though this historic Republican Congress is focusing right now on the 10th Amendment, we haven't forgotten about the 2nd Amendment.

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And that's something that is overlooked by many who have their problems with the 2nd Amendment. They think the amendment is about guns. It's not. It's about freedom.

And there are still some who think freedom should give way to government. There are some who want to use every tool of government to ban guns. Regulation. Red tape. Mandates. And they've discovered that if they don't have the votes to ban guns outright, they can try to tax them out of existence. They've even got the Centers for Disease Control in the game of regulating guns.

The fact is, however, that, after November, 1994, those who would like to erase the 2nd Amendment from the Constitution had a rude awakening. A lot of them lost their jobs.

The new Republican Congress will not be complacent. We should re-examine the entire gun control debate from the ground up. And that's what we intend to.

And the truth is that the solution to crime will never be found in measures that place new restrictions and regulations on

law-abiding citizens. Quite the contrary--law-abiding citizens should have the freedom to defend themselves from crime.

It may be revolutionary for the liberals, but I believe criminals should be the center of our attention. That's why I've long supported a nationwide system for instant computer background checks for firearms purchases. Since 1988, Congressman Bill McCollum and I have tried to prevent criminals from getting guns without infringing on the rights of law abiding citizens.

It seems to me we should take the offensive on the instant check — let the anti-gun left say why they oppose an instant check which would actually prevent criminals from getting guns. Let's call the bluff of those who claim to only want to target criminals. Let's campaign for an instant check system that works.

As you look at the record, it's sometimes hard to figure out the Clinton Administration.

One day, they're pushing for a gun ban. The next day, they oppose mandatory minimum penalties for those who use a gun while committing a crime.

One day, the Administration is hyping the Brady Bill. The next day, we learn that the number of firearms prosecutions initiated by the Clinton Justice Department has declined by more than 20%. They claim 70,000 potential firearms purchases have been prevented, yet just four prosecutions have resulted.

In my view, responsibility should not be on an object but on the individual. Republicans want to zero-in on the bad guys, the criminals, and that's why we intend to perform some radical surgery on last year's bloated crime bill.

The <u>New York Times</u> recently got upset when I let the NRA know I would vote to repeal the ill-conceived gun ban passed last year, but it should have been no surprise.

And it should be no surprise that we have plans for much of the rest of the so-called "crime bill" passed by the Democrat Congress by the narrowest of votes. This is what we hope to do:

For starters, we will propose stripping out the \$5 billion in so-called "prevention" money...money for things like Midnight Basketball, the dance classes, and all the rest. I've never quite figured out how learning the two-step can be a serious anti-crime strategy...but, after all, this is Washington, D.C.

We intend to force the perpetrators of federal crimes to provide restitution to their victims.

We want to prosecute as adults those violent juveniles who

use a gun while committing a crime. If you do an adult crime, you should do adult time.

Our goal is to reform the habeas corpus rules to prevent violent criminals from gaming the system—with more unnecessary appeals, more delays, and more grief for the victims of crime and their families.

We will attempt to cut down on the thousands of frivolous lawsuits filed each year by convicted criminals. Prisons should be prisons, not law firms. Arizona Attorney General Grant Woods tells me the overwhelming majority of his office's case load is prisoner litigation. That is outrageous and it has got to stop.

We will transform the \$9 billion police-hiring program into a law enforcement block grant, thereby giving the states and the cities more flexibility in determining what best suits their own unique law enforcement needs. Is it more police? Better technology? More squad cars? I think we've all learned the hard way that Washington doesn't always know best.

And, while I'm on this subject, let me tell you a little secret: Despite all the misinformation being pumped out by the White House fog machine, there never was a proposal to put 100,000 cops on the street. Ask the experts, and they'll tell you that last year's crime bill fully funds nowhere near that number.

Finally, Republicans will stand four-square behind the concept of truth-in-sentencing. A 20-year sentence should mean just that--20 years, not five or ten years.

You know, I've always believed that the most effective short-term crime "prevention" program is a prison cell. Someone sitting behind bars cannot terrorize a single law-abiding citizen. Not one. That's why it's so critical for all of us to hang tough with governors like George Allen of Virginia, who is braving the politically-correct winds by attempting to abolish parole and make truth-in-sentencing a reality in his state.

I also want to say a few words about judges.

Last Congress, the Clinton Administration nominated two judges with very liberal and very activist records—Florida's Rosemary Barkett and H. Lee Sarokin of New Jersey.

Judge Barkett's record is full of the "criminal-as-a-victim-of society" rhetoric that has done so much to erode public confidence in our system of justice. Judge Sarokin's record is equally as bad: Against mandatory sentencing. Against pre-trial detention of those charged with violent crimes. You get the picture.

Republicans fought both nominations, but unfortunately, we

came up a bit short and the two judges were confirmed.

Now fast forward to 1995. Today, thanks to the people in this room, there are now 54 Republican Senators...a Republican majority that will make a big, big difference when it comes time to judge the judges.

Thanks to your help, the Clinton Administration should be on notice: Nominate a soft-on-crime judge, and we will send that nomination back to the White House stamped with three simple letters: D.O.A.--Dead on Arrival.

Fifty years ago, on two different continents, Americans gave up their lives to fight for justice and freedom. Now, we're fighting for these same values right here in Washington. I believe that many of our problems will be solved when we return these values to our own government.

Americans have lost respect for government because the bureaucrats in Washington have forgotten about the values that our nation has fought to defend all over the world. We need to restore respect for the role of government in our society...but first, the government must respect the rights of the people.

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TANYA K. METAKSA

December 15, 1994

The Honorable Robert Dole United States Senate S-230, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: First National Conference on the Second Amendment: An Individual Right Under Fire

Dear Senator Dole:

The NRA is in the process of organizing an educational conference on the meaning of the Second Amendment to the Constitution, and the contemporary political issues surrounding its various interpretations. Our purpose is to provide a stimulating forum that will generate a scholarly discussion of the Second Amendment, while furnishing an educational opportunity on the subject to a broad-based group of individuals and organizations. With this goal in mind, we would like to invite you to deliver a keynote address at the conference.

The conference is scheduled for Sunday through Tuesday, April 2-4, 1995, at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel, 999 9th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. This location will allow us to accommodate up to 500 attendees and participants. We plan to welcome everyone on Sunday evening with a reception event, followed by a full day of panels and notable speakers on Monday, with the conference coming to a close early Tuesday afternoon.

You may ask "Why an entire conference on the Second Amendment?" We believe that there is an immediate need to address the role of the Second Amendment in our society and the current political trends that are influencing our country's positions on the issue. To begin with, certain interest groups and legislators are increasingly calling for further restriction on, and even the elimination of, private firearms ownership in our country. These interests, which have increased their political influence in recent years, posit various reasons for their position against private firearms ownership. However, absent from their call is an honest discussion regarding the limitations that the Second Amendment may impose on their regulatory agenda.

Organizations such as the American Bar Association have launched public campaigns that take a clear position on their interpretation of the Second Amendment. An alternative needs to be provided in the face of these developments, and we believe that a conference that invites all opinions to the table will provide a productive alternative to the current debate on this matter.

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Therefore, the NRA is bringing together scholars and legal specialists who can bring this issue to the forefront as our country grapples with its attitudes towards firearms ownership and the government's ability to restrict such ownership. In our initial planning, we have identified the following possible panel topics for discussion at the conference:

- 1. The Historical Background and Development of the Second Amendment
- 2. The Second Amendment and Women's & Minority Rights
- 3. A Legal Overview of Court Decisions on the Second Amendment
- 4. Current and Upcoming Legislative Issues Involving the Second Amendment
- 5. Crime, Gun Ownership & Public Health
- 6. The Role of Firearms Ownership in a Republic
- 7. The Media and Its Treatment of Private Firearms Ownership in America
- 8. The Right to Safety and Personal Security in a Free Society

We are hopeful that a range of opinions will be represented at the conference in order to facilitate a healthy and comprehensive discussion on all of the panel issues that become a part of the final conference agenda. Your involvement, as an important force in the 104th Congress and a faithful defender of the right to keep and bear arms, would be highly valued in this regard.

In summary, this conference is designed to increase the attendees' understanding of the Second Amendment, and to generate innovative ideas on how to deal with the current and future challenges that the Second Amendment will continue to face in the legislatures and the courts. Most importantly, the NRA would be honored to have you participate in the first conference that is solely dedicated to the Second Amendment--arguably the most controversial and endangered provision of the Constitution in recent history.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding our invitation to you to be a keynote speaker. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me at 703-267-1144 with any questions.

Respectfully,

Executive Director

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NRA Speech

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The fact is, however, that, after November, 1994, those who would like to erase the 2nd Amendment from the Constitution don't have the votes on Capitol Hill.

But we can't be complacent. You've seen the same polls I have. We have a lot of work to do to convince the American public of the importance of the 2nd Amendment.

I've been working closely with Orrin Hatch to develop an agenda for hearings in the Senate to re-examine the entire gun control debate from the ground up. And this effort won't be

purely for the benefit of Capitol Hill. We want the American people to hear the truth about the Second Amendment first hand, and not filtered through the media.

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NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

2ND AMENDMENT CONFERENCE

APRIL 3, 1995

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AND THAT'S SOMETHING

THAT IS OVERLOOKED BY MANY
WHO HAVE THEIR PROBLEMS
WITH THE 2ND AMENDMENT.
THEY THINK THE AMENDMENT IS
ABOUT GUNS. IT'S NOT. IT'S
ABOUT FREEDOM.

AND THERE ARE STILL SOME
WHO THINK FREEDOM SHOULD
GIVE WAY TO GOVERNMENT.
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USE EVERY TOOL OF GOVERNMENT TO BAN GUNS. REGULATION. RED TAPE. MANDATES. AND THEY'VE DISCOVERED THAT IF THEY DON'T HAVE THE VOTES TO BAN **GUNS OUTRIGHT, THEY CAN TRY** TO TAX THEM OUT OF EXISTENCE. THEY'VE EVEN GOT THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE

CONTROL IN THE GAME OF REGULATING GUNS.

THE FACT IS, HOWEVER, THAT, AFTER NOVEMBER, 1994, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO **ERASE THE 2ND AMENDMENT** FROM THE CONSTITUTION HAD A RUDE AWAKENING. A LOT OF THEM LOST THEIR JOBS. THE NEW REPUBLICAN

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CONTROL DEBATE FROM THE
GROUND UP. AND THAT'S WHAT
WE INTEND TO.

AND THE TRUTH IS THAT
THE SOLUTION TO CRIME WILL
NEVER BE FOUND IN MEASURES
THAT PLACE NEW RESTRICTIONS

AND REGULATIONS ON LAWABIDING CITIZENS. QUITE THE
CONTRARY--LAW-ABIDING
CITIZENS SHOULD HAVE THE
FREEDOM TO DEFEND
THEMSELVES FROM CRIME.

IT MAY BE REVOLUTIONARY

FOR THE LIBERALS, BUT I BELIEVE

CRIMINALS SHOULD BE THE

CENTER OF OUR ATTENTION.

THAT'S WHY I'VE LONG SUPPORTED A NATIONWIDE SYSTEM FOR INSTANT COMPUTER BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR FIREARMS PURCHASES. SINCE 1988, **CONGRESSMAN BILL MCCOLLUM** AND I HAVE TRIED TO PREVENT CRIMINALS FROM GETTING GUNS WITHOUT INFRINGING ON THE

RIGHTS OF LAW ABIDING CITIZENS.

IT SEEMS TO ME WE SHOULD TAKE THE OFFENSIVE ON THE INSTANT CHECK -- LET THE ANTI-GUN LEFT SAY WHY THEY OPPOSE AN INSTANT CHECK WHICH WOULD **ACTUALLY PREVENT CRIMINALS** FROM GETTING GUNS. LET'S

CALL THE BLUFF OF THOSE WHO
CLAIM TO ONLY WANT TO
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AS YOU LOOK AT THE RECORD, IT'S SOMETIMES HARD TO FIGURE OUT THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION.

ONE DAY, THEY'RE PUSHING
FOR A GUN BAN. THE NEXT DAY,
THEY OPPOSE MANDATORY
MINIMUM PENALTIES FOR THOSE
WHO USE A GUN WHILE
COMMITTING A CRIME.

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ADMINISTRATION IS HYPING THE BRADY BILL. THE NEXT DAY, WE LEARN THAT THE NUMBER OF

FIREARMS PROSECUTIONS INITIATED BY THE CLINTON JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAS **DECLINED BY MORE THAN 20%.** THEY CLAIM 70,000 POTENTIAL FIREARMS PURCHASES HAVE BEEN PREVENTED, YET JUST FOUR PROSECUTIONS HAVE RESULTED.

IN MY VIEW, RESPONSIBILITY

SHOULD NOT BE ON AN OBJECT BUT ON THE INDIVIDUAL. REPUBLICANS WANT TO ZERO-IN ON THE BAD GUYS, THE CRIMINALS, AND THAT'S WHY WE INTEND TO PERFORM SOME RADICAL SURGERY ON LAST YEAR'S BLOATED CRIME BILL. THE NEW YORK TIMES RECENTLY GOT UPSET WHEN I

LET THE NRA KNOW I WOULD

VOTE TO REPEAL THE ILL
CONCEIVED GUN BAN PASSED

LAST YEAR, BUT IT SHOULD

HAVE BEEN NO SURPRISE.

AND IT SHOULD BE NO
SURPRISE THAT WE HAVE PLANS
FOR MUCH OF THE REST OF THE
SO-CALLED "CRIME BILL" PASSED
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BY THE NARROWEST OF VOTES. THIS IS WHAT WE HOPE TO DO: FOR STARTERS, WE WILL PROPOSE STRIPPING OUT THE \$5 BILLION IN SO-CALLED "PREVENTION" MONEY...MONEY FOR THINGS LIKE MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL, THE DANCE CLASSES, AND ALL THE REST. I'VE NEVER QUITE FIGURED OUT

HOW LEARNING THE TWO-STEP CAN BE A SERIOUS ANTI-CRIME STRATEGY...BUT, AFTER ALL, THIS IS WASHINGTON, D.C. WE INTEND TO FORCE THE PERPETRATORS OF FEDERAL CRIMES TO PROVIDE RESTITUTION TO THEIR VICTIMS. WE WANT TO PROSECUTE

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AS ADULTS THOSE VIOLENT

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YOU DO AN ADULT CRIME, YOU
SHOULD DO ADULT TIME.

OUR GOAL IS TO REFORM
THE HABEAS CORPUS RULES TO
PREVENT VIOLENT CRIMINALS
FROM GAMING THE SYSTEM-WITH MORE UNNECESSARY
APPEALS, MORE DELAYS, AND

MORE GRIEF FOR THE VICTIMS OF CRIME AND THEIR FAMILIES.

WE WILL ATTEMPT TO CUT
DOWN ON THE THOUSANDS OF
FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS FILED
EACH YEAR BY CONVICTED
CRIMINALS. PRISONS SHOULD BE
PRISONS, NOT LAW FIRMS.

ARIZONA ATTORNEY
GENERAL GRANT WOODS TELLS

ME THE OVERWHELMING **MAJORITY OF HIS OFFICE'S** CASELOAD IS PRISONER LITIGATION. ACCORDING TO HIS STAFF, 45% OF THE CIVIL CASES FILED IN ARIZONA'S FEDERAL **COURTS WERE FILED BY** PRISONERS. THAT MEANS THAT 18,000 PRISONERS FILED **ALMOST AS MANY CASES AS**

THE 3 AND 1/2 MILLION LAWABIDING CITIZENS OF ARIZONA.
AND ALL OF THIS WAS DONE
FREE OF CHARGE. NO COURT
COSTS. AND NO FILING FEES.
THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS AND
IT MUST STOP.

WE ALSO INTEND TO
TRANSFORM THE \$9 BILLION
POLICE-HIRING PROGRAM INTO A

LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT, THEREBY GIVING THE STATES AND THE CITIES MORE FLEXIBILITY IN DETERMINING WHAT BEST SUITS THEIR OWN UNIQUE LAW ENFORCEMENT **NEEDS. IS IT MORE POLICE?** BETTER TECHNOLOGY? MORE SQUAD CARS? I THINK WE'VE ALL LEARNED THE HARD WAY

THAT WASHINGTON DOESN'T ALWAYS KNOW BEST.

AND, WHILE I'M ON THIS SUBJECT, LET ME TELL YOU A LITTLE SECRET: DESPITE ALL THE MISINFORMATION BEING PUMPED OUT BY THE WHITE HOUSE FOG MACHINE, THERE NEVER WAS A PROPOSAL TO PUT 100,000 COPS ON THE STREET. ASK THE

EXPERTS, AND THEY'LL TELL YOU
THAT LAST YEAR'S CRIME BILL
FULLY FUNDS NOWHERE NEAR
THAT NUMBER.

FINALLY, REPUBLICANS WILL
STAND FOUR-SQUARE BEHIND
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I ALSO WANT TO SAY A FEW
WORDS ABOUT JUDGES.

LAST CONGRESS, THE

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ROSEMARY BARKETT AND H. LEE

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BIG, BIG DIFFERENCE WHEN IT COMES TIME TO JUDGE THE JUDGES.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO, ON TWO DIFFERENT CONTINENTS, AMERICANS GAVE UP THEIR LIVES TO FIGHT FOR JUSTICE AND FREEDOM. NOW, WE'RE FIGHTING FOR THESE SAME **VALUES RIGHT HERE IN** WASHINGTON. I BELIEVE THAT

MANY OF OUR PROBLEMS WILL
BE SOLVED WHEN WE RETURN
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GOVERNMENT.

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RESPECT FOR GOVERNMENT
BECAUSE THE BUREAUCRATS IN
WASHINGTON HAVE FORGOTTEN
ABOUT THE VALUES THAT OUR
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ALL OVER THE WORLD. WE NEED
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