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MEETING WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT, VENEMAN, RONAN AND KRESKY Tuesday, October 14, 1975 9:30 a.m.

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Office of the Vice President New York, New York

REMARKS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
AT THE
ANNUAL COLUMBUS DAY DINNER
THE WALDORF-ASTORIA HOTEL
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

October 11, 1975

Columbus Day in New York is always a high point in the year. Coming in mid-October, it heralds the onset of the magnificant fall season in our area with its brisk, invigorating weather and the marvelous color throughout the countryside.

More importantly, Columbus Day is a special day -- special because it commemorates not only the birth of the Great Discoverer but celebrates the generations of Italo-Americans who have contributed so much to this America.

In business, in finance, in labor, in science, in education and the arts, government and politics, Italo-Americans have added to the strength, the vitality and the ennoblement of our way of life.

Columbus Day marks not only these achievements, but recognizes the warmth, the enthusiasm, the generosity and great humanity of those of Italian origin. It pays tribute, too, to their spiritual dedication and their intense patriotism.

It was the spirit of Columbus -- seeking of a new world -- the seeking of opportunity, that brought Italian immigrants here and that motivates their descendents today.

As we celebrate this Columbus Day, it is well to remember also that Christopher Columbus challenged the popular thrust of his day -- the belief that the world was flat.

At a time when opinion was overwhelmingly against his insight and view, Columbus took the unpopular course. He did so because it was what the best informed minds and most knowledgeable observers counseled. He did so because it was the sound way -- and his courage was more than vindicated.

This is a time, too, when leadership again faces unpopular action if we are to pursue a sound course for the future.

Pesident Ford faces it continually in the difficult role of combating inflation and the politically unpopular actions required to hold down the persistent pressures for more federal spending -- with a \$60 to \$70 billion federal deficit this year.

Governor Carey, Mayor Beame and the Emergency Financial Control Board face it in the difficult and also politically unpopular decisions involved in restoring fiscal soundness to New York City. Yet, such steps have to be taken to restore confidence and engender outside support.

A central fact, not fully appreciated in this connection, is that the President of the United States does not have authority under existing statutes to meet the situation.

As we know, under the State law adopted by the Legislature on September 10, and signed by the Governor, New York City must come up by next Thursday, October 15, with a budget and financial plan which will produce a balanced budget by June 30, 1978.

This plan must be based on the realistic estimate of revenues provided to the City by the State Emergency Financial Control Board.

The Control Board must either approve, disapprove or modify the City's plan by October 20 to accomplish these objectives.

The City must take the action required to implement this plan.

When the necessary actions are taken and a solid base is established for restoration of budgetary and fiscal integrity for the City, it is my belief that at this point a basis will have been established for help to bridge that difficult period -- between the adoption of the necessary measures required by the State Emergency Financial Control Board this October and the restoration of investor confidence in the City's full financial viability by June 30, 1978. In other words, when the Control Board and the City have enacted these difficult measures, the essential preconditions will have been met and the stage set for appropriate Congressional action.

It is, therefore, essential that the Congress as a whole focus on the problem now and enact appropriate legislation.

Helping to bridge this gap -- to give opportunity for these economies and improved management measures to take root and produce results -- is certainly in the interest of all of us.

While there is general agreement that management deficiencies contributed to New York City's difficulties, it is important that we not lose sight of the burden carried by New York and the other cities of the nation as they have sought to respond to human needs pressed upon them.

It is equally important that these past responses be viewed in the context of their times -- times when we were being told we were an affluent society with unlimited resources that could abolish poverty by statutory fiat.

The stark facts of today show that we have been promising more than we can deliver -- that we have been raising expectations beyond our capacities to meet them.

As a result, we are now compelled at all levels of government to take stock of our commitments and our resources, in order to project a more realistic course to meet the people's needs.

In this appraisal, the plight of our cities requires special attention and emphasis. This nation has too long ignored the basics for urban living — the need for an infrastructure that provides a climate for real jobs, for business, for the economic health and the social well being of the urban areas of America where most of our people now live.

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Time is of the essence and the resolution of this immediate New York City situation is crucial. After the Control Board and New York City have acted to restore fiscal integrity, it will be a true test of the responsiveness of our Congressional system as to whether the Congress can act in time to avoid catastrophe.

These are difficult times, demanding hard decisions and effective actions.

But out of them can come a new urban vitality -- built upon sound fiscal and social policies and a recognition and appreciation of the dynamic economic and cultural role of urban America.

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

JIM CAVANAUGH

SUBJECT:

Your 9:30 Meeting with the Vice President, Veneman, and Others on Domestic Council

Hearings

Attached is some backup information you may want to have on the hearings.

Tab A -- White House press announcement on hearings and list of dates and cities.

Tab B -- Telegram of invitation to participants from the Vice President and list of witnesses.

Tab C -- Copy of Domestic Council budget plan for the hearings.

Tab D -- Domestic Council consultants or individuals detailed from agencies for hearings.

Tab E -- List of mayors to be invited. -

Although I still get calls about possible WACA support for the hearings, Joe Canzeri has personally told me that he is quite content to use outside contractors for lighting and audio support. We have budgeted \$10,000 per hearing for on-site costs, which includes \$5,000 at each location for communication, sound, and lights. I think that we have done everything that we can to facilitate the logistics and financing of the hearings to date.

The key question at this point is how do the hearings relate to the President's reduced federal spending-tax cut address of last Monday night? I really think the hearings can be a big plus for the Domestic Council, the Vice President, and the President, but the first one is going



to take a lot of thought to insure that they get off on the right foot.

Incidentally, I talked to Jack Veneman some more about his idea to have a press briefing this week where he would tell the Washington press corps about the hearings. I think I've raised enough questions in his mind that he is reconsidering the idea, but if you continue to be as concerned about it as I am, you might nail it down at your meeting.

Attachments

Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President is announcing the dates and cities for six Public Forums on Domestic Policy to be conducted across the country before the end of the year as part of a major Domestic Council review of domestic programs.

The Forums, to be chaired by the Vice President with Cabinet members and other Federal officials participating, will begin on October 21 in Denver, Colorado. The remaining schedule will include:

Tuesday, October 21	Denver, Colorado
Wednesday, October 29	Tampa, Florida
Tuesday, November 11	Austin, Texas
Tuesday, November 18	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Tuesday, November 25	Indianapolis, Indiana
Tuesday, December 9	Los Angeles, California

The review is designed to provide fresh recommendations on domestic policy.

The President stressed the high priority he placed on this review during the last Cabinet meeting, and said: Our 200th anniversary is an appropriate time to reflect on the past and look toward the future. He feels it is essential that we look at domestic policy from a broad perspective and not in isolation. For example, Federal programs affecting the health and welfare of the American people have a direct impact on employment, the role of State and local governments, and the economy.

Therefore, the President asked the Domestic Council neither to isolate the issue, nor to isolate themselves with only a Washington perspective. He also asked that they seek out the best and broadest advice possible from throughout the country so that we can use our domestic resources in a way that is responsive to the needs of the people.

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The President has asked the Domestic Council to focus its review on the four following major domestic policy areas:

- . Economic Recovery
- . Resource Development and Environment
- . Social Policies
- . Community Building

While the Forums are expected to center on the four general areas, specific discussion issues may vary in emphasis depending on regional interests.

The Forums will consist of one-day meetings. Public witnesses will present testimony on major policy issues and respond to questions. During the afternoon, four separate simultaneous sessions will be held with representatives of the public discussing specific issues with Cabinet members and other Federal officials.

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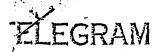
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

PERI V TO

ATTN OF: Phillip D. Larsen

DATE: September 25, 1975

SUBJECT: Proposed Budget Plan for the Forums on Domestic Policy

 Mr. James H. Cavanaugh Deputy Director, Domestic Council

Attached is a budget plan for the Forums on Domestic Policy. These estimates are based on the figures submitted by Jack Veneman as revised during the meeting with you on September 23, 1975. The plan is based on the assumption that the Forums will be set up and conducted in a manner consistent with the regulations governing the establishment and utilization of a Consolidated Working Fund (CWF). The attached plan is divided into three parts; those costs to be funded directly by the Domestic Council, those costs to be funded by the CWF, and those costs the need for which remain undetermined. Obviously, the manner in which the various costs have been divided between the Council and the CWF remains open for revision. The total figure, however, should be ample for the successful conduct of six forums.

Phillip D. Larsen

Budget and Management

Officer

Attachment

Forums on Domestic Policy Budget Plan

This plan represents a reconfiguration of the September 22, 1975 budget plan. For easy comparison, the terms and figures of that plan have been used herein.

I. Domestic Council Costs:

Stu	dy Group	
	Outside consultants (ICF, etc)	\$53,000
	Publications and materials	2,500*
	Travel, per diem and miscellaneous	

expenses (does not include travel related to hearings) 7,500

Total \$63,000

*Depending on the nature of this item the costs could be charged to either the Council or the CWF (e.g., if it consists mostly of subscriptions, books, etc., the Council should pay, but if it will be primarily used for chart work for the forums the costs could appropriately be charged to the CWF.)

II. CWF Costs:

Study Group

-- Consultants pay (Gardner, Jordan, Waldmann, etc)

\$45,000*

Hearings Staff

-- Consultant's pay for staff
personnel 22,000**
-- Travel and per diem 45,000

Public Forums

-- Six Hearings - on site costs only 60,000

Miscellaneous

-- Extra amount to cover those items in III below that may be required 68,000

Total \$240,000***

*These costs may have to be charged to the Domestic Council, however, if these people are working solely on the Forums, the cost probably could be charged to the CWF.

**This item needs clarification in order to determine which source of available resources to charge.

***Total CWF estimate of \$240,000 represents a pro rata share of \$40,000 from each of the six participating agencies.

III. Items listed on the September 22 budget plan, the need for which has not been determined and recommended actions.

		Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Hea	rings Staff		
	Outside consultants	\$5,000	
	Printing	10,000	\$10,000 CWF
	Supplies, photocopying,	•	•
	and typewriters	10,000	10,000 CWF
Pub	lic Forums Special expenses for		
	Vice President	30,000	****
	Communications, sound,		
	lights	30,000	30,000 CWF
'	Food service	30,000	
Tot	al		50,000*

*To be covered by the item entitled miscellaneous in II above.

Summary

This budget plan calls for a total funding level of \$303,000 for the six Forums on Domestic Policy. It itemizes, on a preliminary basis, \$285,000 in direct costs and anticipates \$18,000 for unanticipated obligations. Funds remaining in the CWF after the books have been closed should be refunded to the agencies on a pro rata basis.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 7, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

JACK VENEMAN

SUBJECT:

Staff Personnel For Public Forums

The following is a summary of the staff personnel working on the Public Forums, with brief job descriptions and source of salary:

Name Job Descriptions/Salary Source

Boyle, Margo M. -- Coordinates witness identification,

selection, and liaison; liaison with Cabinet member and other Federal

participant staffs.

Agency: Department of State

Butler, F. Patrick -- Field Coordinator, working with

Regional Council Chairmen and other Regional officials in overall ar-

rangements for the six Forums.

Agency: Department of the Treasury

Hanzlik, Rayburn -- Overall Coordinator of the Forum

Program.

Agency: Domestic Council Consultant

Harris, Richard	 Assists Patrick Butler in Field Coordination responsibilities.
	Agency: Department of the Treasury
Kane, Ronald C.	 Field Press Officer. Works with Regional office press personnel in setting up press arrangements, logistics, credentialing, and background briefing.
	Agency: UMTA, Department of Transportation
Moore, Allen	 Coordinates Forum issues development and materials preparation for public witnesses and Federal participants.
	Agency: Temporary Domestic Council Consultant until permanent HEW (SSA) position is pro- cessed (in about two weeks)
Moore, Powell	 Washington-based Press Officer (responsible for overall press planning) Liaison with White House and Vice President's Press Offices.
	Agency: Domestic Council Consultant
Perna, Beth	 Secretary
	Agency: General Services Administration
Rowe, Julie	 Coordinates all Forum logistical requirements and arrangements. Liaison with Secret Service and Vice Presidential and Cabinet offices.
	Agency: Department of Commerce
Selover, Bill	 Writer and editor, working with both Forums staff and Study Group.
	Agency: Environmental Protection Agency
Zani, Jane	 712 Administrative Officer and lead Secretary.
	Agency: Federal Energy Administration
Miller, Cliff	 Public Affairs Consultant

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1975

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JACK VENEMAN

FROM:

JIM FALK

SUBJECT:

Mayors to be included in Colorado Forum

The following is a list of Mayors that I have suggested for use in your Colorado public forum. The list is representative of the principal cities of the area and there are some on your initial list which I would not include.

Colorado

Denver Colorado Springs Lakewood Pueblo Montana	(D) (R) (R) (D)	McNichols, William Ochs, Lawrence Richey, James Takaki, Melvin
Helena Missoula Great Falls North Dakota	(D) (R) (D)	Harriott, Don Brown, Robert Ammondson, Curtis
Fargo Bismarch Minot South Dakota	(R) (R) (R)	Hentges, Richard Heskin, Robert Reiten, Chester
Sioux Falls Rapid City Aberdeen Pierre	(R) (R) (D) (R)	Knobe, Richard LaCroix, Arthur Solem, Jeff Gregory, Clint

Wyoming		
Sheridan Cheyenne Casper	(R) (D) (D)	York, Russell Nation, Bill Pettigrew, Robert
Nebraska		
Omaha Grand Island Lincoln	(R) (R) (D)	Zorinsky, Edward Bredthauer, Oscar Boosalis, Helen (Mrs.)
Kansas	•	
Topeka Overland Park Kansas City Witchita	(R) (R)	McCormick, Bill Walker, Jack Reardon, John Peters, Connie
Utah		
Salt Lake City Ogden Provo	(R) (D) (D)	Harrison, Conrad Dirks, A. Stephen Grange, Russell
New Mexico		
Albuquerque	(R)	Kinney, Harry



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JACK VENEMAN

SUBJECT:

Draft Outline of Message

The attached outline is an approach to the State of the Union message which incorporates the themes, principles and issues contained in the August overview memorandum which was read by the President. This outline could accommodate a variety of basic themes such as the bicentennial; or the work ethic; or the next generation; or the free enterprise system; etc.

The outline is based upon the following assumptions:

- o the message would adhere to the \$395 billion budgetary ceiling announced by the President;
- o the message would recognize that fundamental problems exist and would offer creative solutions within the proposed ceiling;
- o the message would be consistent with the themes and principles presented to the President (making best use of limited resources, building on America's traditional strengths, restoring a sense of fairness, etc.).

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A. Relate to 200th Anniversary:

- o reflect upon progress since 1776;
- o describe complexity and limitations of government. Stress "America at the Crossroads" point. Emphasize need to match national priorities with times: e.g. concern for rising costs, deficit, taxes, energy needs, etc.;
- o address problems through building on America's traditional strengths: appreciation of the value of work, incentives for initiative and enterprise, respect for the individual, broad distribution of power.

Introduce three fundamental areas of concern: providing for economic growth, ensuring social responsibility, building for America's future.

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II. PROVIDING FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH - Detailed discussion paper under preparation

A. Assuring sound Economic R

 re-emphasize need for spending limit and sound fiscal policy;

- o cite progress in past year inflation rate reduced, unemployment down, GNP up, etc.;
- o describe approaches to unemployment problem.

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B. Increasing Productivity:

- o initiatives for capital formation; EIA, means of encouraging equity investment and increased savings;
- o relate re-regulation initiatives to productivity;
- o express concern for protection of consumer and concern for the worker through conduct regulation.

C. Achieving Energy Independence:

- o articulate current Administration policy clearly and convincingly;
- o relate to jobs and economic growth.

D. Protecting the Environment:

- o explain energy-environment trade-offs. Identify criteria and approach.
- o express concern for potential future problems nuclear waste, ozone layer, etc. and proposed Administrative initiative.

E. Assuring a sound food price structure:

- o full production for agriculture and concern for farm income;
- o initiative to provide for orderly international markets for agriculture products (EPB- Department of State):
- o call for increased efficiency in food distribution system (National Center on Productivity).

III. ENSURING SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - Paper being prepared

- A. Restructuring of Income Transfer Programs:
 - o project trends under current programs;
 - o call for consolidation of AFDC, SSI, Food Stamps, Veterans, etc.;
 - o announce new initiative (possible tax credit approach, incremental approach, or comprehensive income security approach).
- B. Reshaping the health system and controlling health costs:
 - o project trends under current programs;
 - o announce initiatives for cost controls;
 - o propose a cost control and time-phased approach to health financing.
- C. Assuring a rational social insurance system;
 - o commit to a fair and financially sound system for Social Security and Disability Insurance;
 - o may require calling for a study.

IV. BUILDING FOR AMERICA'S FUTURE - Paper being prepared

- A. Building better communities:
 - o relate education, housing, transportation, and intergovernmental relations to community building and an urban strategy;
 - o announce a research effort to reduce the growth in housing costs;

- o call for an initiative to consolidate transportation funding;
- o initiative to restructure student aid programs;
- o initiative to relate work and education.
- B. Revitalizing the Federal System:
 - o call for grant consolidation;

o consider initiative in intergovernmental finance.

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C. Developing a structure for, International Peace:

o draft to be provided by NSC and Department of State.

D. Looking toward the longer term:

o demographic, economic and technological projections;

o relate initiatives to long-term concerns.

CONCLUSION

o Return to themes touched on in Introduction -linking image of past with vision of future, on "eve of America's third century".



AGENDA October 14, 1975

- 1. Report on OMB approach to budget reductions
- 2. Discussion of an alternative positive approach within \$395 billion limitation
- 3. Review State of the Union outline and positive initiatives (attached)
- 4. Schedules:
 - a) Review procedure
 - b) Involvement with OMB
 - i) review sessions Domestic Council
 - ii) VP-Lynn discussions
 - c) VP-President discussions

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