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Carol:

This is a draft memo to POTUS that should serve to resolve issues about the entitlement conference Dec 13. Did it from both of us. Hope that's OK - couldn't reach you by phone.

I talked to Marjorie today. She is eager to get invitations out next week. If we want to veto people on the list, we should act quickly.

— Alice

- Breakfast

- Speech < Economic strategy  
health care  
entitlements >

- Overview

- Health Care ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

- Welfare ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

- Retirement

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Suggested Participants for the December 13 Entitlements Conference:OVERVIEW PANEL:

- \*Deputy OMB Director Alice Rivlin
- \*Pete Peterson (The Concord Coalition)
- \*Rob McCord (Congressional Institute for the Future)
- \*Kathleen Hall Jamieson (Annenburg School of Communications, University of Pennsylvania)
- Norman Ornstein (AEI)

RETIREMENT PROGRAMS PANEL:

- \*Shirley Chater (Commissioner, Social Security Administration)
- \*Senator Daniel P. Moynihan
- \*Warren Rudman (The Concord Coalition)
- \*Representative Tim Penny
- Gary Burtless (Brookings)
- Philip Longman (Americans for Generational Equity)
- ? \*Rob Nelson (~~Lead or Leave~~)
- \*John Rother or Horace Deets (AARP)
- \*Representative, The Committee to Preserve Social Security
- \*Local Citizens on Social Security
- Eduard Lopez (Chief Social Security Counsel, Senate Finance Committee)
- Lawrence Thompson (Principle Deputy Commissioner, Social Security Administration)
- Alicia Munnell (Assistant Treasury Secretary for Economic Policy)
- Debbie Steelman (Former Associate Director, OMB)
- Neil Howe (Author, On Borrowed Time)
- Arthur Fleming (Save Our Security)
- Rudy Penner (Former Commissioner, Social Security Administration)
- Robert Ball (Former Commissioner, Social Security Administration)

HEALTH CARE PANEL:

- ~~\*President Bill Clinton~~
- \*Secretary Donna Shalala (or Jobs/Welfare Panel)
- \*Senator Harris Wofford
- \*Representative, Single Payer Plan
- \*Alain Enthovian (Jackson Hole Group, focus on Managed Competition)
- \*Gail Wilenski (Former Director, HCFA)
- Henry Aaron (Brookings)
- John Russell (President, Pennsylvania Hospital Association)
- Marc Roberts (Author, "Your Money or Your Life: The Health Care Crisis Explained")
- \*Plato Marinakus (President, Mercy Health)
- Governor ~~Barbara Roberts~~ or Oregon State Senator Bill Bradbury
- \*Roy Vapur (Merck & Co.)
- Paul Starr (Consultant to the Health Care Task Force)
- Jack Meyer (Formerly with AEI)
- Philip Lee (Assistant Secretary for Health, HHS)
- Emma Chappell (President, United Savings Bank)
- John Snow (President, Business Roundtable)
- \*Jerry Lowry (Director of Government Relations, AT&T)
- \*Local Small Business Owner
- \*Local Citizens on Medicare/Medicaid
- \*Local Citizens without Health Insurance

JOBS/WELFARE PANEL:

- ~~Governor Jim Florio~~ (or another Democratic elected official) *Zell Miller?*
- \*Governor Tommy Thompson
  - \*Senator Arlen Specter
  - \*Charles Murray (AEI Fellow; Author, Losing Ground)
  - Mickey Kaus (The New Republic)
  - \*Will Marshall (The Progressive Policy Institute)
  - \*William Julius Wilson (Author, The Truly Disadvantaged)
  - Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton
  - Kurt Schmoke (Mayor, Baltimore, MD)
  - \*Former Governor Tom Kean
  - Robert Reischauer (Director, CBO)
  - \*Former Representative Tom Downey (Workfare Legislation Proponent)
  - David Rosenbaum (Analyst, New York Times)
  - Bob Greenstein (Center for Budget Priorities)
  - Wendall Primus (Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Service Policy, HHS)
  - \*David Ellwood (Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS)
  - Mary Jo Bane (Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, HHS)
  - Lawrence Mead (Author, Beyond Entitlement)
  - Douglas Besharov (AEI)
  - \*Isabel Sawhill (Assistant Director of Human Resources, OMB)
  - \*Wilson Goode (Former Mayor of Philadelphia)
  - Professor Frank Levy (University of Maryland)
  - Marvin Kosters (AEI)
  - Ronald Haskins (Minority Human Resources Counsel, House of Representatives)
  - Paul Offner (Chief Health and Welfare Counsel, Senate Finance Committee)
  - \*Local or National NOW Representative
  - \*Local Citizens on AFDC

CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP (To be Included on Panel of Choice):

Tom Foley  
 Dick Gephardt  
 Bob Michel  
 George Mitchell  
 Bob Dole

\* indicates names that Congresswoman Margolies-Mezvinsky definitely wants to include.

# DRAFT

November 9 , 1993

## MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: CAROL RASCO  
ALICE RIVLIN

SUBJECT: Entitlements Conference (in Congresswoman Marjorie Margolies-Mezvinsky's District #13)

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Plans for the Entitlements Conference are shaping up. We have been working with Health and Human Services, the Congresswoman, and the Congressional Institute for the Future on a proposal for the conference. The purpose of this memo is to outline the plans and seek your approval and guidance.

### Purpose

The purpose of the conference is 1) to educate the public on what entitlements are, why they are growing, and how they effect the budget deficit, 2) to stimulate a discussion of options for reducing future entitlement spending, and 3) to show the Clinton Administration and the Congresswoman facing up to these hard issues.

### Location and date

The conference will be held on Monday, December 13, 1993 at Bryn Mawr College in Bryn Mawr, PA. Bryn Mawr is in Congresswoman Margolies-Mezvinsky's district.

### Format

The conference is modelled on the Little Rock economic summit. The hope is to promote interaction among the panel participants and generate a lively discussion of the issues, but not to reach conclusions. There will be four panels presented in the following order: 1) Overview, 2) Retirement Programs, 3) Health Care, and 4) Jobs/Welfare.

### Panels

- Overview. The Overview panel will provide a one-hour overview of the impact of entitlement programs on the budget

deficit. This presentation is meant to be educational and will include the generous use of graphics. The presentation will only address spending programs; tax programs will not be discussed.

- Retirement Programs. The Retirement Programs panel will begin with presentations of differing perspectives and responses, including the Concord Coalition "affluence-testing" proposal, to generate a lively discussion. While the objective of this panel is to present potentially competing points of view, it will not go so far as to include panelists who wish to privatize the Social Security System -- enough controversy exists in even moderate proposals to create a more than lively discussion.

The major focus of the discussion will be Social Security. Given the recent growth in disability programs, they too will be mentioned, but due to a lack of in-depth statistical information and academic interpretation, discussion will be limited. Federal retirement programs will also be discussed.

This panel discussion will be 90 minutes in length.

- Health Care Panel. The proposed format for the Health Care panel is a roundtable discussion among 10 to 20 participants. The goals of the session are to 1) showcase the Health Security Act of 1993 ("HSA"), and 2) establish a link between the implementation of the HSA and entitlements cost control.

This session will provide an opportunity to show how your the HSA better addresses the concerns that have spawned alternative health care ideas, such as a single payer system, or the plans being promoted by Senator Chafee and Congressman Cooper. Proponents of alternative plans on the panel would not make formal presentations, but would be on the panel to stimulate a dialogue.

Although we anticipate that this panel will be the longest of the four, we do not plan for it to be more than two hours long.

- Jobs/Welfare. The Jobs/Welfare panel discussion will focus on programs for the needy. Since, at the time of the conference, the Administration will not have made its welfare reform plan public, the title of the panel will not include "welfare" or "welfare reform". Alternative terminology, such as "reducing dependency" or "programs for the needy" are being considered.

**Luncheon**

Congresswoman Margolies-Mezvinsky is planning to host a luncheon, to be held after the second panel, for key citizens of her district. Due to space limitations, not all conference participants will be invited to the luncheon. We will work to assure that crucial Clinton campaign workers in the Philadelphia area are included.

**"Keynote" remarks**

The conference planners would like for you to make some general "keynote" remarks to the conference audience. We envision that those remarks would be given prior to the Health Care panel and would stress the importance of the conference in shaping future discussions of entitlements.

**Financing**

Many of the conference costs will be borne by Bryn Mawr College. The Congressional Institute for the Future ("CIF") is soliciting contributions from corporations and other organizations to defray the remaining costs of the conference, as well as future projects sponsored by CIF. CIF's fundraising proposal has been reviewed by White House Counsel.

**Media Coverage**

C-Span will be asked to handle live television coverage of the event. We will be seeking Communications Department assistance for additional media coverage.

**Participants**

The attached list includes the name of individuals that the planners would like to invite to participate.

**Recommendations**

It is the hope of the conference planners that you will moderate the Health Care panel and give general remarks on the importance of the conference and the discussion of entitlements.

Congresswoman Margolies-Mezvinsky would also like for you to attend the conference luncheon. Please indicate below if you concur with these plans.

- \_\_\_\_ President to chair the health care panel.
- \_\_\_\_ President to attend the luncheon.
- \_\_\_\_ President to give "keynote" remarks.
- \_\_\_\_ Include proponents of alternative health care reform plans on the Health Care panel.
- \_\_\_\_ Invite Clinton supporters from the Philadelphia area.
- \_\_\_\_ Discuss further.

cc: Mack McLarty  
 Roy Neel  
 ← David Gergen  
 — Mark Gearen  
 — George Stephanopoulos  
 — Bob Rubin - NEC  
 Gene Sperling - NEC  
 Alexis Herman - Public Liaison  
 Christine Varney - Cabinet Affairs  
 Marcia Hale - Intergovernmental Affairs  
 David Dreyer - Communications  
 Howard Paster - Legislative Affairs  
 Joan Bagget - Political Affairs  
 Bill Galston - Domestic Policy Council  
 Isabel Sawhill - OMB  
 Joe Minarik - OMB  
 Matt Miller - OMB  
 Barbara Paige - OMB



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Danetta

Panel /  
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Draft invitation  
we need to see it.

Headline

'95 tough  
choices

Must maintain  
vigilant fight  
against deficits

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Carol—

I've been asked to come  
over to NEOB for personal  
reasons. I should be back  
in an hour — will call  
if running late. See you  
after the Rialto Mtg. in her  
office @ 1:00.

Roz

Carol