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## CLINTON ADMINISTRATION INITIATIVES FOR THE YEAR 2000

The following is a list, categorized by issue, of Clinton Administration goals, pledges, and programs geared for the year 2000. This list is comprehensive, but may not be exhaustive. There are likely to be other pledges we did not find on our first review.

### Economy:

- Produce 8 million new homeowners by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 858, 6/12/97]
- Decrease welfare rolls by 2 million more people by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 136, 2/4/97]
- Move about a million more people from welfare to work by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1698, 9/10/96].
- Eliminate all tariffs on computers, semiconductors, telecommunications equipment, and software products by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 2514, 12/16/96]

### Education:

- Expand Head Start to one million children by 2002. [Pres. Doc. 13, 2/4/97]
- Hook up every classroom and library to the Internet by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 903, 6/19/97]
- Double the number of full-time youth volunteers by the year 2000 by adding another 50,000 participants in AmeriCorps. [Pres. Doc. 607, 4/28/97]
- By the year 2000, every 8-year-old should be able to read on his or her own, every 12-year-old should be able to log on to the Internet, every 18-year-old should be able go on to college, and every adult should be able continue to learn for a lifetime and get the skills necessary to get good jobs. [Pres. Doc. 558, 4/20/97]
- Make 2 years of college just as universal as a high school diploma is today by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 558, 4/20/97]
- Increase by ten-fold the number of charter schools we have by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 290, 3/6/97]
- Expand work study so that one million students will be able to work their way through college by the year 2000. Have 100,000 of these new work-study students join our America Reads efforts to help make sure all our 8-year-olds can read independently by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 230, 2/24/97]
- Erase American illiteracy by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1242, 7/2/93]
- Increase the high school graduation rate to at least 90 percent by the year 2000 [Pres. Doc. Pg. 195, 2/3/94].
- Goals 2000. By the year 2000, the United States should meet the National Education Goals which include: All children in America will start school ready to learn; the high school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent; all students will leave grades 4, 8, and 12 having demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter including English, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, the arts, history, and geography; every adult American will be literate and will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship; every school in the United States will be free of drugs, violence, and the unauthorized presence of firearms and alcohol and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning. [Education Department, Goals 2000 Progress Report, Spring 1995]

### Crime and Drugs:

- Put 100,000 more police on the streets of America's communities by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1935, 9/30/96]
- By the year 2000, make every school in America free of drugs and violence. [Pres. Doc. Pg. 195, 2/3/94]
- Ensure that all state prisoners serve at least 85 percent of their sentences by the year 2000. [News & Record (Greensboro, NC), 9/22/96]

### Environment:

- Clean up 900 Superfund sites by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 846, 6/9/97]
- Clean up two-thirds of the existing toxic waste sites by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 2379, 11/12/96]
- Devote \$70 million to a total of 35 States to help them get safe running water for their people by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1258, 7/16/96]
- Cut greenhouse gases to 1990 levels by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 865, 4/21/94]
- "I want an America in the year 2000 where no child should have to live near a toxic waste dump, where no parent should have to worry about the safety of a child's glass of water, and no neighborhood should be put in harm's way by pollution from a nearby factory. Today, I am calling for a new national commitment to help protect all communities from toxics by the year 2000." [Pres. Doc. 1567, 8/28/96]

### Healthcare:

- Extend health coverage to as many as 5 million children by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 531, 4/17/97]
- Makes vaccines affordable for families and improve immunization outreach, with the goal that 90 percent of all two-year-olds should be fully vaccinated by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc.; Pg. 2009, 10/7/96]
- Wipe out polio by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 668, 4/17/96]

### Immigration:

- Modernize our border crossing so that by the year 2000, 22 pairs of towns will be equipped with remote video systems and new technologies to give them 24-hour service. [Pres. Doc. 479, 4/8/97]
- Reach the goal of having at least 7,000 agents protecting our borders by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 200, 2/7/95]

### Defense/ Foreign Policy:

- Increases funding for weapons modernization 40 percent by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1643, 9/3/96]
- Develop by the year 2000 a defensive system that protects America from the threat of a long-range missile attack by a rogue state. The President said this system should be deployed by 2003. [Pres. Doc. 910, 5/22/96]
- Agree with Russia to stop plutonium production by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1862, 9/26/94]
- Close Chernobyl by the year 2000. [Pres. Doc. 1097, 4/20/96]