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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD MOE Rm

SUBJECT: TALKING POINTS FOR LUNCHEON WITH THE PRESIDENT --
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1979

Hua Guo Feng Visit = Cy

I. PRC Trip

- o Review your discussions with Vance re:
 - MFN/trade agreements and talks with Byrd
 - friendly nation determination, and importance to hydro-electric cooperation
 - additional funding for Ex-Im line of credit
- o Do you object if I try to arrange for announcement of Hua's visit to US while I'm in China?

Carter Visit
Hua VisitII. Refugees/Murdani Meeting (see attached)III. US/Venezuelan Consultations (see attached)IV. SALT

- o Kissinger testimony
- o Cy's 3% real growth commitment
- o Meetings with Glenn, et al

V. Appointments

- o All your appointments have been well received.
- o Suggest you use Miller's swearing-in to clearly designate him as your primary economic advisor and spokesman; remove any ambiguity.
- o White House changes?

VI. Travel

- o Suggest you consider 3-4 day cross-country trip talking solely about energy during August recess.
- o My experience on SALT trip was very positive.
- o You could include speeches, town meetings, visits to gasahol and other energy demonstration projects, meetings with editorial boards, etc.

VII. I'll Be Gone Next WeekVIII. Kennedy (see attached)- Strategy: re: Fardus, Dthulst

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INSERT FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON WITH THE PRESIDENT

Wednesday, August 1, 1979

PRC Trip

Review results of your discussions just held with Secretary Vance on:

- MFN/trade agreement and consultations with Bob Byrd;
- friendly nations determination, and importance to hydroelectric cooperation,
- additional funding for Ex-Im line of credit.

Suggest to the President that it would be desirable for announcement of Premier Hua visit to U.S. to be made during the course of your visit to the PRC, and obtain his guidance. (C)

Indochinese Refugees

Note that you met with President Suharto's close advisor, General Benny Murdani, that Murdani has taken over responsibility for refugees from the Indonesian Foreign Ministry. Note that you stressed to Murdani the importance you and the President attach to Indonesia establishing a new large holding/processing center for refugees, and that Murdani said he would report this to Suharto, that he did not rule out the establishment of a new center. (C)

US-Venezuelan Consultations

Two days ago Pete Vaky sent the following report to Secretary Vance:

"After yesterday's meeting with Foreign Minister Zambrano and other government officials, Assistant Secretary Vaky reports the Venezuelans believe that the Marxists have a decided but not necessarily decisive political-military advantage in Central America. Venezuela's response, they said, will be to:

- prepare a massive effort to aid democratic elements in the region;

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- induce government authorities to allow change within a stable framework;
- intensify relations with Cuba in order to better defend Venezuela's strategic interests; and
- consider inviting Secretary Vance to Caracas for consultations.

The underlying point of the Venezuelans' remarks was that their country's policy must and will be independently determined, so that there may be an occasional divergence from US interests."

With growing troubles in the Caribbean and Central America, you may wish to stress to the President the favorable impression that Herrera made on you. Because of scheduling difficulties, Herrera will not be visiting Washington in the near future. He should be cultivated, however.

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KENNEDY STRATEGY

- o Since we're reviewing everything else, it's time to review our attitude toward Kennedy.
- o I think we are unnecessarily contentious with him, and appear outwardly to be uptight, petty and sometimes paranoid about him.
 - My reports about the whip-his-ass statement are that he was amused by the comment, but upset at the glee and eagerness with which the White House pumped it up with the press.
- o One person very close to Ted says he is "very torn" over whether to run because he's getting "enormous pressure" from his Senate colleagues, but he doesn't want to tear apart the Party.
 - He doesn't want to run but feels the White House is sniping at him and thinks, why go through four more years of this?
- o Now he is going off to reflect on all of this during August and perhaps make his decision.
 - I believe you should try to influence his attitude as he enters this assessment.
 - Suggest you ask him down for a private lunch or dinner this week, before he goes, to try to bury the hatchet.
 - Indicate you regret the White House sniping at him and have ordered it stopped.
 - If you can't give him the Cox nomination, indicate you know how important that judgeship is to him and signal willingness to try to work something out.
 - Thank him for helping Civiletti nomination through committee.
 - Indicate willingness to try to work more closely on health, energy, other matters.
 - Try to get discussion around to common goals, and how they can be accomplished by working together.
- o There is nothing lost in this kind of effort; can't guarantee it'll work, but it might; it sure can't hurt.

o Too often we let our emotions govern our reason when it comes to Kennedy;

-- It's in our own political interest to be friendly to him and keep him out of race; in our present position we can't afford luxury of our present attitude.

-- If present attitude persists, it could well be the deciding factor which compels him to run; that would be tragic.

-- His instincts are for the Party; he would hate to see the GOP (or Brown) take the White House; that's why I'm convinced he doesn't want to run.

-- We should reinforce that instinct by making him feel we like him, value him and need him. It costs us nothing.

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Memo No. 652-79

July 31, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD MOE

FROM: Denis Clift 

SUBJECT: Talking Points for Vice President's Luncheon
with President, August 1 (U)

I am forwarding talking points for the Vice President's use
in his luncheon with the President on Wednesday, August 1. (U)

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gm-E - [The following is a list of items] 1980-1981
Saudi oil

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August 10, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD MOE *Rm*

SUBJECT: TALKING POINTS FOR LUNCHEON WITH THE PRESIDENT --
MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 1979

I. Staff Changes Positive

- o Tim will help at the campaign.
- o Sarah is a good replacement for him.
- o Ed Torres is first-rate.
- o Al McDonald will help Ham's office.
- o More changes today? !
 - Counsel?
 - Others?
- o Speechwriting -- put under Stu.

XX II. Mississippi Trip

- o St. Paul -- we've given Phil proposal for you to meet with Mayor Latimer's Community Task Force on Energy.
 - They're doing a lot of innovative things there.
 - Your presence would encourage grass-roots involvement, particularly on conservation.
- o Senators -- hope you will agree to invite Nelson, Culver, and Eagleton for appropriate legs of trip. All are up for re-election and all have been good supporters.

E III. PRC Trip

IV. Economy

V V. Chrysler

VI. Agenda Process

- o We are now reviewing your priority legislative and other initiatives in view of energy program and hope to have a new cut for you shortly.

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WFM -

FYI, this is what we are proposing
the President do in St. Paul before
going down river. We worked it out
with George Latimer and I think it
would be a good hit~~x~~ all around.

Dick

August 10, 1979

TO: Dick Moe

FROM: Mayor George Latimer

SUBJECT: Saint Paul as Energy Opportunity for Upcoming Visit

Focus: The Big Items

1. Mayor announced major Saint Paul energy program within past two weeks. Identified as the priority for the city's future. Document issued entitled, Goals for Saint Paul: Directions for an Energy Conscious City. Announcement of Task Force of 100 community leaders from all walks of life to be appointed this month. Task Force objective is to undertake a comprehensive approach for highly practical ways of controlling energy usage in the City of Saint Paul (housing, transportation, education, etc.). This is a bottom-up approach to get everyone involved in the serious business of energy conservation. Response to the task force idea has been overwhelming.
2. One month ago City made announcement that it was proposing a 250-acre model Energy Park. The Energy Park would be an integrated development containing an office/industrial section having a sole focus on energy businesses with a possible relationship to the University of Minnesota's interest in energy/high technology areas. It would also contain

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a section for high-density, European-style energy efficient dwellings. The Park itself would exemplify the best of what we now know about energy efficiency and conservation. At the same time, it would be geared directly towards jobs production and much needed housing in the Saint Paul area. It is intended to be a model for the rest of the city, the state and the nation in order to demonstrate that a city can actually do something, on a large scale, regarding energy problems.

3. Three weeks ago Saint Paul selected as the national pilot city for a hot water district heating project. The Department of Energy awarded a one-half million dollar grant. The project has the potential of saving enough fossil fuels to heat the equivalent of 200,000 residences in the Minneapolis-Saint Paul area. The Mayor chairs a public/private corporation to manage the project. It reflects the best of public/private cooperation.
4. Saint Paul's selection two weeks ago by the Environmental Protection Agency to undertake a feasibility study for modular trash-to-energy units to be located in the urban area. This is a Phase II implementation study.
5. Saint Paul's August 9, 1979 request to Dr. John Deutch, Acting Undersecretary of DOE, requesting that Saint Paul be

given the opportunity to work directly with the Department of Energy in order to become a model energy-conserving city. The focus would be a managed energy program creating jobs, conserving traditional fuels, incorporating the use of alternative technologies and energy sources, well allowing citizens to make real energy-use decisions.

Proposed Format

1. President to meet with 100-member Task Force. This would be the Task Force's opening meeting. The meeting would take place on the Energy Park site. The site is located in the heart of the city (Minway district), and it is replacing an old coke plant, representing the worst of urban environmental and energy problems as we have known them. The site is to be replaced with the best of what we know about energy production and conservation.
2. We would suggest a question-and-answer format with a liberal exchange of ideas and concerns as to what can actually be done about energy in the City of Saint Paul. Because of extensive local press coverage over the last four weeks, a variety of ideas are bubbling about.

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3.. Other visuals would include schematics of the proposed Energy Park and visuals on the proposed district heating system for the downtown area.

Other Considerations

Since President's energy message, there has been heavy local popular media coverage of Saint Paul's announced energy programs (e.g., "Saint Paul as Energy City, USA?").

Can we know by Tuesday? Would need to accelerate task force appointments by one week.

Finally, Mayor appointed as chair of statewide energy committee (Minnesota League of Cities). First meeting held yesterday with large number of out-state mayors requesting specific proposals for doing something about energy in their towns. Brings into play the practical concerns of the interdependence of urban and rural areas in addressing the energy crisis using indigenous fuel sources such as crop residue and agricultural biomass.

Altogether, these activities represent a new cooperative force in the Farm Belt. The direct involvement of the University of Minnesota with the City on agricultural and energy related issues holds much promise.

The whole town would be up for this one.

TO: Dick Moa

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We could send to you for review:

- 1) District heating document

(MSP, City, Minnesota Energy Agency, Chamber of Commerce,
Labor, etc.)

- 2) Major plan for new City Energy Office
- 3) EPA Waste-to-Energy plan
- 4) Energy Park concept paper
- 5) Newspaper articles and editorials over past month

Want them? Use Gail Weinstein as contact in my office if I or
Brooker are out. (612) 298-4323



AMBASSADOR ALONZO L. McDONALD

Biographical Sketch

Ambassador Alonzo L. McDonald was appointed by President Carter in July, 1977 to be Deputy Special Trade Representative and Head of the US Delegation to the Tokyo Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations in Geneva. Following confirmation by the US Senate, he was sworn in at the White House on August 30, 1977 and immediately assumed direct responsibility for conducting on site negotiations on behalf of the United States under authority granted in the Trade Act of 1974.

Ambassador McDonald spent the major part of the next eighteen months in Geneva. During the period of Congressional consideration of the Tokyo Round package in the spring of 1979, he shifted his efforts increasingly to Washington, working directly with the Congress and private sector groups to communicate the results achieved in Geneva.

The Ambassador, who is 50 years old, is from Riverside, Connecticut. He comes to his post from the private sector where his career since college graduation in 1948 was predominantly in business after several initial years in journalism and a tour in the Marine Corps.

Ambassador McDonald joined government from McKinsey and Company, Inc., a leading international firm of management consultants. In his 17 years with McKinsey, he occupied a variety of key posts there including that of Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer for the firm's activities worldwide.

In the Tokyo Round negotiations, which followed the Kennedy Round of the mid-1960's, ninety-nine nations promoted the liberalization and expansion of international trade through the reduction of non-tariff and tariff barriers to trade and through reform of multilateral trade rules and procedures.

Born August 5, 1928 in Atlanta, Georgia, Ambassador McDonald is a graduate of Emory University (1948) and Harvard University (Master of Business Administration, with academic distinction, 1956). Following his university years he worked as a reporter for the Atlanta Journal (1948-1950) and served in the US Marine Corps (1950-1952).

Prior to joining McKinsey in 1960 the Ambassador was with the Air Conditioning Division of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, where his last position was manager of sales and service activities in 22 western states.

Ambassador McDonald spent almost 10 years of his time with McKinsey overseas. After joining the firm in New York, he was a principal in London (1964-1966), the initial manager of the office in Zurich (1966-1968), and managing director of the Paris office (1968-1973). He returned to the United States and settled in Connecticut when selected Managing Director of that firm in July, 1973.

Ambassador McDonald has long been active in professional and civic affairs. At the time of his appointment he was a Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development; Chairman of the CED's Subcommittee on the Role of Government Intervention in the Economy; Member, Council on Foreign Relations; Trustee and Member of Executive Committee, US Council of the International Chamber of Commerce; Member, Advisory Council on Japan-US Economic Relations; Member, the Economic Club of New York; Member, Center for Inter-American Relations; Chairman, Board of Directors, Harvard Business School Club of Greater New York; Member, Visiting Committee on Administration, Harvard University; Director, the French-American Foundation and Warden at St. Joseph of Arimathea Episcopal Church (Elmsford, N.Y.). In addition, he is the author of numerous articles on business affairs and has lectured widely on economic, business and management subjects.

The Ambassador is married to the former Suzanne Moffitt. They have four children.



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INFORMATION

September 4, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: Denis Clift *DC*
SUBJECT: Lunch with President - China Visit

- Tone of Visit: Very positive, each stop added further to this impression. At our first formal session Deng asked me to thank you for the good bilateral news I had brought.
- Chinese attach high political importance to "Friendly Nation" determination separating them from USSR -- with Us-PRC relations proceeding on their own merits.
Hua & Deng Tagged
- University of Beijing Speech to Chinese people - radio, TV and People's Daily - an important signal of positive political PRC is taking to U.S.
Xian Visit
- Chinese Goals - not easy to sort out precise relationship between Deng and Hua. They are committed to four modernizations; they are going about it realistically; they know they have to produce over the next few years; they need western help.
- Hua Visit: Premier said he accepts your invitation with delight; PRC leaders look forward to receiving you in China.
- Sensitive Issues - Our cooperation on sensitive issues -- e.g. Brown visit and others -- of importance to PRC's concept of mutually beneficial relationship.
- Bilateral Package: Deng and Hua pleased with MFN/Trade Agreement assurance, EXIM, OPIC, Friendly Nation/Hydroelectric Agreement and '80-'81 cultural agreement. Agreed to move ahead with Civil Aviation Agreement in September.
- I am having a checklist prepared for Cy and Zbig on steps needed to follow-up on visit.

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International Issues

- Sino-Soviet talks: Hua sees them as long and difficult with little progress.
- Vietnam - Deng urged continuing military, economic and political pressure on Vietnam, saying it might produce a change in 3-5 years.
 - 2nd lesson: Chinese retain the option, but gave impression that a second attack is not imminent.
 - Deng asked me to state PRC's opposition to Japan's aid to Vietnam.
- Kampuchea: Deng said Pol Pot must be included in new coalition government, that Pol Pot would mend his ways. PRC sees role for Sihanouk only as figure head.
- Korea: We both restated positions.
- Pakistan - I emphasized danger of Pak-India escalation and Soviet reentry if Pak nuclear program not stopped. Deng said PRC would do what could - but position he brought to this discussion is "what does one nuclear explosion matter?"
- Woodcock: Mention your private conversation with Leonard Woodcock.

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Hong Kong

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- News that Suharto will proceed with reprocessing center important.
- U.K.'s governor gave your refugee program strong endorsement.
- 7th Fleet doing excellent job in rescue effort.

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Japan

- Good meeting with Ohira; was appreciative and asked me to extend his thanks to you for all that you are doing around world.
- Reviewed Chinese and Hong Kong visits and impressed on Ohira importance we attach to Japanese financial support for refugee reprocessing effort.

Encouraging



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September 14, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD MOE *Rm*

RE:

TALKING POINTS FOR MONDAY LUNCHEON WITH
THE PRESIDENT -- SEPTEMBER 17, 1979

Pres/Ch
I. Energy

- o Coordination between White House and Duncan seems to be sorted out and on track.
- o Windfall profits tax.

II. SALT

- o Slippage.
- o Soviet troops in Cuba.

III. Middle East

- o Strauss mission.
- o Mobarak lunch (See attached).

IV. PRC Follow-up

- o Cabinet-level visit (See attached).
- o MFN (See attached).

V. Letter for Chris Spirou (See attached)

VI. This Week's Schedule

- o I'll be on the road Wednesday and Thursday doing the Florida AFL-CIO, state party fund-raiser in New Orleans, IUD in San Francisco, Cranston dinner in L.A.

VII. Politics

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AGENDA

Campaign Report - Tim Kraft

- Field Report
- Financial Report
- Announcement Overview
- Mondale Presence

Early Tests

- Florida Caucus
- Iowa J-J Dinner

Strategy Overview - Hamilton Jordan

- ~~Primary and Caucus Schedule~~
- ~~Kennedy and Brown Candidacies~~

~~White House Campaign Relationship~~ Sara Weddington

FEC Complaint
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Political Overview - Pat Caddell

Dick Clark
re Dinner
at Center
Illinois

Ed Brooke
interviewed
Task Force?

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INSERT FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON WITH PRESIDENT CARTER
Monday, September 17, 1979

Letter for Chris Spirou

The package at Tab 1 is a follow-up to your most recent meeting with Chris Spirou. He believes that you have agreed to ask the President to give him a letter that he can convey to Prime Minister Caramanlis. A proposed letter is attached. Spirou will be in Washington on Tuesday, September 18 and hopes to pick up the letter from you at that time. (U)

You should ask the President if he will sign the letter, or alternatively, you may wish to have Penny send it forward to the President via Susan Clough. (U)

Follow-up to China Trip - Brown Visit

Following the Friday morning foreign policy breakfast, I discussed this issue with David Aaron. I believe we are agreed that you should recommend to the President that he privately inform the Chinese of a visit by Secretary Brown later this year, giving them the proposed dates - but that the visit not be announced until approximately a week before it is to take place. (S/S)

This scenario would help to solve the "China card" being played during the USSR/Cuban brigade events. (S/S)

MFN for China

You may wish to recommend to the President that the White House take very firm control, via Frank Moore - with explicit guidance from the President, of the consultations with Congress on MFN for China. The key policy question requiring Presidential guidance is that of non-linkage with the USSR. If the President does not take firm control, a number of Deputy Assistant Secretaries and the like from State/Commerce will begin offering their interpretation of policy to Senators and Congressmen and we will have a totally snarled situation. (C)

Mobarak Luncheon

You may wish to note the urgency Mobarak attached to another 200,000 tons of PL480 wheat for Egypt - this is in addition to the 1.5 million tons plus the 100,000 tons just approved by the President. You should, of course, be aware that the President personally took the 100,000 ton decision cutting Secretary Vance's recommendation in half. (C)

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Memo No. 753-79

September 14, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR DICK MOE

FROM: Denis Clift 

SUBJECT: Vice President's Lunch with President

I am forwarding recommended foreign policy and national security talking points for the Vice President's September 17 luncheon with the President. Please note the sensitivity of some of these items.

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September 27, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR DICK MOE

FROM: Denis Clift *DC*

SUBJECT: Vice President's Lunch with President
Insert for Talker

I am forwarding at Tab A recommended insert for the Vice President's luncheon with the President. This contains sensitive material.

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INSERT FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON WITH PRESIDENT
FOREIGN POLICY/NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1979

Cuba/USSR Brigade

The President may wish to follow up on the breakfast discussion - I have separately provided you with talking points for that meeting.

US-Mexican Relations

Your luncheon comes immediately after the President's talks with President Lopez-Portillo. You should ask the President if there is any specific issue he wishes you to follow up on with Lopez-Portillo while you are together in Panama on September 30-October 1 for the Treaty Day ceremonies. (You do not have a formal bilateral scheduled with Lopez-Portillo; however, you will be seeing him half a dozen times at luncheons, ceremonies, dinners, receptions).

With the gas deal completed, with the visit to Canada coming up, I continue to see the President's foreign policy achievements in this hemisphere as genuinely excellent, and far surpassing the achievements of previous Administrations. The President has tackled the tough issues, he has produced results in Panama, he has produced results with Mexico, he has produced results with Canada. He can and should take great credit for all of this. You may wish to recommend that he view his second meeting with Lopez-Portillo on Saturday in this context, and that he review any proposed communique or press statement in this context.

Agenda for Your Visit to Panama

You may wish to briefly review the highlights of your upcoming visit to Panama. You will be carrying a letter from the President to President Royo which you will present to Royo in your substantive meeting following your arrival. You have meetings scheduled with the Andean Group Presidents (Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia) which can be seen as a first step, positive response to President Turbay's proposal that the US engage in a higher level dialogue with the Andean Group. You will also meet with General Torrijos, and with

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Costa Rican President Carazo with the latter playing an important role in Central America at this time of increasing instability in El Salvador and Guatemala. He has repeatedly expressed the hope for a visit to Washington. While this may not be possible, you may wish to ask the President if he has a personal message that you should deliver to Carazo.

In your public remarks you will stress the positive nature of the Panamanian Ceremonies, the new era, the US-Panamanian partnership based on friendship and mutual respect.

Persian Gulf/Indian Ocean

As you know, Jim Schlesinger and Harold Brown have been corresponding on the level of US presence in the Persian Gulf and Indian Ocean with Schlesinger recommending the move now to a continuous carrier task force presence. This issue is the subject of review in the Administration. There are important pros and cons bearing on the nature and level of our presence. At the same time, looking to 1980, there is no area of the world where the President could demonstrate more coolly and decisively that America is keeping its defenses up and is moving decisively to protect US interests than by a carefully calibrated increase of US naval forces in the Indian Ocean/Persian Gulf area. This would become a policy action which I believe would serve the President well in the anticipated, increasingly volatile debate over US defense posture.

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

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October 3, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD MOE

SUBJECT: TALKING POINTS FOR LUNCHEON WITH THE PRESIDENT --
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1979I. Panama Trip (see attached)

- o Panama
- o Central America
 - Nicaragua
- o Andean Leaders

II. SALT

- o Reaction to Monday Speech
- o Need to follow up quickly on Hill
- o I'm working on a speech in next few days which would:
 - Tackle linkage issues head-on and try to get focus back to treaty's merits
 - Respond to Republican critics, especially Ford

III. Jewish/Black Discord

- o Met Wednesday to Develop Strategy
 - Letters to key leaders
 - Strauss/Jesse Jackson
 - Small private leadership meetings

IV. Secretary of EducationV. Energy

- o Windfall Profits Tax
- o EMB

VI. EconomyVII. Politics

- o New Hampshire/Maine Trip
- o Need to continue momentum with Labor
- o Need better and faster strategy to sign up Members of Congress, governors, mayors, etc.

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