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20-30 MINUTE BRIEFING PACKAGE ON THE MOST IMPORTANT GLOBAL PROBLEMS

Suggested topics:

1. Strategic Balance of Power Between the US and USSR
2. Nuclear Proliferation
3. World Population
4. World Food Supplies
5. Climatic Change
6. Resources
7. World Economics
8. Sea Sovereignty
9. Terrorism
10. Narcotics
11. Environment



✓ 1. List of groups

- A. DSG
- B. DRO
- C. Black caucus
- d. Fresh Dem
- e. Bolling group
- F. Chowder & Marching
- G. SOS
- H. Accorns
- I. Wed. morn group
- J. Other.

2. ✓ Leaders of above groups.

3. ✓ Dem whips - Dem whips

4. ✓ Rep. whips " " " " Rep " "

5. ✓ Key commit members.

- A. App.
- B. Ways & Means
- C. Budget
- d. Armed Sv.



✓ 2. ✓ 3. ✓ 4. ✓ 5. ✓

Armed Sv, For Rel 5

App, Wd M., Rules, Budget 4

Interstate, other 3.

Minor comm't, 2.

Select comm'its 1

AEC 3.

Chairmanship 5

Ranking mem. 3.

Sub chairman 3

Ranking sub 2.

App. sub chairman 4

Ranking App sub 3

Party posts

Regional whips

Caucus posts

Conference Commit

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Term 2



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POSSIBLE MEETINGS TO BE REGULARLY SCHEDULED

1. LIG Leaders -- Brehm, Friedersdorf, McCloskey, Wolthuis

2. White House Bicentennial Task Force

3. Major Bicentennial Task Force (departments and agencies)

4. ICG meetings

5. Friedersdorf Staff Meetings (Monday & Friday)

6. Congressional Hour on the Hill (Tuesday at 2:00)

7. Meet with Rhodes, Michel, H. Scott & Griffin -- Monday & Tuesday



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

CHARLES LEPPERT, JR. *CLJ*

SUBJECT:

Hill Briefings on Angola and South Korea

Attached for your information is a copy of the Dear Colleague letter to all Members of the House of Representatives concerning a briefing on Angola to be held on Monday, January 19, 1976, at 2 p. m. in Room 2255 RHOB and a copy of a memo to Members of the House Committee on International Relations concerning a briefing on the Solarz-Fraser amendment on gradual U. S. troop withdrawal from South Korea to be held at 2 p. m. Monday, January 19, 1976 in Room H-236, The Capitol.

cc: Friedersdorf

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8:33*

1. Mitch

2. Mike

2. Colby

3. Bush

4. Brent

5. Ellsworth

6. Phil B.



Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

January 16, 1976

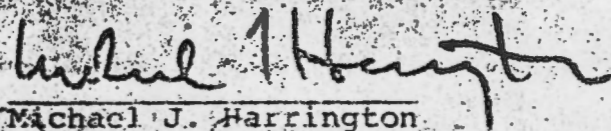
Dear Colleague:

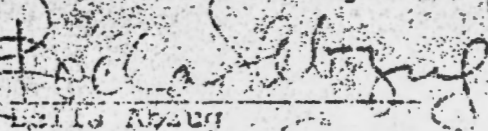
As you know, there will be an important vote soon on whether to end U.S. involvement in Angola. We would like to invite you and your staff to a Congressional briefing on this issue.

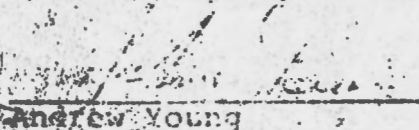
The briefing will be held in room 2255 Rayburn House Office building from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday, January 19th. The panel of discussants will be drawn from Africa experts and the academic community. Speakers include John Marks of the Center for National Security Studies, who will speak on the history of CIA involvement in Angola; George Houser, Director, American Committee on Africa, who will speak on the historical background and present situation in Angola; and Professor Ron Walters of Howard University who will discuss the broader implications of U.S. policy towards southern Africa.

We are enclosing a schedule of the briefing which lists additional panel discussants. We urge you and your staff to attend.

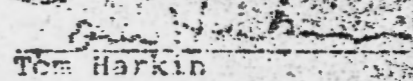
Yours sincerely,


Michael J. Harrington


Halle Abzug


Andrew Young


Stephen J. Solarz


Tom Harkin



BRIEFING FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON THE WAR IN ANGOLA

To be held on January 19, 1976 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Place: 2255 Rayburn House Office Bldg.

2:00 - 2:15 The history of the U.S. covert actions in Angola, the role of the CIA, and the issue of covert war making.
John Marks, Associate, Center for National Security Studies, co-author of The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence, former staff assistant to the Director, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, State Department.

2:15 - 2:30 An analysis of the present situation in Angola.
George Houser, Director, American Committee on Africa.

2:30 - 2:45 U.S. policy alternatives in southern Africa.
Ron Walters, Professor of Political Science, Howard University, President, African Heritage Studies Association.

3:00 - 5:00 Panel discussion with speakers and a panel of experts including:

Richard J. Barnet, Co-Director, Institute for Policy Studies, author, Roots of War

Sean Gervasi, Professor, City University of New York

David Wiley, African Studies Department, University of Wisconsin

Courtland Cox, Associate, Center for National Security Studies

Moderator: Ted Lockwood, Director, Washington Office on Africa

For further information contact:

The Washington Office on Africa, 546-7961

The Center for National Security Studies, 544-5380

Committee on International Relations

January 13, 1976

MEMO

TO: MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

FROM: Congressmen Stephen Solarz and Don Fraser

RE: Meeting with Professor Edwin O. Reischauer to discuss the Solarz-Fraser amendment on gradual U.S. troop withdrawal from South Korea

We have scheduled a meeting for Monday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m., in H-236 for Members and their staff to meet with Professor Reischauer and address questions to him regarding the Solarz-Fraser amendment for gradual U.S. troop withdrawal from South Korea. It is expected the Committee will consider this amendment on January 20, 1976.

Professor Reischauer is one of our foremost scholars on Asian affairs. He is currently professor of history at Harvard University. He served as our ambassador to Japan. Enclosed is a copy of the letter he sent to Congressman Fraser concerning our amendment.

The Solarz-Fraser amendment calls for a phased withdrawal of all U.S. military forces from South Korea with a significant reduction to be made as early as practicable but not later than fiscal year 1978. Removal of all forces would not take place until the "modernizing of the armed forces of the R.O.K. has been substantially completed and the R.O.K. has thereby achieved the military capacity to defend itself against an attack by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK)." The plan for withdrawal could be revised if the DPRK "significantly alters the military balance in a manner which impairs the defense capability of the R.O.K." Continuation of all forms of military aid and sales is dependent upon the President complying with the above amendment.

We hope you will be able to attend the meeting. Would you please call Jeanne Salvia on X55318 by Thursday, January 15, to advise as to whether or not you will be able to attend.

Enclosure



[3/76?]

FREQUENT MISTAKES

1. Follow-up
2. Coordination (intra/White House)
3. Communication
4. Consultation
5. Notification
6. Neglect of GOP
7. Staff/for MC
8. Missed Assignments
9. Lack of Materials, or bad
10. No contacts
11. Tardy
12. Floor action
13. Use of Cabinet officer and sub Cabinet



[3/76?]

OUTLINE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION--TALKING POINTS

- I. Two Stages
 - A. Preparatory
 - B. Legislative assistance

- II. Focus of Interest
 - ✓ A. Primary
 - ✓ B. Secondary
 - C. Tertiary

- III. The Curriculum
 - A. Geo Politics
 - ✓ B. Currie briefing
 - ✓ C. Hughes briefing
 - ✓ D. Rumsfeld briefing

- IV. Means and Methods for Contact
 - A. DOD
 - 1. briefings

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2. Breakfasts/Supper meetings ✓

✓3. Trips

B. Hill

✓ Office

2. Floor plan

C. White House

1. President

2. Smoker

3. State Department

✓ Materials

VI. Constituent Interest

A. General

B. Special

1. Local

2. D. C.



C. Develop programs

VII. Media

Addendum

1. LIG meetings
2. Prepare District profiles



March 15, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: **RUSS ROURKE**
FROM: **JACK MARSH**

I am considering having a series of meetings here in the White House in the late evening for the purpose of conducting briefings of Members of Congress on defense issues.

These meetings will be in the nature of smokers. I plan on having them in the Conference Dining Room. I would anticipate there would be from 10-20 Members of Congress present. I would like to have you and Bob Wolthuis devote some thought to this to see how this might be accomplished. In this regard, please give some thought to arrangements, i. e., refreshments, nicknacks, etc.

There is a possibility that we might be able to get Defense to pick up the tab for doing this. You should get an estimate of the cost from Ron Jackson. In addition to the Members of Congress, there would probably be 5-8 members of the White House or Defense staffs. I have spoken briefly to Jim Connor concerning this and he is aware of this. He is also aware that Don Rumsfeld is rather anxious to do this.

However, Connor says the representation fund which is allocated to the Congressional Affairs shop has been depleted down to \$45 which must last until 30 June.

JOM/dl



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 22, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE
 BOB WOLTHUIS

FROM: JACK MARSH

I would like you both to get together this afternoon and start working out the answers to the attached questions.

Many thanks.



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Questions

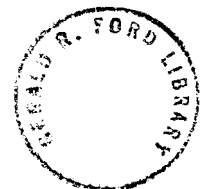
1. Should all the meetings be partisan?
Should all the meetings be bipartisan?
Can some be partisan and others bipartisan?

2. How will the leadership of the House and Senate be handled?
Will they be informed of the briefing or will they be participants?
In each case, identify them.

3. What arrangements should be made concerning staff?
What staff should be included, if any, i. e.
 - A. staff of the Leadership (Kimmit, etc.)
 - B. Committee staff
 - C. Staff of individual Members
 - D. Staff Members who have a special interest but no
Committee jurisdiction.
 - E. Prepare a list of key staff of House and Senate
(i. e., Braswell, Calloway, Bonner, Hugo, Preston, etc.)

4. Should the House and Senate programs be operated separately,
or should the group be mixed.

5. What should be the size of a briefing group:
 - A. number of Members
 - B. number of Administration persons



6. How many meetings should we have each week?
 - A. At what time?
 - B. What duration?
7. If meetings are held in the White House, where should they be held:
 - A. Conference Dining Room
 - B. Roosevelt Room
 - C. Max's Office.
8. How long should the meeting last and what should be its format?
9. How are the Members invited?
 - A. Who extends the invitation?
 - B. Would it be helpful to have a joint host for the meeting to include a Member and an Administration person?
10. What should be the mix of the group?
 - A. by Committee assignment?
 - B. By special interest in defense?
 - C. random selection?
 - D. By Congressional organization (DSG, SOS, etc.)
11. Should the Senate approach be different? If so, how should those briefings be structured?



12. What is the comfortable capacity of the Conference Dining Room for a briefing?
13. Prepare a list of representatives from DOD who will participate on a rotation basis in the program.
14. What type of meeting is desired?
 - A. Breakfast meeting at the White House
 - B. A smoker
 - C. Capitol Hill briefing
15. What will be the briefing subject?
How many follow-on briefings will be offered?
What are their subjects?
16. What type of follow-up is desired from the Members.
Who will be responsible for insuring this follow-up?
17. What will be the starting date for the first briefing?
Can it be done this week?
18. During the reception part of the smoker, who will be represented from the following:
 - A. Legislative Affairs
 - B. NSC
 - C. DOD
 - D. State
 - E. Other



March 24, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JACK MARSH

In reference to the proposed briefings we are considering doing here at the White House on Defense matters, I am of the view it would be helpful if we were to inform the Leadership that we expect to undertake these before they begin.

I make special reference to John Rhodes and Bob Michel, who I think should be contacted as soon as possible, but I would not limit the prenotices to them; however, I think their prenotice should be thorough, much more so than the others I suggest below.

In addition to Rhodes and Michbl, I would suggest a brief pre-notice to the following:

Albert	O'Neill
Mahon	Cederberg
Price	Wilson
Stennis	Thurmond
McClellan	Young

On the Senate side, I would use the same approach to the Republican Leadership as on the House side with more detailed information to Hugh Scott and Bob Griffin, but advisory information to Mansfield and Byrd.

cc: Russ Rourke
Bob Welthuis

JOM/dl



[April 1976?]

Ques

1. All partition

Bi-part
mixed

2. Leadership Role.

A. informed - who

B. participate - who.

3. Staff:

A. Leadership staff.

B. commit

C. member.

D. interested

E. List key staff.

4. House & Senate

A. Separate

B. mixed

5. Size of group

A. Number M/C's

B. Adm. persons.



6. Time of meeting

place

date

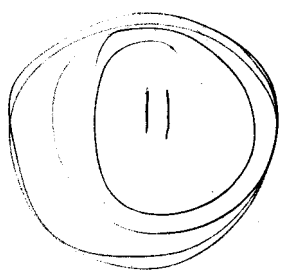
7. Length + format of meeting.

Marsh

Tuesday, April 7, 1976 SMOKER

Archer
Brown, B.
Burgener
Lott
Quie
Shuster
Steiger, Bill
Kemp
Railsback

Rinaldo



Call Backs

Armstrong *yes*
~~Broyhill~~ *NO*
~~Kemp~~ *yes*
Kindness *NO*
Railsback *yes*
~~Rinaldo~~ *yes*



by

July 28, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: BOB WOLTHUIS

FROM: JACK MARSH

What is the status of the briefing about the Sino-Soviet border?
You will remember we discussed this.

Many thanks.

JOM/dl



JUL 30 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 30, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: BOB WOLTHUIS *RKW*
SUBJECT: Soviet-China Briefing

I got a report back from Ken Geisen at DIA today and they had not retained the Soviet-China briefing which you may have seen a couple years ago. They say that in a matter of a week or so they could put together a Soviet-China briefing beginning with a 1969 time period. In that year the Chinese and Soviets had some serious border clashes. The briefing would then show the evolution of relations and military trends along the border through the present.




AUG 2 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: JACK MARSH
FROM: BOB WOLTHUIS *RKW*
THROUGH: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *M 16*
SUBJECT: Soviet China Briefing

~~By Wednesday, August 11, the DIA people will be prepared to present their Soviet-China briefing to us for our review. This will highlight the border situation primarily. If you concur, let me know and I will schedule it for late next week.~~



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
THROUGH: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *M.G.*
FROM: BOB WOLTHUIS *RKW*
SUBJECT: DOD Smokers

Fred Benson, Bill Brehm's Military Exec, called last night for Brehm suggesting 2 smokers around August 23 for members of the two Congressional Budget committees. The deadline for the second budget Resolution is September 15 and markup will begin after the GOP convention recess. Secretary Rumsfeld thinks this timing would be excellent. Defense is recommending a 25-30 minute net assessment briefing by Bob Ellsworth followed by a 15 minute update of Soviet Military capabilities by John Hughes.

[Handwritten Signature]

APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE



August 16, 1976

briefing

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RUSS ROURKE

FROM:

JACK MARSH

Please dictate a brief note for my signature to the people who conducted the China briefing.

Many thanks.

JOM/dl

