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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

GEORGIA GOP FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1975

GEORGIA GOP DINNER ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THANK YOU MACK

(State Chairman Mattingly  
introduces you)

NORA ALLEN

(State Committeewoman)

NOLAN MURRAH

(State Committeeman)

BO CALLAWAY

BEN BLACKBURN

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN

<sup>-b-</sup>  
at the outset

BEFORE I BEGIN, I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE <sup>an</sup> ~~JUST~~

~~ONE MORE~~ OUTSTANDING REPUBLICAN SITTING OUT THERE IN THE

AUDIENCE. HE IS AN OLD <sup>& very dear</sup> FRIEND, ONE OF YOUR NUMBER ONE

CITIZENS, AND WHILE HE NO LONGER IS SECRETARY OF THE ARMY,

THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT HE STILL KNOWS HOW TO FIGHT --

HOWARD "BO" CALLAWAY!

Bo 2 Thank you for your selfless  
dedication & congratulate you for your  
long & magnificent dedication to public service.

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IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE  
IN YOUR GREAT STATE OF GEORGIA  
AGAIN -- PARTICULARLY AT THIS  
TIME OF THE YEAR.

I ~~ALSO~~ HEAR RUMORS THAT SOME OF YOU MAY BE

GOING TO THE GEORGIA-AUBURN GAME IN ATHENS TOMORROW.

SOMEBODY. EVEN SUGGESTED THAT AS A FOOTBALL FAN I MAKE A

PREDICTION AS TO WHO THE WINNER MIGHT BE. ALL I CAN SAY

TO THAT IS -- NO WAY! I MIGHT MAKE MY OWN BREAKFAST

BUT I'M NOT ABOUT TO COOK MY OWN GOOSE!

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*I have to attend tonight with this heartfelt conviction.*

THE REPUBLICANS OF GEORGIA MAY BE OUTNUMBERED.

BUT YOU ARE BIG AND STRONG IN SPIRIT. YOUR SPIRIT IS GOING

TO MAKE HISTORY IN 1976. THE BICENTENNIAL YEAR WILL BE A

REPUBLICAN YEAR.

A GREAT COMEBACK IN GEORGIA CAN BE THE GREAT  
COMEBACK FOR ALL AMERICA.      GEORGIA NEEDS REPUBLICANS.  
AND REPUBLICANS NEED GEORGIA.

THE TENACITY OF THE PEACH STATE IS AMERICA'S  
TENACITY.      YOUR COMEBACK IS AMERICA'S COMEBACK.  
YOUR PRIDE IS AMERICA'S PRIDE.



GEORGIA IS NOT ONLY THE PEACH STATE, IT IS A

"CAN DO" STATE. THERE ARE SOME IN THIS NATION WHO FOLLOW

THE DEFEATIST PHILOSOPHIES OF "CAN'T DO" AND "WON'T DO."

THEY SAY THAT AMERICA HAS SEEN ITS BEST DAYS, THAT THERE WILL

BE NO MORE QUALITY IN OUR LIFE, THAT OUR MORAL VALUES ARE

OUT OF DATE, THAT OUR ECONOMY IS BOGGED DOWN IN THE SWAMPS

AND THAT WE WILL NEVER AGAIN SEE THE SUNSHINE.

TO THOSE WHO VOICE SUCH A SELF-FULFILLING PROPHECY

OF GLOOM AND DOOM FOR THIS COUNTRY, I SAY THAT YOU HAD

BETTER COME DOWN TO GEORGIA AND TASTE THE SWEETNESS OF THE

PEACHES -- AND LEARN ABOUT REAL FOLKS AND REAL LIFE.

THIS STATE, AND THE REST OF THE SOUTH, ARE

JUSTIFIABLY PROUD OF GREAT BREAKTHROUGHS. YOUR EXCELLENT

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, | YOUR THRIVING INDUSTRIES, | YOUR

PRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURE DEMONSTRATE WHAT AMERICANS CAN DO.

THE SOUTH HAS MOVED FROM A BASIC AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY TO

A MODERN INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY WHICH MANUFACTURES MUCH OF

AMERICA'S TOTAL OUTPUT. MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE MOVING

INTO THE SOUTH. YOU ARE GROWING MORE RAPIDLY THAN

ANY OTHER REGION.

I WANT TO SEE THE REPUBLICAN PARTY GROW WITH YOU.

JUST AS THE SOUTH CAME BACK, REPUBLICANS CAN COME BACK,

EVERYWHERE -- AND ESPECIALLY IN GEORGIA. YOU CAN BE

MISSIONARIES OF A GREAT REPUBLICAN REVIVAL IN EVERY ONE

OF THE 159 COUNTIES OF THE GREAT STATE OF GEORGIA.

LET THERE BE NO MISUNDERSTANDING OF WHERE I  
STAND.

I DID NOT TAKE THE SACRED OATH OF PRESIDENT TO  
PRESIDE OVER THE DECLINE AND FALL OF THE UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA. I TOTALLY REJECT THE SCENARIOS OF PESSIMISM.

*and I'm certain all of you do too.*

INSTEAD, I LOOK TO A FUTURE BUILT UPON A PROUD  
PAST. I SEE AN AMERICA WHOSE CITIZENS HAVE THE HIGHEST  
STANDARD OF LIVING IN THE WORLD AND WHO LIVE IN PEACE AT HOME  
AND WITH ALL NATIONS. I SEE AN AMERICA WHERE WE LIVE  
LONGER BECAUSE KILLER DISEASES HAVE BEEN CONQUERED, WHERE THE  
QUALITY OF LIFE IS ENHANCED, WHERE WE DEVELOP OUR MORAL  
AND SPIRITUAL QUALITIES, AND WHERE WE ENJOY THE WIDEST  
OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED ONLY BY INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE AND  
CAPABILITY.

TO MAKE THIS VISION COME TRUE, WE MUST RETURN  
GOVERNMENT TO SOUND RESPONSIBLE REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES.

WITH YOUR HELP, WE WILL. WE MUST ELECT TO YOUR STATE

AND LOCAL OFFICES AND TO THE CONGRESS RESPONSIBLE AND

RESPONSIVE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES WHO BELIEVE AS WE DO.



THE BATTLE LINES FOR 1976 ARE BEING DRAWN BETWEEN

OPPOSING FORCES: \ BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN FISCAL

RESPONSIBILITY AND THOSE WHO BELIEVE EVERY PROBLEM WILL

GO AWAY IF WE JUST THROW ENOUGH TAX MONEY AT IT;

~~BETWEEN~~ THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN A STRONG NATIONAL

DEFENSE AS THE BEST INSURANCE OF PEACE, AND THOSE WHO WOULD

SPEND YOUR TAX MONEY INSTEAD FOR CONTROVERSIAL SOCIAL

EXPERIMENTS;

~~BETWEEN~~ THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN LOCAL CONTROL OVER

LOCAL PROBLEMS AND THOSE WHO BELIEVE UNCLE SAM SHOULD

SOLVE ALL PROBLEMS;

BETWEEN ~~THOSE~~ WHO BELIEVE THAT AMERICAN BUSINESS

SHOULD BE UNSHACKLED FROM GOVERNMENT OVER-REGULATION SO

IT CAN EXPAND THE ECONOMY AND CREATE JOBS, AND THOSE

WHO BELIEVE FEDERAL PAPER SHUFFLERS KNOW WHAT IS BEST FOR

AMERICA AND FOR AMERICAN BUSINESS.

I KNOW WHICH SIDE GEORGIANS WILL TAKE.

1976 IS MORE THAN AN ELECTION YEAR. IT IS A YEAR OF YEAR OF

DECISION FOR ALL AMERICANS. IT IS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVE, WITH THE HELP OF OUR MANY

FRIENDS, THAT WE HAVE THE STRENGTH TO SURVIVE SETBACKS,

THE RESOLUTION TO ROUSE THE NATION'S GREATNESS AND THE WILL

TO WIN ELECTIONS. WE CAN DO IT, AND WE WILL DO IT.

WE MUST BUILD A PARTY THAT WORKS YEAR ROUND

AND NOT JUST AT ELECTION TIME. WE MUST CONCENTRATE ON

WINNING ELECTIONS INSTEAD OF ARGUMENTS. WE MUST ATTRACT

GOOD CANDIDATES -- WELCOMING ALL WHO ARE NOW UNCOMFORTABLE

IN OTHER POLITICAL PASTURES.


I RECENTLY PROPOSED TO THE CONGRESS A REDUCTION  
OF 28 BILLION DOLLARS IN YOUR FEDERAL INCOME TAXES AND  
A CORRESPONDING CUT OF 28 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE GROWTH  
OF FEDERAL SPENDING. BUT THE DEMOCRATIC-DOMINATED  
CONGRESS TELLS ME THAT IT CAN'T BE DONE. I SAY THAT  
IT CAN, IT MUST, AND IT IS UP TO THEM TO DO IT THIS YEAR.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION STARTED WITH A BOSTON

TEA PARTY THAT PROTESTED TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION.

I SAY TO THE TAXPAYERS OF GEORGIA TODAY: IF YOUR DEMOCRATIC

CONGRESSMAN WON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR TAXATION,

MAYBE YOU BETTER DO SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR REPRESENTATION.

IF THIS CONGRESS WILL NOT DO THE JOB, LET'S ELECT A REPUBLICAN

CONGRESS THAT WILL.

THIS MONTH, WE ALMOST WON A GOVERNORSHIP IN  
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI. WE CAME CLOSE ENOUGH TO SHOW  
THAT MISSISSIPPI HAS A TWO-PARTY SYSTEM. LET US MAKE  
EVERY STATE A TWO-PARTY STATE -- EVEN MASSACHUSETTS.



YOU KNOW AND I KNOW THAT AMERICA'S VITALITY AND  
PROSPERITY HAVE BEEN SAPPED BY THE IRRESPONSIBLE SPENDING  
OF RECENT CONGRESSES. THIS CONGRESS IS CONTROLLED TWO  
TO ONE BY THE DEMOCRATS. IN FACT, CONGRESS HAS BEEN  
DOMINATED BY DEMOCRATS FOR 38 OUT OF THE LAST 42 YEARS.  
THAT'S LONG ENOUGH.

FOR 33 OUT OF THOSE 38 YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN DEFICITS  
WHICH HAVE RUN UP THE COST OF LIVING AND RUN DOWN THE VALUE  
OF YOUR DOLLARS.

UNDER THE DEMOCRATIC SPENDERS, CONGRESS DID

ACHIEVE SOME HISTORIC FIRSTS. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN

HISTORY THE FEDERAL BUDGET TOPPED 100 BILLION DOLLARS.

THAT WAS IN 1962. IT DOUBLED TO 200 BILLION DOLLARS EIGHT

YEARS LATER. IT WILL MORE THAN DOUBLE AGAIN TO

423 BILLION DOLLARS THIS COMING FISCAL YEAR UNLESS WE

PUT A STOP TO IT.

LET ME EMPHASIZE THAT THE 28 BILLION DOLLAR REDUCTION  
IN TAXES WHICH I PROPOSED MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY EQUALLY  
SUBSTANTIAL CUTS IN THE GROWTH OF FEDERAL SPENDING.

THIS MEANS THE SPENDING CEILING MUST BE 395 BILLION DOLLARS.

THAT IS ADEQUATE TO MEET OUR NEEDS BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD.

THE BIG SPENDERS IN CONGRESS DON'T LIKE MY VETOES.

BUT THESE VETOES HAVE ALREADY SAVED TAXPAYERS SOME SIX AND

ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS. AND I WILL CONTINUE TO VETO

UNWISE AND UNNECESSARY SPENDING BILLS AGAIN AND AGAIN AND

AGAIN -- AS LONG AS IT SAVES YOUR MONEY AND AMERICA'S FUTURE.

IF THE STATE OF GEORGIA CAN CONTROL ITS BUDGET, THERE IS NO

REASON WHY THE UNITED STATES CAN'T DO THE SAME.

WHAT CONCERNS ME MOST IS THE GROWTH OF GOVERNMENT,

WITHOUT CONSENT, THE INCREASING ENCROACHMENT OF GOVERNMENT

*Let me emphasize one point.*

INTO OUR LIVES AND INTO OUR POCKETS. A GOVERNMENT BIG

ENOUGH TO GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT IS A GOVERNMENT BIG

ENOUGH TO TAKE AWAY EVERYTHING YOU HAVE.

THE TIME HAS COME FOR A NEW REBEL YELL -- A WHOLE

NATION OF REBELS YELLING, "NO," TO BIG GOVERNMENT.

BUT IT IS NOT ENOUGH JUST TO BE AGAINST BIG

GOVERNMENT. WE MUST BE FOR GOOD GOVERNMENT.

I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE RATE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN GEORGIA.

WE NEED NEW CAPITAL INVESTMENTS. THAT'S WHAT THE

ECONOMISTS CALL IT -- CAPITAL INVESTMENT<sup>4</sup>\$.

BUT I'D RATHER CALL IT "JOB CREATION." WE NEED TO  
R ESTORE CONFIDENCE. WE NEED TO STIMULATE BUSINESS AND  
INDUSTRY. MY ADMINISTRATION IS DEVOTED TO THE FULL  
REVIVAL OF AMERICA'S GREAT ECONOMIC STRENGTH AT HOME  
AND IN THE MARKETS OF THE WORLD.

WHILE OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY IS REVIVING, I WANT  
TO BOLSTER OUR EFFORTS THROUGH COOPERATION WITH OTHER  
INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES. AND I WANT TO JOIN WITH  
THESE NATIONS IN WORKING TOWARD SUSTAINED INTERNATIONAL  
PROSPERITY. TOMORROW I WILL BEGIN A 3 DAY MEETING WITH  
LEADERS OF BRITAIN, FRANCE, ITALY, JAPAN AND WEST GERMANY  
TO SEEK THESE ENDS.



THESE COUNTRIES LOOK TO US FOR LEADERSHIP.

THE UNITED STATES IS REDUCING ITS RATE OF INFLATION AND MOVING

VIGOROUSLY OUT OF RECESSION. BUT WE MUST WORK WITH OTHERS

TO PREVENT FUTURE PROBLEMS. IN CHARTING THE COURSE FOR

FUTURE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROGRESS, OUR LEADERSHIP IS

JUST AS IMPORTANT AS IT IS IN BUILDING MUTUAL SECURITY.

THIS NATION WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN CONCEIVING AND DEVELOPING

ALLIANCES TO SAFEGUARD WORLD PEACE. WE WILL ALSO LEAD

THE WAY TOWARD A SOUND COMMON ECONOMIC FUTURE.

THERE ARE NEW CHALLENGES: RECESSION, INFLATION,  
HIGHER OIL PRICES, UNDER-UTILIZED HUMAN AND MATERIAL  
RESOURCES.

AMERICANS CAN MEET THESE CHALLENGES MOST  
EFFECTIVELY IN CLOSE COLLABORATION WITH OUR FRIENDS.  
THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES SHARE PROBLEMS, BUT WE  
ALSO SHARE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES.

THE COHESION AND VITALITY OF THE INDUSTRIAL

DEMOCRACIES CAN IMPROVE THE WELL-BEING OF OUR PEOPLES AND  
THE WORLD ECONOMY.

OUR GOALS FOR RECOVERY INCLUDE: ECONOMIC GROWTH  
AMONG ALL THE MAJOR INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES, WITH SUSTAINED  
STRONG EXPANSION, ACCOMPANIED BY HIGH LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT;  
A REDUCTION OF INFLATION; AND THE INCREASE OF VIGOROUS TRADE.

IN TRADE, ) THE ASSEMBLED NATIONS MUST PROVIDE

NEEDED IMPETUS TO MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS NOW UNDERWAY  
IN GENEVA.

WE WILL ALSO WORK ENERGETICALLY TO IMPROVE THE  
INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM.

AN OBJECTIVE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE IS IMPROVED

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE SOURCES.

THIS WOULD ENABLE US ALL TO REDUCE DEPENDENCE ON OTHER NATIONS

AND LESSEN OUR VULNERABILITY TO ARBITRARILY SET PRICES OR

DISRUPTIONS IN OUR OIL SUPPLIES.

THE SOCIETIES OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES

HAVE AN UNDERLYING STRENGTH DEEPLY ROOTED IN OUR CULTURES

AND THE CHARACTER OF OUR PEOPLES, WE MUST NOW

REINVIGORATE OUR UNITY TO ACHIEVE A BETTER FUTURE.

THE SUMMIT IN PARIS DEMONSTRATES AMERICA'S

DETERMINATION TO WORK WITH OTHER INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES.

THIS MEETING WILL PERMIT PARTICIPANTS TO BETTER

UNDERSTAND MUTUAL PROBLEMS AND THE POLICIES USED TO DEAL

WITH THEM. IT WILL ENABLE US TO AGREE ON GOALS AND

OBJECTIVES REFLECTING OUR COMMON INTERESTS.

OUR JOINT EFFORTS WILL REINFORCE ONE ANOTHER AND  
BENEFIT THE UNITED STATES.

JUST AS WORLD STABILITY IS BASED UPON ECONOMIC  
STRENGTH, IT ALSO DEPENDS UPON MILITARY STRENGTH.

DURING A QUARTER OF A CENTURY IN THE CONGRESS AND IN MY  
SERVICE AS VICE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT, I HAVE FOUGHT  
TO PRESERVE AMERICA'S DEFENSE AS THE CORNERSTONE OF FREEDOM.



IT HAS LONG BEEN MY CONVICTION THAT POLITICS  
SHOULD STOP AT THE WATER'S EDGE IN MATTERS OF FOREIGN POLICY  
AND NATIONAL DEFENSE. AMERICA RETAINED ITS STATUS  
IN THE WORLD LARGELY BECAUSE OF THE WIDE BI-PARTISAN SUPPORT  
OF THIS VIEW.

WEAKNESS INVITES WAR.      MILITARY STRENGTH

IS THE ONLY CERTAIN FOUNDATION FOR PEACE.

AMERICA MUST PRESERVE ITS VITAL ALLIANCES AND

FIRST-RATE DEFENSE CAPABILITIES.

AS LONG AS I AM PRESIDENT, THERE WILL NEVER BE  
ANY WEAKNESS IN MY ADMINISTRATION'S COMMITMENT TO MILITARY  
POWER SECOND TO NONE. THIS POLICY HAS NOT CHANGED.  
IT WILL NOT CHANGE.

BUT I AM DEEPLY CONCERNED BY THE TENDENCY

OF THE CONGRESS TO SPEND FOR <sup>*less essential*</sup> NON-ESSENTIALS AT THE EXPENSE

OF DEFENSE. I REFER TO THE CUT OF OVER SEVEN BILLION DOLLARS

IN THE NEW DEFENSE BUDGET. THIS <sup>*could*</sup> WEAKEN\$ OUR HAND

AT A TIME WHEN WE WANT NO POTENTIAL ADVERSARY TO MISJUDGE

OUR RESOLVE.

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE SENATE TO RESTORE THOSE FUNDS  
THAT THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT REGARDS AS SO VITAL  
TO OUR NATIONAL SECURITY.

OUR DEFENSES, HOWEVER, ARE ONLY AS GOOD AS OUR  
INTELLIGENCE SERVICES. HISTORY TELLS HOW THE CITY  
OF SAVANNAH FELL DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BECAUSE OF  
THE SUPERIORITY OF BRITISH INTELLIGENCE. COURAGE ALONE  
COULD NOT SAVE SAVANNAH WHEN THE BRAVE GEORGIANS WERE TAKEN  
BY SURPRISE.

INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS TODAY ARE MUCH MORE  
SOPHISTICATED. WE MUST PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF AMERICAN  
CITIZENS TO CHERISHED LIBERTIES. BUT WE MUST ALSO GUARD  
AGAINST FOREIGN ESPIONAGE. I WILL COOPERATE WITH THE  
CONGRESS AS IT RESPONSIBLY INVESTIGATES THE INTELLIGENCE  
AGENCIES TO DEVELOP ANY LEGISLATION THAT MAY BE NECESSARY.

BUT I WILL DO EVERYTHING IN MY POWER TO ASSURE THAT VITAL

INFORMATION DOES NOT FALL INTO POTENTIALLY HOSTILE HANDS.





NEXT NOVEMBER, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL PROVIDE  
SOME RESOUNDING ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED TONIGHT.  
YOU -- AND MANY OTHERS -- WILL SAY "NO" TO DEFENSE CUTS,  
"NO" TO RUNAWAY SPENDING, "NO" TO STIFLING CONTROLS,  
"NO" TO OVER-REGULATIONS, AND "NO" TO THE DISCREDITED IDEA  
THAT EVERY QUESTION MUST BE ANSWERED BY EXPENSIVE GOVERNMENT  
PROGRAMS.

BUT YOU AND MANY, MANY OTHERS WILL SAY "YES"

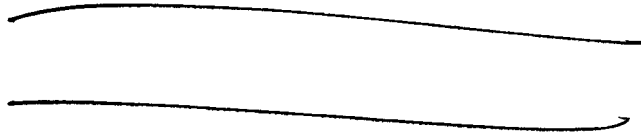
TO REPUBLICAN SOLUTIONS AND "YES" TO THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

LIKE YOU, I BELIEVE IN THIS COUNTRY,

IN THE WEALTH OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES, | IN THE GOODNESS, |

THE INGENUITY, | THE HONESTY AND THE SELF-RELIANCE OF OUR

PEOPLE.



IN 1783, OUR FIRST PRESIDENT, GEORGE WASHINGTON,

WROTE TO AMERICA'S GOVERNORS SAYING ---

AND I QUOTE:

"THERE IS AN OPTION STILL LEFT TO THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA, THAT IT IS IN THEIR CHOICE AND DEPENDS  
UPON THEIR CONDUCT, WHETHER THEY WILL BE RESPECTABLE AND  
PROSPEROUS OR CONTEMPTIBLE AND MISERABLE AS A NATION."

WE MADE THAT CHOICE NEARLY 200 YEARS AGO.

WE WILL MAKE IT AGAIN IN 1976.

THANK YOU.

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