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Talking Points/New Jersey/Ohio

I'm out trying to help, because I ~~believe~~ so sincerely in the message the President brings and in what he has done ~~xx~~ for this country.

In the last 18 months, the President has ~~brought~~ brought the country out of the bad shape it was in when he took office. He has set the ~~economy~~ economy on the right track and restored integrity to the Presidency.

I think he has done well and he should be allowed to continue the work he has started. The President really believes in the ability of people, and he believes the strength of the Nation begins with each individual.

His success ~~really~~ depends upon each of you getting out and sharing ~~his faith~~ ^{your belief} in what ~~each person can~~ ^{he has} accomplish~~ed~~ ^{ed}. We both believe that good government depends upon how hard all of us are willing to work to elect good candidates. The President cannot win without the help of every person who recognizes the good job he's done. So if you get out and encourage your friends and neighbors to get out and work for the President, then we'll win in the primary and in November.

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BUSING

The ~~po~~ busing question will probably come up ~~to~~ with the press.

The following argument could be used for any and all questions.

Busing

~~Let's remember we're talking about children~~
~~we're talking about getting the~~ best education possible for all children. I don't think busing has resulted in better education, and in many cases, children ~~have~~ really suffered because of the problems created by busing. It's critical to look for better ways to achieve a good education for children of ~~both races~~ all races and to keep our National commitment to equal rights ~~for all~~ we can do both by seeking alternatives to busing.
~~Americans.~~

The question is how do we get the

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THE WHITE HOUSE

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The Attorney General has notified me that after a thorough review, he has decided that the Department of Justice should not file a brief in the Boston school desegregation case at the current stage of litigation.

The Attorney General also pointed out that for over two decades the Department of Justice has entered virtually every school desegregation case that the Supreme Court has agreed to review. If the Supreme Court agrees to review the Boston case, the Department of Justice will follow past practice and enter the case at that time.

I have informed the Attorney General that I respect his decision not to intervene at this time and agree with him that the decision in no way reflects upon the merits of the case.

I have directed the Attorney General to continue an active search for a busing case which would be suitable for judicial review of current case law on forced school busing, and to accelerate his efforts to develop legislative remedies to minimize forced school busing. It is my intention to send a message to the Congress recommending such legislation at the earliest possible time. In addition, I shall meet next week with the Attorney General, the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and other members of my Administration to review other possible actions that can be taken to provide communities with assistance in achieving equal educational opportunity for all.

My objective is to create better educational opportunities consistent with the Nation's commitment to justice and equal opportunity. In my view, massive school busing, while done with the best of intentions, has too often disrupted the lives and impeded the education of the children affected. I believe that ways can be found to minimize forced busing while also remaining true to the Nation's ideals and our educational goals. That is my objective.

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