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TEXT:

A few items of note today:

1. POTUS Sched. He announces new student loan default rates today (this is not expected to be very big news), and then does the Arts and Humanities awards.

2. New Problem. The Globe today has a story about a Miami businessman who donated \$50,000 to the DNC, and, as a result, got the Peruvian Economics Minister in to see the President at a White House coffee (at a time when the President of Peru could not get time with the President). The story does not report (but we know) that the Miami businessman is very close to Howard Glicken, FYI.

3. Romer. Sosnik tells me that BJ told him last night the Romer was cooling on this, as he was starting to think about actually leaving the state, leaving behind his job, etc. Doug was going to urge the POTUS to call Romer this AM, before his State of the State (set for 1pm, EST).

4. Intelsat. Peter Knight and I were discussing this last night, and we came up with one idea: Tim Wirth. Alternatives from the decapitation file might be Bill Bradley or Lamar Alexander. Note that Pres. Bush had to make calls last time to get the votes for Irv Goldstein.

5. Simon Replacement. With (b)(6) fading, I am starting some more outside the box/restructuring thinking. Particularly with (b)(6) and Tom Kalil at NEC prepared to dually report to you, and Kohlenberger, there is an opening here for going with a free agent pick. Or, alternatively, we could put Bob M. Rubin in Greg's slot and use the salary

savings to give some of the raises I am being pressed for (e.g., Leon F, and Charles Burson if he accepts wants \$25k more than Kumiki makes) and to upgrade the Press Secretary job .

Finally, I did not put it in the lunch memo, but you might want to try to find a way to discuss with the President Dick's book. We know that Dick quotes you as saying some things that are not exactly going to be music to the President's ears -- and we know that it quotes the President saying one fairly mean thing about you (i.e., that you were "Dick's employee"). It would be ashame if any crap in Dick's book harmed your relationship with the President.....