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Exchange With Reporters Prior to Discussions With President Rafael Callejas of Honduras

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Legislation on Social Programs

Q. Mr. President, do you think your feelings about the blame game have been misinterpreted?

The President. I hope not. I've made it very clear. you heard me speak on it. I hope it's clear.

Q. Your remarks on Monday and your spokesman's remarks?

The President. My remarks on Monday about what?

Q. Blaming Congress for not passing your programs.

The President. Well, I'd like to get them passed. But I really don't think this is the time for blame; I think this is a time to move forward. And I think what Marlin said got grossly misinterpreted.

So I don't want to discuss it anymore. I've got a distinguished visitor and a good friend here. The man is doing a first-class job down there, and we've got some business to talk about.

Q. You're not taking him to the woodshed—Marlin?

The President. Absolutely not.

Q. Do you think that Clinton's playing politics——

The President. Helen [Helen Thomas, United Press International], you're out of here. Come on. We've got to go to work.

Note: The exchange began at 3:15 p.m. in the Oval Office at the White House.

Statement by Deputy Press Secretary Smith on the President's Meeting With President Rafael Callejas of Honduras

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The President met this afternoon with President Rafael Callejas of Honduras. The President congratulated him on the success of his 2-year-old economic reform program. He praised President Callejas' efforts to reduce tariffs, thereby opening Honduras' markets and increasing its trade. The President thanked President Callejas for his efforts to strengthen democracy and economic integration in the region.

President Callejas expressed his appreciation to the President for the generous assistance to his country from the United States, including substantial debt relief. He indicated that he remains committed to the market-oriented economic reforms that have begun to spur economic growth in Honduras. He thanked the President for his firm support for liberalized trade in agricultural products in the ongoing GATT trade negotiations.

Message to the Congress Transmitting the Report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting

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To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 396(i)), I transmit herewith the Annual Report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for Fiscal Year 1991 and the Inventory of the