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TO: Students in ARE 433 and graduate students going to Washington

FROM: Barry Goodwin

RE: Washington Trip Details

The purpose of this memo is to outline some guidelines for our trip. There will be approximately 35 students on the trip so it is important that we are all aware of expectations before we leave. You should be able to use this letter for instructors of other courses as evidence that this trip is a sanctioned University activity. I am grateful for the understanding of other instructors as you will be missing their course at least one time. Please encourage them to call me at 515-4620 should they have questions.

My expectations for this trip are as follows:

- 1) I expect you to read this material and understand the schedule.
- 2) I expect you to be at each location on time.
- 3) I expect you to be courteous and inquisitive to each of our speakers. This means that you should ask questions and show interest in all topics. There likely will be points of view and perspectives presented that you may disagree with. You are to be respectful and considerate of the views of our presenters. Remember that these are very busy professionals that have taken time out of their schedules to make this visit.
- 4) Please, no smirks or other forms of disrespect. This is serious business and we are asking a lot from a group of very busy professionals to take the time to come and speak. I have a lot at stake personally and NCSU is also dependent upon our making a good impression.
- 5) I expect you to dress appropriately for the meetings (ties and coats for the men and comparable business attire for the women).
- 6) I expect you to use good judgment so that we will have a safe trip (travel in groups at night).
- 7) I expect you to have fun and learn!

I hope that the trip will provide you with some further insights into U.S. agricultural policy and how it is made. Also remember that the University is paying for part of this trip. The University expects you to attend all meetings and be on time. If you are sleeping or are absent from any of the meetings you may be asked to pay for the full cost of the trip. I would encourage us to work together to make sure everyone is on time for meetings (i.e., make sure that your friends are up on time and ready to leave with the group).

The schedule is challenging. Our flight is at 7:20 am on Monday morning. Given current security measures and the fact that many business travelers will be departing on early flights, you need to be at the airport no later than 6 am. You may find it faster to check-in on the far-end of Terminal A (near the Southwest counter). We begin with speakers at 9:30 am on Monday morning. You are to proceed to the meeting locations and rooms on your own, though I expect that we will travel as a group. Directions will be provided to you once the details are finalized. While you are on this trip, please inform me immediately if there are any problems! I will have my cell phone on at all times—919-740-1028. I need to know of any problems or concerns.

Please keep the extra security issues of DC in mind. This means the less metal you have on you to go through security the better. You will not be able to enter with any spray bottles, etc. (these were confiscated last year). It also means that we will have to leave earlier than we may like. You should plan on leaving the hotel for the subway at 7:15 am on Tuesday morning. As the schedule is finalized, I will give you additional details.

Our flight out is USAirways No. 488, leaving at 7:20 am. There are two flights back on Tuesday, one leaving at 4:59 pm and another at 7:15 pm. I am on the later flight. You will be expected to get to the airport for the return trip on your own. I have arranged some free time for Tuesday afternoon after our last meeting. There will be a tour of the capital for those who are interested, but you are free to see DC on your own. I only ask that you be careful and be at the airport on time.

We are staying at the Washington Days Inn at 4400 Connecticut Avenue (202-244-5600). The hotel is supposed to be within one block of the Van Ness Metro Station. This is on the red line (Shady Grove direction). We will be using the metro for all of our transportation. If you are not familiar with the system, a map can be found online at <http://www.wmata.com/metro/metro/systemmap.cfm>. I have no idea about the quality of the hotel though all indications are that it should be nice. This is supposed to be a very nice part of the city and you will be only a few stops from Dupont Circle on the metro. Your hotel room is prepaid by the university. We have 10 rooms reserved and a proposed rooming list is attached. Feel free to trade rooms as you desire, but wait until after we check-in to do so. You will be rooming with up to three other students so you may want to bring a sleeping bag.

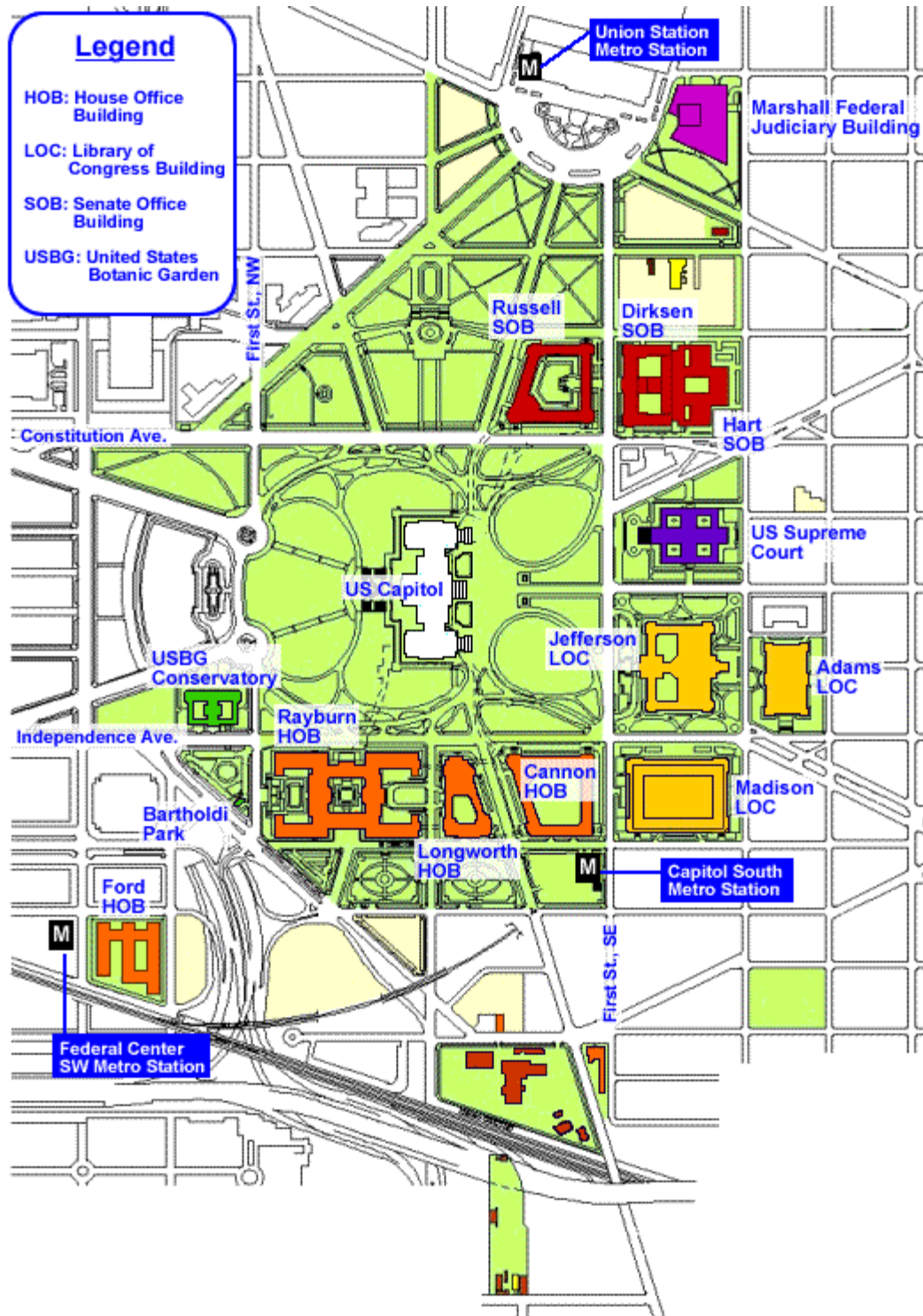
Most of your metro rides will cost \$1.20. This should get you to most sightseeing points and to our meetings. In addition, taxis are reasonable in Washington. Most taxi rides will cost around \$5. Those who take in some nightlife should strongly consider a taxi for the return – the Subway shuts down at midnight. You do not want to be walking in the city late at night—be smart and never go anywhere alone. You will have a few hours Friday afternoon for sightseeing. The check-in process at National airport can be quite slow, so leave plenty of time to catch your flight home.

Your expenses for this trip will include the following about \$15/day for taxis and metro and about \$20/day for meals. I am working on getting some reimbursement in the form of a per-diem. There should be some funds available for this, but we will have to wait and see.

Above all else, remember that you are representing NCSU on this trip. Leaving a bad impression with any of our speakers could have important negative consequences for the university. I'm excited about the trip and this group—so I have no concerns on this.

Rooming Roster

BECK RYAN NICHOLSON	1
HULSEY JAMES NICHOLAS	1
LEE SCOTT ALAN	1
WHITEHURST JEFFREY LYN	1
BURDO EMILY JEAN	2
HOLDER EMILY SUE	2
ORTIZ ANNA CAROLINE	2
PITTS STEVEN EUGENE	3
PRIESTER JOHN JACOB	3
REEN PATRICK JOSEPH	3
Osman Gulseven	4
H. Allen Klaiber	4
Eric Belasco	4
MORGAN JOY ELAINE	5
Mykel Taylor	5
Keri Jacobs	5
Jessica Madariaga	5
BROWN LINDSEY MICHELLE	6
HUCKS JESSICA MARILYN	6
Paige Briley	6
CHANCY RICHARD HENRY	7
FLOYD BENJAMIN CARL	7
NAYLOR CHRISTOPHER ALLEN	7
POPE CHARLES BRADLEY	7
LEONARD BRANDON TOREZ	8
MOORE WARTE TAIWAN	8
POWERS MATTHEW DOUGLAS	8
BOWEN TIMOTHY BRIAN	9
FRANK DEREK THOMAS	9
LUNSFORD KENJI NORMAN	9
POINDEXTER STEPHEN CHRISTOPHER	9
Daniel Phaneuf	10
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Legend

- HOB: House Office Building
- LOC: Library of Congress Building
- SOB: Senate Office Building
- USBG: United States Botanic Garden

Union Station Metro Station

Marshall Federal Judiciary Building

Russell SOB

Dirksen SOB

Hart SOB

US Supreme Court

US Capitol

Jefferson LOC

Adams LOC

USBG Conservatory

Rayburn HOB

Cannon HOB

Madison LOC

Independence Ave.

Bartholdi Park

Ford HOB

Longworth HOB

Capitol South Metro Station

First St., SE

Federal Center SW Metro Station

First St., NW

Constitution Ave.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

9:30	Jack Pettus	Don Wallace Associates	1300 Longworth
10:00	Jesse Sevcik	American Meat Institute	1300 Longworth
10:30	Greg Doud	NCBA	1300 Longworth
11:00	Craig Jagger, Bryan Dierlam, and Matt Schertz	House Committee on Agriculture	1300 Longworth
11:30	Jennifer Spurgat	National Assoc. Wheat Growers	1300 Longworth
12:00	lunch		
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1:00	Nikolaos Zaimis	Commission of European Union	328A Russell
1:30	Robbie Minnich	National Cotton Council	328A Russell
2:00	Rosemarie Watkins	American Farm Bureau Federation	328A Russell
2:30	Chris Waldrop	Consumer Federation of America	328A Russell
3:00	Stephanie Mercier	Senate Ag. Committee	328A Russell
3:30	Kent Bacus/ David Rouzer/ Sen. Dole's Office	Senator Dole's Office	328A Russell
4:00	John Blanchfield	American Bankers Association	328A Russell
4:30	Jason Hafemeister	US Trade Rep Office	328A Russell
6:00	Reception/Dinner	Catered by Bill Ellis Barbecue	Rayburn Foyer
9-12:00	Day Two Arranged by USDA but will include Keith Collins Joe Glauber Ross Davidson Rich Allen Kitty Smith		