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**MEMORANDUM** 

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FROM:

HELEN S. CASTLEMAN 4.5.C

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF WHITE HOUSE BULK MAIL

Thank you for your continued hard work in ensuring responses to the Presidential letters and inquiries forwarded to your agency. The volume of mail that the President and Mrs. Clinton receive still remains unprecedented.

Please return any misreferrals to me at the following address:

Mrs. Helen S. Castleman Director, Office of Agency Liaison Room 6, OEOB The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 202/456-7486.

Thank you very much.

March 24, 2000

President Bill Clinton 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bill Clinton,

I urge you to veto the dangerous and irresponsible Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1999.

Yucca Mountain, the only candidate site for our nation's nuclear spent fuel, has recently been shown to lie near earthquake faults and underground water. The location is also unfair to the state of Nevada, which has no nuclear reactors. The site may even legally belong to the Western Shoshone Native American tribe.

Worst of all, the bill allows the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to set radiation levels instead of the EPA, which has more stringent standards! Nuclear waste lasts hundreds of thousands of years. How can we even consider lowering our standards for this deadly waste?

Nuclear waste storage is an issue without an easy solution, but this bill is definitely not the answer. I urge you to ensure a safe final resting place for our deadliest waste by rejecting this flawed bill.

Sincerely

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