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Convenient Fall Date

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/s/ William H. Webster

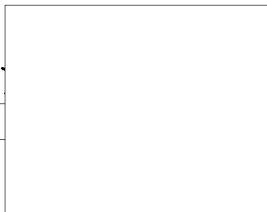
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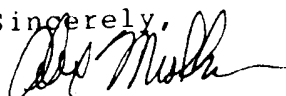
I am writing to you on behalf of the Yale Political Union to invite you to speak at Yale this fall.

As you may know, the Union is the non-partisan forum for political discussion at Yale. We are the largest student organization at Yale, and our membership spans the full spectrum of political interest. Each year, the Union invites a few leaders of national stature to speak on topics of their choosing. Recent guests have included Caspar Weinberger, Judy Goldsmith, Arthur Laffer, William F. Buckley, Admiral Stansfield Turner, Senator Christopher Dodd, and Ambassador Carlos Tunnerman from Nicaragua. Speakers may also debate other guests, prominent members of the Yale faculty, or even students -- depending on their inclination.

The agenda for guests typically includes an afternoon press conference with the local media and dinner at Mory's with Union members before the evening meeting. Our schedule for the fall is still quite flexible, and can accommodate almost any evening from Sunday through Thursday, between September 6 and December 10. We will, of course reimburse you for travel expenses and provide accommodations if you decide to stay overnight in New Haven.

Finally let me emphasize what an honor and a pleasure it would be for all of us to have you join us. If you have any questions about the Union, I would be happy to answer them. Since I will be at home through August 26, you can best reach me at the Massachusetts address above or by phone at 617-934-6910.

I certainly hope you can make it and I look forward to welcoming you to Yale this fall.

Sincerely,  
  
Alex Mishkin  
Vice-President

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BYLINE: By JAMES V. HEALION

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BODY:

The hecklers at Yale University had their chance to find out what they could the other day about American foreign policy from one of the top dogs in the Reagan administration but their actions produced more heat than light.

As paid members in good standing of the Yale Political Union, however recent and ~~paid~~ their \$35 memberships, they were entitled to ask Defense Secretary ~~Carl~~ ~~Weinberger~~ any questions they wanted.

They were entitled as long as they adhered to the union's code of civility, which Yale Political Union President Fareed Zakaria said at the outset meant using the indirect form of address in questioning the speaker.

'Does the secretary believe ...' type of deferential approach instead of 'Do you...' in the raffish style of most reporters who were not allowed under the group's rules to question the guest speaker.

So instead of asking does the secretary believe his Defense Department was bypassed by the Central Intelligence Agency in the Nicaraguan mining fiasco, one heckler chose instead to shout, 'Deterrence is a lie!'

Another:

'Mr. Weinberger, we are called to obey the commandment 'Thou Shalt not kill!' In the name of the suffering poor of Central America, in the name of your children, stop the killing in Central America! Stop the preparations for nuclear war!!!'

The first heckler stood pointing an accusing finger at Weinberger in a dramatic stance. Weinberger didn't seem rattled by the interruption or others that followed. He was gracious, tolerant, poised. Civility was indeed being demonstrated in Sprague Hall. The hecklers were made to look like the heavies and, most importantly, Weinberger continued speaking.

What the hecklers wanted was the limelight and they got it. It was good theatre as protests go and it was reported. At the same time, as the New



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Haven Register said in an editorial, when protesters succeed in limiting the right of others to speak and to listen, they became censors who would eliminate the the free flow of thinking and ideas that do not agree with their own.

When word reached Yale President A. Bartlett Giamatti, he was, as it passed through the skillful hands of the university's Office of Public Information, deeply distressed, and he soon set about to set things straight.

Here was Weinberger, a Harvard man, having his freedom of speech abridged at Yale. Next day, the word came down. Giamatti wanted some explanations. He gave some marching orders and said, to be brief, don't let it happen again.

"There can be no doubt about our commitment to the freedom of speech," he said.

There was another matter one missed, or at least one nobody was talking about in public. All the protesters but one said what they had to say from the audience before students tossed them out bodily. But a woman suddenly loomed from a curtained alcove above and in back of Weinberger on the stage. If that was somebody's idea of security for the secretary of defense, Giamatti might be advised to lay down some more law and include the federal government.

None of the hecklers were Yale students, but veteran Connecticut hands in the protest movement, people like Vincent Kay and Arthur J. Laffin of New Haven.

The two were members of the "Trident Nein," a group who picked the weekend of July 4, 1982 to bang on a Trident submarine's sonar devices at Electric Boat in Groton. They served six months to a year in jail when they refused to pay \$1,386 for the damage.

Yale Political Union President Zakaria may call them "professional protesters," but they go to great lengths to get their point across and spending six months to a year in the Montville jail is a high price to pay for conviction, philosophic or legal.

And Laffin is respected in some quarters where civility is also regarded, like church, for example. At one this winter, Laffin was quoted in a sermon on the pastoral letter of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, which explores the morality of nuclear war. Laffin was the guy yelling about the Sixth Commandment.

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HEADLINE: Students Protest Aid Cuts

BYLINE: By Cass Peterson and Keith B. Richburg

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BODY:

Two Yale University sophomores yesterday took their protest of the Reagan administration's proposed cuts in college student aid directly to the source.

After a meeting between the Yale Political Union and Education Secretary William J. Bennett, the students presented a copy of the school's freshman directory, with 41 percent of the photographs stamped "withdrawn for financial reasons."

The students, Steven Greene of Bethesda and Richard So of Wilmington, Del., said the stamped photos represented the percentage of Yale undergraduates who could be affected by the administration's proposed \$32,500 income cutoff for financial aid, or by the \$4,000 "mega cap" on most forms of federal student aid.

The two students acted independently of their group, and the group leader apologized to Bennett afterward, according to an Education Department spokesman.

Greene said the secretary said the department is studying ways to make the caps "more subtle."

-- Cass Peterson and Keith B. Richburg