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### Foster Children -- Basic Outline

The basic issue to unravel: Why were they so quickly receptive to suicide conclusion when many others who knew Foster initially questioned the suicide conclusion (and at least one close work associate does not think it was a suicide even to this day).

#### Little Rock

- \* Who were Vince Foster's close friends in Little Rock? Describe his life in Little Rock. Reputation? Any problems?
  - \* What did he do for relaxation in Little RocK?
  - \* When did he move to Washington? Any hesitation in moving?
  - \* In Washington, who were Foster's close friends?
- \* What was his relationship with Bill Kennedy? Webb Hubbell? Marsha Scott? Hillary Clinton? Maggie Williams? Nancy Hernreich? Bernie Nussbaum?

#### **Family**

- \* Describe Foster's relationship with his father.
- \* Were there any continuing problems from Foster's father's death?
- \* How about his mother? Where is his mother today? What is her view about the cause of death?
  - \* Describe his relationship with other children (answer about each individually).
  - \* Did any of the children have any problems that would have caused Foster stress?
  - \* Stress from move to Washington?
  - \* How about his sisters? Beryl?
  - \* Had either of sisters suffered previously from depression?

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\* Why was Sharon Bowman in town on July 20?

# **Documents at House**

- \* Did Vince work at home?
- \* Did he keep any work files at home? Whitewater? Travel Office? Rose Law Firm?

#### **Travel Office**

- \* What do you know about the Travel Office affair? (Ask Vince III about presence at Senate meeting on issue; ever discuss that with his dad?)
  - \* Did he ever mention the First Lady's role in the Travel Office?
- \* Was he concerned about congressional hearings? What in particular was the nature of his concern?
- \* What attorneys are you aware that he contacted? Susan Thomases? Jim Lyons? Jim Hamilton? (Had he talked to Beryl Anthony about it?)
- \* Was there some as-yet undisclosed fact about Travel Office about which Foster was concerned? (Others have speculated as much.)
- \* / Did he ever mention Senator Dole's letter of July 13 to the Attorney General, which was a lengthy detailing of questions re: Travel Office and called for a special counsel? (Note that this letter was in Foster's office on July 20.)

#### **Possible Problems**

- \* Did family have any financial problems? (What about bounced checks the week or two before death?)
- \* Physical problems: prior heart problems; blood pressure test on Friday, July 16; panic attaks; sleep problems.

### Weeks Before Death

\* Had he taken a day or two off in the week or two before his death? Why? What

### had he done?

- \* At one point did Vince call the family together and say that the next six months might be difficult. When was that conversation? Describe, describe, describe!!
  - \* Did Vince ever say he was fearful for his life?
  - \* Did he ever express worry that phones were being tapped?
  - \* Describe circumstances under which you believe he wrote note?
  - \* Did you call the office in weeks before death and express concern for him?
  - \* What newspapers were delivered to house in Washington?
- \* Did you discuss resignation with him? Did he mention that possibility to anyone else?

### Weekend before Death

V\*/

Where were you?

What did parents say about weekend away?

# Monday, July 19

- \* Vince apparently mailed three pieces of mail that day? What were they?
- \* Did Vince mention that he had had a long conversation with Marsha Scott that day?
- \* Did President call that evening? Did he schedule a meeting with Vince? How long was the call? What else was discussed?
  - \* When did he go jogging that day or night?

# Tuesday, July 20

\* What was Foster's mood that morning?

- \* Did he mention the Louis Freeh nomination or the Ginsburg hearings?
- \* Had you made plans for the upcoming days or weekend with him?
- \* What were your plans that day? What did you do?
- \* Assuming gun was in house, how did Foster get it?
- \* Who was at house during day? (Brugh had been in bed but then drove her to lunch??)
- \* Did you call for Vince during day? Were you concerned where he was? How often would you normally talk on phone during the day?
  - \* Did you have answering machine at house? Any message from Foster on it?

# Night of July 20

- \* Did you go look for missing gun? (Park Police think Laura did so.)
- \* What did President say when he arrived?
- \* Did you search the house for a suicide note? Have you to this day ever seen or found anything that might be characterized as a suicide note, other than the writing found by Steve Neuwirth?
- \* Did you request that his office be searched for a note? Do you know whether anyone else made that request that night?
- \* Was there any discussion that you overheard or in which you participated that night about the papers or documents that were or might have been in Mr. Foster's office? Any discussion or mention of things that might be embarrassing to the President or Administration in Foster's office? Whitewater documents? Travel Office documents? letters? memos to file? diaries?
  - \* Was there any discussion that night about sealing Mr. Foster's office?
- \* Did you find out at any point that night that Mr. Foster's office had not been sealed but instead had been entered and searched? Who told you? What did they say?

# re: Livingstone

\* Did you see Craig Livingstone the night of the 20th?

- \* Why was he present that night?
- \* Was there any discussion on the phone or in person that Mr. Livingstone should return to your residence on the morning of the 21st to guard the Foster residence against press intrusions?
  - \* Did Livingstone come to your house on the morning of the 21st?

### Random

- \* Did Foster keep a personal diary or calendar? Where are those documents now?
- \* Was Foster right or left handed?
- \* Did Foster leave a will?

### Car

- \* Who used car? Where was car the prior weekend?
- \* Who retrieved it? How did you get items from car back?
- \* Where it is now?

#### Guns & Ammo

- \* Had you ever seen Foster with a gun before? Was Foster knowledgeable about gun? Were you knowledgeable about guns?
  - \* How many guns in house? Ammunition?
  - \* Where were the guns stored in Washington?
- \* How did they get to Washington? What was the name of the moving company? Did they make an inventory of items?
- \* How many guns from Foster's father? Any pictures? How were the guns retrieved from the father's estate?
- \* Where is the note that Foster's father used to describe material that he was leaving such as guns and ring?

\* Was gun in car prior weekend?

### Briefcases/Wallet

- \* Do you know how many briefcases he had? Did he bring it to and from work each day? Show briefcase at end.
- \* Do you have any knowledge whether he took the briefcase with him when he left the White House on July 20?
  - \* Where did he normally keep his wallet? suit pants pocket or suit jacket pocket?
  - \* Where did he normally keep his White House ID card?
  - \* How often would he take off his tie?

# **Identifications**

- \* Identify oven mitt.
- \* Identify briefcase.
- \* Identify map in car.
- \* Identify phone number on note in car.
- \* Identify envelope with Kennedy's name on it.

What Questions do you have; or concerns?

What did he say ?

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The younger son, Brew, stated that the night before Vince's death, he and his dad had sat down at the kitchen table and talked. Vince and Brew discussed buying a boat to put in on the Potomac River.

The older son, Vincent, was given a ride to work (at Senator David Pryor's office) on the morning of July 20 by his dad. He said his dad was in good spirits, and said something like, "go get them, tiger" when he let him out of the car.

Lisa is very much in denial over the whole thing. She talks about it very sparingly. It is the impression of at least one person close to the family that she would rather it be put to rest. If the investigation continues,

Others have said to Lisa, "don't you want to know 'why'?" She sometimes seems to want to know, and other times she does not.

Hillary Clinton was close to Vince at the Firm. Things changed somewhat when they all went to Washington. After she became First Lady, Hillary yelled at Vince some when things were not getting done as fast as, or in the manner that, she wanted them. E.g. She yelled at Foster that she wanted an Attorney General approved now, as opposed to dragging it out.

Hillary has cursed a number of people including Vince.

On the night of Foster's death, Webb Hubbell went to the Anthony residence, picking up Sheila Anthony and Sharon Bowman. Alot of calls were made that night. David Watkins called alot of people including Lee Bowman, Sharon's husband, who was in Little Rock.

At some point Sheila Anthony got the family together, and told them that no one should be talking to the press. Apparently at some point Lisa talked with Mr. Ruddy, the reporter who paints a conspiracy picture in full page ads.

The children were not interviewed. The sons seem to be stable now and should be able to be interviewed.

David Watkins, Bruce Lindsey, and Webb Hubbell all have talked about, at different points, having to "fall on their sword" for the

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- 2. Vince's wife wants to forget about his death and put that behind her. She does not like to talk about it. His son was very upset and does not necessarily believe it was suicide. Children have said that he did not seem depressed to them.
- 3. His sister Sharon is married to Lee Bowman. They are presently separated.
- 4. His other sister Sheila is mean. She has not been a lawyer that long, having gone to law school in Washington, while her husband Beryl Anthony was a Congressman there. She went to the DOJ when Clinton began.
- 5. A close family member has stated that about one week prior to Vince's death, Vince called Sheila and wanted to talk to her. They had lunch together in a restaurant. Vince wanted to take a walk after that and talk about something. He wanted to know if someone could be forced to testify or give information if he revealed something to that person which was really bothering him.

It was said in the vein that I would like to know legally whether a person {such as a psychiatrist} could be compelled to state what a person had confided to them in a consultation; and I would like to know that before I reveal something.

Reportedly Sheila kind of blew it off, saying don't worry they couldn't make him. Source thought it strange that Foster (a long time and respected attorney) would ask this of Sheila (who had been a lawyer a lot less time). But Sheila was in the DOJ at that point, and Vince seemed to think that she might be able to come up with the answer.

[My note: Perhaps implying that what he might reveal might have some criminal implications. I do not know whether Vince had any criminal case background, what the law was on compelling professionals to reveal confidences, etc.]

6. There would have to have been something monumental bothering Vince to cause him to commit suicide, if in fact it was a suicide. It would have had to have been something other than the Travelgate matter. Vince had stated that he was not worried about Travelgate.

Vince was a very ethical guy. It is surmised that Vince must have either seen something, or been asked to do something, that was illegal; and that he could not go along with it.

[My note: On the other hand, in a weak moment, he might have done something that crossed the line, and it was tormenting him.]

7. There is no way that Webb Hubbell, who spent the weekend before the death with Vince, would not have known what was bothering Vince. It is speculated that perhaps over that

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ELIZABETH BRADEN FOSTER was interviewed in the offices of her attorney, JAMES HAMILTON, who is associated with the law firm of Swidler & Berlin, 3000 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. ELIZABETH FOSTER, who is also known as LISA FOSTER, is the widow of VINCENT W. FOSTER, JR., former Deputy Counsel to the President, who will be referred to as FOSTER in the remainder of this report of interview. Also participating in the interview of LISA FOSTER was RODERICK C. LANKLER, Deputy Counsel, Office of the Independent Counsel, Washington, D.C. After LISA FOSTER was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, she furnished the following information:

LISA FOSTER arrived in Washington, D.C. to set up a permanent residence for her family on June 5, 1993. After her arrival, she and FOSTER went jogging along Rock Creek Parkway in the vicinity of Dumbarton Oaks. FOSTER appeared to LISA FOSTER to be jogging at his normal pace that day. After they finished jogging, LISA FOSTER and FOSTER went to a small neighborhood store, purchased orange juice and bagels, and went home and had breakfast. LISA FOSTER recalls that day as being a day of fun and one of their best days together in recent times.

When LISA FOSTER and FOSTER still lived in Arkansas, FOSTER used to jog approximately three to four times per week. LISA FOSTER also began to play tennis at that time. LISA FOSTER and FOSTER would frequently go to a nearby track where each of them would jog at his or her own pace.

When LISA FOSTER saw FOSTER after she arrived in Washington, D.C., she believed that he appeared awful. She believed that most of the weight which FOSTER had lost by that time had been lost prior to his arrival in Washington, D.C.

On June 8, 1993, LISA FOSTER noticed that FOSTER was emotionally down and was slumped in his chair just as his father had been when his father was ill. LISA FOSTER recalls that FOSTER always was worried and stressed. FOSTER told LISA FOSTER

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that nothing at the White House was going right and he mentioned the example of the ZOE BAIRD nomination.

LISA FOSTER recalls that FOSTER did go jogging on Monday, July 19, 1993 but did not go jogging on July 20, 1993.

FOSTER complained to LISA FOSTER that he was suffering from insomnia, but he did not want to take sleeping pills because he was afraid that he would become addicted to them. would get up in the morning and say to LISA FOSTER that he had not slept at all. FOSTER's typical work day began at 8:00 or 8:30 a.m. and continued until 9:30-10:00 p.m.

LISA FOSTER is aware that FOSTER had his blood pressure checked at the White House infirmary on or about July 16, 1993. FOSTER had complained to LISA FOSTER that his heart had been pounding. LISA FOSTER recalls that the blood pressure reading taken on FOSTER on July 16, 1993 did not sound particularly high. FOSTER told her that the White House medical personnel had taken his blood pressure again the same day, approximately ten minutes after the first reading. LISA FOSTER recalls that the initial blood pressure reading was approximately 160/100 and that the later reading was approximately 140/90. After FOSTER related the results of these blood pressure readings to LISA FOSTER, she told him that she would call DR. LARRY WATKINS, their family physician back in Little Rock, Arkansas. LISA FOSTER is not aware of any other time when FOSTER may have gone to have his blood pressure checked. LISA FOSTER is aware that FOSTER's father had suffered a stroke and his mother takes medication for high blood pressure.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any history of depression within the FOSTER family. No one has ever mentioned such a family history to LISA FOSTER. LISA FOSTER is aware that an aunt of FOSTER had some sort of problem and never got married, but LISA FOSTER is not aware of any more specific information about the nature of this problem.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of FOSTER ever having been treated for depression previously or having had medication for depression prescribed for him.

When asked why she and her son called FOSTER's office at the White House on several occasions to ask about FOSTER's well-being, LISA FOSTER responded that she used to call her

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husband when he worked at the Rose Law Firm all the time, especially if she wanted money. VINCENT FOSTER was very quiet, and LISA FOSTER may have called his secretary just to get a better feel for his condition and state of mind. LISA FOSTER believes that her son, VINCENT W. FOSTER, III, may have called BERNARD NUSSBAUM, Counsel to the President, to confirm whether NUSSBAUM would be speaking to a group of legal aides who were working on Capitol Hill. VINCENT W. FOSTER, III was working for Arkansas Senator DALE BUMPERS at the time and was interested in trying to attend such a speech by NUSSBAUM. LISA FOSTER does not specifically recall any other occasions when she may have called FOSTER's office.

When LISA FOSTER was asked whether FOSTER ever experienced anxiety as a component of his depression, she responded by recalling the night that ZOE BAIRD withdrew from consideration to become Attorney General of the United States. LISA FOSTER recalls that FOSTER came to bed at approximately 2:30 a.m. and he was sweating profusely and just sick. FOSTER felt that everyone was criticizing him, even at home. FOSTER did not enjoy being in the public eye. As an indication of FOSTER's anxiety, LISA FOSTER cites the fact that he told her that he didn't have time to do the taxes. LISA FOSTER recalls that he began to start more of his sentences with the phrase "I just can't handle.... While the FOSTER family was still living in Little Rock, if FOSTER became anxious, he would just go out to his swimming pool in the backyard and work by the pool, particularly if there was a trial approaching. FOSTER was very If an upcoming trial involved a major case, then preparation for that trial would be all that FOSTER would do. FOSTER had a one-track mind when he was preparing for or engaged in a trial. Once FOSTER began working at the White House, there were no breaks in his effort and also no successes. FOSTER was used to always winning, and LISA FOSTER does not recall any instances of FOSTER losing before he joined the administration.

FOSTER has had panic attacks in the past and LISA FOSTER thinks that he had one at least five years ago. At that time, FOSTER told LISA FOSTER that his heart was acting up. FOSTER had a heart monitor attached to him for 24 hours but no abnormalities were found. FOSTER also told LISA FOSTER that he was afraid to speak before crowds, and he said that his knees would shake under such circumstances. LISA FOSTER counseled him to work through his anxiety and ignore its effects simply by

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anticipating he would feel anxious whenever he spoke before a crowd. LISA FOSTER recalls that when FOSTER spoke before a crowd, he would sweat and turn slightly green in color. LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER's commencement speech at the University of Arkansas Law School is a very good example of how FOSTER appeared when he was suffering such an anxiety attack LISA FOSTER recalls that he appeared very stiff while making that address. LISA FOSTER recalls three other occasions when FOSTER appeared to be suffering from some sort of panic attack. On one such occasion, FOSTER called the FOSTER residence in Little Rock and left a recorded message on the answering machine about the need for him to resign from the Little Rock Country Club because of its alleged discriminatory practices. LISA FOSTER recalls that the sound of FOSTER's voice on the tape made her believe that FOSTER had been crying. The other two occasions when FOSTER sounded choked up and tense Were when the Branch Davidian complex near Waco, Texas had burned, and the occasion of the issuance of the White House report on the Travel Office affair in which (FOSTER was reprimanded),

LISA FOSTER does not recall any incidents in which FOSTER was hospitalized for physical or mental ailments. recalls that FOSTER once cut his chin and received stitches as an outpatient. She cannot recall any other instances when FOSTER received care at a hospital.

FOSTER was greatly affected by the death of his father, VINCENT FOSTER, SR. FOSTER did not sob when his father died, but he also did not remain unaffected by the death. FOSTER cared for his father during the last few months of his father's life when he was suffering from cancer. LISA FOSTER recalls that she and FOSTER were told by the doctors that FOSTER's father would live approximately six to eighteen months. As soon as the FOSTER family left Arkansas and arrived in Michigan for a vacation, they learned that FOSTER's father was dying. FOSTER attempted to return to Arkansas from Michigan quickly, but he did not arrive home in time to be with his father before his father passed away. After the funeral for FOSTER's father had been held, FOSTER returned to Michigan with the intention of spending spend time with his family. Instead, he used his time with the family in Michigan to write thank you notes to people who had offered condolences to the other members of his family and himself.

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LISA FOSTER did have contact with DR. LARRY WATKINS subsequent to FOSTER's death. DR. WATKINS was the first person she called after she learned of her husband's death. She called DR. WATKINS the night of July 20, 1993 and asked him what in the hell happened. She also asked DR. WATKINS, "Could it have been the pill?" DR. WATKINS responded to LISA FOSTER that the pill could not have been the cause of the suicide and he further stated that FOSTER's depression must have been acute. DR. WATKINS is an internist who provided full physical examinations to both LISA FOSTER and FOSTER every two years.

In speaking with DR. WATKINS, LISA FOSTER learned that FOSTER had called DR. WATKINS and told him that he thought he was fighting depression. DR. WATKINS related to LISA FOSTER that he had then called in a prescription for an anti-depressant drug. LISA FOSTER did not know ahead of time that FOSTER was going to call DR. WATKINS, and she did not overhear the conversation between FOSTER and DR. WATKINS.

When LISA FOSTER was asked whether it would have been uncharacteristic of FOSTER to reach out to someone regarding a problem such as depression, she replied that FOSTER would have reached out if he were really scared or were at home rather than at the White House. During one conversation, FOSTER told LISA FOSTER that SHEILA (FOSTER's sister, SHEILA ANTHONY) says sometimes that "it" is chemical. FOSTER did not explain to LISA FOSTER what he was referring to when he talked about "it" or "this thing." LISA FOSTER did not understand what his reference meant when he referred to it as being chemical. LISA FOSTER offered to call a doctor for FOSTER but he said that he would make the call.

FOSTER had a prescription for a sleeping pill called Restoril (phonetic). LISA FOSTER had filled a new prescription for this sleeping pill, but she is now unable to find the pills. LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER threw the pills away so that she would not be able to consume them once she learned of his death.

Prior to FOSTER's death, SHEILA ANTHONY never mentioned depression to LISA FOSTER in relation to FOSTER.

When asked whether FOSTER had ever approached LISA FOSTER for help in dealing with his problem with depression, LISA FOSTER recalls that he mentioned his depression to her on

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approximately July 16, 1993. LISA FOSTER then arranged to go away for the weekend with FOSTER to the Tidewater Inn on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. LISA FOSTER made all the arrangements for the weekend and asked FOSTER to be home by 3:00 p.m. that Friday, which was July 16, 1993. Instead, FOSTER arrived home at approximately 4:00 p.m., and she and FOSTER had to drive through terrible traffic to reach the inn. Because FOSTER appeared to be under stress to her, LISA FOSTER offered to drive. FOSTER agreed to have her drive, but there was no opportunity to pull over and change drivers so FOSTER ended up driving the entire way to the Tidewater Inn.

LISA FOSTER has no knowledge of any available records which might indicate that her husband had previously received psychiatric counseling.

FOSTER did not experience either stress or depression while he was studying in law school. FOSTER never had to study at night because he was able to do his studying during the morning hours prior to class. After rising in the morning and driving LISA FOSTER to her place of employment, FOSTER would return home and study.

FOSTER did not attend his graduation from law school for a number of reasons. FOSTER graduated during the middle of the school year, i.e., in the month of January. Because of the timing of his graduation and because FOSTER had already begun work at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Arkansas, FOSTER would have had to take off time from work in order to attend graduation. Other reasons why the FOSTERS did not attend the graduation were that the trip back to Fayetteville, Arkansas would have involved significant expenses and LISA FOSTER was pregnant at the time. LISA FOSTER recalls that the graduation ceremony was nothing special because it was conducted as part of the same ceremony held for other schools within the University.

LISA FOSTER has many copies of the text of FOSTER's commencement address to the University of Arkansas School of Law. She also has a copy of the videotape of that address by FOSTER. The text of FOSTER's speech is contained in the most recent copy of the University of Arkansas Law Review.

During the last few months of his life, FOSTER was. reading such books as The Making of a President, Ross Perot's

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book, a book entitled <u>Putting People First</u>, and other books, titles unrecalled, on the subject of ethics. LISA FOSTER is unable to recall the titles of any of the books which FOSTER may have been reading for pleasure just prior to his death.

LISA FOSTER and her family did employ housekeepers in their residences in both Little Rock and Washington. In Little Rock, LISA FOSTER employed a housekeeper for approximately 22 years. In Washington, LISA FOSTER employed a woman named/LORETTA SEARS/ who came to clean the FOSTER residence once a week. SEARS had worked for the tenants who had resided previously in the FOSTER house. LISA FOSTER does not believe that SEARS ever saw FOSTER because he typically left for work prior to her arrival at the house and he always returned home after SEARS had already departed.

When asked whether NUSSBAUM had given her an envelope in his office at the White House, LISA FOSTER responded yes, that he had given her a number of torn pieces of yellow in a white envelope. The envelope was already in the office when LISA FOSTER arrived there. NUSSBAUM showed the contents of the envelope to LISA FOSTER, and he assembled the pieces of yellow paper so that she could read the writing on it. NUSSBAUM had already had a transcript prepared of the content of this note. LISA FOSTER believes that she saw this torn note on the evening of July 26, 1993. When she saw the note, LISA FOSTER recognized the writing as being the handwriting of FOSTER. LISA FOSTER was not allowed to touch the note, and there was no other envelope or note.

LISA FOSTER's attorney, JAMES HAMILTON, interjected at this point in the interview that he had been at the White House when LISA FOSTER examined the note.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any other note relating to the death of FOSTER.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any personal or family reason which would account for FOSTER researching medical malpractice issues. First Lady HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON had asked FOSTER to write the malpractice section of the newly proposed health care plan. In addition, one of FOSTER's first legal cases had been a case involving medical malpractice.

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LISA FOSTER is not aware of any indication, nor does she suspect, that her husband had become aware of anything illegal or highly damaging to either the CLINTONS or the White House which would have presented him with irreconcilable pressures. LISA FOSTER notes that FOSTER never told her anything about his clients.

FOSTER never expressed any concern to LISA FOSTER about either Whitewater or Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan. LISA-FOSTER had never even heard of either of these entities at that point in her life.

When asked to furnish an opinion as to what FOSTER may have been working on that caused him stress or might explain his condition of depression, LISA FOSTER responded that the Travel Office fiasco may have been the source of the stress. She noted that if the Travel Office had been the only difficulty facing FOSTER, it would not have been so bad. At one point, FOSTER called the family together and warned his family that the next six months might be particularly difficult. Toward the end of his life, FOSTER had no sense of joy or elation at work. The Branch Davidian incident near Waco, Texas was also causing him a great deal of stress. LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER was horrified when the Branch Davidian complex burned. believed that everything was his fault. On such issues as the ZOE BAIRD nomination and gays in the military, it seemed that the White House Counsel's Office was not doing a particularly good job, although LISA FOSTER felt that the attorneys themselves were doing good work. FOSTER was extremely fond of NUSSBAUM. either President CLINTON or NUSSBAUM was being criticized, FOSTER felt that he was also being criticized. FOSTER was very happy about the nominations of JANET RENO as Attorney General of the United States and RUTH BADER GINSBURG as a Supreme Court Justice.

At this point in the interview, HAMILTON interjected that he sat next to Justice GINSBURG when she was first nominated for her position, and he noted that FOSTER was very touched by Justice GINSBURG's speech.

LISA FOSTER stayed home and did not attend the nomination ceremony for Justice GINSBURG.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of what may have been in her husband's office at the White House that led White House staff to

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search FOSTER's office immediately after her husband's death. LISA FOSTER also does not know anything about what may have caused NUSSBAUM to conduct an official search of her husband's office in a manner which excluded investigators from law enforcement agencies.

LISA FOSTER is not exactly aware of what role her husband played in the firing of the seven individuals from the White House Travel Office. FOSTER was distressed because he felt that if he had spoken first with WILLIAM KENNEDY, who was also an attorney in the White House Counsel's Office, then the Federal Bureau of Investigation would not have been called into the case. However, no one heeded FOSTER's advice on this matter.

LISA FOSTER is aware that FOSTER was compiling a list of attorneys to represent him regarding the White House Travel Office matter. FOSTER wanted to have an attorney represent him because he did not have time to do his work at the White House and prepare a defense for himself. LISA FOSTER recalls that Senator DOLE had written a letter on July 15, 1993 requesting a Congressional investigation of the Travel Office matter. VINCENT W. FOSTER, III had attended a Senate Judiciary Committee meeting when an investigation of the Travel Office matter was called for but the motion to conduct such an investigation was tabled. VINCENT FOSTER, III told LISA FOSTER about the proposal for Congressional hearings, but she did not think that it was a big deal.

LISA FOSTER does not think that FOSTER contacted any of the attorneys on the list of attorneys which had been furnished to him by BERYL ANTHONY. LISA FOSTER is aware that FOSTER contacted her attorney, JAMES HAMILTON, as well as attorney JAMES LYONS and, although she was not privy to the conversations, she believes that these conversations related to the Travel Office matter.

/ FOSTER had not kept a diary during the course of his relationship with LISA FOSTER. He used to keep trip logs whenever the family went on vacation. At the end of each day of a trip, FOSTER would write down what the family had done that day while on vacation. However, FOSTER did not keep such notes when he was at home or in relation to his work. LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER may have begun to keep a diary on election night of

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1992 because he believed that from that time period forward would be a period worth remembering.

LISA FOSTER does not believe it would have been uncharacteristic of her husband to maintain such a diary because he was very excited about the formation of the new administration. As an indication of this excitement, she notes that he chose to write about election night, the inauguration, and the nomination of Attorney General JANET RENO.

LISA FOSTER's daughter, LAURA FOSTER, was the primary driver of the Honda automobile which was found at Fort Marcy Park, Virginia on July 20, 1993. The Honda automobile belonged to LAURA FOSTER and also to one of LISA FOSTER's sons. and daughter shared the automobile. LAURA FOSTER had used the Honda while she was attending Vanderbilt University and then had driven it to Washington. The Honda automobile was the only car which FOSTER and LAURA FOSTER had with them in Washington until LISA FOSTER arrived with the other family members and with the Lexus automobile owned by their family.

It was not only typical for FOSTER to drive the Honda to work at the White House, it was imperative.

The contents found in the Honda on July 20, 1993, e.g., the cigarette pack, beer cans, and corkscrew, belonged to LISA FOSTER's son. FOSTER himself did not smoke. FOSTER's sons had gone to the beach the weekend preceding July 20, 1993, and the refuse from the weekend was still in the passenger compartment of the Honda when it was searched by police at Fort Marcy Park.

The Honda is no longer in the possession of LISA FOSTER because she sold the car to her brother-in-law, who in turn is leasing the car to her brother in Nashville, Tennessee.

LISA FOSTER describes the color of the Honda as taupe or grayish. She further describes it as a light color.

FOSTER had not made specific plans for the weekend which followed his death. He had spoken with LISA FOSTER about going away for that weekend and about coming home early from work so they could get an early start on the weekend. LISA FOSTER had talked to him about trying to go away every weekend. They had

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spoken about trying to go to Pennsylvania the following weekend but had not made any reservations.

There were no domestic problems between LISA FOSTER and FOSTER during the entirety of their twenty-five year relationship.

(In terms of people in whom her husband would confide, LISA FOSTER believes that he would have confided in herself and his sister, SHEILA ANTHONY. FOSTER would also be likely to confide in his children, particularly his daughter LAURA. FOSTER would also confide in his son, VINCENT FOSTER, III, and he would have confided in his father if his father were still alive.)

On the evening of July 19, 1993, LISA FOSTER cooked dinner at home. When FOSTER returned home from work, he came into the house and smiled at LISA FOSTER while saying that a quarter to eight was not bad. LISA FOSTER responded to him that she was thinking that he would be home at 6:30 or 7:00 p.m. That night, FOSTER received a call from President CLINTON, who invited FOSTER to come to the White House to watch a movie. When FOSTER turned down the invitation from the President, LISA FOSTER was happy. She prepared scallops for all of the family members except for her son BRUGH, who was eating spaghetti.

FOSTER did not mention any conversations from earlier in the day of July 19, 1993 which might have disturbed him.

LISA FOSTER has some knowledge of three letters which were sent out by FOSTER from his office on July 19, 1993. LISA FOSTER is aware of a letter from FOSTER to his mother regarding some leases for mineral rights. LISA FOSTER only saw this letter after FOSTER's death because, as a result of FOSTER's mother signing the letter, LISA FOSTER inherited the mineral rights. LISA FOSTER does not recall exactly how she saw these mineral leases. One of the remaining two letters may have been for payment of a life insurance premium, but LISA FOSTER does not recall whether she or FOSTER mailed this letter.

FOSTER had never spoken to LISA FOSTER about visiting Fort Marcy Park in the past, and she had never heard of the park prior to her husband's death.

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LISA FOSTER does not know whether VINCENT FOSTER ever visited Fort Marcy Park prior to the day of his death but she doubts it.

LISA FOSTER has no idea what her husband did after he left the White House on July 20, 1993. She has checked both gas receipts and credit card receipts, but no purchases or other clues have been identified.

LISA FOSTER had no contact, including telephone calls, with her husband after he left their home on the morning of July 20, 1993. LISA FOSTER recalls one unusual event that morning which was that FOSTER asked her what she was going to be doing that day. It was uncommon for FOSTER to ask her about her plans, and it was also memorable to her that he asked because she was unusually busy that day.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of FOSTER returning home after leaving his office at the White House on July 20, 1993. It is her opinion that he did not return home on that date.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any particular local spots frequented by FOSTER, such as restaurants or bars, which might assist investigators in attempting to trace FOSTER's activities on July 20, 1993. A Washington restaurant, La Tomate, was the only place where FOSTER would eat out during the business day.

On July 20, 1993, LISA FOSTER played tennis at approximately 8:30 a.m. At 11:45 a.m., she attended a meeting relating to multiple sclerosis. Prior to attending the meeting, LISA FOSTER woke her son so that he could drive her to the meeting. DONNA KAY MCLARTY had also invited LISA FOSTER out. LISA FOSTER had been in Washington for approximately six weeks, but she and MCLARTY had not seen each other much, so they agreed to go to a restaurant at the Four Seasons Hotel for lunch. approximately 3:30 p.m., LISA FOSTER and MCLARTY took a taxi back to FOSTER's house. From there, LISA FOSTER and MCLARTY went to the MCLARTY residence where their respective sons met with each other. At approximately 5:00 p.m., LISA FOSTER returned home and called the White House to speak to her husband. LISA FOSTER thought that it was NANCY HEMREICH's week to be at the office, but she was told by DEBORAH GORHAM that HEMREICH's week would be the following week. GORHAM told LISA FOSTER that FOSTER was unavailable to come to the phone.

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When asked whether she had made a remark about FOSTER putting the gun in his mouth, LISA FOSTER replied that when she was notified of his death, someone kept saying that FOSTER had shot himself in the head. LISA FOSTER recalls that she was very concerned about how FOSTER had shot himself because she was trying to imagine what he looked like and wondering whether he had suffered. She further said that she was concerned about whether he had blown his head off.

FOSTER had never spoken with LISA FOSTER before about suicide and he had never attempted suicide before. LISA FOSTER believes that her husband took his life because he was so terribly depressed.

LISA FOSTER has no doubts that her husband took his own life and she had no such doubts on the night of July 20, 1993.

LISA FOSTER was concerned about the autopsy being performed on her husband because she wanted to know his mental state at the time that he died. She also wanted to know if he had taken the sleeping pills or if he had been consuming alcohol or was drunk. She did not have any influence or input into causing the autopsy to be conducted so promptly.

In terms of other drugs which may have been prescribed for FOSTER in the past, LISA FOSTER is aware of the sleeping pill Restoril having been prescribed. She also recalls that an antibiotic was prescribed for FOSTER in approximately December 1992. LISA FOSTER recalls that Feldene was prescribed for treatment of FOSTER's tennis elbow.

LISA FOSTER is aware that her husband took one 50 milligram dose of Trazadone on the evening of July 19, 1993 because she told her husband to take one pill and she watched him take it. She does not know if he took any sleeping pills on that evening. On the morning of July 20, 1993, FOSTER told LISA FOSTER that he did not go out for a jog because it would take him too long to cool off. LISA FOSTER notes that her house has only one bathroom for such a large family. She notes further that, due to her relatively early departure from home on July 20, 1993, there were several family members attempting to use the single bathroom during the same period of time.

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At the time of her husband's death, LISA FOSTER had some Valium which had been prescribed for her. However, at that time, she was not aware of any Valium pills missing from her prescription.

At this point in the interview, LISA FOSTER was asked to examine a pair of eyeglasses which had been found in Fort Marcy Park on July 20, 1993. LISA FOSTER held the glasses, examined them, and then stated that the eyeglasses appeared to be those of her husband. LISA FOSTER noted that the tips of the stems of the eyeglasses had bite marks on them, which was an observation consistent with one of her husband's habits. FOSTER had frequently chewed on the tips of his eyeglasses as a nervous habit.

LISA FOSTER then examined a revolver which had been brought to the interview by the interviewing agents. examined the revolver, which had also been found at Fort Marcy Park on July 20, 1993, and stated that she believed it may be a gun which she formerly saw in her residence in Little(Rock, Arkansas.

LISA FOSTER then examined a photocopy of a handwritten note which has previously been identified as having been written by her late husband. LISA FOSTER believes that the original note was written on or about July 11, 1993. LISA FOSTER is not entirely certain of this date and believes that the note was written sometime during the period between July 4 and July 20, 1993. She believes that the note was written by FOSTER in their Washington residence on a day when there were a number of young people in her house. Her son was working as a Senate aide and there were a number of other aides visiting him on that day. LISA FOSTER invited FOSTER to go with her to the store, but he declined to accompany her. FOSTER was upstairs in bed, alternately trying to sleep and work. LISA FOSTER suggested to FOSTER that he write down everything that "they" did wrong. suggested to FOSTER that he go on the offensive and not continue to take responsibility for every mistake which was made in the White House. FOSTER agreed with LISA FOSTER's suggestion, and he sat up in bed and appeared energized. FOSTER told LISA FOSTER that he had not resigned yet, and he said that he had already written his opening argument in his defense. LISA FOSTER believes that the torn note which was found was actually FOSTER's opening argument in the event he had to testify before Congress.

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Although LISA FOSTER did not view or read the note on the day that FOSTER appeared to be energized by her remarks, she is confident that the comments written in the note were written on that same day. LISA FOSTER knows that FOSTER was upset about the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) being called in regarding the Travel Office matter, but she does not believe that FOSTER believed that the FBI had lied. People know that representatives of the media were getting deals through the White House Travel Office. LISA FOSTER is aware that people knew of these deals, but she herself knew nothing about FOSTER's remarks in the note pertaining to the Republicans or the usher's office. LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER was concerned about excessive costs being incurred by the usher's office, but FOSTER never discussed these matters with her.

On Tuesday night, July 13, 1993, FOSTER spoke with LISA FOSTER about resigning. LISA FOSTER encouraged him to stay in his position in the White House Counsel's office. She advised him that Congress would take a recess in August 1993. FOSTER then suggested to FOSTER that he should stay in his current post until Christmas of 1993. LISA FOSTER understood clearly that FOSTER was speaking about the Travel Office when he was speaking of his depression and his concerns.

LISA FOSTER is aware of the whereabouts of some ammunition which was kept at the FOSTER residence in Little Rock prior to her husband's death. She recalls finding a number of shotgun shells in the top drawer of her dresser. She also recalls that there were a number of shotgun shells kept in a closet. In searching her house, LISA FOSTER found a number of 20 gauge and 12 gauge shotgun shells, some .22 caliber ammunition, and possibly some small handgun ammunition. LISA FOSTER does not recall seeing any such ammunition at her house in Washington, D.C.

LISA FOSTER believes that she may have seen the handoun which she examined previously during the interview at her residence in Washington. LISA FOSTER recalls that as she was packing her belongings in Little Rock in preparation for coming to Washington, D.C., she found a handgun inside a travel trunk which had been packed by FOSTER prior to his departure for Specifically, as LISA FOSTER was packing in Little Washington. Rock, she came across a silver-colored gun, which she then packed in with her other property. When LISA FOSTER unpacked the gun in

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Washington, FOSTER saw the gun and commented on it. LISA FOSTER had not had a prior conversation with FOSTER about bringing a gun to Washington, D.C., but she argued with FOSTER when the gun was unpacked. LISA FOSTER told FOSTER that she did not want any guns in her house in Washington.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any photographs which may be kept in Arkansas which would depict the guns owned by FOSTER's late father. She is only aware of snapshots of family members going hunting.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any records from the elder MR. FOSTER's estate which might describe the firearms he had owned. She is aware of a handwritten note from the elder MR. FOSTER regarding the disposition of his property after he passed away. According to this note, all of the elder MR. FOSTER's guns were left to FOSTER and a diamond was left to LISA FOSTER. After the funeral for FOSTER's father, FOSTER went down to his father's house and retrieved the guns. LISA FOSTER believes that there were approximately three to five handguns included in the guns retrieved by her husband. She believes that her husband obtained all of the guns which were left by FOSTER's father.

LISA FOSTER does not know where her husband kept the guns left to him by his father while the FOSTERS were still living in Little Rock.

LISA FOSTER believes that the shotguns from the estate of the elder MR. FOSTER are currently in the possession of her brother-in-law, who is the husband of her sister. SHARON BOWMAN, FOSTER's sister, has one handgun. LISA FOSTER believes that BERYL ANTHONY has one of the handguns from the estate here in Washington, D.C., but she has not asked ANTHONY that specific question.

FOSTER himself did not like guns. FOSTER's father had given guns to LISA FOSTER's sons, which displeased LISA FOSTER. LISA FOSTER also knows that FOSTER kept a gun in a closet in their home in Washington, D.C. LISA FOSTER was aware of the location of one gun inside her residence in Washington and she found that gun still in its usual location on the night of July 20, 1993. The gun which she found on that date was not the silver gun which she had earlier found in the trunk in Little Rock. LISA FOSTER believes that the gun found at Fort Marcy Park

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may be the silver gun which she brought up with her other belongings when she permanently moved to Washington. LISA FOSTER does not know with certainty, but she suspects that there were some bullets at the house in Washington, D.C.

Sometime within the last two weeks prior to July 20, 1993, LISA FOSTER told FOSTER to remove the guns from their house in Washington. FOSTER told LISA FOSTER not to remark about the guns in front of the boys. LISA FOSTER believes that she may have told her husband twice during that time to remove the guns, but she never checked to see if the guns had actually been removed.

LISA FOSTER assumes that ammunition was given to her husband in conjunction with his receipt of the guns from his father's gun collection, but she does not know for certain. She never knew FOSTER to buy any ammunition except for shotgun shells when he went hunting.

To the best of LISA FOSTER's knowledge, FOSTER never carried a handgun in his automobile. She never knew FOSTER to carry a gun with him to work. FOSTER parked his automobile in slot 16 on Executive Boulevard West whenever he was at the White House. LISA FOSTER knows that the trunks of vehicles are checked when the vehicles are driven onto the White House grounds. When not in use, the Honda was typically parked on the street adjacent to the FOSTER residence while the FOSTER family's Lexus was parked in a space behind their house.

LISA FOSTER believes that the guns which were brought by her family from Little Rock to Washington were transported on the moving van with their other belongings.

LISA FOSTER does not know where her husband might have obtained the two loose bullets which were discovered in the handgun found at Fort Marcy Park.

LISA FOSTER is not aware of any background information regarding her husband's possession of guns which could assist in tracing the gun found in his hand at Fort Marcy Park. SHARON BOWMAN told LISA FOSTER that FOSTER's father kept a gun by his bed while he was still living, and LISA FOSTER believes that that gun may be the same revolver she was shown by the interviewing agents.

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FOSTER's father served in the United States Navy during the World War II period and may have been stationed in California.

It is difficult for LISA FOSTER to believe that FOSTER may have come home on July 20, 1993 to get a gun.

LISA FOSTER still remembers her last contact with FOSTER on the morning of July 20, 1993 in their kitchen. She recalls that FOSTER was standing very stiffly in the kitchen prior to departing for work. LISA FOSTER now believes that he may have had the gun with him in his briefcase at that time. FOSTER did not kiss her goodbye before he left for work, but she notes that his not kissing her was not unusual for him. She believes that her son was at home and sleeping until approximately 2:00 p.m. on that afternoon. However, she has not questioned her son about whether he was asleep that afternoon because she has not wanted to expose her children to too many of the circumstances of their father's death.

LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER was suffering from a major depression which was brought about by working too hard for such a long period of time away from his family. She believes that no one loved his children more than her husband.

FOSTER was unable to attend the ceremony in which the Arkansas Bar Association named him the Lawyer of the Year because he had to go to Boston, Massachusetts that same day to interview Judge STEPHEN BREYER. Judge BREYER was a candidate for a vacancy on the United States Supreme Court, but he was bedridden as a result of a traffic accident.

At this point in the interview, Attorney JAMES HAMILTON interjected that he had traveled to Boston to interview Judge BREYER with FOSTER on that occasion.

LISA FOSTER believes that FOSTER thought he would be able to attend the Arkansas Bar Association ceremony up until the very last minute. Both LISA FOSTER and FOSTER were very upset that they were unable to attend. She believes that his inability to attend the ceremony would have weighed very heavily on FOSTER and would have caused him to feel embarrassed before his peers in Arkansas.

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At the conclusion of the interview, HAMILTON, on behalf of LISA FOSTER, again asked that the original handwritten note which had been torn up be turned over to LISA FOSTER at the conclusion of the investigation. HAMILTON also reiterated his request that a photograph of the note not be released by the Office of the Independent Counsel should such a request be received under the Freedom of Information Act.