

people who know the heartache, the heartbreak, and the problems of this system, and who also know that that which is right about our system makes it the best in the world for those who can access it. We are determined to come forward to the Congress with a plan that keeps the best of America's health care system, keeps the private provider system, keeps a lot of choice in the system, but deals with the awful problems that you know better than anybody. And I ask you to commit today not to let the special interests tell us that we can't deal with health care, not to let the special interests spook and scare the Members of Congress away from doing what is our manifest duty to the people of this country who are working hard and playing by the rules and falling further behind, and instead, to give us all a chance to do the work of a generation.

And that is really what's being given us in this time, in this Congress: the opportunity to do something that comes along once in a generation to change the whole course of America's future. By dealing with these things together, providing security and quality and control of cost in this health care system, bringing this deficit down and pursuing a long-term strategy for a high-wage, high-growth, low-unemployment economy. And they're all together. If you'll help me take that message to the Congress, this will be one of the best years the American people ever had.

Thank you very much.

Bosnia

Q. Have you heard anything from Bosnia, sir?

The President. No.

Q. How quickly are you prepared to move once you do?

The President. Well, let's wait and see what they do first.

Q. Mr. President, there is word that the parliament has agreed to the peace agreement. Mr. President, there is——

The President. I hope they—I'm waiting for a call from Secretary Christopher right now. Let me go take the call, and I'll give you——

Q. And then what, sir?

Child Immunization

Q. Sir, what happened to your immunization program on the Hill? Why did you have to dog back on that?

The President. Well, Secretary Shalala says we're going to get a program that can immunize a lot more people. We did the best we could with the money we had. You know, a lot of these things are going to be a function of how much money we have. But I feel pretty good about it. I talked to her about it. She feels good about it. We think it's a big advance over where we are.

Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 4:27 p.m. in the Rose Garden at the White House. A portion of the remarks could not be verified because the tape was incomplete.

Message to the Congress Transmitting a Report on the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement

May 5, 1993

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to section 304(f) of the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement Implementation Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-449; 102 Stat. 1875), I am pleased to transmit the attached biennial report regarding the actions

taken by the United States and Canada to implement the Free-Trade Agreement.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,
May 5, 1993.