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MEFE REPONSE TO COLORADO TRAGEDY

Parker, Colorado, April 19th: One of the current tragedies facing Colorado right now is the incredibly devastating earthquake that occurred on Wednesday April 6th, 2022. Residents of the northern parts of the city were safely evacuated, but much of the city still lies in rubble and hundreds of people are injured, dead, or still unaccounted for. This quake has been recorded as the largest to ever hit Colorado in history at an 8.7 magnitude. It struck the central foothills of Colorado, centered just north of University of Colorado in Boulder, and could be felt in a much larger area including Superior, Longmont and parts of Northern Denver. There have been several reports of severe damage including the virtual destruction of most University buildings and campus dormitories. Currently about 65% of the students have been reported safe, but 27 died in this tragedy and many more are still unaccounted for by friends and family. It has been reported that there is over \$120 million in damage, and it will take months to get the city back to normal. One of the most important parts of being in positions of power in government is having a good recovery plan for tragedies such as these. Elliot Morse of the MEFE party is running for president this year and would like me to formally propose this recovery plan for the foothills of Colorado.

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To start off, we need to relocate students and staff from the college that was destroyed, hopefully somewhere where they can continue their curriculum, and if not then at least get them out of the destroyed city, away from the rubble and somewhere they can be safe and comfortable while we clear away debris and start rebuilding. To be able to start building and pay for housing for residents affected by the quake, we would need to raise hundreds of millions of dollars. To do this we should start fundraisers around the state and spread awareness of the tragedy to the rest of the country. We should also ask for donations of nonperishable food items, backpacks, clothes, diapers, menstrual products, extra medical supplies, and building materials. Even with this plan in place it will take months, even over a year, to get the city back to normal, so the sooner we start the sooner we can get people back to their houses and back to learning. It will take a lot of time, money, and donations but working together we can rebuild the city and restore the University.

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