OBAMA VACATION SKETCH (a la SNL)

TITLES: MARTHA’S VINEYARD, AUGUST 2013

INT. RESTAURANT

PRESIDENT and MRS. OBAMA enter.

PRESIDENT
I’m so glad we could get away.

MRS. OBAMA
I’m worried about leaving the kids in the hotel.

PRESIDENT
Don’t worry, Biden’s with them. He’s a good baby-sitter. He’s AMERICA’S baby-sitter.

MRS. OBAMA
Spending the evening with our children isn’t the same as taking Bo for a walk every morning.

PRESIDENT
I’m sure they’ll take good care of him and make sure he goes to sleep right at his bedtime.

(pause)
I heard this place has the best food on the island.

MRS. OBAMA
Who told you that?

PRESIDENT
Chris Christie insisted I eat here. So I’m sure the food is excellent.

The HOSTESS approaches.

HOSTESS
Welcome to Martha’s Restaurant. Gee, you look just like that guy on TV who does an impression of the president.

MRS. OBAMA
He makes a good living pretending to be the president.
HOSTESS
We’ll be seating you soon.

PRESIDENT
How soon?

HOSTESS
Just as soon as I get that tax cut you promised.

PRESIDENT
(to Mrs. Obama)
We could starve to death.

She escorts them to their seats.

The FIRST WAITER approaches, it’s John Boehner.

FIRST WAITER
I’m House Majority Leader John Boehner, I’ll be your waiter tonight.
(hands them tiny menus)
I highly recommend the bacon cheeseburger.

MRS. OBAMA
He’ll have the tofu burger with lettuce and bean sprouts.

PRESIDENT
Can I get the bacon cheeseburger with Canadian bacon?

FIRST WAITER
Absolutely not. Why would you want to put American pigs out of work?

PRESIDENT
(looking over tiny menu)
Why are there so few choices on the menu?

FIRST WAITER
The sequester.

PRESIDENT
The what?
FIRST WAITER
That’s when you refused to cut spending so Congress had to.

PRESIDENT
Oh, that. Malia was explaining that to me. Okay, bacon cheeseburger, medium-rare. What are my cheese choices?

FIRST WAITER
Cheese, or no cheese.
(pause)
And we decide. Remember, there are three branches of government and we control all of them.

PRESIDENT
But I’m the president.
(starts to butter a roll)

MRS. OBAMA
That’s what you think.
(takes away his roll and butter knife)

A SECOND WAITER brings a tray of food. He’s Harry Reid.

FIRST WAITER
What’s this?

SECOND WAITER
I’m Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. The president wanted a bacon cheeseburger so we are offering a compromise.
(puts down plates in front of the couple)

PRESIDENT
But this is fish.

MRS. OBAMA
I didn’t even order yet. And this is dessert.

The president quickly switches plates with his wife.

PRESIDENT
(eating cake)
What a great restaurant!

FIRST WAITER
This is my table.

SECOND WAITER
Oh go drip your spray tan somewhere else.

The waiters get into a fist fight.

FIRST WAITER
Wait, we haven’t given them the check.

The second waiter takes a folder from his apron and hands it to the president.

PRESIDENT
I never got what I ordered.
(looks at the bill)
Fifteen trillion dollars?

BOTH WAITERS
(in unison)
Don’t worry, America’s paying for it...

FADE.