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W. M. ABBITT, M.C.
4TH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

HOME ADDRESS:
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 2, 1969

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Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect
Federal Building No. 7
17th and H Streets, N. W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Harlow:

I thank you for your nice letter which was brought to my attention upon my return to the office today.

I look forward to seeing you and Mr. Timmons and hope that you will drop in when you are in our vicinity.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Abbitt
W. M. Abbitt

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Watkins M. Abbitt
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Abbitt:

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Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 13, 1969

Honorable Thomas G. Abernethy
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Abernethy:

The President-Elect appreciated very much your ringing endorsement of Mr. J. T. Martin. Your letter of December 31, 1968 is an impressive salute, and it will be very influential in all considerations.

Mr. Nixon and I warmly appreciate your letting us know of your strong backing for Mr. Martin. Your salute to him means a great deal.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:kmb

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Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

January 14, 1969

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Flanagan

Dear Ross:

Rogers

Thanks very much for your ringing endorsements of Dr. Herbert Bredemeier and Mrs. Mildred Carson Ahlgren. Your letters of December 26, 1968 and January 10, 1969 are an impressive salute, and they will be very influential in all considerations.

I warmly appreciate your letting me know of your strong backing of Dr. Bredemeier and Mrs. Ahlgren. Your salute to them means a great deal.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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BNHs*

December 30, 1968

Honorable E. Ross Adair
Member of Congress
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ross:

Thanks very much for your December 12
telegram recommending Robert E. Bauman for
a White House Congressional Liaison post.

I'm pleased to know of your commendation
and will certainly try to work something out so
that Mr. Bauman can participate in the new
Administration. Your enthusiastic salute means
a great deal.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

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Washington, D. C. 20515

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Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:kb

December 22, 1968

*Rogers
Hanigan*

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

Hastily I reply to your letter of December 11 recommending Mr. Matthew J. Harvey be appointed Director of Congressional Liaison of the Agency for International Development.

His experience is quite impressive and I shall quickly forward copies of your letter to the decision-making people in the transition organization and Secretary-Designate Rogers for their perusal.

Best regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:kmb

December 18, 1968

M
Anderson

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House
of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

I am tremendously impressed by your December 7 letter offering suggestions for the Administration's programs concerning veterans affairs. This thoughtful paper is now in the hands of the people here working with Mr. Nixon on program development, and I need hardly assure you that your suggestions will have very careful attention.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 18, 1968

Harlow

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

I know Don Jackson well and do, indeed, share your high esteem of him. I will make sure your salute, contained in your December 12 telegram, is placed along with the others Don has received in the proper hands hereabouts.

Don's experience and talents merit active consideration; I am quite sure they will be most carefully investigated.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 15, 1968

*Hanigan
&
Blount*

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

It is my pleasure to acknowledge your several telegrams in behalf of a number of distinguished public servants -- Walter Judd, Bill Harrison, and Nyle Jackson. I know them all and share your respect and warm regard for each.

While events have passed us by and foreclosed the possibility of Walter Judd for Secretary of State, his potential for other State positions remains and is receiving attention. So also with your suggestion that Bill Harrison be appointed Assistant Secretary of Interior. I am also making sure that the new Postmaster General-designate, Mr. Blount, knows thoroughly about Nyle Jackson.

We certainly appreciate your recommendations of these outstanding public servants.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 15, 1968

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Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

I have put Mr. Gruis' interest in the General Counsel slot with the Federal Trade Commission in the appropriate hands hereabouts, together with your warm endorsement of him -- so this bit of the task is in good shape. When you send along the resume, I will also place it properly.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

E. ROSS ADAIR
4TH DISTRICT, INDIANA
2263 RAYBURN BUILDING

COMMITTEES:
FOREIGN AFFAIRS
VETERANS' AFFAIRS
RANKING MINORITY MEMBER

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

December 11, 1968

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
RICHARD C. PRICKETT

FORT WAYNE OFFICE:
MRS. LOUISE HILLS
1700 LINCOLN TOWER
PHONE: 743-9706

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Bryce:

Your appointment as Assistant to the President, with responsibility for Congressional relations, occurred while I was on a trip to the Far East from which I have just returned. I would like to congratulate you upon your appointment and will look forward to working closely with you.

While I was out of the country, your letter of November 27th arrived asking for suggestions for inclusion in the program for the new administration. I will be happy to send you my thoughts on veterans' affairs and you should receive a letter outlining my views by the end of the week.

In the meantime, since I will become senior Republican on the Foreign Affairs Committee when the 91st Congress convenes, I would like to offer some suggestions on foreign affairs legislation, especially that concerning the controversial subject of foreign aid.

A matter of great concern to the Congress has been the proliferation of foreign aid programs. Not only are the State Department and AID involved in the foreign aid effort, but also Defense, Agriculture (Food for Peace), Treasury, and the quasi-independent Peace Corps. As a result, it is very difficult for the Congress to get a look at the total foreign aid picture.

I think it is of the utmost importance that persons high in the new administration meet and talk with those of us on the Foreign Affairs Committee about these and other matters at the earliest possible time. There are so many matters in the field of Foreign Affairs that will require close cooperation between the Executive and Legislative Branches, and I am most anxious that we work together

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
December 11, 1968
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closely from the beginning. Therefore, it is my opinion that a meeting or meetings should be arranged soon, and I would ask your cooperation in this respect.

I assure you and the President-Elect of my desire to be helpful in every way possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Ross Adair", written in a cursive style.

E. Ross Adair, M. C.

ERA:mg

January 17, 1969

Honorable E. Ross Adair
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Ross:

Thanks very much for your hearty endorsement of Mrs. Francis Ricks as Director of the U. S. Travel Service. Your January 13 wire to Bryce Harlow is a glowing accolade and will weigh heavily on those responsible to the President-Elect for screening candidates for policy positions in the new Administration. I know Mrs. Ricks will receive thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

William E. Timmons
Deputy Assistant

WET:kmb

bcc: Skans
Peter Flanigan

December 10, 1968

Mr. Harry Flemming
Office of the President-Elect
White House
Washington, D. C.

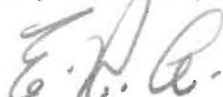
Dear Mr. Flemming:

I am writing to you in behalf of Mr. Harold F. Eberle who is seeking employment in the office of Congressional Affairs in the Department of State.

Hal's present employer, Representative Corbett of Pennsylvania, has written to you relative to his very excellent qualifications for a position in the Department of State in the Nixon Administration. My feeling is that Hal is eminently qualified for this sort of position and I would like to add wholehearted endorsement to his aspirations.

Any favorable consideration that can be given him will be greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,



E. ROSS ADAIR
Member of Congress

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November 27, 1968

Honorable E. Ross Adair
Member of Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ross:

For the next several weeks President-Elect Nixon will be firming up programs to be proposed to Congress by the new Republican Administration.

Mr. Nixon is much aware of your long Congressional experience and your leadership as our party's senior member on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. He is very hopeful that you will offer suggestions for inclusion in the program of the new Administration and that your recommendations can be made available by mid-December. If you would supply these suggestions to me, I will see that they receive the priority attention that the President-Elect has directed.

With cordial regard.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Brock Adams
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Adams:

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Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
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BNH:kb

January 13, 1969

Honorable Joseph P. Addabbo
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Addabbo:

Mr. Nixon asked me to reply to your December letter urging revisions in the Internal Revenue Code.

The President-Elect wishes to assure you of his continuing interest in assuring a fair and equitable tax structure. You may be sure that your suggestions will be seriously considered as the new Administration's programs are developed.

We warmly appreciate your interest in this area.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH/sr

bcc: Dr. Martin Anderson

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JOSEPH P. ADDABBO
7TH DIST., NEW YORK

DISTRICT OFFICE:
96-11 101ST AVENUE
OZONE PARK, NEW YORK 11417

REPLY TO:
1727 LONGWORTH HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
LOUISE W. SNOWDEN

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December 4, 1968

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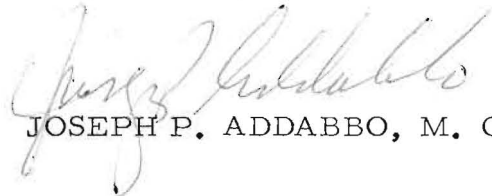
The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
President-Elect of the United States
The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel
Park Avenue at 50th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Nixon:

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of a letter I have written to President Johnson on the need for reform of the Internal Revenue Code. It is my hope that tax reform will become a bi-partisan issue.

If needed tax reform is to become a reality, we will need leadership from the Executive Branch to bring it about. I hope that we may count upon you for this leadership.

Respectfully yours,


JOSEPH P. ADDABBO, M. C.

JPA:LWS

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

The Revenue and Expenditure Control Act of 1968 contained a provision (section 110) requiring the submission by you to the Congress of proposals for comprehensive reform of the Internal Revenue Code. The Act specifies that such proposals should be submitted prior to December 31, 1968.

As a member of the House Committee on Appropriations, I am deeply concerned with the impact of the tax surcharge on middle and low-income families. In addition, I am aware that the new session of Congress will have the responsibility of deciding whether to extend the tax surcharge or permitting the temporary tax measure to expire on July 1, 1969.

It is generally admitted that the number of tax loopholes and inequities in our tax structure is unjustifiable and requires the immediate attention of Congress. Leadership from the Executive Branch is imperative if we in the Congress are to meet our responsibility in this area.

To cite a few examples of needed tax revision, let me mention the glaring loopholes such as the oil depletion allowance; the need for tighter controls of tax free foundations; tax free industrial bonds; the capital gains provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and the need for a minimum income tax.

Mr. President, if we are to meet our responsibility in facing the challenges which confront our nation, we must face the question of tax reform as a potential source of additional revenue through closing tax loopholes instead of escalating the unfair tax burden on middle and low-income taxpayers--the unrealistic personal exemption of \$600 must be changed.

The President

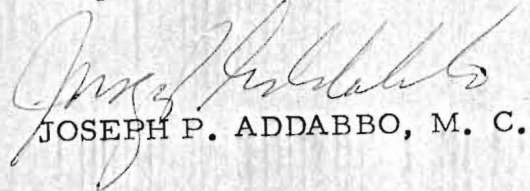
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December 4, 1968

I await your recommendations with great interest and in the hope that the 91st Congress will not fail to debate the question of tax reform.

I am sending a copy of this letter to President-Elect Richard M. Nixon in the hope that tax reform may become a bi-partisan issue.

Respectfully yours,



JOSEPH P. ADDABBO, M. C.

Copy: Nixon

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

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Assistant to the
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BNH:kb

December 3, 1968

Honorable Spiro T. Agnew
The Executive Mansion
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Vice-President Elect:

This will confirm our previous telephone notification of a meeting of President-Elect Nixon with the Republican Legislative Leaders on Monday, December 16, at 11:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in the conference room, 7th floor, Federal Building (corner of 17th and H Streets, N. W. -- entrance, 17th Street).

You will be met at the elevator on the 7th floor and shown to the conference room to avoid delays.

Your suggestions regarding agenda items for this first Leadership Meeting will be welcomed.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

January 16, 1969

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Flanigan
FROM: Bryce N. Harlow

Senator Win Prouty of Vermont strongly recommended on January 13 that Mr. Peter A. Bove be named Governor of the Virgin Islands.

Prouty says that this is the most important matter that he will submit, and he more or less insists upon it. He says that Senator Aiken also supports Bove.

Bryce N. Harlow

ANDERSON

January 3, 1969

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear George:

Although the actual written response to your December 5 letter is tardy, my action in getting your comments to the policy-makers was not; I do want you to know how much Mr. Nixon and I appreciate your thoughtful discussion on the needs of American agriculture.

You are thoroughly helpful.

Warmly,

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 5, 1968

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to The President-Elect
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Bryce:

Replying to your letter of November 27th, with other countries subsidizing both production and exports of agricultural products in the world market and with special effort being made to dump commodities on the American market, it would be folly to abandon reasonable price supports here or to let down the bars to greatly increased imports.

To rely solely on the law of supply and demand, as some suggest, would create a crisis in American agriculture.

Agricultural appropriations should be charged to those segments of Government where they properly belong - for example - several hundred million dollars a year is paid to cotton growers so they can sell to the mills at the world market price which is much less than cost of production. A few years ago this subsidy was properly paid to the mills so they could pay a fair price to the grower. The mills, however, got this subsidy transferred to agriculture as they did not like the publicity of getting a Government handout. Also, nearly \$2 billion a year is charged to agriculture for foreign aid.

Many other programs designed to aid the non-farm population are charged to the cost of operating the USDA. Most of such programs are worthy, but the cost is doing much to discredit our agriculture generally.

It might be well to limit the amount which could be paid to any one producer but this proposal would run into opposition - especially from the cotton mills and large growers.

The work of the Farmers Home Administration for rural development could well be extended along lines indicated by the recent Congress.

December 5, 1968

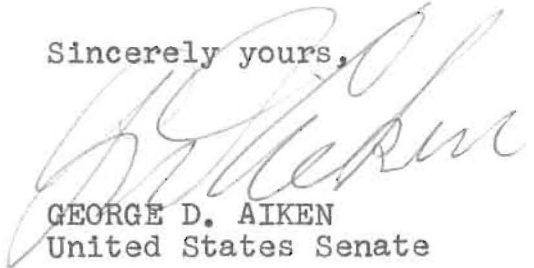
The solution to urban problems will not be found by making big cities bigger. Population and industry must spread out. To a considerable extent this does entail a merger of industry, agriculture and recreation. Sound planning is imperative and also difficult but the more people that live on the land in their own homes, the safer the structure of Democracy will be.

I wish I could give you a complete and workable formula but I cannot; neither can anyone else for conditions change so fast that continuous study and planning are required.

Production is constantly coming from larger units but we must keep people on the land or we will be in real trouble. I think this can be done.

Be assured that I will be ready to help - without prejudice - at any and all times.

Sincerely yours,



GEORGE D. AIKEN
United States Senate

GDA:ej

January 15, 1969

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.. 20510

Dear George:

Thanks for your letter of January 8th
addressed to Bryce concerning Milton P. Siegel
and your note about Mary Brooks.

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging
this for Bryce and wish to assure you that it
will receive every consideration.

Again, thanks for writing.

As ever, I am

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. BeLieu
Deputy Assistant

KEB:jt

cc: Mr. Flanigan

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'K.E. BeLieu', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

DEC 19 1968

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 14, 1968

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Dear Dick:

I appreciate very much your letter on
my re-election.

I look forward to the coming year when
I will be working with our new President.

Sincerely yours,

Regards to Pat 

The Honorable
Richard M. Nixon
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York

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necessary
HAB*

January 11, 1969

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear George:

Thanks for your letter of January 6th addressed to Bryce concerning Charles R. Ross, former Commissioner of the Federal Power Commission.

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging it and wish to assure you that it will be given every consideration.

Again, thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing.

As ever, I am

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Belieu
Deputy Assistant

cc: Mr. Flanigan

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GEORGE D. AIKEN
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

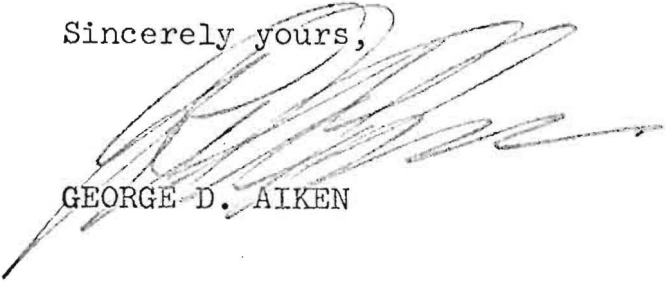
January 6, 1969

Dear Bryce:

Mr. Charles R. Ross, former Commissioner of the Federal Power Commission, at present is a Member of the International Joint Commission. I hope that the Nixon Administration will continue his membership on this important Commission.

Charlie resigned from the Federal Power Commission in September of last year and returned to Shelburne, Vermont, to practice law.

Sincerely yours,



GEORGE D. AIKEN

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Office of The President-Elect
Pierre Hotel
61st Street and 5th Avenue
New York, New York 10021

January 11, 1969

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear George:

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of January 6th addressed to Bryce, recommending Forrest Rettgers to be Under Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

I surely agree with you on Forrest's competency and will transmit a copy of your letter to Mel Laird. Last week I personally discussed Forrest with Mel's people. Mel will, undoubtedly, make up his own mind but I wish Forrest all the best.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness in writing.

As ever, I am

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. BeLieu
Deputy Assistant

KEB:jt

cc: Mel Laird
cc: Mr. Flanigan

GEORGE D. AIKEN
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 6, 1969

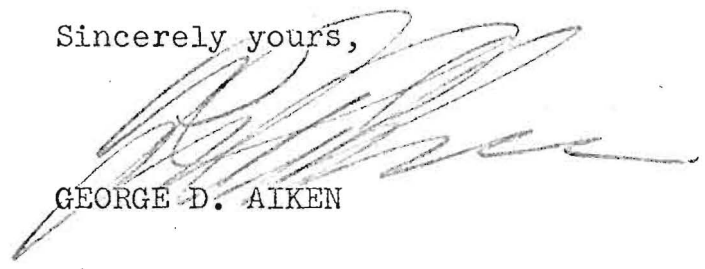
JAN 9 1969

Dear Bryce:

I understand that several Senators and Congressmen have recommended Forrest Rettgers of Virginia to be Under Secretary of the Air Force or an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

I know Forrest to be a very competent person and am glad to support this recommendation.

Sincerely yours,



GEORGE D. AIKEN

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Office of The President-Elect
Pierre Hotel
61st Street and 5th Avenue
New York, New York 10021

January 8, 1969

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear George:

Thanks very much for your good letter of December 21st. I apologize for the delay in acknowledging; I know you understand that operating from a headquarters in New York while at the same time setting up transition headquarters in Washington befools normal correspondence.

I am sending your communication to the task force working with the President-Elect on existing and new programs for the Administration.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness. Your suggestion will have very careful attention.

With cordial regard, I am

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

cc: Mr. Martin Anderson
BNH:jt

JOHN O. PASTORE, R.I.
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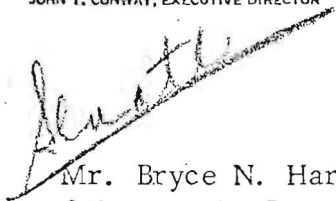
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JOINT COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510
December 21, 1968

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Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Office of the President-Elect
Pierre Hotel
61st Street and 5th Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Bryce:

In my role as ranking Senate Minority Member of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, I wish to suggest an Executive Order by the President that would solve a very serious situation that has been under study by the Joint Committee for the last year.

For reasons I need not go into at this time, the Atomic Energy Act is deficient as an instrument to regulate commercially feasible nuclear plants in the public interest. During extensive hearings by the Joint Committee on my bill, S. 2564, it was brought out that the AEC is deficient in the safeguards needed to protect and conserve natural resources, prevent regional monopoly of electric generation and distribution, to insure an adequate supply of power in areas threatened by shortages, and protect the public health and safety (thermal pollution).

All nuclear power plants licensed by the AEC so far are licensed under Section 104 of the law relating to medical therapy and research and development, instead of being licensed as commercially feasible operations. After getting its research license from AEC, a utility goes to the SEC and obtains a license to issue stock on the basis of the profits anticipated as a commercially feasible project. By being so licensed by AEC, the utilities escape the reach of the anti-trust laws and also enjoy the right to exclude municipal and rural cooperatives from the benefits of nuclear power - even though \$2 billion in public money went into the advance research that made nuclear power commercially feasible.

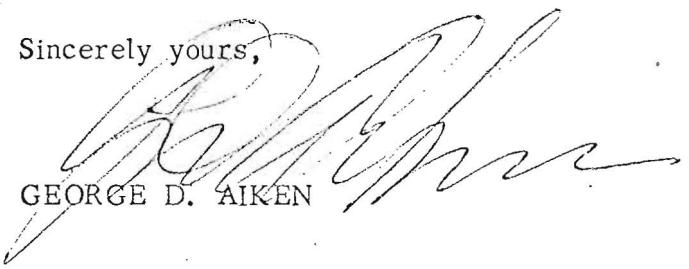
The hearings on my bill made it clear beyond any reasonable doubt that the AEC, while one of the most effective research organizations on earth, is totally ignorant of the kind of action needed to regulate power in the market place. We need nuclear power critically, and the private utilities have done a masterful job of developing this power in many parts of the country. However, they should not be allowed to monopolize this power, but should be required to submit to the same kind of regulation now provided over conventional power by the Federal Power Commission.

I therefore suggest that nuclear, fossil and conventional power be regulated by the FPC. This agency has the experience needed. All alternative solutions would be extremely costly for they would require the establishment of an entirely new regulatory agency.

In suggesting that the President issue an Executive Order for this purpose, I wish to underscore the fact that it was a Republican Administration, in 1954, which broadened the original Atomic Energy Act by sweeping amendments to provide for the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

It would therefore be appropriate that this Republican Administration carry on where the Eisenhower Administration left off - by providing for the regulation of all electric power in the public interest by the Federal Power Commission.

Sincerely yours,



GEORGE D. AIKEN

GDA:mam

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable George D. Aiken
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear George:

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Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

December 5, 1968

This letter was dictated on the telephone by Senator Aiken from Putney, Vermont. The original has gone up to him for signature but he wanted Bryce Harlow to have a copy of it as quickly as possible.

The original will be along shortly.

Office of Senator Aiken

COPY

December 5, 1968

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to The President-Elect
450 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Bryce:

Replying to your letter of November 27th, with other countries subsidizing both production and exports of agricultural products in the world market and with special effort being made to dump commodities on the American market, it would be folly to abandon reasonable price supports here or to let down the bars to greatly increased imports.

To rely solely on the law of supply and demand, as some suggest, would create a crisis in American agriculture.

Agricultural appropriations should be charged to those segments of Government where they properly belong - for example - several hundred million dollars a year is paid to cotton growers so they can sell to the mills at the world market price which is much less than cost of production. A few years ago this subsidy was properly paid to the mills so they could pay a fair price to the grower. The mills, however, got this subsidy transferred to agriculture as they did not like the publicity of getting a Government handout. Also, nearly \$2 billion a year is charged to agriculture for foreign aid.

Many other programs designed to aid the non-farm population are charged to the cost of operating the USDA. Most of such programs are worthy, but the cost is doing much to discredit our agriculture generally.

It might be well to limit the amount which could be paid to any one producer but this proposal would run into opposition - especially from the cotton mills and large growers.

The work of the Farmers Home Administration for rural development could well be extended along lines indicated by the recent Congress.

December 5, 1968

The solution to urban problems will not be found by making big cities bigger. Population and industry must spread out. To a considerable extent this does entail a merger of industry, agriculture and recreation. Sound planning is imperative and also difficult but the more people that live on the land in their own homes, the safer the structure of Democracy will be.

I wish I could give you a complete and workable formula but I cannot; neither can anyone else for conditions change so fast that continuous study and planning are required.

Production is constantly coming from larger units but we must keep people on the land or we will be in real trouble. I think this can be done.

Be assured that I will be ready to help - without prejudice - at any and all times.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE D. AIKEN
United States Senate

GDA:ej

NOVEMBER 30, 1968

RN TALKED TO SENATOR GEORGE AIKEN TODAY

November 27, 1968

Honorable George D. Aiken, USS
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear George:

For the next several weeks President-Elect Nixon will be firming up programs to be proposed to Congress by the new Republican Administration.

Mr. Nixon is much aware of your long Congressional experience and your leadership as our party's senior member on the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. He is very hopeful that you will offer suggestions for inclusion in the program of the new Administration and that your recommendations can be made available by mid-December. If you would supply these suggestions to me, I will see that they receive the priority attention that the President-Elect has directed.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect

BNH:mv

SHULTZ

January 16, 1969

Honorable Carl Albert
United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Carl:

I appreciate your advising me, via the copy of your January 14 letter to Secretary-Designate Shultz, of your endorsement of John Holmes.

I have no doubt that Mr. Shultz will give very close attention both to Mr. Holmes' impressive record and your enthusiastic backing.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

January 15, 1969

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Honorable Carl Albert
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Carl:

Thanks very much for your January 13 letter endorsing the retention of Commissioner Bennett in the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

I'm glad to know the views of the Osage Tribal Council and am sure your familiarity with the problems of our native Americans will carry great influence in the Councils hereabouts. So I've insured both endorsements are carefully noted.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Carl Albert
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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December 15, 1968

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Dear Carl:

I welcome your December 9 letter. Certainly it will be a privilege to meet Tracy Greenwood, and I am making arrangements to see that this takes place soon after the Inauguration. I would prefer to do this earlier but am sure you and Tracy's family realize that the current press coincident with forming a new Administration makes this a difficult time to give the attention to Tracy that I would like to.

I look forward to seeing you soon after I return to Washington.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

Richard Nixon

Honorable Carl Albert
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

NOVEMBER 13, 1968

UNCOMPLETED CALL TO CONG. CARL ALBERT FROM RN.

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HONORABLE RICHARD M NIXON, PRESIDENT ELECT

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CONGRATULATIONS UPON YOUR VICTORY. WE WILL DO WHATEVER WE CAN

TO BE OF HELP TO YOU IN THE SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY. MAY GOD

BLESS AND KEEP YOU

CARL ALBERT, MAJORITY LEADER, US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Bill Alexander
Congressman - Elect
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Alexander:

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Assistant to the
President-Elect

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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January 6, 1969

Hon. Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect
Office of the President-Elect
Richard M. Nixon
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Harlow:

I appreciate your good letter of December 24, advising me of your location and offering your assistance during the transitional period of our government. I am sure I will be calling on you, and I look forward to working with you and President Nixon during the next four years.

With sincerest best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,


James B. Allen

JBA/mpf

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968 .

Honorable James B. Allen
Senator-Elect
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator-Elect Allen:

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Gordon Allott
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

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Assistant to the
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January 16, 1969

Honorable Gordon Allott,
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Gordon:

Thanks very much for your January 15 recommendation that the new Administration retain Chancellor Mitchell on the United States Commission for Civil Rights. The Chancellor's letter is quite impressive, and your support is, of course, noteworthy and influential.

I've brought this situation to the attention of those involved in the deliberations, where I'm sure it will have careful and serious attention.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 15, 1968

Harlow

Honorable Gordon Allott
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Gordon:

Although events have passed us by respecting your recommendations of David Hamil for Secretary of Agriculture and Howard Jenkins for Secretary of Labor, Mr. Nixon has asked me to assure you that careful note is being taken of your recommendations of Mrs. Elston and Mr. Brewer, the former for Treasurer of the United States, the latter for Deputy Postmaster General.

Certainly your high regard for these two outstanding individuals will count a great deal with Mr. Nixon and those working with him in respect to these important posts.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 8, 1968

Honorable Gordon Allott
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Gordon:

Thank you very much for forwarding the President-Elect
correspondence from Mr. C. Charles Lubthisophon.

For your information and file, I am enclosing a copy of
the reply to Mr. Lubthisophon's letter.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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NOVEMBER 30, 1968

RN TALKED WITH SENATOR ALLOTT TODAY

To: Bryce Harlow
From: Hugh Sloan
The call to Senator Allott was completed
at 10:10 A.M.

NOVEMBER 30, 1968

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SENATOR GORDAN ALLOTT

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450 PARK AVE NYK

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GREAT VICTORY AND YOUR GREAT COURAGE
WHICH HAVE BROUGHT US ALL TO THIS HAPPY DAY

SENATOR GORDON ALLOTT

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Clinton P. Anderson
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

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RN TALKED TO SENATOR CLINTON P. ANDERSON TODAY.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

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